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Newsletter of the
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JEWELLERY AND TRADITIONAL ITEMS



Jewellery and traditional items from Kastellorizo

Left column from top: *Haimalli* (child's amulet). Child's amulet - Gold coin with bead and attachment; Cufflinks with 1915 & 1925 coins. *Dilliro* American Gold Eagle \$10 coin 1896.
Centre column: *Haimalli* with coins attached. *Sasouna* - silver whistle - traditional gift for young boys. *Boukies* - used to fasten the *Poukamiso* (chemise). *Stravoflouri* - gold pendant with Victorian gold coin 1878, Austrian coin 4 Ducats (*matzaria*), set in pendant.
Right column: Silver pectoral type cross on long chain - usually given to boys. Two gold coins - Venetian ducats/*Konstantinata*. Gold sovereigns 1909 & 1914. Traditional Kastellorizian *Tserkeno* bracelet.

Below from left: Brooch from Rhodes with depiction of a Deer symbolic of the goddess Artemis. Pearl and gold ring. Gold bracelet with stones. Gold coin (Emperor Justinian) surrounded by gold filigree. Traditional gold bangle.



Above Poster created by Connie Gregory - See Article Pages 22 to 25

SOCIAL NEWS

Wedding

- ❖ Congratulations to **Kate Stavrianos** and **Kane Turco** who were married on the 23rd May 2015. Kate is the daughter of John & Marea Stavrianos.

Anniversaries

- ❖ Congratulations to **Nick** and **Despo Magriplis** (nee Manifis) who celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on 26th Jun 2015.
- ❖ Congratulations to **Andoni** and **Maria Koufos** (nee Roditis) who had their 60th Wedding Anniversary on 3rd July 2015. They celebrated their anniversary with Family and Friends at Castellorizian House on the 12th July 2015 – see photo below.



Engagements

- ❖ Congratulations to **Narelle Tsapazi** on her engagement to **Anthony Rodgers** on 21 May 2015. Both families wish them a lifetime of happiness together. Narelle is the daughter of Panayioti Tsapazi (deceased) and Karen Tsapazi

Birthdays

Congratulations to the following who celebrated their birthday recently.

- ❖ Peter Naomis May 15th 80 years
- ❖ Michael Papadoulis Jul 5th 80 years
- ❖ Despo Magriplis (nee Manifis) Jul 7th 80 years
- ❖ Bartley Kakulas Aug 15th 82 years
- ❖ Michael Passaris Aug 16th 80 years
- ❖ Angie Gelavis (nee Kailis) Sep 6th 80 years

Vale

Deepest sympathy to the families and friends of:

- ❖ Constantine (Dino) Houlis 21st May 2015
- ❖ Michael B Palassis 21st May 2015
- ❖ Anna Pappajohn (nee Manolas) 27th May 2015
- ❖ Marcus Michael 11th Jun 2015
- ❖ Christopher Pitsikas 17th Jun 2015
- ❖ Nancy Papadimitrou (nee Zounis) 22 Jun 2015
- ❖ Helene Tyler (nee Kalafatas) 4th Aug 2015
- ❖ Athena Psaros 5th Sep 2015
- ❖ Nina Kyriakos (nee Koutsoukis) (Melb) 6th Sep 2015
- ❖ Malaxos M Agapitos (Syd) 8th Sep 2015

Congratulations



Congratulations to
Dr John Nickolas Yiannakis
on being awarded an OAM
at the 2015 Queen's Birthday
Honours List – 'For service
to the Greek Community of
Western Australia'.

RECORDING MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

The recently introduced membership subscription invoices indicate that the preferred method of payment to the association is that of Direct Debit. Where this is impracticable then payment by cheque is then preferred. Use of the 'member code' reference number should be used to identify payment. Either the bank reference or the cheque butt is your record of payment and no receipt will be issued. Your payment is recorded on a summary sheet by the association.

Payment by cash is the least preferred method of payment. Where membership monies are received by this method then payment is entered on a 'Cash Membership Subscriptions' summary. A copy of this summary is forwarded to the member in the next *Megisti Messenger*. This ensures that the member has a record of the payment made and that it has been received.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



**President
Allan Cresswell**

My wife Jean and I have made a commitment to attend the KCA Convention in Brisbane in 2016. This is a very exciting event and we look forward to the great fellowship and interaction that we are sure will occur in Brisbane. It will be great if you also are able to attend! These are defining times in the future of our Castellorizian heritage as we move forward. Strategies need to be established to ensure the ongoing recognition, acknowledgement and preservation of our heritage for our children and grandchildren. A national body can formulate such important strategies, from both a united and a combined national point of view. These are also exciting times in recognizing and identifying our future direction. A report on the KCA convention by Vice President Jim Manifis is on Page 10, followed by a draft of the proposed program on page 11.

During the past three months many events and activities have occurred on the Castellorizian Association of WA calendar. Of particular note has been the St Constantine and Helene luncheon held on May 24th 2015. Prior to that function a "Happy Hour" guest speaker, Dr Bill Leadbetter, gave a talk titled "Saints Constantine and Helene: From Sinner to Saints". The guest speaker night had 87 persons attending!

The Father/Son Night on June 12th 2015 saw 52 attend and all had a great night. The next function of this type is a Father/Daughter Night to be held on Nov 6th 2015 (see Page 7).

The guest speaker on Sep 18th 2015 will be retired magistrate Peter Michelides. This will be a great evening and details are on Page 4 of this *Megisti Messenger*. Please do consider attending so as to ensure we will continue to hold these type of functions.

The AFL Grand Final Afternoon BBQ at Cazzie House will be a great event. This is especially so if one or both of our AFL teams are involved. See Page 5 for additional information.

Our AGM will be conducted on Sunday Oct 11th 2015 and we look forward to a large membership in attendance. Page 6 of the *Megisti Messenger* provides full details of the AGM. Please do attend this important function.

EMPIRE PATROL DISASTER MEMORIAL CHURCH SERVICE

**To Commemorate the 70th Anniversary of
the sinking of the Empire Patrol**

**To be held at the Greek Orthodox Church of
Evangelismos**

Sunday October 4th 2015

57 Carr Street West Perth WA

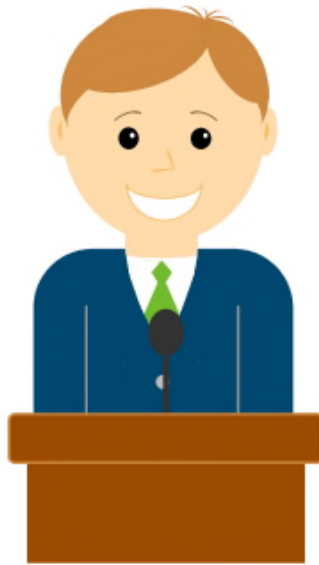
**The Memorial Service to be held in conjunction with the
Sunday Liturgy**

GUEST SPEAKER NIGHT

CASTELLORIZIAN ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA INC

**Invites you to a Mixed Evening
Guest Speaker Night**

Friday September 18th 2015 Commencing at 6.30pm



Guest Speaker – Peter Michelides - Retired Magistrate

Peter has a wide and extensive experience in the Justice System. He studied law at UWA from 1963 – 1966 and was admitted to WA bar in 1968. He practised with private firms, also with Federal Deputy Crown Solicitor, Legal Aid Commission and A.L.S. until 1984 when he was appointed a magistrate. Peter retired in 2010.

