

Ada's split from hubby

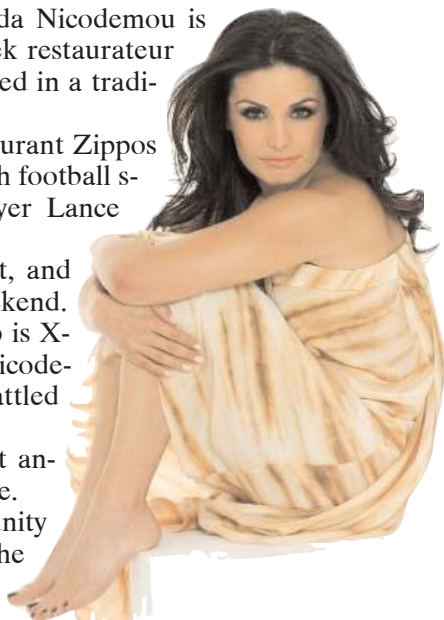
SEVEN'S Home And Away sweetie Ada Nicodemou is believed to have separated from her Greek restaurateur husband Chrys Xipolitas, whom she married in a traditional big Greek wedding three years ago.

Xipolitas is missing-in-action at his restaurant Zippos in Blakehurst - a partnership he shares with football star Nick Orlic and former Dragons player Lance Thompson.

Xipolitas was not there on Friday night, and staff said he would not be at Zippos all weekend. One factor being blamed for the break-up is Xipolitas' alleged love of a flutter, which Nicodemou doesn't share. He has also publicly battled depression.

Yesterday morning, Nicodemou was not answering calls on the subject of her marriage.

However, many within the Greek community believe that it is well and truly time she moved on.



Nicholas G. Pappas:

Kastellorizian of the Year 2010

It is of great pleasure that the Kastellorizian Association of Victoria announces that the 2010 Kastellorizian of the Year Award to Mr. Nicholas G. Pappas from Sydney. Many will know of him by his books on Kastellorizo, his website www.castellorizohistory.com or the Gourmet Traveller February 2010 edition.

Nicholas Pappas is of Kastellorizian descent as his parents were born on Kastellorizo. He was born in Sydney in 1961 and obtained his law degree at the University of NSW and began practicing in 1994. In 1996 he established his own law firm Nicholas G. Pappas & Company.

Nicholas has also completed a PhD in Economic History from the University of Sydney. He is married to Helene, a lawyer, and they have twins in George and Marina.

Nicholas has two passions: the first is NRL football, primarily the Rabbitohs, and secondly Kastellorizian history. He has had a long-standing association with the Rab-

bitohs and was the Club's legal advisor in its battle for reinstatement to the NRL after its exclusion from the competition in 1999. In 2003, he became Chairman and, in 2006, he supported and oversaw the Rabbitohs partial privatisation by Russell Crowe and Peter Holmes a Court.



On a professional level, Nicholas can add the following to his impressive credentials:

Chairman, Laiki Bank Australia since 2006 and Director 2001

President, Board of Trustees, Powerhouse Museum, Sydney (The Museum of Applied Arts and Sciences since 2003, Trustee since 1999

Chairman, South Sydney District Rugby League Football Club Limited (The Rabbitohs)

Governor, The Steve Waugh Foundation - Australia

Secretary, Archdiocesan Council

Trustee - Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of Australia Consolidated Trust

Nichols's publications list as follows:

- Kastellorizo; An Illustrated History of the Island and its Conquerors, Halstead Press, 1994

- Embers on the Sea: The Empire Patrol Disaster, Halstead Press, 1995

- Near Eastern Dreams: The French Occupation of Catellorizo, 1915-1921, Halstead Press, 2002

- An Island in Time: Catellorizo in Photographs, 1890-1948, Halstead Press, 2010 forthcoming with Nick Bogiatzis

- Various articles in academic journals and other publications on European History, the Law and rebetika.

The Award will be conferred on the 23rd May 2010 at the Kastellorizian Association Clubrooms when we celebrate St' Constantine and St' Helen's Day.



World's most advanced telephone hearing test now available in 11 languages

The Hon Chris Bowen MP, Minister for Human Services, is joining Dr John D'Arcy, Ambassador for Australian Hearing, at the local launch of a service that enables Australians to check their hearing over the telephone in any one of 11 languages.

Based on extensive research, TelscreenTM was developed by the National Acoustic Laboratories (NAL) in conjunction with Australian Hearing and is the most advanced telephone hearing service in the world.

Already available in English, Mandarin and Cantonese, TelscreenTM is now also available in Arabic, Greek, Italian, Macedonian, Serbian, Spanish, Turkish and Vietnamese.

There is an opportunity to film and interview Minister Bowen, Dr John and senior representatives from a variety of culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) community groups.

Friends and supporters of Vasili Vasilas are organising a Special Day for Vasili Vasilas

at the Mytilenian House

Sunday afternoon 18th April 2010 at 2:00pm

We are all familiar with the excellent work Vasili Vasilas has been doing over the past 5 years or so, with great passion and diligence in gathering information of the early migrants from the island of Lesvos who had migrated to Australia. His dedication and commitment to this project is reflected in his massive collection of information, stories and photographs spanning over many decades. Last year in November 2009, we had the opportunity to view a small portion of his work - a selection of 100 photographs - during the "Lesviaki Evdomada" at the Mytilenian House held by the Mytilenian Brotherhood of Sydney & NSW, which had intrigued the interest of so many people. It was estimated around 350-400 people attended this photographic exhibition that evening and everyone who attended was moved emotionally by his work.

We all recognise and understand that this type of project requires not only time, dedication and commitment, but also funding for an array of expenses ranging from photographic equipment, materials and printing, to travelling and communications.

Following the photographic exhibition, a number of people who attended the event, expressed their interest and desire in a setting aside a special day to pay tribute, acknowledge and support the ongoing work of Vasili Vasilas.

Therefore, we invite everyone who is interested and appreciates this unique contribution to Greek-Australian History, to join us for this special celebration.

Details of the event are as follows:

What: Fundraiser for Vasili Vasilas
 When: Sunday 18th April 2010
 Where: Mytilenian House - 225 Canterbury Road, Canterbury NSW
 Time: 2:00pm - 6:00pm
 Cost: \$15

We will have coffee, tea, sweets, and finger food available, as well as music and entertainment and would appreciate if you do attend to bring a plate of sweets as well.

We will also be raffling off some amazing prizes for fundraising !!!

As this is a unique and special occasion, all donations and funds raised will go to Vasili Vasilas to assist with expenses associated in expanding his future work on a local, interstate and international level and with publications.

For any queries or to confirm your attendance, please send an e-mail or ring before the 16th April.

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