



# PAPUA NEW GUINEA OLYMPIC COMMITTEE 2021 ANNUAL REPORT

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# OUR VISION AND MISSION

Our Vision is to “**Inspire and Unite Papua New Guinea through Sporting Excellence and Success**” it reflects our long-term aspiration.

Our Mission is to be “**A respected and leading values-based National Olympic Committee empowering athletes and National Federations by strategically partnering with Government and key stakeholders to achieve Team PNG success.**”



## OUR VALUES

As a values-based organisation strongly committed to maintaining its integrity; our actions are guided by PNGOC’s key values of:

**HONESTY** – To be truthful to others and ourselves

**EXCELLENCE** – To consistently give our best and improve everyday

**RESPECT** – To demonstrate respect for all

**OPENNESS** – To be transparent and accountable

# THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Executive Board is voluntary and provides governance oversight of the organisation.

**PRESIDENT**



**Sir John Dawanincura Kt, OBE**

**SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT**



**Tony Green**

**FEMALE VICE PRESIDENT**



**Iammo Gapi Launa, BEM, MBE, OBE**

**MALE VICE PRESIDENT**



**Kila Dick**

**TREASURER**



**Peter Davani**

**CHAIRMAN FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE**



**Michael Henao**

**LEGAL ADVISOR**



**Faye-Zina Lalo**

**SECRETARY GENERAL**



**Auvita Rapilla, ML  
IOC MEMBER**

**CHAIR- ATHLETES COMMISSION**



**Ryan Pini, MBE**

**DEPUTY CHAIR -  
ATHLETES COMMISSION**



**Lua Rikis**

NOTE: With the exception of the Secretary General, the Executive Board are volunteers and provide governance oversight of the organisation.

# PNGOC LIFE MEMBERS



Veito Diro, MBE



Randy Varma, MBE

## SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The PNG Olympic Committee has one Commission i.e Athletes Commission and seven (7) separate Committees which focuses on specific agendas and play a role in providing support, development and awareness to them.

The Committees are made up of members from the PNG Olympic Committee Executive Board, Management as well as representatives from National Federations, sponsors and partners and selected individuals.

### **PNG ATHLETES COMMISSION: 10 Members**

- COMMITTEES ARE:**
- 1. Justification Committee***
  - 2. Marketing and Revenue Committee***
  - 3. Gender Equity Committee***
  - 4. Administration Committee***
  - 5. Technical Evaluation Committee***
  - 6. Team PNG Performance Committee***
  - 7. Audit and Investment Committee***

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Sport is an essential element that can be found in any thriving community. We bore witness to this as restrictions eased to enable the resumption of sports under the current COVID towards the end of 2021. Throughout my many years of involvement in sport, I have seen the organisation, and nation, grow in strength despite the challenges. Now 60 Years strong as a National Olympic Committee, I continue to remain inspired by the current and future athletes, officials and administrators of Team PNG as we enter into the new Olympiad.

As we surpass this milestone and enter new waters with the launch of our Team PNG Performance Strategy, we remain confident and optimistic about what else we can achieve. Elevating our athletes preparations and standards is a mission we are aiming to deliver on in order to inspire the next generation of Team PNG athletes and achieve Team PNG success.

As we continue to navigate the global pandemic, it is vital for our National Federations to remain connected with each other, as well as with our respective provincial associations and continue the work done to grow and develop sports under the new normal. Everyone has had to adapt to the changes to ensure that sports in the country does not go into hibernation. It was pleasing to hear of several National Federations adapting to the times and technologies by running hybrid annual general meetings. A cost saving format, and silver lining under current circumstances, which connects all provincial associations through technology.

National Federations, we continue to value your time and commitment in growing your sport. 60 Years on, there has never been a more prominent time and call to action where we must continue to dig deep and drive participation and engagement to ensure that the athletes and teams that have come before us are not an after-thought. I call upon all National Federations to ensure that you have full working executives to help carry out your mission and purpose in country. Your leadership and the support of those in your Executive Committee will be relied upon during this period.

By engaging our executives and our provincial associations, we can ensure that sports around the country do not hibernate. We must continue to build and improve on our own existing governance processes, and forge a pathway forward for the growth and benefit of our respective codes.

If you are looking for inspiration and leadership you need to look no further than our Tokyo 2020 Team PNG Olympians and Chef de Mission Miss Tamzin Wardley. In a period of uncertainty and ever-changing protocols, our athletes and Chef de Mission carried on their preparations, despite the challenges faced locally and on the international stage. It is inspiring to see how they represented the country and more importantly, how they handled



themselves well with humility and respect, reinforcing their status as important role models for everyone.

Role models are important at the Executive and athlete level to ensure the continuation of Papua New Guinean sport.

Throughout our 60 Years as a National Olympic Committee, we have seen the contributions and impact of role models that

have enabled us to come this far. Their presence, time and contributions was about building sustainable improvement and success across everything we do.

The Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee continues to be a valuable hub for its members and affiliates as we progress the work in country of the three different games movements we serve, being the Olympic Movement, Commonwealth Games Movement and the Pacific Games Movement.

The remaining three years of the Strategic Plan (2021-2024) presents an incredible opportunity for Team PNG to elevate its high-performance preparations, inspire and unite Papua New Guinea through sporting excellence and success, and in-turn contribute to our mission of achieving Team PNG success.

With collaboration from our new Performance Partnership to deliver on the Team PNG Performance Strategy, and the continuing development of sports in Papua New Guinea, we can now focus our attentions onto the 2022 Pacific Mini-Games in Saipan, Northern Marianas, the Birmingham Commonwealth Games, 2023 Solomon Islands Pacific Games, and our culminating event being the 2024 Paris Olympic Games.



**Sir John.N.Dawanincura, KT, OBE**

**President**

**Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee**



# SECRETARY GENERAL'S MESSAGE



**AUVITA RAPILLA, ML**  
*Secretary General*

## INTRODUCTION

**2021 marks 60 Years of our existence as a National Olympic Committee.**

To thrive into the future, we need to understand and appreciate the rich history of sport in the country and the impact it has on our communities and its individuals. As we reflect on the struggles and achievements of the past 60 years, we can marvel at the vast improvements and possibilities ahead for the current and future crop of Team PNG athletes and our member and affiliate National Federations.

We acknowledge those volunteers and sports administrators before us who paved the way for what we are able to enjoy and participate in today. Collectively with today's current crop of sports administrators and athletes past and present, we are proud of our achievements under the Team PNG banner and the respective games movements we serve.

Unprecedented challenges in running our fundraising events, hosting our annual general assembly, adapting to changing technological requirements amongst other things has forced us to become more collaborative and champion our values of honesty, excellence, respect and openness as we strive to be more innovative and work towards optimistic outcomes.

The Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee will continue to adapt and respond to these challenges through the leadership of our President and Executive Board as we work towards supporting Team PNG, our members and affiliates as we continue our work in the Olympic, Commonwealth and Pacific Games Movements.

## KEY ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN IN 2021 INCLUDE:

### TOKYO 2020 OLYMPICS

Despite a turbulent build up to Tokyo 2020, we were delighted to send a small contingent to Japan for the postponed Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games held from 23rd July to 8th August 2021.



Our Olympic team did well, a new experience and games in which we debut five new Olympians for the country with several athletes going on to achieve personal bests at the games.

We are grateful for the support from our family of corporate partners and stakeholders including the Australian Olympic Committee and the Australian Government through its PacificAus Sports program. Their support enabled

PNGOC and PNG to send a Team PNG contingent of 8 athletes and 11 officials led by Chef de Mission Tamzin Wardley, to Tokyo.



Amongst the eight athletes, five athletes made their Olympic debut as they joined an elite list of athletes to have donned the red, black and gold at an Olympic Games. The five athletes of Rellie Kaputin (Athletics), John Ume (Boxing), Ryan Maskelyne (Swimming), Rose-Lee Numa (Sailing) and Teariki Numa (Sailing) became proud Olympians as they endeavoured to achieve their individual targets as they competed against the world's best athletes within their sport.

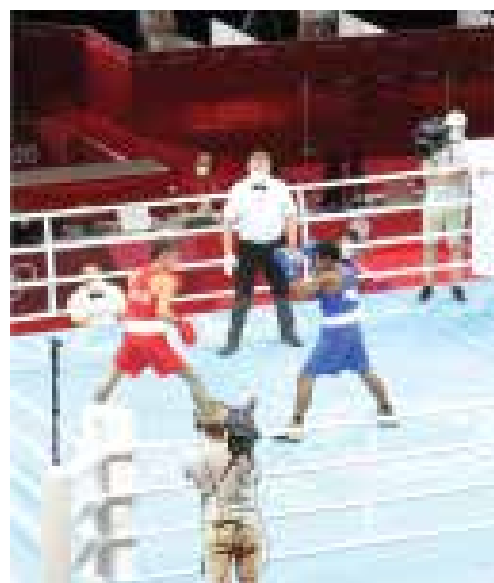
In a first for the Olympics and Team PNG, we had two flag bearers at the games which was endorsed by the International Olympic Committee in March 2020 requiring all National Olympic Committee to nominate two flag bearers, a male and a female. Team PNG was represented by weightlifting Olympians Dika Toua and Morea Baru.

Highlights of the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games included Morea Baru finishing tenth in the men's 61kg division, Rellie Kaputin finishing in the top 20 in the Women's Long Jump, Ryan Maskelyne breaking the national record and his personal best in the 200m Breaststroke event.



Judith Meauri won her heat in the Women's 50m Freestyle, John Ume fought valiantly in the Men's 63kg event against the Australian that went on to win Australia's first Boxing medal in over 30 years and sibling sailors of Rose-Lee and Teariki Numa sailed nobly on the waters.

Dika Toua becoming the first female Weightlifter to lift at five Olympic Games. Dika also created similar and parallel history when she became the first and youngest female lifter at the tender age of 16- years to participate when the sport was introduced during the 2000 Olympics in Sydney, Australia.



## 2021-2024 STRATEGIC PLAN LAUNCH

In the midst of the COVID19 pandemic, the Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee opted for a soft launch of its new Strategic Plan for the 2021-2024 period. The New Strategic Plan has four key focus areas for the organisation and its members and stakeholders. The planning process commenced in August 2020 through an external consultant, of which was an inclusive review and refinement process that involved National Federations, athletes and coaches, working committees, board, management and staff; the development of a Games Performance Strategy, both culminating in finalised documents in April 2021.



Aligning itself to the ideals of the Olympic Movement, Commonwealth Movement and Pacific Games Movement, the PNGOC has refined its vision to “Inspire and unite Papua New Guinea through Sporting Excellence and Success”, whilst maintaining its values of Honesty, Excellence, Respect and Openness.

The four key focus areas over the next four years are:

1. Excellence Embodied and Strategic Partnerships
2. Consistent Success for Team PNG
3. Develop the Solidarity amongst and Capability of National Federation and Athletes
4. Sport in Society

I would like to acknowledge and thank the Executive Board both past and present who embraced their responsibilities as custodians of the culture and strategic priorities under the 2016-2020 strategic plan.

## 2021 ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Our annual general meetings allows us to report to our members, affiliates and wider stakeholder audience about our strategic direction progress, use of resources and discuss issues of importance to our members. Pleasingly we ended off on the right balance as we finished off our 2016-2020 Strategic Plan through the collaborative efforts of our committees, Executive Board, National Federations, sponsors and stakeholders.

The Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee was delighted to have Teqball PNG voted in as its newest member at the June AGM. Teqball is the latest sport to be added to PNGOC's growing membership list. The newly formed sport was elected in as a new member National Federation (NF) to bring the total number of NFs to 40 members and affiliates.

In addition, the Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee was introduced to the New Treasurer Mr. Peter Davani who took up the vacant Treasurer position. It was also the first time in our history to trial a hybrid (physical and virtual) AGM in which Tennis and Athletics joined our meeting via the virtual platform.



