

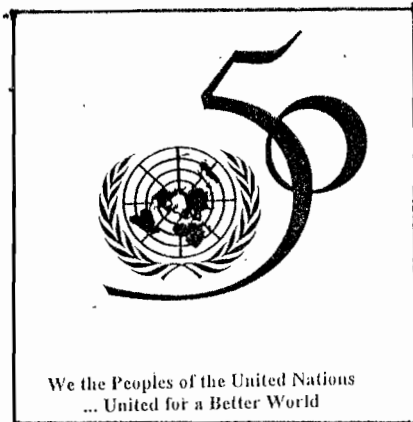


UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION
OF AUSTRALIA

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION
INCORPORATED

ANNUAL REPORT

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A N N U A L R E P O R T

UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA (S.A. Div.) Inc.

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

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Mollie Hopkins	Harriet Glen	hugh Bray
Peter Letheby	Vonie Fee	Heather Southcott
Betty Simmons		

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 1994 -- 1995

The demands on our Association are increasing. Unfortunately our small band of dedicated volunteers is not increasing. Although we manage to respond to requests and provide speakers and information, we could achieve more with more active members.

1994 centred on International Year of the Family and the Centenary of Women's Suffrage in S.A. ,marked by National conferences and calls for information and speakers.

1995 has been very busy since January with so many 50ths to mark.

- *50 Years since the signing of the UN Charter
- * 50 years since the end of World War 2
- * 50th birthday of UNESCO
- * 50 years since the dropping of the bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

Also, it is 20 years since the first International Women's Year.

U.N. has declared 1995 the International Year of Tolerance with a call for us to re-commit ourselves to the goals of the UN as expressed in the Charter.--to PRACTISE TOLERANCE.

1995 is also the beginning of the Decade for the World's Indigenous Peoples.

Important UN Conferences in 1995 include Population (Cairo); Social Summit (Copenhagen); and the 4th Women's Conference (Beijing) Australia was also honoured by the presence of the Secretary General at the Global Cultural Diversity Conference in Sydney in April.

Demand for Speakers on International Year of Tolerance and the 50th Anniversary of the U.N. has been heavy, as has the requests for literature. Our resources have been stretched as we have not yet received material from the IYT Secretariat.

TORRENS BUILDING ACCOMMODATION

Last year we had hopes of moving by August 1995. Due to continued on/off discussions with the government, it now appears unlikely that we will move until late 1996.

UNITED NATIONS YOUTH ASSOCIATION

Our young people have been very busy running monthly meetings, secondary student conferences and selecting 26 students to attend the UN Youth Convention in Canberra in July. They are facing the unenviable task of raising \$13,000 for the students to attend.

HUMAN RIGHTS

I continue as convener of the UNAA Human Rights programme with the support of the South Australian Division. As people become more aware of their human rights, we are increasingly contacted by people wanting to take their case direct to the UN. We still find people do not understand that we are a non-government organisation, not an official part of the United Nations.

SCHOOL PACKS

Two packs were sent to schools during the year. With the advent of information technology, we are reviewing how we provide information to schools. UN material can be accessed from INternet via Pegasus.

REPRESENTATION of UNAA on other bodies

I represent our association on

- One World Collective ---Torrens Building Tenants Forum ---
- Refugee Week Committee--Children's Week Committee--
- UNIFEM Breakfast Committee

Also, as a member of the Multicultural Forum, I receive information relevant to UNAA.

NETWORKING

We work closely with Amnesty, Global Education, Austcare, Refugee Association, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, Graham Smith Peace Trust, Volunteer Centre, Overseas Service Bureau, UNICEF, C.A.A., Dept. of Foreign Affairs and Trade and AIDAB.

BEQUEST A bequest of \$1000 was received from the estate of the late Rev Alan Gray, a long-time supporter. We miss his dedication, wisdom and encouragement.

SUPPORT FOR THE DEAF/BLIND

John Crawford and Ivo Elts continue to work with Arnold Cielens to further this important cause.

REFORM OF THE U.N. We have contributed to the Federal paper on UN Reform.

