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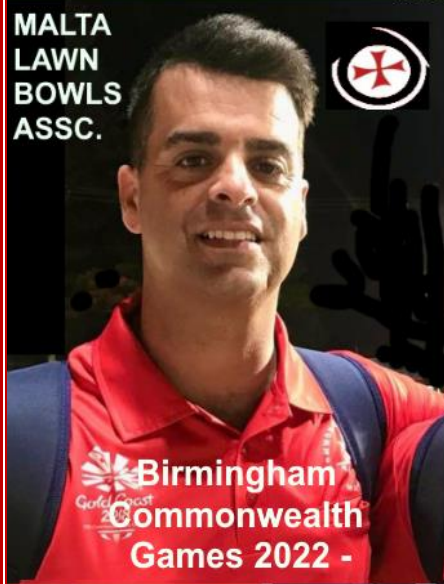
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High Commissioner Mario Farrugia Borg with members of the Maltese community of Adelaide - South Australia

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LAWN
BOWLS
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Shaun Parnis



**SENIOR
PODIATRIST**

Marie Hope

**Sir Gerald Strickland
(1861–1940)**

**Maltese
and British
Politician**



Prime Minister of Malta

**Citta' Nobilissima
di Malta**

VALLETTA





Kummissjoni Għolja tar-Repubblika ta' Malta High Commission for the Republic of Malta

Press Release 22/07/2022

High Commissioner of Malta visits South Australia

The High Commissioner of Malta for Australia and TheNew Zealand, H.E. Mr. Mario Farrugia Borg, visited South Australia from the 18 till 20 July 2022 to meet with relevant officials of the Government of South Australia and the various Maltese groups in Adelaide.

Throughout his visit, His Excellency was accompanied by our Honorary Consul Mrs Carmen Spiteri and her husband, Mr. Vincent Spiteri. On the first day of the visit, the High Commissioner was warmly welcomed by the Maltese community at a gathering of representatives from the Maltese Community Council of SA, the Franciscan Sisters, the Maltese Aged Care Association (SA) Inc., the Maltese Chaplaincy Festivities, the Maltese Community Radio Inc., the Maltese Guild of SA Inc., the Maltese Queen of Victories Band of SA, the Maltese Senior Citizens Assoc. SA Inc., and the Saint Catherine Society of SA Inc. at the Maltese Cultural Centre in Beverley.

The High Commissioner paid a courtesy call on Her Excellency the Honourable Governor of South Australia Frances Adamson AC discussing bilateral interests, including to achieve further contributions by the Maltese in South Australia, and enhance on the excellent relations and international co-operation between the two countries.

Moreover, His Excellency met with the Assistant Minister of the Premier of South Australia, Hon Emily Burke MLC and the Chief of Staff of the Minister for Multicultural Affairs, Mr. Peter Geytenbeek to discuss the possibilities for state grants for the Maltese cultural events organisations, emphasized on the possibility to have a stronger participation of Malta in the S.A. Australia Day Parade, and to include the Maltese language on official government forms.

The High Commissioner Mario Farrugia Borg held a meeting with former Honorary Consul of Malta in Adelaide, Mr. Frank Scicluna and his wife, Mrs. Josie Scicluna, to discuss the concerns of the Maltese in South Australia and provide information about the initiatives being taken by the High Commission. His Excellency also had the opportunity to record an interview on Radio Station 5 EBI FM with Mr. Ron Borg and Mrs. Bernadette Buhagiar from the Maltese Community Radio in Adelaide, where discussions included information about consular services offered by the High Commission, Consulates in Sydney and Melbourne, and Honorary Consuls, the Consul-on-the-Move (COTM) initiative and our bilateral relations with Australia.

Lastly, the Preca Community in Brompton organized a dinner event for the High Commissioner where he had the opportunity to meet the Brothers, associates, and family of the community. The High Commissioner showed his appreciation to the Brothers who selflessly work so hard to educate, and especially to instil good values and morals in the children and families who attend their centre.

**CONGRATULATIONS Frank
another wonderful newsletter
again, I will print out and keep
in the file with all the other editions
I Love going back & re-read articles.
Amazing work – so much appreciated
all the way from Queensland.
Take care – keep safe
and well and again,
my sincere thanks, always,
Marion from Brisbane**

The Visit of the High Commissioner Mario Farrugia Borg in South Australia



H.E. with the leaders of the Maltese associations of SA



H.E. with Mr and Mrs Scicluna



H.E. with the Governor of SA

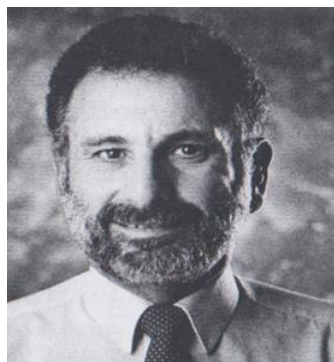


**H.E. at the radio station EBI fm
Carmen Spiteri, Bernadette
Buhagiar and Ron Borg**



**H.E. with Brothers of Precia
Community
Brompton SA**

PERSONALITIES OF MALTESE DESCENT



Eddie Micallef



Christian Zahra



John Aquilina

Eddie Micallef was the Victorian Member of Parliament of Maltese descent

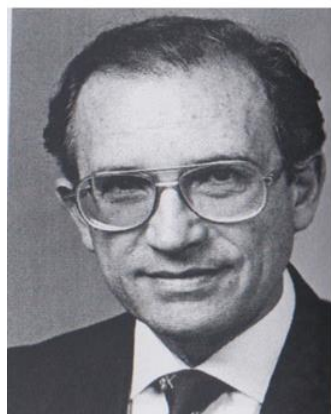
Christian Zahna was the first Maltese-born Federal Member of Parliament. He was also the youngest member in the Legislative

John Aquilina was the first Maltese-born to have been elected to any parliament and was also Minister for Education

Paul Zammit was the first politician of Maltese descent who was a member in both State of NSW and Commonwealth Parliament.

Frank Tanti was Queensland politician who brought down a government.

Carmel Baretta and Laraine Schembri - Authors of Mackay Maltese pioneers book *From Humble Beginnings 1883-1940*. The history of



Paul Zammit



Frank Tanti



John Cole



Victor Gauci

Carmel Baretta
and Laraine Schembri.

Victor Borg

Maltese families in Mackay, Queensland, Australia

John Cole was Minister for Emigration in the Maltese Parliament and a migrant himself in his later years

Victor Gauci was a High Commissioner in Australia who worked at Malta mission also a young official in the Diplomatic Corps.

Victor Borg was a Maltese solicitor and president of the Maltese Community Council of Victoria. Victor led and coordinated efforts in the building of the Maltese Community Centre at Parkville Victoria – *Ic-Centru Malti*

We are proud of our Maltese Achievers

SIR GERALD STRICKLAND



.Gerald Strickland, 6th Count della Catena, 1st Baron Strickland, GCMG (24 May 1861 – 22 August 1940) was a Maltese and British politician and peer, who served as Prime Minister of Malta, Governor of the Leeward Islands, Governor of Tasmania, Governor of Western Australia and Governor of New South Wales, in addition to sitting successively in the House of Commons and House of Lords in the Parliament of the United Kingdom.

