



E-VENTS CALENDAR

September 2008



GOVERNOR'S MULTICULTURAL AWARDS 2008



His Excellency Rear Admiral Kevin Scarce AC CSC RANR, Governor of South Australia, has established a new annual set of awards – **The Governor's Multicultural Awards**.

An invitation is extended by the Lieutenant Governor of South Australia, Chairman, South Australian Multicultural and Ethnic Affairs Commission, Mr Hieu Van Le for you to nominate an individual or an organisation for the inaugural **Governor's Multicultural Awards**.

Please click <http://www.multicultural.sa.gov.au/GovernorsMulticulturalAwards.htm> to go to links to the Guidelines and Nomination Form.

Please submit your nomination(s) as soon as possible, as **the entry deadline is 10 October 2008**.

ARA President, **David Linn** and ARA Director, **Kevin Liston** urge all people and organisations involved with refugee services to apply for this award.

THE MASTER'S BBQ

Lodge Concordia No. 226 SAC Social Club presents – **The Master's BBQ**

Noon Sunday, 29 September 2008, 2 Peter Court, O'Halloran Hill (Bring a deckchair & card table)



Lunch, cake & coffee \$12. Children U12 free. Raffle & Refreshments available

Part proceeds to the **Australian Refugee Association**

For Tickets please contact:

Manual Arens: 8554 3931 (H) 8552 0627 (W) or **Fred Lorenz:** 8322 0052

ONE DAY ONE GOAL – United for Peace

"Join thousands of others around the world playing soccer on 1 day for 1 goal"

Help to celebrate the power of soccer to bring people together in the knockout soccer tournament & BBQ, with special guest Bobby Peta from Adelaide United.

Each game symbolises unity & peace through the cooperation of team members from a diversity of backgrounds.

Sunday, 21 September 2008 from 1.30pm to BBQ at 6.15pm
Padipadinyilla Park – Cnr Fitzroy Tce and Prospect Road

For more information please email *Houssam Abiad* at ha@digimob.com



BE STRONG, BE SAFE! Workshops for young women!



- Are you in High School?
- Do you want to know how to protect yourself and be strong?
- Do you want to be with friends, be creative and have some fun?
- Be Strong, Be Safe is for you!

The workshops include: street safety, self defense, health, stress management, art, drama, scrap booking, dance & music!

Three days at Grote Street Library – 8th – 10th October. Every Wednesday for 8 weeks at Findon Community Centre starting 10 September.

Please contact Renee at ARA on 8161 3325 or 8354 2951 or email: renee.romeo@ausref.net for more information or to join up.

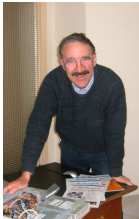
This project is funded by Community Benefit SA



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WE ARE LOOKING FOR COMPUTERS – Can you help?

ARA is always grateful for the donation of working Pentium 3 or later computers that can be refurbished for use by refugees.



John Read volunteers at ARA and combines his passion for teaching and computers to refurbish donated machines and then provides 'one to one' tutorials for clients to improve their computer literacy.

Please contact ARA on 8354 2951 if you have a computer you would like to donate. We presently have 40 people waiting to receive a computer and your support would be gratefully appreciated.

THE 2008 SUNDAY MAIL CITY-BAY FUN RUN



Would you like to raise funds for ARA?? Sunday 21 September 2008

This year, the Sunday Mail City-Bay is helping to connect runners with the charities and causes that they care most about. With a little help from partners at Everyday Hero, you can now choose to fundraise for ARA, by creating your own personalised online fundraising page.

In just minutes, you can select ARA as your charity, upload images and inspirational words and build your own page so you can raise funds to help ARA support the refugee community. Once you are happy with it, you can approach your supporters by emailing them the unique link of your webpage.

Each donation is recorded on your page along with messages of support from your donors. So get going and do yourself some good while helping ARA - create your online fundraising page today!