## OYLMPIC DAY/WEEK

Through the facilitation ExxonMobil PNG, the Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee was able to commemorate the Olympic Week with the rest of the Olympic Movement when restrictions were lifted in June. Several of our member National Federations sports were introduced to students from five (5) selected primary schools within the National Capital District to learn and live out the three (3) Pillars of Olympic Day “Learn, Move and Discover”.



A three (3) day sports demonstration in Port Moresby was carried out at the Port Moresby Racquets Club and ended with a Mangrove Planting activity at Gwarumemase, which is situated in the Bootless Bay. Sports on showcase included Tennis, Squash,



Badminton, 3x3 Basketball, Teqball and Parkour. Schools that participated in the Olympic Day Sport Demonstration and Olympic Values Education Program included Wardstrip Primary School, Ted Diro Primary School, Butuka Primary School, Bavaroko Primary School and Butuka Primary School.

## OCEANIA SPORTS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Our Games and Programs Division was able to hold and achieve some of its set events in 2021 with the delivery of a range of activities together with the support of our partners. These included the OSEP Community Coach and Official, Sport in Community Administration and Gender Equity Workshops in June in Port Moresby, and the Oceania Sport Education Program (OSEP) Consultation workshops in three (3) provinces including online sessions.



## ANTI-DOPING

As part of PNGOC's commitment to clean sport, testing, education and awareness sessions were done for athletes and officials. Our efforts covered conducting out of competition tests, education and awareness sessions for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games targeted athletes and officials.

In November of 2021 there was a Master Educators Refresher course held which was split between the two programs the Oceania Sports Education Program (OSEP) and the Oceania Regional Anti-Doping Organisation (ORADO). The National Lead Master Educators for ORADO in PNG who attended were Janet Gimots and Asiani Vagi. The National Lead Master Educators for OSEP who attended were: Alurigo Ravusiro, Sophia Tuna, Geoffrey Gabriel





## **OLYMPIC VALUES EDUCATION PROGRAM (OVEP)**

The Olympic Values Education Program, which is proudly supported and funded by ExxonMobil PNG was delivered in Lake Kutubu in May and June of 2021.

The program was delivered through the following five (5) HERO athletes representing their respective National Federation – Denis Kopman (Karate), Nigel Bana (Karate), Raphaela Baki (Boxing), Betty Angula (Basketball) and Milton Kisapai (Hockey).

The HERO athletes took the program through six (6) schools) reaching an audience of 1200 students and their surrounding village(s).



## **ATHLETE EXCELLENCE PROGRAM**

Under the Athlete Excellence Program, the Institute of Business Studies University (IBSU) increased the number of scholarships for Team PNG athletes to take up studies with the IBS College of TVET and IBSU enabling our athletes with formal certification in their chosen field for life after sport. An extremely important partnership for Team PNG which we are grateful for.

Team PNG, the Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee, its member National Federations and the wider community has benefitted and will continue to benefit from this arrangement that prepares our athletes for a life after sport.

## KICKS FOR KOKODA

The Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee attended the Relationships Skills Curriculum training of Coaches in Kokoda under the Kicks 4 Kokoda Project. This project is a two-year project in collaboration with Kokoda Track Foundation and Grassroots Soccer, and supported by Team Up Program from the Australian Government. The program uses sport for development to empower adolescents, increase health-seeking behaviours and promote gender equality while strengthening passion for sport.

Our main activity in the project is to deliver four tournaments in Kokoda and Buna at the end of the SKILLZ training. The tournaments will be delivered by Team PNG HERO athletes who will also deliver on the Olympic Values Education Program in the tournament.



## OTHER PROGRAMS

The Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee participated in the following programs including the Sports Positive Next Generation Summit of which the organisation was represented by Milton Kisapai who was part of a panel of speakers who spoke on how professional and organized sports can use their reach to drive societal change on climate.

Under the International Olympic Committee's (IOC) Olympic Solidarity Scholarship, Alurigo Ravusiro graduated with an Executive Masters in Sport Organisations Management. She developed a project and wrote a dissertation on: " Maximizing Opportunities for National Federations in Papua New Guinea Through Partnerships. Looking through the lens of the Australia & Papua New Guinea bilateral relationship.



As part of the Love Your Coast Program, Team PNG HERO athletes celebrated World Coral Triangle Day in collaboration with the Conservation and Environment Protection Authority on Motupore Island.



The activity was also in line with the Sustainable Development Goals 13, 14 and 15, and also the Love Your Coast Program. The athletes also took time to learn about coral farming and restoration. In addition, on World Environment Day, Team PNG athletes took part in preparing 6000 mangrove seedlings at the Sir Hubert Murray Stadium that were transplanted around Port Moresby.



## TEAM PNG PERFORMANCE

During the 2021-2024 Strategic Planning process we were able to develop a focused Team PNG Performance Strategy. The Team PNG Performance Strategy aligns with the key focus area number two which looks at consistent success for Team PNG.

The Team PNG Performance Strategy will proudly shape the performance and delivery of our high-performance targets to reach our goal of Team PNG success on the international stage through targeted programs in the coming years.

Having a documented strategy allows us to be more intentional with our programs and resources to ensure that every opportunity is accorded to Team PNG to be successful and competitive at every multi-sport games we attend. Our vision for Team PNG is to be the best performing Pacific nation at all major multi-sport Games it competes in from 2021 through to 2024. The Performance Strategy sets the framework around future growth and success in this area.

With eighteen programs focused on five key areas including support to targeted elite athletes, performance-based standards, development pathways, elite performance expertise and the formation of the Team PNG's Performance Partnership, we are well on our way to drive and deliver on the overarching goal of Team PNG success.



This is done through the newly developed Resource Allocation Policy and the NF/Athlete tiering system policy developed in 2021. Two guide-

lines were also developed to assist NFs with developing their respective High Performance Plans and sport specific selection policies. Support to elite athletes aims to be strategic and targeted that leads towards achieving Team PNG's vision of being the best pacific nation at all multi-sport Games.

Team PNG's selection policies for athletes and officials were also updated to reflect the current circumstances which saw the PNGOC board endorse the changes of making COVID-19 vaccination mandatory to be part of Team PNG. With international travel only allowing vaccinated individuals to travel, it was a necessary step to take in order to minimise travel difficulties and to safeguard the athletes and officials that will be part of Team PNG for future Games.

The formation of Team PNG's performance partnership was the priority of the strategy that saw key stakeholders come together towards achieving Team PNG's vision of being the best performing Pacific nation. The first meeting of the partnership saw the presenting of Team PNG's Performance Strategy to the Minister for Sports, Higher Education, Research, Science and Technology, Hon Wesley Raminai, PNGSF Executive Director, Albert Veratau along with National Sports Institute and High-Performance Sport PNG. The partnership also includes representatives from the National Federations.

Kumul Consolidated Holdings Ltd came on board to collaborate with PNGOC to assist with funding support to implement Team PNG's Performance Strategy, which has seen initial support provided to several National Federation's with domestic competitions within their high- performance plans.

Athletics PNG was one of the first NFs to receive support through the strategy and KCHL, which saw them run their National Championships in Kimbe in early December

## FUNDRAISING EVENTS

Marred by lockdowns again in 2021, we were not able to stage our two main fundraising activities under the banners of the long running annual Trukai Fun Run (TFR) for the second consecutive year since 2020, and the Prime Minister's Corporate Golf Challenge in 2021.

These fundraisers provide much needed support for Team PNG to the multi-sport games, as well as funding to other essential activities undertaken by the PNGOC to strengthen its member National Federations and their athletes and officials.

While the annual Trukai Fun Run was not possible this year, the close and good working partnership with Trukai Industries Ltd saw collaborated and coordinated sales of the T-shirts which enabled a total of 25,000 T-shirts sold within a period of just under 3 months, before the Tokyo Games.

We would like to extend our gratitude to the organisations and individuals that supported with the purchasing of t-shirts despite the event not going ahead.



## VIRTUALISATION OF EVENTS AND MEETINGS

With social distancing now practiced and going virtual is preferred, we acknowledge the Board, management and Staff of EMTV for partnering with us to air the first Team PNG Virtual Farewell, prior to the Tokyo games. This option was taken due to the majority of our athletes, coaches and team managers being based overseas in addition to complying with the existing COVID requirements at play.



We would also like to acknowledge and thank the support of major sponsor SP Brewery and supporting sponsors in delivering the 28th edition of the SP Sports Awards, a virtual first in 2021 which was held to recognise achievements in 2019 and 2020. In addition we would like to also acknowledge and thank our guest speaker for the event, our 2019 Hall of Fame Inductee Takale Tuna.

### Our 2021 SP Sports Awards Winners:

#	Category	Recipient
1	Male Athlete of the Year	Justin Olam (Rugby League)
2	Female Athlete of the Year	Dika Toua (Weightlifting)
3	Junior Male Athlete of the Year	Hila Vare
4	Junior Female Athlete of the Year	Patricia Apisah (Tennis)
5	National Team Performance Award	Kroton Hela Wigmen
6	Sports Official of the Year	Joseph Dawes
7	Best Sports Person with a Disability	Steven Abraham
8	Community Sports Initiative Award	Basketball for Good
9	Sports Media Award Winner	Paul Taumik Jnr (NBC Sports)
10	Sports Photo of the Year	Jordan Sere
11	Team of the Year Winner	PNG Barramundis (Cricket)
12	People's Choice Awards Winner	Norman Vanua (Cricket)
13	Stan Joyce Award Winner	Trukai Industries Ltd



## PNGOC PARTNERS

The annual review of the MoU between PNG Olympic Committee and the PNG Sports Foundation saw it take place in November where both organisations were able to review the collaboration of its respective areas of cooperation. The annual review is an important part of PNGOC and PNG Sports Foundation's commitment of ensuring it is ready to assist with the implementation of the recently launched National Sports Policy.



The launching of the National Sports Policy comes as a major boost for all key stakeholders in the sporting arena as they look towards providing better support to National Federations and its athletes and coaches.

PNGOC was able to secure additional sponsorships and forged new working partnerships with Jacks of PNG, with the supply and design of the Team PNG Walkout Wear to the Tokyo Games, Brian Bell Group with their “B the Best’ Olympic Campaign”; City Pharmacy Limited Vouchers for Team PNG; and the National Gaming Control Board (NGCB) and Kumul Consolidated Holdings Limited (KCHL) provided much needed support to assist the PNGOC with sending Team PNG to Tokyo. As a non-government organisation (NGO), we are indebted to the continued commitment and partnership from our family of corporate partners, despite the new challenges imposed by the coronavirus to the economy and businesses in the country.





Our family of Corporate Partners in 2021 included; Kumul Consolidated Holdings; PacificAus Sports; National Gaming Control Board; Trukai Industries Ltd, Brian Bell Group; SP Brewery Ltd; The National; ExxonMobil PNG Ltd; Coral Seas Hotels; IBS University; Theodist; CPL Group; Media Partners; Trophy Haus; Jacks PNG and Blue7 Team.

## **CONCLUSION**

2022 looks to be another busy year commencing with the Queens Baton scheduled to visit Papua New Guinea from 29th to 31st January 2022 as it makes its journey around the Commonwealth as a prelude to the 2022 Birmingham Commonwealth Games.

Team PNG will participate in two Games in 2022, the Pacific Mini Games in Saipan, Northern Marianas from 17 – 25 June; and the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham, the UK from 27 July to 7 August 2022.

The Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee firmly remains focused on our long-term vision of inspiring Papua New Guinea through sporting excellence and success. Together with our stakeholders, sponsors and partners, we aim to build national pride and inspiration to inspire the next generation of Team PNG athletes as articulated in our Team PNG Performance Strategy and our 2021-2024 Strategic Plan.