Strickland was born in Valletta, the son of naval officer Commander Walter Strickland, from the ancient English Strickland family of Sizergh, and Maria Aloysia Bonici-Mompalao, the niece and heiress of Sir Nicholas Sceberras Bologna, fifth Count della Catena in Malta, whom Gerald succeeded in 1875. He was educated at St Mary's College, Oscott, and Trinity College, Cambridge (BA, LLB).^[1] Upon graduating, he was admitted to Inner Temple in 1887 entitled to practise as a Barrister-at-Law. He gained the rank of Major in the service of the Royal Malta Militia.

Elected in 1886 to the council of the government of Malta, Strickland began to take an active part in Maltese politics at an early age and in December 1887, he accompanied Dr. Fortunato Mizzi – founder of the Maltese Nationalist Party – to the first Colonial Conference in London to submit a scheme for a legislative assembly. The result was that the new Maltese Constitution of December 1887 was largely based on the joint Strickland-Mizzi proposals. In the following year, he was appointed as Assistant Secretary to Malta in 1888 and held the office of Chief Secretary of Malta in 1889, a post which he held till July 1902 when to avert more troubles in Malta which were created by his orders-in-council to increase taxation, he was appointed as Governor of the Leeward Islands in the Caribbean.

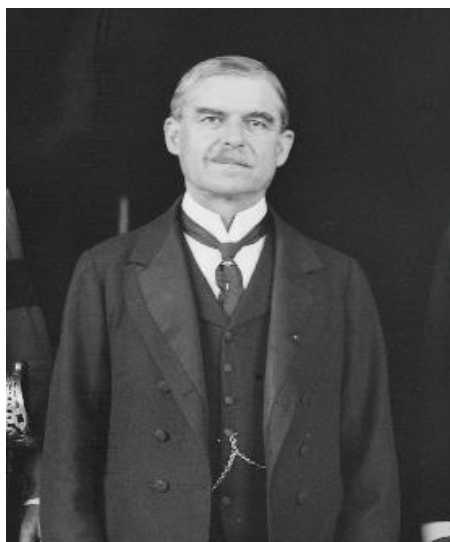
Sir Gerald and Lady Edeline Strickland left Southampton for Antigua in September 1902, and took up residence at Government House, St Johns on arrival.^[3] He was appointed as Governor of Tasmania in 1904, serving as such until 1909, and then as Governor of Western Australia from 1909 to 1913. In the early years consequent upon Australian Federation he was involved in the delicate matter of State rights and the developing nature of the appointment, role and salaries of governors. Appointed as Governor of New South Wales in March 1913, on 30 May 1913 he was made a Knight Grand Cross of the Order of St Michael and St George (GCMG).^[4] He was a supporter of the Eugenics Education Society.

In 1917, Strickland returned to Malta and, after the grant of Self-Government, formed the Anglo-Maltese Party in 1921, which soon afterward amalgamated with the Maltese Constitutional Party to become the Constitutional Party under his leadership. Strickland was the leader of the Opposition between 1921 and 1927. In 1924, he won the seat of Lancaster for the Conservatives in the United Kingdom House of Commons. He left the House of Commons in 1928 upon being made a peer

After the 1927 election, Strickland had a majority in the Legislative Assembly and became Head of the Ministry (the fourth Prime Minister of Malta) from August 1927 until

1932.^[7] Amongst the most important events of his government were the commencement of building works for St. Luke's Hospital in Gwardamangia and his clash with the Senate, which led to the issue of Letters Patent which curtailed its powers and his concurrent clash with the ecclesiastical authorities. On 1 May 1930, Sir Mauro Monsignor Caruana, Titular Archbishop of Rhodes and Bishop of Malta, and Mikiel Monsignor Gonzi, Bishop of Gozo, issued a pastoral letter, read in all the churches of Malta and Gozo. In it, Archbishop Caruana and Bishop Gonzi declared that whoever voted for the Constitutional Party and its former coalition partner, the Labour Party, committed a mortal sin. That year he narrowly avoided assassination.^[8]

This mortal sin was also committed by those who read Strickland's newspapers, printed by his Progress Press, namely the *Daily Malta Chronicle* and *Ix-Xemx*. He subsequently began publishing *Il-Progress* and *Il-Berqa*. The clash between the Catholic bishops and the Constitutional Party led to the suspension of the Maltese Constitution following consultations between the British Governor and London. Between July 1932 and November 1933, Strickland was again the leader of the Opposition.



**Sir Gerald Strickland
(1861–1940)**



**Prime Minister of Malta,
Governor of the Leeward Islands,
Governor of Tasmania,
Governor of Western Australia and
Governor of New South Wales,**



**Our Maltese migration history is impregnated
with untold stories of quiet achievers.**

Sliema monument for elderly COVID victims unveiled



A monument has been unveiled in Sliema in memory of the elderly victims of COVID-19.

The unveiling was made by President George Vella, who paid tribute to the victims and also underscored the hardship which elderly people had to endure at the height of the pandemic.

He urged society to find a way to strengthen its presence in the lives of the elderly.

The monument was set up on the initiative of the Maltese Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics.

President Vella observed how the two figures at the top of the monument are keeping their distance from each other, but they still want to keep in touch through their fingers. “Figuratively, one can also interpret this gesture as a source of intergenerational dialogue and to further raise awareness between the older and younger generations,” the president remarked. The monument is the work of artist Wallace Falzon and architect David Zahra.

WHEN A SAILOR SAVED A BOY, WHO GREW UP AND SAVED HIM BACK – ST. GEORGE PRECA



Courtesy of the Archdiocese of Malta
Kathleen N. Hattrup - published on 07/16/22

The boy became a saint, and a great devotee of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, whom he credited with his life and vocation.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel is beloved across Europe, but in Malta, devotion to her has been particularly strong for centuries.

There is one very well known story regarding the Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Valletta, Malta, and a Maltese native saint, St. George Preca.

On July 16, the feast day of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, when George was very young, he was walking on the edge of the seashore and accidentally fell into the water. He would most likely have drowned if it had not been for a boatman who was rowing some musicians across the harbor to participate in the celebrations taking place in the Carmelite Church in honor of Our Lady.

The boatman jumped into the water and saved the boy.

Years later, when George had become a young priest, he was walking by a nursing home when a nun informed him that one of the residents was passing away and a priest was needed to administer the Last Rites. The dying resident of the home was none other than the boatman who had saved little George many years before.

St. George became a Carmelite Tertiary and a great promoter of the Brown Scapular.

A curious detail about him is that he might have helped to inspire St. John Paul II's Mysteries of Light, because he had promoted five nearly identical mysteries just a few decades earlier.



ORDER OF MALTA

NEW MATERNITY WARD OPENED IN ZILING IN THE EXTREME NORTH OF CAMEROON



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Eight hundred births a year in line with health standards. This is the ambitious goal of the new maternity ward inaugurated last week in the Mayo-Tsanaga department, in the extreme north of Cameroon.

The new facility, which is part of the “Centre Rohan-Chabot de Ziling” integrated healthcare structure, was donated by the Order of Malta (costing 130 million Cameroonian francs = some 200 thousand euros). It has a delivery room, a two-bed monitoring room, a three-bed hospital room, a nursing room, an ultrasound room, a service room, a listening room, a laundry and a block of four bathrooms. A medical ambulance is also available for emergency transfers to intensive-care facilities. After the official inauguration on July 11, two baby girls were the first to be born in the new maternity ward. One of the two was premature and was transferred to the district hospital thanks to the new ambulance expressly provided for cases like this.

This northern region of Cameroon boasts the highest birth rate in the country, as many as 15 per family.

