

# THE CASTELLORIZIAN ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA

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This months Newsletter gives details of our Annual General Meeting, details of our Xmas Family Party - **please note:** change of venue, it will now be held at the same venue as last year - Doncaster & Templestowe Gardens.

#### Annual General Meeting - 22nd October, 1989

Once again the apathy of Members was shown by the poor attendance at our A.G.M. However, with a quorum being present the meeting proceeded:

The main item of discussion was our re-building programme: 3 options were presented to the Meeting and Option 3 was finally chosen as the preferred plan. A motion to proceed with Option 3 was moved and passed: Copies of Treasurers Report or Presidents Report are available to members by ringing our Secretary Mrs. Maria Katris.

A motion was also passed to bring our articles of Association up to date.

A copy of our present Constitution will be forwarded to Members so that motions to change any article can be forwarded to the Association for presentation at our next Annual General Meeting.

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#### FUNCTION AT MITZIS HOTEL - Sunday 8th October, 1989

72 Club Members spent a most enjoyable day at a Cocktail Party held at Con & Despo Lucas' Hotel.

We thank Con and Despo Lucas for their hospitality and also Maria Katris for her efforts in organising this function. During the evening Mr. Con Adgemis asked me the following question - "What has happened to the Mangos, Miriklis, Kanis and Fermanis families??" I could not answer the question!!

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#### BAPTISMS

On Saturday 18th November at Holy Cross Church Box Hill, Alex and Vivienne Mihalos will baptise their daughter Constantina, Deanne godmother Helen Mihalos. Reception to celebrate at "Egialian Hall" Constantinais the granddaughter of Steve and Christina Bisas.

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Gina and Con Gekas will baptise their daughter Katherine at Evangelismos Church on Saturday 25th November, 1989 and afterwards at "Emulation Hall" Canterbury. Godparents Elizabeth and Bill Zotos. Katherine is the granddaughter of Nina and Michael Kyriakos.

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On 3rd December, 1989 at Agios Athanasios Maria and John Argyropoulos will baptise their daughter (Jacinta Marie) and afterwards at the Dandenong Community Arts Centre. Jacinta is the granddaughter of Mrs. Elaine Platis. Godparents Melissa and Rick Benos.

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### **BIRTHS**

On October 23rd at St. Georges Hospital to Janet and Dr. Michael Conos a daughter (Emma Jane), 2nd child for Michael & Janet and 2nd grandchild for Theo Conos.

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To Nina and Nick Zographou a great grandchild. In Sydney Max and Irene Condous became grandparents (baby girl Kristi).

### **21st BIRTHDAY**

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Olga Hendros daughter of Michelle and Bill Celebrated her 21st birthday party at the Jika Reception Centre: Visitors from interstate attended and a most enjoyable evening was held by all.

"We wish Olga all the best"

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From Sydney Maria Alexiou (Hatsatouris) with her children Damian and Arianne, the visit provided an opportunity for a family re-union with her Melbourne cousins, Irene Mingos, Dianne Spartels, Irene Kritikidis and Christine Dimer.

### **CONGRATULATIONS**

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To Kylie Mastoris for being selected as a member of the cast of "Les Miserables" to be performed at the Princess Theatre, Melbourne. Kylie is the daughter of Christine and Peter Mastoris and granddaughter of Mrs. Evelyn Karis.

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Congratulations to George N. Bisas and Peter Kostoglou on the opening of their new catering business "Chaplins Carvery" at Forest Hill Chase.

### **MARATHON**

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We congratulate Dr. Spiro Moraitis and Michael C. Zervos on completing the Frankston Melbourne Marathon. The race which was run under very windy conditions was over 42 km. Spiro's time was 3 hours 44 mins., and Michael's time was 3 hours 46 mins. We thank Christine Dimer for this news item.

### **DONATIONS**

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We thank John Salvaris for a donation of his documentary on "The Songs of Kastellorizo" the document contains stories and history of many songs including 'The Castle of Syria', 'The Small Constantak' and 'The Legend'. Copies of the documentary are available by ringing the Secretary of our Association Mrs. Maria Katris.

