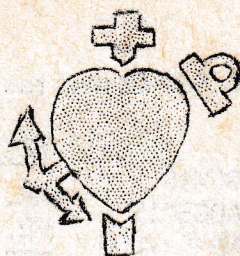


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This Newsletter contains the second of our Profile Series. This month's Profile is of MR. ANDREW JACKOMAS. It also contains the results of our very successful "BAMIX COOKING COMPETITION".

MEMBERSHIP

Our Membership, as all members should be aware of, is \$5.00 per person per year and is payable before our Annual General Meeting, which must be held in September. Our Newsletter is posted to all members, whether financial or not. This is now under Review due to the high cost of postage.

Our Mailing List is not as complete as we would like it to be. We require the assistance of all members to bring our list up to date. If you know of any person of Castellorizian Origin in Victoria, please notify us. At present our Newsletter reaches one thousand members, but we believe that there is twice this number in Victoria.

Please assist by notifying us of any new Members.

WELFARE SUB-COMMITTEE

Mr. Con Zombos, Mr. Tom Adgemis, and Mrs. C. Paltos, are now visiting sick Members on behalf of the Society. If you know of any members who are on the Sick List, please notify us as soon as possible.

HONORARY ASSISTANCE

Our Society is indeed fortunate to have the services of our Honorary Solicitor, Mr. Kevin P. Zervos, and Accountant, Mr. Andrew Karipis. The amount of work done by Kevin and Andrew is not always appreciated by Members. We thank them on behalf of the Society and hope that they will continue to assist us as they have done in the past.

GET WELL WISHES

To Harry Gregory in St. Vincents Hospital  
To Spiro A. Mangos, home after a stay in Hospital  
To Nick Zographou, home after a stay in Hospital

VISITING MELBOURNE

From Adelaide, Mr. & Mrs. L. Chrisohou and Family, visiting their daughter and son-in-law. (Marcia and Michael Miriklis).  
From Adelaide, Mr. & Mrs. G. Kostoglou and Family, visiting son and daughter-in-law. (Peter and Vivien Kostoglou).

BON VOYAGE

To Mrs. Peggy Zervos, Mrs. Chrissie Zervos, Mr. Kevin P. Zervos, and Mr. Michael C. Zervos, all bound for Hong Kong, China and Singapore.  
Kevin will give a lecture in Singapore to a gathering of lawyers on "Aspects of Environmental Law".

To our Secretary, Christine Pavlou, for her trip to Sydney.

The Current Board of Directors and Sub-Committees are as follows:-

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| President:                  | MR. JACK BISAS        | <u>WELFARE SUB-COMMITTEE</u> |
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|                             | MRS. KATHLEEN ADGEMIS |                              |
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#### FUTURE FUNCTIONS

Sunday 10th April - FAMILY LUNCHEON "VILLA BORGHESE"  
Sunday 22nd May - ST. CONSTANTINES HELENS DAY  
June - THEATRE NIGHT  
July - BOUZOUKI NIGHT

#### BINGO

Bingo will commence on Wednesday 4th May at 8 o'clock at 8 Corsair St, Richmond. Permission has been granted by the Attorney Generals Department to conduct Bingo at 8 pm on Wednesday 4th May and on every following Wednesday for a trial period of three months.

#### CHINESE LECTURE

Mr. George Voyage has returned from CHINA and the first in a series of Castellorizian Lectures will be held as soon as possible. The date will be announced in our Next Newsletter.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

To Diana Jackomas. Diana, who is 12 years old, could by the first of Castellorizian origin to represent Australia in the 1988 OLYMPIC GAMES. Diana has won five straight Championships during the past six months. Her record is FIRST CLASS! She has won in diving competitions:-

|            |                       |                         |
|------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| SEPT. 1982 | AUST. WINTER CHAMPION | 1ST 3 METRE SPRINGBOARD |
| DEC. 1982  | VICTORIAN CHAMPION    | 1ST 3 METRE SPRINGBOARD |
| DEC. 1982  | VICTORIAN CHAMPION    | 1ST 1 METRE SPRINGBOARD |
| FEB 1983   | AUSTRALIAN CHAMPION   | 1ST 3 METRE SPRINGBOARD |
| FEB 1983.  | AUSTRALIAN CHAMPION   | 1ST 1 METRE SPRINGBOARD |

Diana has been selected to represent Australia at the World Age Championships in New Zealand later this year. She is following in the footsteps of her brother Andrew, who was four times Australian Diving Champion, and a medal winner at the Commonwealth Games.

We Congratulate Diana and wish her well. Diana is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Angelo Jackomas.

