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There's no stopping him!

For those of you who are regular readers of the newsletter you will remember we featured the success of Les Roberts our Clubs treasurer in attaining an A grade in Modern Greek at GCSE level in 2004. Well Les has continued his studies at Worcester College of Technology along with further studies at the Brasshouse in Birmingham for the last 2 years with the aim of taking an A level Modern Greek which he took earlier this year in May. The results have been published and would you believe it Les again managed an A grade, is there no stopping him? What excellent news. We salute you Les.



Low turnout postpones quiz

Due to the exceptionally low attendance for the quiz night held at Norton Parish Hall on Friday 22nd September, it was decided to postpone the event until later on in the year. However, the evening was not a total washout as it enabled members and friends to catch up on what each had been up to during the summer months. Jean and Colin are going through the process of buying a house in an area not too far from Corinth. I have invited them to do an article on the subject as they were mentioning some of the problems facing them. Nick gave us a brief summary of his exploits whilst on holiday in Crete and meeting up with Chis Lloyd who you will remember was a very knowledgeable member of the club. More details will be given in a separate article, we look forward to that.

Change to Programme – Friday October 20th

Due to a number of reasons the programme has been altered slightly in as much as the talk on Greek music originally published for our February meet will now be on Friday 20th October given by myself and held at Norton Parish Hall our new venue for most of this year's events. Details of how to get there are included later in the newsletter. The talk on Greek diet by Dr. Bernard Mason will be conducted in February 07.

Membership subscriptions now due

For those of you who would like to become members or have a wish to continue then contact either Nick or Les for membership. The benefits are concessions on events and your own pocket-sized programme to carry around with so you don't double book on your social calendar. The sum is still an amazing £7 for membership.

News reports

Periklis Iakovakis... by JASPER JUINEN/AP

Periklis Iakovakis rejoices as he crosses the finish line in first place to win gold in the men's 400-meter hurdles at the European Athletics Championships in Gothenburg last night. It was Greece's first gold medal in this competition following two silver medals the previous day. Iakovakis, who went to Gothenburg as holder of the fastest time in Europe this season - 47.82 seconds - ran yesterday's final in 48.46 seconds. Poland's Marek Plawgo won the silver with a time of 48.71 seconds, and the UK's Rhys Williams took bronze in 49.12 seconds. A second Greek finalist, Minas Alozidis, ended in seventh place. Troubled by injury over the past couple of seasons, Iakovakis, 27, had missed the Athens Olympics in 2004. Meanwhile, Tassos Gousis made the final of the men's 200 meters but finished last.

Athens club beats Hearts away for advantage in two-leg tie for Champions League berth

By Martin Stirling - Agence France-Presse

EDINBURGH - Two late goals gave AEK a vital 2-1 win away to Hearts in the first leg of a Champions League tie at Murrayfield Stadium on Wednesday night. The Scottish side looked to be heading for a crucial victory to take to Greece in two weeks' time through Lithuanian Saulius Mikoliunas's second-half goal. However, the Edinburgh side's hearts were cruelly broken with an equalizer by Pantelis Kapetanios in the final minute and then a winner by Nikos Lymberopoulos deep into injury time.

(www.ekathimerini.com 11 August 2006)

Norton Parish Hall - Directions

Unfortunately Norton Parish Hall is a little way out of Worcester and I have included directions on how to get there for those who may not know it's whereabouts.

From Malvern

Head for M5 junction 7. Continue straight over roundabout after new bridge and junction of A38 at the Ketch Public house for ½ mile. At next roundabout take 3rd exit sign posted Norton/Littleworth for ½ mile until next roundabout take 1st exit. Follow this road for 1¼ miles until you reach the Retreat Public house. Turn right into Wadborough Road continue for a further 1 mile through the village of Littleworth, at end sharp right hand bend you will see Norton Parish Hall 20m on left hand side. There is ample parking available.



From Junction 7 M5

If travelling southbound take 1st exit or northbound 3rd exit left from motorway junction onto the B4084 (old A44) sign posted Pershore. Continue for 1 mile turn right into Woodbury Lane for ¾ mile until you reach the Retreat Public house on left immediately after turn left and follow directions as above.

POSTCODE

For those wishing to use the inter-net or Sat-nav the postcode is WR5 2QB.

Other club events from around the region

The Birmingham Club

Our next meeting is on Thursday 5th October 2006. When John Bromhead will give an illustrated talk on 'Delos, Delphi and Other Sites' in the Staff Common Room, First Floor, Faculty of Arts, University of Birmingham, At 7.30 Greek Language session with Maria for 8pm. (Please give Maria a call if you are coming]

The Anglo Hellenic Club

Thursday 26th October. Peter Reynolds on the Peloponnese.

Thursday 30th November. The Braunholtz Letters, letters of a traveller dating back to the 1920's with Ralph and Wyn Braunholtz.

Meet 7.30 for 8pm at Worcester Golf and Country Club, Bransford Road, Worcester.

The Three Counties Ancient History Society

Wednesday 8th October. Robin Walker. 'The Great Plague of Athens'

Meet in the Village Hall in Upton Snodsbury. Meetings start promptly at 7.30 pm Details from the Secretary Sandra Clowes 01789 763780



Editors Note

Here we go, everything is now in place for another educational and fun packed year on all matters Greek. Some of our favourites are included. All we need is your continued support. Now that the majority of members are back from their hols. Do we have any interesting or funny stories members would like to share. Perhaps a photo as a picture paints a thousand words. This could be either emailed or posted if you wish. Details of how to contact me the editor are listed below evenings between 6pm – 8pm is best.

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