To register for the City-Bay Fun Run, please click www.city-bay.org.au

Already registered and would like to help? Please click http://everydayhero.com.au/event/City_Bay

For additional information on membership or fundraising please call Erika at ARA on 8161 3322 or erika.marshall@ausref.net

ARA DOUBLE FEATURE FILM NIGHT



THE DUCHESS – Drama / History -
Keira Knightly
&
TAKEN – Action/Thriller -
Liam Neeson

Sundays 12 & 19 October 2008 at 6:00pm

Chelsea Cinema - 275 Kensington Road, Kensington Park
Adults \$14.00 Students \$8.00 Bookings essential please

Tickets available from Erika 8161 3322 or
Erika.marshall@ausref.net

POWER OF U COMMUNITY RAFFLE

United Way South Australia is offering you a chance to win \$5,000 first prize in the 2008 Power of "U" Raffle. Second Prize is an accommodation package for two people in the Barossa Valley valued at \$400. Third Prize; Holden Promotional Package from Peter Page Holden – valued at \$75. Fourth Prize – Dozen Mixed Wine – Valued at \$120. Fifth prize: Bickford's assorted drinks basket 0 Valued at \$35.

Tickets are \$2 each and books of ten are now available for commencement of sale from 1 September. There are only 12,000 tickets and the winner will be drawn on 12 December. Lic No: M11804

If you are able to assist with the purchase or sale of tickets please contact Erika on 8161 3322 or Email: Erika.marshall@ausref.net Web: www.ausref.net



ARA retains part proceeds from all tickets it sells.

FUNDRAISING CHOCOLATES

ARA continues to sell the ever popular Cadbury Fundraising chocolates.

Delivered to your workplace, they come in a variety box of 48 pieces. Each piece sells for \$1 and the box includes, Giant Freddo - Milk & Dream, Caramello Koala, Twin Peppermint or Twin Strawberry and snack size Crunchie, Time Out, Picnic and Cherry Ripe. Payment is collected after the box has been sold.

Please call Erika on 8354 2951 if you would like to know more or you would like to take a box at your office or workplace.



ARA MEMBERSHIP

ARA welcomes membership applications from all friends and supporters.

Membership entitles you to a membership badge, newsletters and annual report together with voting rights at general meetings.

To ARA, your membership is of vital importance when we are advocating with governments for better policies for refugee and asylum seekers.

Individual membership \$22, Couple membership \$33 or Business membership \$55 together with a special rate for Volunteers \$11 per annum are available.

If you would like to support ARA in this manner, please contact ARA (8161 3322) for a membership application and return it together with your remittance to ARA Membership at 304 Henley Beach Road, Underdale 5032. Applications can also be downloaded from www.ausref.net

WORKPLACE GIVING

Workplace Giving allows employees to donate funds on a regular basis to a Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) charity directly through their pay.

Workplace Giving is easy to set up and just a small contribution from each pay can really add up. This scheme is totally voluntary and amounts can be changed or ceased at the donor's discretion.

If you would like to donate in this way to support ARA, please check with your employer to see if he/she is happy to participate and then contact Erika Marshall at ARA on 8354 2951 – Erika.marshall@ausref.net for further information.

PARENTING MATTERS – Group Sessions For Sudanese

**Informal and informative sessions on parenting for Sudanese families.
Funded by DIAC, Sudanese Community Assoc. & ARA**

Every 3rd Wednesday 2.30-4pm
Sudanese Community Hall 16 King Street, Prospect
Gatluit Chuol ARA Sudanese Community Worker gatluit.choul@ausref.net

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HOLD AN EVENT TO SUPPORT ARA?

ARA would be pleased to hear from you if you would like to run an event to support our work with the refugee sector.

This support can take many forms and the following are suggestions only:

- Organise a 'Casual Day' at your work place for a gold coin donation
 - Hold a morning tea or get together at work or with your friends.
 - Organise some friends to hold a Badge Day at a local shopping centre
 - Suggest your friends and family make a donation to ARA in lieu of gifts for a birthday or anniversary

Your support in any of these areas or suggestions of your own is most welcome. ARA is happy to assist with publicity, brochures about the organisation or tins and badges if you choose to organise a collection. To register your interest or to discuss any possibilities, please contact Erika at 8354 2951.

Your support will help us to help others. Please contact us soon!

DONATION CENTRE VOLUNTEERS

Can you help?

Picking up donated furniture, and delivering it to Refugee families

The ideal characteristics for someone to be part of the Donation centre team is that they are able to drive a manual vehicle, they are able bodied, available to help for a regular one day a week [not weekends] between 9am - 3pm, and that they don't mind working as part of a team. Our aim is to have people work in pairs, so that any lifting required is not too arduous.

