

# The Agiot

46th Edition

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## Now Is the Time .....



*Jimmy James & the Vagabonds*



*4 Square*



*The Outboys*

## The Acts



*The Rebellions*



*Vince Vortex & The Cukes*



*Dora Dihoiu*

**COME AND SEE THE ONE AND ONLY TRULY INTERNATIONAL  
ROCK SOUL AND FOLK FESTIVAL ON CORFU.**

**AGIOS IOANNIS. 27<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST FROM 6.00PM**

3<sup>RD</sup> YEAR AND GETTING BIGGER AND BETTER.

7 HOURS OF ENTERTAINMENT.

WEST INDIES; KERKYRA; ENGLAND; RUMANIA.

FOOD AND DRINK - COLD DRAFT CORFU BEER - ASIAN FOOD - MEAT OR  
VEGETARIAN ON SALE.

CHARITIES SUPPORTED.

COACHES FROM NORTH COAST OR SOUTH (ARGIRADES) - (SEE TIMETABLE).

CAR PARKS.

TOILETS.

RAFFLES - GREAT PRIZES AND LOTS OF THEM.

PROGRAMMES 1 EURO.

LAY YOUR BLANKET ON THE GROUND.

CLAIM A SEAT OR BRING A PICNIC

ALL FOR TWENTY EUROS (HALF PRICE FOR CHILDREN) LITTLUNS' FREE.

DON'T MISS OUT THIS IS THE BIG ONE.



## Agiotfest 11 Programme

6.00 p.m. - GATES OPEN BACKGROUND DJ WARM-UP MAN

6.45 -7.30 - VINCE VORTEX AND THE CUKES

7.45 - 8.45 - GEORGE TRYFONAS AND THE REBELLIONS

9.00 - 09.45 - THE OUTBOYS

10.00 - 11.00 - 4SQUARE

11.00 -11.20 - GRAND RAFFLES

11.30 -12.00 - DORA DIHOIU AND 4SQUARE

12.10 -01.10 a.m. - JIMMY JAMES AND THE VAGABONDS

### Hear what they say about him:

*“When it comes to entertainment value Jimmy James & the Vagabonds are 2nd to none. I have seen them at least 20+ times always at Skegness. When I received an email from ents24.com earlier today informing me of another night locally to me I instantly booked front row seats. If you love soul / motown then you have to see jimmy James & the Vagabonds for a guaranteed night to remember.”*

*Ian Cank, Runcorn, Cheshire.*

## Raffle Prizes

- 1st - Villa Theodora for one week in October 2011
- 2nd - One night B/B at Hotel Erikoussa
- 3rd - Water Filter [reverse osmosis] machine from Eco-Point
- 4th - Dinner for two at Hotel Telesillas
- 5th - Beechwood Coffee Table from Evenos
- 6th - Bath aids from Marks & Spencer
- 7th - Dinner for two at Costas Taverna
- 8th - 24hr Internet card from Compass Cafe
- 9th - One page Website from Truetype Web Solutions
- 10th - Beauty aids from Sephora
- 11th - Dinner for two at Raffles Asian Restaurant

## Agiotfest Bus Timetable From North

(To reserve a seat phone Ken on 6946949545)

16:45 - Perithea, outside ice-cream parlour.

(Ken Harrop will be in attendance)

16:50 - Acharavi, Sconto Supermarket

17:10 - Roda , opposite Roda stop

17:20 - Sidari, local Mercato Super Market

(If there are enough people interested we can arrange a bus from the South)



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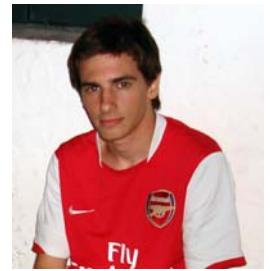
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# Village News

By Dr. Lionel Mann  
Contributing Editor

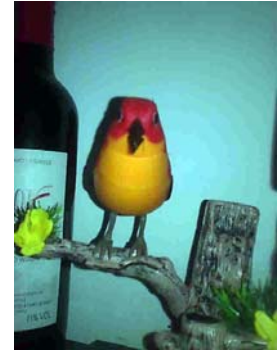
Towards the beginning of last month temperatures soared into the sweltering forties. Even our hardy Dutch cyclist visitors found that a bit much for cycling up Pantokrator. We have enjoyed the company of the Beyers' from Leipzig and the Ebners' from Vienna as well as the Newtons', the Craik family, the Durieux family, the McCurdys', the Fanjats' and the

Lucijes' returning. A group of Germans, some of whom have been visiting for more than thirty years have kept the plateia ringing with laughter, and Ricky has looked in for a short break.

