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Welcome! Merhba!

Welcome once again to another issue of Reskeon Newsletter.

I would like to remind you of the Feast of Marija Bambina. See notice below. Please attend. I would like to encourage you as well to support our Vitorja Dinner Dance. Please organise a table.

The main event since we met was the celebration of the 35th Anniversary of Reskeon Maltese Association and the 15th Anniversary of the Reskeon Seniors Group. A Mass and free Lunch was organised on Sunday, 14th August where around 170 members attended. A good day was had by all.

The Seniors celebrated Father's Day with a Luncheon at Firenze Receptions on Thursday, 11th August.

The Seniors also organised a Luncheon at Roxburgh Park Hotel on the 14th July. This was enjoyed by all as well.

On 22nd May, Reskeon Maltese Association organised a Get Together for their members. A good number attended.

Two committee members from the Seniors attended a meeting with PRACE management at Merrilands Community Centre, where they meet every Wednesday.

You can read these stories in full on the inside pages of this newsletter.

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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

THE FEAST OF MARIJA BAMBINA

Thursday, 8th September, Mass at the Maltese Centre, 7 pm.

Vitorja Dinner Dance, Saturday, 10th September, Firenze Receptions, McBryde St, Fawkner, 6 pm.

Feast of Marija Bambina, Sunday, 11th September, St Mary's Church, West Melbourne, 2.30 pm.

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Reskeon celebrates Two Anniversaries



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ON Sunday, 14th August, Reskeon members celebrated the 35th anniversary of Reskeon Maltese Association and the 15th anniversary of the Reskeon Seniors Group with a free four-course lunch at the Maltese Centre, Parkville.

Close to 170 attended. The celebrations started with a Special Mass celebrated for us by Fr Dr Victor Shields, mssp, at St Paul's Chapel. Fr Shields was the instrument in the founding of our Association in 1976 and, during the Homily, he told us how it happened. The singing during Mass was lead by Manwel Farrugia, accompanied by his wife, Margaret, on the organ.

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The TV program from Malta "Waltzing Matilda" is televised on Channel 31 on alternating Tuesdays (twice a month) at 1.00 pm.

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RESKEON ICCELEBRAW ZEWG ANNIVERSARJI

Nhar il-Hadd, 14 t'Awwissu, ir-Reskeon iccelebraw il-35 anniversarju tar-Reskeon Maltese Association u l-15 Anniversarju tar-Reskeon Seniors Group fic-Centru Malti ta' Parkville. L-ewwel kien hemm Quddiesa fil-Kappella ta' San Pawl u wara kien hemm ikla ta' erba' passati b'xejn fis-sala tac-Centru. Madwar 170 membri attendew.

IKLA GHAL JUM IL-MISSIER

Ir-Reskeon Seniors Group iccelebraw Jum il-Missier b'ikla fil-Firenze Receptions. Numru sabih ta' membri attendew. Kulhadd ha pjacir. Matul din l-ikla saret prezentazzjoni ta' trophies ghar-rebbieha tal-Kompetizzjoni tal-Bocci, sezzjoni tal-irgjel.

LAQGA MALL-MANAGEMENT TA' PRACE

Membri tal-Kumitat tar-Reskeon Seniors Group attendew ghal laqga mall-management ta' PRACE, f'Merrilands Community Centre, fejn jiltaqghu ta' kull nhar t'Erbgha.

IKLA F'ROXBURGH PARK HOTEL

Ir-Reskeon Seniors Group kellhom ikla f'Roxburgh Park Hotel fl-14 ta' Lulju. Numru sabih ta' membri hadu sehem u hadu pjacir tant li aktar hargiet bhal dawn se jigu organizzati fil-futur.

"GET TOGETHER" TA' MEJJU

Ir-Reskeon Maltese Association organizzaw Get Together iehor, din id-darba fit-22 ta' Mejju. Numru sabih ta' membri attendew.

