

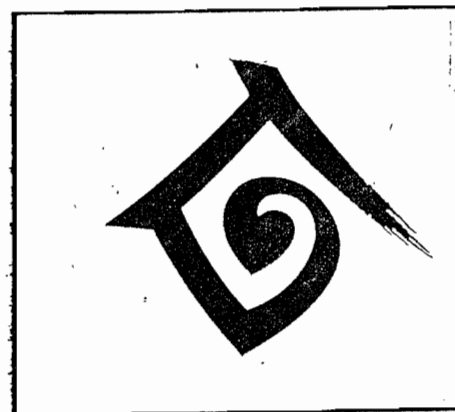


**UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION
OF AUSTRALIA**

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

ANNUAL REPORT

1993 - 1994



INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF THE FAMILY

FORTY- FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA

(SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION) Incorporated

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Governor of South Australia

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Molly Hopkins	Judy Ashton
Betty Simmons	Margaret Forte
Cynthia James	Harriet Glen

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 1993-1994

OVERVIEW

Another busy year - made possible by the dedication of all our volunteers; office staff, executive members and committee members. Our effectiveness has been increased by our continuing representation on other committees

We farewelled Stewart Barnes when she moved to Brisbane to live. Stewart was UNAA in South Australia for many years, serving as office manager and also office-bearer including secretary and Vice-president.

At our traditional Christmas party for volunteers we paid tribute to the involvement of Kath Fuller over many years; as Honorary Librarian and the 'fount of all knowledge'. Some of Kath's former associates were present to see Kath presented with a signed lithograph by an African artist which was used as a design for a UN stamp.

We record with sadness the death of Reverend Alan Gray a long-time faithful supporter of UNAA in South Australia. Alan used to bring in his "Peace" dollars on a regular basis for our continuing work. We will miss him.

The continued enthusiasm and efficiency of the United Nations Youth Association is an inspiration and encouragement to us all.

We provided philatelic material from World Federation of United Nations Association for display in the G.P.O. It consisted of original art works which were accompanied by the resulting First Day Covers and stamps.

We are looking forward to our move late in 1995 when the Torrens Building is made available to non-government organisations. We hope to be located close to the organisations we live with now - Amnesty, Global Education and Council of Churches.

Our continuing provision of two school packs per year enables resources relating to the UN and its agencies to be available in school libraries. Half of our grant from the Norman Percy Cole Foundation is used to support this work and the work with secondary and tertiary students.

The other part of the grant is used during Children's Week. Encouragement grants of approx. \$50 are given to groups to allow them to be part of special activities during the week -- often "Healthy Breakfast: and generations together activities.

Highlights of the year included two activities organised by the UNAA Status of Women Committee. The first was a public lecture by Professor Kathleen Mahoney who spoke on Gender Bias and Jusicial Education, drawing on her Canadian experiences. The second was the workshop on "Violence against Women- Rape; Why is she not heard?"

Representation on other committees

My membership of the Multicultural Forum provides information useful to the UNAA.

I continue to be Convener of the Human Rights Programme of UNAA and South Australian UNAA has a supportive responsibility. Our Human Rights reference material has been increased.

I commend Refugee Week to you - I represent UNAA on the hard working committee, which works with Mrs Lina Caporaso of Austcare in planning the week.

One World Collective We continue to share responsibility with Amnesty, Global Education and South Australian Council of Churches for the management and leasing of the the 1st Floor of 155 Pirie Street.

UNIFEM Breakfast committee organised a very successful breakfast on International Women's Day when over 300 women heard Dorinda Hafner speak. \$5000 was raised.

CHILDREN'S WEEK committee plans and coordinates activities during the week throughout the State.

We work closely with Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, the Volunteer Centre, Global Education, Dept. of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Australian International Assistance Bureau, Overseas Service Bureau, UNICEF, ICRA, Graham Smith Peace Trust, Amnesty, CAA and many others.

Special Occasions

* Our speaker on UN Day October 24th was Professor Hilary Charlesworth who spoke on the topic "Has the U.N. forgotten the rights of women?"

