

President's Report

Another year has come and gone and we have a new committee. The Executive remains with me as President and Allen Chang and Anne Chong as Vice-Presidents. However, we have a few resignations being Harry Moon, Roy and May Young, who have resigned to make way for some new members. I would like to thank Harry, Roy and May for their input and services in the committee over the past few years. Also resigned from the committee are Jocelyn Choong for personal reasons and Steven Young who heads the Wellington Chinese Association. We have also lost Errol Wong She who passed away earlier in the year. We have gained Phyllis Kwan as a new committee member and her input will be invaluable to us but we need people to fill the vacancies left by those who have resigned.

Those of you who are interested in the welfare of the Tung Jung Association and would like to have a say in the decision making, please contact me as we would like to have you on the committee.

The traditional Cheung Yeung festival which the Association usually observes will be held this year on the 16th October at the Regal Restaurant. Tickets are available from any committee member.

We are going ahead with the Adult Cantonese Camp to Guangzhou in mid March to April next year. The programme and itinerary has been confirmed and there are a few vacancies available. Those interested please contact Allen Chang or Peter Kohing or look into our website for particulars. Tung Jung members will have first preference.

In my last report, I mentioned that there was concern about the teaching of the Cantonese dialect in Wellington. We, as an Association, are pursuing to ask for funds from the Poll Tax Trust to engage a trained teacher to teach Cantonese in three levels. Many of us New Zealand born Chinese lack the confidence to talk freely in Cantonese. We hope that the Poll Tax Trust will come to our aid.

We are hoping to have an afternoon session on the art of bonsai/miniature trees in containers/ by Keith Lowe of the California Garden Centre. Keith has offered his services to demonstrate this art. A date has yet to be confirmed though it will be in October.

By the time you receive this newsletter, the China National Day and also the farewell dinner to the Ambassador, His Excellency Chen Mingming and Madame Yu Shufang will have taken place. The Association presented them with a pictorial book about Wellington as a memento of their stay here in New Zealand. We wish them well.

It has come to my attention that our newsletter is a welcome source of information from a lot of members outside Wellington. Let us keep this up and make it even more interesting by having input from other members. Drop us a line or email us if you have an interesting story or point you would like to share.

I hope you all did your duty and voted this year. To be noticed, you must have a say first.

A GENTLE REMINDER

Membership subscriptions for this year are due. We wish to thank those who have paid theirs and for those who have not yet done so we give this reminder. The administration costs to run the Association are not large but we need to maintain our standing in the day to day running of our Organisation. At this stage the membership fees are not large. The scale of fees is found on the membership enrolment form. An early return would be appreciated. Thank you for giving this your consideration.

CHEUNG YEUNG

The annual Cheung Yeung dinner is to be held at the Regal Restaurant on

SUNDAY, 16 OCTOBER 2005

AT 6.30 PM.

Cost: \$25.00 per person

This dinner is always well supported by our community so please make every effort to do so again this year.

Please contact Anne Chong for table bookings.

80th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

The 80th anniversary of the founding of the Tung Jung Association is to be held on Saturday, 5th August 2006. The celebration is to take the form of a Dine and Dance. Organization for this function is well in hand and a booklet outlining some of the history of the Association is being prepared. Make a note in your diaries to come to this important time in the history of our Association.

CHRISTMAS FUNCTION

It has again been decided not to hold our own Christmas function as last year but to support the other Chinese groups when holding theirs. As we know, Christmas is a very busy time and so, to avoid clashes of dates we will not be holding our own.

Adult Cantonese Language Camp March – April 2006

The plans and programme for the camp (or tour) are now confirmed and available through the news section on our website www.tungjung.org.nz. Folk without Internet access can contact either Allen Chang or Peter Kohing (see details below) for the full programme, itinerary and the registration form.

The tour includes the following major components:

- Departure date 14 March, returning to New Zealand 10 April
- Two weeks studying at Jinan University interspersed with free days/evenings and an overnight visit to Zhuhai and Shenzhen.
- Opportunity to visit ancestral villages in Zengcheng
- Group visit to Xian and then EITHER to Beijing and Shanghai OR Kunming, Dali, and Lijiang (Yunnan province) all returning to New Zealand via Guangzhou

Registrations with payment of deposit should be sent to either Allen Chang or Peter Kohing before **4 October 2005**. Full payment is required by **24 January 2006**.

