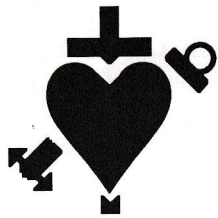


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Welcome to the November Edition of Cassie News

CASTELLORIZIAN NEWSLETTER No. 100 gives details of our AGM held on Sunday November 5, together with the launching of Dr. Norman Ashton's book : *Ancient Megisti: The Forgotten Kastellorizo*". The launch took place at our Club Rooms and was well attended by all. We sincerely thank Dr. Ashton for his launching in person.

We also welcome Dr. Patricia Kailis to our Club.

We print an article by Kaye Cavouras (Fermanis) from South Australia. The article's title is "A Tale of Two Cities: Castellorizo and Kas". We print a letter sent to Mr. Nicholas Zervos from Dr. Paul Boyatzis regarding a new book written by Dr. Paul of WA and Nick Pappas of Sydney. Nick Zervos has agreed to act as Agent in Victoria for the book "Embers on the Sea: The Empire Patrols Disaster 1945". Details from Nick Zervos (telephone 9827 4291) or Jack Bisas (telephone 9885 6233).

Jack Bisas OAM, Editor

70th Annual Ball

The Ball organised to celebrate our 70th Birthday had to be cancelled because of lack of numbers. Only 84 bookings! To those who booked we say thank you and apologise because of the cancellation.

Cassie Senior Citizens' Club

Our Senior Citizens' Club, under its new Sub-Committee have held a successful Casino Trip and a Fathers' Day luncheon. The Club meets on the first Wednesday of each month. So senior citizens & friends come along and enjoy a pleasant day. The next *get-together* will be not held at our Club Rooms but a SPECIAL CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON, instead, will be held on DECEMBER 6th, at SMORGY'S, Warrigul Road, Burwood, at 12.00noon. The cost is \$10 per head, plus drinks. For bookings please contact Sylvia Coates on 9857 5351. There will be no *get-together* in January. The next *get-together* will be held on the 1st Wednesday in February.

Farewell



We say farewell to Angelo Augustes and Celestine Doufas
Deepest Sympathy to their families

Thanks

Mrs. Daisy Mangos wishes to thank family and friends for their visits and good wishes during her recent stay in respite care.

Mrs. Evangelia Koutsoukis wishes to thank family and friends for their visits and good wishes during her current stay in hospital and respite care.

Congratulations Betty

✓ We congratulate Elizabeth Exintaris and the Castellorizian Association of Queensland on its very successful concert held in Queensland on the 15th August, 1995. We are indebted to the Secretary of the Queensland Association, Mrs. Yanardasis for sending us the following information:

From the program -

Tonights highlights: Original composition by Elizabeth Exintaris. Music by Mikis Theodorakis, music by Manos Hadjidakis. Παλιά Τραγούδια (Old Songs) including songs from Castellorizo.

Elizabeth Exintaris - About the artist: Elizabeth was born in Melbourne, Australia and is a first generation Australian-Kastellorizian. At the age of seven, she commenced piano studies and her love of music increased as she grew older.

Elizabeth was awarded the Music and Drama Award in her Higher School Certificate year at MacRobertson Girls High School. In the early 1980's, she studied at the University of Melbourne, graduating with bachelor of Music in 1984. In 1987, Elizabeth received her Diploma in Education. She is currently studying for her Masters degree in music.

Whilst at University, several of her compositions were performed at the university of Melbourne and at the Victoria College of the Arts. She majored in composition, piano, musicology, theory and orchestration.

In 1981 and 1982, Elizabeth participated in the Greek Song Festival as composer and lyricist. She has acted as Director of Music for several concerts, including the 1984 production by the National Union of Greek Australian Students' "Melbourne's Greeks by Night. In 1985, Elizabeth received a grant from the Australia Council Music Board to present her own work "Migrant Women". In 1988, she was commissioned to compose a work for the International Musicologists Symposium titled "Building of a Nation". In 1989, 1991 and 1993, Elizabeth was Director of Music for the Antipodes

National Greek Australian Song Festival. She took part in the Adelaide Glendi Festival in 1989 where she played and sang her own compositions to a large audience.