Cost is \$30 with a great meal planned.

Bookings Essential – Please contact Allan Cresswell on 93057954 or 0413958500 to ensure reservation of your table or seat.

AFL GRAND FINAL AFTERNOON

**CASTELLORIZIAN ASSOCIATION
OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA INC**

**Invites you to a Mixed Family Afternoon to watch the
AFL Grand Final**

Saturday Oct 3rd 2015 Commencing 11.00am



A great afternoon is planned to watch the AFL Grand Final. There will be a sausage sizzle, kebabs, nibbles, refreshments and afternoon tea provided both before the game, during the game and at the completion of the day. All are welcome to attend!

Men \$30 and Ladies \$20



For catering please let Allan Cresswell know if you are attending by telephoning 93057954 or 0413958500.

CASTELLORIZIAN ASSOCIATION OF WA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Sunday October 11th 2015 Commencing 3.00pm
at Castellorizian House
160 Anzac Road Mount Hawthorn
Afternoon Tea Provided**

AGENDA

- 1. Welcome and opening of meeting**
- 2. Apologies**
- 3. Recognition of absent members**
- 4. Minutes of previous AGM**
 - 4.1 Confirmation of Minutes**
 - 4.2 Matters Arising**
- 5. President's report**
- 6. Treasurer's report**
- 7. Election of Auditors**
- 8. Election of Trustees**
- 9. Kastellorizian Council of Australia**
- 10. Notice of motions received**
- 11. General business**
- 12. President's Award**
- 13. Election of committee of management**
- 14. Close**

In accordance with clause 6(d) of the Association's constitution any notices of motion must be received at the above address by Sunday September 20th, 2015.

Copies of the Minutes of the 2014 AGM, the Association's Constitution and the 2015 Agenda are available to be viewed by our members at the following website address:

www.castellorizo.org/agm

FATHER/DAUGHTER NIGHT



CASTELLORIZIAN HOUSE

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 6th 2015

COMMENCING FROM 6.30pm

ADULT \$30 PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDEN \$15

**Your Daughters, Granddaughters, Daughter-in-Laws,
Nieces, etc are most welcome to attend this special
evening**

**Contact Allan Cresswell on 93057954 or
0413958500 to reserve your table or seat**

DESTRUCTION OF CASTELLORIZO – WW2

Photos Courtesy Nicholas Pappas



MICHELIDES BOOK LAUNCH AUGUST 2015

Photos courtesy Michelides Family

Over 200 people were in attendance at the Michelides Book Launch held at Castellorizian House on Sunday August 23rd 2015. The book was launched by Dr Ken Michael AM and speeches were made by various grandchildren of the Michelides brothers, Peter and Michael.

The book was researched by the family themselves and what sets it apart, beyond the remarkable narrative, is the publication's use of stunning archive material, sourced from family members' private collections and official records. Beautifully designed and produced, the 450 page book is a wonderful addition to your personal library.

The Tobacco Pioneers: Michelides - A Family History is published by Vivid Publishing, Fremantle. ISBN 9781925209686 (paperback), and is available at: www.vividpublishing.com.au/michelides RRP: \$50.

The Castellorizian Association of WA has a few books available at Castellorizian House, which can be personally collected for \$50, without involving postage (\$15).



KASTELLORIZIAN COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA

Compiled by Jim Manifis

The Kastellorizian Council of Australia is proud to announce its **inaugural national conference to be held in Brisbane between Friday 22nd January 2016 and Tuesday 26th January 2016**. During this period there will be a number of guest speakers and various social gatherings. It is very pleasing that the Kastellorizian Association of Queensland has offered to host the conference. They have commenced organising the format of the convention which can be seen on the next page of the *Megisti Messenger*.

The concept of forming a national body for Kastellorizian was first discussed during our Centenary 2012 celebrations. Based on the success of our celebrations, a number of delegates believed that national body should be formed to promote Kastellorizian traditions and objectives. As Kastellorizian, we are very proud of our heritage and it is of utmost important that this continues in the future. The theme of the convention 'Celebrating All that is Kazzie' will highlight the issues that we need to consider for the future.

As the Vice Chairman of the Kastellorizian Council Australia and past President of Kastellorizian Association of WA, I encourage you to seriously consider attending the conference in Brisbane. During our 2012 celebrations, we had a number of delegates from around Australia attend our Centenary celebrations. I would like all our members to seriously consider attending the conference in Brisbane. In my view, the Kastellorizian Association of WA and its members are very strong if not the strongest in Australia, therefore I would love to see a number of members attending the conference.

Please note the suggested hotel for the conference is a Rydges at Southbank. The organisers of the conference have organised a very good package at the hotel plus it is very close to the Hellenic Community Hall and to the Greek Church St George.

The members who have the expression of interest in attending the conference, please contact me ASAP and further details of costing will be available soon.

Jim Manifis 0433165601

I would love to see many members as possible attending the inaugural conference of the Kastellorizian Council of Australia.

CASTELLORIZIAN JEWELLERY



To view the Kastellorizian Jewellery items please go online and click on the following link to bring up a pdf file of the jewellery in full colour.

<http://www.castellorizo.org/jewellery/jewellery.pdf>

The Kastellorizian Association of WA takes pleasure in promoting and marketing the wonderful handmade Kastellorizian Jewellery produced by Chris Zounis of Christos Jewellery in Mount Hawthorn WA.

Please visit his shop at 171 Scarborough Beach Road Mount Hawthorn WA to personally view his display of jewellery. Or you can contact Chris on telephone (08) 92011195 or email christosjewellery@iinet.net.au

KCA CONFERENCE DRAFT PROGRAM



'Celebrating All That Is Kazzie'

KCA Conference Program

Friday, January 22, 2016

6:00pm	Welcome drinks and Registration at the Greek Club, South Brisbane
7.30pm	Welcome Address by <i>Michael Boubaris</i> (QLD President)

Saturday, January 23, 2016

9:00am	Conference at the Greek Club. Opening Address by President of the KCA – Yvonne Panagacos State Reports: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NSW • SA • VIC • WA • QLD
10:20 -10:50am	Morning Tea
10:50am - 1:00pm	Guest Speakers addressing the theme of the conference: Our Past Heritage: TBA..... What does it mean to be Kazzie? TBA..... Moving Forward – What does the future hold for Kazzies? TBA.....
1:00 – 2.00pm	Luncheon at the Greek Club
2.00 – 4.00pm	Address: 'Flying the Flag' by TBA..... Q & A Forum: Issues facing us now and in the future: Discussion: Why are the youth not connecting to their Kazzie heritage?
4.00pm	Free Time Optional Activity: (Tours of Southbank and the City)
7.30pm	Optional Activity: Dinner – Il Centro, Riverside, Brisbane

Sunday, January 24, 2016

8.30 – 11.00am	Optional Activity: Church Service at St George, South Brisbane (next to Greek Club)
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11.00am	Coffee after church at the Greek Club
12.00 – 1.30pm	Luncheon at the Greek Club
1.30 – 3.00pm	Celebrating Successful Kazzies: 'Kazzies on the Rise'
3.00 – 3.30pm	KCA Council Meeting – showcase All delegates invited to attend the meeting
7.30pm	Conference Dinner at the Greek Club Keynote Speaker: TBA..... Vote of thanks

Monday, January 25, 2016

9.00am	Departure for Bribie Island
10.30 - 11.15am	Morning Tea
11.15am – 12.30pm	Tour of facilities
12.30 – 1.30pm	Lunch in the Auditorium
1.30 - 3.30pm	Walk to the beach or Tour of Bribie Island
3.30pm	Departure for Brisbane
5.00pm	Free time to explore Brisbane

Tuesday, January 26, 2016

9.00 – 11.00am	Optional Activity: Conference at Rydges Hotel. Aussie Day - 'Big Kazzie Breakfast' Closing Remarks by Representatives of KCA & Kastellorizian Association of QLD
11.30am – 3.00pm	Optional Activity: City Cat Ferry from Southbank to Bretts Wharf/ Northshore Hamilton

Suggested Hotel: Rydges at Southbank - close location to Greek Club.

