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## Swiss Club News

### Taranaki Swiss Club

Congratulations to the Hamilton Swiss Club on achieving their 60th jubilee. We hope that you have wonderful celebrations and enjoy the camaraderie and reminiscing. Here's to the next 60

Margrit Dudli would like to thank everyone who helped, in any way, in her huge shift from her house in Riverlea to her new unit at Annie Brydon in Hawera. Margrit is very grateful to you all; especially Heidi and Erna who helped clean her house. Thank you all so very much!!!

### Past Events

We held our Swiss Society competitions on the 15th of May. It was wonderful to see some new faces, together with our regulars. Huge thanks to Sonja Werder who agreed to play cards so that we had even numbers ... and you played very well!!! Congratulations!!! It was neat to see so many people shooting ... Mark had a waiting list ... doesn't happen very often, does it Mark?!!! All competitors who play in at least three of the disciplines goes into the draw for two meals at the Swiss Club ... and our Patron Lou Butler won it!!! Everyone was so very happy for him ... Lou is one of those kind guys who compete in the shot put knowing full well that he will never win a medal ... but he does it to increase someone else's chance of getting a medal!!! You're so deserving of this voucher, Lou ... enjoy it!!! Thank you to everyone who participated in the competition, especially the juniors who all enjoyed competing. Congratulations to all the winners, and remember to come to the 1st of August to receive your medal!!!

Our very popular Fondue Evening was held with a crowd of around 125 adults and children, who all thoroughly enjoyed the fondue and cervelas and salads ... and what a display of salads there were!!! Just superb ... thanks ladies for your efforts! We were very fortunate to not only have committee members who helped, but many club members ... thank you so much for all your hard work. The good comments certainly made up for the work!!! Thanks to

the cheese graters, bread cutters, cooks, scrubbers, waitresses, and ... well everyone that helped in any way ... you're a great team to work with. Thanks to Heidi and Erna who made lovely raffle prizes, together with the five half salami ... tickets sold like hot cakes ... thanks to the children who sold so many tickets ... you all did a great job. Thanks to everyone who so generously dug into their pockets to support the raffle. We were then treated to great music by Konrad, Peter, Bernie, Aaron and Othmar ... we're so lucky to have such a great team of musicians. A small supper was held before people started to go home ... a great night was had by all. Thank you to everyone who came and supported this event, and we look forward to your support at the next function.

Over 30 of us headed to the City of Sails to try and win the coveted cowbell and attend the Annual General Meeting of the Swiss Society of New Zealand. On the Saturday night we enjoyed the terrific hospitality of the Auckland Swiss Club members ... delicious food, fine drinks, excellent company and terrific music ... what more could we want?!!!! It was a most enjoyable evening after a long trip north. Many thanks to the Auckland Swiss Club for allowing us to stay the night at the Farm ... we certainly can't say that the noise kept us awake!!! Absolutely lovely setting and the boys loved the flying fox!!! The next morning the rest of the Hamiltonians arrived, ready to do battle. Herbert was oh so determined to get their clubs' name on the bell in consecutive years ... and his determination paid off ... your members must be getting a handsome dividend this year!!! Taranaki had won the shooting ... but for the rest ... we were gracious in defeat I guess!!! We were totally outclassed ... but watch out next year ... heaven forbid that "Hamilton" wins three years in a row!!! Congratulations on your well-deserved win, and look after that cowbell!!! After a lovely lunch, it was down to the business end of the weekend ... and Tanja looking forward to handing over the reins of the Swiss Society to Hans Vetsch from the Hamilton Swiss Club. Healthy discussions took place on several matters, after Hamilton presented us with the new committee which will compile the Helvetia and attend to other matters. Our heartiest congratulations to the Auckland Swiss Club for consistently compiling an interesting Helvetia magazine, and we wish the Hamilton Swiss Club all the

best with continuing the good work ... we know that you will 'stamp your mark' on the Helvetia and we will enjoy reading your magazine too. The Sunday evening function was held in Coatsville, and we all enjoyed a wonderful evening of camaraderie and great music.