A New Strategic Plan, Performance Strategy and National Sports Policy provides a great reference point for the progress of sports in Papua New Guinea. On that measure, in our 60th Year milestone celebration as a National Olympic Committee, these plans and programs are extremely encouraging for what is on the horizon for Team PNG and Papua New Guinea.

We look forward to your continued support of Team PNG to inspire and unite Papua New Guinea through sporting excellence and success when our athletes take on the events stage.

**AUVITA RAPILLA, ML**  
**Secretary General**  
**International Olympic Committee Member**

**PAPUA NEW GUINEA  
OLYMPIC COMMITTEE INC.**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 DECEMBER 2021**

**PAPUA NEW GUINEA OLYMPIC COMMITTEE INC.  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

**Association Information**

Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee Inc. is a non-profit and non-governmental organisation and is incorporated and registered under the Associations Incorporation Act of Papua New Guinea.

Registered Office	Section 25 Allotment 21 Lahara Avenue, BOROKO, National Capital District
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Auditors	KPMG Chartered Accountants PO Box 507 PORT MORESBY Papua New Guinea
Bankers	Kina Bank PO Box 1141 PORT MORESBY National Capital District  Bank of South Pacific PO Box 1710 BOROKO National Capital District

**PAPUA NEW GUINEA OLYMPIC COMMITTEE INC.  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS DECLARATION  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

In the opinion of the Executive Committee we state that:

1. (a) the Comprehensive Income Statement is drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the results of the Committee for the year ended 31 December 2021;
- (b) the Statement of Financial Position is drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Committee as at 31 December 2021; and
- (c) at the date of this statement there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Committee will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.
2. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policy outlined in note 1.
3. The Committee has, in respect of the financial year:
  - (a) kept such accounting records to correctly record and explain the transactions and financial position of the Committee;
  - (b) kept its accounting records in such a manner as would enable true and fair accounts of the Committee to be prepared from time to time; and
  - (c) kept its accounting records in such a manner as would enable the accounts of the Committee to be conveniently and properly audited in accordance with the Law.

DECLARED on behalf of the Executive Committee at Port Moresby in Papua New Guinea on the 30<sup>th</sup> May 2022.



Sir John Dewanincara, Kt OBE  
President



Peter Davuni  
Treasurer



# Independent Auditor's Report

To the Members of Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee Inc.

## Report on the audit of the Financial Report

### Opinion

We have audited the Financial Report of Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee Inc. (the "Committee").

In our opinion, the accompanying Financial Report of the Committee is in accordance with the *Association Incorporation Act (Chapter 142)*, including giving a true and fair view of the Committee's financial position as at 31 December 2021 and of its financial performance for the year ended on that date.

The Financial Report comprises:

- statement of financial position as at 31 December 2021;
- statement of comprehensive income, statement of cash flows for the year then ended; and
- notes including a summary of significant accounting policies.

### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with the *International Standards on Auditing*. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report* section of our report.

We are independent of the Committee in accordance with the ethical requirements of the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the Financial Report in Papua New Guinea. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We confirm that we have remained independent as required by the Code throughout the period of our audit and to the date of this Auditor's Report.

### Basis of accounting

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to note 1 to the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The special purpose financial statements have been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the Executive Committee's financial reporting responsibilities under the *Association Incorporation Act (chapter 142)*. As a result, the financial statements may not be suitable for another purpose.

## Other Information

Other Information is financial and non-financial information in Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee Inc.'s annual reporting which is provided in addition to the Financial Report and the Auditor's Report. The Executive Committee is responsible for the Other Information.

Our opinion on the Financial Report does not cover the Other Information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the Financial Report, our responsibility is to read the Other Information. In doing so, we consider whether the Other Information is materially inconsistent with the Financial Report or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

We are required to report if we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this Other Information, and based on the work we have performed on the Other Information that we obtained prior to the date of this Auditor's Report we have nothing to report.

## Responsibilities of the Executive Committee for the Financial Report

The Executive Committee is responsible for:

- preparing the Financial Report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the *International Financial Reporting Standards* and the *Association Incorporation Act (Chapter 142)*;
- determining that the basis of preparation and accounting policies described in note 1 to the financial report are appropriate to meet the requirements of the Committee's constitution and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members;
- implementing necessary internal control to enable the preparation of a Financial Report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; and
- assessing the Committee's ability to continue as a going concern and whether the use of the going concern basis of accounting is appropriate. This includes disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the Committee or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

## Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report

Our objective is:

- to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Financial Report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; and
- to issue an Auditor's Report that includes our opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with *International Standards on Auditing* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error. They are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the Financial Report.

As part of the audit in accordance with *International Standards on Auditing*, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls.



### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report (continued)

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Committee's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of Those Charged with Governance (TCWG)'s use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Committee's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Committee to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

The auditor communicates with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that the auditor identifies during the audit.

The auditor also provides those charged with governance with a statement that the auditor has complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on the auditor's independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

### Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

We have obtained all the information and explanations, which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, were necessary for the purposes of our audit.

In our opinion proper books of account have been kept by the Committee, sufficient to enable financial statements to be prepared, so far as it appears from our examination of those books; and to the best of our knowledge and according to the information and explanations given to us the financial statements give the information required by the *Association Incorporation Act (Chapter 142)*, in the manner so required.

**kpmg**  
Chartered Accountants



Suzaan Theron

Partner

Registered under the Accountants Act 1996

Port Moresby  
03 June 2022

**PAPUA NEW GUINEA OLYMPIC COMMITTEE INC.**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021**

	<b>Note</b>	<b>2021 Kina</b>	<b>2020 Kina</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	6	2,416,181	1,931,278
Interest bearing deposits	7	16,189,827	13,845,789
Receivables	8	280	1,029,913
GST recoverable		3,262,547	3,117,634
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>21,868,835</b>	<b>19,924,607</b>
Rental bonds receivable		109,126	103,820
Property and equipment	4	6,238,448	6,611,679
Investment property	5	1,418,771	1,418,771
Investment in subsidiary	1(a)	2	2
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>7,816,347</b>	<b>8,134,272</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>29,685,182</b>	<b>28,058,879</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Funds held in trust	9	3,671,011	2,543,304
Payables	10	111,372	30,802
Employee benefits	11	9,609	21,868
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>3,791,992</b>	<b>2,595,974</b>
Rental bonds payable		116,826	111,420
Employee benefits	11	246,726	223,033
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		<b>363,552</b>	<b>334,453</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>4,155,544</b>	<b>2,930,427</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>25,529,638</b>	<b>25,128,452</b>
<b>Represented by:</b>			
<b>ACCUMULATED FUNDS</b>		<b>25,529,638</b>	<b>25,128,452</b>

For and on behalf of the executive committee

  
 .....  
**PRESIDENT**  
 Date: 30<sup>th</sup> May 2022

  
 .....  
**TREASURER**  
 Date: 30<sup>th</sup> May 2022

The notes to financial statements are set out in the attached pages.

**PAPUA NEW GUINEA OLYMPIC COMMITTEE INC.  
STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

	<b>Note</b>	<b>2021 Kina</b>	<b>2020 Kina</b>
<b>INCOME</b>			
Grants and sponsorships		4,225,971	3,121,693
Rental income		601,863	636,665
Other income		779,797	811,093
<b>Total income</b>		<b>5,607,631</b>	<b>4,569,453</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>			
Games expenses		815,065	53,852
Employment expenses		1,509,917	1,462,859
Administration expenses (net reimbursement, incl HQ)		128,000	557,726
High performance program expenses		1,437,643	1,060,177
Depreciation		355,928	361,209
Property expenses		153,196	125,423
Sports & program funding		713,114	935,707
Fundraising expenses		93,542	54,490
<b>Total expense</b>		<b>5,286,445</b>	<b>4,611,443</b>
<b>SURPLUS/LOSS FOR THE YEAR BEFORE TAX</b>		<b>401,186</b>	<b>(41,990)</b>
Less: tax expense	<b>1(vii)</b>	-	-
<b>SURPLUS/LOSS FOR THE YEAR</b>		<b>401,186</b>	<b>(41,990)</b>
Other comprehensive income		-	-
<b>TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE SURPLUS</b>		<b>401,186</b>	<b>(41,990)</b>
<b><u>INCOME AND EXPENDITURE APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT</u></b>			
Accumulated funds brought forward		25,128,452	25,170,442
Surplus/(Loss) for the year		401,186	(41,990)
<b>Accumulated funds carried forward</b>		<b>25,529,638</b>	<b>25,128,452</b>

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**PAPUA NEW GUINEA OLYMPIC COMMITTEE INC.**  
**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

	<b>Note</b>	<b>2021 Kina</b>	<b>2020 Kina</b>
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
(Loss)/Surplus as per Statement of comprehensive income		401,186	(41,990)
Add / (less) non-cash items:			
- Depreciation		355,928	361,209
- Changes in employee provisions		11,434	(66,758)
Cash from/(used in) operating activities before changes in working capital		<u>768,548</u>	<u>252,461</u>
Decrease in receivables		884,722	(919,768)
Increase in payables		<u>1,208,377</u>	<u>331,860</u>
Cash used in operating activities		<u>2,093,099</u>	<u>(335,427)</u>
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(32,697)	(147,818)
Cash used in investing activities		<u>(32,697)</u>	<u>(147,818)</u>
<b>FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Transfer to/from short term deposits		<u>(2,344,047)</u>	<u>(1,420,118)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities		<u>(2,344,047)</u>	<u>(1,420,118)</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		<u>484,905</u>	<u>(1,903,364)</u>
Cash, cash equivalents and interest bearing deposits at the beginning of the year		<u>1,931,278</u>	<u>3,834,642</u>
Cash, cash equivalents and interest bearing deposits at the end of the year	<b>6</b>	<u><u>2,416,181</u></u>	<u><u>1,931,278</u></u>

The notes to financial statements are set out in the attached pages.

**PAPUA NEW GUINEA OLYMPIC COMMITTEE INC.  
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

**1. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee Inc. is an association domiciled in Papua New Guinea. The address of the associations' registered office is at Section 25 Lot 21 Lahara Avenue, Port Moresby, National Capital District Papua New Guinea. The association's principal activity is a non-government organization that represents the interests of its members, the National Sports Federations.

The Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee Inc. includes the National Olympic Committee, The Commonwealth Games Association, The Pacific Games Association, and the Fund Raising Committee.

The financial statements were approved at the Executive Committee Members Meeting held on the 30<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

**(a) Subsidiary**

The Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee Inc. owns 100% of the PNG 2015 Pacific Games Organising Committee, PNG 2015 Pacific Games Ltd. The investment in subsidiary is shown at nominal value representing value of share capital subscription.

**(b) Basis of preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies as determined by the Association's executive committee that is consistent with the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act and the financial reporting requirements as per the Association's constitution. The financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis applying the accrual accounting concept.

*Special purpose financial statements*

This is a special purpose financial report for the sole purpose of providing financial information to the members and must not be used for any other purpose.

The association is an exempt organization in accordance with Section 171 of the Companies Act 1997 as the members have elected to be exempt under Section 171 (1b).

**(i) Presentation of financial statements**

The accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements and have been applied consistently by the Association.

**(ii) Foreign currency transactions**

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the exchange rate at the date of the transaction. Foreign currency monetary assets and liabilities are translated at the exchange rate at the balance date. Resulting exchange differences are recognised in the profit and loss account for the year. Non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currency are recorded at the exchange rate at the date of the transaction.

**(iii) Property, plant and equipment**

Items of property, plant and equipment are stated at original cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Depreciation is provided on cost amount of all fixed assets, including buildings so as to write off the assets progressively over their estimated useful lives. Fixed assets are first depreciated in the year of acquisition.

**PAPUA NEW GUINEA OLYMPIC COMMITTEE INC.  
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**1. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

**(c) Basis of preparation (continued)**

**(iii) Property, plant and equipment (continued)**

The straight line method of depreciation is used and the rates of depreciation used are:

Office equipment	30%
Motor vehicles	25%
Furniture and equipment	12.5%
Buildings	4%

**(iv) Impairment**

The carrying amounts of all assets are reviewed at each balance date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment.