CAZZIE COOKING CLASSES

Article and Photos courtesy Helen Anastasas

Since the last Megisti was published there have been 2 cooking classes. The first class was Papoutsakia by Krissi Mavromatis. The recipe had many steps to it and was demonstrated by Krissi in a way that could easily be followed. The taste and presentation at the end was well worth the effort and everyone was so pleased with the finished Papoutsakia. The second class was by Jenny Zounis who made Kefthetes. Jenny always uses her mother-in-law's Mrs Maria Zounis' recipe. This recipe was passed down to Mrs Maria Zounis by her mother Mrs Despina Manifis who was my grandmother (in the photos, there is one of 3 generations of the Manifis family that were present on the day). It is so wonderful that we still have access to these recipes and now can pass them on to our families and others. Even though many of us have made Kefthetes, we learnt so many well practiced skills and tips from Jenny. A big thank you needs to go to Krissi and Jenny who have both presented before.

The next class will be on Saturday 5 September where Mezethes both traditional and modern will be demonstrated. Anita Verne Filmer and Stacey Doucas will be demonstrating a variety of mezethes that participants can taste some and make others. The traditional mezethes recipes are from Mrs Chrissie Filmer and we are grateful that she is willing to share these recipes with us.

The class after the Mezethes will be Spinach Rolls volunteered to be presented by Chrissie Ventouras and Mary Nicholas. This will be another class everyone will be looking forward to.

The recipe book from the Cazzie Cooking Classes has commenced. The book will included only Greek recipes that have been demonstrated at one of the classes. There is still plenty of time to contact myself or anyone who comes to the class, if you are willing to contribute a recipe. You can either demonstrate it yourself or with another person or it can be organised for someone to present it on your behalf. Please have a think about it. I can be contacted at home on 93415955, mobile 0421644163 or email hanastasas@yahoo.com.au

Papoutsakia Photos



Papoutsakia Photos - Continued



Keftethes Photos



Keftethes Photos – Continued



UNKNOWN PERSONS - DIRECT DEBIT SUBSCRIPTION

On August 13th 2014 an amount of \$20 was paid into our bank account and was marked 'Rose'. No further details were provided such as name or membership code.

Also on September 18th 2014 an amount of \$20 was paid into our account ex Mt Hawthorn CBA and marked just '2014/2015'.

Our treasurer has made extensive inquiries to identify the two persons lodging the funds, both with our bank and the originating bank, without success. If you are the person who lodged monies for transfer to our bank re the above please contact us to resolve the matter.

OUR RESOURCE CENTRE



Compiled by Lefki Kailis
August 2015
Librarian and English Teacher
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The profiles of books in the Kazzie House Library each issue are not intended as analytical reviews, they are profiling the books so that you know what we have in the library and have a fair idea of the contents of each resource.

Kastellorizo : my odyssey : an illustrated children's history

Tsolakis, Marilyn and Johnstone, Andrew. Illus by Dr Platon Alexiou. (2010)

Kastellorizo: my odyssey : an illustrated children's history. Australian Friends of Kastellorizo, (Osborne Park, WA). 62p.

In this illustrated story book, we are taken back through eons of time to hear simply the history of the island.

Our 'solid' rock, Kastellorizo is the narrator of this story, so we see the episodes of history - the comings, the goings, the highs, the lows - all ebbing and flowing like the tide with the constant Megisti observing the happenings. She is not telling it dispassionately though, there is melancholy for the battering the island has taken through nature's ferocity and the pain of conquerors' occupations, there is advocacy for the steeliness of a culture that has not lost touch with its deeply embedded roots; then there is the wisdom of a sage that accepts the flows in and out of populations and the belief that Hellenism has been its continuous thread.

The story is told in English and Greek. The Greek translation sometimes varies slightly from the English to capture the ideas, emotions and thoughts behind the words. The English is straightforward, using short sentences that are always rhythmical and often poetic, making it accessible to young audiences. The sequential narrative takes the reader back to Mycenaean times, moving quickly yet smoothly from epoch to epoch and era-to-era, placing Kastellorizian history in the context of what was happening in the world that impacted on the Island.

Reading this history makes you want to get to Kastellorizo to check out the remnants of the Cyclopien wall up on the mountain or find out where the Dorian stone altar dedicated to Apollo might be located. There is also the 'fruit of Dionysus', the circular wine presses with gullies from one to another carved into rock that need to be explored. Archaeologists have revealed many of our ancient mysteries.

It was the Knights of St. John who changed the island's name from Megisti to 'Castello-Rosso'. It was the Ottomans who built 'Passas wells' to store water and the mosque with its minaret, still prominent as you enter the harbour. In Ottoman times there was a flow of Greeks to and from Anatolia. Many Greeks set up their businesses on the Turkish mainland, supplying the island with produce or using it as a base to trade their wares around the Mediterranean. The Greeks prospered.

I wonder if you've climbed through the narrow door in the church of St. George of the Mountain and seen the tiny rustic limestone catacomb that was the hiding place of the local priest when the Greeks were rising up against the Ottomans? That's a must see! The entire population left the island except for the priest. When the Greeks returned many years later in 1830 he jumped into the water fully clothed to greet his flock as their boats entered the harbour. Now, to honour him, every 19th July the islanders throw themselves into the harbour waters as he did over two hundred years ago.

The exodus of the population at the turn of the 20th century depleted the island, but in time and now with wealth rewarding their struggles in the diaspora Kastellorizians visit the island to relish their social and cultural heritage, giving the little island new zest and vibrancy. All these stories are related from the point of view of the overseer - the land itself.

Every page is accompanied with energetic oil paintings by the historian and artist, Dr. Platon Alexiou. His mix of sepia and bright images reflect the character of the island. Many of us have made the climb to the 'Paleokastro' and have stood on the stones. Dr. Alexiou has reconstructed those stones for us and given us his impression of the ancient acropolis as it may have been.

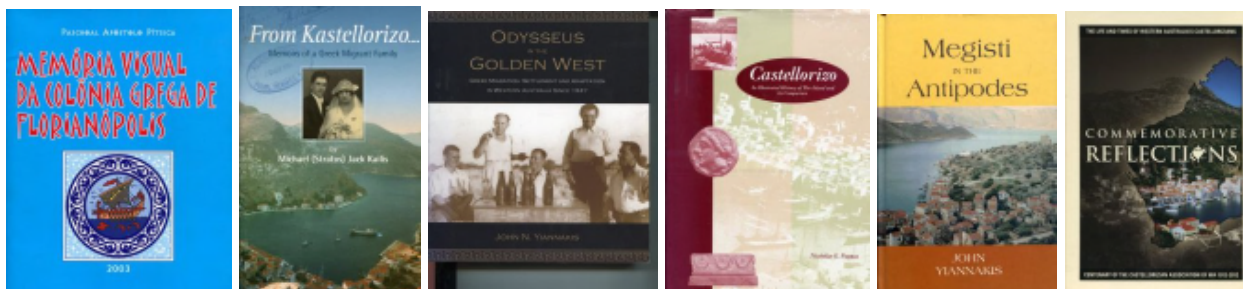
The timeline with small pictograms, passing from the 9th century BC to the present, identifies critical dates and episodes in the island's history.

