

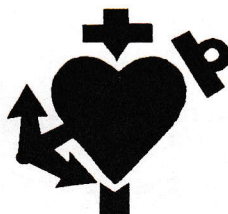
THE CASTELLORIZIAN ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA

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THE CASTELLORIZIAN NEWSLETTER

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Newsletter gives details of our Afternoon Tea and Xmas Tree functions, a short Profile on George Papadopoulos.

Please note change of venue for Xmas Tree.

Details of our Cup Eve Dance, and we ask Members to fill in their acceptance for our Xmas Tree function by **3rd December** at the latest!!

This is the final Newsletter for 1991 and on behalf of the Board of Management let me wish all Members a safe, healthy and Happy Xmas and may 1992 be a year of achievement and prosperity for all Members.

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT REPORT

There still has been no decision on the next step re our 1991 A.G.M. At this stage we will be applying to Corporate Affairs for a decision on our proposed Constitution before returning to our Members at an Extraordinary General Meeting at which Members of the Board will stand down and new elections will be held. Your current Board Members have become increasingly frustrated by the lack of interest shown by Members and lack of attendance at functions organised by your Society.

Our Cup Eve Dance was attended by 159 people including the President of the Ithican Society Mrs. Sia Andrews, President of Australian Greek Welfare Society Dr. Spiro Moraitis, President of the Society for the Care of the Elderly Mr Jacob Fronitsas, and the Consul for Le Banon Mr. Tony Bedowi. We thank them for their attendance, however of the 159 in attendance only 55 were Castellorizian Club Members.

Obviously your Board has lost the support of Members so it is time for them to stand aside and allow those who have no confidence in our performance to take over:

Our Newsletter is sent to nearly 300 Members giving a coverage of approximately 1200 readers:

The date of the Extraordinary A.G.M. will be governed by the response from the corporate affairs at which the elections will be held.

FROM INTERSTATE

I neglected to mention that at our A.G.M. on September 22nd present at the Meeting from West Australia were Tony & Jessie Zempilas.

CARIPIS & Co.

Our accountant Andrew Caripis has resigned from the firm of Charwood Partners to establish his own practice under the name of Caripis and Co. 34 New Street, Ringwood, 3134 - tell: 879 0600 - we wish him well in his new venture.

A.G. WELFARE SOCIETY

The Annual General Meeting of the Australian Greek Welfare Society will be holding its 19th Annual General Meeting at its headquarters 8 Corsair Street, Richmond, 3121 on Wednesday November 27th, 1991 at 7.0p.m. All welcome. Guest Speaker will be the Minister for Consumer Affairs The Hon. Theo Theophanous.

All enquires tell: 429 1147

President of the Society is Dr. Spiro Moraitis.

BAPTISM

On Saturday October 12th, 1991 Nicholas Vasilios Antonopoulos was christened at St. Eustathios Church, South Melbourne. Nicholas is the son of Bill and Helen Antonopoulos.

From Adelaide to attend the christening were grandparents Evangelos & Erasmia Tsakalos, Uncles Bill & Lukas Tsakalos and Helen's godparents Efstathios & Foto Tsakalos. Nicholas' godparents were George & Voula Geogakopoulos. A Cocktail Party was held at the Toorak Room "Lincoln Receptions" Toorak.

50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Your Society extends its congratulations to Mary & Tom Adgemis for their 50th Wedding Anniversary on December 1st, 1991. An Afternoon Tea with family and friends will be held at 228 Cotham Road, Kew to celebrate the Anniversary.

CELEBRATION

Mr Michael & Mrs Sandra Varvodic proudly celebrated a dual celebration - firstly, the 21st Birthday of their eldest son Marko on September 3rd with a party held at his grandparents home; Nikola Vervodic their younger son was selected to play for the Victorian under 18 Soccer Team in the National all Australian competition being held in Brisbane during September 7th - 14th.

Alexandra (Sandra) Varvodic is the eldest daughter of proud parents Nick & Vera Gillavis.

GET WELL

Home after a stay in hospital Nick Zervos

Home after a stay in hospital Aleck Driver (Hetrelezis)

Home after a stay in hospital Con Constance

Recovering after a recent fall Chrissie Zervos.

We print the following:-

Presidents Report from GOYA Newsletter

October/November 1991. The current President is Mr. Noel Alfris who was a member of the Young mens Castellorizian Society and also played Australian Rules for the Cassie Football Team.

"President's Report

Well GOYA is 28 years old. We had our birthday party at Billboard, where we gave away 28 prizes and a great time was had by all. Thank to all who celebrated with us. There are not many surviving Greek Clubs that go back further than GOYA, but those that do go back a long way. The Ithacan Philanthropic Society this year celebrates it's 75th birthday, the Castellorizian Society it's 66th and the Kythirian Brotherhood in Sydney is of similar vintage.

Greeks from these three islands were the main source of migrants to Australia at the end of the last century. early this century and up until the 1940's. I know personally of a family whose grandfather came here in 1896. I think more should be done to make Greek youth aware of this Greek-Australian history. Greeks in Australia are not just a product of post Second World War mass migration, there were many pioneers before them. Maybe next year's Hellenic Forum will publicise this history.

The current GOYA committee are endeavouring to put out a newsletter every six to eight weeks. With this in mind, we want to hear from people who may have articles of interest, (maybe you're related to a Greek pioneer) or something that they may want to publicise.

