



# Adelaide Bulletin

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF BETTER HEARING AUSTRALIA ADELAIDE INC

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## COMMITTEE:

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### Committee

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All BHA Adelaide Inc members are invited to attend all meetings and present relevant ideas and suggestions as they wish.

### Other Members

who attend regularly:

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### Public Officer:

John Fielke

**Lip reading and HLM classes are held at 10.00am on 1st Wednesday of each month. Coffee Mornings or excursions are on the 3rd Wednesday of each month.**

## A MESSAGE TO LET YOU KNOW WHAT HAS BEEN HAPPENING AT BHAA OVER THE PAST FEW MONTHS.



### From our Co-ordinator:

Well, it's been almost 12 months since I took up this role of being your Co-ordinator. It seems as though we have achieved quite a bit, considering the size of our group and committee.

It's been, and still is an interesting exercise to work on and with a committee, without the usual structural constraints, and just to see how a more flexible committee works. It's much easier to distribute the workload when trying to accommodate one's different interests and skills for any particular task.

I take this opportunity to thank all those on the Committee for their diligence and commitment to this Adelaide branch of Better Hearing Australia, and making this new way of being on a Committee so much easier.

Our next big function will be the AGM, and so I hope that many of you will be able to attend.

Thanks,  
Mary

BHA Adelaide branch AGM

Saturday 24th October 2015

Starts 11.00am

At SACOSS, Marjorie Black House,

47 King William Road, Unley 5061.

*Details will be emailed or posted to you.*

Light  
lunch  
provided



## Congratulations

to Stan on completing his Better Hearing Australia Tutor Training Hearing Loss Management course. August 2015.  
We wish him many years of fulfilling tutoring.



  
Stan was presented with his certificate and pewter goblet gift at our Winter Lunch, which he organised, held at the Sussex Hotel in August. Twenty two people attended.

*Stanley R. Gray*

*we support*  
**HEARING  
awareness  
WEEK**

During hearing awareness week we had two speakers to talk about hearing aids and relevant information. Ian Mawby, well known in the hearing industry and area Manager for Widex, and his daughter Kylie Dicerri who is an audiologist running her own business with her husband gave us very useful insight into the costs of hearing aids and the commissions given to audiologists by the major manufacturers. (There was an article in the media recently about this). Ian also explained the direction that hearing aids were likely to take in the future and the way in which technology was likely to affect them.



It was a very interesting event. About twenty people attended.

*Thank you to Bob and Dorothy Willshire for photos.*



## September Coffee Morning



For our monthly Coffee Morning in September, we visited the Migration Museum in Kintore Avenue. Barbara organised the excursion.

This Museum gives the history of the story of migration to South Australia since 1837 and highlights the traumas and successes of some of the migrants.

It also gives information about the cultures of the migrants and traces some of their lives. It was not easy then and is still harrowing for new migrants today. It makes one feel that migration has never stopped and people today are still experiencing some of the trauma and triumphs of people in the past.

We had coffee and a light lunch in the nearby cafe after and people chatted. We had twelve people attending.



Congratulations to Felicity Bleckly, a member of BHA Adelaide and a very active person who has a job, helps with her son's cafe and baby sits grandchildren as well. Felicity is a lady of many parts. She has two cochlea implants and for twenty years before that could hear nothing.



Felicity was chosen to play at an international concert in Poland in July of this year and described the experience as 'awesome'. A tiny part of her story was in the Sunday Mail on 20th September. We are hoping we might persuade her to have a musical evening with us!

## Wednesday October 7th 2015



We had a very special celebration in September when Bruce Paech one of our longest BHA Adelaide supporters had his 90th birthday. Bruce has been a wonderful member and is a very much loved

member of our BHAA classes.

We are having a special class time to hear about his life. Bruce is going to talk to us and give us some insight to his life experiences.

He joined BHA Adelaide around 2001 when classes were being held in the State Library and led by Ruth Dunning and Mervyn. Time flies!

So if you would like to hear Bruce talk then do come and join us at SACOSS, 47 King William Road. Bruce is bringing a cake!



### Diary Dates::



7th October 2015 : Bruce's class talk

No coffee morning in October.

15th October 2015 :  
BHA National Conference in Fremantle WA

24th October Saturday : Adelaide Branch  
AGM

18th November 2015: Coffee Morning  
Speaker

9th December 2015 : Christmas Lunch -  
Walker's Arms