



**NEW GUINEA VOLUNTEER RIFLES
and
PAPUA NEW GUINEA VOLUNTEER RIFLES
Ex Members Association Inc**



assistance. Doug Formby, an ex-Armoured Corps Brigadier, is very much "outcomes" oriented and a straight shooter. We are expectant of an early and positive response.

Paul Nerau helped considerably in initiating this meeting. Paul's interest is to get the RSL's backing to arrange PNG Memorial Day ceremonies in Brisbane and at Bomana and Lae War Cemeteries, starting 2008 as well as promote historic tourism such as the Kokoda Track and the Black Cat Track from Wau to Salamaua. You will hear more of this in due course. Incidentally, the Brigadier suggested we might wish to become a sub-branch of the RSL.

An update on our website is in order. I have completed the text and graphics and it is now ready for our man to put it on the web on his return from overseas next week. I am hopeful that our website www.pngvr.com is up and operating by the end of November. There are over 160 images, 111 photographs and about 5.5 megabytes of information on this comprehensive site. I will be pleased to hear your comments when it is in situ.

On Friday 16th November at 9.30am, we are hosting the Beenleigh TPI Association of about 30 people and also the Pine Rivers RSL Tuesday 18th December from noon to 1.30pm at the Museum. John will need assistance at these openings.

Our Christmas function will be held at 11am, Saturday 24th November at the Museum immediately following our next committee meeting. This is an informal BBQ with attendees bringing their food and drink. All are welcome to attend.

Once again, and on behalf of members, thank you Barry and Pam and your usual helpers for hosting and organizing this wonderful bush dining night.

On behalf of the Committee, I wish everyone a happy and safe Christmas and a healthy and prosperous New Year.

Phil Ainsworth
10th November 2007

BATTLE HONOURS
Rabaul Wau South-West Pacific 1942-43

Memo from the President
17 November 2007.

Dear Member

Following our 2007 Annual General Meeting held on Saturday 29 September, at the 6 RAR Long Tan Sergeants Mess, Gallipoli Barracks, Enoggera, I am pleased to announce the elected Executive Committee of your Association for 2007/8:-

- Patron:	Major-General John Pearn, AM. RFD. (Retd)
- President:	Mr Phillip Ainsworth.
- Vice President (PNG Rep)	Mr John Mudge
- Vice President:	Mr Bob Collins
- Secretary:	Mr Col Gould
- Treasurer:	Mr Doug Ng
- Hon Solicitor:	Mr Bruce Crawford
- Museum Curator:	Mr John Holland
- Welfare Officer:	Mr Paul Brown
- Photographer:	Mr Tom Dowling
- Committee	Mr Mai Zimmermann Mr Jesse Chee

Our next edition of 'Harim Tok Tok' will be published early in December, in the meantime, please find included in this Memo, my address to the members and guests who attended the November Bush Dinner at Jimboomba. The draft Minutes of our 2007 Annual General Meeting plus the audited Treasurer's report for 2006/7 are also included for your information.

A warm welcome as an Associate Member is Mr Joseph Dawson of Forster in NSW. Then Sergeant Dawson served with the PIB (Pacific Infantry Battalion) between 1943 and 1945 around Nabzab and in Bougainville. Welcome Joseph to the Association.

P. Ainsworth.

COMING EVENTS

- Saturday 24 November..... 0930 Executive Committee meeting
- Saturday 24 November..... 1100—1400 Museum Christmas Open Day
- Wednesday 23 April 2008.... Proposed Regimental Mixed Dinner Reunion
Long Tan Sergeants Mess Gallipoli Barracks
- Friday 25 April 2008.... ANZAC Day March and Reunion function
(Approximate Order of march position = 86)
- Saturday 14 June 2008.... Jimboomba Bush Dinner
- Tuesday 1 July 2008.... Montevideo Maru Memorial Service & Morning
Tea ANZAC Square Brisbane

CHRISTMAS GET-TO-GETHER AT OUR MUSEUM-AT WACOL
SATURDAY 24 NOVEMBER 2007

11.00 am to 2.00 pm

BYO drinks

Please bring a **Secret Santa** gift no more than \$5 each.

Please bring a plate of light refreshments for the table

Tea & Coffee will be available.

THE MUSEUM IS AIR CONDITIONED

All members and guests are welcome.

