

UNITED NATIONS ASSOC. OF AUSTRALIA
SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION INC

ANNUAL REPORT

1992-1993



FORTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION (Incorporated)

PATRON Her Excellency the Honourable Dame Roma Mitchell AC, DBE,
Governor of South Australia

MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR 1992 - 1993

PRESIDENT Mrs Heather Southcott

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Dr Hugh Bray

MRS STEWART BARNES

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HONORARY AUDITOR Mr Geoff Purdie

FIVE ORDINARY MEMBERS Mrs Stewart Barnes DR MALCOLM McARTHUR
Mr Ivo Elts

Mr Michael Radin (Resigned during year)
Miss Marie Lock (later AFUW representative)

HARRIET GLEN
JASON PORTER

FIVE CORPORATE MEMBERS

Womens International League for Peace and Freedom
(Mrs Margaret Forte)

UNICEF (Mrs Judy Koch)

AUSTRALIAN LABOR PARTY (Mr Malcolm Campbell)

Australian Federation of University Women
(Miss Marie Lock)

Women's International Zionist Organisation
(Mrs Hilde Hines)

HONORARY LIBRARIAN

MRS CYNTHIA JAMES

HONORARY BOOK-KEEPER Mrs Jean Downes

UNITED NATIONS YOUTH ASSOCIATION Harriet Glen (President)

PEACE AND DISARMAMENT COMMITTEE Heather Southcott (convener)

STATUS OF WOMEN COMMITTEE Mrs Sue Jeanes (President)

MRS RAENDA RAYNER

OFFICE VOLUNTEERS

Barbara Godson; Mabs Tassell;
Molly Hopkins; Judy Ashton; Margaret Forte;
Yumi Lee; Vonie Fee; Stewart Barnes; Hugh Bray;
Cynthia James; Marie Lock; Kath Fuller; Jean Downes
Barbara Godson; Heather Southcott;

KATHIE HALL

Added notes
were basis of
verbal report
92-93

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

STEWART BARNES
TEAN DOWNS
STUART BARNES

OVERVIEW

The highlight of the year has been the increased interest in and activity of United Nations Youth Association, due to the hard work and enthusiasm of Harriet Glen and Julie Herraman and their executive committee. Their competence has resulted in the organisation of student meetings and conferences being left largely in their hands with support from me as President. This has been one of our aims since International Youth Year; to train and encourage young people to run their busy programs of social, fundraising and awareness raising events. Not only have attendances been good, but there is strong competition for the S.A. places to the National Youth Conference in Tasmania.

Julie
→ Canberra
* Harriet
Student conf.
Regular meetings
Same

Our continuing provision of school packs (twice this year) has meant a building up of resources in school libraries. This is an important part of our work, especially with the introduction of the Australian Studies course of SACE. With increasing attention to the UN, we have had many enquiries for information from secondary and tertiary students, as well as teachers, academics and government departments.

Without our band of volunteers we could not provide this service. Half of our grant from Norman Percy Cole Foundation is used to support our work in schools and with our secondary students especially those at a disadvantage.

This year, the other half of our Norman Percy Cole Trust grant was used to provide Encouragement Grants of up to \$50 to Playgroups, Child-Parent Centres, Child Care groups and primary schools to help them with activities during Childrens Week. It was good to be able to spread the grants across the State, and to see the wide range of events. Many focussed on providing Healthy Breakfasts.

Same

Another important focus during the year has been the sponsorship of the Women Against Demeaning Images Campaign by our Status of Women Committee (together with other women's groups. Violence against women - Rape Seminar Sept.

Kathleen Mahoney
June 8th

REPRESENTATION ON OTHER COMMITTEES AND COOPERATION WITH OTHER ORGANISATIONS

Multicultural Forum and Community Relations Media Forum

My continued attendance has increased the information available to our Association and also provided valuable contacts in this area.

Human Rights Day Committee

This umbrella group planned the main observance which was a lunchtime Forum focussing on the many facets of DEBT. It was well attended and gained media time.

Refugee Week Committee

A wonderful committee to work on, especially due to the Austcare representative in SA, Mrs Lina Caporaso. The 1991 innovation was a maze which helped students to experience the Refugee Journey. I organised a lunch at which Ms Ann Shepherd from UNHCR in Malaysia was keynote speaker. The Week was full of challenging events.

Continuing

One World Collective

This group is responsible for managing and leasing the floor of Admiral House on which our office is situated. We are still waiting for the Accommodation Task Force to find us all a permanent home. Meantime, security is our main problem

Talk about
Tennis Bubbly
\$4.00 up grade

UNICEF

We continue to promote the sale of UNICEF cards and distribute UNICEF information.

