BRIDGE ART PROJECT.

CHAIRMANS REPORT. May 2013

I would like firstly to thank this Committee for the amazing amount of Work, Research, and Thought put into our Project, for the attendance at meetings, and for participating in our current achievements to date.

During this past 12 months we have made many strong movements forward.

Including:-

- The formulation + adoption of our Constitution.
- Achieving Tax Exempt + DGR Status.
- The approval in principal and support of the BAP by:-

- C4EM
- Murray Shire.
- Campaspe Shire.
- Paul Weller.
- Mal Kersting (Vic Roads).
- Terry Mulder (Minister for Transport)
- Simon Crean (Ex Fed Minister for Regional Devel)
- Several other Politicians and organizations.

Unfortunately, Mr. Crean’s departure from the Front Bench left us out in the cold, and due to the ensuing election, we have not achieved our planning funding assistance.

However, we have developed Positive Relationships with all interested parties that have been made aware of our Project.

The next exciting stage will include developing a relationship with Tourism Vic, and pushing further into a variety of Govt. Departments.

Developing a Membership + Sponsors Structure, along with building a team of other interested and skilled people to assist us maintaining momentum will be a major goal in the coming 12 months.

Having been recognized as an important sector of the Bridge Development, we look forward to participating in the Planning Process.

It will be necessary to bolster our presence when Planning hits the table.

The trip to Bunjalaka was most enjoyable and we look forward to visiting the Koori Heritage Centre.

Developing an understanding of building a support and donor base by visiting (ABAF) Creative Partnerships Australia- Sydney, was also a very valuable experience.

Thank you all again.

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