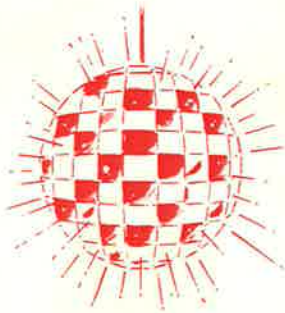


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President's Message



On behalf of the management committee, I would like to extend to you all a very warm welcome to our 52nd. Annual Ball. In particular we would like to express our appreciation to our distinguished patrons and guests of honour, in accepting our invitations to attend this evening's function.

It is customary for us, at each annual ball to offer a donation towards some other charity or cause, which, in particular has come to our attention during the preceding year, and which in our opinion, is most definitely worthy of support. The Sub-Normal Children's Home at Lakemba, here in Sydney, is without explanation such a cause. Our efforts therefore this evening will be directed towards this deserving institution which has served its particular area of endeavour very well, and overcome many difficulties over a number of years.

Even though our resources and capabilities are of course limited, mainly by the fact that we must support as much as possible and many institutions and associations which come to our attention, and which we feel are able to assist, even in some small way. We will this evening endeavour to assist as much as we are able, from the proceeds of this evening's function, this deserving cause. In accordance with this we would like to welcome the ladies and gentlemen here this evening from this institution, who have been able to attend this function, and assist us.

Every two years our two main sub-committees, the Ladies' Auxiliary, and the Youth Group, step down prior to , and are re-formed after, the biannual election of the management committee, or board of trustees. 1974 has so far been fairly active, not only in the re-formation of the two sub-committees but also in the appointment of delegates from these two committees, who are members of the board and who are able to give us a greater unity throughout our association. This we feel is a great step towards the overcoming of a great difficulty which can beset, not only institutions and associations such as ours, but even companies and groups everywhere, and that is the 'lack of communication'. No matter how efficient an organisation may appear to be, its work will be rapidly eroded if there is no effort made towards internal communication and co-operation. We feel, as a committee, that this year we have taken positive steps in these directions.

During the past year, the Ladies' Auxiliary has held many successful functions, and of a wide appeal, from fashion parades and displays, to luncheons, picnics, and to bowling days for the children. All of which were successful in their main aims.

The Youth Group, of course, is always successful. Its functions appear to be moving from strength to strength, with each successive function attracting more and more young people. The success of the unity among, and numbers of, our young people, are the backbone and future of our association, and the fruition of our works.

In conclusion, on behalf of the committee, I would like to express our gratitude to all persons responsible for this evening's success.

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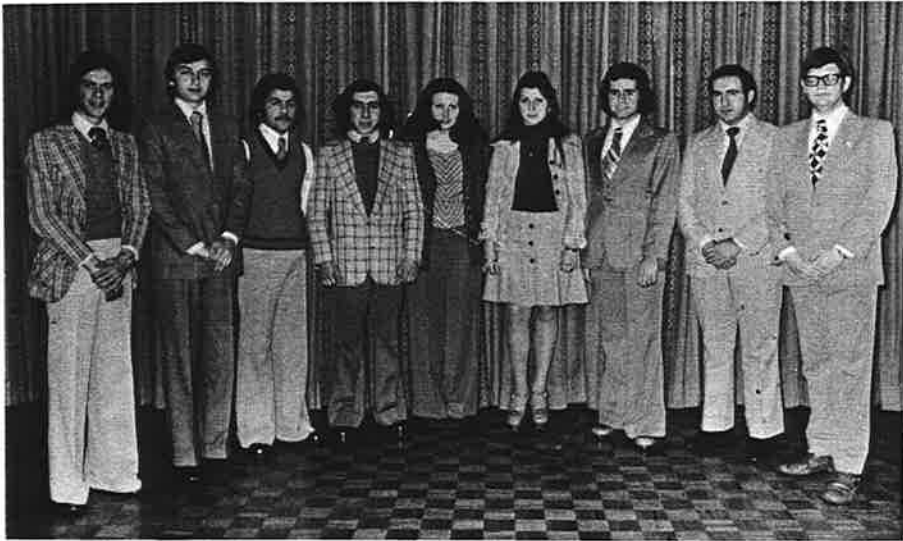
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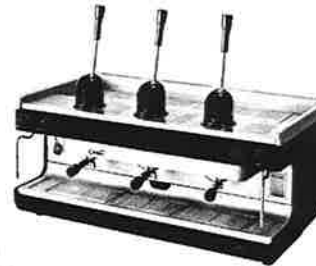
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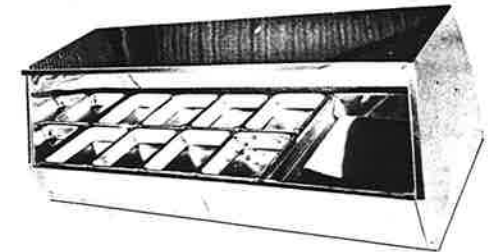
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9.40 p.m.	Dancing
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IMPRESSIONS OF KYTHERA

(Kytherian Brotherhood Secretary, Andrew Coroneo, an Australian-born Greek, spent several months in Greece and Kythera, and here relates his short impressions)

Despite the wide variety of experiences to be encountered on the Greek mainland, from breathtaking ruins to Cosmopolitan cities, the highlight of the trip started when I ventured off the beaten track of Tourism, to the Island of Kythera.

Why? Because it was a very satisfying experience to settle down there for a few weeks, and re-establish the links of an Australian-born Greek with the island of his heritage. Many Australian-born Kytherians think they are "not very Greek at all". This is a pity. Greek-Australians with this attitude are losing a great deal of the meaning of life. One's family origins are really inescapable, so why not accept them, and develop an understanding, and a pride in one's forbears and traditions. A visit to Kythera certainly will expose many links with the past, which strike a strong emotional response.

Kythera is an island, small and isolated. This is fundamental to an understanding of its history and character. Although we who live in a vast continent or a vast metropolis dream of islands as a paradise or a refuge from the stress and strain of modern living (which many islands, including Kythera, certainly are), islanders born there "want to get off". As we know, in essence, this has been the modern history of Kythera — the massive drift of population to Australia, to the U.S.A. and more recently and perhaps more significantly, to that quite dreadful conurbation, Piraeus—Athens. There has been a continuing, serious drift of population away from the island. Naturally, this has resulted in a shortage of young people and income-earning occupations of Kythera. Also, very significant, there is a shortage of capable local officials in Kythera, who can be entrusted to protect the welfare of the remaining population, the interests of "part-time" Kytherians such as we in Australia, and the villages and the island itself.

The "Kinotites" have long since failed to function as representative welfare bodies, with the result that many valuable aspects of village life are slowly (and in many cases, since the advent of the bulldozer, rapidly) disintegrating.

In this atmosphere of neglect, foreigners have come in increasing numbers, usually as low-budget tourists, sometimes as permanent settlers. The result has been that many people expect that a big tourist boom is just around the corner. Quite a few influential people are agitating for hotels on the foreshores, vehicular ferry boats and bigger harbours, jetties and aerodromes. The supporters of this policy point out that this will create new jobs and new wealth. But, of course, it will mean the destruction of old values and traditions. Already, new buildings are being erected, entirely out of character with the traditional architecture of the island. Roads are being built indiscriminately, simply because the Government has authorised a "Kondili", and very often for no better reason. The devastation caused by some of these roads is unbelievable, but nobody raises their voice to object. Not many people care for the history of the island. The opponents of rapid development say that more hotels and roads will mean more tourists and that this will force up the cost of living for the locals.

To be fair, there is some worthwhile development taking place — for example, the Gerokomio, the hospital (very well-equipped and well-run, despite various controversies which continue to rage over its administration) and the new Nikokiriki Sholio, which promises great things for the development of the island cottage and handicraft industries. A number of younger residents (some born in Australia) are striving to re-establish weaving and embroidery and basketmaking and many other handicrafts long since forgotten.

One last broadside before I go back to earning a living again. It is aimed at all those Kytherians who have property in Kythera. Property of any kind, anywhere in the world, means a responsible attitude towards its ownership.

