



## UNAAQ PEACE & SECURITY PROGRAM

## **MONTHLY REPORT - OCTOBER 2023**

In the month of October, our Peace & Security (P&S) Program have been incredibly busy, focusing our energies across a few projects.

#### These included:

- The third edition of our P&S Program Newsletter "Spread the Word" which captured the key events across the year and showcased one of our latest articles on The Voice Referendum written by our Communications Team Convenor, Kate Maccarone.
- Our intern Elisabeth Haugland Austrheim completed two new research articles which progressed through our peer-review panel to be accepted for publishing on our P&S Program webpage on the UNAA website: https://www.unaa.org.au/about/stateteams/queensland/peaceandsecurity/
  - a. "Human rights and mega-sporting events"
  - b. "National Implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals The Nordic Countries"
- Working alongside UNAAQ members to organise the Annual Doug Everingham Lecture
  for United Nations Day held on the 27th October. Our Leadership Team,
  Communications Team, and Events Team all came together to promote the event
  through traditional and social media, prepare event documents such as the flyer and the
  printed program, organise and brief volunteers, and other tasks needed for the success
  of the event. Initial reports are that the event was a great success. Well done, team!









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We would like to make some special mentions across our team:

- I would like to make a special mention for our new Acting Program Coordinator, Tao Chen, who has shown great reliability and dedication to the work of the P&S Program since originally joining us as an Events Team Convenor quite some time ago. The P&S Program are lucky to have his experience and skills, not to mention his incredible knowledge of events and networking.
- We would like to celebrate our member, Dawn Chung, for being successful in moving
  into the role of Co-Convenor for the Communications Team alongside our fantastic Kate
  Maccarone. She has shown amazing commitment since commencing with us only a few
  months ago, and has produced some incredible work in that time, including leading the
  design of a number of key materials such as the newsletter, our International Day of
  Peace and Doug Everingham programs, and the new volunteer event name tags to
  name a few examples.
- We would also like to introduce Jessica Kirby as our new Events Team Convenor, and Praveen Aponso as a new member of our Events Team. Jessica comes to us with a previous history in events management and has shown some impressive enthusiasm since starting. We're looking forward to setting down some plans for next year's events with her and her team in the next month.
- A special thanks to Antonia Krebs for her fantastic work in updating our contacts database and making calls on our behalf to journalists to promote media coverage of the Doug Everingham Lecture.
- We would also like to extend our well wishes to Annette Brownlie in this difficult time, and would like her to know she's in our thoughts while she's taking some leave from the P&S Program.

WITH THANKS,

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