It is such a joy to have this illustrated history of our island documented for future generations. It is for us, our children and our children's children. And to be able to have a ready translation of the Greek makes this resource valuable indeed.

You are welcome to consult the copy, here at Cazzie House. There have been two printings of the book that have sold out. The authors are exploring avenues to make another print run possible.

CASTELLORIZO BOOK COLLECTION - UPDATE

Our book collection continues to grow! The Castellorizian Association of Western Australia is still requiring books for our Resource Centre. If you are the author of a book and would like to add to our collection then contact the association who will gratefully receive your donation. Likewise if you have a spare copy of a book relating to Castellorizo or involving Castellorizians then we would be pleased to receive same. Please check the list below and contribute if you can. We thank all the donors who have donated so far.



BOOKS ALREADY DONATED TO OUR COLLECTION

<u>BOOK</u>	<u>DONOR</u>
Ancient Megisti	Norman Ashton
Visual Memory of the Greek Colony of Florianopolis	Allan Cresswell
Near Eastern Dreams	Allan Cresswell
My Little Kastellorizo	Jodi Bavin (nee Cresswell)
Embers on the Sea	Dr Paul Boyatzis
Megisti in the Antipodes	John Yiannakis
Odysseus in the Golden West	John Yiannakis
Vlase Zanalis Greek-Australian Artist	John Yiannakis
Commemorative Reflections	Castellorizian Association of WA
An Island in Time	Castellorizian Association of WA
Western Australia's Castellorizian Connection	Castellorizian Association of WA
80 XPONIA 1925 - 2005 Celebrating Our History	Kastellorizian Association of Victoria
Kastellorizo: My Odyssey	Friends of Kastellorizo (per Marilyn Tsolakis)
Their Family Story – Angelis and Chrissie Veriopoulos	Angela Verios
Kastellorizo (National Geographic)	Kastellorizian Association of Victoria
The Dodecanese	Nick Nicholas
The Greeks	Maria Mathews
To Kastellorizo – Before and Now	Maria Mathews
A Mothers Secret	Connie Gregory
Sophie's Way	Sophie Spartalis & Jasmine McDonald
From Kastellorizo	Arthur Auguste
The Road to Prevelly	Bartley & Nellie Kakulas
Greek Australians in the Australian Armed Forces	Arthur Auguste
Castellorizo – An Illustrated History	Arthur Auguste

BOOKS SOUGHT FOR OUR COLLECTION

The Greeks in Brazil
 A Time in My Life
 The Captain's Grandson
 The Greeks in Queensland
 Australian Born of Greek Orthodox
 The Knight's Castle on Kastellorizo
 Images of Home
 Greek – Australians in the Vietnam War
 Australians and Greeks Vol1, Vol2 and Vol3
 Greek Pioneers in Western Australia
 Daughters of Castellorizo
 Wedding Dance
 Castellorizo – Jewel of the Aegean
 Achilles Diamantaras – His Life and Works
 To Recognise the Thrill of Castellorizo

Dr Stan's Olive Corner - Number 10

This is a good time in the year to plant a new olive tree.

Climate: The first consideration is where to plant – in the ground or in a pot. Also if you want plenty of olives, then it should be situated in some part of your garden or patio that attracts plenty of sunshine. The olive tree needs sunshine so that the buds near the leaves can turn into flower buds. This happens in summer. Olive trees also need heat to ripen olive fruit to a black purple colour. Another aspect of climate, important in producing olive fruit is that the flower buds need a cold spell for the flowers to emerge. These conditions are found in southern Australia and Tasmania.

Selecting your preferred olive variety: Dr Stan is always asked which varieties are the best to grow. As most of our readers are interested in table olives, the discussion will be in this direction. For green table olives excellent varieties are *Verdale*, *Barouni* and *Manzanilla* whereas for black olives plant *Leccino*, *Kalamata* or *Volos*. However most olives can be processed either at the green or ripe stages. Dr Stan says green olives are ready to pick when a creamy coloured oily juice is produced when the olives are pressed between the fingers. Black olives are ready to pick when the flesh is nearly all black. If the black colour is only skin-deep, the finished olives will be a pink brown colour.

Variety	Origin	Stone	Treatment	Processing
<i>Verdale</i>	France	Clingstone	Whole - can be slit or bruised (Tsakistes)	10% salt brine (green) or salt dried black
<i>Barouni</i>	Tunisia	Clingstone	Whole - can be slit or bruised (Tsakistes)	10% salt brine
<i>Manzanilla</i>	Spain	Freestone	Whole - can be slit or bruised (Tsakistes)	10% salt brine
<i>Leccino</i>	Italy	Freestone	Whole	10% salt brine
<i>Kalamata</i>	Greece	Freestone	Whole - can be slit or dried shrivelled	10% salt brine or salt dried (not slit)
<i>Volos</i>	Greece	Freestone	Whole - can be slit or dried shrivelled	10% salt brine or salt dried (not slit)

Selecting your olive tree: Dr Stan says when buying an olive tree go to a reputable nursery that can guarantee the variety. Note that as the olive tree takes 2-3 years to produce fruit it will take that long to realise you have the right olive variety. Make sure the leaves are green and healthy and the plant not spindly. Use these principles in buying all fruit trees such as orange, lemon, mandarin, peach, apple or plum.

Planting your olive: You should decide if you are going to plant your olive tree in the garden or in a pot. Potted olive trees are great for a town house or unit. Growing olive trees in a pot controls its size so that it does not grow too large. Plant the olive tree in good quality potting mix that has moisture retainer added. Make sure the potted olive tree

To plant your olive tree

- Dig a hole and keep the topsoil to one side
- Dip the pot, still containing the tree, into a bucket of water, remove from the bucket and drain
- Take the tree out of its pot and gently tease the roots – cut off any straggly or damaged roots
- Place the olive roots into the hole and fill the hole with soil, water in well and pack the soil down with hands or feet. With grafted olive trees, plant the graft underground
- Add the topsoil and sprinkle dynamic lifter under the tree. Dr Stan says - let nature water it in
- Look for signs of new growth over the next month

You have an existing olive tree: What do you need to do now?

- Prune your olive tree lightly - remove any diseased, damaged dead wood. With young trees tip prune - remove the tip of each branch. Unless there is a reason, olive trees should be trimmed to a height of around 2 metres.
- Sprinkle a handful of dynamic lifter under the olive. Dr Stan says let nature water it in.
- Water the olive tree no more than once a week, if there is no rain. In summer water the olive tree up to twice a week. Dr Stan says do not overwater – remember the olive tree is from the Mediterranean.

