



Život

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are now due!

August 2026

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OVERVIEW OF CLUB'S PROGRAM 2026

Bar and kitchen are open every Friday from 6PM. Excellent home style food, Czech beer and yummy cakes. Booking essential.

4.9. Friday - Fathers Day

11.9. Friday Czech Film Knoflikari

26.9. Saturday - AFL Final

9.10. Friday - Club Closed

9.10. - 11.10. - Weekend picnic in Mt Crawford Forest

25.10. Sunday - National Day Celebrations

15.11. Sunday - AGM

6.12. Sunday - St Nicholas

20.12. Sunday - Christmas Lunch and Carols

31.12. Thursday - New Years Eve

21.12. 2026 - 28.1.2027 Club closed

Visit a new club webpage

<https://czechoslovakclub.com.au>

Old issues of *Život* can also be found there.



Czechoslovak Club Choir

Choir rehearsals and preparations for the October celebration will be held at the Club on the following dates:

- Saturday, 19 September at 2.00 pm
- Saturday, 3 October at 2.00 pm
- Saturday, 17 October at 2.00 pm
- Saturday, 24 October at 2.00 pm – **Dress Rehearsal**

New members are warmly welcome!

If you would like to join our choir, please contact
Olga Malandris on **0402 210 156**.



PICNIC



9.10. - 11.10.2026

Mt. Crawford, Ponderosa

Picnic Area

You are welcome to arrive from **Friday**. Enjoy a walk, relax around the campfires, or camp overnight.

There will be games for children, a tug-of-war competition, guitars and singing around the campfire, and plenty of fun for both children and adults.

The main picnic day is Saturday, when goulash will be served at lunchtime. It is free for club members and \$10 for non-members.

Committee meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month.

10/9, 8/10, 12/11, 10/12.

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Our Czech cuisine is enjoyed by people from many different cultures, and we look forward to sharing it with you.



We warmly welcome the public, friends and families to come along, learn about our culture and gain a deeper understanding of the Czech community and its heritage.



Saturday 15.8



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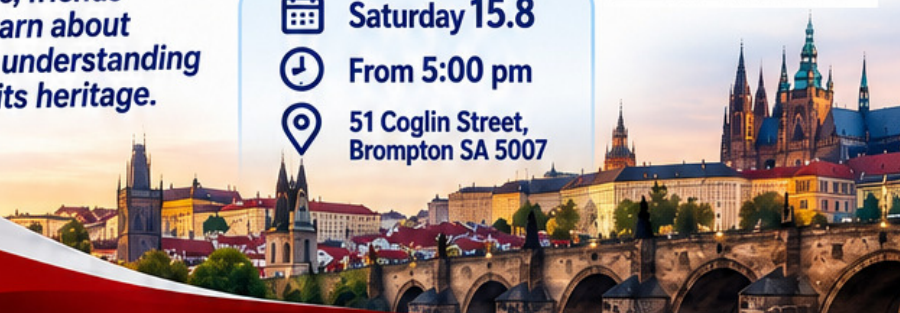
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ON THE MENU



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Greetings from the Czech School,

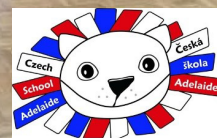
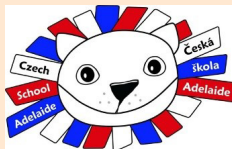
On June 1, we celebrated **Children's Day** with the children. Our original plan to spend the weekend camping in the forest had to be cancelled due to bad weather, so the whole event was moved to the club premises. The children enjoyed an afternoon full of games, competitions and fun together. There was also a small campfire and the traditional roasting of treats.

We also celebrated the birthday of our teacher, which was her **first birthday in Australia**. Most of the students have now returned from their holidays in the Czech Republic, and classes are back to their regular schedule. The children are currently preparing a surprise for their dads, which they will present at the celebration on **Friday, September 4**.

Our next group event will take place in October, when the club is organising an autumn picnic in the forest, once again with plenty of games and activities for children.

We are also welcoming new families to the school. We are delighted that the Czech community in Adelaide is growing and that together we are creating an environment where children can naturally develop their Czech language skills while maintaining and enjoying their cultural traditions.

Kind regards,
Lucie Handrick
on behalf of the Czech School



14.6.2026

Lunch with my Greatgrandmother



— FROM CLUB MATTERS —

Please pay your membership fees

2026 – 2027 (from 1.7.2026)

Working individual - \$45
Working family - \$70
Pensioner family - \$50
Pensioner - \$35

CLUB DONATIONS

Between March and June, we received cash donations totalling **\$320**.

