



The MABPAVian Monthly

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Welcome Celebration of Malta's Prime Minister The Hon. Dr. L. Gonzi

On the 4th. August 2007 the Committees of MABPAV & MCCV hosted a Dinner Dance to welcome The Prime Minister of Malta, The Hon. Dr.L. Gonzi (pictured front and middle) and Mrs. Gonzi on their historic visit to Australia. This function was held at The Sapphire Room at La Mirage Receptions Melbourne.

This event has been reported as the most lavish function that was organized on their visit to Australia and marked as the highlight of this trip.

A full house of about 350 guests joined this happy occasion. Amongst our VIP's, were, The Maltese High Commissioner of Malta, Mr. F. Tabone and Mrs. A. Tabone, The Consul General of Malta Mrs. Angele Azzopardi & Mr. T. Azzopardi and Dr. V. Borg, President, MCCV.



On behalf of MABPAV and the MCCV we would like to thank our sponsors for the function:

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Our Vice President's Visit to Malta

On the 28th June, MABPAV Vice-President, Malcolm Debono (pictured left) called on the Australian High Commissioner to Malta, H.E. Mr Jurek Juszczyk (pictured middle) at the Australian High Commission in Ta' Xbiex. During this visit, Malcolm presented Mr Juszczyk with a copy of the book 'Maltese Achievers in Australia', written by Professor Maurice N. Cauchi, on behalf of MABPAV. The meeting incorporated discussions on Business opportunities for companies between Australia and Malta.



Mr. Jurek invited Malcolm and his wife, Mrs. Margaret Debono to 'Generation', an Exhibition by Maltese-Australian artist Mark Gerada at St James Cavalier hosted by the Australian High Commission. The Hon. Francis Zammit Dimech, Minister for Tourism & Culture, was special guest and speaker at the exhibition. A number of friends of MABPAV, included Mr. H. Zammit Cordina, Mrs. Josephine Zammit Cordina and Mr. Henry Zammit Cordina, were also at the exhibition as well as a number of ex-Maltese Australians.

During his stay in Malta, Malcolm also met the Treasurer of the Maltese-Australian Chamber of Commerce and Culture, Mr George Pace, (pictured Right) and other committee members. Discussions with the MACCC representatives focussed on building closer cooperation between the MACCC and MABPAV.

Upcoming Events

Please enter these dates in your Diary

10 October 2007: AGM/Networking Night.

21 October 2007: Family Day Out.

01 December 2007: End of year Christmas Party.

Full Details will be provided in our October Newsletter

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