

The Annual Report of Peradeniya University Alumni Australia, Victoria Chapter for the year 2010 -2011

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1 UNIVERSITY OF PERADENIYA

1.1 PERADENIYA UNIVERSITY ALUMNI AUSTRALIA VICTORIA CHAPTER

The Peradeniya University Alumni Australia Victoria Chapter has come a long way from its small beginnings. In our formative years we were simply focused on building a community of alumni in Victoria who had enjoyed the Peradeniya experience. In the years since then, the alumni association has been successful in bringing the Peradeniya community together. This has gone a long way towards making us feel comfortable and secure in our adopted land. We have derived much emotional fulfilment and joy from the community we continue to build and nurture. We have made and enjoyed many wonderful friendships and continue to do so.

The Alumni is aware that not every event or project appeals to all its members. For some the annual dinner dance is an occasion to meet, greet and have some fun together. Others derive much greater pleasure from a cultural event. Yet for others a weekend away together with their friends is an ideal time to relax and leisurely enjoy each other's company. While we continue to provide such outlets to make our community stronger and more closely bonded, we have tried to give such occasions more meaning by utilising the profits from such events towards putting back something to Peradeniya University.

1.2 PAST GLORY

I entered the university in the latter part of the sixties, so did a large section of the alumni in Victoria. It was a time when the government had introduced measures to standardise entry to assist students from the disadvantaged areas. It was also a time when students could study for the first time in the Sinhala and Tamil languages to enter the more lucrative courses accessible through the science stream previously available only in English. This resulted in a rich community of students from a varied backgrounds being thrown together. At the time, the university was still well funded by the government. The academic staff were quite dedicated and content. Sports facilities were well maintained. All the meals were served in the dining halls. The creative arts flourished with the culmination in the production of some of the greatest works of Sinhala theatre by Professor Ediriweera Sarathchandra. Not only did we get a valuable education but we were oblivious to the fact that we had been afforded a rare edifying experience we would cherish right through our lives.

1.3 DECLINE

Sadly over the years since then, the university experience has continued to decline as a result of funding constraints. In the recent past the government understandably has had to fund the military by drastically cutting back on services including university education. The decline however began to occur much earlier. Successive governments have overcrowded the university without increasing its facilities. They have gradually wrested its autonomy. The ruling class has abandoned the university as their children no longer aspire to study in local universities. The frustration, particularly among students in the less lucrative fields of study, has increased with declining prospects for employment. Students returning with foreign degrees are being preferred by the private sector. Many higher educational institutes affiliated to foreign universities have sprung up in competition. Even the current mood of the government is towards promoting and investing in a private university model, thereby reducing the funds for the local universities even further.

1.4 WHAT THE VICTORIA CHAPTER OF THE ALUMNI CAN DO

The situation would make some of us despondent and resigned to the idea that the future prospects for the university are bleak. Yet for others it may become a spur to find out what they could do to improve the experience. In this respect, there is reason to be hopeful that all our chapters in Australia are attempting to assist the university in a number of ways. What we can do today may be quite modest but as we become better organised, and as we find investment opportunities at Peradeniya more accountable and effective, more people will become convinced that we can make a difference. As we grow in strength we may even find a strong political voice to influence greater interest and investment in Peradeniya.

It has been suggested that the alumni who entered the university in more recent times do not harbour the same affection for the university as those who entered it some four decades ago. I believe this is a mistaken notion. Whenever a group of adolescence live and learn together in such freedom as at the Peradeniya University, they would find their own enjoyment and will continue to do so even if in the earlier era things were more comfortable than now. I think the significant difference is that those of us who were at the university long ago have now reached an age when we find that our immediate familial responsibilities are diminishing. As a result we are looking to satisfy our self-actualisation needs. The younger alumni members are still looking after young families and are trying to establish themselves. We have no reason to doubt that as they mature and as their commitments become less burdensome, their commitment and contribution to the University will come through and will not be any less than those from any earlier era.

2 THE YEAR THAT WAS

2.1 ACTIVITIES

2.1.1 INTER UNIVERSITY CRICKET MATCH

On the 26th of January 2011 the Australia day, the alumni engaged in two cricket matches, one for men and another for women against teams from the alumni of Kelaniya University. The matches were played over a BBQ and replaced the outdoor event the alumni used to have each year. This event was significant because it was the first event in which two main universities from Sri Lanka brought their alumni together. Subsequent to this event a dialogue sprung up between four universities and we expect all four universities to take part in the cricket match next year.

