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## Welcome! Merħba!

Welcome once again to another issue of Reskeon Newsletter.

Spring is around the corner and we wait for this time of the year after a very cold winter this year.

On Thursday, August 9, Reskeon Maltese Association Seniors Group organised the Father's Day Luncheon at Firenze Receptions, Fawkner. This was well-attended. Music was provided by DJ Tony and all members and friends enjoyed the day and complemented the organising of this event and the food and the way we were looked after by the owners and staff of Firenze.

On Wednesday, July 18, Ms Dorothy Campbell visited our Group to give a talk on Elder Abuse. Our members found this talk very interesting.

Fr Dr Victor Shields, mssp, recently was on a visit to Melbourne from Malta. He found the time to visit us and celebrate a Mass for our members.

On Thursday, May 27, a group of members and friends of our Association enjoyed a day across the border to Mulwala. With a stop for morning tea at Negambie, we travelled North to spend three hours at the Club including lunch at La Porchetta. All enjoyed the day.

Every year the Committee organise a restaurant day at Roxburgh Park Hotel. This year this was held on Thursday, June 7. As always the venue was the best and the food was excellent. Members always look forward for this outing.

The main function of our Association, without a doubt is the Feast of Maria Bambina, which Reskeon organise every year on behalf of the Fathers of the Missionary Society of St. Paul. On Thursday, September 6, there will be a Mass at St. Paul's Chapel, next to the Maltese Centre, Parkville. On Saturday, September 8, there is the Bambina Dinner Dance at Firenze Receptions and on Sunday, September 9, the Bambina Feast at St. Mary, West Melbourne. More information on this page. Please book a table with family and friends to the Dinner Dance and support our Association. We always keep the price very low compared with others and we would love to see a lot of you. Your support is greatly appreciated. Attend the Church celebrations as well.

You can read these stories in full on the inside pages of this newsletter. We encourage you to use the services of the advertisers in our Newsletter because they help financially in producing it for you. Tell them that you have seen their advert in our Newsletter.

Until we meet again, take care and drive carefully. In your prayers, remember those with no one to pray for them. Thank you.

**PAUL VELLA, Editor**

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## Father's Day Luncheon, a great success



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## IN SEPTEMBER WE CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF MARIJA BAMBINA

**Thursday, September 6:** There will be a Mass at 7.00 pm, at the Maltese Centre, Parkville. This event is organised by Reskeon Maltese Association on behalf of the Missionary Society of St. Paul. Light refreshments in the foyer of MCCV organised by Reskeon. The Australian Xaghra Assoc. hold their Mass at the Maltese Cultural Centre, Albion on September 7.

**Saturday, September 8:** On this day, our association is organising the Vittoria Dinner Dance at Firenze Reception Centre (see advertisement on this page). As always this event is very popular and tickets will be selling fast. **We would like to see a great number of Reskeon members attending. Bring your friends with you and organise a table — Please support our association.** For full information and bookings, phone — **President, Salvina Vella 9460-4404 Mobile 0409 961 928.**

**Sunday, September 9:** At St. Mary's Church, West Melbourne. Rosary at 3.00 pm. Immediately after, there will be a Mass (with The Maltese Choir of Victoria) followed by a procession (weather permitting) with the statue of Our Lady accompanied by the Maltese Own Band Philharmonic Society. This will be followed by Benediction. Everyone is invited to attend all these functions and let us be united as one Maltese Community. Be there and take part. As in every year Reskeon Maltese Association organises the Feast of Marija Bambina on behalf of the Fathers of the Missionary Society of St. Paul.

## MALTESE NEWS on SBS 2 TV

**Every Thursday, 8 am  
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## Reskeon Maltese Association Seniors Group Vittoria Dinner Dance at FIRENZE RECEPTIONS

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## Għal min jippreferi jaqra' bil-Malti...

*Naf li hafna jixtiequ jaqraw xi haġa bil-Malti f'din li Newsletter u allura se nippruvaw nagħtu xi dettalji fil-qosor.*

### L-IKLA GĦAL JUM IL-MISSIER

Il-Hamis, 9 ta' Awwissu, kellna l-Ikla Għal Jum il-Missier fil-Firenze Receptions fejn 113 membri u hbieb attendew. Kull min kien hemm kulhadd ha pjaċir. Magħna kien hemm il-Konslu Ġenerali ta' Malta fil-Victoria, Ms Joanna Pisani u Miriam Cassar, kif ukoll reġa' kienu magħna Dr Clemente Zammit u s-Sinjura tiegħu, Mary.