Hence the need for a proper obstetrics and gynaecology department, reducing the practice of home births.

The inauguration ceremony, held in the presence of the Order of Malta’s ambassador to Cameroon, Jean Christophe Heidsieck, local administrative and religious authorities, and the Minister of Public Health, Manaouda Malachie, was an opportunity to confirm the mutual gratitude and friendship between the Order of Malta and Cameroon. “The inauguration of this maternity ward was commissioned by the public authorities and accomplished with the decisive help of the Order of Malta in Cameroon. It certainly improves, in terms of quality and quantity, the technical support platform for pregnant women in particular, and the health of the population in the Mayo-Tsanaga department, and especially the Mokolo commune, in general.” There is a majority of nursing sisters in the new ward, now supported by four doctors supplied by the Cameroonian government through the Ministry of Public Health. The facility opened its doors in 1972 as a leper colony on the initiative of the Order of Malta; it was later transformed into a clinic, then a rehabilitation centre, and finally into a nutritional centre for young children from disadvantaged families. The Order of Malta is working alongside the Cameroonian public health system in the fight against cholera.

CONSUL ON THE MOVE PERTH VISIT 6 – 10 OCTOBER 2022

The Consul on the Move program will be visiting Perth at the Maltese Association of WA Centre, 1 May Holman Drive Bassendean, on Thursday 6 October, Friday 7 October, Saturday 9 October and Monday 10 October.

This program will enable the collection of biometric data for anyone requiring a new Maltese passport or the renewal of one.

Should you require this service please contact the High Commission in Canberra on (02) 6290 1426 to book your appointment. It is essential that you have an appointment for this service.

**Should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact
Joe Calleja, Honorary Consul WA, on 0433 821 214.**



FEDERATION OF MALTESE
LANGUAGE SCHOOLS INC

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FMLS Newsletter 2022-5

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FEBRUARY_MARCH **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT** We had a successful start to the scholastic year with the co-operation of the Faculty of Education, University of Malta. Professor Antoinette Camilleri Grima and Dr Jacqueline Żammit covered several topics. 15 teachers from the schools affiliated with the FMLS attended the series of lectures where they could share knowledge and contribute in a reciprocal manner to the pedagogy Maltese Language teaching.

SURVEY The new financial year has started, and I hope the first semester for your school has been successful. Attached is the usual snap shot survey form ,we send out each year in order to have figures at hand how much the learning of the Maltese Language is in demand by the Maltese Community in Australia. Please coordinators/principals responsible for each school/class fill in the attached excel form and send it back to the FMLS President.

FMLS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING The Annual General Meeting is planned to be held on ZOOM on Tuesday 13 September 2022 at 6.00pm. Please note this in your diary. The online meeting will save time and expense and we hope that all teachers can attend. This year, the following positions of President, Secretary and Treasurer on the FMLS Executive, will be

declared vacant. We welcome fresh faces on the FMLS Executive committee.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SESSION AFTER AGM Continued Professional Development (CDP) helps teachers be more effective in their work, stay interested, and most importantly increase their confidence. A great way forward which can be of benefit is when knowledge is shared. We have this opportunity to do so through this FMLS CDP session. Maltese Language Teachers are encouraged to share a presentation on ZOOM of some work they have collated that will assist other Teachers of Maltese, suitable for either k-18 or adult students . These presentation will be held after the AGM on ZOOM, and should not be more than 4 minutes long. A small gift token will be given to each presenter as an appreciation of their contribution to the CDP. Submissions of presentations are to be sent to the FMLS Executive Committee for approval a month before the date of the AGM to ensure that there is no duplication of topics and are relevant to the scope of professional development. These presentations will later be shared with other schools for their resource use. Presenters will be listed with authorship of their presentation. The CDP session will not last more than 1 hour.

SCHOOLS SUBSIDY A FMLS school subsidy of \$ 400 will be distributed after the AGM to each affiliated FMLS schools that were financial and operational in 2021/2022. On the 7th November 2021,the FMLS received a Grant subsidy from the Maltese Government. This grant will allow assist affiliated Maltese Language Schools and the FMLS to continue with its work in teaching and promoting the learning of the Maltese Language in Australia

Edwidge Borg PRESIDENT FMLS

The Establishment of the Federation of Maltese Language Schools in Australia



The Federation of the Maltese Language Schools of Australia was inaugurated at a meeting at the Malta High Commission in Canberra on Saturday, when delegates from New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia, Western Australia and Queensland unanimously approved the establishment of the federation after months of discussion and preparation.

The main objective of the federation is to coordinate the work performed by the Maltese language schools and to assist them in working together in the spirit of better coordination and cooperation so that the Maltese language and culture will continue to

9 August 2008,

grow and to reinforce the solid foundations of these institutions. The delegates expressed appreciation to the Maltese High Commissioner in Australia, Francis Tabone and to the convenor, Frank Scicluna, for their work and guidance in the founding of the federation, and for generating such interest in every state and region in Australia.

After the approval of the constitution of the federation, the first executive was elected as follows: president: Frank Scicluna (South Australia); vice-president: Edwidge Borg (Victoria); secretary: Lawrence Dimech (NSW); treasurer and public officer: Alfred Flask (ACT).

Community Languages Schools began in Australia in 1859. In NSW, over 36,000 students attend around 550 schools and are taught by almost 3,000 teachers in 62 different languages. Community Languages Schools are an important provider of language and culture education in Australia and rely on the dedication and hard work of communities, parents and teachers.

MALTESE FALCONS – MALTA LAWN BOWLS ASSOCIATION – WOLLONGLONG NSW



All the readers of the Journal of the Maltese living abroad wish every success to all the players who are participating in the Birmingham Commonwealth Games 2022.

The Editor



1749 Muslim slaves revolt in Malta

From Wikipedia

The **Conspiracy of the Slaves** (*Maltese*: *il-kongura tal-ilsiera* or *il-konfoffa tal-ilsiera*) was a failed plot by Muslim slaves in *Hospitaller-ruled Malta* to *rebel*, assassinate Grand Master *Manuel Pinto da Fonseca* and take over the

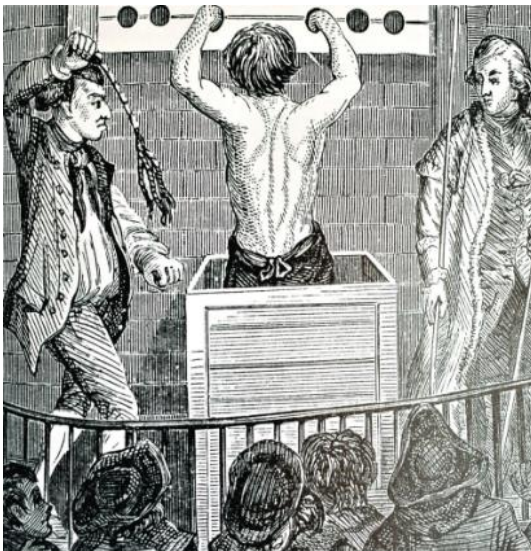
island. The revolt was to have taken place on 29 June 1749, but plans were leaked to the order before it began; the plotters were arrested and most were later executed.

In the mid-18th century, Hospitaller-ruled Malta enslaved around 9,000 *Muslims*. They were given freedom of religion, being allowed to gather for prayers.^[3] Although laws prevented them from interacting with the *Maltese people*, these were not regularly enforced. Some slaves also worked as merchants and at times were allowed to sell their wares in the streets and squares of *Valletta*.