NIFIRHU BIT-TFAL TAGHNA

Ahna dejjem ghandna ghalfejn nifirhu bit-tfal taghna, jew ahjar, bit-tfal tat-tfal taghna. Naqraw fuq successi li kellhom Matthew Magro u Jade Vella.

Rapporti bl-Ingiliz flimkien ma' ritratti fuq dan li ghadna kemm thad-ditna fuq ssibuhom f'faccati ohra ta' din li Newsletter. Sakemm nergghu niltaqghu darb'ohra, insellmilkom u nghidilkom "Sahha"!

— Paul Vella

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

RESKEON SENIORS GROUP, Wednesday, October 5
Merrilands Community Centre, at 10.15 am

RESKEON MALTESE ASSOC., Sunday, October 9
Maltese Centre, Parkville, 2.30 pm

ONLY FINANCIAL MEMBERS CAN ATTEND



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Venue/Facilities Meetings at PRACE

PRACE is holding Venue/Facilities meetings at PRACE to make better the facilities for the groups using Merrilands Community Centre.

First meeting was held on May 30. Our Treasurer, Victor Pulis attended this meeting and offered his input to improve the use of Merrilands. This was after Paul Vella, Secretary, on behalf of the Reskeon Seniors Group, presented a letter of things that needed attention at Merrilands, such as safer tables and chairs, among other things.

Second meeting was held on July 25, which was attended by both Victor Pulis and Paul Vella. At this meeting, which was chaired by PRACE CEO, Mr Paddy McVeigh, was also attended by Darebin Council staff, Mr Benson Or, Health Officer; Environmental Health Services; Ms Nicola Johnson, Social and Community Development Officer; Ageing Communities Unit; and Ms Margherita Barbante, Acting Manager Libraries, Learning and Youth. Also from PRACE was Ms Maria Tomazos, PRACE Administration Officer.

Mr McVeigh told us about the things that took place since last meeting, such as carpets, painting, new fridge and freezer in the kitchen and new air conditioning. During this meeting, kitchen and food handling safety was discussed. Mr McVeigh offered that members of groups using Merrilands will participate in short courses on food handling run by PRACE.

Luncheon at Roxburgh Park Hotel

For this year's Restaurant Day, the committee decided on a change of venue. For a long time the committee was thinking about having a luncheon at Roxburgh Park Hotel.

Most of the committee has attended this beautiful venue on private visits with their families. So they were sure that the members would find this place as pleasant as they had.

Around 104 members attended this luncheon which was held on Thursday, July 14, at 12 noon.

As expected, this luncheon was a success and everybody enjoyed the fine food presented by the staff of Roxburgh Park Hotel in very pleasant surroundings. In fact, the committee decided to organise more restaurant days at this venue. Also with us was Fr Dr Victor Shields, mssp, who is on a three-month visit to Melbourne.

Organise a table for the
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We are proud of our young ones

I always say that we have to be proud of the achievement of our young ones.

Recently, Matthew Magro, son of Bernardine and Litzio Magro, received a Certificate III in Engineering-Mechanical Trade First Year "Outstanding Achievement" award on 21st July.

Matthew is the grandson of our committee members Victor and Lina Pulis, and Gerald and Melita Magro.

We wish him more success in the future.



Photo: (from left): Bernardine, Matthew and Litzio Magro.

LITTLE NINJA TO WARRIOR

Jade, granddaughter to Caesar and Phyllis Vella, started little ninjas at the age of 4 with her cousin Abbey and showed a flair for the art of Karate. Now 10, and provisional black belt, the youngest female Ishinryu student to receive this level has been drawn into competition Kumite with its technical skill and fast movements

Competing for the last 12

months, Jade is now representing the Victorian Karate squad and placed third at the National Karate Championships held in Caloundra, Queensland.

Jade is trained by Peter Hollowood at Mornington dojo and hopes through hard training and Peter's guidance to gain her black belt next year at age 11, to be the youngest female Ishinryu student to do so



Jade, first from the left, after the presentation of the medals.



Jade with her trainer Peter Hollowood

The May Get Together

A good number attended the May 22 Get Together at the Maltese Centre, Parkville.

