



The KYTHERIAN

The Newsletter of the Kytherian Association of Australia
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APRIL 2007

KYTHERIAN BALL 2007

GUEST OF HONOUR
DR. GEORGE MILLER

BAFTA & Academy Award winner

DATE: SATURDAY 26TH MAY

**VENUE: GRAND HARBOUR BALL ROOM
3RD FLOOR STAR CITY CASINO.**

Bookings: Esther Calligeros 9344 0298

Kathy Samios 9349 1849

Tickets: \$180 per person

AFTERPARTY

KYTHERIAN DEBUTANTE BALL 2007

Details in May's Newsletter

KYTHO CALENDAR

SUNDAY 8TH APRIL

Easter Sunday

13TH, 14TH & 15TH APRIL

4WD Turon Gates Weekend Away
(details on page 16).

SUNDAY 15TH APRIL

Qld. Launch of website & book
(see pages 10 & 11)

FRI. 27TH APRIL -29TH JUNE

Greek Dancing Lessons Term 2.
(details on page 17).

WEDNESDAY 9TH MAY

Ladies' Auxiliary 'High Tea'
(details on page 7).

SUNDAY 13TH MAY

Agios Theodoros Parramatta Church

SATURDAY 26TH MAY

85th Annual Kytherian Ball
at Star City Casino (see front page).

SATURDAY 16TH JUNE

KYMG Theatre night (see page 6).



Victor Kepreotis and Kathy Samios representing the Kytherian Association of Australia, lay a wreath for Greek National Day in memory of Greece's fallen freedom fighters. The ceremony was held at Martin Place Cenotaph on Sunday 25th March 2007 followed by a March to the Opera House.

Editor's Note



Easter is that time of year when you realise that the Christmas holidays are well and truly over. Those wonderful days spent relaxing in the sun are now mere memories and have now been replaced by that "what holiday?" feeling.

For me however, Easter also holds a lot of memories. I remember how much I loved going to the Easter Show as a kid and only wanting to visit the show bag pavilion. I wasn't interested in feeding animals, watching people being shot out of cannons or motorcyclists speeding down ramps and flying over 20 cars. Unfortunately for my parents, our annual pilgrimage to the show was for the show bags and little else.

I also remember fasting and thinking that I would never last through to Easter Sunday. Thankfully, when Easter finally arrived, 'mayeritsa' or 'goat gut soup' as the Greek-American comedian Basile calls it, was something that none of us were forced to eat. I know that not all food that is palatable necessarily looks good, but I draw the line at entrails floating in a sea of broth.

Eggs, of course, are a major part of Easter. Personally, I prefer the chocolate ones but for us Greeks it's all about the boiled eggs. As a newlywed, I sadly remember my first attempt at dyeing eggs. Seriously...how hard can it be? Well that depends on whether you know how long you need to boil the eggs. In my case, I gave "skoudri" a whole new meaning.

When our kids were young, I remember having to make those annoying Easter bonnets for the Easter parades. Don't get me wrong...I loved the parades (and I have a creative husband who assisted in making the bonnets) but it would have been easier if the parades were held at different times so that I could have used the same hat for all three kids.

On a serious note though, Easter is also that time of year when you realise that you don't go to Church as often as you should and try to make up for it in the final week leading up to Easter Sunday. The services are really beautiful (in particular Midnight Mass) and you begin to wonder why you don't make more of an effort throughout the year. It is the time for reflection and appreciation of the meaning of Easter and the sacrifices that Jesus has made for us.

I wish you all the very best for Easter and to those of our readers who are travelling during the holiday break, have a good trip and safe return!

KALO PASCHA!