Over the years, Elizabeth has performed as pianist and/or vocalist at various functions throughout Australia.

In 1982, she received a Diploma from Greece for her compositions and in 1993 Elizabeth received an award from the Rotary Club of Melbourne for Outstanding Contribution to the Community of Music.

Elizabeth has also been involved with choirs and she was the choral Director of the Greek-Australian Choir between the years 1990-1991 where several large concerts were performed. Elizabeth has also conducted many orchestras and her ambition is to conduct overseas and continue to compose.

This year, Elizabeth presented and composed music for an educational video for primary schools.

As a small break from her music schedule, Elizabeth has frequently given her services as compere for events such as the Hellenic Distinction Awards.

She is currently the Director of Music at Mount Waverley Secondary College in Melbourne, Victoria.

Mail received

✉ A letter has been passed on to us by Mr. Peter E. Augustes from Mr. John Trellis. It makes very interesting reading and Mr. Paul Salibas is available to speak at our Senior Citizens' Club.

The letter has been passed on to the Committee of the Senior Citizens' for a date to be arranged so he can deliver a speech to our members. Thank you John and Peter.

✉ Please find enclosed my Membership payment. Even though I am over 65 years of age, I still would like to pay my membership. Yes I would like to receive my Cassie News.

Mrs. Irene Piperoglou - Blackburn, Victoria.

✉ To the Editor - Cassie News

Just a note to thank you very much and to let you know how much I enjoy reading the Cassie News. Being a second generation Cassie (and very proud of it too) I feel that in a small way I am in touch with my heritage. Its great. Thanks heaps and keep up the good work.

Debbie Pankhurst

daughter of Mary Christies, nee Jackomas.

Congratulations Peter

✓ We congratulate our Member Peter Jasonides on his election to the Presidency of the PanMacedonian Assoc. of Melbourne & Victoria. Well done Peter.

Weddings

🔔 Barbara Carayannis to Con Zois on Saturday, 9th September, 1995 at Saints Anargyroi Church. Reception at Meteora Receptions. Barbara is the daughter of Takis and Andrianna Carayannis.

🔔 On Saturday 28th October 1995 at the Caveat Church Sue Conos married Sean Donnelly. A Party to celebrate was held at their home residence in the Highlands. Sue is the daughter of Theo Conos & Jan.

🔔 Gina Livery will marry Trent Bromley at St. Carthages, Parkville, on the 12th November, 1995. Reception at Roslyn Court, Essendon. Gina is the youngest daughter of Pino and Mary Livery. From Perth, Evelyn and Bevan and family. From Sydney, Mosca Spiros.

Engagement

♥ Evelyne Agussol, daughter of Marilyn and Bernard Agussol, announced her engagement to Nick Peterson on 9 September, 1995. Reception held for family and friends at the Elsternwick RSL. Evelyne is the eldest granddaughter of the Late Nick Gillavis and Vera Gillavis.

Birthdays

🔔 Congratulations to George Katris on his 21st birthday on 7th October, 1995. Party to celebrate was held at the Lizard Lounge.

Birth

🔔 To Steven and Ilias Messimeris, a boy Spiros (Rhys) at St. George's Hospital, Kew, on 8th October, 1995. Another grandson for Spiro and Nina Mangos.

🔔 To Lisa and Andrew McIlpatrick, a son (Callum) at Mitcham Hospital on the 19th September, 1995. Lisa is the daughter of Michael and Anne Jackomas.

🔔 To Vivien and Peter Kostoglou, a girl (Georgie-Kate) on Saturday 28th October, 1995, at Mercy Hospital. A sister for Karissa and Krystan. Vivien is the daughter of Christulla Bisas and Peter is the son of George and Evdokia Kostoglou of South Aust.

Vale

✝ DOUFAS, Celestine, on October 16th, 1995. Funeral at Evangelismos Church and to Carlton Cemetary. Deepest sympathy to Chris Doufas and families. Celestine was a Past President of the Castellorizian Ladies Society of Victoria.

