

# Hebou 29

The Newsletter of the  
Linguistic Society of Papua New Guinea  
and the  
Society of Pidgins and Creoles in Melanesia  
P.O. Box 418, Ukarumpa via Lae

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## Report on the Third International Conference on Papuan Linguistics

The 1992 annual conference of the Linguistic Society of Papua New Guinea was held in conjunction with Third International Conference on Papuan Linguistics at Divine Word Institute, Madang on 15-18 September 1992. Approximately 20 papers were presented, and over 40 participants attended. The papers included discussions on phonology, syntax, and lexicography. Several papers were of a comparative perspective. While most papers discussed Papuan languages, several papers were presented on Tok Pisin.

Numerous members remarked about the outstanding quality of the conference. Both the host, Divine Word Institute, and the conference organizing committee, especially John Clifton, Carl Whitehead, John Roberts and Malcolm Ross, earned the appreciation of the participants.

As part of the conference, the Annual General Meeting of the Linguistic Society of Papua New Guinea was held as well. The new officers of the Society for 1993 (and the institutions they are affiliated with) are:

<i>Office</i>	<i>New Officer</i>	<i>Institution</i>
President:	Kevin Ford	UPNG
President Elect:	Kenneth Sumbuk	UPNG
Secretary:	David Snyder	SIL
Treasurer:	David Snyder	SIL
Editor for LLM:	John Clifton	SIL
Review Editor for LLM:	John Roberts	SIL
Member at Large:	Shem Yarupawa	UniTech

(The AGM decided to elect one person to both the secretary and treasurer position in an attempt to streamline the work flow of the executive committee.)

### *President's Report:*

The outgoing president, Sakarepe Kamene, surveyed the general interests of the society over the years. He noted that there is a trend away from 'simple' descriptive studies of single languages toward comparative and pragmatic studies.

The president reported on the progress of the work on the resolution passed by the Society last year. That resolution asked the Executive to try to establish an award for the best linguistic student at UPNG. The president has been working with the UPNG administration to establish an award. The UPNG administration is favourable to such an award system. Mr. Kamene hopes to see an award system in place within the year.

The president reported that all normal activities of the Society (e.g., Publications, meetings, papers, etc.) are continuing well.

### 1993 LSPNG Conference and AGM

The 1993 annual LSPNG conference will be hosted by the University of Papua New Guinea at Port Moresby. If you plan to present a paper, please send the title of the paper along with a short abstract to the address to the right.

The dates for the 1993 LSPNG conference and AGM are August 24-27, 1993. Further details on accommodations and the specific location of the meetings will be posted as available.

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## Language and Linguistics in Melanesia (report from the editor)

Volume 23, number 2 of Language and Linguistics in Melanesia has finally been posted after numerous delays including the printers running out of paper and the post office running out of stamps. This issue is our first thematic issue, including mostly papers from 6ICAL. Many thanks to David Snyder for the work he put in editing many of the papers for this issue.

At the Third International Conference on Papuan Linguistics, it was decided that a collection of the papers presented would be published in LLM in 1993. Right now it looks like we have enough papers to fill both issues of volume 24. I am already working on six of the papers, so the first issue should be out on schedule in April.

## SIL-PNG Linguistic Publications

The publications listed below may be of interest to subscribers to Hebou.

For further information about these publications, or to order copies, please contact the address to the right.

Summer Institute of Linguistics Academic Publications P.O. Box 418 Ukarumpa via Lae PAPUA NEW GUINEA
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### *Data Papers Series.*

Appearing originally as Workpapers, this journal began publication in 1973, and back issues are available from 1980, with occasional titles still available prior to that date. Cost is currently PNG K8.50 (or US\$10.00) per issue, plus postage and handling. Issues prior to Vol. 32 (1987) still in print are available for PNG K5.00 or US\$ 7.00.

The most recent issues are:

- Volume 35 (1989) Bound and Minor Words in Baruya. Richard LLoyd
- Volume 36 (1989) Studies in Componential Analysis. (*Kalo*, Ali Laeka; *Dobu*, Gail Edoni; *Kara*, Perry & Ginny Schlie; *Mauwake*, Kwan Poh San, *Miniafia*, David C Wakefield; *Folopa*, Neil Anderson) ed. Karl Franklin
- Volume 37 (1990) Two Grammatical Studies (*Tungak*, Lesley Fast; *Nend*, Kyle Harris) ed. John R Roberts
- Volume 38 (1991) Reference Grammar of the Karo/Rawa Language. Norma & Don Toland
- Volume 39 (1992) Namia and Amanab Grammar Essentials (*Namia*, Tom & Becky Feldpausch; *Amanab*, Andy Minch) ed. John R Roberts --currently being printed

### *Dictionaries of Papua New Guinea Series*

Recent titles (Volume 11 and later) are available for K8.50 or US\$10.00, plus postage & handling. Older volumes sell for K5.00 or US\$ 7.00.

Currently available titles are:

- Volume 2 (1974) Yareba - English Dictionary. Harry & Natalia Weimer
- Volume 3 (1979) Waffa-Tok Pisin-English Dictionary. M D Stringer & J M Holz
- Volume 4 (1981) Managalasi-English Dictionary. Jim & Jaki Parlier
- Volume 6 (1982) Halia-English Dictionary. Jerry Allen, Marcello Latu, Maurice Koesana, Maurice Tsirumits
- Volume 11 (1990) Sudest Field Notes. Mike Anderson
- Volume 12 (1992) Gapapaiwa Field Notes. Ed & Catherine McGuckin

## Scholarship Fund

In 1991 the Society established a scholarship fund to provide scholarships for nationals training in linguistics or related fields. The Society would like to note appreciation to the following people who have contributed to the fund: Dr. A Rumsey; Mrs. S Holzknrecht; Dr. A J Taylor; Dr. A J Taylor; Dr. T M Crawly; John A Hole; Joel Bradshaw; and, Prof. E L Keenan.

# FIFTH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON PIDGINS AND CREOLES IN MELANESIA

Tentative Venue:  
21–24 June 1994  
University of Technology  
Lae, PAPUA NEW GUINEA

## Preliminary Call for Papers

Papers are being solicited dealing with any aspect of Pidgins and Creoles of the Melanesian area including, but not limited to:

- ✓ Syntax
- ✓ Semantics/Pragmatics
- ✓ Phonology
- ✓ Historical Development
- ✓ Sociolinguistics/Language Use

Abstracts should not be longer than one page, and should not include the author's name or institution. These should be included instead in a cover letter or card.

All abstracts, as well as requests for further information should be sent to:

<p>Department of Language and Communication Studies Attn: Shem Yarupawa, Conference Coordinator, Fifth International Conf. on Pidgins and Creoles in Melanesia University of Technology Private Mail Bag, Lae PAPUA NEW GUINEA</p>
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