Flying over Kythera

This might interest a few of you: probably about the same time as you are reading this – early April – I'll be flying over Kythera on a helicopter to photograph the island for a "Kythera from the Air" book. Planned is a large hard-cover coffee-table edition of our favourite island from an angle which most of us only see from the hazy windows of the plane when we fly in. Now before you all start calling your relatives on Kythera to search for me so they remind me to photograph YOUR village, don't worry: I'll be trying to photograph EVERY village on the island. Even the ones which only consist of a few ruined houses. And I'll shoot as much of the coastline, as many of the monasteries and churches, and everything else which looks good, as I can. I've been lucky that a few enthusiastic Kytherians have sent me lists of potentially mind-boggling vistas which I will certainly do my best to shoot. Just today Antonis Bartsiokas, Associate Professor of Anthropology at the Demokritus University of Thrace and whose mother, Maria Trifylli, hailed from Kythera's Trifyllianika (I bet you could have guessed that...) suggested that I photograph the following:

1. Village Riza off Mylopotamos,
2. Unknown village over the mountain that limits the Airport,
3. Chytra island from the top,
4. Dragonares islands to show the faults,
5. The gorge at the north of Myrtidiotissa that ends at the sea,
6. Palaeochora from the trilagado,
7. The gorge that ends in the beach just west of the light house in the north,
8. The hill west of Kastro Choras
9. The fault of Agia Elessa
10. Finikies from the coast
11. Kokkala of Kapelo Kalamou from the coast
12. Koutsokefalo mountain from the top to show the church and the shaft.

The first thing I thought when I received the list was: "what unknown village over the mountain that limits the airport"? Aren't there only cliffs between the Kaki Langkatha south-east of Pelagia and Diakofti? Even on my quite detailed satellite picture of the island (which is the subject of another book project I'll tell you about another time...) there's nothing to be seen. But sure enough, on my new "Road Edition" map of the island which is the most detailed map I have

come across, there it is. A few houses grouped under the name "Friatsi". I'd never heard of it. Can anyone tell me the history of Friatsi? I'll include it in my next article if someone does. What the good professor's list did was remind me that, even after 20 years of almost yearly visits to the island, I don't know HALF of it. 8 of the 12 suggestions on Antonis' list were new to me, and even the ones I'd heard of were mysterious. What "faults" was he referring to at Elessa and on Dragonares? Where is Koutsokefalo Mountain and what is the church shaft he's referring to? I think I'll have to arrange for Professor Bartsiokas to give me a tour of the island. Would anyone like to join me?

My wife and I hope to have the "Kythera from the Air" book finished around the middle of the year. If you think you'll probably order 5 or more to distribute or sell to your contacts, please let me know so we can get a rough idea of how many we should have printed. My email and fax number are at the end of the article.

Living on Kythera

It's taken years of work and organisation, but one of my family's dreams appears close to fulfilment: my two boys, my wife and I will be moving to Kythera in September for a six-month "time-out" from the rat-race. It will allow my family to learn some Greek and for us all to discover the island in detail. Trekking up to the top of St. George from Avlemonas, or finally discovering the magical beauty of all those hidden coves along the neglected west side of the island... I'd better start writing a list. If you'll be on the island then and you might like the occasional company of noisy young lads and their parents, or if you too are in a position to let go of the reigns for a time and can escape to the island, we'd enjoy some more crew on board.

We also hope to find some private teachers for the boys and a nice warm house to rent. And other English, German or Danish speakers – especially children – who will be there at the same time. If you have any suggestions for us they would be much appreciated.

Website Launch in Brisbane

And if you've somehow managed to miss the news, there's a gala presentation of our website in Brisbane on the 15th of April at the Kapsali Restaurant. So let all your cousins in Brisbane know about it!

James Prineas, james@kythera-family.net

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You are the authors! Kythera-Family.net - the online cultural archive for Kythera - aims to preserve and reflect the rich heritage of a wonderful island. Members of the community are actively invited to submit their family collection of Kytherian stories, photographs, recipes, oral histories, and home remedies etc. to the site. Uploading directly to the site is easy and free. Thus we can help make available valuable and interesting material for current and future generations, and inspire young Kytherians to learn more about their fascinating heritage.

A TALE OF TWO BRIDGES



Bridges have been described as the “umbilical cords of humankind’s progress over the centuries”. Whether built out of stone or steel, there is something about a bridge that still captures the imagination.