2.1.2 AN EVENING WITH JAYALATH MANORATNE

In the Easter holidays of 2011 Jayalath Manoratne visited Australia. The alumni proudly showcased the considerable talents of our own alumnus with an evening with Jayalath Manoratne. It was a very enjoyable night when Jayalath Manoratne was able to trace the traditions of the performing arts of the country. His erudite expose was punctuated by his ready wit and self-deprecating humour. It is a pity that a larger audience could not witness this wonderful performance mainly because of the timing of the event.

2.1.3 HANTANE NITE 2011

This year the Hantane Nite was held at the Box Hill Town Hall and a large group of people enjoyed the event. The event again had started at the foyer when people met and had a drink in a relaxed manner before they got into the more formal proceedings. It had all the grandeur and allurement the occasion demanded. The event has progressively improved over the years and today it is an important event in the Sri Lankan Calendar. As in previous years, this year too, the event had a fund raising component to it and a significant profit was secured.

2.1.4 WORKSHOP FOR NEW MIGRANTS SEEKING EMPLOYMENT

This was the second year in succession when this seminar was held. The alumni secured two speakers who had many years of experience in providing such services. It was attended by a large number of prospective employees who had recently migrated and were looking for employment. Many were encouraged by meeting each other and by the speakers.

2.1.5 SALE OF GREETING CARDS FOR MUSEUM PROJECT

The university has planned on building a museum and an art gallery for valuable books and works of art it had been generously gifted by well-wishers. The alumni printed and sold greeting cards both to collect funds and to create awareness of the project.

2.1.6 WEEKEND TRIP TO SILVERWATER RESORT, SAN REMO

This year the annual trip was held over the weekend before the Melbourne cup at the Silverwater Resort in San Remo. The highlight of the weekend was the dinner with live music at the resort. As has now become the custom skits were presented by four groups. They were based on campus life to the great amusement and enjoyment of all present. On the other days as evening fell, people gathered into a house and sang late into the night the golden oldies and songs from the theatre.

2.1.7 AGM 2011

As I write this report arrangements are afoot to hold a family night following the Annual General Meeting.

2.2 FORTHCOMING PROJECTS

2.2.1 BOOK DONATIONS

The ongoing attempt to secure books requested by the university has continued into the second year. This has been by far the largest investment made by the alumni. Many alumni members directly funded some of the books. The contribution made by Basil de Silva in gifting his large private collection of books in Mathematical Statistics needs specific mention. Alumni Academics & Professionals would be approached to find out what books they can spare for donation and a list created and forwarded to the faculty libraries.

2.2.2 MUSEUM

The association will be ready to make its first remittance for this project.

2.2.3 SCHOLARSHIPS

The association is taking steps to launch a scholarship program in the following year. For this purpose a reserve has been created.

2.2.4 INVESTMENT IN ALUMNI COMMUNITY IN VICTORIA

During a recent discussion on allocation of funds there was a strong view expressed that some funds should be reinvested in the community to promote more participation and attract new members. As a result a reserve has now been created for this purpose.

2.3 RELATIONSHIPS

2.3.1 COMMITTEE, FINANCIAL MEMBERS AND ALUMNI IN VICTORIA

The association has never discriminated between a financial member and a non-financial member when it organised any event or project. This has prompted some to question the value of being a financial member. The only difference is that a financial member has the privilege to serve in the committee. We believe that to be a member would be perceived as a badge of honour.

A serious attempt has also been made to obscure the demarcation between the committee and general membership. This is particularly evident in the many alumni who voluntarily worked in sub committees to bring events to fruition. We hope the structure of the organisation continues to move in this direction.

2.3.2 BETWEEN CHAPTERS

Another important relationship we have strengthened this year was between the three Peradeniya Alumni chapters in Australia, namely New South Wales, Western Australia and us. We had already been sharing a common website for some years now. This year both organisations assisted in the sale of greeting cards and some costs were shared between New South Wales and us in bringing Jayalath Manoratne.

2.3.3 CANBERRA CHAPTER

We welcome the newest chapter that of Canberra to the fold of Peradeniya Alumni chapters in Australia.