Contact Dr Stan by email stan.kailia@y7mail.com or 93672622

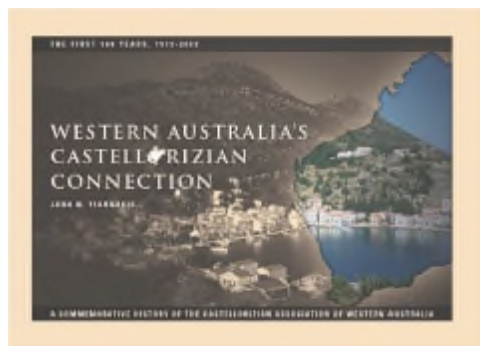
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WESTERN AUSTRALIA'S CASTELLORIZIAN CONNECTION

A Commemorative History of the First 100 years of the Castellorizian
by John N Yiannakis

Association of WA 1912---2012



2012 Launch Address by:

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Note: This book is still available for purchase at Castellorizian House for \$40

I am very passionate about Castellorizo as we are all. Therefore it is a great honor and pleasure to be invited to launch John's new book commissioned by the Association "*WA's Castellorizian Connection commemorating 100 years since the establishment of the Castellorizian Association of WA*" the first Castellorizian Association in Australia

It may be said that Castellorizians hold a much greater emotional connection with their homeland than many other Greeks. There are many reasons why this is so such as its particular cultural identity related to its history and their anguish on being forced to leave unwillingly for economic reasons with the knowledge that they would never return to their beloved homeland.

In earlier times with privileges negotiated with the Ottomans who had allowed freedom of language religion and especially trade Castellorizo prospered accumulating great wealth together with a highly developed society. Avoidance of inbreeding and preservation of the "soi" (or class) were some of its mores.

Their enormous fleet of sailing ships had created great prosperity in previous decades and the island had developed its own special culture as it lay in relative isolation from other parts of Greece. Although dominated by foreign powers for much of its history Castellorizo was always pure Greek and indeed had established colonies on the Anatolian coast.

A number of factors were responsible for the serious decline of the island's economy which precipitated the emigration. Among these were the Balkan skirmishes which preceded the Great War associated with the collapse of the Ottoman Empire in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. The resulting political turmoil including the stricter rule imposed by the "Young Turks" caused unrest leading to emigration. John Yiannakis writes that between 1908 and 1912 the population of Castellorizo diminished from over 9000 to only about 4000 souls.

The fall of the Ottoman Empire which was followed by failed enosis with Greece under Prime Minister Eleftherios Venizelos aggravated the economic decline. The Epanastasis (rebellion) of 1913 brought an end to trade as the Castellorizian ships were now unable to fly the Ottoman flag and so they were disabled or impounded by the Italians who had moved into the Dodecanese. Thus all was lost and emigration ensued first as a trickle then a stream and finally a river as one disaster followed another. These events are well described by John Yiannakis in his book.

Castellorizo lay in political limbo until 1915 at which time the French with colonial ambitions in Syria took hold of the island using it as a naval base and calling it the Claw of the Lobster from its shape, as described by Nick Pappas in his history of French occupation. The French left in 1923 to be replaced by the Italians who were much harsher in their administration attempting to "Italianise" the island

The devastation of Castellorizo by earthquake and fire in 1926 was compounded by the ravages of the two world wars which contributed to its further decline and almost total emigration. When he left the island in 1954 Antoni Koufos said that there were only about 650 left compared with the more than 10,000 in its heyday. From being the richest and most socially advanced of the Greek Islands Castellorizo had descended to poverty and ruin. The islanders were heartbroken on leaving and in their new environment did all to preserve their heritage language religion and identity in a foreign land.

Megisti is the official name of the island meaning the 'Greatest,' with a history reaching as far back as the Mycenaeans of the bronze age who were conquered by the Dorians of the iron age and from then on subject to every ebb and flow of conquest across the Eastern Mediterranean. Relative stability came with the Ottoman Empire invading after the fall of Constantinople in 1453. Some remnants of all of these influences remain in the Castellorizian culture including its own (Doric) dialect. These milestones are nicely set out in the Children's history book produced by the Australian Friends of Castellorizo "*Castellorizo My Odyssey*" by Marilyn Tsolakis and Andrew Johnstone.

The Australian Gold rushes of the 19th century the opening of the Suez Canal and possibly because of a depression in the USA at the time emigrating Castellorizians chose Australia as the land of freedom and opportunity. And so they came to Australia. However relocation was not easy with only an elementary education and lacking the English language they could only undertake menial and arduous physical work in the new land. They built the railways cut timber traded with horse and carts and dug in the goldfields.

As reluctant migrants forced by starvation to leave their homeland the new arrivals had an understandable desire to preserve their identity language and religion. These in fact were the forces which lead to the establishment of the Castellorizian Brotherhood in 1912. John Yiannakis observes that it probably came about at the time of a meeting of Greeks in Perth which had been held to raise funds to send to Greece in order to buy arms in the Balkan war.

The financial and other difficulties suffered by the pioneers in their first years of settlement were countered by their mutual support through the "Brotherhood" as described by John Yiannakis in his book.

The concept of a "Brotherhood" (adelphotita) arose as a transplant from the benevolent organization which existed on the island. However the term Castellorizian "Association" was later more widely adopted and when incorporated in January 1919 this was the term used.

The Hellenic Association Club established in 1918 was a favourite haunt of Castellorizians for many years being a place for gossip card playing coffee drinking and occasionally erudite historical / philosophical discussions. It was also the venue for Association meetings.

Castellorizians always showed leadership among the expatriate Greeks in Perth setting up the Hellenic Community of Western Australia Inc in mid 1923 having bought the land for a future church in 1922 and the ownership transferred to the Hellenic community in 1925

The funds for the land and much of the church building was raised though the women's "sylogo" (committee) of the Association This group later became the independent Hellenic Womens Association

The Church building was completed in 1937 and named St Constantine and Helene the patron Saints of Castellorizo in common with the main church on the island.

A second Greek Orthodox Church was built in 1958 with funds contributed mainly by Castellorizians and designated Evangelismos after the Castellorizian church in Antifilo (Kas) as mentioned by Antoni Koufos.

Furthermore other Greeks were sponsored and aided in their settling in WA including the establishment of many other Hellenic organizations In addition the Castellorizian Association continuously sent money to the island to help its survival throughout its difficult period even up to and beyond its eventual union with Greece in 1947 thanks to the Australian politician at the UN, Dr Evatt.

In addition to caring for the needs of compatriots the Castellorizian Association filled a vital role in keeping all the WA Greeks united preserving their heritage and traditions while serving as a centre for mutual help sponsoring migrants finding jobs and providing advice and moral support and help with personal difficulties. These parochial and wider activities of the association in the 100 years of its existence are very well described by John Yiannakis in his commemorative history.

One would expect some kind of hiccup to have taken place over the 100 years given the transition from old to new generations and indeed there was. As an example the agreement with the Hellenic Association Club to share Adele House in Stirling St ended in a legal scuffle with funds divided under a Supreme Court order. The financial outcome enabled the Association to purchase its current property in Mt Hawthorn in 1981. In need of repair fund raising gradually brought the premises to a usable state for Association activities and functions

However the Castellorizian Association went into decline after the purchase related partly to a generational change associated with the language used going from Greek to English and back. At this time there was even some difficulty in filling official positions. Great leadership was required and fortunately such did come forth and the Association survived. These events the persons involved and their contributions resulting in survival during the period of transition and stabilization are given in John's book.

A large factor in bringing about this success was the establishment of the **Friday night happy hour** providing a continuous thread of activity through the difficult period. Along with the revival was the admission of women to membership of the association.

A new spirit arose and after a decade or so of stagnation enthusiasm for the Association grew underpinning the successful 75th birthday celebrations in 1987 to be emulated by its Centenary functions in May 2012

To **conclude** what we have witnessed is a remarkable history of migration settlement and integration but with preservation of the essential elements of being Castellorizian

Initially our forebears without the language worked as laborers then through hard work accumulated enough money to go into business on their own. Thus there was a stage in our history from the mid 1920s to the 50s and 60s in which the Castellorizians in Perth became their own masters prospering in all types of food related businesses from greengroceries to seafood milk-bars cafes restaurants and the like. It is remarkable that even though these were humble occupations the majority first generation

Perth Castellorizians did very well financially thus again manifesting the Castellorizian spirit of independence, industry and enterprise.

Given this economic success the next step was to instill European values on their children particularly that of education. Now in the 3rd generation we have outstanding leaders in all the professions, in academia and in commerce.

Furthermore Castellorizians living in our current age have served the Australian community in an exemplary fashion holding many kinds of civil positions even to the Governorship of the State of WA. It would not be an exaggeration to suggest that in comparison with any other ethnic group Castellorizians are far ahead in the proportion of citizens who have received recognition for their community services in the Australian Honors system. Our parents would be very proud to witness these successes. The Association played a central role in these wonderful developments especially in the early years

Thus we have reached an optimal stage in our development firstly by retaining our Castellorizian traditions religion and identity according to the wishes of our founding fathers and secondly having integrated with the Australian community subscribing in excellent fashion to the ideal of true multiculturalism with a perfect balance being reached between the two. We are proud of our Greek roots and we are proud to be Australian.

Indeed when President Mavros the notable Castellorizian politician came to visit Perth in 1978 he remarked that *he came to see Australia but found Castellorizo instead.*

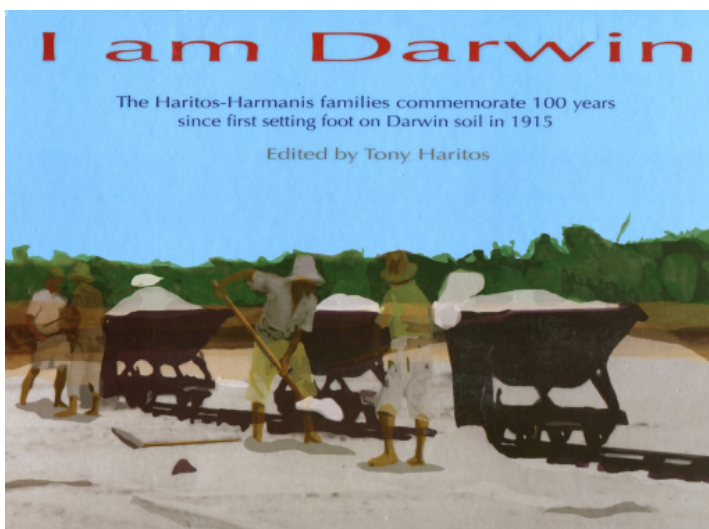
Not the least of these achievements has been the breath of life given to the island aiding in overcoming the many hardships it has endured in the 20th century. Not only is the island supported in many ways from a distance, several of us have assisted the islands economy in rebuilding their family homes, an important factor in securing its future with Greece, economic viability being critical in this respect.

Our forefathers and mothers came to Australia in search of a new life leaving their beloved island not by choice but by reluctant necessity. Having migrated to a distant and foreign land their greatest fear was that they would lose their language religion cultural traditions and identity. None of this has happened thanks to the Association. Castellorizians are fanatically loyal to their origins preserving their heritage and at the same time being good Australians.

Having set out the history of the Castellorizian Association of WA so well, including its contributions to the local community and the support given to the homeland *a very sincere vote of thanks* is due to the author John Yiannakis for a most splendid production. The book will be treasured as a permanent record of our pioneers. The Centenary committee which commissioned the work is also to be congratulated. The publication of the book is a high point in the Centenary Celebrations of May 2012

We are proud of our Greek heritage which we wish to retain and at the same time we are very happy to be Australians having thus achieved an optimal balance between the two. We love Castellorizo and at the same time we are proud to be Australians, the country which has given us the opportunity to succeed and to prosper now and for future generations and which in return we will serve with honour.

NEW BOOK AVAILABLE



There have been some great Family History books coming out in recent years that include Castellorizians that migrated to Australia. One recent great family book is 'I am Darwin' edited by Tony Haritos and written by Michael Anthony, Adrienne Haritos, Faith Haritos, Helen Maria Haritos, Tony Haritos, Vicky Haritos, Faith Haritos, Jasmine Kailis, Christine Liveris, Helen L'Orange, Vasiliki Nihis-Bogiatzis and Strat Peters.

Eustratios Haritos came from the Greek Island of Moschonisi and his wife Eleni (nee Harmanis) from Castellorizo. Eleni's parents were Nicholas Harmanis and Asimina (nee Margaritis).

This book is a terrific read, both about the Hellenic families who settled in Darwin and about the early days in Darwin. Well done to all those involved in preserving their family history.

The Bookshop Darwin 1/30 Smith Street Mall
DARWIN NT 0800 P: (08) 8941 3489
sales@bookshopdarwin.com.au

The book is \$39.95 plus \$12.00 postage (\$51.95 total).

Hellenic Women's Association Sewing Group Perth Glendi 2015

Photos courtesy Margaret Bellos



Margaret Bellos, Koula Galatis, Chrissie Hunt and Poppy Xanthis



Poppy Xanthis at Perth Glendi

The Hellenic Women's Association Sewing Group had a wonderful display of items for sale at the Perth Glendi in 2015. The ladies meet every Thursday for a workshop at Hellenic House to make items for donation to various organisations. The ladies group has also converted Castellorizian tea towels into aprons for our association to sell.

Passing of Helen Georgas of Metro Travel Sydney

Photos courtesy Margaret Bellos

Helen Georgas of Metro Travel in Sydney suddenly passed away as a result of an accident whilst overseas in Italy, on tour in June 2015. She was aged only 47 years and has arranged and supported many tour groups that have travelled to Greece. In 2013 she conducted a Ladies Cazzie/Rhodes tour on which our association member, Margaret Bellos, attended. Helen also assisted with the Sydney Cazzies coming to Perth in 2012 for our centennial celebrations. Deepest sympathy to her family.



Helen Georgas on Castellorizo



Ladies on the Cazzie/Rhodes Tour

TREASURES FROM KASTELLORIZO

Presented by Connie Gregory

The *Treasures from Kastellorizo, From the Cabinets of the Memory Keepers* event, held at the Kastellorizian Association of Victoria's clubrooms, on 15th and 16th August, was a huge success, with many visitors and a capacity crowd staying on to hear Nick Bogiatzis talk on Kastellorizian Jewellery and other items such as traditional clothing and carpets.

President of the Kastellorizian Association of Victoria, Dr Nick Lolatgis was delighted with the attendance at the display and talk. "The level of interest amongst Kastellorizians in learning more about their heirlooms bodes well for the continued preservation of their treasures. It was particularly pleasing that there were also younger people attending the talk. The full event was filmed and will be a valuable addition to the Club's archives, and I suspect there will be demand for the film to be available to members, and to other interested people," said Dr Lolatgis.

Many women wore or brought in their gold jewellery for Mr Bogiatzis to discuss, making it a glittering occasion. Over a number of years, and with invaluable input from many people, as well as available published material, Nick Bogiatzis has sought to compile a list of terms for traditional jewellery and coins once used in Kastellorizo. He is both a researcher and collector of such material. The comprehensive list was made available to all at the talk.