Our grateful thanks to members of the Auckland Swiss Club for their generous hospitality over the weekend ... we all thoroughly enjoyed ourselves and look forward to converging on Hamilton next year.

On the 19th of June the small bore shooting club held their final championship shoot with an amazing number of shooters attending. So neat to see so many juniors participating, and Mark was kept busy all afternoon. Many thanks, Mark, for all you do for the Swiss Club; we really appreciate your dedication. As there was also a cards afternoon, there were a good number of people at the club grounds. Some people arrived after the sports to enjoy a delicious pot-luck dinner ... we could do with more people at this event, but all those attending enjoyed good fellowship!

Card results from the last few afternoons:

#### 29 May

1st Mathias Seifert  
2nd Marcus Rufer  
3rd Alby Schuler  
Booby Walter Seifert

The lucky raffle winners were Marcus, Berta Hughes and Josie Gillbanks twice ... you might not have been lucky in the cards, but at least you had a good haul in the raffle, Josie!!!

#### 12 June

1st Marcus Rufer ... you're on a roll, Marcus!!! Second last time and first this time!!! Well done!!! Either you're lucky or you have great skill!!!  
2nd Frieda Meier  
3rd Berta Hughes  
Booby Erna Zimmermann  
The lucky raffle winners were Tilly, Myrtha, Heidi Werder and Frieda.

#### 19 June

1st Marlies Hebler  
2nd Erna Zimmermann ... going from booby to 2nd is very impressive, Erna!!  
3rd Mathias Seifert  
Booby Walter Seifert ... fancy picking on the organiser!!! Better luck next time, Walter!!!

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The raffle winners were Marcus twice (well you weren't in the winning card players but you got the right raffle tickets!!!), Walter and Margrit Dudli.

On the 2nd of July we held our annual Anniversary Shoot with about 100 adults and children having the opportunity of either shooting or keglen, and then enjoying a delicious meal of sauerkraut, red cabbage, peas, potatoes, pork and continental frankfurters. Many thanks to the ladies who prepared such a scrumptious meal, and to Mark for sourcing all the goods ... you all did a terrific job. Many thanks to our members who helped with the dishes ... it's so nice when people outside the committee offer their services to help; we really appreciate it!!! After the meal Mark presented all the competitors in the shooting or keglen with their prizes, and also awarded the small bore shooting trophies and cups for the past year. Here is a list of the winners:

### Men:

The President Challenge Cup winner was Mark Kiser with 136 points, followed very closely by Remigi Zimmermann with 135 points.

The self-handicap cup was won by Bryce Kaiser with Adrian Drummond and Mark Kiser second equal.

### Ladies:

The Ashleigh Lodge President's Cup was won by MaryAnn Whakatutu with runner-up Vonnie Ngatai ... Abla taught his daughters the sport of shooting well!!!!????!!!



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The Engelberger Memorial Cup (self-handicap) was also won by Mary Anne Whakatutu with Vonnie Ngatai runner-up.

### Juniors:

The Lou Nolly trophy was won by Jakob Whakatutu with runner-up Dontay Olliver.

The Erwin Kiser B Grade Cup winner was Trevor Walker and the Fuglistaller C Grade trophy was won by Richard Drummond.

Mark thanked all the competitors for supporting him during the year and congratulated all the worthy winners on their great achievements. Mark also thanked everyone for participating in the shooting or skittles, and also those who came to enjoy the delicious meal and support the raffles. It's really pleasing to see so many people!

The spinning wheel was next in action, with many eager children prepared to sell raffle tickets. Many thanks to all the children for doing an excellent job selling the tickets, and grateful thanks must go to everyone who so generously bought tickets. Thanks to our musicians who played ... we really appreciate your talent!