2.3.4 INTER UNIVERSITY IN VICTORIA

As mentioned earlier, following the cricket match we have formed a joint working group with the other universities in establishing an informal committee to look at the possibility of launching joint ventures.

2.4 FUTURE

It is usually futile to speak about the future. Our alumni association is a living organisation of capable people who will continue to rotate within the committee and carry it to places we cannot easily predict. However, we attempt with each cycle to contribute to some worthwhile traditions for the good of the organisation.

2.4.1 MEMBERSHIP

The organisation does not discriminate any alumnus of our university in Victoria from any event or project on the basis of whether the alumnus is a financial member. We promote every alumnus in Victoria to take up membership not because of it offers them any advantage but because it provides an avenue to influence the direction and continued growth of the organisation.

2.4.2 DEMOGRAPHY

The committee realised that the composition of the membership and participation of alumni was not representative of the alumni population in Victoria. It has recognised that the younger alumni are not as well represented in the executive committee. It also recognised that ethnic diversity was lacking. It has accordingly taken steps to positively reinforce these groups so that they could formulate and include new events more relevant to their demographic groups and thereby provide a more universal appeal to all alumni.

2.4.3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

A fine tradition that has come into being in the organisation is the one term president. Attempts are being made to impress upon new entrants that they should look at a short stint at the committee and achieve whatever they set out to do in that period. The committee then becomes a place to do rather than a place to be. Past committee members are further encouraged to serve in sub-committees and re-enter the committee after some time. All this will assist in the membership taking ownership for the organisation rather than creating a perception that it is an organisation run by a narrow group.

2.4.4 STRUCTURES

It is hoped that more sub-committees would be formed with non committee members so that the committee will simply take responsibility and determine between competing projects and events while sub-committees will execute them. This we hope would retain capable members contributing to the organisation after they leave the committee.

3 FINANCIAL REPORT

3.1 REPORT

The annual report has been prepared for the period in which the executive committee was elected at the last Annual General Meeting whereas the financial report covers the period from 1st July 2010 to 30th June 2011.

This year the surplus at the end of the year has doubled that of the two previous years. This has been the result of two additional revenue generating activities of the sale of greeting cards and the Monaratne Sajyaa held in April. However the Hantane Nite remains the activity which provides the greatest surplus.

The accounts have been presented slightly differently. Activities such as direct donations provided for specific support of individuals or organisations have been removed from income and expenses and presented under donations. This prevents distortion of revenue and expenditure figures. A similar approach is taken for the activities where only the surplus after expenses is taken as revenue. Details of income and expenses for each project are provided as notes.

The committee has decided to create the following reserves for the surpluses of this year and the previous years after preserving sufficient working capital for on-going operations.

Donation to the Museum & Art Gallery Project	\$2000.00
Reserve for ongoing donation of library books	\$2000.00
Reserve for scholarship fund	\$4000.00
Reserve to invest in community programs	\$2000.00

3.2 Income and Expenditure Statement for the 1st July 2010 to 30th June 2011

Not	es	30th Ju	ne 2011	30th Ju	ne 2010	30th Ju	ne 2009
Income			8170.94		4228.09		5706.69
Surplus from Hantane Nite (Current Year)	1	4996.14		3810.45		2534.35	
Surplus from Jayalath Manoratne Sajjya	2	1120.26		0.00			
Surplus from Greeting Cards	3	1379.10		0.00			
Residual Surplus Hantane Nite (Previous Year)	4	5.00		0.00		2050.95	
Weekend Trip	5	120.00		137.60			
Web Services refunds NSW & WA		208.94		104.00		118.68	
Interest Income		26.50		26.04		17.71	
Membership		315.00		150.00		955.00	
Echo Cardiogram Project Receipts						30.00	
Expenditure			1041.38		983.50		1230.96
Web services		313.40		262.00		157.35	
Seminar		95.00		452.00		874.56	
Annual General Meeting	6	391.18		35.50		-308.75	
Australia Post PO Box		130.00		123.00		252.00	
Consumer Affairs corporate charges		41.80		111.00		105.80	
Cricket Match expenses		70.00					
PUAAViC Banners	7					150.00	
Income Over Expenditure		-	7129.56		3244.59		4475.73
Donations							
Incidental Donations			150.00		-281.00		475.12
Donation to 3ZZ		50.00	100.00	50.00		50.00	
Flowers for funeral		100.00		90.00		60.00	
BikeOz Charity Ride – Donation		100.00		690.00		00.00	
- Contributions				-555.00			
Jagath Dissanayake – Donation				8500.00			
- Contributions				8485.00			
Louis Braille Anniversary – Donation						250.00	
- Contributions						-250.00	
Book for the Library - Donations	8					365.12	
- Contribution	8			-571.00			
Income Over Expenditure after Incidental							
Donations			6979.56		3525.59		4000.61
Funda Deserved for Devetiens			10000.00		0.00		0.00
Funds Reserved for Donations		2000.00	10000.00		0.00		0.00
Donation for the Museum & Art Gallery		2000.00					
Reserve for Donations for Library Books		2000.00					
Reserve for Scholarships program		4000.00					
Reserve for Community programs		2000.00					
Excess Funds after donations		=	-3020.44		3525.59	:	4000.61
Members Funds Brought Forward from Last							
Year			11469.66				
Donations of Books for the Library	9	6705.22					
Less Direct Donations for Books	9	1448.10					
Members Funds Retained from Last Year			6212.63				