Preparations for Agiotfest 11 have been occupying attention and all are looking forward with keen anticipation to August 27<sup>th</sup>.

The canine population of the village has been augmented by an Alsatian-cross puppy, Bono, the proud possession of Peter. Alfie is

openly jealous, Andy long suffering and Purrsephone ignoring with aristocratic disdain.



"Guard Bird at Kostas Taverna"

# Eyes Right?

By Dr. Lionel Mann  
Contributing Editor



Six years ago I transferred my health insurance from the U.K D.H.S.S., to the Greek I.K.A. a simple business for an E.U. citizen. I had no indication that I should need it but it was a reasonable precaution at my 78 years.

Last February my eyesight suddenly started to fail; one day I could read ordinary text and music, the next it was impossible.

Acting on my behalf, Lula tried to contact I.K.A., but they were either on strike or their telephone lines were jammed. We were not worried, believing cataract to be the cause of my trouble; that is easily cured these days. At last, in despera-

tion as my sight was steadily deteriorating, Lula contacted our new hospital and within three days I was examined by specialists.

Their diagnosis was the much more serious macula as later confirmed by a private specialist to whom I was referred because he has the only equipment on the island that analyses and prints out a cross-section of the eye. It showed clearly the growth beneath the retina distorting it and destroying their focus.

Seven years ago this would have been incurable; I would have become blind. Today, though, a new treatment is available involving injections straight into the eye. So far after two injections into each eye it seems as though the deterioration has stopped.

I am aged 84, a foreigner, and yet there was never any hesitation in administering these injections, each of which costs a thousand euros. Moreover there has been a complication as I was admitted to Corfu Hospital for emergency intestinal surgery. And again was treated

with the exemplary skill and attention that has characterized all my contacts with the hospital. It is very pleasing to relate that less than four weeks after the operation I am eating normally and walking without the aid of a stick.

It may be necessary to receive as many as a dozen injections into each eye but there has been no indication that there will be any objection. In Greece anyone requiring medical attention receives it without hesitation, as befits the nation that founded Western civilization including medical science. Other barbarous nations may send their murderous military around the world indiscriminately slaughtering innocent civilians and running up massive National Debts thereby, but Greece, currently being maligned for its unsound economics, uses its funds on healing. Which nation has its eyes right?

# Lionel (The True Story)

By Paul McGovern  
Editor



*"Lionel after his operation"*

For any of our readers not aware, it has been an incredible few weeks for Dr.Lionel. First came his eye problem, reported by himself here. Then, he had to move home. Now, admittedly this was just around the corner from No.1 The Plateia, Agios Ioannis to Lionel's Lair, The Street, Agios Ioannis, but moving is stressful at the best of times, let alone when you are 84 and almost blind. And then came the third calamity; his rush to hos-

pital for major abdominal surgery

We thought we had lost him on that bleak Tuesday night, but the surgeon performed miracles, treating his ancient hernia, mending his intestine, cleansing him of growths. We wheeled him into a mixed ward, where he was to spend the next week. From day to day his strength returned and on the following Tuesday we drove him to his new home.

Since which time he has put on weight again, is now taking normal meals, is taking regular outings-without a stick-and generally being almost the Lionel of old, but without the lump. He has even managed a couple of short pieces here, which he dictated to young Kostas.

What is more, his eyesight may actually have improved somewhat. Fingers crossed.

The medical staff in Corfu has been fantastic. Mr Christodoulos [surgeon] Mr Papadopoulos [eye

surgeon] ] Mr Kaloudis [eye specialist in town] are beyond reproach; first class. It was reported in this magazine some weeks back that the new hospital is self-service. It is in terms of nursing and after-care. I can vouch for that personally [pinch nostrils please], but this is owing to lack of funding for ancillary support rather than through any fault of individual staff. They came up trumps big time.