On 18 March 2007 Maria and I joined another 250,000 or so Sydneysiders to walk across the Sydney Harbour Bridge in celebration of the 75th anniversary of its official opening. The bridge is truly an iconic structure – majestic in planning and magnificent in construction. The Sydney Harbour Bridge rightfully takes its place as one of the world’s most celebrated and massive single span bridges.

But if you think this bridge was worth celebrating, then it is a sobering thought that the 13 arch viaduct at Katouni in Kythera, which still stands as a monument to British masonry design, is 181 years old this year.

The bridge, built under the supervision of the British Resident, John McPhail (who was also responsible for the construction of the many bridges on the island, the schools at Milopotamos and Fat-sadika and countless roads), was completed in 1826 – at a time when both Kythera and the State of New South Wales were colonial outposts of the British Empire. McPhail is reported to have stood by the bridge with a book in his hand (presumably on how to construct masonry arches) as it was being built.

Island folklore had it that the real reason for the location of the bridge at Katouni was because of McPhail’s love for a local girl.

The Katouni Bridge is an impressive structure. 110 metres long, its central arch is an imposing 15 metres high. Built to carry a road to Avlemonas which was never finished, the bridge at Katouni has also been described as “one of the finest, if most pointless triumphs of engineering in Greece” and as a “conspicuous and rather splendid white elephant”. But I don’t care. Ever since I first came across the Katouni viaduct in 1973 it has always intrigued me.

According to an interesting study published by a team led by the well known Kytherian engineer, Basil Leftheris, the Katouni bridge is so well constructed that it can withstand the vibrations of most earthquakes and the stresses of heavy loads. It certainly dominates the Livadi landscape.

So I call on all the Kytherians of the world to come to Kythera in the year 2026 and, God willing,, to celebrate the 200th anniversary of an incredible structure. Mark it in your diary now.

George Vardas

**CHOSEN
HELLENIC HIGHEST HONOUR**

MANOLIS ANDRONIKOS

Manolis Andronikos, aged 23, from Kousounari, Logothetianika, Kythera has recently been selected as an Evzone, a member of the highly honoured Hellenic Presidential Guard, for part of his National Service.

For 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, the world famous Evzones, guard the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, the Presidential Mansion and the Gates of the Presidential Guard training camp in Syntagma Square, Athens. As well as:

- Conducting official raising & lowering of the flag, every Sunday at the Acropolis
- Accompanying the President of the Hellenic Republic on official foreign visits
- Offering honours and welcomings to foreign officials on visit
- Parading on New York's 5th Avenue in celebration of Greece's National Day
- Accompanying the Holy Fire every Easter from Jerusalem to Athens

The Evzone unit is famous around the world for its unique traditional uniform, similar to the outfits worn by the Klephts who fought the Ottoman occupation of Greece.

Manolis was handpicked from among thousands of other young Greek men to receive training as an Evzone. To be selected, Manolis needed to satisfy a strict criteria. Height is important, Manolis is over 2 metres tall. Members of this elite corps are selected on the basis of their good character, moral outlook, health and stamina.

In addition to the 5½ months of basic military training Manolis received as part of his national service, he completed 4 weeks specialised training to become an Evzone. The training is notoriously rigorous and includes developing skills to stand perfectly upright and motionless in the heat of summer or the snow of winter, for at least an hour.

Manolis' proud parents, Mr and Mrs Panagiotis and Georgia Andronikos are delighted that their son has joined the honoured elite corps. In addition to the strong mental and physical fitness Evzone training provides, one of the Evzone fustanella's has over 400 pleats which Manolis is actually responsible for ironing himself.

Manolis will be continuing his service as a member of Greece's most highly honoured military unit over the next five months and encourages all Australian Kytherians travelling to Greece this year to drop by Syntagma Square for a tourist photo with him (one at time!).

Theodore & Matthew Mallos.

ATTENTION ALL SHREK FANS!