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3.3 FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT **30**TH JUNE **2011**

		30th June 2011			30th June 2010		30th June 2009	
Assets			17034.10			11976.85		8840.47
Cash at Hand		0.00			65.00			
Cash at Bank		13941.56			9641.85		6990.47	
Web Services Receivable		208.94						
Card in Stock & On Consignment	3	233.60						
Hantane Nite Receivables	1	2650.00			2270.00		1850.00	
Liabilities			13841.91			507.19		896.40
Hantane Nite Payables	1	2568.86			420.24			
Expenses for Greeting Cards Payable	3	864.50					858.45	
Jayalath Manoratne Show Payable	2	334.15						
Web Services Payable		74.40			86.95		37.95	
Net Assets			<u>3192.19</u>			11469.66		7944.07
Represented by								
Members' Funds			<u>3192.19</u>			11469.66		7944.07
Reserve for the Museum & Art								
Gallery		2000.00						
Reserve for Library Books		2000.00						
Reserve for Scholarships		4000.00						
Reserve for Community Programs		2000.00						
Retained from Previous Year		6212.63			7944.07		3943.46	
Retained from Current Year		-3020.44			3525.59		4000.61	

3.4 Notes to the two statements

Note 1 - Hantane Nite 2011

Hantane Nite remains the event which brings in the largest revenue for the organisation. Each year the expenses have risen only moderately but the revenue has increased more than the expenses. The surplus has increased steadily over the three years. As the event is held in June, large amounts in receivables and payables necessarily result in the balance sheet. These together with the breakdown of the expenses are displayed below.

		Year to 30 Jun 2011		ear to 30 Jun 2011 Year to 30 Jun 2010		Year to 30 Jun 2009		
Income	Receivables		17345.00	ĺ		14970.00		15000.00
Donations Received at the gate	650.00	14550.00			13000.00		13550.00	
Raffle		690.00			520.00			
Souvenir	2000.00	2100.00			1450.00		1450.00	
Excess income banked		5.00						
Receivables	2650.00							
Expenditure	Payables		12348.86			11159.55		12465.65
Catering		7500.00			6855.00		6570.00	
Music & Sound		2000.00			1100.00		1650.00	
Hall Hire & Charges - Note 1a	694.00	694.00			1300.00		1700.00	
Souvenir Printing	356.01	356.01			550.00		450.00	
Menu & Ticket Printing & Freight	303.60	303.60			329.98		357.50	
At the Foyer	597.00	697.00			489.57		492.80	
Advertising	130.00	130.00			20.00		20.00	
Gifts							200.00	
Table Décor	177.00	177.00			400.00		441.45	
Other Décor							300.00	
Soft Drinks & Bites	96.75	96.75			40.00		35.00	
Kids Corner	99.50	99.50						
Miscellaneous	115.00	295.00						
Video, Screens expenses					75.00		248.90	
Payables	2568.86							
Surplus from Hantane Nite			4996.14			3810.45		2534.35

Note 2 – Jayalath Manoratne Sajjya

This is not an annual event. However the organisation may seek to present a Sinhala Cultural show every now and then. Some expenses were shared with NSW.