Children's Week Committee

The Committee is experiencing difficulties in finding a Chairperson with sufficient time. Meantime, Stewart Barnes is acting chairperson, and I act as Secretary. We are exploring ways of getting more administrative assistance. 1991 Week was very successful. One new event was the running by SADEC of a Simulation game with upper primary students each day. The "TIME FOR PEACE" booklet was launched during the Week.

Childs Week
Office bears
- aft. manager
Very heavy involvement last year

UNIFEM

Palu Sunda's Office
Palu Sunda's Service

New observances notified

March 22 World Water Day

Oct 17 ^{World} Eradication of Poverty Day

1995 UN Year of Tolerance

We have worked closely with Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, Amnesty, Volunteer Centre, South Australian Development Education Centre, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Australian International Assistance Bureau, South Australian Council of Churches, Graham Smith Peace Trust as well as other community groups.

VISITORS

We entertained the following at informal lunchtime meetings

- Mr John Trotter, Aust High Commissioner Designate to FIJI
- Mr David Goss---High Commissioner in Nairobi
- Two women members of Parliament from Cuba.

Speak-out for Members- New and Old *Talk by Hilde Heines | Russia visit*
This was not well attended but we had an interesting discussion on access to information through new technology and potential difficulties for countries who are unable to pay fees demanded.

IMPOSITION OF FEES for children of private fee paying students from overseas

This matter was referred to us by the National Overseas Students Association who questioned whether this was a breach of Convention on the Rights of the Child. Referred to National body to pursue; so far without success.

OBSERVANCES

- International Women's Day- promoted events held in Adelaide — UNIFEM
- World Health Day- cooperated with Heart Foundation — Violence
- International Volunteer Day - I was speaker at event held by Volunteer Centre. *NESS event*
- Hiroshima Day observances *March & Rally August 8-9*
- Human Rights Day ; ~~Debt Forum and Ecumenical Service~~ *launch IY WIP + 50m Service*
- Universal Childrens Day and United Nations Day both celebrated in Childrens Week. *News road 136*
- Stamp Display WIPVA*
- John Spencer - DRC - lunch - very successful*

ATTENDED

We were represented at following - apologies for any left off the list.

- SACARE A.G.M.
- East Timor Protest meeting
- Meeting with Croatia Peace Group
- Greenhouse Conference *Greenhouse after*
- Eco-Cities II Conference
- SHELTER committee *(Pentagon)*
- Community Relations Media Forum
- Multicultural Forum
- Volunteer Centre functions including AGM and Tree planting
- Dept. of Foreign Affairs briefings on LAOS and Burma
- Cambodian Photographic display (Overseas Service Bureau)
- Refugee Journey for Life 40th anniversary of UNHCR photographic display
- Launch of Deaf/Blind Awareness Week
- Red Cross AGM *C.A.A.P.P. launch endorsement of AID Charter*
- Regency Park TAFE Flag raising ceremony on UN Day
- Hindmarsh Rotary Club
- Enfield Rotaract
- Bahai UN Day meeting - I was speaker
- Human Rights Day Forum
- Human Rights Day ecumenical service
- Lithuanian Dinner
- SADEC events
- Catholic Women's League- Mass and meetings *(Highland Park)*
- WILPF events including Fran Peavey talk and Keith Suter's meeting
- Tour of Dalai Lama; multifait service and lecture
- National Conference on Monitoring implementation of the Convention on the Rights of the Child in Australia.
- W.I.Z.O. events
- UNICEF AGM
- Displays at Old Parliament House, including one by WILPF and an anti-arms race one
- Michael Radin also represented us (as an observer) at a Human Dimension meeting (part of Conf. on Security and Cooperation in Europe) in Moscow.

Amnesty East

I4 W/P - working to absorb people supplies info
From Int'l Ind Women funds made money available to handle
- Supported WILPF initiative. ~~at~~

I4F - great interest. World Conf Women
at 50th anniv UN 4 Begin 1945
~~also~~ New observance

EXECUTIVE

Michael Kahi resigned during year. ^{Revered death of former member To B} ^{Jasa Pater - ~~not~~ did not attend}

We were delighted to welcome Stewart Barnes back to the Executive. Also to welcome new members Malcolm Campbell, Marie Lock, Michael Radin, Ivo Elts and Margaret Forte. Harriet Glen has also attended our meetings to report on UNYA.

