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Introduction
Music by Reminiscence
A variety entertainment by KUAA members
Welcome Speech by KUAA President
Variety entertainment by KUAA members continue
Pre-dinner medley of popular Sinhala songs and Instrumental music by Reminiscence
Dinner
Music and Dancing
Wind off

Kelaniya University Alumni Association of Australia (KUAA)

Our Mission:

- To foster comradeship among members and to enjoy as a close knit community, helping one another promoting the well-being while cohesively merging with broader community enhancing unity
- To bring our members and their families to a collective group promoting social and cultural togetherness, renewing old ties, and developing endearing relationship
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Vice Chancellor



I was delighted to find out that Kelaniya University Alumni Association (KUAA) is functioning so actively in Melbourne, Australia. It was equally pleasing to note that KUAA is planning to celebrate the annual day of the association on 8th May 2010.

You may have attended the University several years ago; you may be now living thousand miles away from your home country. However one fact remains unchanged you are part of the University of Kelaniya Alumni family. I feel proud of all

of you and genuinely appreciate your pleasant feelings towards your alma mater that has played a significant role in your lives.

On this special occasion let me wish you all the success and seek your dynamic participation to make University of Kelaniya one of the finest academic institutes in the world.

Prof Sarath Amunugama Vice - Chancellor University of Kelaniya



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WELCOME KUAA PRESIDENT

Dear friends,

I cordially welcome you to the KelaniNite held for the second year, in succession. We are delighted to have you here to enjoy this evening. We have a very lively program lined up for you today and hope to make it a memorable one.

It has been one year since we met in a similar environment for an identical purpose. It gives me a great pleasure to announce that the past year has been a very successful one. We were able to meet our prime objectives.



First and foremost we were able to rekindle our old ties, form new friendships, bring about togetherness among our families and develop new linkages.

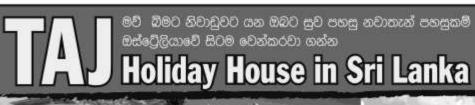
We worked towards achieving our second objective of merging with the broader community and valuing the Australian way of life. We partook in an annual event of volunteer work on Clean up Australia Day at the Mount Waverley Damper Creek. A team effort was made to build up environment awareness and in a small way to accomplish broader community responsibilities.

The Food Fair that we organised at Springvale was well attended by various communities and provided some airing of traditional foods to win the hearts and taste of the broader community.

I wish that the next year will be an even more fruitful one, and with that hope let us enjoy tonight and carry sweet memories to entice the new year.

Thank you.

Ananda Nanayakkara President Kelaniya University Alumni Association of Australia







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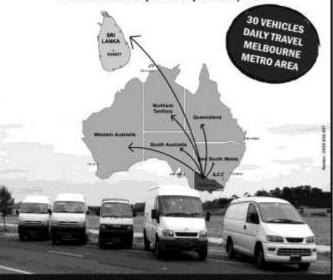
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February 2008 Inaugural get-together Jells Park

July 2008 2008 Annual General Meeting 731 Waverley Road Mount Waverley

August 2008
Registration of Kelaniya University Alumni Association Australia and launching
www.kuaa.com.au website

May 2009 KelaniNite 2009 City Council Hall Oakleigh

August 2009 Annual General Meeting and get-together St. Phillips Anglican Church Hall Mount Waverley

November 2009 Sri Lankan Food Fair Edinburgh Hall Springvale

March 2010 Clean Up Australia Day Damper Creek Mount Waverley

















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CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY 2010

7th MARCH, DAMPER CREEK, MOUNT WAVERLEY

KUAA participated in the Clean Up Day Australia this year establishing commitment to the activities of the broader Australian community. It was organised and coordinated by Ajith Kumarapperuma. Despite the inclement weather about 30-35 volunteers participated in this outdoor activity.