In memory of the Late Mrs. C Doufas, the following people have donated to our Society:

Mr. & Mrs. M. Kyriakos.

✝ AUGUSTES, Angelo, on October 7th, 1995. Husband of Helen, father of Gregory, John and Peter, father-in-law of Olga, grandfather of Brigitta Evangeline (son of Emmanuel and Flora, both deceased), brother of John, Peter and Grace (dec.) and Daisy. Funeral at Evangelismos Church and to Springvale Cemetary.

In memory of the Late Mr. Angelo Augustes, the following people have donated to our Society:

Mr. & Mrs. John Trellis, Mr. & Mrs. Jack and Marika Bisas, Theo Conos.

✝ In memory of the Late Mr. Kondilios (Sydney), the following people have donated to our Society:

Mrs. Anna Adgemis, Mrs. Chrissie Zervos, Mr. & Mrs. Tom Adgemis, Mr. & Mrs. A Stabelos.

Home after holidays

Καλωσορίσατε to all:

- ➔ Peggy Zervos.
 - ➔ Helen Athans.
 - ➔ Peter and Kathy Christofas.
 - ➔ Mary and Herb Kyriakos (world trip including Castellorizo).
 - ➔ Michael and Nina Kyriakos (Darwin including Kakadu National Park).
 - ➔ Jack and Katina M. Miriklis and Christulla Bisas (Queensland).
 - ➔ John and Effie Trellis (Queensland).
 - ➔ Peter and Joanna Kanis (Fiji).
 - ➔ Back from a holiday to Disneyland and America, Maria and Nick Georgoulos, with children Phillip and Ross.
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Cassie
Christmas
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1995 Cassie Christmas Tree

*This years Christmas Tree and Party
will be held at our Club Rooms, South Melbourne,
commencing at 2pm on Sunday, 3rd December, 1995.*

*Please complete the following details
of your children's ages to 10 years.*

Name:

Address:

Are you a financial member: ☐ YES ☐ NO

Name of Children Age

Kindly forward to: Cassie Christmas Tree
(Before the Box 112,
20th November) South Melbourne, Vic., 3206

All enquires to Jack Bisas (telephone 9885 6233)

THE STORY OF THE "EMPIRE PATROL" IN A BOOK EMBERS ON THE SEA The Empire Patrol Disaster. 1945

To commemorate the 50th anniversary of the sinking of the British vessel "Empire Patrol" a book has been published in Australia - EMBERS ON THE SEA, The "Empire Patrol" Disaster 1945 - which will be of special interest to all those of Castellorizian descent.

The book provides (in English) the first clear analysis of the tragic journey of the "Empire Patrol", the rescue operation and the British Naval Inquiry which followed.

Paul Boyatzis, a Perth doctor who survived the voyage and Sydney lawyer and historian Nicholas Pappas have teamed to piece together the whole story in text, pictures and interviews. They have conducted detailed research at the Public Records

Office in England and have obtained rare photographs from the Imperial War Museum. The authors interviewed survivors who gave personal accounts of the disaster.

The "Empire Patrol" was returning home at the end of the Second World War with 497 Castellorizians (mostly women and children) from the refugee camps of Nuseirat in Gaza when on the 29 September 1945, 90 kms out of Port Said it caught fire and sunk. 33 Castellorizians lost their lives. Many others suffered a final disaster, following the war years of enemy destruction and refugee hardships.

In their book, the author trace the historical background since the turn of the century and explain how it is that a single shipwreck spelt the near end of Castellorizo and set off a wave of migration to Australia.

EMBERS ON THE SEA answers many often asked questions with clarity and provides a further chapter in the history of Castellorizo.

The book is now available at a cost of \$20 (Aust.) plus postage.

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\$19.95 per copy and \$2.50 handling
Paperback, 128 pages with illustrated map and plates.

A TALE OF TWO PLACES CASTELLORIZO & KAS

My family has a house on Castellorizo situated on the water's edge overlooking the harbour and the Turkish coast.