In February 1748, Hungarian, Georgian and Maltese slaves on board the Ottoman ship *Lupa* revolted, taking over 150 Ottomans prisoner, including Mustafa, the *Pasha* (i.e. 'lord' or 'governor') of *Rhodes*. They sailed the captured ship to Malta and the prisoners were enslaved. Mustafa was placed under house arrest on the insistence of France due to the *Franco-Ottoman alliance* and was eventually freed. He converted to Christianity and married a Maltese woman, so he was allowed to remain in Malta.

Plot^[edit] Mustafa planned to organize a slave revolt on 29 June 1749. The day was the *feast of Saints Peter and Paul* (*Maltese*: *L-Imnarja*), and a banquet was to be celebrated at the *Grandmaster's Palace* in Valletta. Slaves were to poison the food at the banquet as well as within the *auberges* and other palaces.^[6] After the banquet, a small group of slaves would assassinate Grand Master *Manuel Pinto da Fonseca* in his sleep, while 100 palace slaves would overpower the guards. They would then attack the *Slaves' Prison* to free the remaining Muslims, while others were to attack *Fort Saint Elmo* and take weapons from the armouries. The *Ottoman Beys* of *Tunis*, *Tripoli* and *Algiers* were to send a fleet which was to invade Malta upon receiving a signal from the rebels.

Discovery and aftermath The plot was discovered on 6 June, three weeks before it was to take place. Three slaves had met in a coffee shop in Strada della Fontana (now St Christopher Street), Valletta, near the *Slaves' Prison*, to win the support of a Maltese guard to the Grand Master, and began



Flogging was used on slaves as punishment and to extract confessions.

to quarrel. The shop owner, a neophyte called Giuseppe Cohen, overheard them mention the revolt and reported this information to the Grand Master. The three slaves were arrested, and they revealed details of the plan after being tortured.

The leaders were subsequently arrested, and 38 of them were tried and executed. Some plotters converted and asked to be baptized just before being killed. One hundred twenty-five others were hanged in Palace Square in Valletta, while eight were *branded* with the letter *R* (for *ribelli*, 'rebels') on their forehead, and were *condemned to the galleys* for life. On the insistence of France, Mustafa Pasha, who was behind the revolt, was not executed but was taken back to Rhodes on a French vessel.

Consequences The house in Valletta which was given to Giuseppe Cohen as a reward for revealing the plot. Since 1773, the building has housed the *Monte di Pietà*. Plaque above the door of Giuseppe Cohen's house now in the storeroom of the National Museum of Archaeology.

Following the foiling of the plot, Grand Master Pinto reported the events to his ambassadors in Europe. Laws restricting the movement of slaves were made stricter. They could not go outside the city limits, and were not to approach any fortifications. They were not allowed to gather anywhere except from their mosque, and were to sleep only in the *Slaves' Prison*. They could not carry any weapons or keys to government buildings.

Cohen, who had revealed the plan, was given an annual pension of 300 *scudi* from the order's treasury and another 200 *scudi* from the Università of Valletta.^[7] Cohen was also given a house in Valletta, which had previously been the seat of the *università* until it moved to *new premises* in 1721. The house remained in the Cohen family until 1773, when they were given an *annuity* and the building was taken over to house the *Monte di Pietà*.

In literature The poem *Fuqek Nifhaddet Malta* ("I am talking about you, Malta"), an early example of *Maltese literature*, was written by an anonymous author some years after the attempted revolt.

In 1751, *Giovanni Pietro Francesco Agius de Soldanis* published *Mustafà Bassà di Rodi schiavo in Malta, o sia la di lui congiura all'occupazione di Malta descritta da Michele Acciard* about the conspiracy. He published it under the *pseudonym* Michele Acciard, an Italian who de Soldanis had met in his travels (although some documents suggest that Acciard was actually involved in its writing as well). The book caused considerable controversy since it attacked the order and argued for the rights of the Maltese. This resulted in it being banned in Malta, and de Soldanis had to go to *Rome* to defend himself in front of *Pope Benedict XIV*. He returned in 1752 and was forgiven by Pinto.

In 1779, *Pietro Andolfati* wrote a play about the revolt, entitled *La congiura di Mustafa Bassa di Rodi contro i cavalieri Maltesi: ovvero le glorie di Malta* (The conspiracy of Mustapha Pasha of Rhodes against the knights of Malta, or the glories of Malta).

PERSONALITIES OF MALTESE HERITAGE

MARIE HOPE - SENIOR PODIATRIST AND SHOE EXPERT



Hailing from the city of churches - Adelaide, Marie attained her Bachelor of Podiatry from the University of South Australia. Over the 16 years she has been practising podiatry, Marie has gained experience in a wide variety of podiatry settings ranging from high risk/diabetic foot focussed departments of public hospitals to private clinics. In 2015, Marie moved to Wagga Wagga with her now husband Matt, and also has some immediate family living locally. Marie is heavily involved in the MCUE football/netball club, reflecting that this is where she has gained the most comprehensive insight into regional living and the wonderful people that make the community so special.

Marie always had a keen interest in sport and helping people. Having experienced a lot of sporting injuries herself, and many sport injuries are lower limb related, she enjoys the opportunity being a podiatrist affords her to help others with similar afflictions. She takes great pleasure in helping athletes get back to their sports as soon as safely possible.

Her passion for helping others transfers to helping kids. "I hate to see kids having to sit on the side lines and not get involved because of a problem that is treatable." says Marie.

Marie is a Senior Podiatrist & Shoe expert offering services in Wagga Wagga & Leeton.

THE MALTESE E-NEWSLETTER

Pride & Joy 

Journal of the Maltese Living Abroad

I would like to tell you that I receive the SA Journal of the Maltese living abroad regularly. The varied information contained always amazes and educates me.

I always pass it onto new contacts and young people abroad.

Comments I received are quite favourable.

Mrs. Nancy M.A. Serg nee Borg OAM



Maltese Cycling Federation National Time Trial Championship 2022 Third race

Etienne Bonello and Marie Claire Aquilina of Team Greens win the main races

Etienne Bonello and Marie Claire Aquilina of Team Greens won the main races, on the last day of the National Time Trial Championship organized by the Maltese Cycling Federation. This was a double success for Team Greens as they had done on the first day. In fact, Etienne Bonello finished first in the Elite Category when he finished his race in a time of 02:28.64. After him came Pierre Borg of Mosta AF Sign Studio CC (02:33.10), while Matthew Dalli (Agones SFC (02:35.70) finished in third place. The Women's race resulted in one dominated by cyclists of Team Greens, where Marie Claire Aquilina finished in front in a time of 03:03.07, followed by her partner Diane Muscat (03:20.46), and Marquita Muscat of The Cyclist finished third (03:57.94).

