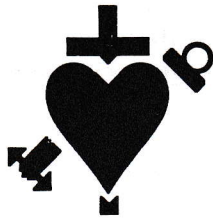

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News



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Welcome to the Castellorizian Newsletter No. 107 which gives details of the president's report which was presented at the Annual General Meeting held on 5th October 1997. Further, we publish a letter of concern from our compatriots in Queensland and our reply to their letter. A working party formed to preserve Castellorizian history and future developments. Also, we announce details for **Kalanta, Disco Night** and **Revising Cassie membership**.

Enjoy reading.

President's Report

***Presented to the 72nd A.G.M.
at the Castellorizian Association clubrooms,
250 Dorcas St, Sth Melbourne,
on the 5th day of October, 1997
President Mr Michael Spartels.***

The Board of Directors

May I firstly commence my report by congratulating and thanking my fellow Directors, on their work and assistance to me over the last twelve months. At this point I would like to welcome Peter Coates and Vivienne Michael who have joined our Board over the last 12 months.

A constant concern by previous committees was the direction in which our Association was heading, This lead to us to embark on a Youth Policy, which will be explained futher on. I appeal to members to encourage their children to participate in all organised activities. This will ensure the continuity of our unity.

My committee also realises the importance of the senior citizens and welfare, so this too, has received much of our attention.

Construction of the renovations

This year saw the enclosure of the rear courtyard, which has enabled our members and guests to enjoy more space and comfort when attending our functions. We are constantly looking to upgrade our rooms, which is evidenced by the istallation of mirrors to our wall showcases, and the pending delivery of a glass wall cabinet, which will be home to our Cassie artefacts, and other items of significant interest.

Highlights - One of the major highlights this year, has been the introduction of Greek dancing for our youth. Over 25 children, divided into two groups, have been tutored weekly, and are currently performing in front of audiences. At this point, may I once again thank Kathleen Adgemis and Vivienne Mihalos for their interest and efforts in establishing and maintaining the group.

In lieu of the children's hard work, our Association has sponsored barbeques and theatre visits, during the school holidays. The children are now preparing to sing carols at Christmas time.

The other successful social events held over the last 12 months have included: a picnic at Albert Park, a bus trip to the Crown Casino, a dinner at Ellinis Tavern and a family day at Cassie Hall.

Financial

The Association continues to be in a sound financial position. Thankfully, we enjoy an excellent relationship with our tenant who has been a major source of our income for many years.

In conclusion, I would like to thank Andrew Caripis, our accountant, and Nicholas Zervos, our Solicitor who are constantly willing to give their time and expertise, to assist our Association voluntarily.

Michael N. Spartels
President
5-10-1997

Christmas Tree

The Cassie Children's Christmas Tree is to be held on Sunday 14th December 1997, 2.30pm at our Clubrooms in Sth Melb. Applications form for Christmas gifts to be returned by no later than the 10th November. Children whose age is 10 years of age and under are invited to apply.

As this will be our last newsletter for the year, I would like to take this opportunity in wishing all our members and their families a very Happy Christmas filled with much love and joy and a healthy and prosperous New Year.

Cassie History

A working party of Castellorizians has been formed to look at ways to preserve the Castellorizian history of Melbourne and to look at ways of involving younger Castellorizians.

At the first meeting of the working party some ideas for future development were discussed. These were:

- setting a register of Castellorizians in Melbourne (regarding censustaking).
- preparing a register of Cassies in Melbourne;
- gathering of biographies and recording further histories of Castellorizians;
- compiling a register of Castellorizians who could assist in giving career advice and providing a support network for our younger members.

Present at the October meeting were: A Adgemis, Anna Plafadellis, Chrissy Velissaris, Kathleen Adgemis and Vivienne Mihalos. Interested people are invited to attend our next meeting to be held on Monday 1st December. For further information please contact John Ademis (98421253) or Vivienne Mihalos (98505294).

WWW.Cassies.help.com.au.?

Have you got internet experience? If so we need you. In order to develop our internet site, we need assistance from individuals with experience in this area. If you can help please contact Viv Mihalos (98505294)

Kalanta

If you would like the Cassie Chikdren's Choir to visit your home and spread some Christmas cheer by singing a selection of Greek and English carols please fill in the reply slip below and return by the 1st December.

The choir will visit homes on the weekend of the 29th December. You will be notified of a more specific time when your reply slip is returned. For further enquires contact Vivienne Mihalos 98505294

Cassie Dance Club News

On Sunday 24th August, children and parents attended the performance 'Window on Tradition' at the John Batman Theatre. Along with hundreds of others in the audience we were treated to a Greek cultural feast of dancing music. The programme looked at dance over time and covered regional dancing.