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**(DRAFT) MINUTES OF THE 2007 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
HELD ON SATURDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2007
AT 6 RAR LONG TAN SERGEANTS MESS
GALLIPOI BARRACKS – BRISBANE.**

Call to order:- 1647 Hours

Meeting Chairman: P. Ainsworth (President)

" Minute Silence for departed Comrades "

Welfare Officer, Paul Brown read out the names of those members who passed away in 2006/7.

1. Present: As per attendance register - P Ainsworth; C Gould; T Dowling; B Collins; P Barlow; J Hall; M Frost; G Bagajluk; J Chee; P Brown; R Seeto; K Williams; G McGrade; J McGrath; B Crawford; M Griffin; C Schmidt; L Irvine; M Zimmermann - Quorum declared

President Phil Ainsworth welcomed members present acknowledging Life Members present – Col Gould and Tom Dowling, - and ANGAU member, Les Irvine. Guest speaker Bruce Petty was introduced.

2. Apologies: The Secretary read out apologies received. Major-General John Pearn; John Mudge; John Holland; Barry Wright; Trevor Connell; Colonel Peter Cole; Percy Neville; Jack Hobbins; Mike Larkin; Gordon Wilks; Allan Tronson; Bernard Schellings; Max Shadlow; Jes Hansford; Bert Sedwick; Brian Costello; Pattie Gould; Bruce Johnson; Karl Aschhoff; Bill Bickerton; Alastair Martin; Jim Vote; Tom Lega; Con Doran; Leigh Eastwood; Bob Harvey-Hall; Ken Hitchcock; Don Heap; Stan Carswell; Neil Rooney; Graeme Blanch; Dave Harris; Mike Zimmermann & Marty O'Sullivan.

Moved by C Gould and seconded by M Zimmermann that the apologies be received. Carried.

3. Confirmation of Minutes of the 2006 AGM: (Tabled)

Moved by P Barlow and seconded by K Williams that the Minutes of the 2006 AGM, as recorded, be ratified. Carried.

4. Business arising from the Minutes:

4.1 Proposed PNG visit - The Secretary advised that only five expressions of interest had been received. The Executive Committee will consider the responses in the near future.

4.2 PIR Association- Bruce Crawford reported on a successful merger of a number of members of the former PIR Association into the NGVR/PNGVR Association as Associate members. At the time of the AGM some 27 former members of the PIR, PIB, NGIB and ANGAU had joined the Association. Some \$1800 of PIR Association funds had been donated to our Association after they disbanded in April 2007.

5. Correspondence: The Secretary tabled the following correspondence for discussion.

* Letter from His Excellency Major-General Michael Jeffery – Governor General of the Commonwealth of Australia – accepting an open invitation for a private visit to our museum at a time yet to be determined.

* Correspondence from the Office of Fair Trading (Qld) regarding changes to the Associations Incorporation Act effected from June 2007.

* Invitation from the South Burnett (Wondai, Queensland) Reserve Forces Day Committee for interested members to participate in their 2008 Reserve Forces Day Parade at Wondai on Sunday 6 July 2008 – the Theme is 60th Anniversary of the re-raising of the Citizen's Military Force after the Second World War.

JIMBOOMBA BUSH DINNER 10th NOVEMBER, 2007

Good evening Mr. Dining President. our Patron, ladies and gentlemen,

The AGM at the Long Tan Sergeants Mess was a little over a month ago so I have little to say. The next few months is our quieter activities period in our yearly cycle. None the less, we will not be going to sleep.

Our speaker at the AGM, Bruce Petty from New Zealand has been in touch and is seeking information about the CHAMORROS family who originally came for Guam during German times either to Lae or Rabaul. They eventually moved to Australia and one part of the family currently resides in Brisbane. Unfortunately the older generations of the family did not speak of their PNG background, particularly place names and dates, and the children are wondering about their past, and a friend of Bruce's is using the family as a theme for a TV event. The Chamorros may have been involved in German missionary work or with Queen Emma's or others in their south sea trading enterprises at that time. Many one can assist, please see me after the dinner.

On the 6th October Colin, Bruce and I attended a meeting with Colin Bell and his NSAAQ Committee at Wacol to discuss our lease. It turned out to be a friendly affair mainly about sharing expenses on the site. As others have been paying the bills to date and no actual amounts were available little was achieved. However, an updated estimate indicates our original \$1,000 per annum has escalated to between two and three thousand dollars per year. We indicated we always carried our weight and suggested a membership related formula be used e.g. we have about 250 members while NSAAQ has 3000.