		Year to 30	Jun 2011
Income	Receivables		5043.50
Donations received		4930.00	
Excess income banked		77.50	
Hoppers		36.00	
Expenses	Payables		3923.24
Hall Hire		714.00	
Gift Vouchers		861.33	
Donation to Artistes		1350.00	
Instrument Hire		200.00	
Sound Systems	150.00	266.00	
NSW for shared expenses	70.00	70.00	
Expenses at rehearsals		287.44	
Memento		25.50	
Food & Beverages including rehearsals	114.15	148.97	
Surplus from Manoratne Sajyaa			1120.26
Total Payable Amount	334.15		

Note 3 - Greeting Cards

The cards were sold to create awareness and support the Peradeniya University Museum and Art Gallery Project. The cards on consignment & on stock have been taken to stock at cost price including cost borne by benefactor. Net realisable value of the cards in stock \$476.40.

		Year to 30	Jun 2011	
Income	Receivables		2010.00	
Donations - Girl & Bird Card (780 cards)		1560.00		
Donations - Dancer Card (300 cards)		450.00		
Expenditure	Payables		630.90	
Printing Cost	729.60	729.60		
Envelopes	177.60	177.60		
Sandwich Bags	34.70	34.70		
Postage & Handling	12.60	12.60		
Less Cost of Consignment & Stock		-233.60		
Less Cost borne by benefactor	-90.00	-90.00		
Surplus from Greeting Cards - P & L			1379.10	
Total Payable Amount	864.50			
			Cost	Value
On Consignment & Stock - Girl & Bird	220.00	0.80	176.00	440.00
On Consignment & Stock – Dancer	180.00	0.32	57.60	270.00
Card in Stock & On Consignment	233.60		233.60	710.00

Note 4 - Previous year's HantaneNight

The Hanatane Night of 2009 being accounted for as income in 2009 distorts the 2009 income results. The \$65 shown as cash on hand was analysed as revenue from Hantane Nite for last year.

Note 5 - Weekend Trips		Year to 30 Jun 2011		Year to 30 Jun 2010		Year to 30 Jun 2009
Surplus		120.00		137.60)	
Payments Received		3120.00		2627.60		
PUUAViC Spent in advance		3000.00		2490.00		
Note 6 - Contributions for Book Donat	ion	Year to 30 Jun 2011		Year to 30 Jun 2010		Year to 30 Jun 2009
This was utilised in subsequent years.				571.00)	
Note 6 - Annual General Meeting		Year to 30 Jun 2011		Year to 30 Jun 2010		Year to 30 Jun 2009
Income		2275.00		2600.00)	
Donations at the gate	91.00	2275.00		2600.00		
Expenditure		2660.59		2635.50)	
Catering		2180.00		1755.00		
Hall Hire		354.40		500.00		
Supplies, plastic cutlery etc.		126.19		250.50		
Gifts to musicians				20.00		
Ticket printing				110.00		
Surplus		-385.59		-35.50)	
Note 7 - PUAAViC Banners		Year to 30 Jun 2011	_	Year to 30 Jun 2010	-	Year to 30 Jun 2009
expensed in the year and not capitalise	h		_			150.00
Note 8 - Books for the Library Project		Year to 30 Jun 2011		Year to 30 Jun 2010		Year to 30 Jun 2009
Specific Donations received	_		-			365.12
Donations provided				-571.00		