There is a role for helpers who are available less regularly, who could be on call, when regulars are not available. Also for those who cannot drive the vehicle [they would be the 'off-sider' on the day].

If you are able to assist as a volunteer in this way, please contact Dusko Cuckovic on 8354 2951 or email dusko.cuckovic@ausref.net

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- **AUSTRALIAN REFUGEE ASSOCIATION** needs volunteers especially for the **Homework Clubs, Family Support Program, Reception, and Furniture Donation & Delivery.**

To view/download a volunteer information pack about all our volunteer placements visit www.ausref.net or call reception for details on 8354 2951

- **Lutheran Community Care** - Volunteers who enjoy working with people from culturally diverse backgrounds can help to provide services that include support, advocacy, transportation, sports facilitation, tutoring and home visits for refugees who are settling in the Blair Athol, Ingle Farm and Salisbury areas. For more information please contact Sarah Homan on 8269 9300 or email SHoman@lccsa.org.au

- **YCW Weekly Homework Classes.** For a number of years, Adelaide YCW has been hosting weekly homework classes for young refugees. These classes are still going strong, and more tutors aged between 17 and 30 especially, are needed to help with Math, Chemistry, Physics, History, English and other homework. Sharing these couple hours per week will assist a young refugee with the skills they need to live in Australia. Classes are held at a convenient metro location on Tuesday evenings from 7pm to 9pm. Free parking is available. If you can help, we encourage you to contact the office: 08 8362 3411 or email adelaideycw@bigpond.com

DONATIONS AND FUNDS NEEDED

- **ARA REFUGEE SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

ARA has set up the Refugee Scholarship Fund as a practical way of demonstrating support and empathy for refugees and to assist with education and training. Donations are managed and administered by the Australian Refugee Association and are tax deductible. Contact reception@ausref.net or telephone: 8354 2951

- **THE ASYLUM SEEKER FUND** at the **Australian Refugee Association (ARA)** needs your help with funds and non-perishable food. **All donations are tax deductible** (please mark 'Asylum Seeker Fund'). For more information contact Reception at ARA on 8354 2951, or at reception@ausref.net

YOUTH FORUM

This exciting two day event for young people (16-28) of various faith and cultural backgrounds will provide an opportunity to meet and interact through workshops, creative activities, demonstrations, talks and presentations, in the areas of art, drama, music, culture, religion and how to live in today's world and shape tomorrow.

The aim is for youth to share and connect with each other, learn about common humanity, engage in creative activities and perform together, gain skills for success, build friendships and networks and most of all have FUN.

The cost is \$25 for the two days and the venue is the Bob Hawke Prime Ministerial Centre, City West Campus, University of South Australia. **Registration commences at 10.30am on Saturday 4 October and the event closes at 7.30pm on Sunday 5 October 2008.**

To register for this event (only 150 places available) or further information please contact **Elizabeth Young 0431 438 396**. Registrations close 1 October 2008.

NORTHERN LIGHTS 2008-Free Multicultural Festival for Everyone!

Celebrate Northern Lights 2008.FREE event.
TWELVE 25 Youth Enterprise Centre, 17 Wiltshire St, SAQLISBURY.

Saturday 25 October 2008. 10.00am until 5pm

Come along and soak up the friendly atmosphere. Experience the community connection!

Performance line up includes, Indigenous, Newly Arrived African and Burmese performers as well as more established community performers from around the World.

For further information: Contact – Ambulatory and Primary Health care, Salisbury Community Centre, telephone: 8281 7644

OTHER USEFUL SOURCES OF INFORMATION

- Amnesty International: www.amnesty.org.au/refugees
- Centre for Refugee Research at University of NSW: www.crr.unsw.edu.au
- DIAC: www.immi.gov.au
- Edmund Rice Centre for Justice and Community Education: www.erc.org.au
- Lutheran Community Care: www.lca.org.au/action/commcare
- Migrant Resource Centre of South Australia: www.mrcsa.com.au
- Multicultural Youth South Australia: www.mysa.com.au
- Refugee Action: www.refugeeaction.org
- Refugee Council of Australia: www.refugeecouncil.org.au
- STTARS – Supporting Survivors of Torture & Trauma www.sttars.org.au
- UNHCR news at: www.unhcr.ch/refworld/reflink

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