



KOKODA track anniversary walk leader Charlie Lynn, right, and Les Cook lead in their party of 18 Australians and 12 villagers as they arrive at Kokoda after the nine-day trek along 112km of track.

# Aussies salute Kokoda track heroes who fell

By **BOB JOHNSON**  
at Kokoda Village

LAST Monday was a double celebration for Les Cook — at age 69 he completed a nine-day walk of the Kokoda track 50 years after he fought there with the Australian army. Mr Cook also unveiled a plaque commemorating the Kokoda campaign. The neti-



from the Australian Government.

It is one of several plaques he installed during the past week at sites of major battles along the Kokoda track.

More than 30 Australian veterans of the Kokoda campaign flew to the village on Monday for the plaque unveiling.