### TAHDITA FUQ L-ABBUŻ FUQ L-ANZJANI

Nhar l-Erbgħa, 2 ta' Lulju, kellna żjara minn Ms Dorothy Campbell li tatna taħdita dwar l-abbuż fuq l-anzjani. Tkelmet fuq kif membri tal-familja jistgħu jabbużaw lill-ġenituri jew lin-nanniet tagħhom fejn iħajruhom ibiegħu id-dar biex jakkwistaw il-flus huma u hafna abbużi differenti.

### QUDDIESA MINN FR DR VICTOR SHIELDS

Nhar l-Erbgħa, 2 ta' Ġunju, Fr Dr Victor Shields, waqt żjara f'Melbourne minn Malta, gie Merrilands Community Centre u ċelebra Quddiesa għall-membri tagħna.

### HARĠA GĦAL MULWALA

Grupp ta' membri u hbieb hađu sehem f'harġa għal Mulwala nhar il-Hamis, 27 ta' Mejju. Kellna waqfa f'Negambie għal kika te' jew kafe u mbagħad bqajna sejr in lejn Mulwala fejq qattajna tliet siegħat b'ikla għand La Porchetta li kienet imħallsa fil-prezz.

### IKLA F'ROXBURGH PARK HOTEL

Kull sena il-kumitat jorganizza ikla f'Roxburgh Park Hotel għall-membri li dejjem ikun issussidjat bin-nofs. Kellna numbru sabih li attenda u kulhadd ha pjaċir speċjalment dawk li qatt ma kienu marru jeklu hemm.

### IL-FESTA TAL-BAMBINA

Kull sena, ir-Reskeon Maltese Association Seniors Group jorganizzaw il-Festa ta' Marija Bambina, għan-nom tal-Patrijiet tas-Socjeta' Missjunarja ta' San Pawl. Nhar il-Hamis, 6 ta' Settembru jkun hemm Quddiesa fil-Kappella ta' San Pawl, hdejn iċ-Ċentru Malti, fis-7 pm. Imbagħad il-Hadd, 9 ta' Settembru jkun hemm il-Festa tal-Bambina fil-Knisja ta' St. Mary, West Melbourne. Ikun hemm Quddiesa fit-3 pm, Barka Sagrimentali u wara, jekk it-temp jippermetti, ikun hemm purċissjoni bis-sehem tal-Maltese Own Band. Imma s-Sibt, 8 ta' Settembru, Reskeon ikollhom il-Ballu tal-Festa, fil-Firenze Receptions, Fawkner. Nisperaw li hafna mill-membri jattendu kemm għall-ballu u anki għall-Festa. L-avviż ta' dan kollu ssibuh Pagna 1.

*Rapporti bl-Ingliz flimkien ma' ritratti fuq dan li għadna kemm thadditna fuqu ssibuhom f'faċċati ohra ta' din li Newsletter. Sakemm nergħu niltaqghu darb'ohra, insellmilkom u ngħidilkom "Sahha"!*

— Paul Vella, Editur

## Fr Dr Victor Shields celebrated Mass

On one of our meetings, June 13, Fr Dr Victor Shields, MSSP, visited our Group to say Mass while on a visit from Malta.



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Merrilands Community Centre, Cnr. Asquith and Sturdee Sts, Reservoir



## Talk on Elder Abuse

On Wednesday, July 18, Ms Dorothy Campbell, visited our members to give us a talk on Elder Abuse.

Around 120 members were present.

The main points about elder abuse which Ms Campbell talked about were:

Elder Abuse is any act which causes harm to an older person and is carried out by someone they know and trust such as family or friends.

Elder abuse includes emotional abuse, financial abuse, social abuse, neglect, physical abuse and sexual abuse.

It is estimated that 2 - 7% of older people (over 65) in the community suffer abuse.

There is a wide range of ways that older people may be abused.

And there is no one way of dealing with abuse. No 'one size fits all' solution.

Financial abuse is 40 - 50% of the work of Seniors Rights Victoria.

Most often the abuse is by an adult son or daughter.

Seniors Rights Victoria provides a free, confidential support and help service for older people dealing with abuse.

Services include our helpline, free specialist legal services, short term support and advocacy and community education.

Interpreters will be provided if needed and there is no charge.

The phone number is 1300 368 821.

Our members stayed very attentive to this talk and Ms Campbell was pleased by them and the number attended.

The Group plans to have more talks of interest and of benefit to our members.



## Jenny Mikakos MP

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**Congratulates Reskeon Maltese Association and Reskeon Seniors Group on their ongoing work amongst the Maltese Community**

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## Another Father's Day Luncheon... enjoyed by all!

The Reskeon Maltese Association Seniors Group celebrated Father's Day with a Luncheon at Firenze Receptions, Fawkner, on Thursday, 9th August. Around 112 members attended.