These Get Togethers are being organised in the afternoon so that our members who finds it hard to drive at night and in the cold will be able to participate.

Members helped themselves to tea, coffee and biscuits on arrival. Nibbles were served later on. Those present enjoyed an hour-and-a-half Maltese drama on the big screen, before they were served a plate of pizza slices, along with a glass of wine and soft drinks.

Dessert was an assortment of cakes. Member Maria Cilia brought some "imqaret" she cooked herself for the enjoyment of all. This was followed by an English movie.

We apologise to those members who felt the cold in the hall as we couldn't provide heating because both doors were locked and there was no access.

All had a good time and thanks to those who organised the day and the food and to those who helped serving it.

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Readings were done by Paul Vella, Sally Bartolo and Theresa Cachia, while the Sacrificial Offerings were done by Victor and Lina Pulis, and Caesar and Phyllis Vella.

After Mass, all members went to the Hall of the Maltese Centre where they were seated at their respective tables.

MC for the afternoon was Vice-President, Mr Joe Cutajar. He welcomed all those present, especially the distinguished guests: Fr Dr Victor Shields, mssp; MCCV President, Prof. Maurice Cauchi and Mrs Agnes Cauchi; MCCV Vice-President, Mr Guy Deguara and Mrs Mary Deguara; MCCV Vice-President, Mr Victor Borg and Ms Lourdes Buttigieg; Honorary Life Members of Reskeon Maltese Association and Reskeon Seniors Group Inc., Dr Clemente Zammit and Mrs Mary Zammit; Life Member of Reskeon Maltese Association and Reskeon Seniors Group, Mrs Anne Gauci; Life Member of

Reskeon Maltese Assoc., Mr Laurie Bartolo and Mrs Theresa Bartolo; the Reporter and Cameraman of "Waltzing Matilda", Mr Joe Montebello and Mrs Mary Montebello; the Convenor and Broadcaster of the Maltese Programs, on 3ZZZ, Mr Emmanuel Brincat and Mrs Mary Anne Brincat. Apologies for not being able to attend were received from the Consul General of Malta in Victoria, Mr Charles Mifsud and Mrs Anna Maria Mifsud; MSSP Rector at Parkville, Fr Edwin Agius; Fr Denis Carabott, mssp; MCCV Hon. Treasurer, Mr Paul Borg and Mrs Nellie Borg.

The afternoon started by a brief history of Reskeon, delivered by President and Co-Ordinator, Caesar Vella. He spoke of the early days of Reskeon as well as the names of the first committee, with special mention of the late Mr John Gauci, first President and Mr Laurie Bartolo.

This was followed by a short speech by the President of the Maltese Community Council of

Victoria, Prof. Maurice Cauchi. He said that Reskeon was always one of the hard working associations in the Maltese Community.

A powerpoint DVD on Reskeon prepared for us by Dr Clemente Zammit, was run all afternoon on the big screen. Music was in the hands of capable DJ Mario Sammut "Moods Music".

It was good to see with us our member and friend Mr Edwin Baldacchino and his son, Joseph, who sang a few songs for us.

A four-course lunch was served: ante pasta, tortellini with Bolognese sauce, main course being roast chicken with roast potatoes and veggies, and dessert, Cassata ice cream. Red and white wine, beer and soft drinks were served all afternoon.

A special message for the occasion by the Prime Minister of Malta, Mr Lawrence Gonzi, and another message from the Leader of the Opposition, Mr Joseph Muscat, were read.

The afternoon finished by

the cutting of the Anniversary Cake that carried the logo of Reskeon. President Caesar Vella and his wife Phyllis, invited Mrs Anne Gauci, wife of the late Mr John Gauci, first President of Reskeon, to be alongside both committees of Reskeon Maltese Association and Reskeon Seniors Group around the table.

The event was filmed by Mr Joseph Montebello of "Waltzing Matilda" for the same program.

Thanks to all those who helped to make this event such the success it was, especially those who worked hard in the kitchen: Phyllis Vella, Salvina Vella, Sally Bartolo, Joe Galea and Madeleine Vella among others, especially those who helped as waiters and those who stayed behind to help with the cleaning.

