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Dear Members,

The PNGAA is urgently seeking nominations to fill the four executive positions namely President, Secretary, Treasurer and Editor at the up-coming AGM (Saturday, 1 May 2021). All positions on the Management Committee, executive and general, will be vacated and a new Committee voted into office.

The executive positions are ably supported by General Members of the Committee including Membership Officer, PNGAA Collection Coordinator, and state-based Events Coordinators, and members experienced in diverse aspects of PNG history. Meetings are currently held in Sydney with travel and accommodation expenses borne by the individual. There is also provision for tele-conferencing.

All Committee members are volunteers....PNG enthusiasts. Virtual meetings are often held by email or Zoom, so location is not necessarily an issue, although some face-to-face is helpful. This is a great opportunity for those wishing to contribute some spare time, whilst exercising their skills, to a worthwhile and highly regarded organisation, surrounded by a supportive team.

Whilst the PNGAA began in 1951 it has successfully evolved over the years and remains a unique and flexible organisation with a wide membership and diverse network. Anyone with direct experience in PNG, or an interest in the country and the culture, is welcome to be a member.

The PNGAA's primary goal is to strengthen the civil relationship between the peoples of Australia and Papua New Guinea – see further goals at: https://pngaa.org/The PNGAA/constitution/. Fresh initiatives are welcome for the PNGAA to remain dynamic, contemporary and to grow organically.

So, if you believe in the valuable work in recording the past, being part of the future PNG – Australia story, and wish to be involved in this vital period of the PNGAA, please consider nominating yourself or a known person for these roles. **Nominations need to be received by 31 January 2021** but please consider this now. The future of the Association relies on its members.

An overview of the various roles on the Committee is provided in the accompanying document. For further information on these roles, contact Chris Pearsall, PNGAA Secretary, or any of the current Management Committee members. We appreciate your consideration of this urgent matter.

Thank you

Chris Pearsall

on behalf of PNGAA Management Committee 2019-21

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