The original dwelling was my mother's dowry. The house had not been lived in for over sixty years. War and weather had taken a heavy toll on the building and for many years it stood in disrepair until in 1985 permission was given by the authorities for it to be restored.

Today, the two storey white-washed house stands proudly on the water's edge, a testament to my brother's determination and my daughter's ability to communicate in Greek with the beurocracy of Athens and Rhodes.

The permanent population of Castellorizo now only numbers 250 due to massive migration between the

two world wars and they do not take kindly to the Australian Greeks reclaiming their land.

This tiny remote island just off the coast of Turkey has a beautiful natural harbour in the shape of a horseshoe. The harbour offers safe anchorage and shelter to the many vessels and yachts that ply the Mediterranean including those flying the flags of distant countries.

The colours, a natural feature of the island, are most attractive, Dappled hues of the landscape coupled with the brightness of the houses lining the winding narrow streets are a delight.

I stayed on Castellorizo for ten sunshine filled days. It was so peaceful and serene. Tavernas line the harbour and offer some of the best seafood I have ever eaten. The sea is unpolluted, therefore its bounty is of the choicest quality.

The hotel Megisti provides adequate accommodation and its position more than makes up for the lack of service to its guests.

The island has some eccentric characters. Take Manoli for instance; he loves to wander the harbour front serenading all with his violin whilst savagely abusing Greece and its politicians.

Then there is Yianni, the apprentice priest who is the stand-in spinach pie maker when the trade is busy.

One does not forget Barbara who in her booming voice lures the unsuspecting tourist into her tourist lair.

Who can forget Manoli the fisherman with the lustful eyes and the many wives who get younger as he grows older.

The ancient Agora offers all manner of food on market days, fruit such as avocados, strawberries, bananas, peaches and pears. Fish and poultry are plentiful and yoghurt, dried figs, cheeses and shiny black olives are readily available. Most of the produce is brought from Kas, a Turkish town ten kilometres from the Castellorizian coast.

An enterprising fisherman, Mihali, has a large caique and charges 5,000 Drachmas (approx. \$30) for a return trip to Kas. The journey is supposedly conducted in secrecy, entering Kas from Castellorizo is forbidden by the Greek Customs authorities.

Nevertheless, a group of tourists negotiated terms with Mihali. We were to leave the next day assembling at a secluded cove near the ancient cemetery at 7am.

Picture fifteen people walking along the narrow lanes, single file, fifteen metres apart, looking with furtive glances from right to left. As they

approached the rendezvous, they sighed with relief. No one had been apprehend.

The early morning walkers watched the line of tourists with amusement for they knew that high above in the mountains, the Customs officers could see them through their binoculars. Part of the money paid to Mihali mysteriously found its way to others.

Kas is a thriving market town and elegant minarets dot the attractive townscape. Stalls of produce line the streets and sellers hawk their wares; Turkish carpets can be bought very cheaply.

Castellorizo and Kas are geographically and historically linked, yet religiously and ideologically they are a million miles apart. On the surface their inhabitants are polite to each other, but the Castellorizians refer to Kas as "Over there".

Castellorizo may never return to its former glory. Before the first world war it was a busy vibrant trading port with a population in excess of 15,000. Now it is an island that offers dreams of past grandeur. It should be placed high on the list of places to visit. History is everywhere. Be quick before it becomes too well known.

Καλό ταξίδι. Good journey.

Kaye Cavouras
(nee Fermanis)

Adelaide, South Australia

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ΧΡΙΣΤΟΥΓΕΝΝΙΑΤΙΚΟ ΔΕΝΔΡΟ

Το Διοικητικό Συμβούλιο σας κάνει γνωστό ότι το Χριστουγεννιάτικο Δένδρο θα το γιορτάσουμε στην αίθουσά μας στις 3 Δεκεμβρίου, ώρα 2.00μ.μ.

50η ΕΠΙΕΤΕΙΟ - EMPIRE PATROL

Ο γιατρός Απόστολος Βογιατζής από την Πέρθη και ο δικηγόρος Νίκος Παπαναστασίου από το Σύδνεϋ, σε άμνηση της 50ης επετείου της φωτιάς και βύθισης του Empire Patrol το 1945, όπου έχασαν τη ζωή τους 33 Καστελλορίζιοι, έχουν γράψει ένα βιβλίο με τίτλο "Συντρίμα στη Θάλασσα". Το βιβλίο μπορεί να το προμηθευθείτε από τον κ. Νίκο Ζερβό.