The fifteen minute video promo which was produced in 2004 for a possible short film about our Regiment now in DVD form which will be used at the Museum when we receive delivery of a donated flat screen and DVD player which has been promised. I also hope to receive all the unused footage filmed at the time on DVD, but this may take a little time to retrieve from the company's archives, as the company no longer exists.

John Holland attended the PNG and Queensland Pacific Partnership Forum at the Conrad Treasury on 25th October and renewed old friendships and helped in increasing our network of contacts.

Our Patron's afternoon tea was held at our Museum on Saturday 27th October. This was a reciprocal matter with the Small Ships Association, which our Patron is also it's Patron, and who hosted a morning tea at Slaughter Falls earlier this year which was attended by our Committee. About 50 attended and enjoyed convivial moments with old and new friends. It also gave us a good opportunity to show off our Museum.

Colin and myself attended the Yeronga RSL mixed annual luncheon on the following Sunday when we met with its Executive and made a presentation about our Regiment' and Association's activities. We had previously made a submission to them for a grant to assist us in re-equipping our office and publishing Bob's book on the Gallant Five Hundred. Whilst we have been verbally advised of a generous donation coming our way, no formal reply has been received to date.

Continuing in the same vein, another submission to Sherwood RSL through our member Mike Griffin, who is vice-president of that RSL, netted a grant of \$150 for the Museum. We have also received another generous donation of \$1,000 from the Greenbank RSL for the Museum. Well done John Holland!

The Committee is receiving an increasing number of invitations some at short notice due to the nature of the functions, which Committee members are unable to attend. If anyone is prepared to participate in these and represent the Association, please contact either the Secretary or myself.

John Holland has had several other opening days at the Museum for working bees and showings for various groups and organizations. On behalf of the members, thank you John and your other helpers for this work. If anyone is able to assist John in this regard, please contact him or the Secretary.

Last Thursday, Colin, Bruce and I met with Doug Formby the President of the Queensland RSL and John Burgess it's International Affairs Officer to brief them on our Regiments and Association activities as well as discuss how they may get involved in PNG, either by assisting us or re-gigging the PNG RSL with our

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Profit & Loss

July 2006 through June 2007

	Jul '2006 - Jun 2007	Jul '2005 - Jun 2006
Income		
Annual Fees	5,835.00	5,900.00
Bank Interest	712.16	584.45
Book Sales	270.00	0.00
Donations		
AGM Refreshments	75.00	0.00
General	305.00	35.00
Wacol Museum	2,700.00	750.00
Total Donations	3,080.00	785.00
Functions Profit	726.27	444.78
Funds from P I R	1,543.05	0.00
Grants		
DVA	0.00	3,000.00
Qld Government	0.00	18,381.00
Total Grants	0.00	21,381.00
Joining Fee	50.00	100.00
Medal Ribbon Sales	432.00	0.00
Museum Box Takings	715.00	459.30
Q Store Sales	666.00	732.00
Raffle Sales	981.00	0.00
Stubby Holder Sales	743.00	0.00
Total Income	15,753.48	30,386.53
Expense		
Annual Return Fees	63.10	36.00
Association Photos	92.00	0.00
Audit Fee	275.00	275.00
Bank Charges	0.00	0.70
Canon Hire	150.00	0.00
Deceased Members Expenses	45.00	0.00
Depreciation	5,120.00	2,610.00
Donation	35.00	35.00
Medal Mounting	0.00	192.00
Medal Ribbon Purchases	648.65	0.00
Military Support Expenses	0.00	159.00
Museum Weapon Collector Licence	0.00	365.55
PNGVR Signs	77.00	0.00
PO Box Rental	107.00	60.00
Postage, Printing and Stationer	3,342.03	3,707.42
Presentations	36.00	121.20
Q Store Purchases	630.00	264.50
Repairs and Maintenance	1,382.86	1,807.22
Weapons Disarming Fees	150.00	0.00
Total Expense	12,153.64	9,633.59
Net Income	3,599.84	20,752.94

* Letter of apology for the AGM from Patron Major-General John Pearn.

* ANZAC Day 2008 Order of March for Brisbane with NGVR/PNGVR in preliminary position number 83 with a total of 198 groups in the march.

* PNG News update – announcement that the PNG National Government will spend Kina 3 billion over the next 10 years to build a 170 km Trans-Islands Highway linking Lae and Port Moresby via Wau via the wartime **Bulldog track**.