Our Boitre/Tavern Night was enjoyed by all who attended, with great dance music provided by Apodimi Kompania. Our poet Dina Dounis, who, while entertaining us, made us aware of the many Greek-Australian poets and writers who have preceded her. Our

comedian, John Herouvim reminded us that philosophia, demokratia, caro, floory and treno are in fact Greek words, and whose parents didn't say "Ke afti elliniki lexi einai"? We will see more of these artists in the future.

Noel Alfris

GEORGE PAPADOPOULOS

On Friday June 28th, 1991 George Papadopoulos was farewelled as Chairman of the Victorian Ethnic Commission. This article has been taken from the Commissions' Newsletter:-

"Farewell to George Papadopoulos

On Friday June 28th, George Papadopoulos was farewelled as Chairman of the Victorian Ethnic Affairs Commission. George had been with the Commission since its formal inception in 1983, first as Deputy-Chairman and later, from 1987, as Chairman. His resignation coincided with the machinery of government changes which brought ethnic affairs in Victoria into the wider Ministry of Ethnic, Municipal and Community Affairs. In several senses, therefore, his departure marked a watershed in Victoria's commitment to multiculturalism.

George Papadopoulos' contribution to ethnic affairs is without rival in Victoria. In the later 1960's he was active in his own (Greek) community's activities. In part this involvement culminated in his pioneering work with the Australian Greek Welfare Society (AGWS). His work at AGWS led him to support other ethnic community organisations, particularly those from the Yugoslavian and Turkish communities. He was also actively involved with community agencies such as the Centre for Urban Research and Action and the Ecumenical Migration Centre and was one of the founders of the Victorian Ethnic Communities Council. In short, his experience in ethnic affairs began with work on the ground within his own community and during the period in the early 70's when much of the conceptual framework about multiculturalism was being developed, George Papadopoulos was well known to most workers in the immigration and ethnic affairs area. He was a leader, a pioneer and a thinker.

In 1980 George left the legal world, where he had been practising and commenced full-time work with the Australian Institute of Multicultural Affairs (the precursor to the Office of Multicultural Affairs). As part of his work George met and formed lasting friendships with a large number of ethnic community workers. During this period George made a substantial contribution to community education.

In 1982 the present Victorian Government established the Victorian Ethnic Affairs Commission. The task of the Commission was to translate the principles of multiculturalism into practice. George, as Deputy Chairman, was well placed to ensure that the lessons learned during the 1970's by the general community and the views advocated by ethnic communities were fully

taken into account. George's presence (along with the other Commissioners) ensured, among other things, that there would be a permanent source of advice from the community. George was a central figure in establishing the tone and direction of the Commission.

In 1987, George took over as the head of the Commission. During this period the Commission underwent considerable review and change.

George had the satisfaction at the end of his term of seeing that multiculturalism was secure in Victoria. In 1970 Australia was still struggling with the last vestiges of the 'white Australia' policy. By 1990, 'white Australia' had disappeared, community and Government attitudes were firmly opposed to racism and discrimination and the principal question concerning multiculturalism was how best to implement it.

George Papadopoulos contribution to ethnic affairs has been substantial. His time at the Commission may well be summed up by a member of staff who, echoing Shakespeare's Hamlet, maintained.

"All in all he was a man.
We shall not see his like again."

DIVING

Grant Brady is the grandson of Angelo Jackomas.
"Grant Brady won gold medals in the 12-13 years one - metre and three-metre events at the Australian winter

championships in Queensland earlier this month. At the Australian championships in Adelaide in April, he won the 12-13 years one-metre, three-metre and five-metre events. Brady, 12, is coached by a former Australian Olympic coach, Ian Nichols, and by an aunt, Diana Jackomos, who was Australian junior champion in 1983. Brady has been diving since he was six and has been state champion in his age group for the past five years. He has been an Australian champion for the past three years, collecting 10 gold medals at the last three championships. The year 7 Maroondah Secondary College student won the state primary schools one-metre championship at his first attempt when he was six and held the title throughout his time in primary school. In the All-High Schools championships this year he was second in 14-and-under on the three-metre board.

BUS TRIP

A successful bus trip to the Pokies was held on Sunday October 6th. Over 40 members enjoyed the trip, winners on the Pokies included Eva Lucas and Peter Koutsogiorgos. The bus trip was organised by Eva Lucas.

AFTERNOON TEA

At Cassie House Fashion Parade on November 24th .
A brochure with this Newsletter - all details from:-
Mrs. Anna Adgemis Tel: 848 4447

Cassie Family Xmas Picnic Day

to be held at
DONCASTER & TEMPLESTOWE GARDENS
George Street and the Boulevard
(Melways Map 33)
Same place as last year
SUNDAY DECEMBER 15TH, 1991
11.0A.M.

SANTA WILL BE ARRIVING AT 2.0 PM



Children 10 years of age and under will receive a present from Santa - so please complete and return by December 3rd to the address below if you are not financial please enclose your cheque along with this form to:-
The Secretary - Castellorizian Association of Victoria
P.O. Box 112, South Melbourne, 3205

CASSIE FAMILY XMAS PICNIC DAY

NAME AGE MALE/FEMALE.
ADDRESS Telephone No.....