Congratulations also to:

Maria Platis and John Argyropoulos, who were engaged on the 3rd April 1983.

To Harry K. Miriklis and Vicki Tricos, married on Sunday 20th March 1983.

In Melbourne from interstate, for the Wedding of Harry and Vicki, were Mr. and Mrs. John Miriklis & Family, and Mr. Jack Miriklis with son George, all from Sydney, and Evelyn, sister of Mrs. D. Miriklis from Adelaide.

Harry and Vicki are on a World Tour for their Honeymoon.

### CONGRATULATIONS CONT.

To George Papadopoulos on being appointed Vice Chairman of the Ethnic Affairs Commission. A most deserved Appointment.

### VALE

The Death occurred in Melbourne on 10th March, 1983, of MR. JOHN KANIS. Mr. Kanis was a respected and loved member of the Greek Community. His passing ends an era in Castellorizian History in Victoria.

John Constantine Kanis was born 84 years ago on the Island of Castellorizo. He came to Australia in 1914 and married Asimina Amonis in 1925. Brother of Maria (Fermanis) deceased Michael Kanis (deceased) Asimina (Augustsis) deceased and surviving sister Mrs. Daisy Mangos.

The late John Kanis worked tirelessly for many years on Church, School, and Castellorizian Committees.

In later years he gave his time to the Childrens' Hospital and Law Courts, acting as an interpreter.

He is survived by three children and nine grandchildren. Our deepest sympathy.

In Memory of the late Mr. John Kanis, the following have donated to our Society.

|                                      |         |
|--------------------------------------|---------|
| MR. & MRS. STEVE PALTOGLOU           | \$20.00 |
| MR. & MRS. LEO KOUTSOUKIS AND FAMILY | \$10.00 |
| MR. & MRS. LUKE LUCAS                | \$10.00 |
| MR. & MRS. BILL HONDROS              | \$20.00 |
| MR. & MRS. PAUL ZERVOS               | \$10.00 |
| MR. & MRS. MICHAEL KYRIAKOS          | \$10.00 |
| MR. & MRS. NICK ZOGRAPHOU            | \$10.00 |
| MR. & MRS. NICK VERGINIS             | \$10.00 |

\* We thank Mr. Basil Stephanou for His Eulogy on behalf of the Society.

### VALE

The death occurred in Melbourne on March 28th 1983, of Mr. Steve Coufos. Mr. Coufos was 81 years of age. He arrived in Melbourne from Castellorizo via Brasil. He was an esteemed member of many Castellorizian Committees and a member of the Committee of the Greek Community in Melbourne and Victoria. He served on Castellorizian Committees for twenty years. He arrived in Australia in 1931 and came to Melbourne in 1933. A long time Resident of CARLTON, Mr. S. Coufos is survived by his widow Argyro Coufos. Our Deepest Sympathy. In memory of the late Mr. Steve Coufos, the following have donated to our Society.

|                       |         |
|-----------------------|---------|
| MR. C.J. MANGOS       | \$10.00 |
| MR. & MRS. JACK BISAS | \$10.00 |
| MRS. E.J. MANGOS      | \$10.00 |

\* We thank Mr. Con Zombos for his Eulogy on Behalf of the Society.

### CLUB'S FUTURE

Your Committee Continues to inspect properties with the view of establishing a fully Licensed Club. Properties have been inspected in Flinders St, Victoria St Carlton, and in Russell St Melbourne.

We have had discussions with the Licensing Inspector for the Sth. Melbourne area, seeking an opinion as to the suitability of our present property for a Full Club License.

Many vital decisions will have to be taken in the next six months as to the viability of a Full License at Dorcas St or elsewhere.

It is most important to keep in mind that the lease of our Tenants expires in September of this year. During the last five months in an effort to clarify our Financial Position, so that Forward Planning and clear cut Decisions can be made, we have submitted for the first time our Taxations Returns.

We thank Andrew Caripis for his assistance and advice in the preparation of these Returns.

### CLUB'S FUTURE CONT.

The Committee and Members should be grateful to the past committee and its President MR. HERB KYRIAKOS, for its forward thinking and planning in making special provisions for the setting aside of funds to help pay for whatever assessment we might receive. The present Committee, and myself, in particular are deeply appreciative of the way in which the Financial Records were kept and passed on to us by Herb Kyriakos and the past Committee, we thank them!

### HISTORY

The Committee is trying to bring up-to-date the History of our Society. We are seeking information on past Presidents since 1925. If you know the name of any person who served as President of our Society over this period or any other relevant historical information, please write to our Secretary. We are looking for Records, Minutes, Circulars, Newsclips, etc., as there appears to be a great gap in our Present Records. Thankyou and please help.

