1968-2018 = 50 Years+

Kari James & Kylie Moloney
PARBICA Conference, Fiji, 2017
The work of the Bureau

- Arrange, lists and copies archives
- Provide access
- Provide support to researchers
- Supports archives and libraries in the Pacific Islands
The beginnings of the Bureau

Henry Maude, Professor of Pacific History at the ANU

Gordon Richardson, Mitchell Librarian at State Library of New South Wales
The aim of PMB

Help with long-term preservation of the documentary heritage of the Pacific Islands and to make it accessible.
The early years

Robert Langdon, the first PMB Executive Officer, 1968-1986
Vulnerable documents
Publications & the middle years

Some of the Bureau’s publications
Ewan Maidment
The microfilm camera and collections

Microfilming the Noser Archives at Divine Word University in Madang, 2001

Poster advertising the Goroka show, 1968 (Norman Wilson papers, PMB 1246/42.)
The Bureau’s collection

Over 4000 reels of microfilm

Reels in PMB Ms. Series by Content

- Government
- Diaries
- Letters
- Church/mission
- Whaling
Kylie Moloney appraising archives at the Catholic Bishops Conference in PNG

Kylie and Vaine Tutuvahe digitising Cook Islands Christian Church archives
Digitisation

The Bureau’s digitisation set up
Training and accessibility

Training in Kiribati

TV interview in Cook Islands

Strengthen your research and find something new!
Use photos, letters and diaries in your essays.

Search Pambu today!

Posters produced to encourage Pacific Island students to use the Bureau’s rich resources for their studies
Bula!

Greetings from the National Library of Australia!

All the best for PARBICA 17!

Kylie at the National Library of Australia
What’s next?
After the flood, Mataniko River, Honiara, April 2014
• Engage with the digital landscape

• Engage with member libraries

• Engage with Pacific
The Digital Landscape

- Workflows
- Social media
Engaging With Pambu Member Libraries
Solomon Islands forestry reports and papers / collected by Professor Judy Bennett

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Pacific News and Research Websites

Links to recommended websites of archives, museums, news sites, and research sites.

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Archives and Museums
- Alele Museum, Library, National Archives (Marshall Islands)
- Bishop Museum Library and Archives (Hawaii)
- British Museum collections database
- Digital Archives Collection (University of Hawaii at Manoa)
- The Tuzin Archive for Melanesian Anthropology (University of California, San Diego)
- Micronesian Archive (Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands)
- National Archives of Australia
- National Archives of Fiji
- NZ & Pacific Digital Collections (University of Auckland)
- Pacific and Regional Archive for Digital Sources in Endangered Cultures (PARADISEC)
- Pacific Digital Library
- Pacific Islands Association of Libraries, Archives and Museums (PIALA)
- Pacific Manuscripts Bureau
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- What Pacific subjects are being taught?
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