On behalf of the committee, I would like to thank Mark for organising such a terrific day and evening. We really appreciate all you do for our Club. THANK YOU!!!

### Welcome to new members:

We welcome Dennis Hurley (Patea) and Ruth Meyer (Mania) to our Club; it was great seeing you at the fondue, together with Sinda who is also a new member. Hope you all enjoyed your meal and meeting new people. Ruth was a member many years ago, before returning to Switzerland ... it's wonderful to see you back and we hope you enjoy being in Taranaki again.

If anyone wishes to join our Club, please ring Marianne on 06 7628757 or Othmar on 06 2786878. We always look forward to meeting new members and please remember to look up your calendar of events or the website to ensure that you attend as many functions as possible.

Are you interested in the electronic version of the Helvetia?  
Please advise Anita Zuber at  
anita.zuber@swiss.org.nz.

## Forthcoming Events

Please note: The Taranaki Swiss Club applies for Special Licences to sell liquor for most functions and when we hold a Licence people may not bring their own alcohol. However when we don't have a Special Licence (only New Years' Eve and very small functions), the function then becomes a BYO.

### July

**30** The Swiss National Day celebrations will be held with wonderful entertainment showcasing Swiss culture and traditions. Our wonderful tombola and deliciously fantastic "Swiss" supper are always a feature!!! Our great team of salespeople will be ringing to promote this function, so please be very helpful to them and make up your mind straight away or kindly return their calls ... some of the lists are very lengthy and ringing twice or three times to one person is very time-consuming!! We look forward to a great crowd!!!

**31** Hopefully some of our members are able to attend the Hamilton Swiss Clubs' 60th jubilee celebrations ... have a good one!!!

After this, the Clubs' activities will be quiet for a while to allow farmers time to get through the busy time of calving and the spring months.

### October

**6 & 20** Keglen recommences with CEO Heidi Werder happy to see some new faces ... not that she doesn't appreciate the regulars ... but more people create a better competition ... so come along and support her. They always have good fun, heaps of laughter, a great supper and friendly rivalry in the 10-pin bowling!

The evenings start at 7.30pm ... give it a go!!!

**16** The small bore shooting season also recommences. Mark welcomes all participants, and was especially happy to see so many juniors last year ... so come along and support him again. Great to see a few ladies joining the ranks too!!! The Trudi Ott Belt Shoot and Championship Shoot can be done today, so come and give it a go!!! You may be pleasantly surprised at your ability!!!  
MD

## Swiss Club News

# Auckland Swiss Club

We need you!

The committee is looking for a new Vice President. The position of Vice President has opened up in the Committee due to our current Vice President moving to Nelson. The committee is run by a 'good bunch' of people and we look forward to welcoming you! If you are interested in the position please contact Adrian Blaser on [adrian.blaser@swiss.org.nz](mailto:adrian.blaser@swiss.org.nz) or 021 232 7998 or Daniela Bossard on [daniela.bossard@swiss.org.nz](mailto:daniela.bossard@swiss.org.nz)

## Past events

**Jass**, Friday, 13 May, Danish Hall

|      |                       |      |
|------|-----------------------|------|
| 1st  | Fabienne Pislör       | 4286 |
| 2nd  | Nelly Steinemann      | 4135 |
| 3rd  | Marie-Theres Melville | 4113 |
| 4th  | Lynne Dunphy          | 3985 |
| 5th  | Heinz Frei            | 3957 |
| 6th  | Hansruedi Wolf        | 3911 |
| 7th  | Fidel Good            | 3877 |
| 8th  | Robyn Henderson       | 3861 |
| 9th  | Hans Iten             | 3753 |
| 10th | Sigi Wyder            | 3730 |
| 11th | Emil Tellenbach       | 3705 |
| 12th | Franz Krieger         | 3680 |
| 13th | Louis Wallimann       | 3678 |
| 14th | Andrew Iten           | 3657 |
| 15th | Annagret Wolf         | 3640 |
| 16th | Berta Good            | 3608 |
| 17th | Hilda Iten            | 3580 |
| 18th | Erwin Steiner         | 3556 |
| 19th | Adrian Blaser         | 3439 |
| 20th | Edith Hess            | 3209 |

## Society AGM

Queens Birthday Weekend

The Auckland Swiss Club was the host of this year's Society AGM. We were pleased to have the opportunity to welcome fellow Swiss from around New Zealand. It was a fantastic weekend. Thank you to all the Auckland members who helped with the organisation of the event.

