

10TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR KWON TRUSTEE'S REPORT

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The Trustees would like to take the opportunity, on the 10th Anniversary of our Kwoon, to thank Jeff Fricot and all committee members and instructors (past and present) in their dedicated efforts.

They have ensured the school's growth and maintained the values which have been the backbone of our organisation. It has been by no means easy, but you are all continually doing it each week, and we appreciate and are very proud of you.

Pak Hok Pai Australia was in fact officially incorporated in 2002, and we have had numerous, and at times temporary, homes. The founding of the Kwoon in 2008 signified a positive change, for we have been able to maintain this training premises for 10 years, which is in itself a remarkable achievement. We congratulate the committee members for their dedication and efforts.

Pak Hok Pai Australia has expanded significantly, locally and globally, in the last 10 years. The committee has established good connections with local councils, schools, malls, and restaurants. We have promoted our school locally and regionally by actively engaging in a number of community events and outreach programs. To name a few, we

are regular representatives at the Campbelltown Fisher's Ghost Festival, have conducted self-defence lessons for Mount Carmel High students, and conducted Chinese New Year lion dancing for many organisations around the Sydney metropolitan area.

This led to an influx of young students coming through the school, whilst some existing students have progressed through the ranks, and a number of instructors graded to senior levels and admitted to Life Membership.

Globally we have established excellent relationships, bond and good will with other Pak Hock Pai associations, in particular with Singapore, Malaysia and the Philippines. We have been invited and participated in many gala events, notably the celebrations of the 65th (2012) and 70th (2017) Anniversary of the Singapore Pak Hock Pai, and the 45th (2013) Anniversary of the Malaysia Pak Hock Pai. In addition, we took part in a friendly "Sanda" in 2012, which was hosted by the Singapore Wushu

Dragon and Lion Dance Federation. Furthermore, we have been invited to attend the 50th Anniversary celebration of the Malaysia Pak Hock Pai in December this year.

Sadly, over the last 10 years, a number of our Great Masters passed away. Some global Pak Hock Pai icons included our beloved Founder Grandmaster Chan Hak Fu in Macau (2013) and Grandmaster Tang Chek Ming in Hong Kong (2010), Singapore's Lion and Dragon dancing coach Master Loh in Singapore (2017), and also Master Peter Chan in Australia (2012). They will be remembered.

Sifu Ma and I, look forward to Pak Hock Pai Australia continually growing and spreading our martial arts skills, tradition, spirit, and values locally, nationally and globally for a successful and rewarding future.

Congratulations again,

Sifu Joce Santa Maria

On behalf of the Trustees