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From the Editor's Desk

Well, 2009 is almost over and EFAS moves ahead into 2010, somewhat changed. Our AGM produced a new Executive: I moved up to President and continue as Eagle Report editor since no-one stepped forward to take on this role.

I have to say that this issue of the "ER" is not going to contain any startling news: Brisbane City Council is still leasing Hangar 7 to construction firms and the word is that we are not likely to see access ourselves until 2011, something of a

disappointment, however there is still much to do in preparation for the expanded management committee.

I wish everyone the best for the festive season and for us all in the coming year.

Bob Livingstone

Your Committee

At the 19 November Annual General Meeting a number of changes were made in the management of the Society. President Roger Marks stepped down after a number of years of guiding us through uncharted waters and Treasurer Mike Gannaway needed to reduce his workload. Secretary Bob Livingstone stepped up to

President, replaced by John Best. Vice-President John Bencke continued in that role and Betty Bencke is now Treasurer. The non-executive management committee was strengthened by both Roger and Mike remaining aboard, and one of our newer members, Geoff Brown, has joined the management

committee. The other members of the management committee are Jenny Marks who has taken on the job of Membership Secretary and Peter Dunn. Mike Adams remains in an oversight position as the Aerospace Heritage Queensland Co-ordinator. These then make up the management of EFAS, Inc.



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EFAS Logo Change

At left you will see the new logo we have selected from a series of designs created by the daughter of Secretary John Best. The Zero dominates the

foreground with Hangar 7 behind. In the skies above are the allied fighters which duelled with the Zero and of course, Sir Charles Kingsford

Smith's *Southern Cross*, an Eagle Farm icon on display at the airfield since 1958 which serves to consolidate the Society's ties to the field..

New President

In the previous issue we profiled the then current President, Roger Marks, so it seems reasonable to say something about the new President. Bob Livingstone is Brisbane-born and rode his bike to Eagle Farm as a boy to watch & photograph the aircraft on weekends. Called up for two years in 1969, Bob served a year in Vietnam in the army. On return he trained as an air traffic controller and worked mostly at Sydney's three controlled airfields, retiring after 30 years in 2001. He learned to fly in 1966, was a foundation member of the

Queensland Air Museum and has been a member of the Aviation Historical Assn of Australia for 46 years.

Bob's major interest for the past 20 years has been researching all aspects of the B-24 Liberator. He is part of the BestWeb B-24 web site research team and has published two books on the subject. While in ATC Bob also wrote for various magazines, helping start FLIGHTPATH and had many opportunities to fly in interesting vintage and warbird aircraft types.

Bob and his wife try to travel as much as finances allow which explains the photo at left taken at Oshkosh immediately before Diamond Lil entered a major reconstruction. Bob is aiming to re-focus the Society a little to concentrate on obtaining a satisfactory lease from council which also means we need a Business Plan and Development Plan as these things tend to go hand-in-hand. Any member with experience or interest in these matters is urged to approach the management. **Without the hangar we have nothing.**

