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Welcome! Merhba!

Welcome once again to another issue of Reskeon Newsletter.

A few weeks ago we had a visit by H.E. Dr George Abela, President of Malta and the Minister for Education, the Hon. Dolores Cristina. Members of Reskeon had the chance to meet them during this visit.

The President and Secretary of Reskeon Maltese Association, Caesar and Phyllis Vella, attended the 69th Anniversary of the Award of the George Cross to the People of Malta, held at the Shelter of Peace.

Paul and Salvina Vella along with Victor Pulis, attended the Grants Presentation by the Victorian Multicultural Commission at the Darebin Centre.

Reskeon Seniors celebrated Mother's Day with a luncheon at the Firenze Reception Centre, in Fawkner, on May 4.

Reskeon members and friends enjoyed a two-day trip across the border to Tocumwal and Cobram Barooga.

On April 20, Reskeon had their Get Together at the Maltese Centre and this time they invited as well the members of the Seniors Group. At this event we paid tribute to the late actress Vitorin Galea. In attendance was her daughter Norma Cristina, husband Joe, and members of the family.

Paul and Salvina Vella along with Victor and Lina Pulis attended the Darebin Health and Wellbeing Forum at Darebin City Hall on April 11. This was a very interesting forum.

Our members Laurie and Theresa Bartolo celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary.

Reskeon Seniors enjoyed a trip to Frankston and Mornington on March 10. This was enjoyed by one and all.

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

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Reskeon meets the President and The Hon. Dolores Cristina

During the recent State Visit of His Excellency Dr George Abela, President of Malta, and Mrs Margaret Abela, together with the Minister for Education, Employment and the Family, The Hon. Dolores Cristina, members of Reskeon Committee and members had the chance to meet and speak to them.

A reception was held in honour of the President and his contingent at Taylors Lakes Reception, on Wednesday, 23rd March.



On Thursday, 24th March, The Hon. Dolores Cristina met with members of Maltese Associations in the Boardroom of the Maltese Centre, Parkville.

Photo (from left): Caesar Vella, Phyllis Vella, H.E. Dr George Abela, President of Malta. Story continues on Page 2 with photo.

MALTESE NEWS ON SBSTV
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IZ-ZJARA TAL-PRESIDENT F'MELBOURNE

Ftit gimghat ilu kellna z-zjara tal-President ta' Malta. L-E.T. Dr George Abela u s-Sinjura tieghu, Margaret. Mieghu kien hemm ukoll il-Ministru tal-Edukazzjoni, l-Onor. Dolores Cristina. Membri tar-Reskeon kellhom ic-cans li jiltaqghu mall-President u jitkellmu mieghu.

L-ANZJANI JICCELEBRAW JUM L-OMM

Ir-Reskeon Seniors Group iccelebraw Jum l-Omm b'ikla fil-Firenze Receptions. Numru sabih ta' membri attendew. Kulhadd ha pjacir. Fjuri gew ipprezentati lil Joe u Rita Agius u lil Victor u Lina Pulis li kienu qed jiccelebraw il-50 Anniversarju taz-zwieg taghhom. Filwaqt li Cathy Gatt (winner) u Carmen Grech (runner-up) ircevev it-trophies tal-Kompetizzjoni tal-Bocci.

HARGA 'ACROSS THE BORDER'

Membri u hbied tar-Reskeon kellhom harga ta' jumejn *across the border*. Huma zaru Tocumwal u Cobram Barooga. Kellhom l-ikel u l-akkomodazzjoni mhallsa kif ukoll BBQ il-Hadd f'nofsinhar. Il-Hadd huma attendew il-Quddiesa fil-Knisja fil-qrib.

HARGA GHAL FRANKSTON/MORNINGTON

Ir-Reskeon Seniors Group kellhoma harga lejn Frankston u Mornington. Madwar 48 membri hadu sehem. Huma waqfu Frankston fejn hadu l-morning tea u mbaghad marru Mornington ghall-ikla ta' nofsinhar.

KOPPIJA JICCELEBRAW IS-60 ANNIVERSARJU

Koppja, membri tar-Reskeon sa mill-bidu tal-ghaqda, Laurie u Theresa Bartolo, f'it ilu ccelebraw is-60 Anniversarju taz-zwieg taghhom. Huma ccelebraw b'Quddiesa fejn regghu ghamlu l-weghdiet matrimonjali u wara b'ikla mall-familja.

CELEBRAZZJONI TAL-GEORGE CROSS

Il-President u s-Segretarja tar-Reskeon Maltese Association, Caesar u Phyllis Vella rispettivament, attendew ghad-69 Anniversarju tal-Ghoti tal-George Cross lil Malta. Phyllis poggiet fjuri fuq il-Monument tas-Shelter of Peace f'isem ir-Reskeon Maltese Association u r-Reskeon Seniors Group.