Pre-drinks and hors d'oeuvres were served while members entered the hall and were seated at the tables. Secretary, Paul Vella, was MC for the day. He greeted all those present and the distinguished guests: Fr Edwin Agius, MSSP Rector at Parkville; The Consul General for the Republic of Malta in Victoria, Ms Joanna Pisani and Ms Miriam Cassar from the Consulate Office, Honorary Life Members of Reskeon Maltese Association Seniors Group, Dr Clemente Zammit and Mrs Mary Zammit; MCCV Treasurer for 53 years and Reskeon's Honorary Auditor, Mr Paul Borg and Mrs Pauline Borg; Life Member and ex-President and ex-Co-Ordinator of Reskeon Maltese Association Seniors Group, Mr Caesar Vella and Mrs Phyllis Vella.

This was followed by the singing of the Maltese National Anthem and Advance Australia Fair, after which, the champagne bottles on the tables were opened and a toast offered to all fathers present. Then the meals were served. Entrée was a serving of fish with rice and vegetables, followed by a serve of Fusilli pasta with Bolognese sauce. The main course was chicken parmigiana and roast beef on each plate with roast potatoes and vegetables. Red and white wine, beer and soft drinks were served all day. Dessert was Cassata ice-cream and a fruit platter, followed by tea/coffee and continental cakes.

DJ Tony provided the entertainment. Members were on the dance floor all day dancing to his music. President, Salvina Vella, gave a short message for Father's Day and wished them a good day and asked to pray for the fathers who are no longer with us. Other messages were given by the Consul General Ms Joanna Pisani and Fr Edwin Agius, mssp.

Afterwards there was the reading of the birthdays and wedding anniversaries for those celebrating these events around this time.

Normally we have the presentation of trophies to the winner and runners-up of the Men's Bocce Competition. This year the competition was not run so no trophies were presented.

The function finished with the Reskeon Theme Song, music by the late Laurie Armato, lyrics by Dr Clemente Zammit.

A good day was had by all those attending this function. Thanks to President, Salvina Vella, who worked so hard to make this luncheon a very successful one. We would also like to thank the management of Firenze Receptions and their waiting staff for the way they looked after us.

Thanks to all those present and especially to those who helped set up flags, etc. before the luncheon.



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## RESKEON'S TRIP TO MULWALA

On Sunday, May 27, a group of 57 members and friends of Reskeon Maltese Association Seniors Group, enjoyed a day trip to Mulwala Ski Club.

The day was a fine sunny day. We left St Joseph the Worker Church carpark at 7 am. We stopped at Negambie with free morning tea/coffee with biscuits and cakes provided by the Group. Many members brought a lot of goodies with them to share with their friends.

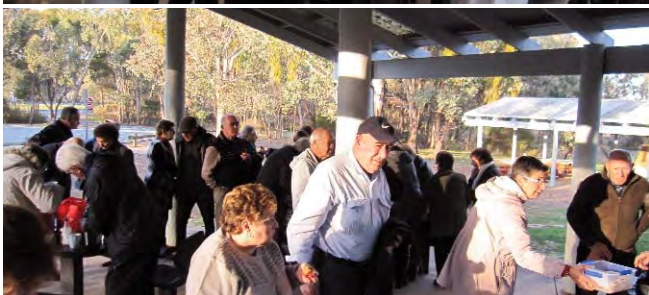
Buffet lunch of pasta and pizza was provided free in the price, at La Porchetta who looked after our members very well.

On the way back Coach Captain Nar, stopped us at a Walnut farm where members had the chance to purchase walnuts at a special price. We also stopped at SPC Factory Outlet where, again, members purchased a lot of items at very low prices.

Members were very good and very punctual on the coach when we were leaving each place. Well done!

As I always say "our members are the best"!!

Most members asked for a similar outing soon.





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## FORTHCOMING EVENTS...

### Mark these dates in your diary!

**September 6:** Bambina Mass (Parkville)

**September 8:** Vittoria Dinner Dance (Firenze)

**September 9:** Bambina Feast (St. Mary's, West Melbourne)

**October 3:** AGM at Merrilands Community Centre)

**October:** Day Out

**November 28:** Club Closing

**December 5:** Christmas Luncheon (Firenze)

## MASSES IN MALTESE

*For those members wishing to attend Mass in Maltese, we are publishing these times and locations.*

Every Saturday, at 6 pm:

**St. Paul's Chapel, Parkville (Maltese Centre)**

Every Sunday, at 8.00 am:

**St. Paul's Church, Sunshine Avenue, Kealba**

Every First Friday of the month, 6.30 pm:

**St Paul's Church, Glengala Road, West Sunshine**

Every First Saturday of the month, 6 pm:

**St. Joseph The Worker Church, Wilson Blvd, Reservoir**

Every First Saturday of the month, 4.45 pm:

**St. Joseph Church, Springvale**

Every Second Saturday of the month, 5.00 pm:

**St. Luke's Church, 1a David Street, Lalor**

Every Third Saturday of the month, 4.00 pm:

**St. Francis of Assisi Church, Childs Road, Mill Park**

Every Fourth Saturday of the month, 6.00 pm:

**St. Thomas More Church, 65 North Street, Hadfield**

*(Confessions about half an hour before Mass)*

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

**Consul General of Malta**  
**9670 8427**

**Maltese Fathers, Parkville**  
**9387 7433**

**Maltese Centre, Parkville**  
**9387 8922**

## Thank you!

Ms Rita Mee for helping with proofreading, **Dr Edwin Borg-Manche**, who takes care of the MCCV website for his help in advertising our activities, to **Mr Paul Borg**, Treasurer of the MCCV, for his ongoing help in auditing our books, to **Darebin City Council** and the **Victorian Multicultural Commission** for grants received, and to all those who help in organising the Bocce competitions. We also thank the some **Maltese Radio Stations** for advertising our functions and all those who assist us from time to time. Thanks also to the many members who give their help and assistance when needed.



**GEORGE ELLUL**

Brother of member Rose Borg

**GIOVANNA SAPIANO**

Mother of member Iris Sapiano

**RINNIE BORG**

Sister-in-law of members Joyce and Frank Borg

*Please remember them in your prayers*

**R.I.P.**

*If you live in the City of Darebin and you would like to become a member of Reskeon Maltese Association Seniors Group, phone the Secretary 9460-4404 or Mobile 0409 961 928*

*For enquiries about our Association please ring the Secretary, Paul Vella, 9460-4404 Mobile 0409 961 928*

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## Happy Birthday ...

**September:** 2: Vivian Micallef; 6: Charles Galea; 7: Yvonne Caruana; 8: Maria Bambina; 9: Frank Gatt; 11: Mary Vella; 16: 20: Carmen Mizzi, Lou Vella; 27: Cathy Gatt; 29: Ines Mifsud. **October:** 4: Lina Pulis, Doris Mallia; 5: Rosemary Vella; 6: Alfred Scicluna; 7: Samira Cassar; 8: Victor Pulis; 10: George Caruana; 17: Theresa Cachia; 19: Philip Debono; 21: Carmen Debono; 22: Joe Cutajar; 23: Mary Magro; 31: Sylvia Dakin. **November:** 2: George Agius; Joe Dakin; 10: Josephine Schembri; 13: Laurie Bartolo; 21: Tessie Vella; 22: Mittre Azzilla; 23: Iris Sapiano, Tonina Farrugia; 27: Rose Borg (Craigieburn); 29: Natalie Cutajar.

## Happy Wedding Anniversary ...

**September:** 1: Billy and Doris Dalli; 5: Carmen and Tony Grech; 8: Grace and Fred Muscat; 10: Joe and Maureen Dakin; 19: Helen and Lino Hammett; 27: Vince and Rose Borg. **October:** 5: Mary and Joe Pisani; 17: Joe and Grace Castillo; 24: Carmen and Phillip Debono. **November:** 6: Tereza and Alfred Scicluna; 10: Rose and Nino Angelone.

## Reskeon Maltese Association Seniors Group Inc.

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The group meets every Wednesday at Merrilands Community Centre, Asquith St, Reservoir, 9.30-2 pm.

**For more information Ring 9460-4404**

## SAINT GEORGE PRECA

Those receiving special favours through the intercession of Father George Preca, are requested to report this to:

The General Secretary, Society of Christian Doctrine, Blata l-Bajda, Malta

### Let us Pray

Lord, you called Dun George Preca to be a teacher and father to the young, and now you have numbered him with your saints in heaven. We thank you for this glory you have given him. We ask you to fill us with love like his: may we give ourselves completely to your service and to the salvation of mankind. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Grant we beseech Thee O Lord that Thou wilt glorify Thy humble servant who worked with so much zeal for the salvation of souls and that through his intercession it will please Thee to grant this favour.....



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## LUNCH AT ROXBURGH PARK HOTEL

On Thursday, June 7, a group of 95 members and friends of Reskeon Maltese Association Seniors Group, enjoyed a restaurant day, lunch at Roxburgh Park Hotel.

Members started to gather at the foyer at around 11.30 am and co-ordinated themselves very well when entering the restaurant.

As always food was the best and all members and friends enjoyed the afternoon.

Our members always enjoy an event like this where they meet friends and enjoy a good lunch.

This lunch was subsidised by Reskeon and members only had to pay less than half the cost.

Well done as usual to President, Salvina Vella, and her helpers on the committee for the way this event was organised. Congratulations to all the members as well.



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