"The work involved in putting the display together – the costumes, jewellery, embroidery and household and religious items – was hugely rewarded by the evident enjoyment of all those who attended," said Mrs Connie Gregory, who curated the event.

"Mr Bogiatzis spoke for one-and-a-half hours to an attentive audience who would happily have stayed on for much longer, as he was such a charismatic and knowledgeable speaker", said Mrs Gregory. "He also brought along a large and startling image of the island of Kastellorizo, taken from a plane about to bomb the island in 1943.

The event was supported by the Victorian Multicultural Commission.



Christine Dimer, President Nick Lolatgis
and Connie Gregory



Connie Gregory with guest speaker Nicholas Bogiatzis



Nicholas Bogiatzis explaining to
Litsa Augustakis, the dyeing
process on her Kastellorizian scarf,
as Jasmin Verginis watches on.

TERMS FOR KASTELLORIZIAN TRADITIONAL JEWELLERY AND COINS



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KASTELLORIZIAN JEWELLERY TERMS

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ARMATHIA: A chain of coins, usually gold, worn around the neck by women.

BOUKLA (PORPI):

A silver, or gold plated fibula, usually one of six used to hold closed the woman's 'poukamiso', or chemise. The bottom boukla had a Maltese cross hanging from it. Its design is traditionally set with flower forms with granular decorations in the Etruscan manner.

BOUKLA TIS KALSTODHETAS:

Small boucles used as stocking suspenders, and could be visible at times when walking. (Kaltsodelta was an elastic band holding the stocking up before stocking suspenders were invented).

CHRYSOKOUTSA aka KOUFOKOUKKIA (empty beans).

They are long multifaceted, hollow beads worn in chain necklaces, or with coin earring, and reputedly made in Kasos. They were popular on Kastellorizo, probably from Egypt, but found as far as India, and reputedly accumulated singly.

FILIGRANAS (ΦΙΛΙΓΚΡΑΝΑΣ): Filigree work for jewellery and serving spoons and forks.

GALATOUSA: A milk coloured, or deep red stone believed to assist in breast-feeding.

GKORFI (Το Γκορφί):

A hanging jewel, often a pectoral cross, worn on a long chain, often given to boys. A valuable stone worn in this way was similarly named. Aka 'enkolbion' (εγκολπιον). It may also be the fob or albert worn by men.

HAIMALI:

An amulet. These are usually a silver triangle with coins, often gold, attached, and given to children as a 'filakto' (protective amulet). If square or rectangular, they were called KASTANAKIA, though this term may also refer to a silver amulet worn on a child's cap.

KALITSASI (Καλίτσασι):

Blue stone, or stone from agate (αχάτι) worn by children within a gold or silver setting. Aka 'Kalikasi'.

KARFOVELONES:

Jewellery, or 'karfitses' used to pin the mandili to stabilize it on to the 'tsaki'. Usually a row of two or three gold coins.

KASTANAKI: See HAIMALI

KOUTHOUNAKIA: The silver filigree buttons worn on the males' yeleks, or waistcoats.

LAKOTO:

Probably from the word 'lako' meaning a hollow or a dip. See SELINATO below. It may also refer to the dish shaped Byzantine coins (scyphate or cup coins).

LINGIRAKI: A 'lingos' is the pin in the boukla.

LIRENIO: Bracelet or necklace made from rows of gold coin lires, or earrings of gold coins.

MAKOUTSIA: Diamond rings. See also Nihata.

MATI TIS PANAYIAS or THALASOMATA:

A small circular shell with coloured swirls worn against the evil eye, the Diavasconia. Probably the operculum (turban operculum) of the sea snail, and related to the catseye shell.

MBLEXOUDHA: Ornament used as a necklace, suggesting a woven style.

NIHATA: Rings in the marquise (pointed oval) shape.

OFIDHES: popular jewellery in the form of a snake.

PSATHA (ΨΑΦΑ):

A length of velvet on which were sown chains of cascading gold coins. For the psathes, the coins would be ranked in rows with pentolires, then tetralires, then matzaries, then mahmoutiedhes and finally dilires.

PSATHOTA: The term 'psathota' is used to refer to bracelets of woven metal.

SASOUNA:

It is a modification or reproduction of the European child's silver whistles, often with the silver bells replaced by gold coins, traditional gifts for young boys only, proffering prosperity and good luck. The whistle was a teething tool, common in the west for centuries. These were both imported and made on Kastellorizo, usually of silver, or some mix of silver, noting Ottoman silver was of varying grades. It was both ornament and a haimali, and worn on a chain.

SELINATO:

This is associated with the terms 'Konstantinato', or 'Lakoto'. If the coin is without a frame, it is called a 'Lakoto Konstantinato', if with a frame, an 'Ayio Selinato'. It is thought the term comes from 'Ayia Eleni', the name Eleni based on the word 'selino' (σεληνη: moon, not σελινι: shilling), the circular shape being reminiscent of the circle of the moon. Kazzi wedding song: Επηρα μας τον ηλιον και την κερα Σελενη.

SITATOS LAIMOS:

A necklace or bracelet. The term may come from the word for grain, or be from SITAFENIOS meaning mother of pearl.

<i>Piasamen eis to xoro, hairia malamatenia</i>	Πιασαμεν εις το χορο, χαιρια μαλαματενια
<i>Me daktila kardiafota, kai nyhia zytafenia</i>	Με δακτυλα καρδιαφοτα, και νυχια ζυταφενια.

STRAVOFLOURI:

A large almond shaped gold pendant with an embossed religious scene on each side, or with a coin in the centre.

Often given to a child by a godparent.

TSERKENA aka TSERKIKI:

A full set would include a pair of cuff bracelets, and a neckpiece, known as a 'lemo'. It is a particular form of plaited metal, in single or double bands. As to its name, one hypothesis is that it is from the Turkish word: 'çebe', pronounced *jebe*, meaning 'chain-mail', ie plaited metal. Another is that it is from the Turkish 'çerkez' for 'Circassian', and they are also thought to be Armenian. Note also the terms 'psathota' and 'mblexouda'.

VRILATOS:

A coloured stone, usually red and cabochon cut.

YROULATOS LAIMOS:

A necklace or bracelet made up of fine gold chains. It may also refer to rings (τα βρουλάτα). The term may come from 'vroulo' (βρουλό), or bulrush?

HALKADHAKIA:

The rings by which coins were attached. I was told they referred to gold rings but the word seems related to 'halko' or 'little halko', meaning small copper. It may also refer to hanging earrings.

KARTAKIA:

Small coins of minor value, which may be the same as KASTANAKI, which are the smallest of the Greek coins worth a quarter of a lira. Used to ornament jewellery, usually children's.

KONSTANTINATO:

This term is widely used for coins or medallions throughout Greece. Its primary use was for the Venetian ducat, an important coin in Kastellorizian culture as it was imbued with a local mythology linking it to Saints Constantine and Helen. Most ducats from Kastellorizo have a hole as such coins were attached to talismans or in other jewellery such as earrings. Similarly Byzantine coins with two heads shown were also associated with these saints. (Byzantine coins: scyphate (cup-shaped) / trachy (rough). See also SELINATO.

LIRES:

A seemingly generic term frequently referring to the English pound. Coins of various denominations were broadly standardized under the categories of pentolires, tetralires, dilires, or a single lira.