Kytherian
Young
Mothers
Group

Movie Day on

Saturday 16th June '07

1.30 pm

at the

HOYTS CINEMA

Westfield shopping centre

Level 2 opposite Big W

152 Bunnerong Road

East Gardens

Children under 12 must
be accompanied by an
adult. Not yet rated.

\$15 children (includes small
popcorn & drink of water or
coke)

\$10 adults (ticket only)

Contact :

Stella Preneas

0402 296 100

Maria Coolentianos

0409 639 897

Maria Notaras

9349 8376

Kyrranne Thomas

9764 6636

MUMS & BUBS

"Mums and Bubs" outings are held on the last Friday of each month, for babies and children up to 5 years, for more information please call Erenie on 0410 318 053.

The Kytherian Ladies' Auxiliary invites you to a

MOTHERS' DAY MORNING TEA

on

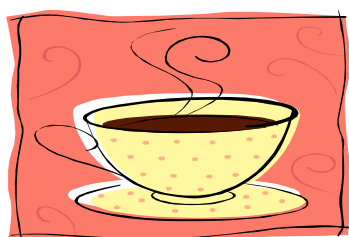
WEDNESDAY, 9TH MAY 2007

At

VAUCLUSE HOUSE TEA ROOMS
WENTWORTH RD, VAUCLUSE

10.00am to 12.30pm

Cost: \$35



Includes High Tea enjoying the beautiful
Gardens of Vacluse House

Free parking

Bookings: Mary Moutzouris 9310 0420

CONGRATULATIONS to the newly elected office bearers of the
Kytherian Ladies Auxiliary Committee.

President.....KYRRANNE THOMAS

Vice President.....HELEN KANARIS

Treasurer.....KOULA MALLOS

Assistant Treasurer.....APHRODITIE SAMIOS

Public Relations.....MATINA SAMIOS

Assistant Public Relations....KATHY SAMIOS

*On behalf of the members of the Kytherian Association of Australia,
~~we would like to thank Mrs. Catherine Economos for her years as~~
President of the Kytherian Ladies Auxiliary.*

Aroney Awards 2007

On 10th March this year the *Kytherian Association of Australia* again hosted the annual **Nicholas Anthony Aroney Encouragement Awards**. The purpose of the night was to acknowledge and celebrate with Kytherian students who have excelled and done well in the previous year's Higher School Certificate examinations.

This year was similar to past years where a number of students achieved very high marks and the ultimate winner was **Dimitri John Zaunders** with 99.75 UAI. Second place went to **Nicholas George Cassims** and was followed by **Theodore Souris** who received the Premier's Award for Modern Greek Continuers (97), **Elias Poulos**, **Marianna Zaunders**, **Peter Tzannes**, **Dean Mottee**, **Michael Notaras**, **Jeremy Crithary**, **Andrew Kepreotis** and **Theodore Malanos**. Congratulations and well done to all those students and others that have tried their hardest to make the most of their educational opportunities.

On behalf of the committee of the *Kytherian Association*, I would also like to express our thanks to **Professor Manual Aroney AM OBE** as the representative of the trustees of the Estate for attending the presentation ceremony, where certificates and cheques were handed out to each of the awardees.

A special 'thank you' must go to **Mr James Kanaris**, for speaking as a previous recipient of this award.

I would also like to thank those members of the Committee who were able to assist us on the night and in particular **Kathy Samios** for all her hard work.

On behalf of the Association, I would like to thank all of the guests, family and friends of the Awardees for attending and especially the group of senior Friday night dancers who provided an excellent and enjoyable performance of modern Greek dances. Thank you also to their lovely teacher Joanna and her mother, Donna.