* Details of the next Jimboomba Bush Dinner – Saturday 10 November 2007.

* Details of the funeral service of the late WO2 Harvey Booth 25/1/26 to 23/7/07.

Moved by B Collins and seconded by T Dowling that the correspondence be received. Carried.

6. **Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer, Doug Ng tabled his report for 2006/7 completed with the Auditor's Independent end of year audit statement. Net profit for the 12 months ending 30 June 2007 was \$ 3,599-84.

Balance at Bank:-	\$ 8,427-87	
Term Deposits:-	\$ 15,000-00	
Total cash assets	\$ 23,427-87	Total Association Assets: \$ 48,471-62
Accounts owing:	NIL	

Moved by D Ng and seconded by P Brown that the Treasurer's report be received. Carried.

7. **Museum Curator's Report:** In the absence of Curator John Holland, the Secretary tabled a written report prepared by J Holland. Items discussed include:- 1. Donation of a Chief's hut carving from the Solomon Islands along with 2 Rokotos men carvings and three James Sinclair books kindly donated by Lt Colonel Maurie Pears. 2. A cannon taken from a Japanese Zero shot down near New Ireland in 1943 and recovered in 1963 was restored and donated to our Museum. 3. J Holland in his report thanked all those members who had support the museum via working bees, building and grounds maintenance and display upgrading. 4. A donation from Mr & Mrs David Beattie of Japanese anti-aircraft gunner's chest and head armor found on Tunnel Hill, Rabaul. In closing, our Museum Curator extended an invitation to all members who have not yet visited the museum, to try and do so in 2007/8. 5. A donation of \$1,000 was received from the Greenbank RSL Sub-Branch to help with costs associated with security requirements at our Museum. The Greenbank RSL Sub-Branch has been most supportive of our Association and Museum, and we are most grateful for their support.

Moved by C Gould and seconded by B Collins that the Museum Curator's Report be received. Carried.

B Collins moved a vote of thanks to John Holland for his dedication and efforts in ensuring the successful operation of the NGVR / PNGVR Memorial Museum.

8. **Welfare Officer's Report:** Paul Brown reported on his various Welfare activities including the recent funerals of members Col Hall and Dr Norm Fisher. President Phil Ainsworth thanked the Welfare Officer for his welfare work and outcomes.

Moved by P Brown and seconded by J Chee that the Welfare Officer's report be received. Carried.

9. **President's Annual Report:** "Good evening. As the detailed activities of our Association have been reported regularly in Harim Tok Tok my report tonight will be restricted to the highlights and challenges of the past 12 months with a look into 2008. 2006/7 has been a busy year which included several one off major projects combined with our usual activities.

One such project included the very successful Chinese Memorial Bell dedication ceremony in Fortitude Valley and in May 2007, the dual NGVR-ANGAU and PIR Memorial plaques dedication at the Australian War Memorial in Canberra by His Excellency the Governor General of Australia, Major-General Michael Jeffery. We were pleased to see the PNG High Commissioner Mr Charles Lepani and PNG Consul General Paul Nerau at the dedication supported by many of our members.

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Balance Sheet

As of June 30, 2007

PNGVR's history is being researched and compiled by Bob Harvey-Hall and he needs members to support this most worthy project by submitting their personal stories. Bob is aiming to complete the history by mid to late 2008. We will need a sponsor or a funding grant to publish the final document.

Our long awaited Association web site -- www.pngvr.com is nearing completion and should be up and running by November 2007. It will comprise of our history with lots of photographs.

Much has been achieved at our museum over the year however its success is due to the efforts of a few. More direct member support is required if the museum is to reach its potential.

Some projects have, unfortunately been less successful. Bob Collin's collection of our NGVR service recollections needs publication but we urgently need a sponsor or funding grant etc to get it to final publication. All efforts to seek sponsorship of government grant have not yielded positive results to date.

We continue to offer support to our PNGVR comrades in Papua New Guinea. The Association continues to assist with medal applications to Canberra. We also continue to strive to strengthen our ties with Papua New Guinea with the assistance and support of PNG Consul General, Mr Paul Nerua.

We recently welcomed over 25 ex members of the PIR, PIB, NGIB and ANGAU as Associate Members.