Thanks also to all those members who showed appreciation to the committees who prepared this event which was provided free of charge to all.

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The History of Reskeon Maltese Association

23rd November 1976 (as delivered by President, Caesar Vella, during the Anniversary Lunch)

The Late Father George Xerri of the Missionary Society of St. Paul sent Father Victor Shields MSSP to help form a group of Maltese from the suburbs of East Reservoir and Keon Park.

A general meeting was held by Father Victor Shields on 23rd November 1976. Father Victor Shields explained to all those present the purpose of this meeting which was to establish a committee to bring together socially the local Maltese community and also to assist financially Malta House which is now known as The Maltese Community Centre in Parkville. Malta House was a Community Welfare Centre for the Maltese of Melbourne to give help in areas of Legal Aid, Social Welfare, Marriage Counselling and Education. Its main function was to improve the moral and living standards of the Maltese.

The first Committee Members in 1976 were: President: John Gauci; Vice President: Peter Chetcuti; Secretary: Rita Mee; Treasurer: Vince Azzopardi; Assist. Treasurer: Joe Cassar; Members: Joe Bartolo, Laurie Bartolo, Vince Vella, and Charlie Spiteri.

The Association was known as The Maltese Community of East Reservoir and Keon Park until 19th December 1979 when the President and Committee Members changed the name to Reskeon Maltese Association.

The Reskeon Maltese Association organises Social Functions, Picnics, Outings.

The three main events are: Jum il-Maltin; Vittoria Dinner Dance; Our Lady of Victories Feast.

Jum il -Maltin started in November 1980 at Wandong Park. This event became so popular that the Association after a few years had to find a bigger park, namely Clarke's Oval, at Sunbury. Year 2006 was the last of Jum il-Maltin as the biggest factor and drawback for all committee Members and helpers was old age.

The Vittoria Dinner Dance is held on Saturday before Our Lady of Victories Feast. At present this event is held at the Firenze Receptions.

Our Lady of Victories Feast is organised by the Reskeon Maltese Association and Reskeon Seniors Group on behalf of the Missionary Society of St. Paul. The feast is celebrated at St. Mary's Star of the Sea Church West Melbourne.

For a number of years the Reskeon Maltese Association and Reskeon Seniors Group were involved and helped financially the Good Friday Procession

In 1996 as the members were ageing it was decided to form a Seniors Group. It started with 45 members and grew to about 300 members. Seniors meet every Wednesday where they enjoy a game of bocce or bingo. The Association is now known as the Reskeon Maltese Association and Reskeon Seniors Group Inc. Every three months the Association publishes a newsletter for all members as well as for organisations overseas through different websites. Thanks to Paul Vella who is our P.R.O. and Editor.

Presidents over the years were the late John Gauci (25 years) George Scicluna, and George Colvin.

I would like to thank all committee members and helpers past and present for their support. It is with their hard work, dedication and commitment that the Association is as successful as it is today.



Messages for the Occasion from the Prime Minister of Malta and the Leader of the Opposition

Messagg mill-Prim Ministru, l-Onor. Lawrence Gonzi

Ghaziz Sur Vella,

Nirringrazzjak hafna ghall-messagg tieghek imma speċjalment grazzi talli ghogbok tibghatli kopja tal-ahhar pubblikazzjoni tan-Newsletter taghkom. Ippermettili niehu l-okkazzjoni biex nifirhilkom ghal dawn ic-celebrazzjonijiet ta' tlett anniversarji importanti.



L-ewwel nett, awguri minn qalbi lil Reskeon Maltese Association li qiegħda ticelebra il-35 anniversarju mit-twaqqif tagħha. Zgur li f'dawn l-ahhar 35 sena din l-Għaqda rnexxiela tikkontribwixxi bil-kbir biex il-wirt Malti jibqa' prezenti fil-komunita' tagħkom.

