



**UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION
OF AUSTRALIA**

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

ANNUAL REPORT

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INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF SPACE

FORTY - SECOND 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

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UNITED NATIONS YOUTH ASSOCIATION Harriet Glen (President)

PEACE AND DISARMAMENT COMMITTEE Heather Southcott (convener)

STATUS OF WOMEN COMMITTEE Mrs Sue Jeanes (President)

OFFICE VOLUNTEERS Doug Coombs; 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; Jo Bennetts
Bea Connard; Ron Hall

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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.

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.

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).

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.

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

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.

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

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
World Health Day- cooperated with Heart Foundation
International Volunteer Day -I was speaker at event held by Volunteer Centre.
Hiroshima Day observances
Human Rights Day ;Debt Forum and Ecumenical Service
Universal Childrens Day and United Nations Day both celebrated in Childrens Week.

ATTENDED

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

- SACARE A.G.M.
- East Timor Protest meeting
- Meeting with Croation Peace Group
- Greenhouse Conference
- Eco Cities II Conference
- SHELTER committee
- 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
- 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
- WILPF events including Fran Peavey talk and Keith Suter's meeting
- Tour of Dalai Lama; multifaitth 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 reprinted us (as an observer) at a Human Dimension meeting (part of Conf. on Security and Cooperation in Europe) in Moscow.

EXECUTIVE

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

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

We record our appreciation of grants from

State Government \$3500

Norman Percy Cole Foundation \$4000

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
- indexing of UNAA Policy book
- independence and safety of UN agency employees
- emergency resettlement places and procedures for refugees

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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/BLEND 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.

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

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.

AUDITOR

Our thanks once again to Geoff Purdie for auditing our books

VOLUNTEERS

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!

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

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(President.)

UNITED NATIONS YOUTH ASSOCIATION (SA DIVISION)
ANNUAL REPORT: 1991 - 1992

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U.N.A.A. PEACE AND DISARMAMENT COMMITTEE

Our most important activity has been the production of the Peace Network Calendar, thanks to the efforts of Ed Irons and David Trebilcock who has offered to assist.

We joined with other peace groups to form the AIDEX Umbrella Group which organised the highly successful seminar "WORLD WITHOUT WEAPONS", (at time of AIDEX in ACT) Members also were very involved in planning activities for Palm Sunday

MANY PEACE ACTIVISTS ARE FINDING THEMSELVES STRETCHED IN TRYING TO ATTEND TOO MANY MEETINGS. So members of the UNAA committee and former members of the AIDEX group will work together on a trial basis on specific projects which include

- planning for HIROSHIMA Day
- involving artists in peace activities
- following up on issues raised at World Without Weapons seminar

Keith Suter was one of the speakers at the Seminar and we organised his itinerary, which included speaking at a WILPF luncheon, radio interviews and addressing a BAHAI meeting.

During Children's Week, a small booklet was launched entitled "A TIME FOR PEACE" It was published by the Early Childhood Assoc. and we have assisted in promotion.

Heather Southcott
Convener

UNAA STATUS OF WOMEN COMMITTEE REPORT

Bev Hall (Secretary)

The past year for the Status of Women Committee has been very interesting with several concerns being raised and a campaign against Women in Demeaning Images.

Over the past year we have had a number of interesting speakers, in particular Hon Ian Gilfillan MLC to speak on the Prostitution Bill and Alice Dixon who spoke on the hardships for Aboriginal families and Deaths in Custody. It was with great sadness and loss that we heard recently of Alice's death. She will be deeply missed by everyone who had come to know her and admire her strength in such adversity.

A number of issues discussed not only included the Prostitution Bill, but the Newstart programme, declining living standards and their effects particularly on women and children. Childcare again was an issue over the new fee relief structure, accreditation and the threatened closure of the Multicultural Childcare Unit. We were able to have effective input into these issues.

Alleyne Womersley gave an interesting account of her visit to the US and UN. David Hawke from the Equal Opportunities Unit outlined his work and the Unit's and the need to reach out to empower particularly NESB women.

However the campaign against Women in Demeaning Images really mobilized women across the board to action. SWC along with YWCA, IWDC and WEL formed a campaign committee to alert all women to this situation, as a result of the People magazine cover and urged a boycott of all material produced by Consolidated Press. The SWC wrote letters of complaint to the media and Consolidated Press. As a result People has now been reclassified and not for general consumption.

All in all we have had a very lively year and planning is already underway looking forward to the 1995 World Congress of Women where advances women have made since the Nairobi Conference at the end of the Decade for Women will be further assessed and again in the year 2000.

UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA
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YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1992

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1992

	1992	1991
	\$	\$
INCOME		
Subscriptions	4,530	3,145
Donations	191	1,169
*Publications - Sales	760	382
State Government Grant	3,500	3,500
Bank Interest	3,925	5,178
Miscellaneous	278	582
Norman Percy Cole Foundation Grant	4,000	4,000
UNICEF	64	-
UNYA	400	88
 UNICEF:		
Income	81	
<u>Less Paid Out</u>	17	
Balance	64	
 UNYA:		
Income	2,048	
<u>Less Paid Out</u>	1,648	
Balance	400	
	17,648	18,044

* 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 1992

	1992	1991
	\$	\$
EXPENDITURE		
Publications - Purchases	444	1,322
Commission	-	-
Rent	4,920	4,776
Printing and Stationery	1,559	850
Repairs and Maintenance	175	56
Insurance	385	513
Newsletters	1,103	1,071
Office Expenses	713	308
Telephone	440	451
Functions (nett)	1,003	976
UNICEF	-	24
Donations	-	50
Conferences (nett)	300	182
Education	1,329	-
Services to Youth Council *	2,500	-
Children's Week Committees *	2,000	-
Peace Project	500	-
SAFRE	112	-
	17,483	10,579

* From Norman Percy Cole Foundation Grant

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE SUMMARY

Income	17,648	18,044
Less Expenditure	17,483	10,579
	165	7,465
Add Accumulated Funds at 1 April 1991	47,034	39,569
ACCUMULATED FUNDS 31 MARCH 1992	47,199	47,034

UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA
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BALANCE SHEET

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1992

	1992 \$	1991 \$
ACCUMULATED FUNDS		
Represented by:	47,199.19	47,034.56
ASSETS		
State Bank of S.A. - General Account	1,690.60	1,203.80
Co-op Share and Investment Accounts	24,000.00	28,896.09
State Bank of S.A. - Investment Account	14,382.36	16,894.49
State Bank of S.A. - Investment Account (Norman Percy Cole Found. Grant)	2,000.00	2,000.00
Cash on Hand	30.16	40.18
Co-op Savings	7,708.07	0.00
TOTAL ASSETS	49,811.19	49,034.56
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	2,612.00	2,000.00
	2,612.00	2,000.00
NET ASSETS	47,199.19	47,034.56

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1992

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.

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LAWRENCE A. MOYSE
Honorary Treasurer

19/5/92
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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 1992 together with the Balance Sheet as at 31 March 1992, 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*
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GEOFFREY H. PURDIE
Honorary Auditor

Date *19/5/92*
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