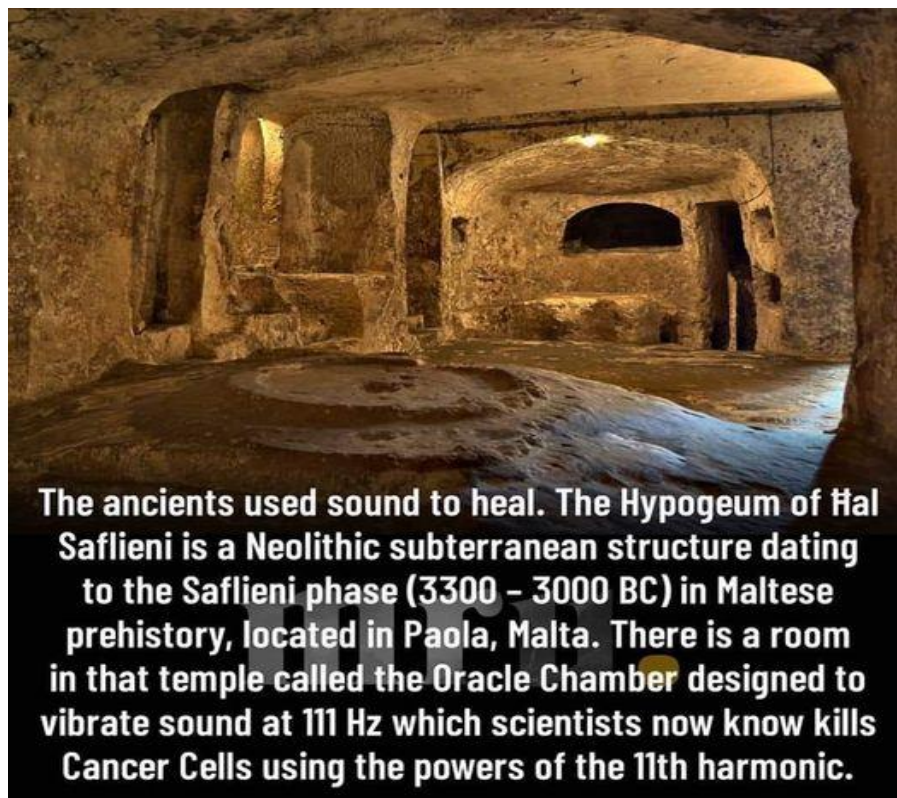
Stefan Scerri of Gozo CC won the Under 23 Category in a time of 02:31.76. Luke Borg of The Cyclist finished in second place (02:42.89) and the debutant Daniel Briffa of B'kara St Joseph finished third (03:24.39). Justin Gauci of Mosta AF Sign Studio CC won the Masters 40+ Category in

02:33.76. After came respectively Ivan Zammit of B'kara St Joseph (02:45.03) and Liran Ben Ari of Agones SFC (02:59.43). Mario Attard of Team Greens won the Masters 50+ Category in a time of 02:50.38.

Jacob Schembri of Mosta AF Sign Studio CC won the Junior Category again (02:31.15), while Ishmael Grima of Shamrock Stars finished first in the Under 16 Category in a time of 03:21.65. He was followed by Matthew Galea of Gozo Cycling Club (04:28.66).

The junior races were also held were in the under 14 category, Ryan Gatt of The Cyclist finished in first place (03:06.05). In the Under 12 Category, the winner was Liam Daly of Shamrock Stars in a time of 03:07.74. His teammate Niel Cassar (03:30.19) and Kia Debono of TriGozo (04:05.78) finished respectively. Nina Debono of Shamrock Stars finished first in the same Female category in 04:56.93.

At the end of this race, the medal awards were made by John Zammit and Joe Bajada, President and Secretary General respectively of the Maltese Cycling Federation.



The ancients used sound to heal. The Hypogeum of Hal Saflieni is a Neolithic subterranean structure dating to the Saflieni phase (3300 – 3000 BC) in Maltese prehistory, located in Paola, Malta. There is a room in that temple called the Oracle Chamber designed to vibrate sound at 111 Hz which scientists now know kills Cancer Cells using the powers of the 11th harmonic.

Maltese and Gozitans settled in some 194 countries (practically all the countries in the world) with a total diaspora of about 950,000.



MALTA'S POPULATION INCREASES BY 100 000 IN TEN YEARS

According to recent data released by the National Statistics Office, Malta has seen an increase of nearly 100,000 in its total population in the last decade, going from 422,509 in 2012, to 520,971 in 2021.

While having the lowest fertility rate in all of the EU, with 1.14 births per woman recorded in 2019, Malta continues to attract foreign workers with the number going up from 9,500 in 2009 to nearly 78,000 by the end of 2021.

INANNA A Dance With the Goddess of Malta

Joanne Camilleri - Toronto



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The goddess Inanna has roots as far back as the Neolithic era. Her worship was widespread in the prehistoric Mediterranean and Sumerian cultures, and Malta is particularly rich in ancient representations of her and sites devoted to her. In an attempt to save her ego Inanna mistakenly kills her sister's husband, instead of Gilgamesh (her past lover). To right this wrong, Inanna must admit her fault and beg forgiveness from her sister, the guardian of the underworld. As Inanna descends to her sister's realm, she is challenged to change her selfish ways at each of the 7 gates (which represent the chakras), increasing her enlightenment at each passage. When she reaches the underworld, her sister does not forgive her, and Inanna is killed.

Inanna is brought back to life, but for her to leave the underworld, someone must replace her. Damuzi, her current lover, proves to be unfaithful and is sent for six months of the year. When Damuzi and Inanna are apart—that is, in fall and winter—the land is infertile. When they are together—in spring and summer—the land becomes fertile and fruitful. This Sumerian myth parallels the Greek myth of Persephone and Demeter.

JOanne is an accomplished freelance performer, choreographer and instructor with over 20 years of experience in performing arts. Joanne is known as a pioneer of the fusion belly dance style. She is recognized for her unique style, charisma, and magnetic stage presence and signature technique.

Her passion for dance has been a lifelong physical and internal journey. Her extensive dance training started a young age in ballet, jazz, tap, and various modern dance techniques with Doreen Hayes School of Dance and the George College for the Performing Arts, and the brief opportunity with the National Ballet of Canada. And in her later years she studied at Ryerson College, Toronto.

In her earlier years she left Canada to continued her studies and explore the vast cultures of India and Pakistan, where she had the opportunity to witness, first-hand the spiritual depth, and subtle nuances of Kathak and Bharatanatyam with renowned teachers and illuminaires, Naheed Sadeeki, Partap Pawar, and Sheema Karmani. And continued her studies back home in Canada with Rina Singha, and Joanne Das.

JOanne then traveled through the Middle East (Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Jeddah, North West Africa and Egypt) and delved into the historical mysteries, and vast unexplored potential of the art of "Raqs Sharqi" (dance of the stomach), while widening her scope and understanding of the delicate intricacies of modern and tribal fusion belly dance with world renowned and notable teachers and influencers, Jillina, Suhaila Salimpour, Rachel Brice, Ansuya Rathor, Bozanka Arencibia in San Francisco California, Magdy El Leisy, Germany, Badia Star, and the Arabesque Dance Company, Toronto.

In her growing years, JOanne's interest also included music, she studied reed interments and played the clarinet and bass clarinet, as a member and musician of several Mississauga and Toronto Bands including the Maltese Band Club. JOanne also had the opportunity to widened her musicality abilities with well renowned teacher George Dimitri Sawa, from Egypt, and has contributed to his book of Music Performance Practice in the early Abbasid Era 132-320 AH / 750-932 AD Second Edition.

Today JOanne is a Toronto based performer, producer, instructor and choreographer in Middle Eastern Arts and Performance Arts in various dance realms. She has been a volunteer, performer for yearly festival events, for the Maltese International Day, and the Maltese Pavilion Carrassaga, and a volunteer at community Festivals in the GTA.

