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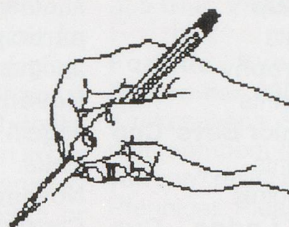
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## Cards

Support of these card afternoons vary ... we obviously don't attract the wonderful crowds Hamilton do!!! Nonetheless people enjoy their games, and some stay on for several games afterwards. The raffle is always popular - thanks Doreen for organising this.

## Results from 22/06/03

Jassen Winner - Paul Suter  
Runner-up - Freida Meier  
Euchre Winner - Edi Fuglistaller  
Runner-up - Tilly Riddick  
Raffle Winners - Margrit Suter and Doreen Schuler

## Results 13/07/03

Jassen Winner - Margrit Suter  
Runner-up - Margrit Dudli  
Booby - Bertha Sidler  
Euchre Winner - Tilly Riddick  
Runner-up - Jean Fuglistaller  
Booby - John Kuriger  
Raffle Winners - Johnny Bishop and Walter Seifert

Also for all those Taranaki Swiss Club members who are still wondering

who those cute babies were in our newsletter...well...here goes. The cheeky one on the left with his hands in his pockets is none other than Ruedi Benkert (someone said "he still has the same grin!!!"). The middle one is Don Luond (he didn't even know himself... thanks for the contributor of this photo!!!). The cute one on the right with the same good crop of hair today is none other than our president, Walter Seifert...you have grown somewhat since those days!!! Thanks for your photos guys...you must have changed somewhat over the years, as no-one knew who you were!!!

MD

## Anniversary Shoot

This was held on July 6. Although a chilly day, from the snow the day before, we had a very good turnout for the competition of either shooting or skittles. There were 73 competitors. Everyone enjoyed the delicious "rippli" and sauerkraut at 5.30pm, and with non-competitors we ended up with thirteen people more than last year. Soon after, we handed out all the cups, medals and trophies for the 2002-2003 smallbore shooting season. Then we started reading out the scores for the days' competition, where everyone receives a prize of either a bottle of wine or a packet of cervelats. The winners of the shooting were: Angela Kiser and Jean Fuglistaller, with runners-up Regi Mathys, Emmi Kiser,

Heidi Kiser, Hans Krummenacher, Mark Kiser and Edi Fuglistaller. First in kegeln was Gaby Mulholland, with runners-up Adrian Drummond, Doreen Zehnder, Bertha Kuriger, Doreen Schuler, Thomas Werder and Kori Savage. The evening continued with the more favourite, for the children at least, the spinning wheel and the mystery prize and name draw prizes. Mystery prize winners were : Margaret Beck, Josef Buhler, Arni Fitzgerald jnr, Bryce Kaiser, Aimee Connell, Heidi Seifert. The booby prize went to Walter Seifert. Name draw prizes went to Thomas Koller, Liam Muggeridge, Joe Kaiser, Aimee Connell, Regi Mathys, Ros Monti, Thomas Werder, Joe Buhler, Lou Butler, Annalee Muggeridge, Erwin Kiser, and Melissa Muggeridge. The evening ended up with a small supper. To conclude my report, I would like to thank all the supporters, sponsors and helpers who made the smooth running of the function possible. We, the Shooting Committee, hope that you had an enjoyable weekend and we all hope to see you again at next year's Anniversary Shoot.

## Other Shooting Club results

### Men's President's Challenge Cup

1. Edi Fuglistaller - 148 points
2. Mark Kiser - 147 points
3. Holdi Mathys - 142 points

### Self-handicap Challenge Cup

- 1= Othmar Hebler, Edi Fuglistaller and

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Holdi Mathys - 149 points

### **Erwin Kiser B Grade Cup**

1. Erwin Kiser- 279 points

### **Fuglistaller C Grade Trophy**

1. Silvia Schuler- 271 points

### **Lou Nolly D Grade Junior Boys' Cup**

1. Josef Buhler- 284 points

2. Matthew Mills - 281 points

### **Ladies' Ashleigh Lodge Cup President's Shoot**

1. Helen Freiman - 150 points

2. Erna Zimmermann - 139 points

### **Engelberger Memorial Cup Self-handicap Shoot**

1=. Erna Zimmermann and Helen Freiman - 148 points

### **Seifert Trophy - D Grade Junior Girls**

1. Jessica Mills- 288 points

Our next shoot will be on October 19 (Trudi Ott Belt Shoot and Championship Shoot). Any queries regarding the shooting club, please call me on 06 762 2922.

*Regards*

**Mark Kiser,**

**Riflemaster, Smallbore Club.**

### **Forthcoming Events**

August and September are traditionally very quiet months for the Taranaki Swiss Club, as our farmers (which make up a big proportion of our club) are very busy. So good luck for the coming few months, and let's hope that the weather is kind to us!!!

**October 2** Kegeln recommences. