

CAV Bulletin NEWSLETTER

维省中华协会简讯

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE 会长寄语



Greetings to all CAV members.

It's been a while since we updated our members with what is happening at the CAV inside and outside. In this newsletter edition, I'd like to share with you some updates at the CAV.

Our 2022 AGM was held in March with a "new" EXCO team being elected. I'd like to congratulate the 11 re-elected and 2 new members of Executive Board for 2022 and I am looking forward to us working together to achieve a lot of things this year.

The 2022 Team & Leadership



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长



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Committee Member 委员



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Committee Member 委员



Jordan Qing Liang 梁青
Committee Member 委员

If you would like to check the biography for each person, please visit: <https://www.cavinc.com.au/main/about-us/>

CAV's 40th Anniversary

How time flies! Our focus this year is our celebration of CAV's 40th Anniversary. This is a big milestone for CAV as we look back at what has been achieved over the last 40 years.

Following tradition, we will be printing a special, hard copy magazine to commemorate the anniversary, and the editorial team lead by Mai Saw is now working hard to gather photos and reports for it. If you have any good photos or articles for the magazine, give Mai Saw a call.

Our **Ruby Gala Night** will be held on Sunday, 30th October 2022 at The Vogue Ballroom – Burwood East. After a 2 years absence from our social events calendar, this will be the highlight of the year for the CAV. Please book your tickets as soon as possible from the link:

<https://www.cavinc.com.au/main/cav-40th-anniversary-gala-ball/>

We also have a sponsorship package if your business wish to support CAV and advertise within our network. The sponsorship package details can be downloaded from [here](#).

This event will not be a fundraising activity and will be dedicated to socialising with old friends.


维多利亚省中华协会
Chinese Association of Victoria Inc.



40周年
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RUBY GALA NIGHT

Proudly serving the community & preserving our
 Chinese culture for 40years
from one generation to the next.



Date : Sunday 30th October 2022
Time : 6.30pm
Venue: Vogue Ballroom
 399 Blackburn Road, Burwood East
Live Band: Funkenflurter-7 piece band
TICKET PRICE: \$150
BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL

SCAN THE QR CODE OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO SECURE YOUR BOOKING TODAY!
<https://www.cavinc.com.au/main/event/cav-40th-anniversary-gala-ball/>
For further inquiries please contact
Shirley Teh
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CAV's FOOD FAIR is back!

EXCO and School Council are organizing a **Cultural and Food Fair** in conjunction with the Moon Cake Festival on Saturday, 10th September 2022. This will be a public event and you are welcome to invite your friends and relatives. There will be lots of multi-cultural food trucks, market stalls and cultural activities for both, children and adults. We will also have our traditional lantern parade in the evening so that our children can enjoy the same fun we had with our lanterns when we were their age – thus ensuring that the culture passes on through the generations. Stay tuned for more announcements as we finalise the details.

Other New Appointments

Congratulations to Dr Ka Shing Chua, who was recently elected as the new chairperson of the CAV School Building Trustees, following Dr Frank Chew's retirement from the committee. The new team now consists of Jenny Chin as secretary, Mimi Leung as treasurer and Daniel Loh, Boon Chuan Tay, Shirley Teh and Susan Gin as committee members

EXCO appointed 2nd Vice President Neoh Chee Yeong as the new school council chairperson this year. This year's school council also welcomed school parents Joan Tan and Henry Teoh; together with existing council members Eric Kong, Beng Law, Mark Tyssen, Boon Koay Pin and Principal Ramona Chua.

I am also delighted to congratulate our EXCO committee member Christina Chia who was recently inducted into the inaugural Victorian Multicultural Commission (VMC) Honour Roll in recognition of her work in promoting multiculturalism and diversity.



CAV School

I am delighted to inform you that our school student numbers are growing every week even in the middle of term 2. This is the result of hard work and effective marketing strategy that has been placed and continuing efforts from the school council, staff, and the teachers. We now have more than 300 students and we are hoping to keep growing in the future.

As part of the future plan for the school, we appointed 2 Vice Principals to help Principal Ramona Chua. After months of selection and interviewing candidates, the school decided to appoint Shi Wei Chen and Min Si who are current CAV School teachers as the Vice Principals. We congratulate and wish them the very best in their new roles to help our CAV School to grow more in the future.

Our Chinese school is different from the other schools as we also emphasize **culture** in our programs. Learning language skills, ethics and family traditions in a fun way improves the social emotional learning skills of our children and prepares them for a future in which they will stand out as well rounded and mature adolescents on their way to being global citizens.

