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Biography / Memoirs

Queen Emma: The Samoan-American Girl who Founded an Empire in 19th Century New Guinea /
R. W. Robson
Corinda, Papua New Guinea: Pictoria Press Australia, 2013
246p.
Include Index
9781876561802
\$ 50.00/ PB
300gm.

The true story of the Samoan-American girl (Emma Forsyth) who defied convention and founded a commercial empire in 19th century New Guinea.

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Beyond The Untrod Road: Biography of Major Kei Geno, The first Papua New Guinean Salvationist /
Ruth Raimo & Anja Mari Bray
Papua New Guinea: Post Printing, 2006
106p.
ISBN: 980860820
\$ 35.00 / PB
200gm.

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Braving Through Travails and Visions / Joe Sine Wemin
New Delhi, India: Scientific International Pvt. Ltd., 2016
xii, 108p.
Include Index
9789384007546
\$ 35.00 / PB
265gm.

Braving Through Travails and Visions is the story of the CEO of a public enterprise who started his journey as a village kid from the Pile clan within the Yuri tribe of Simbu Province in Papua New Guinea. The tribe has been characterized by tribal fights and most of the children missed their education.

But the vision of Joe Sine Wemin's father metamorphosed into seeking admission of his children in Port Moresby's school while himself earning through the sweat of his labour. Joe has his double degree from the University of Papua New Guinea (UPNG) in Political Science and Education, became a school teacher and with his penchant to scale the ladder tried and won a scholarship for a master's degree in Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy at the National University of Singapore.

With concern for people and his country and with his sustained efforts, while in Singapore, Joe was able to open avenues for the education of Papua New Guineans in Singapore. Back in PNG. Joe adorned coveted positions in the Department of National Planning culminating in his own appointment as CEO of Motor Vehicles Insurance Ltd., a public enterprise, and Charman of the National Road Safety Council Board.

The autobiography of Joe Sine Wemin, the recipient of the National Logohu Medal, intended to inculcate the value of hard work among the younger generation, narrates his care-free life in his village, hard work and hardships he encountered while growing up in the 6 Mile Dump Settlement in Port Moresby, the persons he interacted in overseas countries he visited either for education or as a participant in some conferences, and how he has been able to accomplish the niche as CEO of the public enterprise. In course of his long journey, he came across some irritants but in the end, he advises the younger generation that hard work, sustained efforts, the spirit of endurance, and reliance on God alone should bring us success. This is the quintessence of the whole book intended to inspire readers, especially students, to bring success to Papua New Guineans. The book also provides suggestions to improve governance and should be useful for the country's planners.

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A Matter of Conscience: Operation Rausim Kwik / General Jerry Singirok

Singapore: Partridge Publishing, 2022

xxvi, 610p.

Include Index

9781543768824

\$ 110.00/ PB

810gm.

Twenty years on from the abrupt ending of his military career, Jerry Singirok has had much time to ruminate on the past. Another strength of his manuscript is, in my view, the extent to which he does stand back and reflect, often quite critically, about his own decisions, as well as more broadly about politics, leadership, corruption, faith, family and many other facets of public and personal life in PNG. While coverage of the Sandline Affair and his military deployments to Bougainville may be action action-packed, it is also a thoughtful work. While still largely remembered for his act of defiance and rebellion, Singirok's actions also heralded the beginning of the Bougainville Peace Process. The book will be of considerable interest to many readers, and not just for those with a Pacific focus.

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HIV and AIDS Melanesian Health Readers Series: Book Five – The Story of Sopyale / John Kian

Boroko, Papua New Guinea: Melanesian Publishing Haus, Ltd, 2013

37p.

9789980944078

\$ 30.00/ PB

55gm.

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Economics / Development Studies

Imagination Is Everything / Steven Ed Winduo

Papua New Guinea: University of Papua New Guinea Press and Bookshop & Manui Publishers, 2021

xiv, 234p.

9789980992079

\$ 40.00 / PB

450gm.

Imagination is everything you need for success. Success principles and personal development contribute to high achievement in life. The simple principles are key to achieving impossible goals. Some of these principles and insights are uncommon, but proven tools of success.

The influences of international motivational and personal development gurus like Jack Canfield, Napoleon Hill, Robert Kiyosaki, Brian Tracy, Anthony Robbins, and others are indispensable to anyone interested in rising above the ordinary.

Between 2010 and 2017 I contributed newspaper articles to The National newspaper of Papua New Guinea. Followers of "Steven's Window" column in The Weekender feature of The National newspaper will welcome this book.