### COOKING CONTEST

The Castellorizian "Bamix" Cooking Contest was held on Sunday 27th March, to celebrate Greece's National Day. This, I would say, was one of the most successful functions ever held at Cassie House. We were indeed fortunate that the "Bamix" organisation joined with us in this most enjoyable afternoon. We thank "Teresa" from the "Harry Michael's Greek Variety Show" for her judging of the competition. Our thanks also to Mr. Arthur Peart, managing director of "Bamix Australia" and Peter Matlock, marketing director for their attendance! Their comments are well worth recording for our members.

Mr. A. Peart - "One of the most enjoyable and well organised afternoons we have been associated with."

Mr. P. Matlock - "It is a pleasure to be joined with the Castellorizian Society in this competition."

Teresa - "The standard of the entries were excellent. The variety and high standard made the judging most difficult. The members are to be congratulated for their fine entries!"

We thank the "Bamix" organisation for their acceptance of our invitation to join with us in this competition. Their donation of a "Bamix mixer" was greatly appreciated by us. The Bamix will be raffled at a future date.

Bamix have agreed to join with us in a future Cooking Contest. We hope that this can now become a yearly function.

To the 23 entries, we thank them for their effort in entering our competition.

It is a pity that they could not all win prizes. The result of the competition was:-

1ST PRIZE - \$100.00 and TROPHY  
2ND PRIZE - \$50.00 and TROPHY  
3RD PRIZE - \$25.00 and TROPHY

MRS. ANNA ADGEMIS  
MRS. JOYCE PALLARAS  
MRS. VERA CONSTANCE

Congratulations and thankyou all to our hard working Social Sub-committee. Thankyou once again for a fine effort. It gives your Committee great pleasure to see a function so successful and enjoyable as this competition was. Special thanks to Alec Pallaras for his assistance to the Society in this competition.

### YOUTH CLUB NEWS

On Sunday 27th March, the Cassie Youth Club had a general meeting and a "Twisting by the pool" party. The day proved successful, in that the constitution was passed and new memberships were obtained.

A disappointing part of the day was that many people who had pledged their support for the meeting/function failed to make it on the actual day. Despite this, the party was enjoyed by all who bothered to attend.

APRIL 10TH 1983 SUNDAY

"FAMILY LUNCHEON GET TOGETHER"

- \* At "Villa Borghese" - 723 Mt. Dandenong Rd, Kilsyth.
- \* SMORGASBOARD
- \* "Eat to your heart's content"
- \* "Dance to the DUO MARINO BAND"
- \* SPECIAL TREAT FOR CHILDREN

ADULTS \$13.00

CHILDREN UNDER 12 \$8.00

BOOK EARLY! LIMITED NUMBER OF TICKETS.

Phone:- Dianne Spartels 211 3201

Joyce Pallaras 859 4868

Kathleen Adgemis 878 5796

- \* As we are restricted to 100 tickets, please BOOK EARLY.

INDOOR CRICKET REPORT

The Cassie Youth Indoor Cricket side is thriving and glorying in some fine team and individual performances.

Up to now, the team has played five matches and has won two of them. The most outstanding individual performances have been by George Adgemis, the captain of the side, with both the bat and ball; Vince Papaleu, a long standing honorary Cassie, has bedazzled the opposition with his pace bowling. Special mentions must also go to J.A. and J.P. Adgemis, who have thrilled the crowds, mostly with their antics.

Cameo appearances include Alex Mihalos, Jim Bisas and Stephen Adgemis, who are still "rookies", but with great potential.

The side has a twenty man playing list and is thriving. Anyone who is interested in playing, umpiring, scoring or supporting the side should contact Anthony Adgemis on 848 4447.

PROFILE NO. 2

ANDREW JACKOMOS 1896 -

Andrew, the second son of Alic and Panayota Jackomos, nee Kalis, was born in Kastelorizo in February, 1896; the other children were Yakomi (dec) 1894 and Megthalia, 1898.

Andrew came from a family with a long life record, his Father Alic died in Melbourne in 1948 at the age of 101. His grandfather Yakomi died in Kastelorizo at the age of 105.

Andrew's father had a boat and regularly travelled to Turkey trading with the Turks. Andrew and his brother, Yakomi, as young boys accompanied and worked with their father on these trips.

Still in his early teens, Andrew was employed on one of the many boats operating from Kastelorizo, diving for sponges on the floor of the Mediterranean.

In 1912, Andrew's father came to Australia. After spending some time in Perth, he returned to Kastelorizo. In 1914 Alic again travelled to Australia, this time bringing his two sons Yakomi and Andrew. His wife, Panayota and daughter Megthalia were to remain in Kastelorizo until 1917.