The weekend culminated in a dinner at the Coatesville hall, the celebration included 60 years Auckland Swiss Club. We had a delicious Schwarzwaelder Torte to celebrate the special occasion. Let's keep the good work going!

**Jass**, Friday, 10 June, Danish Hall

|      |                       |      |
|------|-----------------------|------|
| 1st  | Heidi Wilson          | 4298 |
| 2nd  | Adrian Blaser         | 4101 |
| 3rd  | Louis Wallimann       | 4009 |
| 4th  | Fidel Good            | 3984 |
| 5th  | Heinz Frei            | 3921 |
| 6th  | Lynne Dunphy          | 3893 |
| 7th  | Erwin Steiner         | 3850 |
| 8th  | Berta Good            | 3810 |
| 9th  | Andrew Iten           | 3689 |
| 10th | Ian Gordon            | 3612 |
| 11th | Carmen Gordon         | 3609 |
| 12th | Emil Tellenbach       | 3555 |
| 13th | Hans Iten             | 3548 |
| 14th | Franz Krieger         | 3487 |
| 15th | Hilda Iten            | 3471 |
| 16th | Marie-Theres Melville | 3451 |

**Movie**, Friday 1 July, Danish Hall

We enjoyed a new version of the 'Heidi' movie. We had 40 members enjoy the event. The movie was liked by all. It definitely brought back some nostalgia from my end. The movie followed some delicious baking, including some Basler Laeckerli, a real treat.

**Jass**, Friday, 8 July, Danish Hall

|      |                       |      |
|------|-----------------------|------|
| 1st  | Andrew Iten           | 4205 |
| 2nd  | Heinz Frei            | 4096 |
| 3rd  | Carmen Gordon         | 3915 |
| 4th  | Ian Gordon            | 3898 |
| 5th  | Hans Iten             | 3893 |
| 6th  | Lynne Dunphy          | 3827 |
| 7th  | Adrian Blaser         | 3774 |
| 8th  | Walter Haller         | 3774 |
| 9th  | Marie-Theres Melville | 3594 |
| 10th | Fabienne Pislör       | 3541 |
| 11th | Louis Wallimann       | 3500 |
| 12th | Emil Tellenbach       | 3496 |
| 13th | Hilda Iten            | 3471 |

## Forthcoming Events

**Bonfire**, Monday, 1 August, 5.30 PM

Swiss Farm Kaukapakapa  
Join us to celebrate Switzerland's birthday with a bonfire at the Swiss Farm. Please bring your own drinks and food.

**National Day Brunch**,

Sunday, 7 August, 11 AM at the Swiss Farm Kaukapakapa  
"Buurezmorge" like in Switzerland  
You noticed – we are doing again, a daytime function for the family. It will happen in any weather – we have a good road now, and the window covers will shelter us from the elements. Entertainment from Emil and Konrad, our Yodlers and Alphorns, official speech by our Ambassador David Vogelsanger, National Anthem, Medals and Trophies.

Cost is \$20 for Auckland Club members, \$30 for non club members. Club member's children 0-9 free, 10-18 \$10, other children \$20 from 10 years. Alexandra will take registrations for this event, please secure your place NOW by Monday 01 August: Phone 09 622 0107 or: Email [alexandra.beskid@swiss.org.nz](mailto:alexandra.beskid@swiss.org.nz) Online on <http://fribesco.wix.com/ascbookings>

We need to know numbers so you NEED to RSVP. No entries at the door.