			All amounts	in Sri Lan	ka Rupees	
Description	Invoice	Invoice	Invoice	Origin	VIC	WA
	Date	Number				
Remittances						
Equivalent of				VIC	347,400.00	
\$7276.22				VIC	321,701.00	
				WA		152,476.00
Total					669,101.00	152,476.00
Book Supplier						
Jaya book center	19/08/2010	CR10605	10,084.00	VIC	10,084.00	
	25/08/2010	CR10716	37,631.10	VIC	37,631.10	
	26/08/2010	CR10732	27,527.20	VIC	27,527.20	
	27/08/2010	CR10765	40,284.00	VIC	40,284.00	
	27/08/2010	CR10770	2,900.00	VIC	2,900.00	
Jaya book center	2/10/2010	CR11431	16,335.00	WA		16,335.00
	02/10/210	CR11432	35,923.00	WA		35,923.00
	1/10/2010	CR11407	9,354.60	WA		9,354.60
Expographic	11/10/2010	153	60,355.00	VIC	60,355.00	
Pitrabamg	23/08/2010	48	67,919.48	VIC	67,919.48	
C.G Associate		2720+2721	127,850.00	VIC	127,850.00	
	14/09/2010	2722	55,515.00	VIC	55,515.00	
	14/09/2010	2723	2,420.00	VIC	2,420.00	
	14/09/2010	2724	22,080.00	VIC	22,080.00	
CG Associate	14/09/2010	2731	38,520.00	Both	18,510.00	20,010.00
	11/01/2010	2732	14,520.00	Both	3,300.00	11,220.00
	11/01/2010	2738	3,890.00	WA	3,300.00	3,890.00
CG Association	22/12/2010	2739	34,798.50	VIC	34,798.50	3,050.00
	3/03/2011	2741	16,720.00	WA	54,750.50	16,720.00
	3/03/2011	2743	11,000.00	VIC	11,000.00	10,720.00
CG Associates	3/03/2011	2743	11,000.00	Return	0.00	
CG ASSOCIATES		2744	15 400 00	VIC		
	04/19/2011		15,400.00		15,400.00	
	04/19/2011	2746	10,560.00	VIC	10,560.00	
CG Associate	04/19/2011	2747	8,800.00	VIC	8,800.00	
CG Associate	04/19/2011	2749	3,415.00	VIC	3,415.00	
		2761	3,005.00			3,005.00
		2762	9,315.00			9,315.00
		2763	7,415.00			7,415.00
CG Associate	12/05/2011	GaminiH	12,684.00			12,684.00
Jeya		GaminiH	5,210.00			5,210.00
		Expogr	67,349.75		67,349.75	
Total Used			778,780.63		627,699.03	151,081.60
					41 401 07	1 204 40
Balance at Hand					41,401.97	1,394.40

Note 9 - Book Donations (Accounting for remittances)

3.5 INTERIM ACCOUNTS UNTIL 7TH NOVEMBER 2011

Financial Position as at 07/11/2011		
Assets		14395.41
Cash at Bank	13582.04	
Web Services Receivable	104.47	
Card in Stock & On Consignment	233.60	
Hantane Nite 2011 Receivables	119.30	
AGM 2012 prepayments	356.00	
Liabilities		1000.00
Hantane Nite 2011 Payables	940.00	
Expenses for Greeting Cards Payable	0.00	
Jayalath Manoratne Show Payable	60.00	
Web Services Payable	0.00	
Net Assets		<u>13395.41</u>
Represented by		
Members' Funds		<u>13395.41</u>
Retained from Previous Year	3192.19	
Reserve for the Museum & Art Gallery	2000.00	
Reserve for Library Books	2000.00	
Reserve for Scholarships	4000.00	
Reserve for Community Activity	2000.00	
Surplus in the period 1st July to 7 Nov	203.22	

Activity during the period 1st July 2011 to 7th November 2011

	546.97
135.00	
400.00	
11.97	
	343.75
231.10	
112.65	
	203.22
	400.00 11.97 231.10

4 AUDITOR'S REPORT

Auditor's Report

To the members of the Peradeniya University Alumni Australia – Victoria Chapter (PUAAVIC)

I have audited the financial statements prepared by Hon. Treasurer, who is responsible for preparing the financial statements from records kept through out the financial year. I have prepared this statement of attestation to give an independent opinion to the committee of PUAAVIC.

In my opinion, the attached financial statements represent a true and fair view of the financial results of the association as at, 30^{h} June 2011.

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J.S. Kanahara Chartered Accountant (CA) 6/11/11

5 COMMITTEES' DECLARATION

Executive Committee 2010-2011

Mr. Gamini de Alwis	- President
Dr. Basil de Silva	- Vice President
Mr. Ajith de Silva	- Vice President
Dr. Nimal Nilaweera	- Secretary
Mr . Prasanna Kalusinghe	- Treasurer
Mr. Gamini Maharage	- Editor
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Mr. Nirmalal Dias	- Assistant Treasurer

Committee Members

Dr. Thilak Gunatillake Dr. Daya Dayawansa Mr. Prem Kanahara Mr. Gamini Hemachandra Dr. Chakra Wijesundera Mr. Sarath Jayasuriya

The executive committee of Peradeniya University Alumni Australia Victoria Chapter declare that:

