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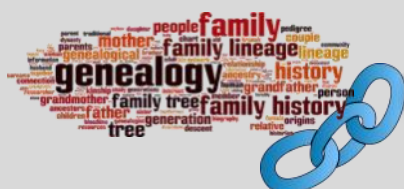
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Collins Connect acknowledges the traditional owners of the land on which we live and pays its respect to the Elders past and present.



Hello and welcome to our winter edition of the Collins Connect newsletter. Yes, winter to those in the southern hemisphere!

The Collins Connect team have been busy planning to re-engage our family events, now that Melbourne has lifted most of the pandemic restrictions.

Collins Connect Social Event 24th April 2022

A family social event held on the 24th April 2022 was quite an unpredictable event as it was the first of its kind for Collins Connect. Bingo was exciting for some lucky winners, free raffle prizes kindly donated by Maureen Borthwick had many attendees scrambling to find their winning ticket. The hit of the night was of course the Karaoke. Wow !! There were some very talented family and friends who belted out hits from the 60s through to the 2020s. We welcomed Darryl and Geraldine Collins from India, attending a Collins Connect event for the first time. It was indeed our pleasure to have them in our midst.

Part of the mission of Collins Connect is to host family social events with the purpose of bringing family and friends together in a social environment. This is not an easy task, given the recent pandemic situation and like free birds everyone trying to find their 'normal' once again. All these events are not-for-profit with any funds raised utilised to fund the event itself. As a team, we acknowledge the hard work and dedication of the Collins Connect founding members and committee members who donate their time, talent and contribute funds to the outlay of these events.

Well done team and THANK YOU !

COLLINS CONNECT ANNUAL REUNION

WHEN: Sunday, 23rd October 2022

WHERE: COHR Church Hall, East Oakleigh

TIME: 12pm—5pm.

Contact: collinsconnect.2108@gmail.com

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW.



CONGRATULATIONS



CONGRATULATIONS to **Aron** Assey (grandson of Henry Collins) and Cristina Oraison who married on the 30th April 2022. Our very own founding member Corrine Collins, the proud mother of Aron shed some happy tears while family and friends enjoyed the good food and atmosphere dancing the night, making memories!



HAPPY 60th BIRTHDAY to **Dean** Borthwick (grandson of Beryl (nee Collins) D'sylva who celebrated his milestone birthday on the 26th April 2022.

HAPPY 40th BIRTHDAY to **VONITA** (Collins) Mansoor (granddaughter of Terrance Aloysius COLLINS) celebrating her special day on the 14th May 2022.



GOLDEN Anniversary wishes to **JENNIFER (TELLES) & MATTHEW RODRIGUES** on their 50th Wedding anniversary on the 10th June 2022.



Enjoy all the beautiful memories that come with the celebration of a golden wedding anniversary

HAPPY 30th BIRTHDAY to **Dominic Conaghan** (great-grandson of George Edwin Fernandez) on your special day – 14th April 2022. It made it even more special with a proposal and engagement to BETH Cook on the 29th April 2022.

Congratulations



Wishes from Collins Connect and all the extended Collins families.

COLLINS CONNECT - TEAM HIGHLIGHTS

“Collins Connect” is a not-for-profit social family group comprising of founding members who are actively involved in spreading the connections and harnessing the energy researching the Collins Family tree.

This year the Collins Connect team comprises of some very hardworking and dedicated team members being husband and wife team in **Drayton Thomas** (son of Claudia Thomas, nee Benham) Thomas) and **Lizzie Thomas**. Both talented members, Lizzie is responsible for all graphic design and specialises in event management. Drayton, our overall team ‘go getter’ who assists in all aspects in organising an event.

Jarryd Fernandes (son of Romaine Fernandes, nee Benham) looks after the team finances ensuring sufficient funds are available to maintain the website and where possible, provide for the outlay of event costs.

Sheldon D’Silva (son of Angeline D’Silva, nee Collins) is our resident MC, social media coordinator who is always available to lend a helping hand in organising all events.

Under the guidance of the founding members, the Collins Connect Committee members come together to plan events for the rest of 2022. Proposed events for the remaining of 2022 include:

- ⇒ **Family Social on 10th July 2022**
- ⇒ **Collins Connect Annual Reunion on 23rd October 2022**
- ⇒ **Collins Connect Christmas Social on 4th December 2022**

All social events are open and extended to Collins family and friends, whilst the Annual Reunion is closed to Collins families only. We welcome ideas for the Annual event and encourage all Collins families to be involved.

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Want to help?

If you would like to contribute to the Collins Connect newsletters, we encourage you to get in contact with any team member.