GHOTI TA' GRANTS MILL-VMC

Paul u Salvina Vella flimkien ma' Victor u Lina Pulis, f'it tal-gimghat ilu attendew ghall-prezentazzjoni tal-Grants mill-Victorian Multicultural Commission fid-Darebin Entertainment Centre. Huma attendew ukoll ghal Forum fuq is-sahha f'Darebin City Hall.

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



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Reskeon meets the President and The Hon. Dolores Cristina

During this meeting, the Minister answered questions raised from members of the Maltese Associations present. When she entered the Boardroom she stopped to speak to some of those attending the meeting. When our Public Relations Officer, Paul Vella, introduced himself, straightaway she mentioned the newsletter he sends her when it's published and said that she reads it all the time as she finds it very interesting.



From left to right, Salvina Vella, Paul Vella, Rita Zammit, The Hon. Dolores Cristina, Charles Zammit, Phyllis Vella and Caesar Vella.

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VMC Grants Cheque Presentation

On Wednesday, 16th March, there was a VMC Grants Presentation at the Grivellia Room, Darebin Entertainment Centre, St. George's Road, Preston.



The cheque was presented to Paul Vella, Secretary, Reskeon Seniors Group, by The Hon. Nicholas Kotsiras, MP, Minister for Multicultural Affairs and Citizenship.

The Presentation was run by Mr Michael van Vliet, Community Strengthening Manager, Victorian Multicultural Commission. Mr van Vliet, is always there when our Association asks for help and information.

Also present at the Presentation was the Hon. Craig Ondarchie, MP, State Member for the Northern Metropolitan Region.

A large number of associations, from Epping to Richmond, Brunswick to Whittlesea, were present and received their cheques as well.

After the Presentation, Paul Vella and Victor Pulis, Secretary and Treasurer respectively, of the Reskeon Seniors Group, posed for a photo with The Hon. Nicholas Kotsiras, MP.

The 69th Commemoration of the Award of the George Cross to the People of Malta

Reskeon took part in the Commemoration of the 69th Anniversary of the Award of the George Cross to the People of Malta.

This event was organised by the Maltese Australian Association at the Shrine and the Shelter of Peace, on Sunday, 10th April, 2011.

Caesar and Phyllis Vella represented Reskeon.

Secretary, Phyllis Vella, is pictured laying flowers at the Shelter of Peace on behalf of both Groups.



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Mother's Day Luncheon for the Seniors Group

On Wednesday, 4th May, Reskeon Seniors Group organised their Mother's Day Luncheon for their members.

This was held at the Firenze Receptions, McBryde Street, Fawkner.

Around 160 members and friends attended.

Members started to arrive at around 11 am and they entered the hall at 11.30 am where they were served with pre-lunch drinks and hors d'ouvres.

Co-Ordinator Caesar Vella welcomed guests and members and invited them to stand for the Maltese and Australian National Anthems.

After Champagne was poured into the glasses, Caesar asked all male members to be upstanding to offer a toast for all the Mothers on the occasion of Mother's Day.

The entrée of baked fish and rice and vegetables was served.

This was followed by a serve of lasagne.

Main Course was chicken and beef with vegetables on each plate.

Dessert was cassata ice-cream.

This was followed by a platter of fresh fruit.

Then tea and coffee was served along with Continental cakes.

The music on the day was in the capable hands of Mario Sammut of Moods Music. As usual, Mario kept all those present dancing on the floor most of the day.

Distinguished guests present were the Consul General of Malta in Victoria, Mr Charles Mifsud and Mrs Anna Maria Mifsud; Honorary Life Member, Dr Clemente Zammit and Mrs Mary Zammit; Vice-President of the Maltese Community Council of Victoria, Mr Gejtu Deguara and Mrs Mary Deguara; Honorary Treasurer of the

MCCV, Mr Paul Borg and Mrs Nellie Borg. Apologies were received from Fr Edwin Agius, mssp, Rector at Parkville, who was unable to attend due to other commitments.

Also present with us was the Waltzing Matilda Reporter and Cameraman, Mr Joseph Montebello and Mrs Mary Montebello.

Later in the day, Co-Ordinator Caesar Vella spoke a few words for the occasion. He wished all the ladies present a Happy Mother's Day, especially on the day when it's celebrated because they all deserve it. He also encouraged those members whose mother is no longer with us, to remember them in our prayers.

Then he invited the Consul General of Malta in Victoria, Mr Charles Mifsud to say a few words. He said that all mothers deserve a special day for what they provide to their families.

Members Lina and Victor Pulis, along with Rita and Joe Agius were celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary around this time, and they were called to the floor and were presented flowers to celebrate this great occasion. Another couple, Theresa and Laurie Bartolo were celebrating their 60th Wedding Anniversary during this time.