The Association is also indebted to the sponsors and long time supporters who have donated raffle prizes. These included the *Kythera-Family Net and Karavitiko Symposium* who donated award winning cartoonist Rocco Sazari's limited addition cartoon of George Miller (won by **Mary Notaras**), **Laiki Bank**, who donated a colour T.V. (won by **John Andrew**), **Nick & Kathy Haros** of *St George Smallgoods*, who donated a \$200 gift voucher (won by **Emmanuel Marinos**), **George & Irene Cassim & family** who donated a Canon-Selphy DS 700 Compact Photo Printer (won by **Gloria Dimopoulos**), *the Kytherian 4WD Club* who donated a DVD portable player (won by **Nick Notaras**), **Gloria Papayianakis** of *Designer Kutz*, who donated \$110 Hair Styling prize (won by **Nikki Coroneo**), *The Athenian Greek Restaurant*, who donated a voucher valued at \$100 (won by **Poppy Crithary**).

The two lucky door prizes were the book, *Australians & Greeks. Vol 1., "The Early Years"* (won by **Mary Zaunders and Dimitri Pappas**).

I am sure that everyone attending our function would agree that we were provided with delicious food and excellent service by **Theo Lazarus**, owner/manager of the *Twin Reception Centre* in Alexandria, thus ensuring that a good time was had by all.

Victor Kepreotis

Special thank you to **Mr John Prineas** for the use of his wonderful photos.





KYTHERIAN DEBUTANTE BALL

26 MAY 2007
Matron of Honour
Mrs Kathy Samios

DEBUTANTES

Persefone Ambele
Tina Andrew
Maria Eleni Calokerinos
Alysee Christiane Lynch
Stephanie Magiros
Anastasia Mihailidis
Effie Psaltis
Stephanie Skyllas
Marianthe Varipatis

FLOWER GIRLS

Renee Anastasiou
Amy Aroney
Amanda Lynch
Annalise Sarikas

PARTNERS

Marcus Svinos
Peter Andrew
Marc John Calokerinos
Peter Samios
Emanuel Comino
Phillip Anastasiou
Ross Psaltis
Christian Passas
Stratos Varipatis

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Patrick Thomas
Alexander Samios
Gus Alexakis

THE KYTHERIAN ASSOCIATION OF QLD INC.

By George Poulos

The Karavitiko Symposium, Sydney

Invite you to the official QUEENSLAND LAUNCH of the internationally renowned [www.Kythera Family.net](http://www.KytheraFamily.net) and Peter Prineas' book, *Katsehamos and the Great Idea*,

the superb family history and psychography of the Feros family, Mitata, Kythera.

THIS MEGA-EVENT WILL PROVE TO BE THE GREATEST QUEENSLAND-KYTHERIAN EVENT IN HISTORY!!!

Date: 15th April, 2007

Time: 11:30 arrival, (Cocktails), for a 12:00 noon, start.

Venue:

Kapsali Restaurant

South Bank Parklands,

South Bank Brisbane,

QLD 4101 Australia

Phone: +61 7 3846 1803

Fax: +61 7 3844 4132

The Cost of the function has been heavily subsidised, and the very nominal cost is:

Adults - Payment at the door - \$20.00

Early Bird Discounts: \$15.00.....Please help us to organise the function well - by booking early!

[For more details about the event and how to take advantage of the early bird discounts - see overleaf]

***Please feel free to photocopy this invitation, and pass it onto other Kytherians & Philokytherians.

Special guests from Queensland will include Mr Chris Bombolos, State Member for Chatsworth, Legislative Assembly,

Queensland Parliament, Mr Peter Freeleagus, Mayor, Belyando Shire Council, Peter Corones, Mayor, Gladstone Council, Judge N

Samios, author, Denis Conomos, Con Galtos, and Jim Raptis. **Special**

guests from New South Wales will include, Mr Angelo Notaras, Team Leader Australia, www.kythera-family.net, and one of the great benefactors of Australian Hellenism, and for the maintenance of the Hellenic and Kytherian cultural heritage.

Esteemed Environmental lawyer, and author, Peter Prineas & The Greek-Australian of the Century (1900-2000), Dr. Archie Kalokerinos will also be in attendance..

The ease of use, and sophistication of www.kythera-family.net will be demonstrated.

