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## Invitation to New Zealand Swiss Society AGM to all members of the affiliated Swiss Clubs and to all members of the Swiss Society on Queen's Birthday Weekend – Saturday June 2 to Monday June 4

Make sure you keep the weekend free!

Once every five years you get the opportunity to vote for the president of the Swiss Society. Important decisions will have to be made. You are invited to enjoy the Auckland Swiss Club's hospitality.

Meet new like minded people, or renew old friendships. There is even a delightful history of a romance having started at the AGM a couple of years ago - with a happily married couple now.

### PROGRAMME:

#### Saturday 02 June:

Meet in the later part of the afternoon at the Danish Club, 6 Rockridge Ave, Penrose.

Catch up, play cards, dinner will be served at 7pm. Cost \$10.

#### Sunday 03 June: West Auckland

Final of the Cowbell Competition: Bowling, Steinstossen, cards.

Lunch and Annual General Meeting at the Athletics Hall in Massey.

Evening at 'The Falls' Restaurant in Henderson, with a delicious dinner. Cost \$45

*Billets will be available for our guests from out of Auckland. Book your flight now!*

## Swiss Embassy: new on Twitter

The Embassy of Switzerland has set up a Twitter account, which it will use as a means of communication in emergencies.

Please visit [www.twitter.com](http://www.twitter.com) and follow the Embassy @SwissEmbassyNZ (search for "Swiss Embassy NZ").

You will need your own Twitter account to subscribe to the Embassy's tweets and to become a follower.

Twitter is an online social networking and micro blogging service that enables its users to send and read text-based posts of up to 140 characters, known as "tweets".

Kind regards  
Your Embassy Team

The Swiss Society of New Zealand  
wishes all its members

*Frohe Ostern - Happy Easter*



## Petition for E-Voting

E-voting is especially important for the Swiss abroad. Post delivered late, or to the wrong address, repeatedly prevents them from participating in elections and referenda. But there is also strong interest in e-voting from within Switzerland, especially from the younger generation.

The Organisation of the Swiss Abroad (OSA) has launched a petition calling for the introduction, as quickly as possible, of voting in elections and referenda via the Internet (e-voting and e-election).

The Petition addresses both the Federal Council and the competent cantonal authorities, as the cantons as well as the Federal Government are responsible for organizing elections and referenda.

The Petition will be presented to the Federal Council on 18th August 2012, on the occasion of the Congress of the Swiss Abroad. To sign, you can go straight to <http://www.petition.aso.ch> (the link is on SwissCommunity.org)

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