We greatly appreciate this support and thank all our donors. Thanks to these donations, we were able to purchase **2 new baking trays, 3 microphone stands and play money for the children**.

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22 Jul 2026	David Kocman	\$30.00
Total		\$320.00

HOW TO PAY YOUR MEMBERSHIP FEE

1) QR CODE make your



The QR code will take you to a webpage where you can complete the membership form and payment.

2) PAYMENT THROUGH THE CLUB WEBSITE

You can visit the club website czechoslovakclub.com.au and click on **Membership** to access the membership payment page.

3) PAYMENT AT THE BAR

If you have any problems paying online, you can pay your membership fee at the bar with Pavel. However, we kindly ask you to use this option **only as a last resort**. Our new system is designed primarily for electronic payments.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Funeral Announcement

In May, two long-term members left our ranks:

Mr Joseph Pertl

(one of the founding members of the club)

and Mr Josef Kříž.

"May they rest in peace."



20 Interesting Facts About the Czech Republic



1. The Czech Republic ranks as the seventh safest country to live in the world.

In the 2019 Global Peace Index, the country has placed in top ten safest countries similarly to previous years.

2. The country's expat community is huge.

There are more than 535,000 foreign-born residents living in the Czech Republic excluding the ones who already obtained the Czech citizenship. Around 200,000 of them are living in Prague.

3. It has the most castles in Europe.

There are over 2000 castles and chateaux in the Czech Republic, more than in any other country in Europe.

4. The Czech Republic is home to the largest ancient castle in the world.

The largest ancient castle in the world is the Prague Castle, 570m long and 128m wide.

5. The Elbe River rises in the country.

One of the major rivers in Central Europe is formed by the confluence of numerous headwater streams in the Krkonoše Mountains of the northern Czech Republic.

6. The Czech Republic's highest point of elevation is Sněžka.

Sněžka is located in the Krkonoše mountains and its peak reaches 1,603 meters.

7. Prague's Old Town is home to the third-oldest astronomical clock in the world. Every hour, it's mechanical procession of apostles delights tourists.



8. Beer.

Czech people are the world's heaviest consumers of beer. The first pale lager, Pilsner Urquell, was brewed in the Czech city Pilsen in 1842.

9. Prague's nickname is "the city of a hundred spires"

The Czech capital city has lived up to this name and more, as today there are over 500.

10. The most popular sport is ice hockey.

The men's national ice hockey team is one of the major powers in world hockey. Many Czech players have been successful in the NHL, most notably Jaromir Jagr, who is considered one of the greatest NHL players ever.

11. The Czech Republic is a country of architecture.

Baroque, Gothic, Renaissance, Romanesque, Classicism, Art-Nouveau, Cubism, Functionalism and even architecture of the Communist era are all on display around the country.



12. Soft contact lenses were invented by a Czech chemist.

It was Otto Wichterle who invented the soft contact lenses in 1959.

13. Johan Gregor Mendel was born in the Czech Republic.

Mendel set the groundwork for genetics and inheritance principles still studied in biology classes around the world today.

14. The world "robot" was created by the Czech artist Josef Čapek.

It was first used by Czech author Karel Čapek in his novel R.U.R. It was his brother Josef Čapek who is credited with creating the word.

15. The Czech Republic is one of the least religious countries in the world.

Around 39.8% of Czechs consider themselves atheist and 13.4% are undecided.

16. The country is famous for tennis, particularly female players

Czech Martina Navratilova has been statistically the second-best female player of the 20th century, right behind Steffi Graf.

17. The oldest university in Central Europe resides in Prague.

[Charles University](#) in Prague, founded in 1348, is the oldest university in Central Europe.

18. Czechs are highly educated.

Around 90% of the adult population have completed at least secondary education.

19. The Czech Republic has an advanced economy and a high standard of living.

In fact, it is the most stable and prosperous of the post-communist states, with the lowest unemployment rate (2.2%) in the European Union.

20. The world-famous Škoda Auto is based in the Czech Republic.

The Czech automobile manufacturer was founded in 1895 and has headquarters in Mladá Boleslav.



Poster for La Plume magazine, 1897

Slovanská epopej

The Slav Epic

AN EXPERIENCE YOU WILL NEVER FORGET

If you are planning a trip to the Czech Republic, make sure to visit the Slav Epic in Moravský Krumlov. It is one of the most extraordinary masterpieces of Czech art – and an experience that no photograph or television documentary can truly capture.