Local Member of Parliament Ms Maxine Morand, Minister for Children and Early Childhood Development and Women's Affairs, who visited the site appreciated our contribution. She spent some time at the site, talking to the participants and delivering a word of encouragement.

At the end of the clean up session, certificates were handed out to the participants, followed by light refreshment.



Local MP Ms. Maxine Morand speaking to KUAA



Registration



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Working out strategies



Treasure(r) hunting



Not fishing but collecting

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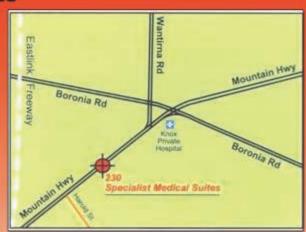
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SRI LANKAN FOOD FAIR

21st NOVEMBER 2009, EDINBURGH HALL, SPRINGVALE

Sri Lankan Food Fair held at Edinburgh Hall, Springvale North on 23rd November 2009, was yet another highly successful event organised by KUAA. Enthusiastic visitors started arriving even before the scheduled opening hours.

The stalls were full of authentic Sri Lankan foods and delicacies. The hall was full to the brim and the production line was very active and strained to meet the demand. Food lovers from the local community as well as from the Sri Lankan community visited the fair to taste authentic and unique Sri Lankan food throughout the day



Food for everyone even for the little bunnies



Cool drinks for the hot summer day



Organisers were busy with finer details



'Kottu Roti' was one of the hot favourite



Rice and Curry as well as Biriyani were another favourite in particular among Sri Lankans



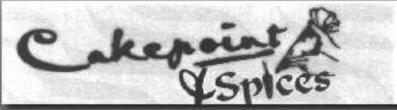
Many locals enjoyed the authentic Sri Lankan food



Many varieties of tasty and colourful Sri Lankan delicacies were there to choose from

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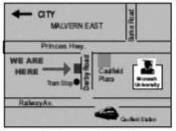


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KELANINITE 2009

SATURDAY 7th MARCH, CITY COUNCIL HALL OAKLEIGH



The courageous solo act of Oru Dance, presented by Mapa. This is an all time favorite act from the University enjoyed by many generations.



Section of the crowd



Prize giving

Organisers were encouraged by the high level of participation at the KelaniNite and the large crowd was more than what was anticipated. They included guys that descended all the way from the nation's capital, Canberra.





Some Highlights



Srinath Maddumage





Music by BSharp Sevmini Tennakoon







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ලෙබදු අනුපම ශි් ලංකික, දේශමාමක විද්වතුන් බිහි කල විදනලංකාර විදන පීඨය 1975 නොවැම්බර් මස 1 දා බිහිවිය. පෙර දිග භාෂා ශාස්තුයේ සේන්දුස්ථානයක් වූ විදනලංකාරයට පැමිණි විදනර්ථින් අතර ඉන්දියාවේ පුථම ජනාධ්පති රාජේන්දු පුසාද් මැතිතුමා, ලෙනින්ගුාඩ් විශ්ව විදනලයෙහි දර්ශණ මහාචාර්ය ධුරය දැරූ රාහුල සංකුටියන පඬිතුමා, ජර්මනියේ ලයිඑසිස් විශ්ව ව්දනලයේ සංස්කෘත භාෂාව පිළිබද මහාචාර්ය ධුරය දැරූ ශාන්ති ශාස්ති මැතිතුමා හා ඉන්දියාවේ පුකට පැවිදි පඬ්වරයෙකු වූ මහාචාර්ය ආනන්ද කෞලෙනයන හිමියෝ මෙම ආයතනයෙන් බිහිවූ ශේෂ්ඨයන් අතර වෙති.