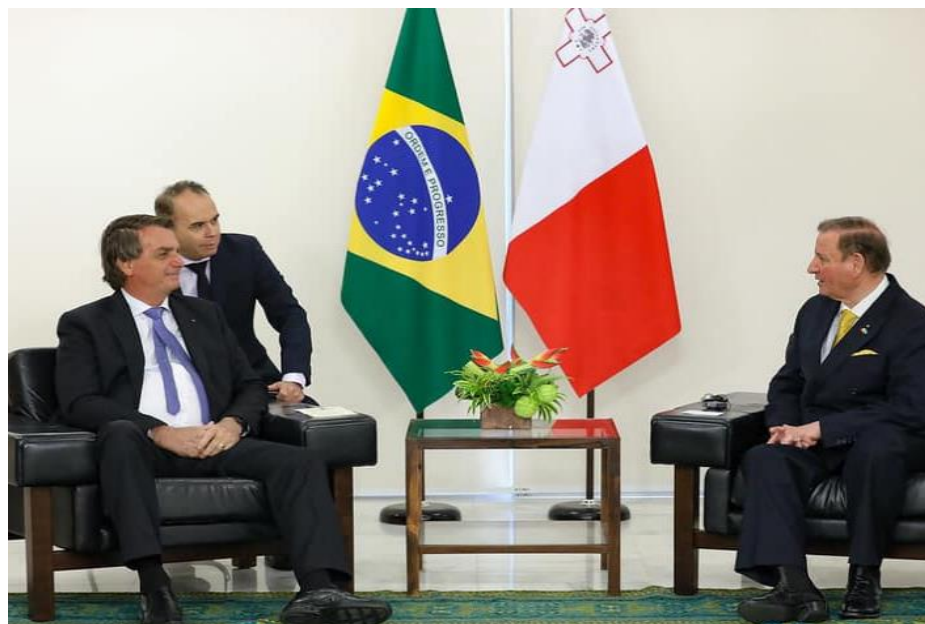
In 2006 JOanne founded her dance school "Vivace studios" in Toronto. She produced her own Belly Dance Instructional DVD, produced in Malta Europe and TO, Canada.

Since the year 2000 entertaining as a regular day and evening performer, and other venues across Canada, US and Malta and Italy in Europe. With highlights that include:

Falls View Casino, Niagara Falls, Maltese International Day San Francisco, Women's Health Matters Expo, and for Corporate Events like Toyota, Sun Media, Ministry of Gov. Services, Weston Hotel in Malta Europe, Doctors without borders, numerous Fashion Shows and more...Joanne has been cast in film and performed in many television shows including: A perfect Christmas, The Listener, Alliance Atlantis History Launch, Much Music, Breakfast TV, and Famous Peoples Players. She has made appearances in Reality TV shows like Rich Bride, Poor Bride, I Do, Let's eat, So Chic, City TV, Dinner at the Sultan's Tent-The Makeover. Joanne has performed in Live Theatre at The Living Arts Centre, The Rose Theatre and Canadian Stage.

In 2015 JOanne started another one of her passions Circus Arts adding to her repertoire and conditioning as a performer. Joanne instructs Middle Eastern Arts regularly at the University of Toronto, Hart House, and the Living Arts Centre, Mississauga and including, privates, corporate classes, workshops. She has organized dance Troupes all across Ontario and continues to create solo performances and original Middle Eastern inspired fusion dance pieces with select troupes of dedicated students, and creative partner Matina Harpanditis.

Drawing on her varied and well-rounded performance background JOanne's unique technique and expression, style and grace has captured audiences from all around the world.



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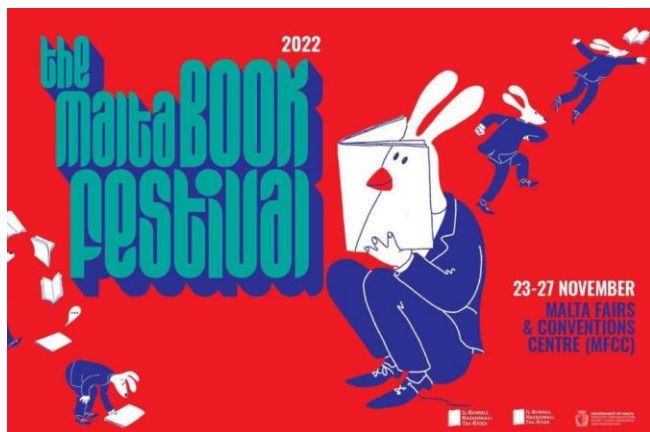
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Malta Book Festival 2022 poster



The National Book Council has presented the official poster of the 2022 Malta Book Festival, taking place Wednesday, November 23 till Sunday, November 27 at the Malta Fairs & Conventions Centre (MFCC), Ta' Qali.

This year's poster was illustrated and designed by children's author and illustrator Gattaldo around a theme that dates back to the cave dweller – visual storytelling. The festival poster tells a story through images arranged sequentially, like in a silent comic. An encounter with a book engages our protagonist and gives them a new perspective. They relate to the story and become it. Drawings and paintings predate the written word by millennia. Books are more commonly associated with words, and yet the very first books we encounter as children are picture books.

The 2022 Malta Book Festival poster is an ode to the pictures and illustrations that enrich books, from alluring images on front covers persuading readers to lose themselves in the stories within to the genres that have made visual storytelling a literary art. The spotlight on the role of illustrators

Follow the National Book Council [website](https://ktieb.org.mt/malta-book-festival/) <https://ktieb.org.mt/malta-book-festival/> and [Facebook page](#) for further updates about the 2022 Malta Book Festival.

and graphic designers forms part of the NBC's renewed commitment to create synergies with a number of entities to draw up new initiatives for the benefit of all publishing industry stakeholders. Among other initiatives, seminars and keynotes many publishing professions, the festival will feature a 'from illustration to book' exhibition, created in collaboration with Arts Council Malta and MCAST and taking place at the MFCC for the duration of the festival.

Gattaldo has worked in art direction in advertising and photography throughout Europe. He currently lives in London, and his work was published in the UK and the US. The Maltese-language version of his children's book *Fearless* will be published at the end of 2022 by Midsea Books. A guest at the festival, Gattaldo will engage with the public in a number of events with children and publishing stakeholders alike.

Returning to the MFCC, Malta's largest international conference and exhibition venue, this year's Malta Book Festival will be boasting a record number of more than 50 exhibitors. Over 8,000 square metres of space is being dedicated to exhibition areas for publishers, booksellers and NGOs, and activity areas for the numerous book presentations and discussions, while providing visitors with full accessibility and hassle-free parking.

The National Book Council remains committed to ensuring the safest possible experience for visitors. In the coming weeks and months the National Book Council will be announcing the Festival's local and international guest authors, and the Festival's events programme catering for audiences of all ages.