EVENTS

Our year began with the Annual General Meeting which was addressed by Mr Graham Hawker who spoke of his career with Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and of his present responsibilities as Regional Director of DFAT in S.A.

South Australia was also represented at the Federal Conference and Council meeting of UNAA and at the Planning Day, both held in Melbourne

We were also pleased to meet with David Purnell, Executive officer of UNAA at a lunchtime meeting.

On United Nations Day in 1994, Sister Patricia Pak Poy spoke of her work with the International Landmines Campaign. She was a member of the Australian Delegation to an Experts Group meeting reviewing the International Convention on the Use of Inhuman Weapons. She was the only non-government person in delegation (not surprising as she has to pay her own costs) and one of few women present.

Christmas Party at the end of 1994 thanked all our volunteers (office and executive)

LIBRARY

Re-organisation and culling continues under the direction of Cynthia James. We thank Cynthia and Margaret Forte for providing the Library Page in the Newsletter. Cynthia also is painstaking in researching information to meet the varied requests.

UNITY Our monthly national newspaper is a valued resource.

STATE GOVERNMENT GRANT

We thank the government for their continued support in the form of a grant of \$3500

NORMAN PERCY COLE TRUST

We express our appreciation of a grant of \$4500 which was used to support our work with schools, and secondary and tertiary students.. \$2000 was made available to disadvantaged schools in the form of \$50 encouragement grants during Children's Week.

FINANCES

Our thanks to Harriet Glen for her meticulous book-keeping and to Geoff Purdie, our Treasurer.

MINUTES My thanks to Vonie Fee for taking the minutes, and also for her good humour and loyalty.

To all Executive members and others who have helped in so many ways during the year, THANK YOU.

Heather Southcott
(President)

UNITED NATIONS YOUTH ASSOCIATION (South Australia)

UNYA (SA) tries to fulfill its aims of raising youth awareness on social ,global and international. issues by organising a multitude of fun,social and educational events.These consist of

- *monthly meetings
- * two State Conferences each year and
- *various social and fundraising events ,

plus a monthly newsletter containing a report. of the last meeting, future UNYA events,articles on issues members are concerned with, and an action page.

This year the speakers at our meetings included Doug McEachern, Ian Hunter,Andy Alcock,Paul McGurk,Dean Brown and Heather Southcott.Doug McEachern,a lecturer from Adelaide University, spoke to us about the woodchipping issue which is currently of great concern to many Australians.Ian Hunter spoke about discrimination suffered by homosexual people in Australia and in particular talked about the campaign to reform the anti-homosexual laws in Tasmania. Andy Alcock, from the Campaign for an Independent East Timor, spoke about the plight of the East Timorese people and Australia's role in their ongoing opprsson. Paul McGurk,from the Australian Tibet Council,spoke of the history of Tibet and the current situation there. Dean Brown came to inform us about the 'No Fees for Degrees " campaign and what the government's proposed education fees would mean to the average student.

Heather Southcott, President of UNAA (S.A.) spoke to us about both the United Nations and the UNAA.She helped to re-establish the ties between UNYA and our parent organisation,the UNAA.

Clearly the range of topics has been far-reaching but always informative and interesting.

The social and fundraising events included the Quiz night in April ,a car wash in January and showing a film (I.Q.) in May. A top priority is to enjoy oneself productively ,and in that each event was a success.

UNYA (SA) aims to raise money to subsidise the delegates representing South Australia at the annual National UNYA Conference.As this year is the fiftieth Anniversary of the UN,UNYA has enlarged our National conference so that each member nation of the UN is represented by an Australian student.To recognise the importance of this year we have renamed this year's conference as the Youth Convention to distinguish it from all other conferences. As a result of this we have to select.even more S.A.representatives and our fundraising to help them all get there has been fast and furious.To raise the money,we also sold chocolates and held "How to Host a Murder Dinners".