We also ask you to prepay for the brunch. This can be done by sending a cheque to Tobias or Direct Debit the amount due into our club acct. Use "National Day" and your Family Name as reference.

To claim the member prize your club fee has to be paid in full

**Jass**, Friday, 12 August, Danish Hall

Join us for an evening of 'Jassen'. We look forward to catching up over a game or two.

## Fondue Night

Saturday, 3 September, Danish Hall  
Come and join us for the Annual Fondue night and enjoy some Swiss company. Places strictly limited (due to cheese pre-ordering).

Please bring your caquelon and forks along (we provide the meths).

Costs: Members \$30, Non-Members \$40, Children \$15 until 18, non-members \$25. To claim the member prize your club fee has to be paid in full

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**Jass**, Friday, 9 September, Danish Hall  
What better thing to do to mark the start of the weekend, than a bit of fun and competition.

### Kaffeetränzli & The Great Swiss Bake-off

Sunday 25 September, Danish Hall  
Get your baking gloves on. There was some very good competition there last year. I for one am looking forward to the judging process.

### Looking ahead further

Saturday, 1 October  
Schellenursli movie screening (organised by the Embassy)  
Friday, 14 October – Monthly Jass  
Friday, 4 November – Pub Night  
Sunday, 6 November – Walk  
Friday, 11 November – Monthly Jass  
Saturday, 26 November – Working Bee

### Welcome to new members:

We welcome Kiriana & Will Tipping with Honor, Niko and Maia and Myriam Jenni to the Club. We look forward to meeting you at one of our upcoming events.



## Past events

### 14 May: Fondue

This fondue was a success, as always, thanks to Peter, Roland, Thomas and many other precious helpers. This year we invested into a quality cheese, and it was a good choice. We had some mini chocolates from Switzerland, that the kids were disciplined enough not to eat in one go. Our usual team of helpers stayed late in the night to clean up the house.

### 5 June: Jassen

Winter has come, so we played cards at Trudi's place, which is easier to heat than the clubhouse. Unless numbers explode, we'll do so over winter. We had a pleasant afternoon with lots of surprises, a few matches, a few missed chances and a few wild speculations that succeeded – or not. Anyway, it was a very pleasant afternoon!

### 26 June: Movie Day

Big and small had a great time watching Paddington, before enjoying Roland's delicious vegetable soup and the cakes and biscuits that we had all brought to share. The movie Suffragettes was less lighthearted, but nevertheless a movie worth watching... Do you remember in which year women got the right to vote on the national level in Switzerland?... yes... much later than in New Zealand.

### 3 July: Jassen

It was a glorious afternoon and we enjoyed the warmth and the company and interesting discussions and the many and varied surprises of the game. Some take risks, some play it safe – and all had fun. Even onlookers get a thrill out of it – amazing how the players remember every card and every move when it's all over. Jassen must be an excellent way to keep the brain fit!

### 1st August Celebrations

By the time most of you will receive this Helvetia, we will have had our National Day Dinner, and perhaps will also had held our bonfire on Petone Beach (at 6:30 by Hikoikoi, on 1st August, in case you receive the Helvetia early!) . You can read the report in the next Helvetia.

## Forthcoming Events

### 7 August: Jassen

The usual Jassers will be contacted; if you are not a usual Jasser but would like to join us, please ring Trudi on 56 28 019.

### 3 September: Zurich Evening

Join us for our first ever Zurich evening organised by Andreas Buchs! At the clubhouse in Wainuiomata.

### 11 September: Jassen

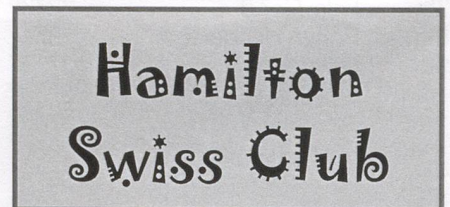
The usual Jassers will be contacted; if you are not a usual Jasser but would like to join us, please ring Trudi on 56 28 019.