* Dr Keith Suter covered a broad range of issues in his talk to members during a brief visit to Adelaide. He received good media coverage.

International Years

We have provided a great deal of information relating to both the Year for Indigenous Peoples (1993) and the Year for the Family (1994) We are preparing for 1995 -Year of Tolerance and 1996- Year of Eradication of Peverty and 1999 Year of Ageing.

SUPPORT for Deaf/Blind Two of our executive members provide ongoing support and advice for Mr Arnold Cielens in his quest to further the cause of the Deaf/Blind in Australia.,

ATTENDANCES Some of the functions we attended included

'Courage to Care' Exhibition at Migration Museum

Molinara- an Italian Village in Australia exhibition

Seminar on new Associations Incorporation Act.

Red Cross Society A.G.M.

Federal Planning Day

International Women's Day events

East Timor support group activities.

SACARE

Human Rights Day ecumenical service

Speaking Engagements include

Bahai Community, FILEF, Sri Chin Moy Peace Run, Law students at University of Adelaide

EXECUTIVE

We welcomed back Geoff Purdie as treasurer, . and also new members Janos Pogany, Peter Letherby, Harriet Glen, Martin Turner, Frances Mowling and Samuel Pasupuleti

School Packs

Cynthia James, Heather Southcott and Betty Simmons and helpers collect information for and despatch school packs to member schools

GRANTS

We record our appreciation to State Government for a grant \$3500 Also to the Norman Percy Cole Foundation for a grant of \$4000.

FEDERAL CONFERENCE and Council Meeting

We were represented by Vonie Fee, Harriet Glen and Bev Hall;.

South Australia presented three resolutions;

- (1) That UN peacekeeping forces and other personnel should receive specialized cultural awareness training relating to the people they are going to work with prior to their arrival in a particular area so that the effectiveness of the UN's operations can be maximised.
- (2) That special operations training be provided to UN officials appointed to command positions so that their directives are effective and take into account the realities of the field situation and minimise risk to personnel.
- (3) That UNAA urge the Australian Government to raise the need for a review of the operations of corporations around the world with a view to establishing through a consultative process, if possible, a code of conduct for such international organisations to follow.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING was held on May 23rd; following the AGM there was an opportunity for members to visit the " Windows for the Future" exhibition.

Book ,Cards and Calendar Sales

Copies of "Just Literacy" continue to sell slowly but steadily. Our librarian also procures special orders from Hunters.

Resource Centre

Good progress has been made under the direction of our librarian Cynthia James in reorganising our library, discarding surplus material.

Our poster collection is now under the direction of Kath Fuller and Hugh Bray.

Margaret Forte provides reviews of books and publications received for the Library page in the Newsletter.

UNITY Our national paper is a most valuable resource

We now pay a modest \$2 per member towards its cost (which includes postage) Please urge your friends to join UNAA or at least subscribe to UNITY.

Finances Out thanks to Harriet Glen for her meticulous work in keeping our books under the guidance of our treasurer Geoff Purdie

Minutes Thanks to Vonie Fee for her minute taking at Executive meetings.

Finally, thank you all for your dedication and loyalty. I look forward to the year ahead.

Heather Southcott
President.

UNAA (S.A.DIV.) STATUS OF WOMEN COMMITTEE

The committee, comprised of representatives from affiliated women's organisations and individual members, has met regularly during year.

Its main activity was holding a weekend seminar in September 1993 entitled "VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN: RAPE - WHY ARE THEY NOT HEARD"

The workshop was attended by some 80 women. The keynote address was given by Jocelyn Scutt. Workshops followed during which the women shared their experiences, and explored measures needed to empower and support women survivors and changes that needed to be made to the judicial process and the law. The recommendations for Governments and agencies arose out of the despair and frustration felt by the women. They covered reporting, investigative, trial and sentencing aspects, but also included concern at the perception of women and of rape as a crime in society. Fundamental changes are needed from the playground to the High Court. Recommendations will be sent to the Law Reform Commission which is considering "Women's Access to the Legal System - Equality before the Law". Their interim recommendation that a National Women's Justice Commission be set up received support from the committee.

