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Reclaim the Radical Spirit of the Eureka Rebellion Celebrations

The Anarchist Media Institute has been holding Reclaim the Radical Spirit of the Eureka Rebellion Celebrations, in Ballarat on the 3rd December, since 2002. Over the past two years West Papuan Independence activists exiled in Australia have been attending the celebrations in greater numbers.

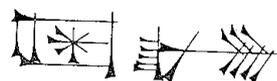
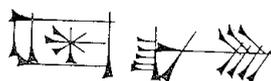
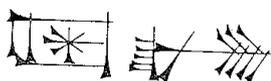
The West Papuan Independence Movement identifies with the universal values that propelled the Eureka Rebellion. They identify with the aims and principles of the Eureka rebels.

The West Papuan Independence Movement celebrates their Independence Day on the 1st December, Eureka occurred on the 3rd December. The Morning Star is the principal feature of the West Papuan Independence Movement, while the Southern Cross is the Eureka Rebellion's primary symbol.

This year larger numbers of the West Papuan Independence Movement will be involved in all facets of the celebrations. Mr. Jacob Rumbiak, the Foreign Minister in exile, will be coming to Ballarat to receive a Eureka Australia Day Medal for the personal sacrifices he has personally made (imprisoned for 10 years, tortured by the Indonesian authorities). He fled to Australia in 1998. He is the senior member of the West Papuan Independence Movement who is currently not in an Indonesian prison.

The Black Orchids, a West Papuan Independence band, will be providing the entertainment at this year's Reclaim the Radical Spirit of the Eureka Rebellion Celebrations' Annual Dinner, at which local respected Ballarat historian, Dr. Anne Beggs-Sunter will be giving a talk about Eureka plays and films.

If you require further information, contact Dr. Joseph Toscano, the Convenor of the Reclaim the Radical Spirit of the Eureka Rebellion Celebrations directly on 0439 395 489 to learn more about the scope of celebrations in Ballarat that begin at 4:00am and end at 10:00pm.



The cuneiform inscription above is the earliest known written appearance of the word "freedom" (ama-gi) or liberty. It is taken from a clay document written about 2,300 B.C. in the Sumerian city-state of Lagash. An Anarchist Society is a voluntary, non-hierarchical Society in which the political and social structures are organised so that all people have free and equal access to the wealth and decision making power of that Society.