### 8 or 15 October (to be confirmed): Dinner at the clubhouse

Raclette, fondue, or Berner Platte? To be confirmed.

### Welcome to new members:

The Wellington Swiss Club welcomes new members: Stephanie O'Connor, Andy Buchs, Michel, Christina, Robert, James and Gemma Sangalli, Daniel Schlumpf and his family.



## Past events

### Card Evenings

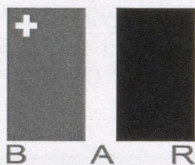
The year has rolled around ever so quickly, and on the 13th of May, 34 avid card players met once again at the United Parish Church in Cambridge for yet another series of Card Evenings. After briefly meeting and greeting one another, seating numbers were distributed and serious competition was soon underway...

The total scores from the first three rounds of the regular card competition were used to count towards the Society Medal Jass for the 21 players who this year chose to participate in this event.

At the end of the evening, Anna Blattler was our first winner with a total of 4193 points. At the other end of the score list, Elisabeth Gaemperle was awarded the booby prize with 3370 points.

The second card evening, on 27th

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May, was attended by 36 players - the first place went to Robert Frischknecht with a very impressive 4367 points, whilst Margaret Hayward received a packet of pasta as a booby prize for scoring 3253 points!

Two weeks later, we again had 36 card players at the third evening on 6th June, where Heinz Leuenberger was awarded the first prize, scoring 4210 points. This time, Lina Rufer was the 'lucky winner' of the booby prize with 3266 points.

Next, at our fourth card evening on 24th June, we had 38 players vying for a prize, with the first place eventually going to Robert Frischknecht for a second time, this time with a score 4244 points. At the other end of the scale, Karl Waldvogel earned a chocolate bar as a booby prize with only 3081 points!

On the 1st and 4th evenings, we were faced with player numbers not divisible by four (38 and 34), and for the first time this year, we trialled one card table with six players, instead of the usual 'table of two', which most people disliked immensely! It seems that this change has worked well and has been seen a welcome improvement to the status quo! It was great to see many of our regular card players came along again this year, but it was also encouraging to see several new faces - particularly those of the 'younger generation'.

We wish to give a huge thank you to everyone involved in organising and catering for the card evenings, particularly for all the wonderful baking and help in the kitchen. The delicious suppers - sausages, savouries, and all the fresh home-made breads and baking - are still just as popular as the actual card competitions, and always an extra incentive for people to come out on a cold winter's night!

Grateful thanks once again to Richard and Uli for arriving early every time to set up the room with the tables and chairs - ensuring we can always get started on time; and also to Herbert for always bringing the drinks and other 'bits and pieces' needed from the Swisscraft storeroom.

And not least, a big thank you to everyone for all the extra prize donations we received - particularly Elisabeth Gaemperle for the regular Apple Strudel, and Pia Russenberger for the 'Zopf and Jam' given each evening - your generosity is much appreciated.

Details of the fifth card evening and overall results will follow in the next Helvetia. BL

### Prize-winners of the first four Card Evenings are as follows:

#### First Card Evening, 13th May

|     |                     |       |
|-----|---------------------|-------|
| 1)  | Anna Blattler       | 4,193 |
| 2)  | Angus Forsythe      | 4,143 |
| 3)  | Arthur Matti        | 4,134 |
| 4)  | Rita Braem          | 4,107 |
| 5)  | Bruno Epp           | 3,982 |
| 6)  | Rosli Schurmann     | 3,980 |
| 7)  | Robert Frischknecht | 3,959 |
| 8)  | Heinz Leuenberger   | 3,940 |
| 9)  | Werner Fassler      | 3,924 |
| 10) | Owen Forsythe       | 3,916 |

|                     |  |       |
|---------------------|--|-------|
| Booby Prize         |  |       |
| Elisabeth Gaemperle |  | 3,370 |