Then there was the presentation of trophies for the winner and runner-up of the Ladies' Bocce Competition which finished two weeks before this event. Caesar Vella presented the trophies to winner Cathy Gatt and runner-up Carmen Grech.

We thank those who helped in some way or another to make this day a very successful one. We thank all members for being present and enjoying the day together as one big family.

Thanks also to the management and waiting staff of Firenze Receptions for the way they look after us.

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Two excellent days across the border

A group of 45 members and friends enjoyed a weekend trip across the border.

On Saturday morning, March 5, those taking part were picked up from St Joseph the Worker Church carpark in Reservoir and another group from near Kmart.

We travelled north with a stop for free morning tea and biscuits at Negambie. Most members brought their own goodies and sweets to share around.

From there we continued our journey and stopped for Lunch at Tocumwal Golf Club.

In the afternoon we travelled to Cobram Barooga Golf Course Motel where we stayed overnight. Upon arrival everyone freshened up before travelling to Barooga Sports Club for dinner where we were served an excellent meal.

In the morning we were served a very hearty cooked breakfast in the dining room of the motel. The breakfast was one of the best with cereals, fruit, juice, bacon, sausages, toasts, tea and coffee - the lot. Thanks to the management of the motel who looked after us very well. The rooms were excellent as well.

Just after 9 am we left to attend Mass at the Sacred Heart Church, Yarrawonga. It's a lovely church with an excellent choir. The church was full. After Mass, we met the Celebrant, the Parish Priest, Fr Steve Bohan.

From there we stopped at the Yarrawonga Lake where all members and friends were served a free barbecue with steak, sausages and salads, wine and soft drinks.

Around 3 pm we boarded the coach and started the journey back home, with a stop for afternoon tea. We arrived at St Joseph the Worker car park at around 6.30 pm.

Coach Captain Terry looked after us very well and he was very helpful. On the other hand, all members and friends were very punctual and were on the coach at the times specified by Terry. Thank you, Terry.

Thanks to the organisers and those taking part.



Reskeon salutes actress Vitorin Galea

On Sunday, 20th March, Reskeon Maltese Association organised another Get Together at the Maltese Centre, Parkville. This was a special Get Together where they remembered the actress Vitorin Galea, and both groups were invited to attend.

Late last year, Vitorin's daughter Norma Cristina contacted Paul Vella through Lucy and Edward Fabri and their daughter Leenie, to organise a program in remembrance of her mother on the occasion of the 15th anniversary of her death. President Caesar Vella; agreed to incorporate this event in one of our Get Togethers.

Around 110 members attended, including Norma and her husband Joe, along with their large family living here in Melbourne. Tea and coffee and biscuits were served before the program started.

President and Vice-President, Caesar Vella and Joe Cutajar respectively, welcomed all those present, especially the Cristina family, and they explained the program for the day. Flowers were presented to Norma Cristina before nibblies were served on the tables. This was followed by showing a Biography of Vitorin Galea featuring her long career as an actress.

Then those present were served a meal of roast chicken, potato and vegetable, along with red and white wine and soft drinks.

The film "Il-Gagga", featuring Vitorin Galea, was shown after the meal. Then it was time for dessert, fruit and cakes.

The Cristina family were impressed by the way this program was organised. As always, this Get Together was provided free of charge to all members.

Thanks to all those who worked hard to make this event the success it was.



Photos: Top: some of those attending the event. (insert): the girls preparing the food. Above left, the presentation of flowers. Right: Ms Norma Cristina

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Celebrating 60th Wedding Anniversary

On Saturday, April 30, our members Theresa and Laurie Bartolo celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary along with their large family. Fr Edwin Agius, mssp, celebrated Mass where they exchanged their Wedding Vows once more.



They were married in the Sanctuary of Our Lady at Melleiha Malta, on the 6th May, 1951. Celebrant was Fr Vincens Xuereb.

Theresa and Laurie have four children, Charles, Tony, Vivienne and Joyce (deceased). They also have 16 grandchildren (two deceased) and 5 great grandchildren.

The Committee and members of Reskeon Maltese Association and Reskeon Seniors Group wish them all the best on this happy occasion and many more years together.

The Seniors' Mother's Day Luncheon



Photos: (Top): Rita and Joe Agius (left) and Lina and Victor Pulis (right) received flowers on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Behind them, Caesar Vella and Salvina Vella. Photo above: Presentation of the Ladies' Bocce Competition. From left: Salvina Vella, Carmen Grech (Runner-Up), Cathy Gatt (Winner) and Caesar Vella. Photo right: Mr Charles Mifsud, Consul General of Malta in Victoria during his Mother's Day Message. On right, Caesar Vella.