**(v) Inventories**

Sports wear and accessories purchased for past Olympic, Commonwealth and Pacific Games, but not yet used are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

**(vi) Provisions**

Provisions are recognised when the association has a legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation.

**(vii) Taxation**

The association is exempt from income tax under Section 27(b) of the PNG Income Tax Act as a sporting body.

**(viii) Revenue**

The major source of revenue for the association is grants and sponsorship income. Revenue is recognised when the funds are received.

**(ix) Provisional reserve**

The association allocates grants and sponsorship income to individual projects. The excess of such allocated income over expenditure are transferred from the Statement of comprehensive income into a "Provisional Reserve" and included as "Funds held in Trust" in the Statement of financial position.

**2. OPERATING INCOME, GAMES EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENSES**

Net loss for the year is stated after crediting and charging the following items

	2021 Kina	2020 Kina
<b>Crediting</b>		
Interest received from banks	746,843	572,675
<b>Charging</b>		
Auditor's remuneration	46,988	37,500
Salaries and wages	1,148,976	1,089,808
Superannuation	69,808	74,045

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**3. EMPLOYEES**

There were 16 employees at the end of the year (2021: 16).

**4. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT**

	Land & buildings Kina	Motor vehicles Kina	Furniture and equipment Kina	Total Kina
<b>Cost</b>				
At 1 January 2020	6,962,217	379,754	452,517	7,794,488
Additions	-	75,800	72,819	147,819
Disposals	-	(39,091)	(10,753)	(69,844)
At 31 December 2020	6,962,217	395,663	514,583	7,872,463
Additions	-	-	32,697	32,697
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 December 2021	6,962,217	395,663	547,280	7,905,160
<b>Depreciation</b>				
At 1 January 2020	296,815	353,710	318,894	969,419
Disposals	-	(39,091)	(10,753)	(69,844)
Charge for the year	279,811	35,793	45,605	361,209
At 31 December 2020	576,626	330,412	353,746	1,260,784
Charge for the year	279,811	18,750	57,367	355,928
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 December 2021	856,437	349,162	411,113	1,616,712
<b>Net book value</b>				
At 31 December 2021	6,105,780	46,501	160,837	6,288,448
At 31 December 2020	6,385,591	65,251	160,837	6,611,679

**5. INVESTMENT PROPERTY**

	2021 Kina	2020 Kina
Balance as at 1 January	1,418,771	1,418,771
Acquisitions	-	-
Balance as at 31 December	1,418,771	1,418,771



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<b>6. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>Kina</b>	<b>Kina</b>
Cash at bank and on hand	1,594,792	1,180,964
Short-term deposits (< 30 days)	821,389	750,314
	<u>2,416,181</u>	<u>1,931,278</u>

Short term deposits consist of an interest bearing deposits with a maturity of less than 3 months from the date of acquisition. Interest on these deposits range from 2% to 2.9%.

<b>7. INTEREST BEARING DEPOSITS</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>Kina</b>	<b>Kina</b>
Short-term deposits (i)	5,600,503	3,713,413
Short-term deposits (ii)	5,124,947	5,064,940
Long-term deposits (iii)	5,464,377	5,067,427
	<u>16,189,827</u>	<u>13,845,780</u>

(i) Short term deposits consist of interest bearing deposits with a maturity of more than 3 months but less than a year from the date of acquisition. Interest rates charged on these deposits ranged from 4.20% to 5.10%.

(ii) These deposits represent funds solely and exclusively reserved for Team PNG. The interest earned on these funds is to be used for Team PNG high performance training and administration support for members only. Interest rates charged on these deposits was 1.75%.

(iii) Long term deposits consist of investment in Government Treasury Bills. Interest on this deposit was 9.34%. The deposit matures on the 25 October 2024.

<b>8. RECEIVABLES</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>Kina</b>	<b>Kina</b>
Staff loans	280	10,777
Other debtors	-	18,394
Advance payment for interest bearing deposits	-	1,000,744
	<u>280</u>	<u>1,029,915</u>

**9. FUNDS HELD IN TRUST**

Grassroots to gold (ii)	1,897,005	1,897,005
AusPacific – Tokyo 2020	-	441,807
AusOlympic Committee	209,546	-
KCH – Team PNG Performance	955,647	-
Kicks for Kokoda	92,247	-
Oceania Environment	23,867	-
PNG Swimming	21,992	21,992
PNG Weightlifting	19,000	-
Staff savings funds	2,441	7,665
Olympic Solidarity	392,243	117,812
National Aids Council/SFDI	57,023	57,023
	<u>3,671,011</u>	<u>2,543,204</u>

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**9. FUNDS HELD IN TRUST (continued)**

- (i) Funds held in trust represent monies received by PNGOC from various organisations which are yet to be utilised for their set purpose. These unspent funds will be credited to the statement of comprehensive income in the respective future year when the funds are utilised.
- (ii) Grassroots to gold funds held in trust as at 31 December 2020 comprise of balance overspent of K(64,905) and GST refundable on the amounts expended of K1,961,910. There was no change from prior year.

**10. PAYABLES**

	2021	2020
	Kina	Kina
Payroll deductions	64,837	519
Accrued expenses	46,635	30,283
	<u>111,372</u>	<u>30,802</u>

**11. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS**

**Post-employment benefits**

The association makes contributions on behalf of its employees to a registered superannuation fund in Papua New Guinea. The employee contributions are based on various percentages of their salaries. The association expended K69,808 (2020: K74,045) in superannuation during the year.

The following is a reconciliation of provisions for long service leave and annual leave for the year ended 31 December 2021.

	2021	2020
	Kina	Kina
Balance as at 1 January	244,901	311,639
Net provisions made/(paid) during the year	11,434	(66,738)
Balance as at 31 December	<u>256,335</u>	<u>244,901</u>

	2021	2020
	Kina	Kina
Current	9,609	21,868
Non-current	246,726	223,033
	<u>256,335</u>	<u>244,901</u>

Current amounts payable represent annual provision for annual leave entitlements, while non-current amounts payable represent long service leave.

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**12. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND COMMITMENTS**

*(a) Contingent liabilities*

There were no contingent liabilities as at 31 December 2021 (2020: nil).

*(b) Commitments*

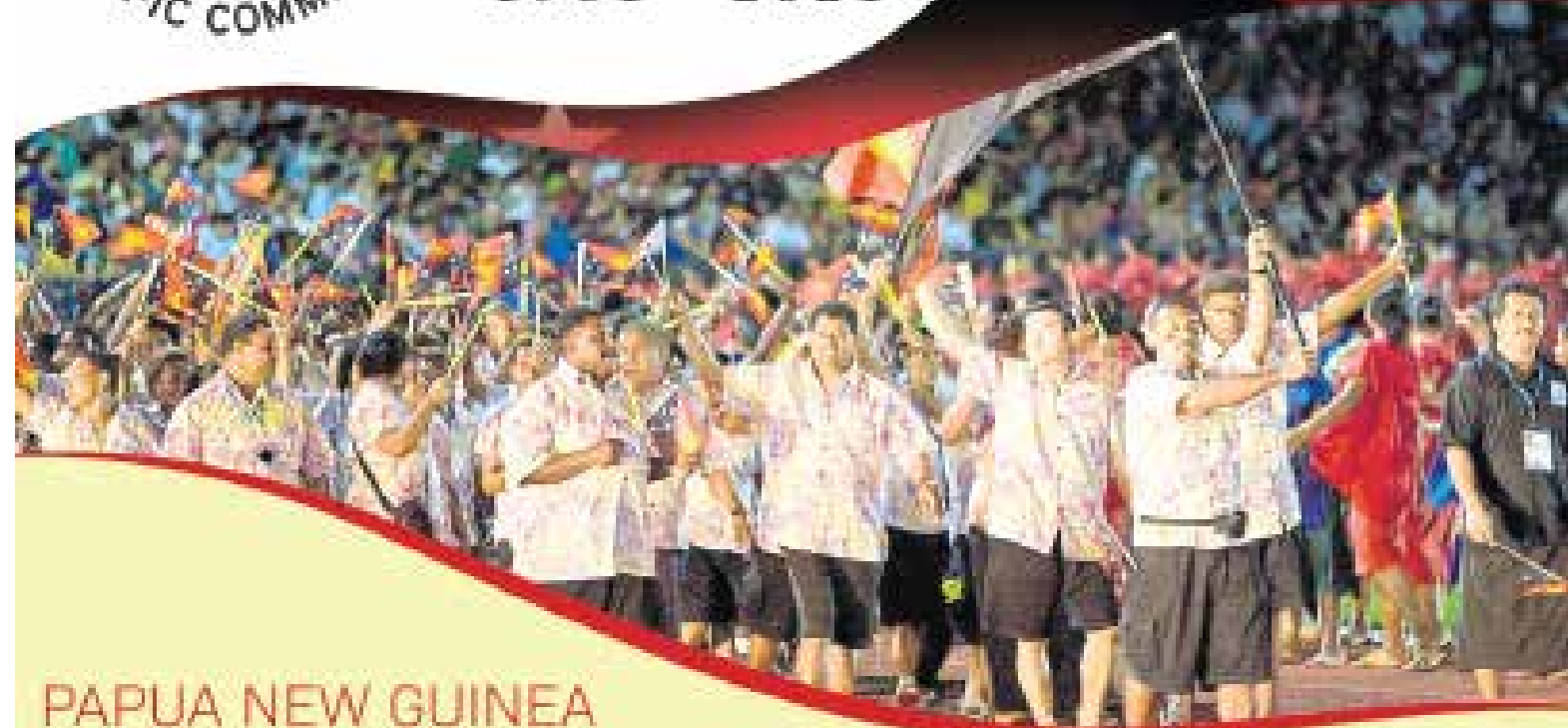
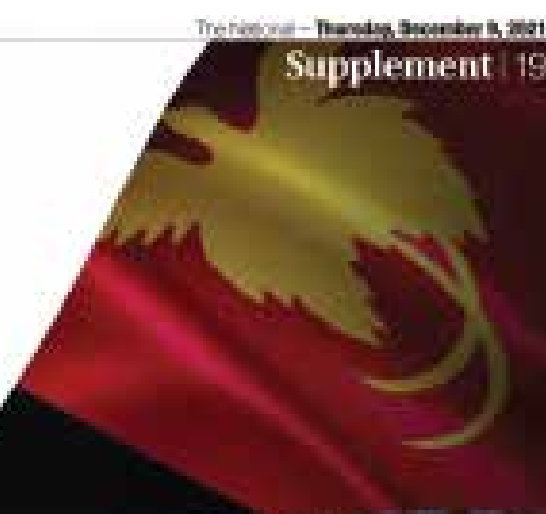
In 2021, the Committee had nil commitments at year end (2020: nil).

**13. EVENTS AFTER BALANCE SHEET DATE**

There were no events that occurred after 31 December 2021, the balance date that would require an adjustment or disclosure in the financial statements. There is no material financial impact that requires disclosure.



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## Message by PNG Olympic Committee President Sir John Dawanincura, Kt OBE

**"Start by doing what's necessary; then do what's possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible".**

– Francis of Assisi

WHEN I think about this quote, I think back to 1961 when Papua New Guinea witnessed the birth of the British Empire and Commonwealth Games Association, today commonly known as the Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee. Those were simpler times when the main goal behind the formation of the Papua New Guinea Sports Union was to enable the territory of Papua and New Guinea to participate in the 1962 British and Commonwealth Games and the inaugural South Pacific Games in Fiji in 1963.

Soon after the 1963 South Pacific Games we realised that we did not have a recognised national sport-

ing body to enable the participation of Papua New Guinea athletes in other international competitions abroad. So, we did what was necessary, we worked on getting recognition for our established body, at times from the trunk of my car, with no budget, office space or paid staff but pure sweat and passion from our pioneer volunteers.

