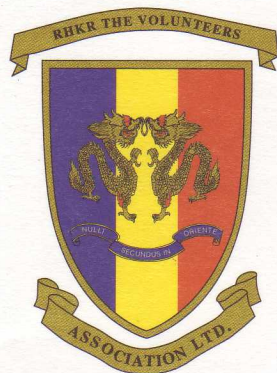


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Dear Donald

THE HERO PROJECT

December 1941 was an extremely traumatic month for Hong Kong and the events of that month remained etched in the memories of those who lived through the suffering. Regrettably many lives were lost and many more died before the end of hostilities.

During this time there were many heroic feats and many unrecorded. Of those who survived, many did not talk about the events wishing to forget that period. It is only right and appropriate that these heroic feats are acknowledged and credit given to those who risked their lives for the benefit of future generations.

One such spectacular feat was the escape from Hong Kong on the evening of 25 December by Admiral Chan Chak and his party. The escape, first to Nan Ao in Mirs Bay and then on to Waichow, is a remarkable story not known nor appreciated by many of the current generation.

This year marks the 60th anniversary of the Admiral's death, making December 2009 an appropriate occasion to remember that spectacular escape and journey of those 68 men.

Our Association congratulates all of those, and particularly the descendants of those who escaped, who have come together to remember the epic journey under the heading of the Hero Project.

Our Association therefore commends the Hero Project to the people of Hong Kong.

Ronald Taylor

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