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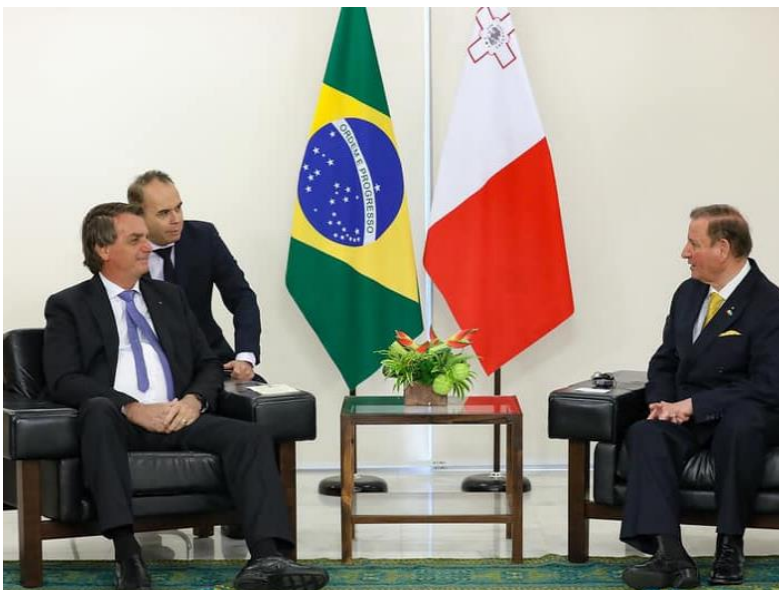
Maltese in Detroit Lawrence Muliatt - Archival Data



Lawrence Muliatt is pictured here in dress uniform during his deployment to the Pacific during World War II. This photo is addressed to his girlfriend back in Detroit, "To Francis, From Larry." Muliatt, born in Malta in 1920 later moved to Detroit in 1925 with his mother, Francesca, to join his father, Emmanuel, who was employed at Ford and joined the U.S. Army at the outbreak of World War II. He would later be killed in action on Leyte Island in 1944.

This photograph was donated digitally in 2013 by Rose Mifsud, the sister of Lawrence. **Source: Rose Mifsud Photograph date: 1944**

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“Our multiculturalism is something to celebrate because it is who we are. Community Languages Schools not only teach language, culture, history and heritage, but they teach pride and identity. Never be ashamed of where you come from, we are better when we are connected and together.”

MALTESE WOMAN'S PASTIZZI ARE PROVING A GREAT HIT IN FLORIDA



Krystle Bezzina and husband Jeff Reese



Grazio Darmanin (left) originally from Żabbar

Giulia Magri – Times of Malta

The next bar food? Krystle Bezzina with her husband Jeff Reese holding a tray of the delicious Maltese snack in Florida. Photos: Krystle Bezzina

Growing up, Krystle Bezzina would wake up to the delicious smells of her great-aunt's baking every day during the sunny summer holidays.

Memories of her home in Naxxar full of fresh *ftajjar*, piping hot *timpana* and large pies all made by her great-aunt, who lived to the age of 100, left a lasting impression on young Krystle.

In adulthood, she has learnt all those recipes as well as the tricks of the trade for making one of the country's most beloved snacks – *pastizzi*.

But it wasn't until last February that Krystle, now 38, finally fulfilled her dream – alongside her husband Jeff Reese – and began baking and selling *pastizzi* in their hometown in that other sunshine state, Florida.

"It's all quite exciting, we never expected the business to grow so fast, but so many Maltese communities have reached out to us to make their order. Sometimes we have orders for over 50 *pastizzi*," Krystle told *Times of Malta*.

The baker-teacher from Tal-Grazzja Back in 2011, Krystle moved to Michigan for work but shortly after her arrival she was diagnosed with cancer. She was just 27. She moved to Florida for her treatment.

It was there, during her cancer treatment, that she met her husband Jeff Reese, who was suffering from the same kind of cancer.

With a new outlook on life, Krystle sought a Maltese community.

"In Michigan there is a huge Maltese community and a club, so I never missed the culture or food," she said.

But there were none in Florida, and Krystle did not know any Maltese expats there. Until one day when the couple met Grazio Darmanin, who goes by the nickname Gus.

Gus came from a family of bakers from Żabbar who owned the Tal-Grazzja bakery on Sanctuary Street. In the 1960s his family moved to New York and later opened two other bakeries there.

As she recovered, Krystle wanted to learn how to make proper *pastizzi* and Gus was the right teacher.

"By the time we became friends, Gus was retired but most of our time together was spent in the kitchen, where he would teach us how to improve on my great aunt's *pastizzi* recipe and how to work with the dough," she recalled. The couple would then take their Maltese treats to parties or work, and word got around of the delicious delicacies.

Chocolate and marshmallow *pastizzi*? "People started to ask us to prepare orders for them, so we decided to set up our own online shop, where people can order our products frozen. They can then simply pop them in the oven when they need their *pastizzi* fix," Krystle said.

The couple set up their online shop 'TasteMalta Bakery' back in February, and prepared orders on their days off. She said some customers weren't big fans of the classic *irkotta* or *pizelli*.

"People would ask us to make *pastizzi* with venison, seafood, rice. Children would ask us to fill the pastry with marshmallows and chocolate." But their Maltese customers wanted the real deal.

"Those born and raised in Malta and who live in Florida and other states would reach out to us and ask us to make *pastizzi*, and also make them rabbit stew, honey rings and ricotta pie with *ful* – it's very exciting." They were swamped with orders in May when many Maltese-American families hosted 'Pastizzi night' to watch the Eurovision. "We had families ordering over 80 *pastizzi*. It may sound like a lot, but don't forget, in Malta you turn any corner and buy these treats, but here we don't have that option," Jeff said.

The couple ship a minimum of 36 frozen *pastizzi* at the price of \$99 (€92). Those who live in Florida can buy 12 *pastizzi* for \$33 (€31).

While the price may seem high here, orders keep flooding in for the couple, from right across the states. One night they spent till 2am making over 100 *pastizzi*, ready to be frozen and shipped out.

Jeff and Krystle will continue to work on their online business but plan to open their own Maltese bakery in Florida in the near future.

Jeff believes they could be the next bar food in Florida.

"People here love to drink in outdoor bars, and we believe crunchy *pastizzi* would be a great snack to go with a cold beer."

People just keep coming back for more. Krystle's own father paid a visit in December and made sure he had some hot *pastizzi* prepared for him. "My dad came to Florida from Malta to eat *pastizzi*! He thinks they're delicious," Krystle said.

80th anniversary commemoration of San Lawrenz WWII victims

BY [GOZO NEWS](#)



The 80th anniversary is to be commemorated of the tragic event that took place on an August night, in which four people died, when the village of San Lawrenz came under attack during WWII.

During the night of the 5th and 6th of August, a group of 'Lawrenzjani,' a mother, two of her daughters and a relative, on their way to take shelter from enemy attacks, were hit in a bombing raid by a German war

plane. This was to be their last journey; they sadly never made it to the nearby shelter.

San Lawrenz Local Council, is organising this important anniversary with a Vigil for peace and a prayer to be celebrated in repose of these brethren.

There will be a permanent flame lit by a representative of the Catholic Church, of the Muslim Community and the Jewish Community in Malta.

This memorial will be held on Friday, the 5th of August at 8.00pm in Triq ir-Rokon, the same place where this sad event happened 80 years ago.

"Let us unite to pray together for peace in the world." Those who wish to bring flowers or candles as a sign of respect, are free to do so.

The commemorative event is organised with the cooperation of the Ministry for Gozo.



Painting by Maltese artist Ray Piscopo reflects the pursuits of refugees

Artist Ray Piscopo with EP president Roberta Metsola and the painting 'Refugees' which was presented to her at Metsola's last Malta visit.

During her last visit to Malta, European Parliament president Roberta Metsola was presented with a painting representing the theme of migration.