It-tieni nifrah lis-Seniors Group tal-istess Għaqda għac-celebrazzjoni ta' 15-il sena hidma li zgur ikkumplementaw dawk l-attivitajiet kollha li jsiru għall-beneficċju tal-membri tal-Għaqda kif ukoll tal-komunita' kollha kemm hi.

Wara kollox 200 u 300 membru rispettivament huma numru sabih u nittama li nkomplu naraw aktar membri ta' generazzjonijiet differenti jiehdu sehem attiv f'din il-hidma ta' volontarjat.

Infatti insellmilkom lkoll b'mod speċjali f'din is-sena li hi dedikata lil volontarjat li huwa tant importanti biex jitkattar il-gid komuni.

Fl-ahhar nett insellem u nirringrazzja lil min ilu 15-il sena jiehu hsieb il-pubblikazzjoni tan-Newsletter — servizz eccellenti li hu segwit minn tant persuni u familji kemm dawk li qed iġixxu fl-Awstralja kif ukoll dawk li għadhom Malta u jikkorrispondu magħkom. Servizz bhal dan izomm lil kullhadd aggnat bl-izviluppi, avvenimenti u ahbarijiet ta' interess.

Prosit u grazzi. Inselli għalikom ilkoll.

Lawrence Gonzi, Prim Ministru

Messagg mill-Onor. Joseph Muscat, Kap tal-Oppozizzjoni

Nibda billi nifrah lill-Assocjazzjoni Maltija ta' Reskeon f'dan l-anniversarju sabih, hamsa u tletin sena wara t-twaqqif tagħkom.



L-irwol ta' Assocjazzjoni bhal dik tagħkom huwa importanti hafna. L-għaqda fost il-komunita' Maltija fl-Awstralja huwa għan li għandna naħdmu lkoll biex nilhqu. Nifhem li huwa inevitabbli u mehtieg li intom tintegraw ruhkom b'mod shih fil-hajja soċjali tal-komunita' tagħkom fl-Awstralja. Izda huwa daqstant iehor importanti li zzommu qawwija l-għerq Maltin u Għawdxin tagħkom.

Huwa f'kuntest bhal dan li tispikka l-hidma ta' Assocjazzjoni bhal dik tagħkom. Jinhtieg li naghmlu bhala mira tagħna dik li nsahhu u ngeddu dak li jgħaqdad lilkom il-komunitajiet Maltin fl-Awstralja, u dak li jgħaqdad lilna u lilkom u li jagħmilna lkoll gens wiehed.

L-impenn tal-Partit Laburista Malti kien minn dejjem, għadu u jibqa' dak li jissahhu r-rabtiet politici, ekonomiċi u kulturali bejn Malta u l-Awstralja. Bhala parti minn dan ix-xogħol irrdi nsahhu b'kull mezz il-hidma ta' kollaborazzjoni mal-komunitajiet Maltin u l-organizzazzjonijiet u l-assocjazzjonijiet tagħhom f'dan il-kontinent.

L-impenn tal-Assocjazzjoni Maltija ta' Reskeon li torganizza b'mod regolari sensiela shiha t'attivitajiet soċjali għall-membri tagħha u għall-Maltin ta' Vittoria huwa wiehed impressjonanti. Jispikka Jum il-Maltin li kif jixhed ismu, kien jum immirat esklussivament biex jgħorbor flimkien eluf ta' Maltin u Għawdxin li jiltaqghu u jifirhu flimkien f'ambjent tipikament Malti.

F'okkazzjoni bhal din inkun qed nonoqs jekk ma nirringrazzjak lill-membri tal-lum u lill-membri kollha tas-snin imogħddija tal-Kumitat ta' l-Assocjazzjoni tagħkom għax-xogħol imprezzabli li wettaq u li għandu jwettaq u inhegħgikom biex tissoktaw f'din it-triq. Nixtieq fl-ahhar insellem il-memorja tal-mibki Father George Xerri u lil Father Victor Shields, li kienu huma li hadu l-inizjattiva, hamsa u tletin sena ilu, biex welldu l-Assocjazzjoni Maltija ta' Reskeon.