Unfortunately, due perhaps to the absence of any taxes on land in Kythera, many houses and agricultural holdings have been allowed to degenerate to the point of worthlessness. An acutely embarrassing aspect of this is that a large number of "owners" have beneficiaries living in Australia. The local Kytherians, many of whom want to purchase land to improve their own standard of living, resent the "absentee landlords" who will not (or cannot, because of inheritance complications) sell land to willing buyers. Are you one of those persons who may be neglecting their duties to the very land of your origin?

I suppose I should end my short impressions on a friendly note. All Kytherians, especially those who have never been to Kythera, should see Kythera as it is now. The opportunity to do so may not last very much longer. The greatest tragedy would be if Kythera were to be "discovered" by more non—Kytherians. I urge you all, young and old, in the words of Elia Kazan: "Go, you, go". Kazan meant them for Greeks destined for America. I mean them for Greeks destined for Kythera. Go now, before it is too late to enjoy it. Life goes very quickly.

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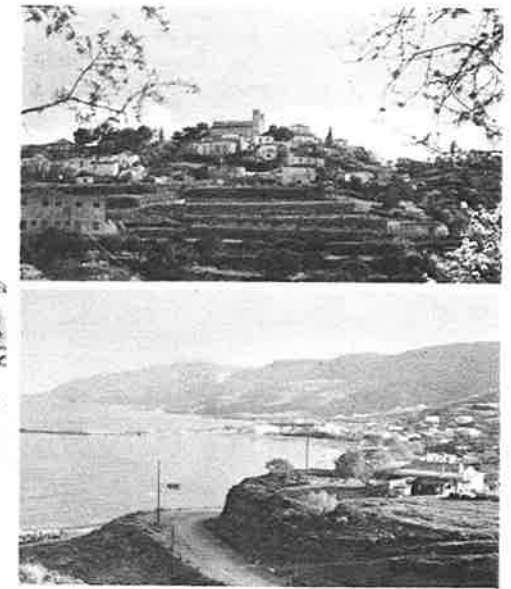
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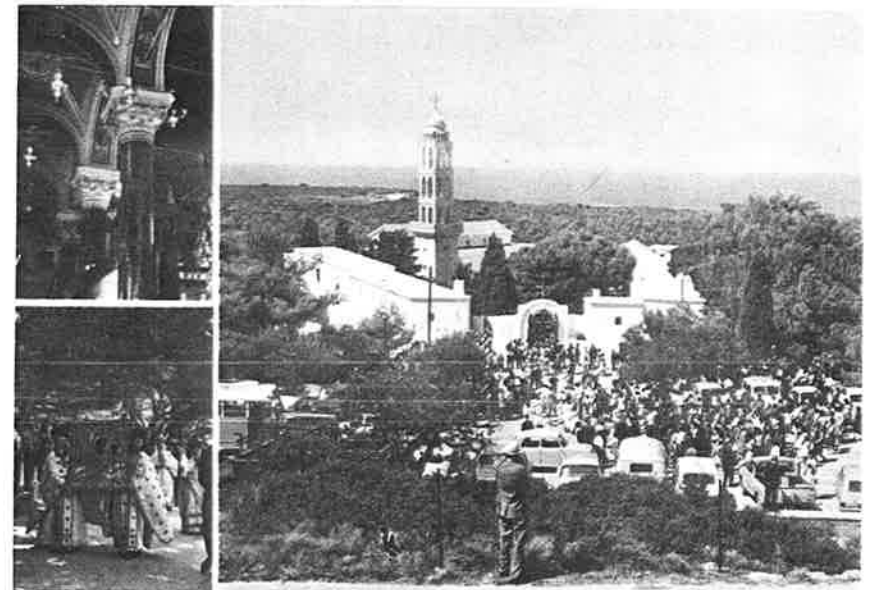
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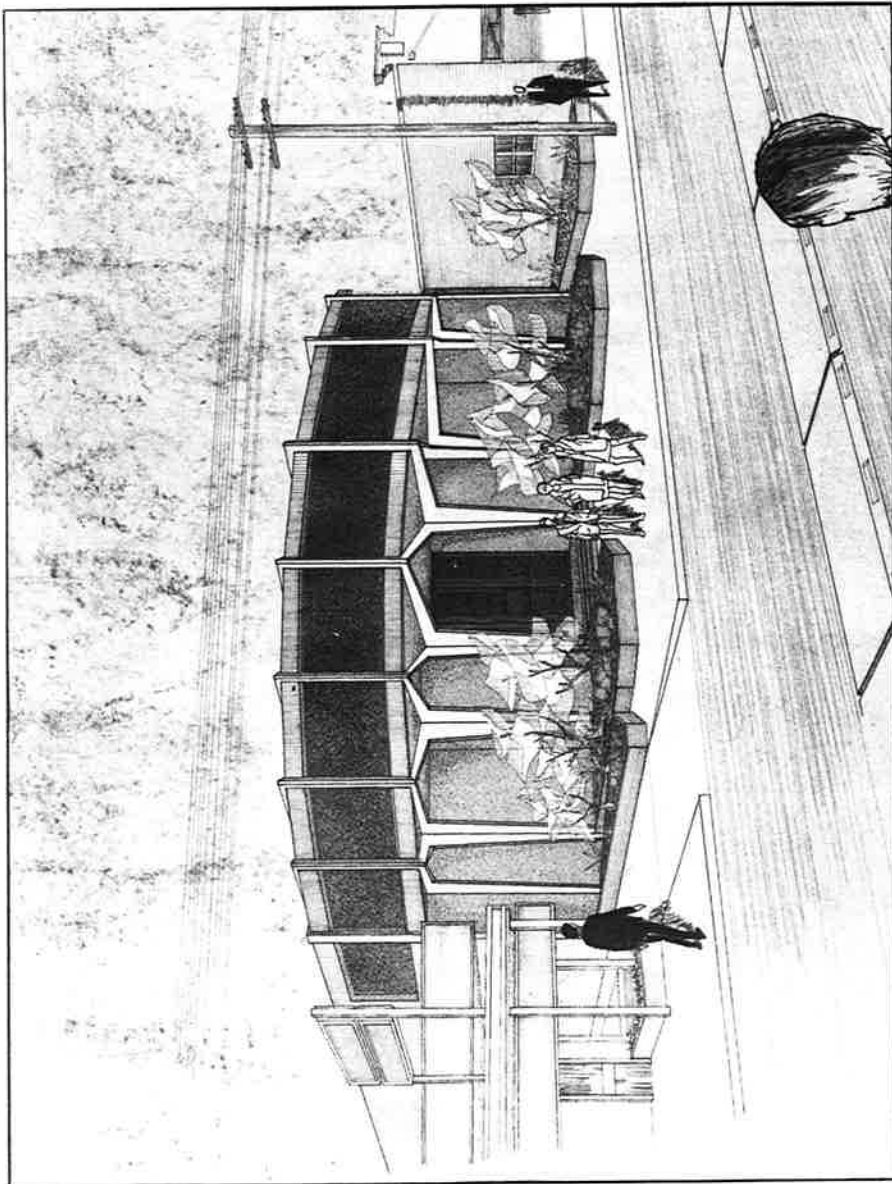
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Jim chose, as his project to design a Kytherian House. He approached the Committee of the K.B.A. for their permission, and he was set a time limit of seven weeks by the university.