The current high level of activity could not be maintained without your dedicated and hard working Committee. As outgoing President, I record my thanks to Secretary Col Gould. Treasurer Doug Ng, Welfare Officer Paul Brown, Museum Curator John Holland, Hon. Solicitor Bruce Crawford, Vice-Presidents Bob Collins and John Mudge and hard working members Tom Dowling, Jesse Chee, Mal Zimmermann and Jim Vote.

In conclusion, our patron, Major-General John Pearn, has been most supportive throughout the year and I thank him for being our Patron.

Thank You. .

Moved by P Ainsworth and seconded by G Bagajluk that the President's Report be received. Carried.

10. Election of Office Bearers – 2007/8

P Ainsworth vacated the Chair. G Bagajluk assumed the Chair as acting Chairman.

10.1 Declaration of Proxies received - The Secretary read out details of proxies received by the due date.

10.2 Declaration of Nominations for Executive Committee 2007/8 - The Secretary read out nominations received.

President - P Ainsworth	Vice President (PNG Rep)- J Mudge
Vice President- B Collins	Secretary - C Gould
Treasurer- D Ng	Committee: P Brown J Holland T Dowling M Zimmermann J Chee

There being no further nominations, G Bagajluk declared the nominated members duly elected for 2007/8.

P Ainsworth resumed the Chair.

10.3 Appointment and authorization of the Association's 'Welfare Officer'.

Moved by M Griffin and seconded by B Collins that Paul Brown be appointed as the Association's Welfare Officer. Carried.

10.4 Appointment of Association Patron.

Moved by C Gould and seconded by B Crawford that Major-General John Pearn be appointed Association Patron for 2007/8 Carried.

	Jun 30, 2007	Jun 30, 2006
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Current/Savings		
Cash at Bank	8,427.87	18,433.58
Term Deposits	15,000.00	10,000.00
Total Current/Savings	23,427.87	28,433.58
Other Current Assets		
Debtors	3,647.00	4,956.00
Stock on Hand	2,003.00	2,533.00
Total Other Current Assets	5,650.00	7,489.00
Total Current Assets	29,077.87	35,922.58
Fixed Assets		
Plant and Equipment		
Cost	38,227.75	22,993.20
Depreciation Claimed	-18,664.00	-13,544.00
Total Plant and Equipment	19,563.75	9,449.20
Total Fixed Assets	19,563.75	9,449.20
TOTAL ASSETS	48,641.62	45,371.78
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities		
Other Current Liabilities		
Subscriptions in Advance	170.00	500.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	170.00	500.00
Total Current Liabilities	170.00	500.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	170.00	500.00
NET ASSETS	48,471.62	44,871.78
EQUITY		
Retained Earnings	44,871.78	24,118.84
Net Income	3,599.84	20,752.94
TOTAL EQUITY	48,471.62	44,871.78

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INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS

Scope

I have audited the financial statements, being a special purpose financial report for the NGVR PNGVR Ex Members Association for the year ended 30 June 2007. The NGVR PNGVR Ex Members Association Inc., Committee of Management is responsible for the financial report and have determined that the accounting policies used are consistent with the financial reporting requirements of the NGVR PNGVR Ex Members Association Inc. and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. I have conducted an independent audit report of these financial statements in order to express an opinion on them to the members of NGVR PNGVR Ex Members Association Inc. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used are appropriate to the needs of the members.

My audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. My procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial statements, and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the financial statements are presented fairly in accordance with the accounting policies. (These policies do not require the application of all Accounting Standards and UIG Consensus Views)

The audit opinion expressed in the report has been formed on the above basis.

AUDIT OPINION

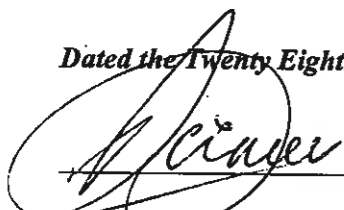
In my opinion the financial accounts present fairly the financial position of the NGVR PNGVR Ex Members Association Inc as at 30 June 2007 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with applicable Statement of Accounting concepts and applicable accounting standards.

As is common for organisations of this type, it is not practicable for the Committee to maintain an effective system of internal control over donations, subscriptions and other fund raising activities until their initial entry in the accounting records. Accordingly, our audit in relation to fundraising was limited to amounts recorded.

Qualified Audit Opinion

In our opinion, except for the effects of such adjustments, if any, as might have been determined to be necessary had the limitation discussed in the qualification paragraph not existed, the financial report presents fairly in accordance with the cash basis of accounting, as described above, the payments and receipts of NGVR PNGVR Ex Members Association Inc. for the year ended 30 June 2007 and its cash and bank balances as at that date.