First prize in the **RAFFLE** will be a limited edition cartoon by Fairfax cartoonist **Rocco Fazzari** of eminent Queensland Kytherian film producer, **George Miller**. The picture has been signed by BAFTA & Academy Award winner, George Miller, making it a very valuable prize indeed! Make sure you are in the draw to win numerous other prizes.

Prizes will also be awarded for the most iconic - Kytherian artefact, Kytherian photograph (People), Kytherian photograph (Landscape or Building), Kytherian Family Photographic Album, & Kytherian religious artefact (including icons). Please bring these along for evaluation, display and discussion.

At the Karavitiko Symposium, held on the 2nd Sunday of February each year, in Sydney, many of our patrons arrive with prizes for raffles and other events on the day. Patrons often donate bottles of alcoholic spirits, a significant, but small and manageable prize.

You may wish to adopt this convention for the *Queensland Kytherian Web and Book Launch function*.

For earlybird payees - Cheques should be made out to the *The Karavitiko Symposium Fund*.
and should be mailed to either,

**The Treasurer,
Kytherian Association of Queensland
P.O. Box 330,
Annerley,
Queensland. 4103.**

or

**Karavitiko Symposium
42 Eastern Avenue,
Dover Heights.
NSW. 2030**

SEE LAST PAGE FOR ATTENDANCE FORM

**MESSAGE FROM A FELLOW KYTHERIAN IN U.S.A.
(following up from last month's newsletter)**

Hi, I am looking for the descendants or relatives of several of my Australian Kytherian families related to me. This includes:

A) John Harry Kassimatis (Cassim) (b. abt 1856 Kythera d. after 1922 possibly Australia) and Theodosia "Dorothy" Panaretos, daughter of Minas and Fotine (Melitas) Panaretos. She had siblings Marouli Trifillis, Gregora Firopoulos, Stavroula Angelides, Erifyli Souris, and Eugenia and Angelika Panaretos (last two never married) all of which stayed in Greece, I believe.

Their children lived in the Ardlethan, NSW area, but their descendants spread all over the Sydney area.

They had (all born in Kythera, some in Potamos):

1. Stavroula "Stella" 1887-1972 m. 1924 Paul Katsoulis (1885 or 1890-1978)
2. Photeine "Florrie" "Fotini" 1892-1975 never married
3. Haralambos John Cassim 1894-1974 m1 1922 Evelyn Anne Laura _____ m2 Efrosini "Fofi" Goumas in 1941.
4. Michael "Minas" John Cassim 1899-1965 m. abt 1920 to Winnifred Elizabeth _____
5. Stamatia 1901-1979 m. 1922 Harry James Flaskas
6. Europa 1904-1932 m. in Kythera to George Castrisos (abt 1900-1984). He married second to Maria Karavia (abt 1922-1998)

Surnames of their known descendants include: Cassim, Castrisos, Firth, Flaskas, Aroney, Economos, Rose, Katsoulis, and Castrission.

B) Also another family in the Australia was: Anastasia "Tasia" Fyropoulos/Feros (1912-2002 in Hay, NSW). She married in 1949 in Sydney to Nicholas Anastasios Panaretto (?-1964) son of Anastasios and Martha Panaretto. Unknown if had children. She was the daughter of the Gregora (Panaretos) Firopoulos mentioned above.

C) Other people/families include a Stelios Andronicos (son of George Andronicos and Fotine Souris) who went to Australia and any person with the last name Triarchis would be related to me somehow. Then there is a Sophia (Trifillis) Kassimatis living in Sydney (age around 93) whose sisters married members of the Gerakitis Maneas families.

Any information at ALL on any of these families and/or surnames would be great!

Peter Trearchis (age 16) / "dktrearchis@comcast.net" / 68 Oliver Drive
Dracut, MA, USA"

Congratulations

Congratulations to **Imogen Coward** (daughter of **David & Ann**) for achieving First Class Honours in her Bachelor of Arts with Honours (Music) degree at the University of New England, Armidale. Her thesis explored the string quartets of Haydn, Mozart and Beethoven against the backdrop of the aesthetics of their time. **Imogen** has been awarded a scholarship to continue her studies at the university. Well done **Imogen**!

