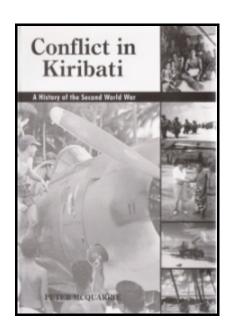
Other books by Peter McQuarrie:

Conflict in Kiribati - A History of the Second World War

This book tells the story of those Pacific Islands which now form the Republic of Kiribati, part of the huge archipelago of tiny gem-like islands and atolls known as Micronesia, covering approximately half of the Central Pacific Ocean between the Philippines and Hawaii. During WWII Kiribati was part of the British colony of the Gilbert and Ellice Islands.

Setting the history within its larger political, social

and military context, this publication documents the many dimensions of the war as it affected Kiribati. From the arrival of people of German descent who were fleeing from a harsh Japanese rule in Micronesia between the wars, it moves to the early days of the war, of coast-watching and German raiders, in addition to dealing with the periods of Japanese and American occupations. It is a history of a time and place and of the people involved; the indigenous I-Kiribati, Tuvaluans, German/Marshallese, New Zealanders, British, Chinese, American and Japanese. The book ends by discussing the after effects of the war and how they affected subsequent post war developments. 2001, Paperback, MBC University of Canterbury, Christchurch, ISBN 1-877175-21-8, 237 pages, 36 photographs, 10 maps, index, notes and bibliography.



Strategic Atolls – Tuvalu and the Second World War

The story of Tuvalu (formerly the Ellice Islands, situated north of Fiji) and Tuvaluans' involvement in the Second World War. Tuvaluans worked with New Zealand coast-watchers in reporting the movements of the Japanese Navy. They suffered the effects of American occupation of their islands and bombing raids by the Japanese. Tuvaluans working on the phosphate islands, Ocean Island and Nauru, suffered under Japanese rule. Some were conscripted into the Japanese Navy and trained to fight, they were then executed when food supplies ran low. Others were transported to Tarawa or Kusaie as slave labour for the Japanese. This book documents the many dimensions of the war: military, social, political and environmental.

1994, Paperback, 187 pages, MBC University of Canterbury & IPS University of the South Pacific, ISBN 0-9583300-5-0,

41 photographs, 15 maps, frontispiece, appendices, index, notes and bibliography.