Jo Bennetts is not renominating due to a move to Tasmania; we wish her well

Education Committee

^{John Crawford / Doug Arnold} Cynthia James ^{Laurie Mousse - unable to return}

Kath Fuller, Stewart Barnes and Heather Southcott and helpers continue to glean whatever material is available and to purchase other supplementary material. With economies at UN and UN agency level it is hard to get enough multiple copies. One pack is sent out with World Health Day material and the other main kit goes out mid-year. We thank the Education Department for their assistance with despatch to schools.

Grants

^{Memberships done - all MPs (State Fed living in SA) invited to Form - some success}
Advertise in Polve Assoc. booklet. Donata Brown - ^{Journal}

We record our appreciation of grants from

- State Government \$3500
- Norman Percy Cole Foundation \$4000

Blawett
Steele Hall
Bolton
Cont. memos of
Gilfillan & Murgess

Federal Conference Heather Southcott attended and was reelected one of the vice-presidents. S.A. submitted the following resolutions which were successful;

- resumption of Australian Aid to Vietnam ^{state quality}
- indexing of UNAA Policy book ^{Dual Disabilities}
- independence and safety of UN agency employees ^{Biodiversity}
- emergency resettlement places and procedures for refugees

Minutes 1/9/92
Compliment of
UN Standards & Instr-
eg notes

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Row Hall - teaching English in Vietnam

Our guest speaker was Ms Merry Wicks, Regional Director of Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. Merry has been extremely supportive of our Association providing us with information relating to our current interests. and also notifying us of visitors to Adelaide.

Two motions brought to the AGM by Mr Arnold Cielens relating to the need for a full public enquiry at both State and Federal level into the tragic plight of the DEAF/BLIND were transmitted to the appropriate authorities.

LIBRARY AND RESEARCH

A reorganisation of the library has begun in an attempt to make information more accessible to our volunteers. Work was begun by Kath Fuller and is being assisted by Cynthia James and a team of helpers. continued work begun by SORTINA - Building up UNIC is only able to provide us with one copy of material and we assist by paying postage often. This means a great deal of photocopying to be done.

BOOK SALES We continue to promote sales of JUST LITERACY (\$10) and Time for Peace, (\$2) a valuable booklet for all who live or work with small children

^{Sales of Lyle Houbert's Book -> Small \$340} ^{\$2500 / over 2 years} ^{plus} ^{Weapons in Children's} ^{\$5}

UNESCO Stewart Barnes is linking young people via computers on an international level

BOOK-KEEPING Our continued thanks to Jean Downes, who makes things so easy for our

Treasurer and Auditor. Her task is made much more difficult by the turn-over of volunteers who are not always familiar with the system.

^{Relieved on May 1st - after many years service. Harriet Glen}

AUDITOR

Our thanks once again to Geoff Purdie for auditing our books

VOLUNTEERS Good to have Kath Bach / Kath Hall * Yumi Lee - ^{unable to continue}

There has been a considerable movement of volunteers over the past year. We are grateful to WILPF who have helped us to find helpers. We especially welcome Yumi Lee and Margaret Forte .A useful meeting of volunteers was held early in the year, which we plan to repeat. And of course, there was our Christmas Party! Many possibilities but hard shortage of volunteer (trained) - ill-health - absence - to supervise

APPRECIATION

My thanks to all who have worked so hard and so well together. It has not been an easy year, but we made it in the end. Special thanks to our secretary, Vonie Fee, who keeps us all happy!

Heather Southcott

Heather Southcott
(President.)

UNITY Mairis list

\$2 head long / member / list being reviewed
More paid \$500 = \$2 x 250 for 1992

UN Flags Bought new ones \$50 each - available for sale
Change / ad \$5 loan

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"If in this world we can produce enough properly guided people, we won't need guided missiles"

Despite my limited experience, it appears to me that all conferences on issues such as disarmament, racism, and the environment, conclude that "education" is the key to a long-term solution. In a small way, the United Nations Youth Association is providing this education.

In July 1993 South Australia was represented by seven delegates: Rachel Cameron, Georgia Glen, Tom Griffith, Emma Kirby, Nastasha Polites, and Mark Smith, at the UN Youth Conference in Tasmania (they were also accompanied by two heroic leaders called Van and Harriet who felt like proud parents when Nastasha won the Barr trophy for best delegate).

The first event after the August AGM was the September General Meeting when Bruce McKay spoke to us about the structure, purpose, and activities of UNICEF. He presented several reasons why the lives of children should be improved, which left us asking the question, "Why would anyone prefer to buy a submarine, rather than help a child?".