*"Lionel recovering in his new Apartment"*

**"Pottering in The Peloponnisos"**

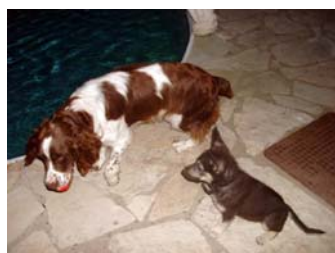
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# New Kid On The Block

His name is Bono and he belongs to Peter. He came to us in July, weighing in at 2.7 kgs. He has enlarged to over 6 already. He has been the bane of his uncle's [Andy] life ever since. He is particularly keen on dangling from Andy's ears and other parts. Andy is very forbearing, and puts up with constant daily attacks, as befits his status as Man Of The Year [2009 and 2010].

Andy, like Lionel, has been under frequent medical attention and treatment; a combination of over-exertion in his job as Brown-coat holiday friend and a tick infection,

have laid him low. If we can keep him indoors he improves-despite Bono's help. But he can hear a ball bounce from 500 metres away or the sound of a child squeal before they even board their plane to fly here. So his recuperation is stuttering.



*"Andy & the new puppy Bono"*

# Corfu Weather Statistics

June 2011 (until 24th)

Month's Rainfall: 1.1mm  
Maximum Temperature: 38C  
Minimum Temperature: 17C  
Average Temperature 26C  
Maximum Windspeed: 35 km/h.  
Maximum Gustspeed: 26 km/h.

# Aunty Lula's Love-bites

## Pasta in Sage Cream

### Ingredients

500gr Stuffed Pasta  
3 tbsp Dry Vermouth  
100ml Single Cream  
50gr Light Cream Cheese  
3 tbsp finely chopped Fresh Sage

### GO:

1. Cook Pasta in plenty of slightly slated boiling water for 10 - 12 minutes until al-dente.
2. Heat Vermouth, Cream, Cheese and Sage until bubbling.

3. Drain Pasta and add to the Sauce.

4. Garnish with Parmesan or Kefalotiri Cheese and serve immediately with Garlic Bread.

*Bon Appetit!!*

## News From the North

By Uncle Bulgaria  
Contributing Editor

You know in the current tough times, especially up here in the North, It good to see the adventurous spirit is still alive and well.

Businesses are closing everywhere, notices on the boards of goods for sale from people going back to UK. But, one guy who is either brilliant, foolhardy, clever or dumb has opened a new English shop near Sidari called the Shop UK Supermarket.

Located on the main road between Karrasoudes and Sidari, after you go over the bridge but before the big crossroad the shop is on the right. This guy used to make the best fish and chips in Rodha, Shame when he moved to Sidari, it did not work out so now the Brit shop. You anyone with persistence like this deserves to be supported, so give it a look in if you are up North. Good luck mate.

Now again, with bars closing all over through lack of business, a young lad has just opened his first bar in Acharavi, called Captain Aris Bar, named after one of our local characters who unfortunately

passed away a few years ago. Again Brave but stoopid, clever or dumb, who knows, but one must applaud the courage, so if your in Acharavi, give it a look up.

Okay, enough plugs. Off my diet now, it was quite successful. and of course back on the booze. But decided to knock the vodka on the head and am trying wine instead, trouble is I feel like a poof when ordering it!!!!

Last night we had the local village fiesta in Ag, Pantelemion, this is held in the church forecourt 150 metres from my house as the crow flies. Is it me or does it seem to anyone else that it is the same group playing the same tunes at all these fiestas? No doubt the locals enjoy it as is their custom, and of course the tourists (Such as they are) and the expats like to go and pretend they are fitting in with the village. But, to me, you've been to one, you have been to them all.

Looks like the weather is going to break, we need a drop of rain. Many of the gardens up this end have been attacked by huge amounts of white fly. Which has done the veggies no good at all. Any one out there have a cheap remedy,

drop a note to the Agiot please I would be very interested.

Also I have a major problem with wasps in my garden. It used to be Hornets which are buggers but I seem to have got rid of those, but this year we have massive amounts of wasps and nests are all over the place. I am finding nests in the ivy, the bougainvillea, under garden tables in doorways, etc. as fast as I destroy and spray they build new ones. Ideally, a regular all over spray would be the answer, but I cannot find a suitable chemical that is harmless to plants but soluble in water for a big sprayer and cheap. I am well known as a tightwad.

So again any tips?????

Well thats me done, lets tighten our belts, grit our teeth and hang in there waiting for the good times to come back. Hopefully before I pop my clogs!!!

I am, and always will be,  
Obnoxious Al



*"Big Al & Little Al  
Being less Obnoxious"*