Other issues considered by the Committee included

- * representation to the Federal Government urging them to encourage the Japanese Government to take active responsibility in providing full restitution to all women involved.
 - * genital mutilation
 - * rape of women during war as a war crime
 - * representation to the new Minister for the Status of Women regarding the Women's Information Switchboard and the Women's Advisory Council and the Office of Status of Women
 - * Women's Suffrage Centenary programme
 - * issues to be taken to the Fourth UN Conference on Women in September 1995
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UNAA (S.A.DIV.) PEACE AND DISARMAMENT COMMITTEE

This operates as part of the Coalition for Peace with Justice. It operates as an information exchange, a mutual support network and makes representations to government and departments.

The committee has concentrated its efforts this year on working with other activists to explore present situation of Peace Studies and Peace Education in South Australia. Aim is to promote units and courses into secondary and tertiary curricula.

The major success was to have released to us the text of a study guide for teachers, written in 1986 but never published. It is being updated with the aim of publication.

Committee has pursued the issue of conversion, working with A.P.C., WILPF, Centre for Labor Studies and UTLC. A leaflet was distributed and it is hoped that some research will eventuate

Petitions were circulated re World Court Project -- a Declaration of Public Conscience - seeking an opinion of legality of nuclear weapons.

Palm Sunday Peace Rally did not take place this year; emphasis will be put on Hiroshima Day observances.

We met with Kevin Clements on a brief visit to Adelaide.

Recently we have been working with other groups on the issue of Land Mines.

ANNUAL UNYA (SA) REPORT - July 1993 - June 1994

UNYA (SA) tries to fulfill its aims of raising youth awareness of global and international issues by organising a multitude of fun, social and educational events. These consist of monthly meetings, usually with a speaker, social and fundraising events, 2 State Conferences a year, plus a monthly newsletter that always includes an action page.

The speakers at our meetings included Heather Crosby, Momir Dacic, Janet McIntyre, Sam Knottenbelt and Tarnya van Dreil. Heather Crosby, from Women Against Demeaning Images (WADI), talked about the role of women in the media, censorship, freedom of expression and Women's Lib groups. Momir Dacic came from the Yugoslav Child Centre and spoke to us about the situation in former Yugoslavia and the reasons behind the crisis there. Janet McIntyre spoke about the street children in South Africa and the hardships they face. Sam Knottenbelt was from Urban Ecology and talked about Ecocities and the Halifax Project being developed here in Adelaide. Tarnya van Dreil represented Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF), speaking about their campaigns, such as the Filipino brides in Australia, as well as discussing what causes we as individuals feel passionately about. As you can see, the range of topics was diverse and extremely interesting.

The social and fundraising events included the Mad Hatters Tea Party in December, a Paper Making Day in January where we learnt how to make paper out of practically anything, a Quiz Night in April, and a showing of the film 'The House of the Spirits' coming up this June. A top priority is to enjoy oneself productively, and in that each event was a success. As for fundraising, there were varying shades of success.

UNYA (SA) aims to raise money to subsidise the delegates representing South Australia at the National UNYA Conference. To do so, we not only held the events already mentioned, we also sold chocolates desperately and held several 'How to Host a Murder' Dinners.

The 2 State Conferences were held in October 1993 and March 1994, both of which were very educational and enjoyable. We were lucky enough to have Kevin Clements speak at our October conference and Wayne Cristuado speak at our March one, both of whom outlined the challenges facing the UN today. As always we had a mock General Assembly at both, which are always remembered by participants as a definite highlight. The March conference also included a simulation game which dealt with the world of trading as we know it and its problems.