The dancers were polished and professional; the costumes elaborate. It was an unforgettable and educational example for our dance group.

During the holidays, the group went to the cinema to see "Hercules"

New members are welcome. A reminder that we run 2 age groups:
classes 4-8 and 8-16 on Sundays, 4.45-6.30pm.

Term fee \$24 per child. For any enquires, contact Vivienne-98505294 and Kathleen-98428606

Cassie Association of QLD

Dear sir,

We write to seek your views on what we believe to be the emerging situation on the island of Castellorizo in so far as ownership of land is concerned.

Currently, the legitimate method of claiming land on Castellorizo is by the presentation of deed of dowry, plus a statutory declaration by two local inhabitants plus clearance from the Mayor's office plus mechanic's plans, and clearance from the deeds officer, for Castellorizo, based in Rhodes.

However it is our belief that there are plans afoot to **legalise** "Squatters Rights". We further believe that once the expatriate Cassies presently holidaying on the island return home to Australia, then the locals propose petitioning the governor of the Dodecanese Islands to allow squatters to claim land belonging to others.

Are you aware of this attempt to legalise squatting? If so, do you agree that we in Australia should attempt to negate this latest move?

It is our view, here in Queensland, that a concerted, coordinated campaign by all Casellorizian Associations should be looked at. This campaign should take the form of political lobbying at the federal level, communication with federal members of parliament and our foreign minister. We also feel that our views ought to be conveyed to the Greek Ambassador to Australia, Senator Bolkus and prominent Cassies on the island of Rhodes.

Finally I would indicate that there is urgency in this matter, time is not on our side, and I would earnestly seek your views on this very important issue as to whether you are aware that squatting is about to be legalised and what form should the campaign to counter this take, to safeguard Australian domiciled Cassies' rights to ancestral land on Castellorizo.

With best wishes
Statis E. Efstathis
President
Castellorizian Association of Queensland

And our reply...

Mr Stathis E. Efstathis
President
Castellorizian Association of Queensland
P.O. Box 581
Sth Brisbane QLD 4101

Dear Mr Efstathis,

RE: Proposal to legalise "Squatter's Rights" on the island of Castellorizo.

I refer to your letter dated 2-9-97 concerning the real and immediate possibility for the proposal to legalise "Squatter's Rights" on the island of Castellorizo.

I thank you for bringing this information to our club's attention, and for the opportunity to inform this disturbing news to our members.

This issue was discussed at our last meeting on the 2-9-97, and the committee directors agreed that a strong attempt to negate this latest move of "Squatters' Rights" should be petitioned immediately, from all Castellorizians living in Australia and other parts of the world.

This committee will support a united campaign in the form of political lobbying at the Federal level, and to convey our protest to the Greek Ambassador of Australia, Senator Nick Bolkus and prominent Castellorizians of the island of Rhodes.

Your letter will be published in full in our next newsletter, to seek further options and responses from our members.

Ownership of land on Castellorizo, should be held and maintained by current laws, for the people of Castellorizo and Castellorizian descendants living in Australia.

Yours faithfully

Michael N. Spartels
President
Castellorizian Association of Victoria

Missing Cassie Minutes

In our possession: 1952-1965
 1973-1977
 1978-1981
 1983-1985
 1988-1990
 1990-1997

Missing from our records minutes from:
 1925-1952
 1965-1973

If any members have any of the missing records, please return them to our Association.

Social

- **In Melbourne** for the Grand Final, Mr Michael and Dr Patricia Kailis together with Tony and Jessie Rempilas from Perth WA. While in Melb. Michael and Patricia joined us at our family luncheon at Cassie House.
- On 26th Oct. 1997, Mrs Eva Koustoukis celebrated her **95th birthday**. Back from o/seas after visiting Ireland, Greece and England, Marika Bisas and Melody Papadopoulos.
- **Wedding Bells** - Peter Papos to Theodora Kailis at St Andrews Greek Orthodox Church, Mahonys Rd, Forest Hill on Sunday November 2nd. The Wedding reception will be at the Egialia Reception Hall Wantirna Sth. Peter is the son of Harry and Ebelyn Papos and the Grandson Con(dec) and Katina Zombos. Theodora is the daughter of Andrew and Metaxia Kailis.