LOUISIA:

Gold French coins used in jewellery, from the Louis d'or coins.

MAHMOUTIEDHES:

Ottoman coins, which may cover a range of values. (1436)

MATZARIA or NTOUBLA:

The large Austrian (Magyarian) Franz Josef (1848-1916) ducat coins. They may have been in different sizes or values.

NAPOLEONIA:

A colloquial term for French gold coins from the time of Napoléon Bonaparte. The French called the 20 franc coins (eikoso-franka) 'napoleans', while the royalists continued to call them 'louis'.

NTOUMBLES:

See 'matzaria' above, though it can relate to coins from other countries such as Portugal, from the Spanish word and coin 'doubloon'.

TALERO:

Silver talero, patterned after the Austrian Maria Theresa 'thaler', from which the word 'dollar' derives. Aka 'realia'.

TRIFOURENIA:

Silver filigree. Such work was common through the Ottoman world, but also done on the island.

VENETIKA:

Venetian ducats, or Konstatinata.

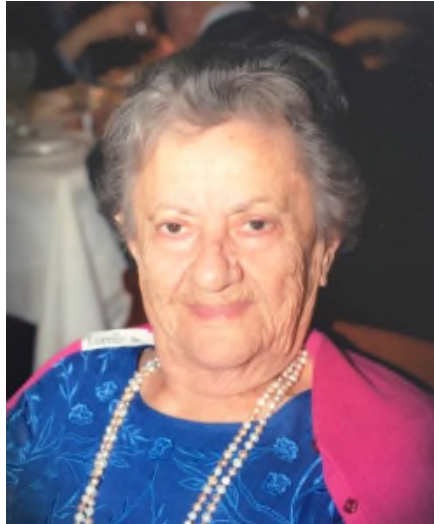
LESS CERTAIN (though much above also needs confirmation): (K/B) IHLIMBIVIA: Is this term used for small coins used decoratively in low-value jewellery?

Castellorizian Medallions

Kirk Geronimos of Queensland has produced some great medallions relating to Castellorizo for sale on eBay. Go to: <http://stores.ebay.com.au/kggbaby> then click on "Greek Designs" under 'Categories'.



CAZZIE TRIBUTE



Tribute information obtained from an interview with Chrissie Panos and with assistance and support from her daughter Margaret Kouts and daughter in law Carolyn Panos

Article Compiled by Allan Cresswell

CHRISTINA (CHRISSIE) PANOS (NEE KAKULAS)

Christina (Chrissie) Panos (nee Kakulas) was born on July 20th 1923 on Castellorizo. She is the second youngest child of Evangelos Stavros Kakulas and Triantafilia (nee Mallis). Her siblings are Steve (deceased), Michael (deceased), George (deceased) and Nina Stamatiou. The family migrated to Perth when Chrissie was three years of age. Her younger sibling, Nina, was born in Fremantle. Initially Chrissie's father sold fruit and vegetables from a barrow outside the Fremantle Railway Station. The family then moved the business to 185 William Street Perth where Evangelos and his three sons built up a very successful business. The family store still operates from the same premises today!

Chrissie's father died when she was aged only twelve years. The tragedy brought the family closer together and the Kakulas family became a strong family unit. Led by her mother, Chrissie became involved in community projects at a young age. Her longstanding involvement in numerous community and social welfare groups from this young age until the present day has resulted in her having great organizational ability, which many groups and associations have utilized both to their own benefit, and to whom they serve.

Chrissie married Leffy Panos in Perth on September 28th 1947 and raised two children, Margaret (now Kouts), and Barry (deceased in 2008). Leffy supported her continuing community work as she raised a family.

The contributions to both the Hellenic and the community at large by Chrissie are extensive, and include the following community examples of her widespread community involvement and awards received.

- ❖ A member of the Hellenic Women's Association since 1956, involving numerous terms on the committee and as the President from 1967 to 1969
- ❖ A member of the State Government inaugural Aged Care Committee from 1973 to 1975. Whilst she was a member the committee investigated and established Home and Community Care support and set in place the introduction of the Seniors Card in Western Australia
- ❖ At the request of the departing Greek Consul for Perth and as his replacement, Chrissie was appointed to the Multicultural Education Committee from 1976 to 1982. She served on various sub committees including the Education Small Scale Grant Committee on which she served as Chairperson
- ❖ Involved in the arrangement of the cleaning of the Chandeliers at Saint Constantine and Helene Church. Supervised the restoration of the leadlight on the church windows
- ❖ Supervised the collection, arranging and the placing of the flower arrangements of the Holy Epitaphios at Saint Constantine and Helene Church for many years
- ❖ Involved with the cooking for the Saint John of the Mountain Annual Palm Sunday Luncheons and on other fundraising days

- ❖ Established the Hellenic Women's Association Sewing Group in 1967 after receiving a grant from the Education Department to make Greek National Costumes for the community. Chrissie still attends the weekly sewing group workshops. This group has made numerous contributions to the community including crocheting and knitting of baby clothing for the Neonatal Ward at K.E.M.H. and crocheting blankets and soft toys to go with the wheelchairs constructed by the 'Wheelchair for Kids' organization
- ❖ The booklet 'A Taste of Greece' produced by the Hellenic Women's Association was revised and compiled by Chrissie Panos and Leonie Liveris in 2002
- ❖ Supervised the making of cakes once of month for Saint Bartholomew's by the Hellenic Women's Auxiliary, over a seven year period
- ❖ Selected as a spokesperson for the Galbally Report on Multiculturalism in 1977
- ❖ Involved in the formation of the Hellenic Women's Auxiliary in 1979 including serving as Convenor. Formed a dance group involving the making of costumes and numerous workshops for teachers that related to various aspects of the Hellenic culture
- ❖ Involved in 'Meals on Wheels' from 1959 to 1973 and in the collection and transportation of 'Special Needs' children between their homes and their centre from 1970 to 1973
- ❖ A founding member in 1956 of the Muscular Dystrophy Association
- ❖ Received the City of Perth Civic Medallion Award on December 13th 1979 - "In recognition of your contribution to the wellbeing, quality of life and development of the municipality"
- ❖ On March 28th 1992 received the Hellenic Community of Western Australia Inc Life Membership Award. The award stated - 'As a token of esteem and in grateful recognition of valuable services rendered to the Hellenic Community of Western Australia Inc'
- ❖ Made an Honorary President of the Hellenic Women's Association of Western Australia Inc on October 25th 1997
- ❖ Presented with an award by the Greek Australian Professional and Businessmen's Association of Western Australia on March 19th 2008 - 'In recognition of the contribution made by Christina Panos in the promotion of Hellenism in the community'



Chrissie with her 'Society for Hellenes Abroad' Award

- ❖ Chosen to represent Oceania in 2008 by the 'Society for Hellenes Abroad'. Was one of seven ladies from around the world who travelled to Salonica in Greece. Gave a speech on 'Hellenism in Oceania' as well as speaking about her personal achievements within the Greek Community of WA.

At Salonica she was honoured for her services by being presented an award (see photo on left). Chrissie is shown in the photograph on the left with her award. It is inscribed – 'The Women of the Diaspora' – 'Carrying the Flame of Hellenism in Oceania'.

On behalf of the Castellorizian Association of WA Inc, together with the wider Hellenic Community and the whole community of Perth at large, we salute you Chrissie for all your community involvement and social welfare service over so many years. Bravo Chrissie!

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