ΑΥΤΟΙ ΠΟΥ ΦΕΥΓΟΥΝ

Την πρώτη εβδομάδα του Οκτώβρη χάσαμε το καλό φίλο Ευάγγελο Αυγουστή. Τα πιο θερμά

μας συλλυπητήρια στη σύζυγό και στην οικογένειά του.

Επίσης ο φολγερός πατριώτης Παράσχος Καϊλής μας άφησε από το Sydney μας άφησε χρόνια. Ο αξέχαστος Παράσχος είχε διετελέσει Προεδρος της Καστελλοριζιακής Αδελφότητας Sydney, ιδρυτικό μέλος της Λέσχης και μέλος του Δημοτικού Συμβουλίου του Botany. Για τις υπηρεσίες του στην ομογένεια, είχε τιμηθεί από τη Κυβέρνηση με τη διάκριση ΟΑΜ. Επίσης από τον Πρόεδρο της Ελληνικής Δημοκρατία τιμήθηκε με το Χρυσό Φοίνικα.

Στη σύζυγό του και στα παιδιά του, τα πιο θερμά μας συλλυπητήρια. Για να παρευρεθεί στη κηδεία του ανεχώρησε από τη Μελβούρνη η κ. Νέλλη Στ. Ζόμπου.

ΑΝΑΒΟΛΗ ΧΟΡΟΥ

Το Διοικητικό Συμβούλιο αναγκάστηκε να αναβάλλει το χορό που επρόκειτο να γίνει στο Hawthorn Receptions, για την επέτειο των 70 χρόνων από την ίδρυση του Καστελλοριζιακού Συνδέσμου.

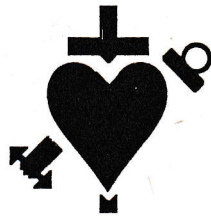
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Συγχαρητήρια στον φίλο Παναγιώτη Ιασωνίδη το νέο Πρόεδρο της Παμμακεδονικής Ένωσης Μελβούρνης και Βικτώριας. Σε ανώτερα!