Congratulations to **Theodore Mallos**, son of **Michael & Carol Mallos** of Maroubra. **Theodore** recently completed his Masters in Finance, adding to his existing "portfolio" of academic awards, which include a Bachelor of Economics and Graduate Diploma in Financial Planning along with various Fellowship's and Associated Professional memberships.

Theodore's passion for his work and study in the Financial Planning arena have come to the fore of late, with his desire to establish his own Financial Planning practice in the Sydney Metropolitan area. Congrats, we wish you all the best!
Mallos family.

REQUEST FROM CANBERRA

I am an Australian girl with a Kytherian background and while looking at the Kythera-Family.net website, I'm sure I have come across my grandfather-TSIMERIS (Simeris), Demetre Theo, b. 20 April 1900 Milopotamos, landed Brisbane 22 March 1926 per 'SS Oransay.'

I wanted to know who posted this up on the web as I'm sure none of my immediate family would have. We would love to meet other relatives of ours....

Thanks

Asha Simms

a.simms@student.canberra.edu.au

Social News

Weddings

Marlon & Aphrodite Bouari were married at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. **Aphrodite** is the only daughter of **Theodora Frilingos** of Seven Hills, and **Charlie Frilingos** of Merrylands. A reception followed at Dockside Reception Lounge at Darling Harbour. A lovely night was had by all.



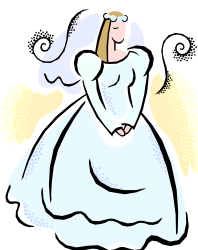
In early December the wedding of **Marina-Portia Anthony** and **Scott Wharton** took place at St George Church Rose Bay. A reception of 300 guests followed at the Shangri-La Hotel. **Marina-Portia** is the daughter of **George & Sophia Anthony** of Brisbane and eldest grandchild of the **late Peter Comino**, Past President, and his wife **Helen**. **Scott** is the son of **Bryan and Ghislaine Wharton** of Brisbane. The happy couple enjoyed a month long honeymoon in Tahiti and Paris.



Congratulations to **Alexandros Liris** and **Vicky Cassimaty** who were recently married at St Johns Orthodox Church, Parramatta.

Koumbaroi were **Bill & Tina Petrovski**. A reception was held at Doltone House, Sylvania Waters.

Alexandros is the eldest son of **George & Panagiota** of Kingsgrove, while **Vicky** is the youngest daughter of **Pipitsa & the Late Theo Cassimaty** of North Parramatta.



“Na Zisete” to all our couples.



Engagements

Congratulations to **Andrew Micos**, son of **Mike & Margaret Micos** and his fiancée, **Panayiota Christou**, on their engagement. KALA STEFANA

Christenings



Congratulations to **George & Helene Roins** on the christening of their daughter **Athena**, at St Nectarios Greek Orthodox Church, Burwood. **George & Sylvia Arronis** were the Godparents. A lovely luncheon followed at Dedes Restaurant, Sydney Rowing Club, Abbotsford. Proud grandparents are **Sam & Athena Roins** and **George & Evelen Dracos**.

Births



Congratulations to **Garry & Nikoletta Hatzis** on the birth of their son **Michael**. Proud grandparents are **Chris & Pat Feros** of Mosman and **Michael & Effie Haggis** of Seaforth. **Michael** is the second great grandchild for **Cecil & the late Katina Paschalis** and 12th great grandchild for **Electra Sofianos**.

Congratulations to **George & Angela Haifa** of Casula on the birth of their first child, a daughter named **Marissa**. Proud grandparents are **John & Maria Travassaros** of Carlton, and **Chris & Maria Haifa** of Casula.