October began with a panel of speakers on the issue of Animal Vivisection. On Friday, 9th the State Conference was held at Wilderness School. There were three sessions - the first was on conflict resolution (run by Valerie Redman), the second was on communication skills (run by Gus Saunders), and the third was on leadership techniques (run by AIESEC). By the end of the Conference we had learnt that in order to resolve conflict you must want to resolve it, that effective communication requires understanding, and that the problem with world leaders is that they never attended an UNYA Conference. The month concluded with a dinner at the Phoenician Restaurant.

In November we invited two bright and spritely people called Jennifer and Justin to tell us about the Wilderness Society. A month later, at the December General Meeting we held a fierce and energetic debate on the meaning of Christmas, and on December 11th UNYA members received a rare opportunity to demonstrate their quirky talents and to laugh at each other at a weekend camp in the Adelaide Hills.

In January we held the traditional paper and candle making day, and in February we heard about Emily Sharp's experiences in the Horn of Africa. At

the March General Meeting Sam Knottenbelt enthusiastically told us about Urban Ecology and the Halifax project (several UNYA members consequently got involved in a letter-writing campaign), and on the 14th & 15th we held another State Conference at Seymour college (when we faced the gratifying but awkward situation of receiving 150 applications for 75 places).

On 4 April Philip White from PeACe spoke to us about the Nurrungar Campaign. Although opinion was divided as to the bases, all of us were subsequently shocked by the sensationalist and marginalising approach taken by the Australian media. A few weeks later we held a quiz night at Pembroke School. and on May 2 we participated in the Challenging Racism Simulation Game, run by Suzy Stiles from GAP, where we experienced the anger and depression created by discrimination.

Future events include the Rotary mock UN General Assembly, and a "Creativity Workshop" at the June General Meeting.

The past twelve months have been a busy time for UNYA. Although we are certainly not changing the world overnight, I think we are contributing to the development of "properly guided people".

Harriet Glen
President UNYA (SA Div.)
May 1993

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YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1993

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1993

	1993 \$	1992 \$
INCOME		
Subscriptions	2,710	4,530
Donations	164	191
*Publications - Sales	622	760
State Government Grant	-	3,500
Bank Interest	2,823	3,925
Miscellaneous	-	278
Norman Percy Cole Foundation Grant	4,000	4,000
UNICEF	-	64
UNYA	-	400
	10,319	17,648

* 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.

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1993

	1993	1992
	\$	\$
EXPENDITURE		
Publications - Purchases	640	444
Commission	-	-
Rent	5,064	4,920
Printing and Stationery	1,700	1,559
Repairs and Maintenance	113	175
Insurance	380	385
Newsletters	1,031	1,103
Office Expenses	455	713
Telephone	532	440
Functions (nett)	489	1,003
UNICEF	43	-
Donations	-	-
Conferences (nett)	184	300
Education *	415	1,329
Services to Youth Council *	-	2,500
Children's Week Committees *	2,000	2,000
Peace Project	-	500
SAFRE	-	112
	13,046	17,483

* From Norman Percy Cole Foundation Grant

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE SUMMARY

Income	10,319	17,648
Less Expenditure	13,046	17,483
	(2,727)	165
Add Accumulated Funds at 1 April 1992	47,199	47,034
ACCUMULATED FUNDS 31 MARCH 1993	44,472	47,199

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UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA
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BALANCE SHEET

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1993

	1993 \$	1992 \$
ACCUMULATED FUNDS		
Represented by:	44,472.51	47,199.19
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ASSETS		
State Bank of S.A. - General Account	243.18	1,690.60
Co-op Share and Investment Accounts	24,000.00	24,000.00
State Bank of S.A. - Investment Account	11,023.38	14,382.36
State Bank of S.A. - Investment Account (Norman Percy Cole Found. Grant)	2,000.00	2,000.00
Cash on Hand	14.53	30.16
Co-op Savings	9,803.42	7,708.07
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TOTAL ASSETS	47,084.51	49,811.19
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LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	2,612.00	2,612.00
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	2,612.00	2,612.00
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NET ASSETS	44,472.51	47,199.19
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UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA
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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1993

NOTES ACCOMPANYING THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1: 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.

Heather J. Southcott
.....
HEATHER J. SOUTHCOTT
Acting Honorary Treasurer

..... 13/5/93
Date

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the books of account of the United Nations Association of Australia (South Australian Division) Inc. and from this examination, together with the explanations received, report that, in my opinion the above Statements of Receipts and Expenditure for the year ended 31 March 1993 together with the Balance Sheet as at 31 March 1993, give a true and fair view of the financial position of the United Nations Association of Australia (South Australian Division) and the trading results for the year ended on that date.

Signature *G. H. Purdie*
GEOFFREY H. PURDIE
Honorary Auditor

Date 13/5/93
Date