



south of the pharmacy in Morre mid-October

The last newsletter featured a number of photos of the wedding celebration of Raya Chizhova and Simone Benedetti in the piazza of Acqualoreto on August 6th. We now have a link to a large album of photos of the wedding which will remain on-line ONLY FOR A FEW DAYS. The link is [here](#).

The restaurant in the piazza, La Cruccola, was busy all summer, thanks in part to the grand flux of people coming through the village due to the hiking program, Cammino dei Borghi Silenziosi. The wedding of Raya and Simone also

brought many people to the village and of course August is always a time when the local population swells.

The restaurant remained open through September and into the very pleasant month of October but it has now closed for the winter and we will see what happens next spring.

The restaurant news is also sad because another local favorite, Rosa dei Venti, in Fiore, has ceased operations. It is and will be missed.

As most of you know, there is a terrible energy crisis in Italy with skyrocketing costs shutting down many businesses. The Circolo has held fund-raising parties on Sept.9th and again on Oct.19th to cover utility bills so that the Circolo bar can remain open.



crostata to celebrate

There was ample food provided by many members and drinks were purchased at the bar so it worked out rather well. So far, we've had unusually pleasant autumn weather.



food for the fundraiser

We have decided to anticipate the Wednesday Happy Hour by an hour to 17:00 now that we have reverted to standard time in Italy. The Sunday Holy Hour remains at 12:00

On September 9th, in addition to the fundraiser, there were also elections to renew the Consiglio Direttivo of the Circolo.

The new committee is made up of:

- Simone Benedetti- President
- Oliviero Volpini- Vice President
- Gabriele Volpini- Treasurer
- Rosemary Luckhurst
- MariaPia Marruco
- Ivano Benedetti
- Raya Chizhova
- Gioacchino Cricco
- Chase Palmeri
- Massimo Andreucci
- Gerard Marcon

After fifteen years serving as the president of the Circolo since its inception, Gabriele Volpini has stepped down. We thank him for his many years of service and wish Simone a long and successful reign as president.

On September 28th, the Happy Hour served as a sort of going away party for Sheila and Seamus Dooley, who just sold their house. They will be missed and we hope to see them on the many future visits that they swore they would make.



September 28th Happy Hour

The Circolo has had to struggle with the Covid restrictions and with the wartime economy, and now it faces the loss of the faithful bi-weekly attendance of the Dooleys at our social gatherings. It needs your support.

Our Holy Hour of October 16th coincided with a large wild boar hunt down at the end of Via del Mulino resulting in an unprecedented traffic jam in the piazza as the forty or so hunters came through on their way to lunch. The cinghialari are easily recognized by their uniforms of camouflage fatigues with florescent orange vests. We were well protected from any potential hreat of the boars invading the piazza and the traffic jam dissolved quickly as soon as the hunters had taken on some refreshment at the bar.



1. Illustration: Holy Hour traffic jam

As you can see, Casa Bernardi, which overlooks Piazza Bernardi, is under renovation by its current owners. Thank you Stefano. All improvements to our splendid village are encouraged and appreciated.