Jim has now given the K.B.A. a set of plans and these will be on view for all Kytherians to see at a later date.

The Committee of the Kytherian Brotherhood of Australia heartily congratulate Jim Conomos, and feel deeply honoured that a young Kytherian (born in Australia) feels so strongly about the building of a Kytherian House and is doing his utmost to make the dream of all Kytherians come true.



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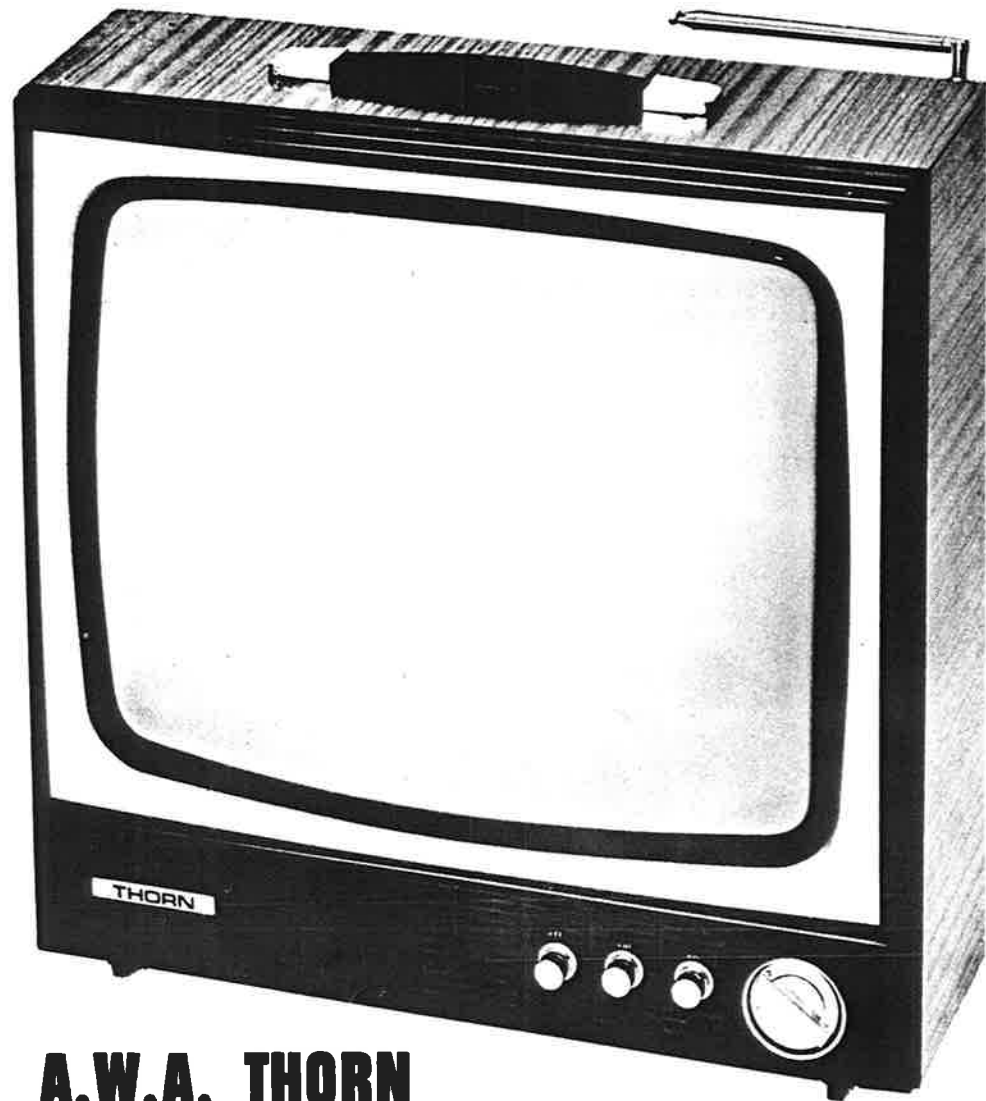
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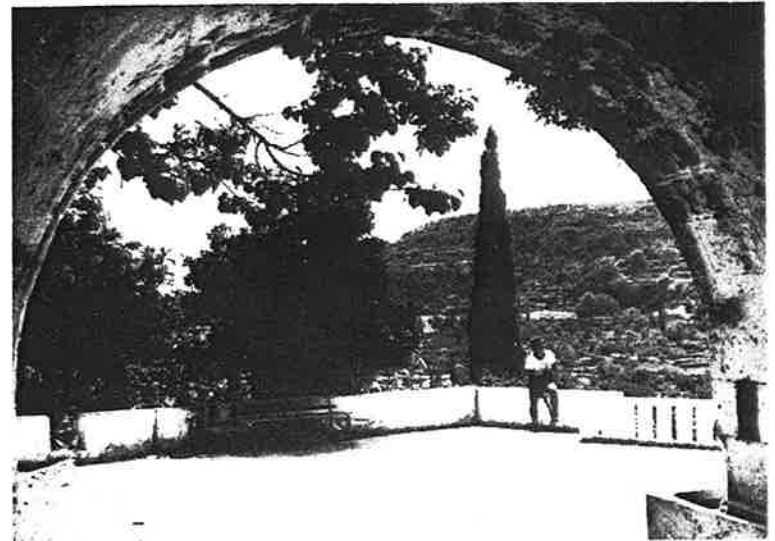
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