The two State conferences were held in October 1994 and April 1995, both were very educational and enjoyable. We changed the format of the April Conference so that students attending would have a more personal response to the speakers through a series of rotating workshops. This worked particularly well. The speakers at these workshops included Fred Steiner who spoke about Israel and the Holocaust ; Thubten Vyingje, a Tibetan monk; Hilde Hines from the Women's International Zionist Organisation ; and a speaker on gay rights. As always we had a Mock General Assembly at both conferences which are always remembered by participants as a definite highlight. Simulation games were also held at both conferences. The one at the October Conference dealt with world of trading and its difficulties. The game at the May conference highlighted the conflict that can occur between different cultures and the alienation and confusion felt by refugees. This game tied in well with the conference's theme of Tolerance , and ensured that all participants went away with a greater understanding of cultural differences and how misunderstanding breeds conflict.

IN THE PAST YEAR UNYA (S.A.) HAS CONTINUED TO BE ACTIVE AND ENJOYABLE WHILST BEING EDUCATIONAL. WE ARE PROUD OF THIS TRADITION AND PLAN TO KEEP IT UP IN THE FUTURE.

Aurelia Carbone
President , UNYA (SA)

U.N.A.A.(S.A.) STATUS OF WOMEN COMMITTEE REPORT

1994 - 1995

Follow-up continued on the previous year's workshop ,
'Violence against Women -RAPE--Why Are They Not Heard?' by
submitting Clair O'Connor's comprehensive report to the Law Reform
Commission.This report expressed the frustration and discrimination
experienced by women in dealing with the legal system.Fundamental
changes in attitude are required from playground to the High Court.
We therefore studied with interest the Law Reform Commission's
Interim Report No.69 Part I, " Equity Before the Law;Justice for
Women" and supported their recommendation that a National Women's
Justice Commission be set up,by writing to both Federal and State
Attorneys General asking what their intentions were with regard to
implementing this recommendation. We are now studying Part 2 of
this report.

Concern was felt about the position of the Women's Information
Switchboard and the removal of the Women's Information Unit from
the Department of Premier and Cabinet.Subsequently a meeting was
held with the Minister for the Status of Women ,Hon. Diana Laidlaw,
when these and other issues relating to the Women's Advisory Council
such as the possible closure of the Women's Studies Resource Centre
and concerns about Women's Health Centres were discussed.

We were very pleased when two of our members,Mrs Marilyn Rolls and Mrs Helen
Storer were appointed to the Women's Advisory Council.

Members of the Committee had a very moving experience when Irene Gale brought
Mecky Kaapanda,a young student from Namibia,to speak to us. Mecky had been a
refugee most of her life.Her parents,as members of the South West African
People's Organisation were forced into exile, and Mecky from the age of seven
lived in Germany.In 1991 after Namibia's first free democratic elections Mecky
was able to join her parents who were then studying in Adelaide.Although English
was her third language,Mecky matriculated in 1993 with an aggregate score of
63 out of 70. Mecky is now studying Law at Adelaide University with the help of
friends and assistance from the Jim Gale Memorial African Scholarship Trust Fund,
to which we gladly contributed ,along with a number of our affiliated groups.
We were most impressed by this young woman who hopes by studying international
law to be able to help her country wrest back control from multinational companies
who operated under South Africa's illegal administration.

One of our main projects during this year has been finding out about conditions at the Northfield Women's Prison. Kym Dwyer, Manager of the Northfield Prison Complex spoke to us in July 1994 and in August two visits were arranged to enable members to see conditions for themselves. This has been followed up more recently by a talk by a prison visitor who gave us the prisoner's point of view. A donation was made to help with the production of a Newsletter by the prisoners which seemed a very worthwhile project as boredom and lack of occupation and educational facilities were among the complaints. It was with regret that we heard that the Newsletter has been discontinued. A collection of books for their library was also made.

In September 1994 we sponsored a Seminar at the University of Adelaide by Justice Elizabeth Evatt, in conjunction with the Mitchell Oration. The topic was "Using your Citizen Rights (with particular emphasis on women's rights.)" This opportunity was greatly appreciated by about 100 people. We thank the Commissioner for Equal Opportunity's office for their assistance and hope that it may become an annual event.