As you already know, we spent around \$400,000 recently to add additional classrooms and offices to the school, far more than we are receiving in school fees. Although we won't be having our annual Mid-Year Dinner to raise funds for the school, we welcome members who wish to donate to our School Building Trust Fund.

Below is an appeal letter from the new CAV School Building Trust Fund (SBTF) chairperson; **Dr Ka Sing Chua**.

Dear Friends

I write to you as new Chair of the CAV Chinese School Building Trust Fund. My sincere thanks to all past serving Trustees and especially, the outgoing Chair, Dr Frank Chew OAM for his outstanding contribution. I look forward to working with the new Trustees appointed at the AGM 2022.

On the 40th anniversary of the school's establishment, I would like to congratulate the staff, students, volunteers and CAV community for the continued success of one of the oldest Chinese language schools in Victoria.

Enrolment is upwards of 300 students and expanding with classes from Kinder to Year 12, accredited by the Department of Education and Training. Recent new classrooms, renovations and the opening of a Connect Hub for school administration and parents are testimony to the hard work of the CAV Executive Committee and School Council. Our special purpose Building Trust Fund contributed significantly to these capital improvements.

The need for Chinese language and cross - cultural skills in our diverse Australian community has never been greater and the school is proud to train students in an independent and inclusive environment.

However, the need for continuous improvement remains. As with other not for profit organisations, our fundraising activities have been severely curtailed by the pandemic. The Trustee Board looks forward to seeing you again at convivial events in the year ahead and plans to acknowledge new major donors (\$20 000 and over) by displaying plaques on CAV School's premises. But any amount is welcome. Your contribution in deed or funds will be appreciated and remembered by our community for years to come.

Should you wish to make a fully tax deductible donation to the School Building Trust Fund, please contact myself on 0409 838 388, email: kasingchua@hotmail.com or the Secretary of the Board (Jenny Chin) on 0447 134 886, email: jchinyl61@gmail.com. Other Board members are Mimi Leung (Treasurer), Shirley Teh, Susan Gin, Boon Chuan Tay and Daniel Loh.

Thank you for your support.

*Yours sincerely
Dr Ka Sing Chua
Chair, CAV School Building Trust Fund*

亲爱的朋友们，

作为 CAV 中文学校校建信托基金的新主席致大家的一封信！

我真诚地感谢过去所有的受托人，特别是即将离任的主席 Frank Chew OAM 医生，感谢他的杰出贡献！并期待着与 2022 年 AGM 大会上任命的新理事们一起工作。

在学校成立四十周年之际，我谨代表校建信托基金委员会祝贺全体教职工、学生、家长志愿者、CAV 社区，祝愿我们作为维多利亚州最历史悠久之一的 CAV 中文学校蒸蒸日上，再创辉煌！

目前学校在籍学生人数已超过 300 人，规模不断扩大。班级囊括幼儿部，小学部，中学部，乃至 VCE 中文高考部，得到了维州教育培训部的高度认可。近日，在 CAV 执行委员会和校理事会地共同努力下，学校增添了新教室、新行政办公室、家长阅览休息室，以及对幼儿园教室的精心改建等。又一次见证了校建信托基金为之改革创新作出的重要贡献，意义非凡！

澳大利亚多元文化社区对中文以及跨文化技能的语言文化需求从未如此强烈过，学校为能在这个独立而又包容的环境中培养更多学生感到自豪。

然而，学校的成长仍需不断进行创新与发展。与其他非营利组织一样，我们的筹款活动也因疫情受到严重限制。信托委员会期待着在即将到来的欢庆活动中再次与您相见，并计划在 CAV 中文学校展示捐赠人牌匾，以表彰新的大额捐赠者（20,000 澳元及以上）。当然我们更欢迎任何数额的捐款。您的捐赠事迹将得到校建信托基金委员会的赞赏，并被我们的社区所铭记。

如果您希望向校建信托基金提供免税捐款，请联系我，电话：0409 838 388，电子邮件：kasingchua@hotmail.com 或董事会秘书（Jenny Chin），电话：4447 134 886，电子邮件：jchiny161@gmail.com 其他董事会成员有梁美美（财政）、Shirley Teh、Susan Gin、Boon Chuan Tay 和 Daniel Loh。

感谢您的支持！

此致

蔡家声医生

CAV 校建信托基金主席

CAV Chinese New Year Celebration



On Sunday 27th February 2022, CAV held an outdoor picnic to celebrate the Lunar New Year, welcoming the Year of Tiger. The free, open-to-all event was held at our school ground. Many families brought along their picnic rugs; basked in the late summer sun, while enjoying the cultural show that we prepared.



We were honored to have the Hon Alan Tudge, MP for Aston, Jackson Taylor, MP for Bayswater, Mayor of Knox, Cr Susan Laukens and councillor for Collier ward, Cr Marcia Timmers-Leitch joining us in the celebration.

A Chinese New Year celebration is incomplete without the lion dance. The lion dance is believed to bring good fortune and would chase away evil spirits for the year. The lively and roaring lion dance has certainly created a happy and exciting atmosphere to the event. After that, the audiences were entertained by a

children's singing performance, a Tai Ji dance and Chinese music performed by New Eastern Arts college orchestra.



All the children enjoyed the games that we organised and were excited to win the lucky draw prizes which were special Lego sets. All attendees were given a gift bag containing masks, hand sanitizers and calendars.

The highlight of the day was the giving out of hong baos, a red packet containing money, that symbolizes good wishes for the whole year. Our VIPs were glad to carry out the task of giving the packets to all the children.



To conclude the event, light meals were served to all participants.

We would like to thank the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing for their \$2,200 Multicultural Festivals and Events grant to support this event. It has been a challenging task to organise community events for the past 2 years, and we were blessed that the Victorian government has started to ease the restrictions on public events when we were planning the event. To ensure that we had a Covid Safe event, we decided to set a limit of 400 attendees, despite the ability of our school ground to accommodate more people. In addition, all adults were required to be fully vaccinated. We would like to apologize to the many families that we had to turn away due to our limitation. Hopefully we will be able to allow more people to attend our future events.



The event is made possible by the dedication and contribution of many of our volunteers in organizing and planning the event; designing the web pages for registration; purchasing; setting up marquees; packing the gift bags; preparing, cooking and serving the food and drinks; arranging and running the stage program; manning the registration table; cleaning and packing up. All our hard work is well rewarded when we see the children all go home with a smile on their faces.



Organisers: Shirley Teh and Mai Saw

CAV in the Community

CAVs been invited as part of the Chinese communities in Victoria to meet and hold open discussions with The Hon. Michael Sukkar MP and The Hon. Alan Tudge MP.

The topics of discussions included issues and concerns from the Chinese community. A lot of feedback and important issues were brought up to both MPs.



Meetings with local Members of Parliament

In March, we were honoured to have a visit from The Hon. Michael Sukkar MP, to the CAV. This visit was long overdue because of the Covid lockdowns. MP Sukkar is a long friend of CAV and has always attended our Mid-Year Dinner fund raising events. We had a fruitful discussion with Mr. Sukkar about some of the issues facing CAV as well as how the Chinese Language will soon play a major role in the world economy.



We also delighted to have a visit from Jackson Taylor MP, for Bayswater who officiated the new storage room built with assistance from the Victoria State government's grants.



On another visit from Jackson Taylor MP, we played a game of table tennis with our subgroup members. I was impressed at how good a player he is, and how he made an instant connection with the other table tennis players.



I also got the opportunity to attend a meet and greet with former PM Scott Morrison & former Chilsom MP – Gladys Liu MP. It was a very nice meet up especially since it gave me the chance to connect with lots of other cultural organizations to discuss mutually beneficial topics.



Other upcoming Events



7th August – Wine appreciation and tasting.

We have managed to get master winemaker Mark Hunter, of [Sanguine wines](#) in Heathcote to come to talk to us about Wine appreciation. Sanguine wines is a Halliday Wine Companion 2022 TOP 5 star rated winery, placing it in the top 5.6% of wineries in Australia and one of only 3 wineries in Heathcote to have ever achieved this high accolade.

Our program will start with a short, formal sit-down class on wine appreciation followed by wine tasting.

For young adults, the wine class will help you when you interact with clients or colleagues at work. For others who simply appreciate wine and would like to know more, here is your chance!

Event: Wine appreciation and Tasting

Date: Sunday, 7th August 2022

Time: 5:00pm – 6:00pm

Cost: \$15 (cheese and finger food supplied). Bookings Essential.

Bookings: <https://www.cavinc.com.au/main/event/wine-appreciation-and-tasting/>

Mark has kindly offered members who purchase wine on the night via mail order, a 10% discount off their orders if they mention CAV plus he is also generously donating 5% of all sales on the night to CAV - together with a dozen bottles of wine to auction at the Gala Ball.

I look forward to seeing you at our 40th Anniversary celebrations major events in the near future. Meanwhile, I wish everyone lots of warmth and the best of health during this winter period.

Regards,

Iwan Jusuf (游意旺)

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SAVE THE DATE

7th Aug – Wine Appreciation and Tasting Class with Mark Hunter (Sanguine Wines)

10th September – 40th Anniversary Cultural Food Fair

30th October – 40th Anniversary Gala Ball