- The financial statements, comprising the statement of income & expenditure, statement of financial position and the accompanying notes are in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards and
 - comply with Australian equivalents of the International Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRS) have been developed by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB)as required by Consumer Affairs Victoria and
 - give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 30 June 2011 and of the performance for the year ended on that date of the association.
- 2. The association has included in the notes to the financial statements an explicit and unreserved statement of compliance with Financial Reporting Standards.
- 3. In the executive committees' opinion, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the association company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the committee and is signed for and on behalf of the committee by

Gamini de Alwis

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Prasanna Kalusinghe

6 MINUTES OF THE AGM 2010-2011

Date : 13th November 2010

Time : 6:15pm – 7:30pm

Venue : 284 Thompson Road, Lower Templestowe, VIC 3107

- 1. **Minutes of the last AGM** The secretary informed that the minutes is not available and will be emailed to the committee in a later date.
- 2. **Treasurer's Report** The treasurer presented the annual financial statement report prepared by the auditor and the detailed income/expenditure statements. The treasurer's report was approved as proposed by Gamini Hemachandra and seconded by Nirmalal Dias.
- 3. **President's Address** President Prem Kanahara addressed the meeting summarising the events carried out during year 2009-2010 and thanked the committee and the members who lent support to fulfil the activities during his presidency. President stepped down from his position. Mrs Kusumi Soysa has presided as the interim president.
- 4. Election of 15 executive committee members for 2010-2011 Based on the nominations for the 15 positions in the executive committee, following committee members were appointed for the year of 2010-2011.

Prem Kanahara	Ajith de Silva	Prasanna Kalusinghe
Basil de Silva	Gamini de Alwis	Sunil Arachchi
Gamini Maharage	Nimal Nilaweera	Chaminda Jayasena
Nirmalal Dias	Gamini Hemachandra	Daya Dayawansa
Tilak Gunatillake	Chakra Wijesundera	Sarath Jayasuriya

The 15 members of the executive committee then made the following appointments to the positions

Position	Appointee	Proposer	Seconder
President	Gamini de Alwis	Chakra Wijesundera	Prem Kanahara.
Secretary	Nimal Nilaweera	Nirmalal Dias	Ajith de Silva.
Treasurer	Prasanna Kalusinghe	Gamini Alwis	ChakraWijesundera
Vice President	Ajith de Silva	Gamini Hemachandra	Chaminda Jayasena
Vice President	Basil de Silva	Chaminda Jayasena	Chakra Wijesundera
Editor	Gamini Maharage	Nimal Nilaweera	Nirmalal Dias.
Public Officer	Sunil Arachchi		
Assistant Secretary	Chaminda Jayasena	Prem Kanahara	Gamini Hemachandra
Assistant Treasurer	Nirmalal Dias	Gamini Hemachandra	Chaminda Jayasena

- 5. Announcement of the office bearers for 2010-2011 Secretary has announced the new office bearers to the meeting.
- 6. Any other business and suggestions It was decided that the dates for the main events of the year should be finalised at the first committee meeting. The first committee meeting was to be held at Gamini de Alwis' residence on 4 December 2010. It was discussed that Jayalath Manoratne's stage play Anderae to be stage in Melbourne for the purpose of fundraising for the association. The invitation from Kelaniya University Alumni Associations for a cricket match on 12 December 2010 was also discussed.

Prepared by Nimal Nilaweera - Secretary PUUAViC

7 THANK YOU

7.1 PERADENIYA UNIVERSITY IN SRI LANKA & ALUMNI CHAPTERS

- Sarath Abeyakoon The vice chancellor of Peradeniya University who despite his demanding schedule sent us a message for our souvenir and assisted us in Book Donation and the Museum & Art Gallery projects.
- Paradeniya Alumni Association, the parent body for helping in the distribution of the books
- New South Wales Chapter & its president Wasantha Wickramanayake for supporting the sale of greeting cards & collaborating with us in securing Jayalath Monoratne for the show.
- Western Australia Chapter & its president Bandula Gunawardena at the time Supporting the sale of greeting cards
- Kelaniya University Alumni Association Australia & its president at the time Ajith Kumarapperuma for jointly organising the cricket match.

7.2 HONORARY AUDITOR

Mr Jay Kanahara - Despite his busy work schedule as a senior manager at the ANZ bank he has graciously agreed to be our auditor in an honorary capacity and has audited our accounts.