The different sections in the book cover transformative life changing ideas: Transform Yourself for Success, Dreams of Success, Master Plan, Success and Money, Have an Edge, and Read to Lead. The book is for personal motivation, inspiration, and growth in life.

Daily Bible readings and devotion helps one stay focused on the prize. It is about the power of imagination. It is about the power of thinking and becoming what you want to be. This book is for those needing sparks in life to move forward. The book shows ways of thinking outside of the box to succeed in life. It is a book about financial literacy as much as it is about the importance of money and what you do with it. It is a book about leadership, personal management, and commitment to infinite success.

Imagination is everything as Albert Einstein once said. This book is about the author's personal lessons and success applying the powerful success principles of Jack Canfield. These lessons are building blocks in life.

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History

New Guinea: East is East and West is West: Similarities and Differences / Kal Muller

Papua New Guinea: Galda Verlag, 2023

xlii, 543p.

Include Bibliography

9783962033149

New Guinea Communications Vol. 14

\$ 90.00/ PB

1005gm.

This book compares the two sides of New Guinea: the independent country of Papua New Guinea (PNG) and the West New Guinea (WNG) that forms a part of the Republic of Indonesia. By sharing the same island there are many similarities that apply to both sides such as the ethnic makeup in the eastern and western halves of New Guinea. Yet differences exist: geologies and geographies underlie some basic difference: outward maritime trade routes in the west focus toward the Moluccas while those in the east look towards the South Pacific. The inland trade routes are similar in the highlands following the dictates of the rugged terrain. Stone blades for axes and adzes were among the most important trade items everywhere, along with salt from local saline pools. The island's Babel of over 1,100 languages has prevented any large-scale political entities. And while the art styles show some similarities, marked differences are found in the east and the west.

The colonization process defines much of the current differences between the two sides. The west was colonized by the Dutch as part of their East Indies domain, now Indonesia. In the east, the British and the Germans were the first to take possession, with Australia taking over the entire west after 1914. Treatment of the Papuans differed considerably. In the west, it was almost complete neglect as the Dutch were mostly interested in the productive money generating parts of

the East Indies, lacking in West New Guinea. In what became Papua New Guinea, working in plantations and gold mining depended on cheap Papuan labor, with their treatment showing considerable variation.

World War II affected the two sides quite differently. The Japanese juggernaut rolled over the north coast of West New Guinea, then that of PNG before being stopped in the Solomon Islands. The expulsion of the Japanese took nearly three years on the PNG side but only a few months in WNG. This difference had profound effects, quite different on the two sides. The post war history in PNG headed for eventual independence in 1975 while WNG came to resemble an Indonesian colony with practically no political voice for the Papuans. Only a rebel movement contests Indonesian hegemony.

The last chapter on mining shows the differences between the two sides on this most important element of their economies. Basic land ownership, individual and clan rights cause many problems in PNG while Indonesian control negated any difficulties for any mining approved by the central government in Jakarta.

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Coastwatcher 1941 – 43: His Bougainville Reports / Jack Read

Special Edition

Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea: Papua New Guinea Printing Company Ltd, 2006

212p, ; 21cm

ISBN: 9980997419

\$ 40.00/ PB

270gm.

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Lakatoi And The Hiri Dalana / Mary R Mennis

Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea: University of Papua New Guinea Press, 2017

xii, 230p.

Include Index

9789980891600 / 9780994542717 (Website)

\$ 65.00 / PB

840gm.

Lakatoi and the Hiri Dalana is the latest book by Mary Mennis dealing with canoes and trading in Papua New Guinea. It is a companion book to Mariners of Madang which described the dadeng, the trading system, of the Bel people of Madang on the north coast. Lakatoi and the Hiri Dalana is about the canoes of the Port Moresby area of Papua New Guinea. Travelling on these canoes, the lakatoi, the Motu traders sailed on the Hiri route, the Dalana, to the Gulf of Papua. ... This book includes early photographs by explorers and missionaries, diagrams and descriptions of the pottery; the lakatoi; and the hiri exchange system.

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Eda Moresby: Reflections On The City of Port Moresby / John Brooksbank

Papua New Guinea: Paradise Publishing Haus Limited, 2021

190p.

9780646851013

\$ 120.00/ HB

1045gm.

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Linguistics

Aduahia: Count to 10 In Motu / Anja Mari Gen
Papua New Guinea: Anja Mari Gen (Self publish), 2021
12p.
9780646843544
\$ 30.00/ PB
40gm.

Motu is an Austronesian language spoken by the Motuan people of the south coast of Papua New Guinea. The Motu inhabit the region around Port Moresby, the capital of PNG and originally comprised the coastal villages from Manumanu to Gabagaba.

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