The organisation went by several different names during that period of growth. From the British Empire and Commonwealth Games Association, through to the Papua New Guinea Sports Union, the Papua New Guinea Amateur Sports Federation, the Papua New Guinea Sports Federation, the Papua New Guinea Sports Federation & Olympic Committee to its current name the Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee Inc. Despite the changing names over the years, our purpose and commitment has remained the same.

Come 1974 our efforts were rewarded when the Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee was finally accorded National Olympic Committee status. This then enabled us to participate in our first Olympic Games in 1976 in Montreal. Our recognition by the International Olympic Committee would open up the doors to many opportunities for the development of sports and the participation of our athletes in vari-

ous international competitions over the ensuing years. This is where we started to think – what's possible for us now.

Since 1962 we have lived out our charter to prove what is possible to the everyday Papua New Guinea and organisation. As a country and recognised sporting body that bids for and attends these international games we have gone on to host three Pacific Games, the 1969 and 1991 South Pacific Games and 2015 Pacific Games. We have participated in 11 Olympic Games, 14 Commonwealth Games, 16 Pacific Games, 10 Pacific Mini-Games, 3 Youth Olympic Games and 4 Commonwealth Youth Games.

All of these international competitions that we have attended, and hosted domestically over the past 60 years would not have been possible without the backing and support of key stakeholders, the National Government of that time and partnerships engaged along the way.

Back then corporate sponsorship for sporting events and attendance was such a foreign concept. I recall trying to obtain corporate sponsorship from our then business community. Once that was possible we thought getting the government's support did not seem so impossible, all the whilst maintaining our autonomy.

Partnerships and collaborations with key stakeholders over the last 60 years have been the cornerstone to the very existence of this organisation. First and foremost, we are a non-governmental, not for profit organisation.

We are dependent on fundraising, sponsorship and the national government through the PNG Sports Foundation to support our endeavours in ensuring our elite athletes are better prepared to compete at all international competitions.

What has transpired over the last 60 years has been somewhat impossible if you were to ask the 30-year-old version of me. We have been around the world flying the PNG flag, grown and matured through strong leadership and good governance to create an autonomous, and sustainable organisation that will outlive me long after I am gone.

We have come a long way from payphones and type writers and no budgets to a secured and permanent home on Lahara Avenue in Boroko officially purchased in 2019 and today referred to as the PNG Olympic Haus with a healthy organisation that is fully functioning with fulltime Secretariat.

The organisation will continue to work tirelessly in the years to come to ensure Papua New Guinea's participation at major international

events, as well as ensuring the development of sport and the utilisation of sport for development in Papua New Guinea.

I would like to personally thank everyone for their commitment and contribution towards our journey over the past 60 years. From our Executive Board members past and present, the respective National Governments throughout the years, sponsors and partners past and present and our members and affiliates both past and present.

It would be remiss of me if I did not thank our pioneers, Team PNG athletes, Olympians, Hall of Fame inductees and volunteers who have contributed immensely in our efforts for international participation and recognition.

In closing, I can say that despite the challenging and at times confronting periods in the Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee's history, we have always focused on doing our best for our athletes and officials and doing what's necessary and then doing what's possible to inspire and unite Papua New Guinea through sporting excellence and success.

**John.N.Dawanincura, Kt, OBE**  
President  
Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee Inc.



## Message by Minister for Higher Education, Research, Science, Technology and Sports Hon. Wesley Ora Raminai, MP

ON behalf of the National Government and as the Minister responsible for Sports, it gives me great pleasure to join with the rest of PNG to congratulate the Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee (PNGOC) on achieving 60 years as an organisation responsible for sports in the country. A great milestone indeed despite many adversaries along the way.

I am proud to say that, it is through PNGOC's affiliation with various Games movements that PNG's flag through Team Papua New Guinea (Team PNG) has been raised on many occasions amongst many countries of the world through international competitions such as the Pacific Games, Commonwealth Games and Olympic Games.

It is through PNGOC that winning moments by Team PNG from these games captures and sparks emotions of national unity and pride to our country as one country and one nation.

I can recall Ryan Pini's Gold medal winning performance at the Mel-

bourne 2006 Commonwealth Games, Steven Kari's Gold medal winning lift at the Glasgow 2014 Commonwealth Games and Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games, Geua Tau's Gold medal performance at the Auckland Commonwealth Games in 1990. Sprint sensation Toea Wisil's outstanding performance at the 2019 Pacific Games in Samoa winning 4 Gold medals are memories which I treasure as I was in attendance representing the PNG Government. All these achievements demonstrate our nation's potential to be competitive against the rest of the world.

Thank you PNGOC. You have done so much for sports in PNG by putting PNG on the world map and as a government we appreciate the hard work, commitment and dedication portrayed by you.

This government believes that sport plays an important role in our country's integral human development and we will ensure that our sports men and women are always supported. **The Papua New Guinea National**

**Sports Policy 2020-2050** officially launched recently is a policy that is intended to integrate and align sports better with some of the sectors like Education, Health, Law & Order, our Economy, Tourism and many others so that we get better value than at present.

The review of the policy was critical as there are new players in the sports eco-system and we as a country needed to align sports with these various stakeholders and partners like the PNG Olympic Committee, National Federations and others. Each are very clear about their roles and functions and know what to do from years of experience but what the Marape-Basil Government is now endeavouring to do through its lead agency for sports, the PNG Sports Foundation, is to get everyone and anything sport all working together through greater consultation and collaboration with increased emphasis on facilitating more impacting development ini-

tiatives from sport.

**We are now looking forward to the implementation of the new policy which is the more challenging aspect of any policy but we must all work hard to get maximum impact for the future generation over the 30-year lifespan of this policy.**

We acknowledge and thank PNGOC for providing the direction for many Papua New Guinea elite athletes, past and present, to excel and compete internationally which has brought unity and pride to our country and in doing so have inspired the next generation of Papua New Guineans positively.

Your work has been invaluable through Team PNG empowering our athletes to become agents of positive change by promoting good moral and ethical values of respect, excellence, leadership and friendship which has been recognised as very important by this Government.

PNGOC's strong leadership and governance has seen the organisation evolve and mature over six decades to

become a well-run organisation with its own headquarters and Secretariat.

It has always strived to give Papua New Guineans the opportunity to excel, inspire and unite our country.

The Government is proud to have partnered with PNGOC to host three (3) Pacific Games (formerly South Pacific Games): 1969 III South Pacific Games, 1991 IX South Pacific Games and the spectacular, 2015 XV Pacific Games, a great living memory in our country's rich sporting history.

As a Government, we will continue to partner and support PNGOC and its endeavours going forward.

Congratulations on achieving this great milestone and I wish you many more successes in the future.

Thank you & God Bless.

**Hon. Wesley Ora Raminai, MP**  
Minister for Higher Education,  
Research, Science, Technology  
and Sports  
Member for Kagua-Erave

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## Who we are

The Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee (PNGOC) is a non-government, not-for-profit organisation committed to inspire and unite Papua New Guinea through sporting excellence and success.

The PNGOC is the recognised National Olympic Committee (NOC), Commonwealth Games Association (CGA) and Pacific Games Association (PGA) for Papua New Guinea; as such it is responsible for sending Team PNG to the Olympic Games, Olympic Youth Games, Commonwealth Games, Commonwealth Youth Games, Pacific Games and Pacific Mini-Games. It is also the body that can bid to host these Games with Government support.

Within the Olympic Movement the PNGOC is one of the 206 NOC members of the Association of National Olympic Committees (ANOC) and one of 17 member nations of the Oceania National Olympic Committees (ONOC). We are one of 72 CGA members of the Commonwealth Games Federation and one of 24 PGA members of the Pacific Games Council.

In line with the accepted principle of independence and autonomy of sport, the PNGOC is a non-government organisation with membership of 40 National Federations of Papua New Guinea (eg. Athletics PNG, PNG Netball Federation, PNG Football Association, etc).

It is our responsibility to select and send Team PNG to the Olympic Games, Commonwealth Games and Pacific Games. This is achieved by working with our member national federations and with the support of our sponsors and partners, through fundraising events and with the backing of the Government.

Through a Memorandum of Understanding we work in close partnership with the PNG Sports Foundation, the Government sport agency, for the development of Sport and the use of sport for development in Papua New Guinea.

PNGOC is a believer of sport as an enabler for sustainable and inclusive development. In line with the affirmation of the United Nations that sport is an enabler for sustainable development, PNGOC with its partners also contributes to building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic ideal by educating youth through sport practiced in accordance with Olympism and its values of Excellence, Friendship, and Respect.

## Our Member National Federation

1. AFL PNG Development Ltd
2. PNG Archery Association Inc
3. Athletics PNG Inc
4. Badminton PNG Inc
5. PNG Baseball Softball Confederation
6. Basketball Federation of PNG Inc
7. PNG Billiards and Snooker Association
8. PNG Bowls Association
9. PNG Bodybuilding Association
10. PNG Amateur Boxing Union Inc
11. PNG Canoeing Association Inc
12. PNG Chess Federation Inc
13. Cricket PNG
14. Darts Federations of PNG Inc
15. Fencing PNG
16. PNG Golf Association Inc
17. PNG Gymnastics Federation Inc
18. PNG Handball Federation Inc
19. PNG Hockey Federation Inc
20. PNG Judo Federation Inc
21. PNG Karate-Do Federation Inc
22. Kung Fu Wushu Association of PNG Inc
23. PNG Netball Federation Inc
24. PNG Powerlifting Federation
25. PNG Rugby Football League Inc
26. PNG Rugby Football Union Inc
27. Sailing PNG Inc
28. PNG Shooting
29. PNG Football Association Inc
30. PNG Squash Rackets Federation Inc
31. Surfing Association of PNG Inc
32. PNG Swimming Inc
33. PNG Table Tennis Federation Inc
34. PNG World Taekwondo Federation
35. PNG Tennis Association Inc
36. Teqball Federation of PNG Inc
37. Touch Football PNG Inc
38. PNG Triathlon Association Inc
39. PNG Volleyball Association Inc
40. PNG Weightlifting Federation Inc

## OUR VISION AND MISSION

Our Vision is to “**Inspire and Unite Papua New Guinea through Sporting Excellence and Success**” it reflects our long-term aspiration.