Other matters dealt with were

- * a global media monitoring project
- * funding for women's refuges, especially the Riverland Women's Refuge
- * Mark Brindal's bill on the decriminalisation of prostitution.

Although attendance at meetings ranged from 10-20, we hope that our affiliated organisations have felt that our work has been worthwhile & that our support for various issues has increased their awareness by the information disseminated.

Alleyne Womersley
President.

U.N.A.A PEACE AND DISARMAMENT COMMITTEE

We have continued to work with other Peace groups under the Coalition for Peace with Justice umbrella. We have acted as an information exchange, a lobby group, and as a support group for each other's projects. Areas covered during the year include

- * Land Mines Campaign to ban use of anti-personnel landmines
- * Conversion; monitoring work done overseas and working with key S.A. groups
- * World Court Project; Is the threat or use of nuclear weapons in any circumstances permitted under international law?
- * Nuclear non-proliferation Treaty
- * Total Ban and elimination of Nuclear Weapons
- * Hiroshima/Nagasaki 50th anniversary; support for two South Australians to attend International Conference. Also working on commemoration in S.A.
- * Peace Education resource material
- * Reconciliation study circles resulting in a community mural


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YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1995

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UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA
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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1995

	1995	1994
	\$	\$
INCOME		
Subscriptions	2,925	2,355
Donations (1)	1,202	192
*Publications - Sales	243	528
State Government Grant (2)	3,500	7,000
Bank Interest	1,478	2,242
Miscellaneous	-	-
Norman Percy Cole Foundation Grant	4,500	-
UNICEF	160	92
UNYA	-	-
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	14,008	12,409
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* 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) The 1994 figure of \$7,000 represents two years of State Government Grants, \$3,500 for Y/E 30/6/93 and \$3,500 for Y/E 30/6/94.

**UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA
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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1995

	1995	1994
	\$	\$
EXPENDITURE		
Publications - Purchases	1,082	1,249
Newspaper - "UNITY"	-	500
Rent	5,064	5,064
Printing and Stationery	1,176	1,582
Repairs and Maintenance	-	40
Insurance	475	382
Newsletters	608	805
Office Expenses	717	529
Telephone	444	469
Functions (nett)	415	293
UNICEF	150	-
Audit Fees -KPMG Peat Marwick	300	300
Conferences (nett)	-	244
Education *	404	-
Children's Week Committees *	2,000	-
UNYA *	650	1,546
	13,485	13,003
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* From Norman Percy Cole Foundation Grant

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE SUMMARY

Income	14,008	12,409
Less Expenditure	13,485	13,003
	523	(594)
Add Accumulated Funds at 1 April 1994	43,878	44,472
ACCUMULATED FUNDS 31 MARCH 1995	44,401	43,878
	44,401	43,878

UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA
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BALANCE SHEET

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1995

	1995	1994
	\$	\$
ACCUMULATED FUNDS		
Represented by:	44,401.39	43,878.23
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ASSETS		
State Bank of S.A. - General Account	1,525.59	1,036.49
Co-op Share and Investment Accounts	24,000.00	24,000.00
State Bank of S.A. - Investment Account	6,546.23	7,393.68
State Bank of S.A. -Investment Account (Norman Percy Cole Found. Grant)	0.00	0.00
Cash on Hand	34.30	42.73
Co-op Savings	12,957.27	11,645.33
Accounts Receivable	60.00	60.00
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TOTAL ASSETS	45,123.39	44,178.23
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LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	722.00	300.00
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	722.00	300.00
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NET ASSETS	44,401.39	43,878.23
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UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA
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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1995

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

10/5/95
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**AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE BOARD OF THE
UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA
SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION INC**

SCOPE

We report that we have audited the attached financial statement for the year ended 31 March 1995. 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 Australian 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 1995, in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards.

KPMG

**KPMG
Chartered Accountants**

**MCH Burgess
Partner**

Dated at Adelaide on this 10th day of May 1995



Member of
Klynveld Peat Marwick Goerdeler