

# ARAIA



THE AUSTRALIAN RANGERS  
A.I. ASSOCIATION INC.

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## 1. General Council Meeting

Spring in September is the Annual period heralding the Founding of ARAIA and the Seventh Annual General Council Meeting of 2003. To many the Evenings entertainment is an Annual Pilgrimage. If you have attended once, be sure you will return every year.



**Hector Soans, Chairman elected for a Third term makes a point on the heated debate on the change of Name of ARAIA.**

Hector, in his address, stressed "ARAIA remains an organization dedicated to 'Charity', welfare and the social issues of our community."

Special mention was recorded of the generous donations from Founder Member Audrey Murton and Larry Stellar.

Among the many charitable works supported predominantly "the Kids of Bombay" received Rs 32,000/- and ARAIA maintains an underprivileged Anglo-Indian child and will continue the support till she completes her studies.

### Finances.

Our funds with the necessary structures in place increased amazingly in spite of assistance to various charities and the indications are of a better year.



### *Jan Salmon and Friends*

#### NEWS FLASH

ARAIA Invited by the Gov: of India to attend an NRI Conference. Hector and Marina Soans will be representing ARAIA in New Delhi in the second week in January.

Anglo Indian World Reunion at Melbourne. – Noel and Janice French will be representing ARAIA at this event from the 5<sup>th</sup> Jan 2004.



**Founder Members *David Auld and Peter Van Ross, also Dawn Van Ross and Janice French in conference.***

The Ceremonies Opened with the Secretary paying tribute to the person who leads our community's fine sense of Traditional balances and playful sense of fun to a new direction and also ensures that ARAIA continues to provide care, leadership and the tools to shape our destiny.

Floral gifts were presented in appreciation of the dedicated work and leadership of the Chairman Mr. Hector Soans and the first Lady Marina Soans.

***2. Welcome to ARAIA's Charity Nite.***

**The Theme for this year's Charity Nite was Anglo Indian Charities.**

The Charity evening had as its focus practitioners in the areas of Anglo-Indian poverty. People who are actually working with the poor and aged or assisting in relief measures.

1. Raise money for poor and aged Anglo-Indians
2. Inform Anglo-Indians about the issue of Anglo- Indian poverty in India
3. Raise awareness about the problems of Anglo-Indian Children education and aged Anglo-Indians

**ARAIA publicly honors Members for Contributions to Anglo Indian Welfare.**

**VIVIENNE MANUEL**

ARAIA presents the Lady better Known for the simple cake creations that are guzzled up at Prices nearing four figures at Charity functions



*Nothing is too much for you, you'd be at anyone's assistance  
You're a brilliant Personality and loads of common sense  
Outgoing, always willing and terrific fun,  
Dedicated to your work, with devotion next to none*

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**EDWIN FREDERICKS**

On many Executive committees controlling Anglo Indian Societies, He dedicated his life to the underprivileged and welfare of indigent children.



*His philanthropic efforts continue By collecting from churches, friends and neighbors every year and sends fairly large amounts in relief and support for Anglo Indian children in St Thomas Kidderpore, Calcutta.*

**ARAIA honors Octogenarian Edwin Fredericks.**

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## AVRIL SOANS

Rebellious in Spirit, affectionate and caring, Epitomizing the traditions of Central India.

Representation of the younger generations care for the needy, for her generosity in the care of needy children,



ARAIA honors the generosity of Avril Soans

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## KATHLEEN FRENCH

Quiet and passionate about her work. She helps maintain children – Anglo Indian girls in an orphanage on the Blue Mountains in India.

You can meet her and the team at the Charity Stall of the Home Missionary Society of India



in the Merrylands Mall every quarter. The stall contains hand made Arts & Crafts from the community and items donated.

The next one is to be held on Saturday October the 25<sup>th</sup>. She invites you for a cup of Tea and will tell you about the good work of this Anglo Indian controlled Society.