Our Mission is to be “**A respected and leading values-based National Olympic Committee empowering athletes and National Federations by strategically partnering with Government and key stakeholders to achieve Team PNG success.**”

## OUR VALUES

As a values-based organisation strongly committed to maintaining its integrity; our actions are guided by PNGOC's key values of:

- HONESTY** – To be truthful to others and ourselves
- EXCELLENCE** – To consistently give our best and improve everyday
- RESPECT** – To demonstrate respect for all
- OPENNESS** – To be transparent and accountable



## INTERNATIONAL EVENTS PNG HAS PARTICIPATED IN SINCE 1962

1962	British Empire and Commonwealth Games - Perth, Australia	2011	XIV Pacific Games - Noumea, New Caledonia
1963	I South Pacific Games - Suva, Fiji	2011	Commonwealth Youth Games - Isle of Man, Scotland
1966	II South Pacific Games - Noumea, New Caledonia	2012	Olympic Games - London, England
1966	British Empire and Commonwealth Games - Kingston, Jamaica	2013	Mini Pacific Games - Matalautu, Wallis & Futuna
1969	III South Pacific Games - Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea	2014	Commonwealth Games - Glasgow, Scotland
1971	IV South Pacific Games - Tahiti, French Polynesia	2014	Youth Olympic Games - Nanjing, China
1974	Commonwealth Games - Christchurch, New Zealand	2015	XV Pacific Games - Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea
1975	V South Pacific Games - Tumon, Guam	2015	Commonwealth Youth Games - Apia, Samoa
1976	Olympic Games - Montreal, Canada	2016	Olympic Games - Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
1978	Commonwealth Games - Edmonton, Canada	2017	Pacific Mini Games - Port Vila, Vanuatu
1979	VI South Pacific Games - Suva, Fiji	2017	5th Asian Indoor & Martial Arts Games, Ashgabat, Turkmenistan
1981	Mini Pacific Games - Honiara, Solomon Islands	2018	Commonwealth Games - Gold Coast, Brisbane
1982	Commonwealth Games - Brisbane, Australia	2018	Youth Olympic Games - Buenos Aires, Argentina
1983	VII South Pacific Games - Apia, Samoa	2019	XVI Pacific Games - Apia, Samoa
1984	Olympic Games - Los Angeles, USA	2021	Olympic Games - Tokyo, Japan (Postponed from 2020)
1985	Mini Pacific Games - Rarotonga, Cook Islands		
1987	VIII South Pacific Games - Noumea, New Caledonia		
1988	Olympic Games - Seoul, South Korea		
1989	Mini Pacific Games - Nukualofa, Tonga		
1990	Commonwealth Games - Auckland, New Zealand		
1991	IX South Pacific Games - Port Moresby & Lae, Papua New Guinea		
1992	Olympic Games - Barcelona, Spain		
1993	Mini Pacific Games - Port Vila, Vanuatu		
1994	Commonwealth Games - Victoria, Canada		
1995	X South Pacific Games - Tahiti, French Polynesia		
1996	Olympic Games - Atlanta, USA		
1997	Mini Pacific Games - Pago Pago, American Samoa		
1998	Commonwealth Games - Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia		
1999	XI South Pacific Games - Tumon, Guam		
2000	Olympic Games - Sydney, Australia		
2001	Mini Pacific Games - Kingston, Norfolk Island		
2002	Commonwealth Games - Manchester, England		
2003	XII South Pacific Games - Suva, Fiji		
2004	Olympic Games - Athens, Greece		
2005	Mini Pacific Games - Koror, Palau		
2006	Commonwealth Games - Melbourne, Australia		
2007	XIII South Pacific Games - Apia, Samoa		
2008	Olympic Games - Beijing, China		
2008	Commonwealth Youth Games - Pune, India		
2009	Mini Pacific Games - Rarotonga, Cook Islands		
2010	1st Youth Olympic Games - Singapore, Republic of Singapore		
2010	Commonwealth Games - Delhi, India		



# Celebrating 60 Years in Sports Development



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# Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee's 60 Year Journey

**I**T has been 60 Years of self-serving instinct that has brought about iconic sporting moments in Papua New Guinea, let alone the organisation that is the Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee (PNGOC). What is nationally recognised is also very personal to us. As we celebrate 60 Years of existence, we remain inspired and humbled by our inheritance from those passionate and pioneering volunteers that paved the way for our current status.

Since its formal establishment in August of 1961, the PNGOC's mission has always been to enable our elite athletes to participate at national and international levels specifically in the four-year cycle of events of the 3 Games Movements; the Pacific Games, Commonwealth Games, Olympic Games, the Olympic and Commonwealth Youth Games and the Pacific Mini Games.

It has been a remarkable journey that has seen the organization transform from our humble beginnings as a group of dedicated volunteers eager to see the athletes from the Territory of Papua and New Guinea compete at the British Empire and Commonwealth Games and the South Pacific Games, to an organization of committed employees backed by the support of passionate stakeholders, still equally devoted to seeing Team PNG participate in and perform well at international sporting events.

The slow transition into a more professionalized body began in September 1984 with the appointment of John Dawanincura as the Secretary General - the first employed staff, to 17 full time staff today operating from its own headquarters, the PNG Olympic Haus, which was purchased in 2018.

When dealing with our respective international sporting bodies, we take on the name of those events; the Papua New Guinea Pacific Games Association (PNG PGA), the Papua New Guinea Commonwealth Games Association (PNG CGA) and the Papua New Guinea National Olympic Committee (PNG NOC).

In these 60 years the membership has grown from a handful of four (4) sports to 40 currently affiliated National Federations (NFs). Throughout the years we have bid and successfully hosted three Pacific Games in partnership with Government and Corporate Partners, the 1969 and 1991 South Pacific Games (formerly called) and 2015 Pacific Games and participated in 11 Olympic Games, 14 Commonwealth Games, 16 Pacific Games, 10 Pacific Mini Games, 3 Youth Olympic Games, and 4 Commonwealth Youth Games.

An important cornerstone for our success is the contribution by countless volunteers whose contributions have been a vital and lasting part of our 60-year history. The first executive members of the Territory Amateur Sports Union consisted of Les Michel as President, Fred Kaad as Vice President and Cyril McCuberry as Secretary General.

Other members included Dame Rachel Cleland, wife of Administrator Sir Donald Cleland, both devoted sports enthusiasts, Fred Townsend, Peter Cornes, Reg Johnstone, Sam Piniau, Jack Pini, Sir Henry ToRobert, Bruce Flynn and his wife Rita Flynn were some who were heavily involved in laying the foundation for what our organization is today.

Their association with the organization in those days working with a skeleton operation, having no budget and no office space to work from, was indicative of their passion and love of sport and the firm desire to see PNG succeed in sport. Operating as a non-government organization (NGO) in such circumstances made the mammoth task of developing our national sporting bodies and preparing our athletes for international competition more challenging.

The PNGOC over the last 60 years has grown from strength to strength with sound administration and good governance in line with the International Olympic Committee's (IOC) Basic Principles of Good Governance. The PNGOC holds its Annual General Assembly each year presenting its annual report and audited financial statements to its member National Federations as required under its constitution as part of best practice.

Enhancing the capacity of our member National Federations has been a key focus in particular strengthen their governance structures whilst achieving their high performance targets which contribute towards Team PNG's games targets. An estimated 90% of National Federations are run by passionate volunteers who devote their time and effort to the sport they love. The PNGOC recognises the importance of National Federations in the development of their respective sports in the country and it works with them to develop their capacity to fulfill their respective mandates.

Since the establishment of the Women in Sport Committee (now Gender Equity Committee) in 2000, there has been a gradual growth in female participation at all levels of sports in Papua New Guinea. About 45% female athletes make up Team PNG and since 2011, more than 50% of Team PNG Gold medals were won by our female athletes. The last decade has seen an increase in female representation at decision-making levels nationally and internationally. Much can be attributed to the work of former Executive member and current Life Member Veitu Diro for initiating and driving the programs of Women in Sport in early 2000s.

Since 2004, the PNGOC Board consisted 40% to 60% of female representation, having earned their position on merit. Apart from serving on the PNGOC board, Mel Donald, Karo Lelai and Auvita Rapilla have gone on to serve on the boards of the Oceania National Olympic Committees (ONOC) and the Association of National Olympic Committees

(ANOC).

In 2015, Emma Waiwai led the organisation and delivery of the 2015 Pacific Games as Chairperson of the Games Organising Committee, and in 2016 Tamzin Wardley was the first female ever elected to the Pacific Games Council Executive. Also in 2016, PNG saw its first IOC Member Auvita Rapilla elected at the 129th IOC Session in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil and currently sits on five (5) IOC Commissions.

Basketball, Fencing, Gymnastics, Netball, Shooting, Squash, Swimming, Tennis, Va'a and the PNG Olympians Association are all been led by female Presidents. Sport has a positive influence on the advancement of gender equality and provides a powerful platform for empowerment of women.

In 2019 our partnership with Government was enhanced through the signing of a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the PNG Sports Foundation (PNGSF - the Government body responsible for Sport), which was witnessed by the IOC President Thomas Bach and then Prime Minister Hon. Peter O'Neil. The MoU clarifies areas of cooperation between both organizations and the continued strengthening of working relations between the two bodies.

We have worked hand in glove with PNGSF in delivering the Oceania Sport Education Program (OSEP) to develop and educate coaches, officials, administrators, team managers and sports science personnel throughout PNG.

As the PNGOC has grown over the years, so too has our efforts to mobilise resources for Team PNG to prepare and participate in international events. Along with funds raised from the Trukai Fun Run and Prime Ministers Corporate Golf Challenges, the PNGOC has relied heavily on corporate sponsorships, government and donor grants, and IOC funding.

Recognising our sporting heroes is an important part of inspiring others and we have been fortunate to have the tremendous support of SP Brewery as major sponsor of the SP Sports Awards since its inception in 1992.

To honor and preserve the legacy of individuals, we have recognized 17 sporting legends inducted into the PNG Sports Hall of Fame since 2011.

In the last decade, our role in community outreach has expanded significantly with programmes such as the Olympic Values Education Program, Team PNG HERO Program, Gender Equity program and other sport for development programs. A total of 105 elite athletes have been trained as Team PNG Heroes who have gone onto be agents of change to help build a better PNG through Sport.

The Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee firmly believes in the importance of having athletes at the center of everything it does. We see Team PNG as the driver to "Inspire and Unite Papua

New Guinea through Sporting Excellence and Success".

HERO, which stands for the PNG Olympic Committee's values of Honesty, Excellence, Respect and Openness, trains and equips Team PNG athletes with the knowledge and skills to be role models for their sport and their communities.

Every year our activities linked to Olympic Day on June 23rd provide an opportunity for the PNGOC and our HERO athletes to promote Olympism - a philosophy of life, which places sport at the service of humankind.

In recent years, more emphasis has been placed on athlete welfare and well-being, athlete safe-guarding and transition to life after sport as focal areas to support our athletes. The adoption of the Athletes Safeguarding Policy and Declaration on Athletes Rights and Responsibilities reaffirms our commitment in supporting athletes during their sporting and non-sporting career.

Ryan Pini was elected Athlete's Representative by athletes at the 2015 and 2019 Pacific Games to serve on the Pacific Games Council Executive. Karo Lelai serves as Chairperson of the ONOC Athletes Commission and ANOC Athletes Commission. Our athlete leaders have served well in leading Athletes Commissions nationally, regionally and globally and ensuring the Athletes Voices' are heard.

Whilst the elusive goal of winning an Olympic medal remains in the distant future, Team PNG have stood tall on top of the podium at every level of multi-Games including the Commonwealth, Pacific Games and Pacific Mini Games.

We saw how the power of sport inspired and united our nation during the 2015 Pacific Games and also the 1991 Games when Team PNG finished on top of the medal tally. Team PNG's excellence captivated everyone into one people, one nation, showing that sport is a powerful tool for national identity and patriotic unity. Our nation was truly captivated. National pride was real. National identity became enhanced.

In Team PNG, we work to build a culture of one team with all members of the Team, male and female, doing their part, having the opportunity to excel and achieve for their team and their country.

A legacy of the 2015 Pacific Games was the Team PNG High Performance Training Centre set up by the PNG Olympic Committee to provide high performance services for our elite athletes and teams with dedicated sport science and sports medicine support. This facility now sits under the PNG Sports Foundation as High-Performance Sport PNG.

The most significant development for the PNGOC was the realisation of a long-held dream to acquire its operations headquarters, of which saw IOC President Thomas Bach in country to officially open the PNG Olympic Haus on 9th May 2019.

We value our strong relationship, continued partnership and support from the National Government and the PNG Sports Foundation. Sport can only excel with a shared approach and we look to strengthen our partnership as we work towards developing and enhancing sport in PNG under the framework of the new National Sports Policy.

Achievements over the years would not have been possible without the fantastic support from our family of Corporate Sponsors and partners such as: Kumul Consolidated Holdings, National Gaming Control Board, Trukai Industries, SP Brewery, Air Niugini, Brian Bell Group, PNG LNG Exxon Mobil, Coral Sea Hotels, Theodist, IBSU, The National, Media Partners, Blue 7 Team, Trophy Haus, CPL Group, Jacks PNG, PacificAus Sport and past sponsors including Kumul Holdings Petroleum Ltd, Capital Insurance Group and Pacific MMI.