#### Second Card Evening, 27th May

|     |                     |       |
|-----|---------------------|-------|
| 1)  | Robert Frischknecht | 4,367 |
| 2)  | Uli Elmiger         | 4,195 |
| 3)  | Heidi Santner       | 4,128 |
| 4)  | Erika Bolli         | 4,020 |
| 5)  | Josef Kennel        | 4,010 |
| 6)  | Hans Vetsch         | 3,994 |
| 7)  | Peter Weiss         | 3,929 |
| 8)  | Heidi Leuenberger   | 3,916 |
| 9)  | Hanna Frischknecht  | 3,900 |
| 10) | Ruth Bamberger      | 3,888 |

|                  |  |       |
|------------------|--|-------|
| Booby Prize      |  |       |
| Margaret Hayward |  | 3,253 |

#### Third Card Evening, 10th June

|     |                     |       |
|-----|---------------------|-------|
| 1)  | Heinz Leuenberger   | 4,210 |
| 2)  | Heidi Santner       | 4,145 |
| 3)  | Oskar Reichmuth     | 4,122 |
| 4)  | Erika Bolli         | 4,121 |
| 5)  | Karl Waldvogel      | 4,074 |
| 6)  | Heidi Eschmann      | 4,064 |
| 7)  | Theresa Fitz        | 4,025 |
| 8)  | Anna Blattler       | 3,991 |
| 9)  | George Russenberger | 3,962 |
| 10) | Fritz Hasli         | 3,951 |

|             |  |       |
|-------------|--|-------|
| Booby Prize |  |       |
| Lina Rufer  |  | 3,266 |

#### Fourth Card Evening, 24th June

|                |                     |       |
|----------------|---------------------|-------|
| 1)             | Robert Frischknecht | 4,244 |
| 2)             | Hanna Frischknecht  | 4,209 |
| 3 <sup>o</sup> | Heidi Santner       | 4,183 |
| 4)             | George Russenberger | 4,181 |
| 5)             | Max Schwitzer       | 4,120 |
| 6)             | Richard Wehrle      | 4,116 |
| 7)             | Pia Russenberger    | 4,060 |
| 8)             | Roland Rufer        | 4,024 |
| 9)             | Willetta Staheli    | 4,007 |
| 10)            | Oskar Reichmuth     | 4,006 |

|                |  |       |
|----------------|--|-------|
| Booby Prize    |  |       |
| Karl Waldvogel |  | 3,081 |

### Shooting Weekend

The event was organized for 21st and 22nd May and the first competitors turned up at the Kaukapakapa Farm at 9.30 on Saturday and shooting started in earnest after a cup of coffee. As usual, Henry mustered a very efficient team to run the event. The weather was not quite so kind and a couple of times we had to stop the competition due to absolutely torrential downpours, it was so bad we couldn't see the target! The rest of the competitors arrived around lunchtime and we completed the Saturday program in good time to enjoy happy hour and dinner. Everybody was well behaved and most of us were trying to go to sleep before midnight. Sunday started with a hearty breakfast and the competition continued at 9am to just after 1pm. 15 competitors completed all disciplines and we packed up about 2pm. It's always a great weekend, the farm is a special place and I was able to enjoy it on a nice sunny day at the recent Society AGM! Thank you to Henry and his team, thanks to the Hamilton Club for their support and most importantly thank you to all the competitors for coming along.

Hans Vetsch, RifleMASTER.