ARAIA honors the Charity work of Kathleen French

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## MARINA SOANS

*Shine Free Star – Stars may burn bright, but stars don't always like to shine.*

To create, decorate and ensure a tasteful, pleasant atmosphere at ARAIA's Charity Functions.



The person you can depend on for assistance to any charity collections. The person who annually supports a fairly large number of underprivileged children in India.

ARAIA complements and greatly appreciates her work and support.

## AUDREY MURTON

*Not often in time emerges a work of Art that can encapsulate all that's happening and what will happen in the future to our culture.*

Like a true disciple  
Passionate –  
Always looking for ways and means to preserve, improve our culture, our future and the plight of the vulnerable, the aged and needy Anglo Indian Child.



*There are no words to explain her organizational skills, her leadership and her extra ordinary achievement of raising over fifteen thousand dollars in a single day for medical treatment of aged Anglo Indians in Calcutta.*

ARAIA pays respect to a true blue Anglo Indian.

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**AN EVENING NEVER TO BE FORGOTTEN – The seduction of a whole night of thrilling moments - Young Talent Time** - *True Genius comes along rarely, and Members who missed this evening of creativity, accomplishments of a rising generation of Stars – Games Set to replace the entertainers Humperdinck, Richards, Larry Stellar, Pat Thomas, Robert D'Costa – Anglo Indian Household names that dominated the last century.-*

They were all there, the attendance growing every year, that organizers fended constant phone calls as the hours counted down to the curtain raiser.

They chose well: Winners of ARAIA's talent was on show and the budding stars before they could even begin had guests admiring their beautiful dresses, hair styles and make up.



**The DUO, sisters Laura & Kate Bailey** – Stunning performance – developed by parental encouragement - led with Music that satisfies the current generation. They were brilliant. The pulsating music cut short, amidst a roar of disapproval, due to time running out.



Petite **Lisa Jacobs** grows confident, attractively dressed, the hall fell silent to her artistry and with graciousness she encouraged the audience to dance. They loved every moment of her exceptional performance.

**Candice Salmon** - Demure & Articulate, radiates an Air of quiet Self Confidence. Her dramatic, exciting and flawless style, so different than anyone else - Drew repeated applause and appreciation.



**Larry Stella** had to match the girls' performance. His quality left the audience silent and awe struck. Such performance, remarkable, Larry at his stunning best, with a strong focused voice, his entertainment was exceptional.

**A GRAND FINALE!**



Its hard to imagine, watching, circulating, the chatter in the comfortable, elegant Quarry room with good wine and plenty of Fun.

So complete was the dominance of the artistes, that Craig Dickenson was almost overlooked. In the final session, it was commented that he has matured superbly. ARAIA has followed his progress from a 14 year old.

# COMING EVENTS

## CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS TREE

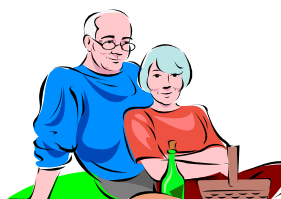
A Popular Event

Where: ANDREW CAMPBELL RESERVE  
PROSPECT RES.

Time: 11.00AM

Date: SUNDAY - 7<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2003

BYO **FOOD & DRINKS & TOYS**



**PHONE YOUR ATTENDANCE  
AFTER HOURS, With Names of  
Children under 12 Years of age.**

TO:

Davis D'Souza	413182041
Grace Saldhana	9629 6058
Marina Soans	9629 1066

**ON or BEFORE Sunday the 23<sup>rd</sup>  
November '03.**

# NEW YEARS EVE FUNCTION 2003

Where: HARVEY LOWE PAVILLION

Time: 7.30 Pm

Date: 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2003

BAND: "The Electric Mistress"

*This band comprises of Anglo Indians from two leading Bands in South India,  
popularly known as the "Purple Haze" & the "Psychedelics". They are the best.*

Prizes Galore - FAMILY FUN & ENTERTAINMENT

BOOK TABLES EARLY - Refer Pamphlet for details.

