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Vice Chancellor

It is with great pleasure and enthusiasm that I write this message for the Sixth Annual Get-together of Kelaniya University Alumni Association of Australia. I am also delighted to note that your association, which provides a forum for the past graduate of the University of Kelaniya and their families to work together, is growing.

The vast knowledge you were gained, hard edged thinking process you learned, friends you made and the qualifications you earned from this University have been among the main pillars of the life you have built in Australia. Generations of students, staff and alumni like you have built the reputation of the University as one of the great universities in Sri Lanka. By contributing the experience, innovations and physical resources of the members of the association, now you can help to develop our University to be one of the best Universities in the world.

I wish your association, in particular the Annual Get-together, all the success.



Professor Sunanda Madduma Bandara

Vice-Chancellor
University Of Kelaniya



KUAA President

On behalf of the Committee of the Kelaniya University Alumni Association Australia (KUAA), I warmly welcome each and every one of you to our main event the 6th KelaniNite.

We were able to successfully organise the usual activities in the KUAA calendar. The first event of the past year, Koththu Night in last November is the event exclusively for KUAA families and it was a tremendous success. In fact such a success that we had to organise additional seats as the seating capacity of the hall was not sufficient. Santa was very busy giving presents to many kids, 74 to be exact.

Fulfilling our support for the wider Australian community, we celebrated Australia Day on 27th January at Liberty Avenue cricket ground. The KUAA boys won back the trophy that they surely missed last year to Peradeniya. Our community project, Clean Up Australia Day was held as usual at Damper Creek in March.

During the year, we are delighted to note that we saw an increase in committed and active participation in young members of the KUAA committee in KUAA affairs. Another highlight was the increase in participation of recent Kelaniya graduates. These are very encouraging and positive sign that KUAA is in on the right track as a growing organisation. I am sure KUAA will definitely have a bright future.



Sarath Piyasena

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The branches of this tree start from apart and join together later in their paths, just like KUAA brings past Kelaniya graduates together in a unique and special way.

KelaniNite

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Kelaniya families and their friends in Australia celebrated the KelanNite 2013 for the fifth consecutive year at usual Clayton Hall.



Roshan and the BeSharp provided the music for the night. The crowd enjoyed few songs sung by talented KUAA singers and also enjoyed the dance items by Rasika Kulasinghe. Guest singer Mallawaarachchi entertained the crowd by singing couple of all-time favourite Sri Lankan songs.

The dancing session continued well passed mid night.



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Forthcoming Events



Annual General Meeting

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The well organised event was a family get together. It was an AGM with a difference.

As usual, Rohan provided the music. It was proved that there was no shortage of singers among Kelaniya families. To everyone's surprise outgoing president Ravi also joined the line of singers waiting for their turn. Unique act of dancing performed by Udaya Alahendra is a difference experience.

A new committee was appointed to take over the affairs for the following year.

The pizza dinner was enjoyed by all.



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Koththu Night

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Getting Ready



Santa

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Entertainment session by our own singers



Presidents Speech



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Presidents Speech
Kelaniya & Peradeniya



Clean Up Australia Day



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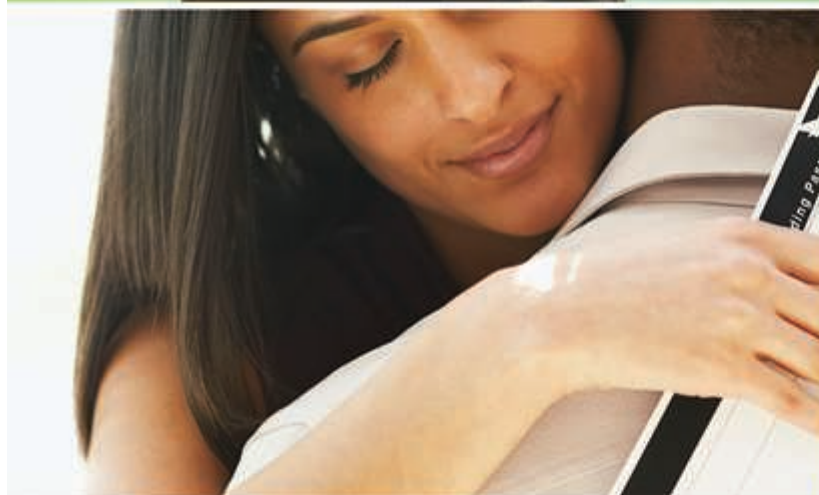
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