Our sporting movement family remain key to our efforts, providing much needed support for our various programs. We acknowledge the continuous support of the International Olympic Committee; Oceania National Olympic Committees; Commonwealth Games Federation and the Pacific Games Council.

The exceptional work of our Committees contribute immensely to achieving the targets of our Key Result Areas. We acknowledge the fantastic work of the Athletes Commission, Justification Committee, Team PNG Performance Committee, Gender Equity Committee, Audit & Investment Committee and Marketing & Revenue Committee.

We acknowledge every workforce who has been a part of PNGOC's solid foundation built over the years with commitment, determination and effort in sustaining excellence over six decades.

The PNG Olympic Committee is a values-based organization, our values continue to guide us in the journey ahead. Our four values of Honesty, Excellence, Respect, and Openness spell out HERO and we stand by these as heroes as we work to achieve our vision of "Inspiring and Uniting Papua New Guinea through Sporting Excellence and Success".

Representing the flagship of PNG sport development and international participation, the PNGOC has evolved over the last 60 years from a small group of enthusiastic volunteers, to a dedicated secretariat and fully equipped office to service its members. Drawing on the experience gained over the six decades and benefiting from the efforts of all who have worked for the PNGOC, we have been able to become a reputable organization well recognized and respected both nationally and internationally.

The strength of our organisation and commitment to serve the needs of our membership will continue to be the hallmark of PNGOC for the next 60 years and beyond.

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# KEY MILESTONES

- 1961: Wednesday 2nd August, established as Territory of Papua and New Guinea Sports Union to enable the Territory of Papua and New Guinea to participate in the British Empire & Commonwealth Games.
- 1962: PNG/Team PNG attends its first British Empire and Commonwealth Games held in Perth, Australia since the Games started in 1930.  
PNG/Team PNG wins its first ever medal with Kenneth Hopkins bronze medal win in the Boxing 71 kg division at the British Empire & Commonwealth Games in Perth Australia.
- 1963: PNG/Team PNG participated in the inaugural (South) Pacific Games in Fiji on 29th Aug - 8th Sept 1963.  
PNG/Team wins first ever gold at an international sporting event by Edward Laboran in the high jump, at the 1963 inaugural South Pacific Games in Fiji. PNG won 9 Golds, 12 Silver and 11 bronze.
- 1966: Robert Stewart wins PNG's first ever silver medal in the Shooting - Fullbore Rifle event at the 1966 British Empire & Commonwealth Games in Kingston, Jamaica.
- 1969: PNG hosts South Pacific Games in Port Moresby for the first time from 13 to 23 August.
- 1974: Papua New Guinea was accorded Olympic Status in 1974 allowing Team PNG to participate in the next Olympics.
- 1976: PNG/Team PNG attends its first Olympic Games- in Montreal, Canada in 1976.
- 1981: Oceania National Olympic Committee established with PNG as one of four founding members in 1981 with Australia, Fiji and New Zealand.  
PNG/Team PNG participated in the inaugural (South) Pacific Mini Games on July 7-9th 1981 held in Honiara, Solomon Islands.
- 1983: Inaugural Fun Run held in initial years with SP Brewery as major sponsor under its Pepsi Cola brand called the 'Pepsi Fun Run' in 1983.
- 1984: PNGOC recruits its first paid employee - with John Dawanincura as Secretary General  
Under the auspices of PNGOC, Papua New Guinea first competed at the Paralympic Games in 1984, sending a delegation of four athletes to compete in track and field.
- 1990: PNG/Team PNG wins its first ever Gold in any Commonwealth Games, with Geua Tau when she defeated New Zealand's Millie Cecilia Khan 25-18 in lawn bowls (women's singles) during the 1990 Commonwealth Games in Auckland, New Zealand.
- 1991: PNG hosts its second South Pacific Games in Port Moresby and Lae from 7-21 September 1991.  
PNG/Team PNG topped the 1991 South Pacific Games tally with 44 Gold, 28 Silver and 27 Bronze medals.
- 1992: PNGOC secures SP as Sponsor of the Annual SP Sports Awards after the 1991 South Pacific Games.

- Inaugural SP Sports Awards held in 1992. Under this sponsorship the SP Sports Awards has grown in size and spectacle.
- 1998: Prime Minister's Corporate Golf Challenge began in 1998 at the Port Moresby Golf Club as a fundraising event for Team PNG patronized by the Prime Minister.
- Boxer Lynch Ipera wins Bronze in the 57kg division at the Commonwealth Games in Kuala Lumpur
- 2000: PNG Women and Sport Committee established in 2000.  
PNG Athletes Commission established in 2000.  
Annual Pepsi Fun underwent name change as Trukai Industries took over sponsorship with subsequent naming rights as Trukai Fun in 2000.  
On 27th May 2000, PNG hosted the Sydney 2000 Olympic Torch Relay in the lead up to the Sydney Olympic Games, in Australia. Former Prime Minister Sir Mekere Morauta as the 100th Torchbearer lit the cauldron at Sir John Guise Stadium presented to PNG by the Sydney Olympic Games Organizing Committee.  
Dika Toua, at age 16, makes history being the first female athlete to lift at the Olympic Games
- 2004: In 2004 the PNG National Paralympic Committee was established to oversee PNG's preparation and participation in the Paralympic Games and become an independent organisation of its own.
- 2005: For the very first in its history the Queens Baton visited every Commonwealth country and PNG hosted the 2006 Queens Baton Relay from 9th to 14th October 2005 in the lead up to the 2006 Melbourne Commonwealth Games.
- Prime Minister's Corporate Golf Challenge started in Lae-2005.
- 2006: Ryan Pini wins PNG's second Gold medal at the 2006 Commonwealth Games in Melbourne in the men's 100m Butterfly swimming event and Dika Toua wins Silver in the 53kg weightlifting division.
- 2007: PNG hosted the first ever Oceania Workshop on HIV and AIDS Prevention through Sport hosted in PNG in 2007 and established the HIV through Sport Committee.
- 2009: On 27th September 2009, the Pacific Games Council elected Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea to host the 2015 Pacific Games  
Inaugural Visit by International Olympic Committee President - Jacques Rogge
- 2010: Ryan Pini wins silver medal in the 100m Butterfly event in Delhi, India.  
PNG/Team PNG attends inaugural Youth Olympic Games in Singapore in 2010.
- 2011: PNGOC celebrates 50 years and launched the PNG Sports Hall of Fame in 2011 to recognise past sporting excellence and successes. Sir John Kaputin and Edward Laboran inducted as PNG's first inductees into the PNG Sports Hall of Fame.
- 2013: Queens Baton Relay held in Kavieng, PNG in the lead up to the Glasgow 2014 Commonwealth Games.  
Team PNG finishes on top of medal tally at the 2013 Pacific Mini Games in Wallis & Futuna.

- PNGOC awarded the Oceania Sport & Environment Award at the 10th IOC World Conference on Sport and Environment.
- 2014: PNGOC establishes High Performance Training Centre (now High Performance Sport PNG).  
Dika Toua won PNG's third Gold medal in the women's 53kg division and Steven Kari won PNG's 4th Gold Medal in the men's 94kg division at the 2014 Glasgow Commonwealth Games.
- 2015: Papua New Guinea host the 2015 Pacific Games in Port Moresby and Team PNG top the medal tally with 88 Gold, 70 silver and 60 bronze medals.  
Thadeus Katua won PNG's first ever gold medal in the boxing 60kg division at the Commonwealth Youth Games held in Apia, Samoa. Violet Apisah won two bronze medals in the singles event and Team event with playing partner Mathew Stubbings in the Mixed competition.  
PNGOC launches its Olympic Values Education Program.  
First ever Oil Search Pacific Games Relay staged in the lead up to the 2015 Pacific Games throughout Papua New Guinea.
- 2016: Papua New Guinea Sports Anti-Doping Organisation (PNGSADO) established - June 2016.  
Auvita Rapilla was first ever Papua New Guinean and Pacific Island woman elected an IOC Member at 129th IOC Session in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.  
PNGOC launches its Team PNG Heroes 'Athlete Ambassador' Program.
- 2017: Queens Baton Relay hosted in Kimbe on 2nd December 2017 coinciding with the Closing Ceremony of the PNG Games in the lead up to Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games in Australia.  
Team PNG for the first time participated in the Asian Indoor & Martial Arts Games held in Ashgabat, Turkmenistan from 17 - 27 September 2017.
- 2018: At the 2018 Commonwealth Games in Gold Coast, Australia, Steven Kari became Team PNG's first dual Commonwealth gold medalist in the 94kg division; Dika Toua won her second Commonwealth Silver medal in the 53kg division and Morea Baru won his first commonwealth medal with a Silver in the 62kg division.
- 2019: Opening of PNG Olympic Haus by IOC President, Thomas Bach on 9th May 2019.  
Signing of MOU with PNG Sports Foundation, witnessed by IOC President, Thomas Bach and former Prime Minister, Peter O'Neil in Port Moresby
- 2020: First Team PNG Olympic Training Camp held in Goroka at the National Sports Institute
- 2021: Team PNG participated in postponed Tokyo 2020 Olympics held in Japan from 23rd July to 8th August 2021.  
On 2nd August, PNGOC commemorates 60th Anniversary.



## THE MANAGEMENT & STAFF OF SP BREWERY WOULD LIKE TO CONGRATULATE THE PNG OLYMPIC COMMITTEE (PNGOC) ON YOUR 60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

SP BREWERY'S PARTNERSHIP WITH THE PNGOC DATES BACK TO THE EARLY 1980s, THROUGH THE INVOLVEMENT OF FORMER GENERAL MANAGER BRUCE FLYNN, AND HIS WIFE, RITA FLYNN.

SPB ARE PROUD GOLD SPONSORS OF THE 1983, 1991 & 2015 SOUTH PACIFIC GAMES, HELD IN PORT MORESBY.

SPB CONTINUES TO SUPPORT THE PNGOC THROUGH VARIOUS PLATFORMS, INCLUDING THE PRESTIGIOUS SP SPORTS AWARDS



# Winning moments



As a proud sponsor of the Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee, Trukai Industries Limited would like to congratulate the PNGOC on 60 years of sporting development and excellence. For over 22 years we have helped foster, maintain and create an avenue for our sporting fraternity to excel under the mentorship of the PNGOC. We look forward to and celebrate our continued partnership.



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## Moments at the Games



**Happy 60th Anniversary  
to the Papua New Guinea  
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# PNGOC CELEBRATES 60TH ANNIVERSARY



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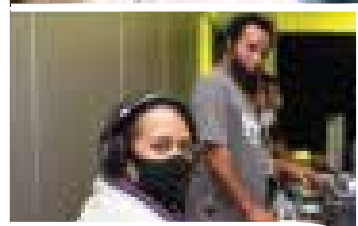
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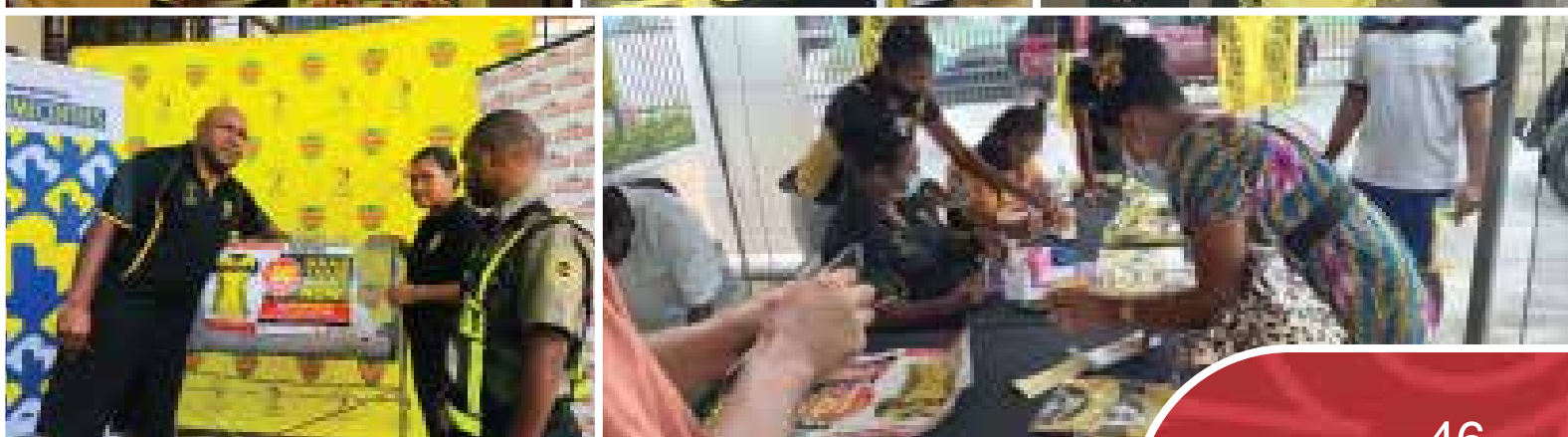
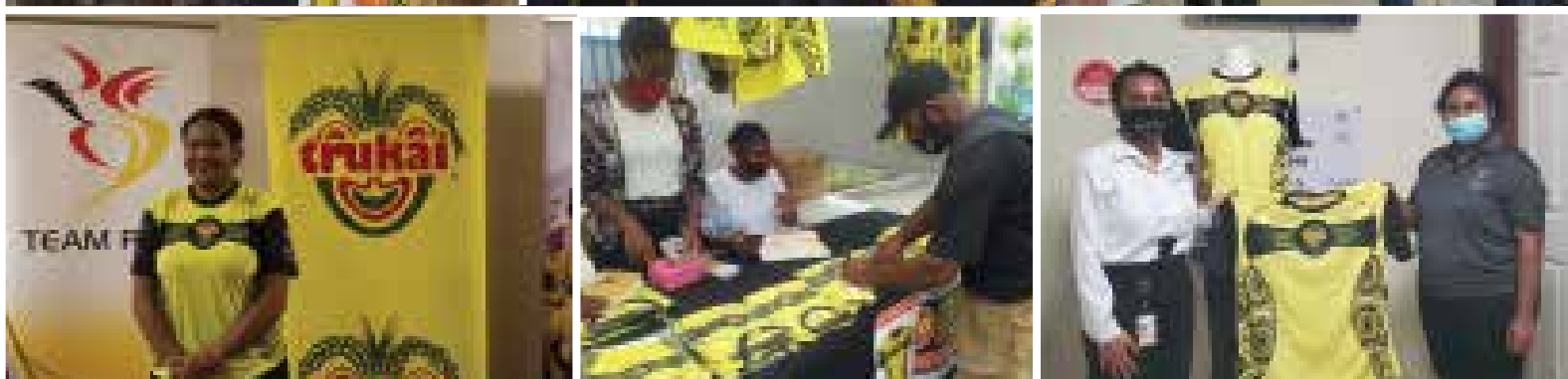
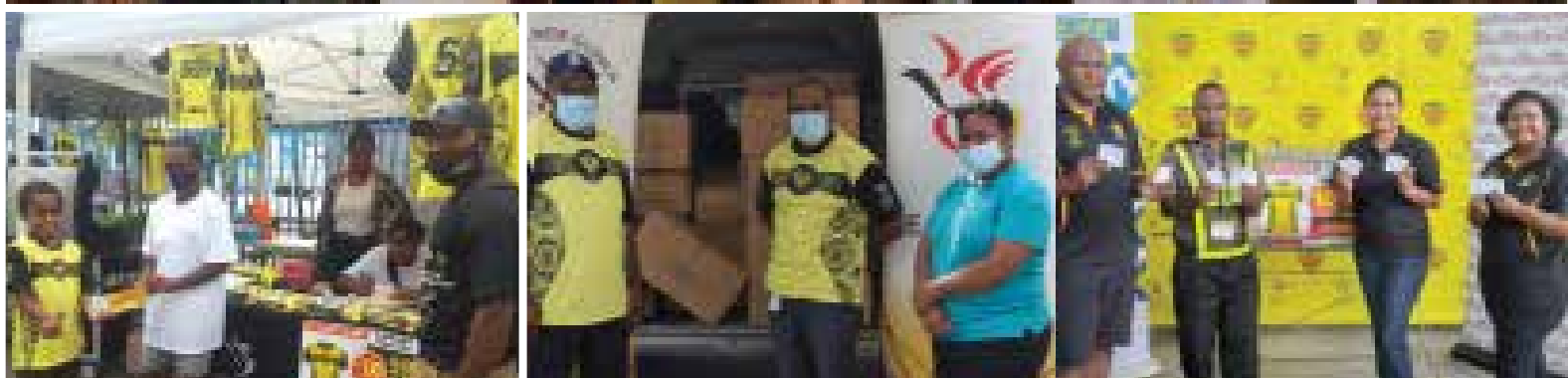


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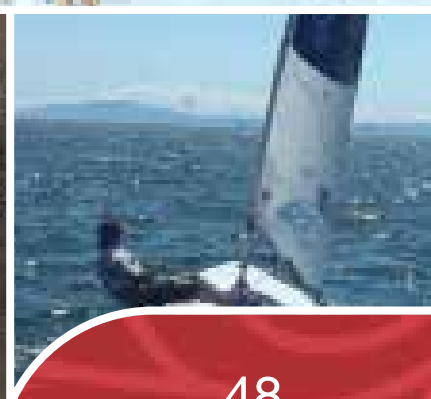
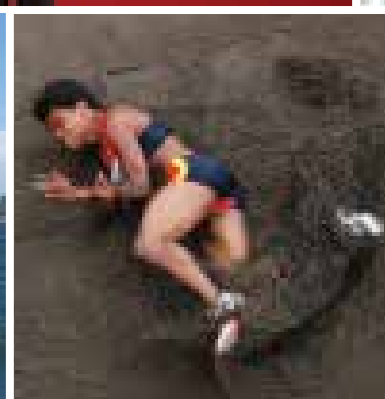
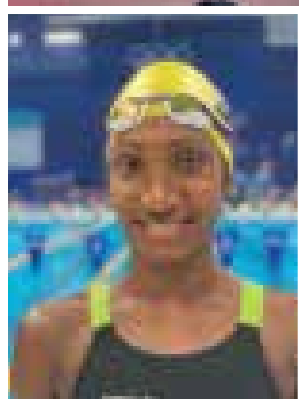
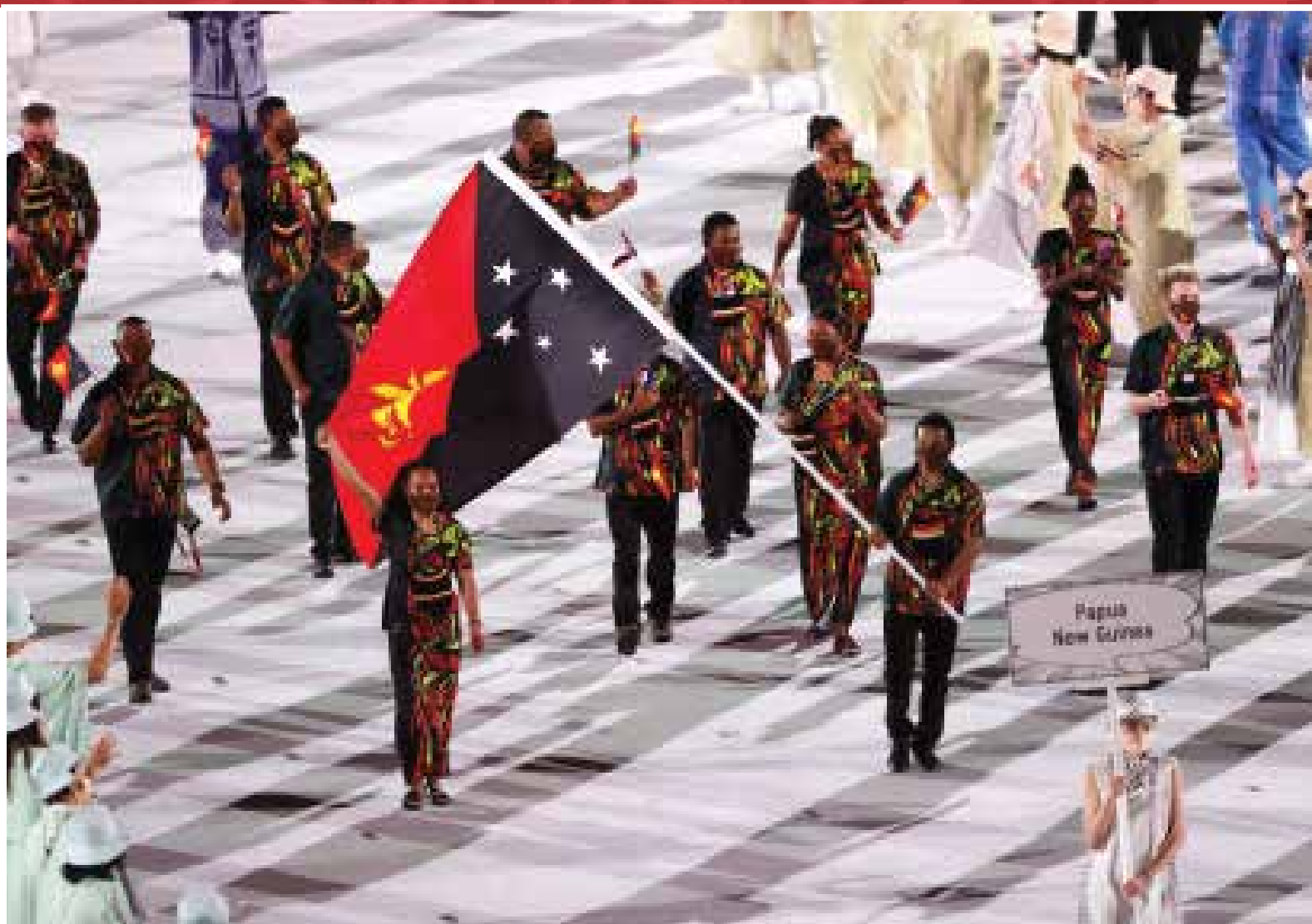


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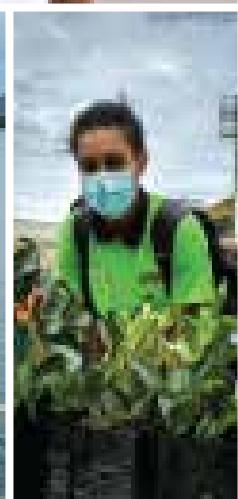
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## BIRDS OF A FEATHER

For those who have come before us, our people and our country. This design is a combination of different elements that are unique to Papua New Guinea. The Red, Yellow, Orange and Black colors represent the rich natural minerals of the land and unique cultural backgrounds of its people. These colors have been representing PNG in past national and international events and will continue to pave the way for future olympians. The intricate designs that are displayed across this art is a combination of natural and cultural elements. The natural elements represent the wild and untouched indigenous land and the many different types of animal and flower species that are only found in Papua New Guinea. The cultural elements represent the beautiful and colorful diverse tribes, traditions and cultures of our people. Showcasing the beautiful craftsmanship and hidden talents of our people our land and what we stand for. The swirls and twirls represent the challenges that we face in life and overcoming those challenges to get to where we are today. All elements of this story come into shape to resemble our nation bird of paradise raising to the challenge that lays ahead. For whatever the challenge may bring CARRY IT STRONG AND CARRY IT PROUD your country is with you.



## PAPUA NEW GUINEA OLYMPIC COMMITTEE PARTNERS