PROFILE NO. 2 - ANDREW JACKOMOS - CONT.

It was 1914 and the 1st World War had commenced and a group of Kastelorizians had settled in Perth. The north of Australia in those days was undeveloped and Alic and his two sons Yakomi and Andrew, travelled by boat to Port Darwin, as it was known in those days. Wages in the North were much higher and Andrew remembers his first job, when he received \$1.85 per day.

After spending three years in Darwin, Alic returned to Kastelorizo in 1917 and again returned to Perth with his wife Panayota and daughter Megthalia, who had married Steve Pallaras.

By 1920, all of Alic's family, his brothers and sisters (Ariti, Angelo, John, Basil and Mick) and their families had migrated to Perth. In later years, some of the family migrated to Adelaide and Melbourne.

For five years Andrew worked in Darwin and Pine Creek on the Darwin to Larrimah Railway construction line. From there he spent some time working his way back to Perth, spending some time in Wyndham and Broome in North West Australia, eventually returning to Perth in 1919.

Alic and his two sons, like many others, moved into the fish business. They would purchase fish from the Perth Fish market and with their cane baskets would walk around Perth hawking the fish from house to house.

In 1920, Alic and Panayota and their three children moved to Adelaide.

In 1922, Andrew and his parents moved on to Melbourne. During that period, the Greek population was small, which included the Kastelorizian families of Mangos, Bisas, Spartels, Fermanis, Conos, Augustes, Kanis, George, Adgemis, Penglis, Ammonis and Christofis.

In 1923 Asimina Augustes arrived in Melbourne to be with her brothers, Manuel and Peter and sister Florry, who was married to Mick Conos. (Mr. Mick Conos became the first President of our Kastelorizian Brotherhood in 1925).

On the 1st April, 1923, Andrew Jackomos married Asimina Augustes at the Greek Orthodox Church "Evangelismou", which was the only Greek Church in Melbourne at the time.

In 1928 Andrew and Asimina were naturalized as Australian citizens.

Over the next 30 years, besides raising a family of six children, Allick, Mary (dec), Angelo, Stella, Maisie and Michael, they operated fish shops in the Carlton district plus a few years in Collingwood, Balaclava and Northcote.

In those days, during the great Depression, working hours were long, rising at 5 am for market and closing the fish shop at midnight every day except Sundays, when the cleaning up was done.

In those days, fish was cooked in wood stoves, wood to be chopped and potatoes peeled by hand. Fish prices were Couffa - 2 pence a piece (1½ cents) and Flake - 3 pence (2 cents) a piece. You could buy 1 cent of chips.

In the mid 1930's, Nick Koutsoukos conducted a cafe in Lonsdale Street and sold 3 course meals with bread and butter, a cup of tea for sixpence (5 ¢).

In 1955 Andrew and Asimina retired from their fish shop in Elgin St, Carlton, and settled in a little cottage in Station St, with their youngest son Michael, all the other children had since married.

In 1961 Andrew re-entered the work force and was employed in a nearby mattress factory, finally retiring in 1968 at the age of 72 years.

In 1965 Andrew and Asimina moved to East Kew where they still reside.

PROFILE NO. 2 - ANDREW JACKOMOS - CONT.

Unfortunately, Andrew lost sight of both eyes eight years ago.

The children and grandchildren of Andrew and Asimina Jackomos have made a great contribution to this country.

- Alick enlisted in the Australian Army at the age of 17 and saw service in Papua New Guinea and Dutch East Indies. For many years he wrestled professionally in the light heavy weight division at Festival Hall and other capital city stadiums.

- Angelo enlisted in the British occupation forces and served with the Allied forces in the occupation of Japan.

- Michael, the youngest of all the three sons, played with Carlton under nineteens Football Club.

- Grandson Andrew has been prominent in Australian Diving competition during the last ten years. Andrew is a four times Australian Diving champion and was a medal winner at the 1947 Commonwealth Games in Christchurch, New Zealand. Andrew has represented Australia in Russia, New Zealand, U.S.A., Canada, Italy, Bulgaria, Columbia, Equador, Austria and Sweden. In 1980 he was the Australian 10 metre champion.

- Granddaughter Dianna, has been diving for six years and is modelling the diving techniques of her brother Andrew, who is her coach.

Dianna has won five straight championships during the past 6 months and finished 3rd in the schools Pan Pacific Games in Brisbane.

She is now confident that she will enhance her record at the World Championships in New Zealand in August 1983.

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We thank Alec and Angelo Jackomas for their assistance in the preparation of this profile.