Dated the Twenty Eighth Day of September, 2007.



PHILLIP SCIACCA
 B.Bus.ACA

10.5 Appointment of Association Honorary Solicitor

Moved by D Ng and seconded by P Brown, that Bruce Crawford be appointed as Association Honorary Solicitor for 2007/8. Carried.

10.6 Appointment of Auditors for 2007/8.

Moved by D Ng and seconded by P Brown that Phillip Sciacca, B.Bus.ACA be appointed Auditors for 2007/8. Carried.

10.7 Appointment of a Life Member.

Moved by P Brown and seconded by K Williams that Life Membership be granted to Hon. Solicitor Bruce Crawford in recognition of his long service on the Committee and recent and successful organisation of the Canberra function and for his work in PNG. Carried.

11 General Business

11.1 Change of Association Incorporation rules- B Crawford informed members of the recent (State) changes to the legislation which would require the Association to amend its Constitution to adopt the new rules. B Crawford stated that there would be no change to the Association's name, objectives and rules except the adoption of new additional administrative requirements. (details provided) The new rules came into effect on 15 June 2007.

Moved by B Crawford and seconded by P Brown that the Association's Constitution be amended to incorporate the new State (Qld) additional clauses. Carried.

11.2 Harim Tok Tok - G Bagajluk suggested that Harim Tok Tok be produced electronically so it could be emailed. P Ainsworth said that when new IT systems are procured, this proposal could be implemented.

11.3 Sale of ANZAC Badges - B Crawford said that it might be possible to raise funds via the sale of NAZAC Badges at selected Bunnings sites in 2008.

11.4 Vote of Thanks - Member Kel Williams congratulated and thanked members of the Executive Committee for their dedication and efforts throughout the year.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the AGM closed at 1804 hours and introduced guest speaker Mr Bruce Petty.

Members were invited to participate in the buffet dinner.

P Ainsworth
 CHAIRMAN

C Gould
 SECRETARY

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Financial Year Ended 30/6/07

Treasurer's Report

I present to you the Financial Report for the year ended 30th June, 2007 together with an independent Audit Report from Sciacca & Co, Chartered Accountants.

We are indeed blessed with a net profit of \$3,599.84 for the year after carrying out the various functions through the year such as Montevideo Maru Memorial Service, AGM, ANZAC Day, Regimental Dinner and the twin plaque dedication ceremony at the Australian War Memorial in Canberra.

As compared to last year the bulk of the income for the year comes from:

Donations	3,080.00
Funds from PIR	1,543.05
Raffle Sales	981.00
Stubby Holder Sales	743.00
Functions Profit	726.27
Museum Box Takings	715.00
Bank Interest	712.16

Our Secretary, Colin Gould, who is also the Chief Editor of Harim Tok Tok, managed to send out at least 4 or 5 editions for the year.

This important printing communication exercise, which is envied by other military organizations, comes at a cost of just over \$10 per member per year.

At the end of the financial year we have \$8,427.87 in the Bank Account and \$15,000 in Term Deposits making a total of \$23,427.87 in the Bank and no bills to pay!

To the members of the Association I wish to say to you that your Executives and Committee Members are not just hard working blokes spending hours and hours on end to run the Association with enthusiasm and dedication for the benefit of members but they are also very good as dexterous relationship builders and that is why a great deal of money was saved through donations and discounts on projects and goods purchased.

The chief forerunners in this skilful art are your Secretary, Colin Gould and Museum Director, John Holland. They would be neck and neck in the straight with President, Phil Ainsworth a length away and Paul Brown, half a length then Senior Vice President, Bob Collins followed by Association's Solicitor, Bruce Crawford, then Association's Photographer, Tom Dowling followed by Committee Members Jesse Chee, Mal Zimmermann and Jim Vote.

As an Executive Member of the Committee I am able to get an in depth knowledge of the running of the Association and I can report that you have a cohesive Committee with multi innovative and improvisational skills which the Association Members should be proud of.

I therefore appeal to you that if you have some spare money, think of the Association; if you have some spare time, think of the association as we need man power for repairs and manning of the Museum.

In conclusion, the major drain on our funds will be coming from the Museum and future projects.

I will therefore close by saying "Think not what the Association can do for you but what you can do for the Association".

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DOUGLAS NG
Treasurer