GULGONG HOLTERMANN MUSEUM Inc.

Dear Campers

It is with great pleasure I give a brief overview of our first 12 months' activities which could only have come about thanks to your generous financial support.

THE GREATEST WONDER OF THE WORLD

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AMERICAN TOBACCO WAREHOUSE

*We have taken possession of both buildings, and they are being paid off.

*The GWW has been re-roofed, and we have sourced and stored original material for further restoration.

*Heritage Listing has been applied for.

*Colour scheme for both buildings has been finalised and restoration has commenced *Many working bees have been held.

* The buildings have already been used by school, community and arts groups.

DISPLAYS

*The State Library has generously donated the vast majority of its images from "The Greatest Wonder of the World" exhibition held in Sydney to great acclaim in 2013, and on tour until now.

This will allow us to immediately have a marvellous pictorial exhibition of Gulgong's gold rush past, when the buildings are ready for stage one in 2016. Such is its significance, this photographic collection was recently inscribed on the **UNESCO** Australian Memory of the World Register.

*Planning for internal layout of images and hi tech. interactive spaces has commenced.

*Famous Australian author and historian Thomas Keneally has agreed to be our patron.

FINANCES

*To date we have raised over \$60,000.00 cash, and received some \$70,000.00 worth of in kind help-such is the interest in this project.

*We are busy applying for State and Federal grants at every turn, as well as corporate sponsorship.

*The German and Chinese Consulates have agreed to assist.

We enclose a small token of our gratitude and hope you continue to take an interest in this exciting community project as we plan another busy 12 months. Please follow our progress at www.gulgongholtermannmuseum.com.au

Yours sincerely

Chris Pearson (Chairman)

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