Στῆς Ἄχερες

- Πεντάμορφές μου Ἄχερες χιλιοτραουδημένες
ἐ συλλοή σας ἔντανε καὶ στέκεσται θλιμμένες;
Ποῦ ἔναι τὸ πελίκι σας καὶ ποῦ ἔναι ἡ χαρά σας
ἡμᾶς καλὲ καὶ στέρεψαν τ' ἀθάνατα νερά σας.
- Κάλιά ταν νὰ στερέψουμε καὶ τὸ νερό νὰ πάψη
κάλια ἐ Βίγλα νὰ πέφτε, βούλες μας νὰ μᾶς θάψη
κάλιά ταν νὰ μᾶς εἶχαι μὲ χῶμα γημοσμένες
παρὰ ποῦ μείναμ' ἔρημες, μαυροσκρυνιασμένες.
- Ποῦ ἔναι ἐκεῖνοι ἐ καιροί, ποῦ ἔναι ἐκεῖνοι χρόνοι
ποῦ ἔρχουνταν κάθε πορνό, κορίτσες σὰν τὸ σόνι
κορίτσες σὰν τῆς πέρδικες, κορίτσες σὰν τῆς χῆνες
μὲ μαστραπᾶδες καὶ χαρσές, μὲ κοῦζες καὶ βυτίνες
Κορίτσες ποῦ σ' ἀνάθασι μέσ' τὴν καρδιά καμίνι
κορίτσες ποῦ μυρίζαι σὰν φύλια καὶ σὰν κρίνοι
κορίτσες σὰν τριαντάφυλλα, κορίτσες σὰν ζουμπούλια
κορίτσες ποῦ θαμπώναι αὐγερινὸ καὶ πούλια
- Σὰν ἀντζελοι, σὰν ζωγραφίες, σὰν κοῦτσες, σὰν νεράιδες
ἐσκύβαν ν' ἀνασύρουσι κι' ἐστάζαν νοστιμάδες
γιάμα νὰ τῆς κάουμ μᾶς ἔρχουνταν καὶ γιούρια
κι' ἀφ' τῆ χαρά μας τὰ νερά ἐκάμνασι τταλλοῦρια
- Ἐκρυφοκαμαρώναι καὶ παίζαι μαζὶν τας
κι' ἐμπλέχαι τὸ μαστραπᾶ νὰ λύσῃ τὸ σχοινὶν τας
κι' αὐτὲς ἐκατηθάζαι τ' ἀγκρίφια τους μὲ νάζι
κι' ἐμεῖς τῆς ἐκισδίζαι καὶ ἐκάμναμε καὶ χάζι
- Τὸ πρόσωπόν τους ἔλαμπε, σὰν νήλιος σὰν φεγγάρι
κι' ἦταν γεμάτες ὠμορφιά καὶ ἦταν γεμάτες χάρι
λεβάνταν εἶχαι στ' αὐτί, μυριστικὸ μὲ δυόσμο
κι' ἀπὸ τὸ συχνολύισμα ἐλώλλαιναν τὸν κόσμον
- Μὲ τῶρα ἐπομείναι βούλες χωρὶς χαῖρι
καμιὰν κορίτσα δὲν ἔσει γιὰ νὰ ῥτῇ ν' ἀνασύρη
καὶ ἂν ἐπόμεινεν καμιὰ νὰ ῥσεται ποῦ καὶ ποῦ
θὰ ἔναι καμιὰ παμπόγρη, καμιὰ μαυροσσεποῦ
.....
- Αὐτὰ λέσιν ἐ Ἄχερες καὶ κλαῖσι καὶ θρηνοῦσι
καὶ στάζει γαῖμαν ἡ καρδιά ἐκείνων π' ἀγροικοῦσι
- Νησάκι μας, νησάκι μας, ἀγάπη μας κρυφὴ
μὲ τίληος ἐγίνηκες, πουττούνικο φηφί.

Κ. Ε. ΑΤΖΕΜΗΣ



Invitation

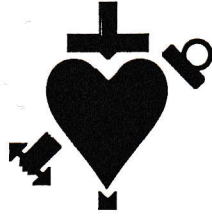
The Board of Management
of the Castellorizian Association of Victoria
request the pleasure of your company
at Castellorizian House,
250 Dorcas Street, South Melbourne,
on Sunday 5th November, 1995 at 5.00pm,
following the AGM which will start at 2.30pm.
Dr. Norman Ashton will launch his book
"Ancient Megisti: The Forgotten Kastellorizo".

Dr. Norman Ashton is Head of the Department of Classics and Ancient History at the University of Western Australia.

"Ancient Megisti: The Forgotten Kastellorizo" is the culmination of the archaeological research project undertaken by Norman and Joanna Ashton from 1992-1994 on Kastellorizo.

All welcome at Castellorizian House at 5.00pm For enquires please ring Jack Bisas, 9885 6233

*Kindly note that this years Christmas Tree
will be held on Sunday, December 3rd, 1995 at Castellorizian House.
All details in the next newsletter.*



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given to all Members that the Annual General Meeting of the Castellorizian Association of Victoria, Australia will be held at our Club Rooms, Castellorizian House, 250m Dorcas Street, South Melbourne, on Sunday, 5th November, 1995 at 2.30pm.

AGENDA

1. Opening - Minute's silence
2. Minutes of 1994 Annual General Meeting
3. President's Report
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Report from Sub-committee of the Elderly
6. General Business

NOTE: The AGM is the day for members to come along and discuss the performance of the Board and the Association over the past 12 months. This is the time to speak up and let the Board know your views and thoughts for the past year and the future of our organisation. The Secretary

*Please also note that following the AGM at 5.00pm Dr. Norman Ashton will be launching his book titled:
"Ancient Megisti:
The Forgotten Kastellorizo".*