Fl-ahhar nett insellem lilek u lill-għezzej kollha tieghek u nixtieq lilkom ilkoll l-isbah xewqat, hena u sahha.

Joseph Muscat, Kap ta' l-Oppozizzjoni, Mexxej Laburista

Reskeon Seniors Group celebrate Father's Day with a Luncheon

This year, as in every year, members of Reskeon Seniors Group celebrated Father's Day with a Luncheon at Firenze Receptions, Fawkner, on Thursday, 11th August.

Around 160 members attended. This was a good number considering the amount of members holidaying in Malta and others who were suffering with the flu.

When members entered the hall, pre-drinks and hors d'ouvres were served while they were seated at the tables.

MC for the day, Joe Cutajar, greeted all those present and the distinguished guests: Fr Dr Victor Shields, mssp; Honorary Life Members of Reskeon Maltese Association and Reskeon Seniors Group, Dr Clemente Zammit and Mrs Mary Zammit; the Vice-President of the Maltese Community Council, Mr Guy Deguara and Mrs Mary Deguara. Apologies were received from the Consul General of Malta in Victoria, Mr Charles Mifsud and Mrs Anna Maria Mifsud, who were in Malta; the Honorary Treasurer of MCCV, Mr Paul Borg and Mrs Nellie Borg; and Mr Edwin Agius, mssp.

After the singing of the Maltese National Anthem and Advance Australia Fair, lead by Edwin Baldacchino, 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, followed by penne pasta and lasagne with sauce. The main course was chicken and 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.

Mario Sammut and his Moods Music provided the entertainment for the day. Members were on the dance floor all day dancing to his music.

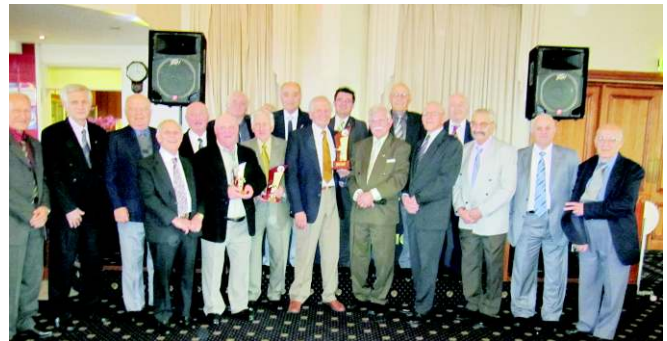
Co-ordinator Caesar Vella gave his special message for Father's Day.

Then there was the presentation of trophies for the Men's Bocce Competition. Winner was Angelo Farrugia, first runner-up, Richard Killeen and second runner-up, David Falzon.

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

A good day was had by all those attending this function.

Thanks to all those 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 look after us.



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- September 8: Bambina Mass (Parkville)
- September 10: Vitoria Dinner Dance (Firenze Receptions, Fawkner)
- September 11: Bambina Feast (St Mary's Church, West Melbourne)
- October 5: Reskeon Seniors Group AGM, Merrilands, 10.15 am
- October 9: Reskeon Maltese Association AGM, Maltese Centre, Parkville, 2.30 pm
- October 20: Day Out (Seniors)
- December 4: Christmas Break-Up (Reskeon, Parkville)
- December 7: Christmas Break-Up (Firenze) (Seniors)

* Ring Sam Caruana 9749-2005 or Phyllis Vella 9395-3103 with number attending
 These functions(*) are for members of Reskeon Maltese Association only

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Maltese Fathers, Parkville
9387 7433
Maltese Centre, Parkville
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With great regret we announce the death of our members' and friends' loved ones which occurred recently:

- GEORGE CAMILLERI**
 Brother of member Joe Camilleri
 - MARIA FARRUGIA-ROBERTS**
 Mother of member Mary Anne Brincat
 - POLLY BUTTIGIEG**
 Member of Reskeon Seniors Group and a great helper of the group
 - JOE ABELA**
 President of St Catherine's Association and Malta Gozo Concert Band
 - SAM BORG**
 Brother of our Hon. Auditor Paul Borg
 - GIUSEPPINA STILLITANO**
 Sister-in-law of Tony and Mary Stillitano
 - MARY CRANE**
 Sister of member Dolly Agius
 - FRANCIS DEMANUELE**
 Father of member Pauline Fenech
 - KARMNU BARBARA**
 Brother-in-law of member Mary Barbara
 - JOHN VITALI**
 Member of Reskeon for many, many years
 - LAURIE CHETCUTI**
 Cousin of member Cathy Gatt
 - LAWRENCE ZAMMIT**
 Ex-member of Reskeon Maltese Association and Reskeon Seniors Group
 Ex Com. Member of Reskeon Seniors
 Cousin of member Joe Pisani
 Friend of member Iris Sapiano
 - SOLERO XUEREB**
 Ex-President Maltese Own Band
 - GEORGE FENECH**
 Cousin of member Felicia Bartolo
- Please remember them in your prayers**
R.I.P.

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 **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.

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, 7 pm:
Resurrection Church, 51 Gum Road, St. Albans West
- ★ Every First Saturday of the month, 6 pm:
St. Joseph The Worker Church, Wilson Blvd, Reservoir
- ★ Every Second Saturday of the month, 5.15 pm:
St. Luke's Church, 1a David Street, Lalor
- ★ Every Third Saturday of the month, 6.00 pm:
St. Thomas More Church, 65 North Street, Hadfield
- ★ Every Fourth Saturday of the month, 5.00 pm:
St. Francis of Assisi Church, Childs Road, Mill Park
 (Confessions about half an hour before Mass)

Reskeon Maltese Association Committee

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 Yvonne Caruana
 Charles Zammit
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Happy Birthday . . .

September: 1: Benny Zammit; 4: Emmanuel Agius; 6: Charles Galea; 7: Yvonne Caruana, Mary Killeen. 8: Maria Bambina; 11: Mary Vella; 12: Mose Vella; 20: Carmen Mizzi; 22: Marlene Ciantar; 24: Mary Stillitano; 26: Cathy Gatt; 29: Ines Mifsud. **October:** 4: Mary Spiteri, Lina Pulis, Doris Mallia; 5: Rosemary Vella. 7: Samira Cassar; 8: Victor Pulis; 10: Charles Calleja, George Caruana; 17: Theresa Cachia; 19: Phillip Debono, Mary Camilleri; 20: Joe Gauci; 21: Carmen Debono; 22: Joe Cutajar; 23: Mary Magro; 25: Leli Calleja; 26: Joe Fenech; 27: Netta Azzilla; 31: Sylvia Dakin. **November:** 2: Joe Agius; Joe Dakin; 13: Laurie Bartolo; 15: Tessie Camilleri; 21: Charlie Verzin; 23: Iris Sapiano, Tonina Farrugia; 25: Fred Depares. 28: Rita Agius; 29: Natalie Cutajar, Elizabeth Camilleri; 30 Lina Camilleri.

Happy Wedding Anniversary . . .

September: 1: Margaret and Charles Verzin, Billy and Doris Dalli; 5: Carmen and Tony Grech; 8: Grace and Fred Muscat; 10: Mr and Mrs J. Dakin; 14: Mr and Mrs E. Brincat; 15: Jim and Jane Cutajar; 19: Helen and Lino Hammett, Tonina and Laurie Cassar, Charles and Frances Galea; 22: Mr and Mrs G. Colvin; 28: Mr and Mrs C. Calleja. **October:** 4: Mr and Mrs J. Pullicino; 5: Mary and Joe Pisani; 7: Mr and Mrs Joe Gauci; 13: Mr and Mrs F. Depares; 17: Mr and Mrs J. Castillo; 24: Carmen and Phillip Debono. **November:** 12: Mr and Mrs Salvu Bartolo; 24: Mary u Charlie Camilleri., Terrina u Joe Pace.

Reskeon Seniors Group Sub-Committee

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 Melita Magro
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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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