### Cowbell Final and Society AGM

The Auckland Club certainly put on a perfect weekend for us after a couple of very wet weeks around the country. We had blue sky all weekend and the nights were definitely not as cold as in the Waikato. On Saturday evening there were just 7 from the Hamilton Club attend the evening function at the Club House but we were treated to a great evening with delicious food, entertainment and hospitality. Sunday morning most were up bright and early and ready for the Cowbell Competition against the Taranaki Club. Each club put up 8 card players, a big group of bowlers and a strong team of shot-putters. After a fiercely fought competition Hamilton are proud to say we have won this trophy back-to-back for the first time. Thanks to all the competitors for making this such a rewarding competition. Following this the Auckland committee put on a delicious lunch and some lovely baking and soon it was time for the AGM. We would like to thank the outgoing Society and Helvetia team very much for all the hard work and for making the change-over so smooth. We hope you enjoy the gift-basket and manage to have a great party celebrating the end of your stint. I'm sure we will be getting in touch with you over the next few months with queries.

## Swiss Club News


Sunday evening 16 Hamilton Club members joined the Auckland Club for their 60th Jubilee celebrations at the Coatesville Hall. We were greeted by some ladies beautifully dressed in their Swiss costumes and offered Gluehwein. The hall was beautifully decorated and again we enjoyed a delicious meal, great dessert and lovely birthday cake. It was interesting listening to the Ambassador's speech and great to view some of the photos from over the years. Lots more music was enjoyed by all – what a talented group of people from all over the North Island. We look forward to hosting you all in Hamilton next year – this will be a hard act to follow, especially in the entertainment department.

Many thanks to the Auckland Club for hosting a wonderful weekend and again many thanks to Tanja and the Helvetia team. AZ

## Forthcoming Events

Fondue Evening – Saturday 24th September, 7pm at the Matangi Hall. All club members will be sent an invitation a few weeks beforehand but please put this date in your diary and remember to book in early as this is always a very popular function and we end up with limited seating/tables etc. Please remember to bring your fondue-pan and burner labelled with your name. The club has plenty of forks.

For further information please contact Beatrice 07 843 7971, email bea.leun@xtra.co.nz or Anita on 0274 985 170 or email anita.zuber@swiss.org.nz



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## Financial Statement of Swiss Society

### Swiss Society of New Zealand Incorporated

#### Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ending 31 March 2016

| Income                              | 31-Mar-16 |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| Subscriptions                       | 14,840    |
| Advertising                         | 2,437     |
| Interest/donations                  | 1,511     |
| Competitions subscriptions - Medals | 1,440     |
|                                     | 20,228    |
| <b>Expenditure</b>                  |           |
| Donation to Wellington club         | 1,000     |
| Helvetia - Printing                 | 7,704     |
| Packing/Postage                     | 4,230     |
| Publishing                          | 2,592     |
| Stationery/Administration           | 1,517     |
| Competitions - Medals               | 2,258     |
| Website development costs           | -         |
| Bad debts                           | 360       |
|                                     | 19,661    |
| <b>Net profit for the year</b>      | 567       |

#### Balance sheet as at 31 March 2015

|                                    |        |
|------------------------------------|--------|
| <b>Current Assets</b>              |        |
| Cash at bank                       | 2,250  |
| Savings accounts and term deposits | 66,326 |
| Accounts receivable (1)            | 2,347  |
| Total current assets               | 70,923 |
| <b>Current liabilities</b>         |        |
| Subscriptions in advance           | 25     |
| Accounts payable                   | 76     |
| Total liabilities                  | 101    |
| <b>Net Assets</b>                  | 70,822 |

Represented by:

#### Members funds

|  |        |
|--|--------|
| Accumulated funds at beginning of year | 70,255 |
| Add profit for the year                | 567    |
| Accumulated funds at end of year       | 70,822 |

#### Notes

|  |       |
|--|-------|
| 1) <b>Accounts receivable include the following:</b> |       |
| Wellington Swiss Club                                | 1,540 |
| Advertising  | 150   |
| Treasurer  | 130   |
| Editing prepaid for next Helvetia                    | 432   |
| Resident withholding tax to claim                    | 70    |
| Subscriptions  | 25    |
|  | 2,347 |

Auckland May 2016  
Carmen Fitz-Gordon - Treasurer