7.3 MEMBERS FROM THE VICTORIAN COMMUNITY WHO HELPED US

Thusitha Karunaratne – for umpiring the cricket match and providing music at the San Remo

	weekend
Saman Kularatne	- Sound control at Manoratne Sajyaa.
Bhanuka Manoratne	- Music arrangements and conducting at Manoratne Sajyaa.
Srinath Maddumage	- For compering at Manoratne Sajyaa
Upali Perera	- For playing the Serpina and bringing his students at Manoratne Sajyaa
Milinda Rupasinghe	- Allowed his residence to conduct practices.
Rohan Weeraratne	-for his contribution at the workshop for new migrants seeking employment
Raja de Alwis & Comr	nunity Radio 3WBC – Securing the Box Hill Town Hall for Hantane Nite 2011
Sampath & Eresha Wi	ickremasinghe – for providing music at the San Remo dinner
Sasanka Fernando	 for providing music at the San Remo dinner
Ranjith Wanasinghe	 for providing music at the San Remo dinner
Duleep Jayakody	 for providing music for the family get together after the AGM

7.4 ALUMNI NOT IN THE COMMITTEE WHO MADE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS

Jayalath & Jayanthi Manoratne	 Conducting the show with affection of true alumni. 	
Tilak & Lakshmi Abeyrama	 for securing venues, assistance on Manoratne Sajyaa & AGM 	
Ramya & Pathmasiri Hewarathne	 for providing audio visual equipment, helping in all the events 	
Bernard & Preethi Silva	- for canvassing the participation of a large number of members	
	for events	
Piyathilaka & Lakshmi Dewalagama- for helping with printing tickets for Manoratne Sajyaa		

Sunil & Lalitha Wickremasinghe – for the work done for the Manoratne Sajyaa

Jean & Mangala Fernado	- for the non-stop music at the San Remo weekend both at the
	formal dinner and the informal evening gatherings
Chuli Abeyratne	- for her contribution at the workshop for new migrants seeking
	employment
Ravi & Pushpa Kumarasimghe	 for providing music for the family get together after the AGM
Nalini & Asela Devendra	 for providing music for the family get together after the AGM

7.5 THE OUTGOING COMMITTEE

Whilst the whole committee and their spouses supported all the events, engaged in discussion and lent their time and energy, special mention is made of some of the specific work done.

Gamini de Alwis	 for developing relationships between organisations, stewardship of the executive committee
Nimal & Rohini Nilaweera	 – for the work of secretary, organising the AGM, Hosting Manoratne at home, Table décor for Hantane Nite
Prasanna & Dilmi Kalusingh	e – for carefully carrying out the duties of a treasurer, printing of the souvenir, follow up in the employment workshop for new migrants
Ajith & Mangala de Silva	 for the execution & vision for Hantane Nite 2011 making it a grand affair attracting large participation, printing of tickets, creating posters.
Daya & Rekha Dayawansa	 for organisation of the weekend at San Remo, work at the foyer on Hantane Nite, for providing the vision for the future in bringing in younger committee members
Chaminda & Senani Jayase	sajyaa, Kids corner at Hantane Nite and for employment workshop for new migrants
Nirmalal & Hemamali Dias	 for organising the cricket match & music at the weekend at San Remo, bringing about renewal in the committee
Gamini & Kamini Maharage	e – for providing the music setup for Manoratne Sajyaa and at the weekend at San Remo
Thilak & Chandra Gunatilla	ke – for work on the weekend at San Remo, refreshments at events , bringing about renewal in the committee
Chakra & Anoma Wijesunde	era – for the employment workshop for new migrants, banking of cash, bringing about renewal in the committee
Gamini & Jayantha Hemach	andra – for the work on the book donation, messages through emails, distribution & control of tickets auditing the website, maintaining the contact data base of Peradeniya Alumni.
Prem & Sujatha Kanahara	-for securing musicians, organising gifts and arranging for rehearsals for the Manoratne Sajyaa, taking a general leadership role for it.
Sarath & Harsha Jayasuriya	 Transporting souvenirs, helping with distribution of books& the attending to the drinks at the foyer on Hantane Nite
Sunil & Nihathamani Aratch	nchi – for lodging statutory returns, assistance in securing the Box Hill Town Hall
Basil & Lalitha de Silva	 Potential contributions was lost as they left for Sydney early in the year.