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Thank you to Mr. & Mrs. Steve Bisas for their donation of framed photographs of the Official Opening of Our Club Rooms by Mr. George Mavrou and Mr. Michael Mangos.

### **ANNIVERSARY**

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In Adelaide former Victorians Basil and Athena Constance (Koutsoukis) celebrate their (56th) fifty sixth wedding anniversary.

### **OVERSEAS**

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Overseas to Greece and Europe Mrs. Georgia Kios, Nina & Con Saris.

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Back after eighteen months in San Francisco Georgina Livery visiting her parents Pino and Mary for three weeks. Gina will return to San Francisco to conclude her two years as assistant Executive Officer of A.N.Z.D.L. Pty. Ltd. Shipping Co.

We are happy to report that Gina is safe and well after the recent earthquake.

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Mr. & Mrs. Panayakos back from an overseas trip (daughter and son in law of Maria and Kevin Kominos).

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Back from an overseas trip to Europe and Greece Gwen and Con Kanis.

## HOLIDAYS

Katina and Jack Miriklis on a motoring trip around Australia to Adelaide, Perth, Darwin, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane and Sydney.

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In Melbourne from Sydney Mary Koutalis visiting her mother Mrs. E. Mangos, who has been in hospital.

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In Melbourne to visit her mother Mrs. Eva Koutsoukis, Lily Peters (Hatjikyriakou) from Sydney.  
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## ON SICK LIST

Recovering in Box Hill Hospital after an operation Pino Livery.

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Home after a further stay in hospital Michael Jackomas.  
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## WELFARE REPORT

We would like to thank Christine Dimer for her efforts on behalf of our Society for the visits she has already achieved. Her visits this past month were to Mrs. Daisy Mangos, Mrs. Crystal Kanis, Mrs. Eva Koutsoukis, Mr. & Mrs. George Malaxos and at The Pronia Home - Mrs. Confos, Mrs. A Jackomas & Mrs. Barbaryannis. Visits will continue until all our Senior Citizens, and sick members have been visited. Christine will be assisted by Mr. & Mrs. Nick Patiniotis. Don't forget if you know of any member who needs a visit contact the convenor Jack Bisas on 25 6233. Also like to thank Vera Constance for accompanying Christine Dimer on a couple of visits to the elderly.

## VALE

Mrs. Flora Barbayiannis (Livissianis) passed away on August 3rd in Athens, Greece. Buried August 4th. Loved wife of John Janis (dec) mother of Peter, Michael, Jimmy, Maria and Pandelli and families, grandmother of Despina, Flora and Evelyn and great grandmother of George and Alexis. The Castellorizian Society of Victoria extends its deepest sympathy to the family.

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In Memory of the late Mr. B. Piperoglou to the Castellorizian Society.

Mr. & Mrs. K.A. Miriklis, Mr. Theo Conos \$20.00 each; Mr. & Mrs. A. Bisas, Mrs. Anna Adgemis, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Kyriakos, Mr. E.J. & M. Adgemis, Mr. George Verginis, Mr. & Mrs. N. Zographou and Mr. & Mrs. L. Koutsouksis \$10.00 each; Mr. V. Bisas \$5.00.

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In Memory of the late Mr. H. Georgouras (brother of Mrs. Rene Adgemis)  
Mr. & Mrs. Economou Adgemis and Mrs. A. Adgemis \$10.00 each.

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In Memory of the late Mrs. Flora Janis (Barbaryanis)  
Mr & Mrs. A. Bisas and Mr. E.J. and M. Adgemis \$10.00 each.

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In Memory of the late Ioannis Kilopoulos  
Mr. Angelo and K. Miriklis \$15.00.  
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## CORRECTION

Mr. Mrs. C. Adgemis for the late B. Piperoglou 'To Castellorizian Society not Society for the Care of the Elderly.

## MEMORIAL SERVICE

On November 12th, 1989 at St. Katherines Church a 12 months Memorial Service will be held for the late Mrs. Nina Kios (Kiosoglou).



