



■ Rear: Loula Papandreou and Con Berbatis
Left to right: Arthur Mistilis, George Georgiou and Peter Vlachou (Chair).

2018 Trustees of the Hellenic Community of Western Australia

George Georgiou, a lawyer, and Con Berbatis, a businessman, were elected as new Trustees of the Hellenic Community of Western Australia in the annual general meeting held on 22 April 2018.

They joined Peter Vlachou OAM as the continuing Chair, Mrs Loula Papandreou and Arthur Mistilis.

Peter, George and Con form a trio of former presidents of the Hellenic Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Western Australia (HACCI WA).

Two meetings of Trustees have been held (22 May and 5 June) where constitutional, annual general meeting and other matters were discussed and letters written to the Management Committee.

The provided photograph and profiles of each the Trustees is the first of regular reports for members to become aware of the work of Trustees:



Peter Vlachou
OAM JP

Peter is married to Sandra (Bellos). His parents arrived just before and after World War 2 from Greece's Macedonia. They have three daughters and seven grandchildren.

Peter has a long association of service in our Community. Serving on numerous committees with the Hellenic Football Club from 1971 and was bestowed with Life Membership in 1984. In 1988-1990, he served as President of the Greek Australian Businessmen's Association and was an Inaugural Board member of St Andrew's Grammar 1990-1993.

From 1999-2011, he was a Board Member at the Hellenic Aged Care Facility.

Peter was elected a Trustee of HCWA in 2012 and has been Chairman since 2016.

In 2015, Peter was honoured to receive an Order of Australia Medal for service to the Greek Community.

Peter is an active Justice of the Peace and a Vietnam Veteran.



Loula Papandreou

Loula Papandreou is the daughter of post-World War 2 parents from the island of Mytilini.

Loula's working career began as a Practice Manager for a law firm. She then became the State Manager for Primus Telecommunications.

Following this, she was the General Manager of Amcom Telecommunications before commencing as National General Manager for Sales and Marketing for Primus Telecom until she retired.

Loula was part of the inaugural board of St Andrew's Grammar.

Over the years she has been involved with fundraising for charities and is a long term member of the Hellenic Community of WA.



George Georgiou

George Georgiou was appointed a trustee in April 2018.

George and his wife Marina migrated, with their three children, from South Africa to Perth in 1993.

Prior to that, George practiced law in South Africa for 10 years. He resumed legal practice in Perth in 1994.

He served as president of HACCI. He is a member of the Boards of the St Timothy Foundation and St Basils.

George has over the years arranged a number of significant musical and cultural events to promote Hellenism in Perth.



Arthur Mistilis

Arthur Mistilis, son of

Hellenic Community life member Vasilis and Evthokia Mistilis of Kastellorizo who were donors of the stainless steel crosses that adorn the cathedral of St Constantine and Hellene.

Arthur Mistilis is a retired senior state public servant specialising in legislation development. He was a fellow of the Institute of Legal Executives WA Inc.

He was secretary of the Castellorizian Association of WA during its 75th anniversary celebrations and the 7th Castellorizian World conference in 1987.

He was elected to the HCWA Election Committee for three terms from 2011 to 2016 the first two under the chairmanship of Marguerita Maounis and was chair of the 2015 election.

He was elected as a Trustee at the 2016 HCWA AGM.



Constantine Berbatis

Constantine Berbatis (72yo) PhD is the first son of pre-World 2 parents from Evia

and Mytilini.

Con was a Councillor of the Pharmacy Board of WA, nationally awarded pharmacy researcher and ex-academic who was active in community and hospital clinical practice.

He is a partner and co-developer of shopping centres and hotels.

Con was a president of the Hellenic Youth Association in the 1960s, football and cricket player, treasurer of Floreat- Athena, a pioneer of NUGAS, HCWA Management Committee member 1977-1983 and 1995-97, Chair of the Greek School Subcommittees and editor of HYA News and Hellenic Community News in the period 1966- 2002.

He is a life member and two-term president of the Hellenic Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

Whilst in Melbourne, he was in the Greek Professionals Association of Victoria committee where he and Rita met. They have one married daughter Catherine. They are benefactors of the Hellenic Initiative Australia, and St. Andrew's School, including the George and Despina Berbatis Gymnasium opened in 2016.

Con participates in bible classes at St. Nektarios.

He is keen for the Trustees to enhance the assets and constitutions of the Hellenic Community.