In the past year UNYA (SA) has continued to be active, and enjoyable while being educational. We are proud of this tradition and plan to keep it up in the future.

written by Olivia Halliday
President, UNYA (SA)

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YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1994

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1994

	1994 \$	1993 \$
INCOME		
Subscriptions	2,355	2,710
Donations (1)	192	164
*Publications - Sales	528	622
State Government Grant (2)	7,000	-
Bank Interest	2,242	2,823
Miscellaneous	-	-
Norman Percy Cole Foundation Grant (3)	-	4,000
UNICEF	92	-
UNYA	-	-
	<u>12,409</u>	<u>10,319</u>

* It has been decided to show Purchases of Publications as an expense as the Income from Sales does not relate directly to the purchases in any given year.

- (1) Includes a Donation of \$60, shown as "Accounts Receivable" in the Balance Sheet, to be received from KPMG Peat Marwick.
- (2) Represents two years of State Government Grants, \$3,500 for Y/E 30/6/93 and \$3,500 for Y/E 30/6/94.
- (3) A Norman Percy Cole Foundation Grant of \$4,500 was received on 6/4/94 and will be spent in the UNAA (S.A.Divn) Y/E 31/3/95.

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1994

	1994	1993
	\$	\$
EXPENDITURE		
Publications - Purchases	1,249	640
Newspaper - "UNITY"	500	-
Rent	5,064	5,064
Printing and Stationery	1,582	1,700
Repairs and Maintenance	40	113
Insurance	382	380
Newsletters	805	1,031
Office Expenses	529	455
Telephone	469	532
Functions (nett)	293	489
UNICEF	-	43
Audit Fees -KPMG Peat Marwick	300	-
Conferences (nett)	244	184
Education *	-	415
Children's Week Committees *	-	2,000
UNYA *	1,546	-
	13,003	13,046
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* From Norman Percy Cole Foundation Grant

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE SUMMARY

Income	12,409	10,319
Less Expenditure	13,003	13,046
	(594)	(2,727)
Add Accumulated Funds at 1 April 1993	44,472	47,199
ACCUMULATED FUNDS 31 MARCH 1994	43,878	44,472
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UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA
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BALANCE SHEET
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1994

	1994	1993
	\$	\$
ACCUMULATED FUNDS		
Represented by:	43,878.23	44,472.51
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ASSETS		
State Bank of S.A. - General Account	1,036.49	243.18
Co-op Share and Investment Accounts	24,000.00	24,000.00
State Bank of S.A. - Investment Account	7,393.68	11,023.38
State Bank of S.A. - Investment Account (Norman Percy Cole Found. Grant)	0.00	2,000.00
Cash on Hand	42.73	14.53
Co-op Savings	11,645.33	9,803.42
Accounts Receivable	60.00	0.00
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TOTAL ASSETS	44,178.23	47,084.51
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LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	300.00	2,612.00
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	300.00	2,612.00
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NET ASSETS	43,878.23	44,472.51
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UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA
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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1994

NOTE ACCOMPANYING THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Basis of Accounting

The Income and Expenditure concept has been applied with the exception that no account has been taken of members subscription in advance or in arrears. The Balance Sheet reflects the liquid position of the Association less creditors at that date.

G. H. Purdie
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GEOFFREY H. PURDIE
Honorary Treasurer

25/5/94
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**AUDITORS REPORT TO
THE BOARD OF THE UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA
SOUTH AUSTRALIA DIVISION INC**

Scope

We report that we have audited the attached financial statement for the year ended 31 March 1994. Management is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the statement and the information contained therein. We have conducted an independent audit of the statement in order to express an opinion to the Members of the Board of the United Nations Association of Australia South Australia Division Inc on its preparation and presentation.

The statement has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the entity's financial reporting requirements under its constitution. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the statement to which it relates to any person other than the Members of the Board, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts disclosed in the statement. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the statement is presented fairly in accordance with Australian accounting standards, so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of the results of its operations.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

Audit Opinion

In our opinion, the statement presents fairly the results of the entity as at 31 March 1994 in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards.

KPMG Peat Marwick

KPMG Peat Marwick
Chartered Accountants

M C H Burgess

M C H Burgess
Partner

Dated at Adelaide on this 26th day of May 1994