The painting *Refugees* by the Maltese artist Ray Piscopo reflects and embodies the pursuits of refugees fleeing their homelands. The artist presented Metsola with the painting at the European Parliament Liaison Office in Valletta. Piscopo, renowned for his use of colour, says his aim with *Refugees* was to express the idea of the search for a promised land that guarantees freedom, joy and prosperity experienced by many refugees fleeing their homelands.

Roberta Metsola presented with artwork on migration

The painting is said to encode the many layers of emotions surrounding the event of escape that many migrants face. "Those emotions are today felt by the people fleeing from their homes, fighting against oppression. They are the same emotions that have accompanied and continue to accompany human masses out of Syria, Afghanistan, Somalia and today also from Ukraine," says Piscopo.

Piscopo says his painting "gives life" to a chaotic mass of silhouettes with pop echoes depicted in the painting.

"The figures, moving on an amber background interspersed with reddish flashes, highlight a rough atmosphere. They lose the individual features of genders and ethnicities and are instead standardised under a linear, decisive and marked trait, by the same moods and feelings," he explains.

The artist emphasises that the lack of detail present in the painting is meant to highlight the universal emotions of fear, despair and uncertainty that unites every migrant into a single multitude.

Ernest Ferrante MALTA - Through the ages



Castello Zammitello, 2022
Photo: Ernest Ferrante

The road leading down towards Ġnejna Bay features Castello Zamittello, a fortified house built in 1675 in a Norman style. According to local legend, Lucia, the only daughter of a certain Baron Bernardo Zammit, disappeared from her bedroom on the morning of her wedding to a wealthy Sicilian count, some 300 years ago. Believing that Lucia had been

The Legend of Castello Zammitello

abducted by corsairs, the Baron mounted an armed search of Ġnejna Bay, which proved futile. One year later, the bells of a local church started tolling unexpectedly, and a vision of the missing Lucia, clad in a nun's habit, appeared before the altar. She told the villagers that she had run away from home to avoid marrying the elderly Count and, having taken nun's vows, had spent the past year tending to the wounded in a foreign land until she was killed by a stray arrow.

Castello Zammitello, which was more recently the home of the noble Sant Cassia family, gained notoriety on 27 October 1988 as the site of Baron Francis Sant Cassia's murder, a crime which remains shrouded in mystery.



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We here at the Maltese American Benevolent Society would like to send our thanks to you for visiting our website. Keep us on your "favorites" as we will be using the site to keep people updated and connected with the Maltese community in the Metro Detroit area.

There are several features we are debuting here, so please check them all out! Our digital archive has relocated to this website in a much more user friendly manner. You can also pay your club dues, find out how to volunteer with the club, and much more!

We also feature our own "publication" of sorts, *The Maltese-Detroiter*. This blog will have a rotating group of authors that will write various articles involving the Maltese community on the topics of history, sport, entertainment, opinion pieces, and more!

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The Coral Lagoon Is One of Malta's Natural Wonders

We've all heard of Malta's Blue Lagoon – but have you heard of the Coral Lagoon?

If you're coming to Malta on holiday this summer, the Coral Lagoon is a natural wonder you'll want to check out. The water at the Coral Lagoon is crystal clear, making it popular with

divers and snorkelers who explore the underwater caves. And it's recently become one of Malta's most popular Instagram spots thanks to its stunning **SCENERY AND AMAZING VIEWS.**

HOW DO I GET THERE? The Coral Lagoon is a naturally formed cave near Armier Bay in Mellieha. It's a little off the beaten track but well worth the effort.

There are at two ways to get to the Coral Lagoon. You can either drive to the Chapel of Immaculate Conception and then turn left when you see the campsite sign, or drive to Armier Bay Beach and from there walk towards the Ahrax Tower.

If you do decide to walk, make sure you wear sturdy footwear, as the terrain is quite harsh. Pack water, plenty of sunblock and of course, don't forget your camera.

WHAT IS THERE TO SEE? The lagoon is one of Malta's most breathtaking locations and a dream for divers and swimmers alike. The Coral Lagoon is a firm favourite with [TripAdvisor](#) reviewers. One woman from Prague described it as a 'gorgeous little gem'. She added: 'This lagoon is a hidden cave that is very popular diver's spot due to its crystal clear waters. From Little Armier Bay, you can get there by kayak or by foot and swim in this unusual, true beauty of nature!' Another holidaymaker from Hungary posted: 'I discovered this place almost by accident and it was simply breathtaking.

'The water has a magnificent turquoise shade, the sea outside is dark blue, and the sky is light blue. Recommended to anyone who is up to some adventure.'

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Maltese Community in Windsor/Essex - Canada

This is a group made up of local Maltese folks. The official page is: <https://www.facebook.com/MaltaUnitedSociety/>



The Malta United Society of Windsor has been in existence for over 50 years. Over the years the Society has seen its membership grow and shrink and grow again. Many of the original members still can be found at our club sitting back and talking about the good old days back in Malta.

The Malta United was established to assist Maltese immigrants to Canada adapt to the new world and help in finding work, doctors, etc.

In 2007 there are no longer Immigrants coming to Canada so the main focus is

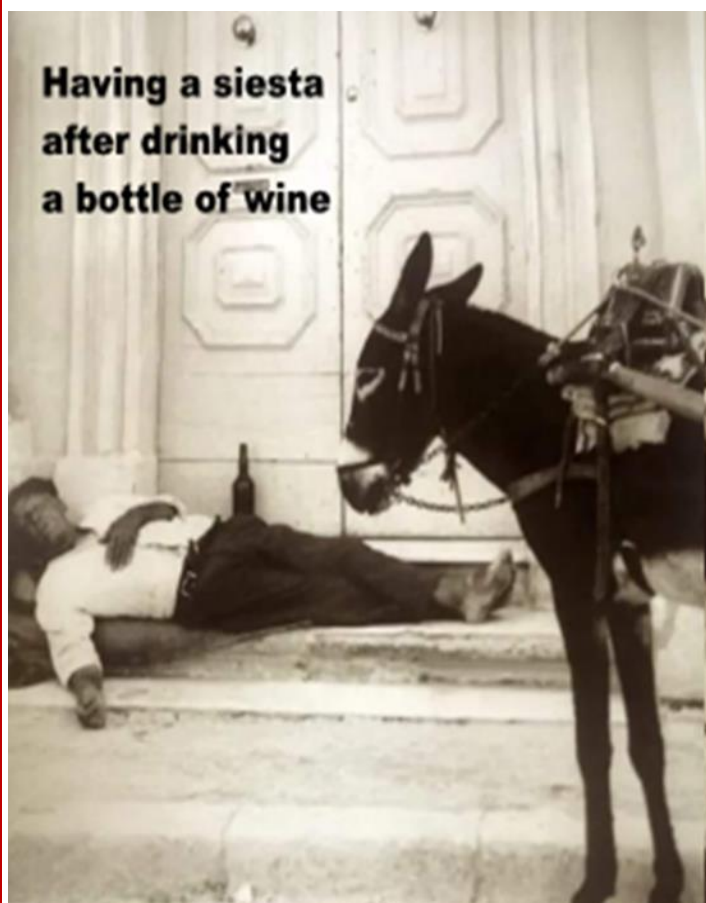
to willingly keep the Maltese heritage and culture alive with the new generation of Maltese.

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The Micallef Family, after moving to the Toronto Junction from Rabat, Malta in 1923. Joseph & Josephine Micallef, and their 4 children Dolores, Angelo, Cecilia, and Carmella. They attended St. Paul The Apostle Church in its early days, and many of the children later married there.