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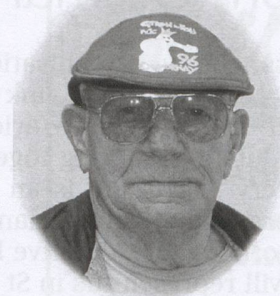
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Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ending 31 March 2010

Income	2009/2010	2008/2009
	\$	\$
Subscriptions	12,750.00	14,372.50
Advertising	2,113.50	2,335.50
Interest	2,479.71	3,369.26
Donations	25.00	2,860.00
Competitions subscriptions - Medals	1,397.00	1,124.00
	18,765.21	24,061.26
Expenditure	\$	\$
Helvetia - Printing	11,580.00	11,153.33
Packing/Postage	3,140.51	2,255.45
Stationery/Administration	1,110.73	631.45
Competitions - Medals	1,794.78	1,379.75
Auditor	-	225.00
Bank fees	61.00	25.00
	17,687.02	15,669.98
Cash Profit	1,078.19	8,391.28
Accumulated Funds at beginning of year	55,546.24	47,154.96
Accumulated Funds as at 31/03/2010	56,624.43	55,546.24
Current Assets		
Cheque Account	16,624.43	15,546.24
Term Deposits	40,764.16	40,764.16
Less Current Liabilities	NIL	NIL
Net Assets	57,388.59	56,310.40
Represented by:		
Accumulated Funds as at 31/03/2010	57,388.59	56,310.40

Wellington, April 2010
Heidi Amelung, Treasurer

ACCOUNTS AUDITED BY
LYN HANSEN
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT
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Albert Meier

20 July 1930 - 21 May 2010

Albert was born in Zurich, Switzerland to Herman and Freda Meier. He was the second of eight children. His home life was not that rosey and at the age of three he was placed with foster parents (bauernhof) and it was there he developed his interests in animals.

Albert received eight years of schooling in Zurich before leaving to make his way in the world. He left home at the age of 18 and worked for a butcher delivering meat to the homes of his employer's customers. After a while he entered into an apprenticeship as a welder and became very competent in his trade.

In 1956 he met Frieda, who was working in the kitchen of a restaurant where he had gone for refreshments with his best friend. They courted for three years and finally married in 1959.

The young couple had heard about New Zealand and the great way of life people lived there, and so they decided to emigrate. They came to New Zealand in 1964 and worked on farms around Taranaki until 1975 when they purchased their own farm east of Eltham. Five years later they purchased a smaller block of land on York Road and continued to farm until their retirement. That's when they moved back to Eltham, to Maata Road, and have remained there since.

Albert was a great "fixer" and would spend many hours pottering around in this workshop. Probably because of his love of fixing things, Albert was a hoarder and would avoid throwing out any item that "might come in useful".

He had a number of long-time friends; those that become part of your family. Albert was loved and respected by all his family. He loved his grandchildren and great-grandchildren deeply.

As a farmer, Albert will have touched many people's lives in Taranaki. I have no doubt that many people will carry his memory and inspiration forever.

The Taranaki Swiss Club and the Swiss Society of New Zealand extend their sincere sympathy to Frieda and family.