ව්දනාලංකාර පිරිවෙන විශ්ව ව්දනාලයක් බවට ශී් ලංකා රජය විසින් පුකාශයට පත් කරන ලද්දේ 1959 ජනවාරී 1 දාය. එ 1958 අංක 45 දරන ව්දෙනදය විශ්ව ව්දනාලය හා ව්දනාලංකාර විශ්ව ව්දනාල පනතෙහි පුතිපාදන අනුවය. එවක් පටන් මෙම ව්ශ්ව ව්දනාලය රජයේ අන පනත් මහින් විවිධ ධාරිතාවන් ඔස්සේ ගෙන ගොස් ඇත.

1959 සිට1966 කාලපරිචිඡෙදය සමාරම්භක යුතය ලෙස හැඳින්විය හැකිය. මෙම සමයේදී මුල් ආයතනය හා නව විශ්ව විදුනාලය අතර සම්බන්ධය දැබ්ව දක්නට ලැබුනි. 1966 අංක 20 දරණ ජාතික උසස් අධනාපන පනත සම්මත කිරීමත් සමඟ පරිපාලනමය විපර්යාසයන් රුසක් සිදුවිය. 1966/1967 අධනයන වර්ෂයේදී සිංහල මාධනයෙන් විදුනා පීඨයද ඇරඹුනි.

1972 සිට 1978 දක්වා වූ යුගය තුල පුබල වෙනස් වීම් රුයක් දක්නට ලැබුනි. මෙතෙක් 'ශ්ූී ලංකා විදුනලංකාර විශ්ව විදුනලය' වශයෙන් පුකටව පැවති විදුනස්ථානය, 1972 අංක 1 දරන විශ්ව විදුනල පනතට අනුව ශ්‍රී ලංකා විශ්ව විදුනලයේ විදුනලංකාර මංඩපය (Campus) බවට පත් විය. මෙම විශ්ව විදුනලයේ සිව්වන අවධිය ඇරඹෙන්නේ 1978 අංක 16 දරණ විශ්ව විදුනල පනත සම්මත වීමත් සමහය. මේ අනුව 1979 ජනවාරි 1 දා සිට විදුනලංකාර මණ්ඩපය, කැලණි විශ්ව විදුනලය, ශ්‍රී ලංකාව නමින් ස්වාධීන විශ්ව විදුනලයක් බවට පුකාශ කරන්නට යෙදුනි.

අද කැලඹ විශ්ව විදහලයේ දක්නට ලැබෙන වීඨ අතර මානව ශාස්තු වීඨය, සමාජ අධනයන වීඨය, විදහ වීඨය, පෙවදන විදහ වීඨය පුධාන වේ. මේ අතර බෞද්ධ අධනයන වීඨය ද පුබල සේවාවක නිරත වී සිටී. මේ අතර හමුදා මාණ්ඩලික විදහලයත්, විකුමාරච්චි ආයුර්වේද පෙවදන වීඨයත් ති්කුණාමලයේ නාවික අධනයන වීඨයත් කැලඹිය විශ්ව විදහලයට අනුබද්ධ විශේෂ අධනයන ශාඛාවෝ වෙති. තවද හොරණ ශි්පාලි සෞන්දර්ය ආයතනයත්, පශ්චාත් බෞද්ධ අධනපන ආයතනයත් කැලඹි සරසවියට මහත් ආලෝකයක් ගෙනදේ.

මෙසේ ගසට පොත්තත්, පොත්තට ගසත් මෙන් අනොනනව සබැදි විදනලංකාර විදන වීඨය සහ කැලඹි සරසවිය සිය පෞරාණික ස්වාධීන ආරම්භය අමතක කල යුතු නොවේ. ශී් ලංකාවේ පුගතිශීලී සමාජ ආර්ථික පෙරලිය වෙනුවෙන් විදනලංකාරය ඉටු කල අපරිම්ත සේවාව සදානුස්මරණීයයි. එම කාර්ය භාරය භා වග කීම වර්තමාන කැලණි විශ්ව විදනලය භා එහි විදනාර්ථින් වෙත නොඅඩුව පැවරෙන බව උදක් සිහිපත් කරනු රීසියෙම්.

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