

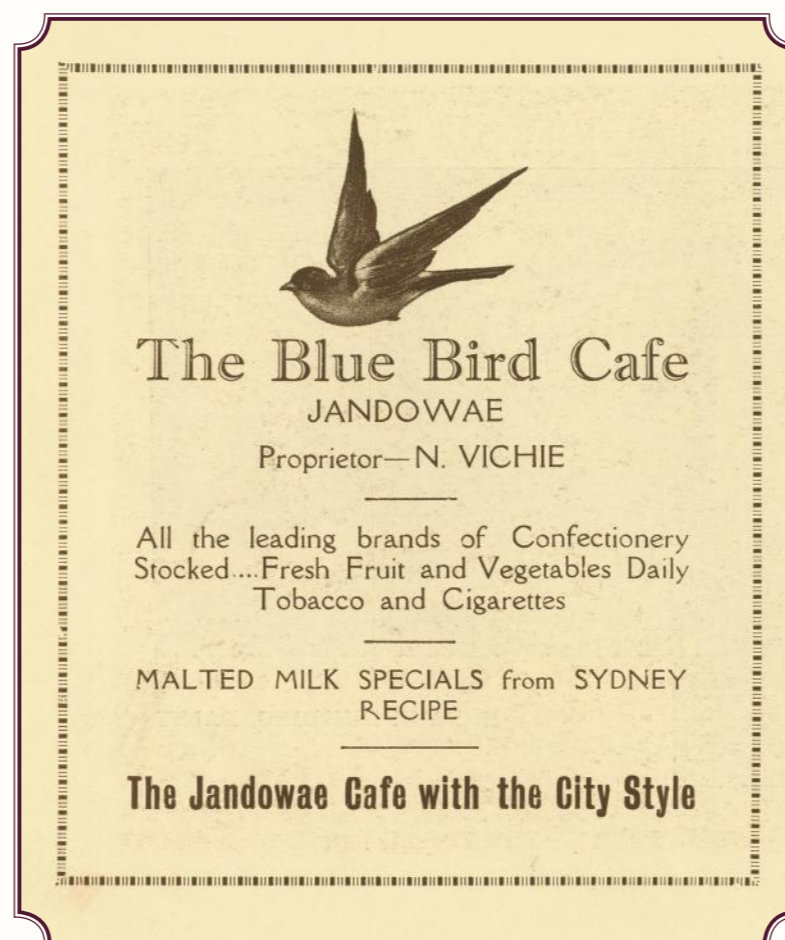


Mick Kourtellarides, Mark Nearhos and Chris Mylonas, ca. 1920s

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Young men ventured from Greece hoping to 'make good' in a land of golden opportunity, and many ran cafes in Queensland. Sitting for this portrait are Mick Kourtellarides, Mark Nearhos, who had the Cafe Majestic in Dalby, and Chris Mylonas



Advertisement for the Blue Bird Cafe in Dalby, 1934

Dalby, Jandowae and the northern Downs booklet, compiled by G. Bell

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The small town of Jandowae had several Greek cafes, including Peter's Cafe and Michael Morris' Canberra Cafe. As a symbol of hope and happiness, the Blue Bird was often chosen by Greek proprietors as a cafe name



MEET ME
AT THE
PARAGON
THE GREEK CAFÉ PHENOMENON



Downs



Jim Samios in the Paragon Cafe, Dalby, ca. 1936

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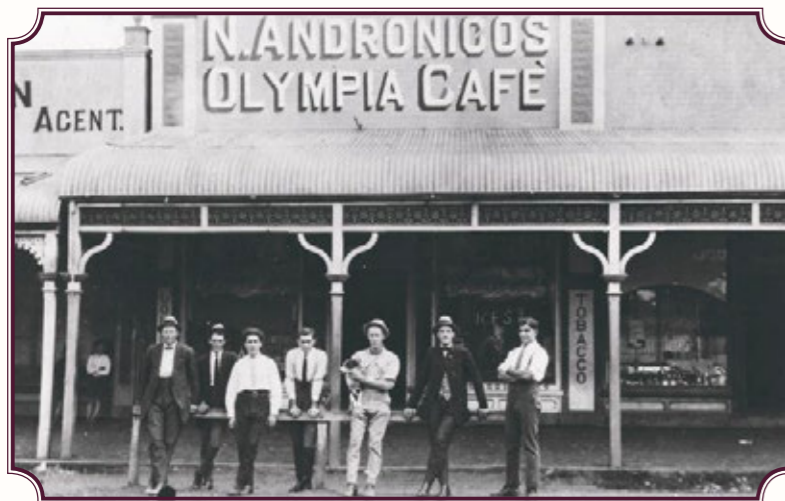
Dalby had at least five Greek cafes including the Regal and Condamine Cafes and the Cafe Australia. In 1931 Londy Bros bought land in Cunningham Street to build a new shop. The Paragon Cafe was fitted by Taylor, Christie and Walker of Brisbane and took 12 months to complete. When this photograph was taken in 1934 Milton and Constantina Samios had the Paragon. Their son Jim, pictured here, was active in politics until 2003



Street scene in Palmerin Street, Warwick, 1949
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The ABC Cafe was one of at least five Greek cafes in Warwick. Among the others were the Belle Vue and Warwick Cafes, owned by the Samios/Trifilis partnership, and the Hollywood Cafe



Men pictured in front of the N. Andronicos Olympia Cafe, Allora, ca. 1924

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Mick Patrick had the Olympia Cafe in Allora at least as early as 1916. By the time this photograph was taken ca. 1924 the business had passed to Nick Andronicos



Temporary cafe and barber after fire, January 1940
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Flames could be seen from Kingaroy when the biggest fire in the history of Nanango destroyed the Commercial Hotel and eight shops in 1940. Victor Pisanos set up a makeshift business until his Cafe, the Marble Bar, was restored



Section of Haly Street, Kingaroy, 1935
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George Trifilis married Matina Economos, of Economos Bros Cafe in Rockhampton, in 1925. They had the Busy Bee Cafe, which still operates in Haly Street Kingaroy