- **Engagement** - Congratulations to Basil J. Salvaris on his engagement to Miss Josephine Loricco of Lynfield NSW. Basil has also recently been appointed as Vice President of the Swiss Credit First Boston Bank. Basil is the son of John and Stella Salvaris.
- **Birth** - Congratulations to Dr and Mrs Jim & Evelyn Aroney on the arrival of their first child a son, James Manuel. Evelyn is the oldest daughter of Michael and Dianne Spartels. James is the first Grand child for both Michael and Dianne, Manuel and Ann Aroney, also the nephew of Nicholas, Marissa and Alexandra and great grand child of Maria James.
- **Birthday** - Katrina Dimer celebrated her 21st Birthday with 150 family and friends. Katrina is the daughter of George and Christine Dimer and the Grand-daughter of Mr Steve Paltoglou.

Vale

- **In memory** of the late Mrs M Karpoozis, donations were received from the following: Mr & Mrs Loizou, Mrs C Verginis, Mr & Mrs A Stabelos, Mr & Mrs D Pavlou, Mrs A Adgemis, Mr & Mrs C Adgemis, Mrs C Zervos, Evelyn Kailis & family, Mrs Mary T. Adgemis, Nina & Michael Kyriakos, Mr A Mrs N Varigos, Mr & Mrs H Kyriakos, Mrs Daisy Mangos
- **In memory** of the late Evangelia Kalaizis donations were received from the following: Mr & Mrs Con J Mangos, Mr & Mrs A Loizou, Nina & Michael Kyriakos, Mrs A Adgemis
- **In memory** of the late Mrs Tzambizis, donations were received from the following: Mr & Mrs S Zombos
- **Thank You** - The family of the late Don Diamond deeply appreciate the thoughtfulness and thank you all for your comforting expressions of sympathy at the loss of their beloved husband father and grandfather.
- **Thank You** - Mrs Dorothy and Mr Con John Mangos appreciate all the cards of sympathy and the support given on the passing of their

beloved sister/sister-in-law in Evangelia Kalaizis.
Evangelia passed away in Sydney on 8 August, 1997.

- **Thank You** - The family of the late Maria Karpouzis wish to thank all friends and relatives for their expressions of sympathy and attendance at the funeral service for their late beloved mother Maria.

Cassie Seniors' Club

MONTHLY MEETINGS:
First Wednesday of each month

Please note: Should a meeting need to be cancelled this meeting will be re-scheduled to the THIRD Wednesday of that month

(Due to a lack of support meetings will now be held only ONCE per month)

Bowling Tournament

A Bowling Carnival for Bowlers of Greek origin will be held in the city of Perth WA late in March 1998. If you wish to take part or interested in attending this Tournament, please contact Herb Kyriakos on 9531 3108 for full details.

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Cassie Kalanta

Fill in this form and return it to:

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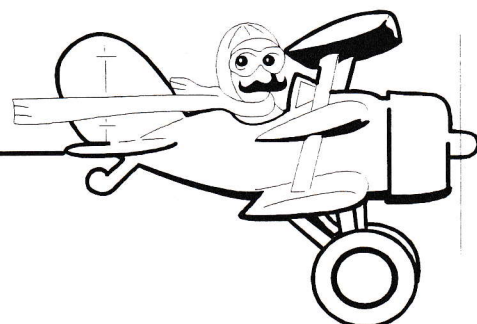
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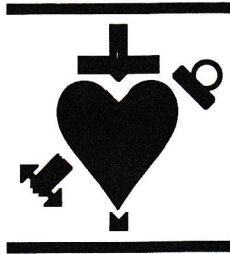
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250 Dorcas Street, South Melbourne

**see you at the
Cassie Open Family Day**



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Notice of Annual General Meeting

*Members are hereby advised that the
Annual General Meeting
of the Castellorizian Association of Victoria
will be held
on Sunday, 5th October, 1997, 2.30 pm sharp
at Castellorizian House,
250 Dorcas Street, South Melbourne.*

Agenda

1. Open of Annual General Meeting
2. Apologies
3. Minutes of last Annual General Meeting
4. Business arising out of minutes
5. President's Report
6. Treasurer's Report
7. Senior Citizen's Report
8. General business
9. Closure of Annual General Meeting

Refreshments to follow

WANTED

Children

*aged between 8 - 16 who
like to join together as a choir to sing
"Ta Kalanta" - both Greek and English
Christmas carols. There will be practice
sessions during November and the children will
visit Cassie homes during December to sing
these songs. Transport will be arranged*

*To gauge interest and to facilitate planning
please return the attached slip to any member or post to*

**Ta Kalanta, Cassie Association,
P.O. Box 112, South Melbourne, 3205**

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1997**

Yes! My child/children are interested in joining the signing group.

Child's name: Age:.....

Child's name: Age:.....

Child's name: Age:.....

Telephone numbers: