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Annabel Crabb takes a ride with Senator Ricky Muir on Kitchen Cabinet

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In this episode of *Kitchen Cabinet*, **Annabel Crabb** travels to Gippsland, Victoria to meet the 34 year old father of five Senator **Ricky Muir**, who started election night 2013 as an anonymous petrol head, and ended it as the senator elected on the lowest-ever proportion of the primary vote.

Annabel investigates how he is coping with his sudden rise to public prominence after a less than promising start to his political career.

After a quick sticky-beak in his home they do some superfluous four-wheel-driving to a log cabin where – around the campfire – they discuss why Senator Muir found school difficult, who he was most scared of meeting when he first entered politics and his path to supporting gay marriage.

For dessert Annabel cannot resist the urge to make a Ricky Road cake...boom tish.

Ricky Muir was elected to the Senate on a record low vote in 2013 as part of the Australian Motoring Enthusiast Party. Little was known about the former timber mill worker, but he quickly caught the public's attention with awkward media interviews and staffing issues. In 2014 he delivered an emotional maiden speech, and since then has spoken passionately about youth unemployment, same sex marriage and asylum seekers. Muir lives in Gippsland in Victoria and is married to Kerrie-Anne. They have five children.

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