Alfons Mucha (1860–1939) is known to art lovers all over the world. He became famous in Paris for his beautiful Art Nouveau posters featuring graceful women, flowers and flowing ornaments. His posters for the famous actress Sarah Bernhardt, as well as his advertising designs, are considered iconic works of the Art Nouveau era.

Few people, however, know that Mucha considered his life's greatest work to be something very different – the **Slav Epic**. He wanted to create a grand cycle of paintings that would celebrate the history, culture and spiritual heritage of all Slavic nations. It was not a commission, nor a way to make money. It was his personal dream.

Mucha worked on the Epic for **18 years (1910–1928)**. Thanks to the support of American patron Charles Richard Crane, he was able to devote himself fully to this enormous project. He travelled through many Slavic countries, studied historical sources, folk costumes, weapons, architecture and legends. For each painting he had period costumes made, built sets and carefully selected models.

The result is **twenty monumental canvases**, the largest of which measures about **8 by 6 metres**. Only when you stand before them do you truly realise their scale. Each painting tells a story – from ancient Slavic legends and the Hussite era to ideas of freedom, education and unity among nations.

When the Epic was completed, Mucha presented it to the City of Prague with the wish that a special gallery would one day be built for it. That has not yet happened. Today, however, the entire cycle of twenty paintings is on display in Moravský Krumlov, where you can see them all together in a dignified setting.

For those of us who live far from our homeland, a visit to the Slav Epic has an even deeper meaning. It reminds us of our shared roots, our history and the cultural heritage we can be proud of.

*If you are travelling in the area of Brno or Znojmo,
make time for a stop in Moravský Krumlov.*

It is a place where Czech art takes your breath away.



A. Mucha: The Arrival of the Slavs – Cyril and Methodius on Great Moravia (1926) – Slav Epic



Hurvíněk in Full Glory! In 2026, he will celebrate 100 years in style — with a spectacular cabaret

Hurvíněk Celebrates a Milestone

Few Czech personalities can boast that they are one hundred years old while still having not a single wrinkle, wearing the same suspenders, and speaking in an unmistakable high-pitched voice. In May 2026, Hurvíněk celebrates his 100th birthday — the boy who became a symbol of Czech puppetry, humor, and, in a way, the Czech national character itself.

The Birth of a Star (Quite Unexpectedly)

It all began on May 2, 1926, in Plzeň. Josef Skupa, the director of a puppet theatre at the time, wanted to enliven performances with a new partner for the big-eared father figure, Spejbl. Woodcarver Gustav Nosek secretly created a puppet character who burst onto the stage quite literally as a “surprise.” Hurvíněk was not just a smaller version of Spejbl; he was a cheeky boy with wide-open eyes, a mischievous forehead, and a sharp tongue that instantly charmed both children and adults.

Did you know that Hurvíněk even made it into space in 2023? A figure of him was aboard the Planetum-1

A Family That Sticks Together

But Hurvíněk would be nothing without the characters around him. The duo of Spejbl and Hurvíněk represents the eternal clash between adult attempts at authority and a child’s logic, capable of tearing the whole world apart with a single question: “Daddy, but why?”

Over time, the family expanded with other iconic characters

Mánička (1930): Originally a bespectacled and well-behaved friend, she gradually transformed into a modern girl who often enjoys correcting Hurvíněk. .

Žeryk (1930): A dog whose “Woof!” is understood by people all over the world, regardless of language.

Mrs. Kateřina (1971): Mánička’s grandmother, who became the target of Hurvíněk’s jokes as well as Spejbl’s embarrassment.

An Ambassador of the Czech Language

For those of us living abroad, Hurvíněk holds a special meaning. The Spejbl and Hurvíněk Theatre has toured more than 30 countries and performed in over twenty languages. Hurvíněk is, in fact, one of our most successful cultural ambassadors. Although he has adapted to modern times — with his own podcast, appearances in animated films, and humor reflecting today’s world — at heart he remains that mischievous Czech boy who reminds us of home.

Proč ho i po 100 letech milujeme?

Because there is a little bit of Hurvíněk in each of us.

He represents the childlike joy of discovery, the courage to say “the emperor has no clothes,” and the ability to face life with humor even when things are not going well.

Whether you celebrate Hurvíněk’s 100th birthday in Prague, Plzeň, or thousands of kilometers away, remember this: as long as we continue laughing at his antics, our Czech identity remains alive, playful, and immortal.

So, happy birthday, Hurvajz



This historical photograph captures the beginnings of the famous duo that was created in Plzeň.

The founder of the theatre, Josef Skupa, pictured with his puppets. It was he who gave Hurvíněk his very first voice and personality. i character.



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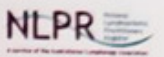
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