Reskeon members attend Darebin Health and Wellbeing Forum

Three committee members of Reskeon Seniors Group attended the Darebin Health and Wellbeing Forum held at the Town Hall of the Darebin City Council, on Thursday, 14th April, 2011.

Paul and Salvina Vella along with Victor Pulis attended the Forum. Victor was accompanied by his wife, Lina.

This Forum was a Community Health and Wellbeing Plan 2009-2013, one year on, to see how things were going.

After registration by those present, the Mayor of Darebin City Council, Cr. Diana Asmar, welcomed all those present and opened the Forum. This was followed by Cr Gaetano Greco and Melissah Morrison, Health Planner. Three Case Studies were presented.

After morning tea, it was time for the Guest Speaker, Marie McLeod, Department of Human Services. After discussion by each group at each table, there was a feedback session.

This Forum was very well organised.

After this we had the pleasure of meeting Ms Michelle Marinelli, Co-Ordinator, Ageing Community Unit, Darebin City Council. Michelle is always there when we ask for assistance.

Reskeon members posed for a photo with two Councillors. From left: Paul Vella, Cr Stanley Chiang (La Trobe Ward), Cr Gaetano Greco (La Trobe Ward), Victor Pulis, Lina Pulis and Salvina Vella.



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May 22: Get Together (Parkville)*

July 14: Restaurant Day (Seniors)

July 21: Day Out

August 10: Annual General Meeting (Seniors)

August 11: Father's Day Luncheon Reskeon Seniors Group (Firenze)

August 14: Reskeon Get Together and AGM (Parkville)

September 8: Bambina Mass (Parkville)

September 10: Vitoria Dinner Dance (Firenze Receptions, Fawkner)

September 11: Bambina Feast (St Mary's Church, West Melbourne)

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

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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Happy Birthday...

June: 3: Vivian Tabone; 7: Emily Depares, Fiona Cutajar; 17: John Saliba, Charles Magro; 22: Tessie Colvin; 25: Jane Cutajar, George Bezzina; 27: Tony Cassar; 30: Charles Caruana, Pauline Busuttill. **July:** 1: Frank Micallef, Charlie Camilleri; Emmanuel Brincat, Charlie Ciantar; 8: Mary Flattley; 26: 19: Melita Borg, Tonina Cassar; 22: Freddie Cachia; 25: Annie Scicluna; 30: Carmen Borg. **August:** 2: Salvina Vella (Reservoir), Fred Mifsud, Lino Hammett; 4: Mary Attard; 6: Salvina Vella (Coolaroo); 7: Edward Fabri; 11: Doris Farrugia; 12: Annie Gauci; 13: Godfrey Camilleri, Charles Camilleri; 16: Gejtu Vella; 18: Dolly Agius, Joe Scicluna; 20: John Hili; 23: Joe Agius; 24: Frank Mallia; 25: Sam Bartolo; 30: Manwel Mifsud; 31: Tessie Sacco.

Happy Wedding Anniversary...

June: 1: Doris and Charlie Farrugia; 5: Gwido and Jane Ciantar; 25: Gelard and Melita Magro; 27: Mary and Gejtu Vella. **July:** 7: Tony and Theresa Scicluna; 8: Doris and George Caruana; 10: Lucy and Edward Fabri; 15: Tony and Doris Debono, Joyce and Joe Scicluna; 16: Lisa and John Saliba; 19: Charles and Frances Galea; 27: Toni and John Hili; 28: Doris and Jim Galea. **August:** 7: Moses and Pauline Busuttill; 8: Joe and Julie Fenech; 11: Rita and Charlie Zammit; 14: Antida and Jim Galea.

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Thank you!

Ms Rita Mee for helping with proofreading; John Cassar, allmalta.com; 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.



With great regret we announce the death of our members' and friends' loved ones which occurred recently:

CARMEL JOHNSTON

Daughter of ex-member Guza Cassar

MARIA TANTI

Mother of member Victor Tanti

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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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Day trip to Frankston and Mornington

A group of 48 members of Reskeon Maltese Association and Reskeon Seniors Group enjoyed a trip to Frankston on Mornington on Thursday, 10th March.

The coach left St Joseph the Worker Church car park at 9 am and arrived at Frankston at 10.30 where members enjoyed a free cup of tea or coffee with biscuits and sharing all the goodies brought by members.

From there we headed to Mornington with a brief stop at the Bata Shoe Outlet where members bought their favourite shoes.

When we arrived at Mornington at around 12 pm some members stayed in the beautiful park where they enjoyed lunch they brought with them while others preferred to have lunch at a restaurant in the town centre.

At 4 pm members boarded the coach for the trip back, arriving at 5.25 pm

It was a good day enjoyed by all.



Ladies' and Men's Bocce Competitions at Merrilands

The ladies and men's members play Bocce at our weekly meetings.



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