Depending on the numbers, first preference will be given to members of the association.

Please feel free to contact Allen or Peter or Janet Joe by email janet.joe@xtra.co.nz for clarification or further information.

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**Jungseng New Zealand History book for the TJA 80th Anniversary
5 August 2006**

NOMINATION OF A JUNGSENG NEW ZEALAND ACHIEVER

To nominate a Jungseng person for inclusion in the chapter of Jungseng New Zealand achievers, please complete the form in English and/or Chinese and return either by e-mail to Allen Chang, Chair of the Editorial Committee, achang@paradise.net.nz, or by post to

The Secretary
Tung Jung Association of NZ Inc
PO Box 9058
Wellington
New Zealand

BEFORE 01 December 2005

Name of nominee	English	Chinese	
Contact details of nominee, please include phone number or e-mail address.			
Place and year of birth and death (if deceased):			
Father's village	in English	in Chinese	Father's county if not Jungseng
Mother's village	in English	in Chinese	Mother's county if not Jungseng
Place in NZ nominee is most associated with.			
Qualification, awards, and/or honours of nominee.			
Occupation or area of achievement of nominee.			
If achievements of nominee were made overseas, where are they are most associated.			
Notes, including any further justification for nomination.			
Your name and contact details.			

VILLAGE FAMILY HISTORIES

The Jungseng New Zealand History book will contain histories of Jungseng families from the major Jungseng villages represented in New Zealand. The village co-ordinators are:

Baishi (Bak Shek)	Peter Kohing
Daidun	Arthur Loo
Gualing (Gwa Lang)	Mike Wong
Guanfu (Gwun Fu)	Judy Cheung
Pingdi	Steven Young
Shatou	Alec Wong
Shixia (Shak Har)	Cedric Lowe
Tianxin	Diana Young
Tangmei (Tong Mei)	Colin Lowe
Xiaji (Har Gee)	Helen Wong
Xinjie (Sun Gai)	Raymond Chan
Yayao (Nga Yiel)	Gordon Wu
Zhangpo (Jurng Bi)	Steve Austin
Zhucun	Joseph Gee

If you consider your family history should be included please contact your village coordinator, or the Chief Editor Henry Chan (email chanmx@paradise.net.nz) or the Chair of the Editorial Committee Allen Chang (email achang@paradise.net.nz) as soon as possible

If your village is not in the above list please contact Henry Chan or Allen Chang as soon as possible.

The Early History of the Kuomintang in Australia and New Zealand

The Chinese Australian Historical Society Inc (CAHS) and the Chinese Nationalist Party (KMT) of Australasia have recently cooperated to apply for funding from the NSW and Commonwealth Governments to catalogue, conserve and digitize the archives and photographic collection housed in the KMT headquarters in Sydney. It has just been announced that the CAHS has been awarded a grant by the NSW Government to begin the conservation and digitization of the photographic collection of the KMT in Oceania

For much of the first half of the twentieth century the Kuomintang was the key Chinese community organization in Australia and New Zealand, and the KMT throughout the South Pacific was controlled from Sydney. In New Zealand the leadership of the KMT and the NZCA, as well as the Tung Jung Association, were often interlocked, if not the same.

There is substantial material and many photos relating to New Zealand in the KMT Archived held in Sydney, which are the major Chinese language source on the histories of the Chinese communities throughout Australia and New Zealand from the 1920s to 1972.

When the digitization of the archives and the photographic collection has been completed, as the director of the project, I shall negotiate for copies of the material and photos to be repatriated to the Alexander Turnbull Library in Wellington.

On Saturday, 15 October 2005, the CAHS and KMT will be hosting a symposium on the early history of the KMT in Australia and New Zealand. If you happen to be in Sydney around then, let me know at the addresses below and I shall send you an invitation. Professor John Fitzgerald (Australian National University), and his PhD student Ms Kuo Meifen from Taiwan, who has been researching in the KMT Archives, will be speaking at the symposium. I shall be giving a preliminary paper on the material available on the KMT in New Zealand.

If you would like to share with me any information or material you have on the early days of the KMT in New Zealand, please contact me at the address below.

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