Birthdays 90th

Arthur Jenkins of Kensington celebrated his 90th birthday on 22nd February 2007 together with his wife **Yiannoula**, daughters **Maria, Shirley and Helen** with a beautiful afternoon tea held at his home in Kensington. About 40 family and friends gathered to help **Arthur** celebrate this milestone occasion. It was a wonderful afternoon enjoyed by all. A second dinner celebration was held at Giovannas Italian Restaurant in Kingsford a few days later with 30 other family and friends. A great night was enjoyed by all.

Arthur received letters of congratulations from:

1. John Howard, Prime Minister of Australia
2. Kevin Rudd, Federal Opposition Leader
3. Peter Garrett, local Federal Member of Parliament
4. Morris Iemma, Premier of NSW
5. Her Excellency Professor Marie Bashir, Governor of N.S.W.

Na Ta Ekatostisis!





Kytherian 4WD & Recreation Club Club Kotsobolyo (News)

Upcoming Event

Turon Gates Weekend Away Camping or Cabin Accommodation 13th, 14th, and 15th April 2007

It's on again. Come along and join us for what is a great weekend away. Great fun for all the family. You do not need a 4WD to be part of the fun.

For anyone who has thought about going camping but didn't feel confident this is your chance to try something different.

Our committee are there to help out if needed.

Here is your chance, just do it, your kids will love it and so will you !!!!!

This trip has been run for the last 8 years and has been a fantastic success every time. Come and join us in April, 2007.

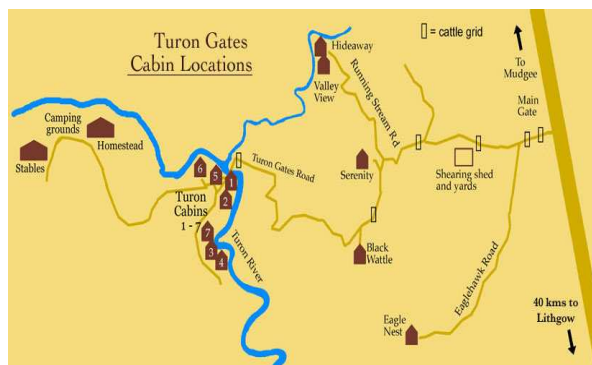
Website: www.turongates.com

Telephone: (02) 6359 0142, Cabin Bookings (02) 9969 3818

Address: Turon River, Capertee, New South Wales, 2846

How to get to Turon Gates:

At Lithgow turn right towards Mudgee. Turn off to the left just past Capertee. Refer Map below; Travel time is around 3 hours and can be travelled by conventional vehicles.



Camping: \$22 per car per night.
Additional \$6 per trailer.

Cabins: Minimum Charge per Cabin
\$360 - \$480 minimum charge.

Cabins must be booked in advance.
Cabins to be booked and paid for directly on phone (02) 9969 3818. No booking required for camping however first get the best spots.

Please contact any of the committee members below if you are coming.

Committee Contacts

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**Books & CD's for sale -
can be purchased from the
Kytherian Association of Australia:**

- *History of Kythera* by Peter Vanges \$30
- *The Greeks in Queensland-A History from 1859 to 1945* by Denis A Conomos (RRP \$49.95)
- *Journey to Kythera* CD-ROM for Apple Mac
ActionPoints@hotmail.com or 0417 590 194]
- *Katsehamos and the Great Idea*
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**The deadline for articles is the 23rd of
each month.**

**Greek Dancing
Classes**

**TERM 2 Friday Nights
27th April - 29th June
2007**

Matraville High School cnr
Anzac Pde & Franklin Sts,
Matraville.

Class Times:

Infants	7.00pm-
7.45pm	
Primary	7.45pm-
8.30pm	

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**JOKE: Living Will**

While I was watching football this weekend, my wife and I got into a conversation about life and death and the need for living wills.

During the course of the conversation, I told her that I never wanted to exist in a vegetative state, dependent on some machine and taking fluids from a bottle.

She got up, unplugged the TV and threw out all my beer.

(Courtesy of Father Ted Poteres, Indiana USA)