## **BUS TRIP TO POKIES COROWA 10/9/89**

The following were on the bus to Corowa

Mr. & Mrs. Con Adgemis, Mr. & Mrs. George Lucas, Mr. & Mrs. Nick Exintaris, Mr. & Mrs. Apostoli Exintaris, Mr. & Mrs. Peter Christofas, Mr. & Mrs. Chris Lazarakis, Mr. & Mrs. Peter Saris, Mrs. I. Mingos, Mrs. C. Dimer and two friends, Mr. & Mrs. J.B. Salvaris, Mrs. C. Alexander, Mr. & Mrs. N. Zographou, Mrs. Chrisanthi Lucas, Mr. & Mrs. Steve Zombos, Mr. S. Paltoglou, Mr. & Mrs. F. Josephidis, Mr. & Mrs. N. Gillard, Mrs. C. Pavlou, Mrs. Christulla Bisas, Mrs. D. Miriklis, Mrs. N. Mangos, Mr. T. Kalafata, Mrs. A. Adgemis, Miss. Eva Lucas, Mr. & Mrs. L. Koutsoukis, Mrs. Katie Flynn (nee Kambouris from Townsville, Qld.). We thank Eva Lucas for the list of passengers.

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### **THE POLITICS OF RELIGION**

We print a very interesting article by Maria Loupetis as printed in the 'Greek Times' - this will bring Members up to date with the current situation at the Greek Monastery.

"For most of us, (and by 'us' I mean young generation Greeks), issues such as the place of religion and the institution of the church in our society, does not preoccupy our mind a great deal. My intention is not to pass judgement, nor is it to preach about the importance of faith and church attendance.

Unfortunately, many young Greeks are unable to come to terms with the fact that the church plays a major part in the establishment and survival of our culture.

Regardless of what the individual believes, or how much importance each of us places on the role of religion in our lives, I think that it is essential that all Greeks, young and old, should at least be aware of issues that concern us, or anything that has to do with our culture.

In 1983, Melbourne saw the establishment of its first Greek Orthodox Monastery, a step taken by the then V. Rev. Kourtessis. It was an unprecedented move in that the Monastery of St. John came under the auspicing body of the Patriarch in Constantinople, and not the Archdiocese in Sydney, as are all the community churches of Melbourne. However, a week and a half ago, the Abbot Kourtessis received an unexpected telegram from the Patriarch, which stipulated that St. Johns Monastery could exist no longer, except only as a church.

For those of us who may not understand much about the Church hierarchy, and its set up, this decision may not have meant very much. And yet, it is essential to understand the ramifications of the Patriarch's decision, in terms of the effect that it has on the Greek community of Melbourne.

Based on what has been published in the Greek press, it is alleged that the Patriarch's decision reflects a hidden agenda, and that being the accumulation and possession of all church properties.

This is of course only an allegation, because the Patriarch has yet to continue any further correspondence as to the reasons for his decision. But if this is true, in effect our Patriarchy in Constantinople, in Turkish borders, is exercising an interference, or at least is trying to impose itself on a reality that is very different to what they believe.

To put things a little more clearly into perspective, matters become very crucial when we consider that properties, buildings and other facilities are being built with the contributions of the Greek community of Melbourne, are to come under the jurisdiction or ownership of somebody in Sydney - let alone in Turkey!!

St. Johns Monastery is an institution which may prove to be the first domino in a series of takeovers engineered by the Archdiocese."

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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)

ON

SUNDAY 17TH DECEMBER, 1989  
11.00 a.m.



Santa will be arriving at 2.00 p.m.

Children 10 years of age and under will receive a present from Santa so please complete and return by the 17TH NOVEMBER to the address below. If you are not a financial member please enclose your cheque along with this form to:

The Secretary  
Castellorizian Association of Victoria  
P.O. Box 112,  
SOUTH MELBOURNE. 3205.

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NAME:

AGE:

MALE/FEMALE:

ADDRESS:

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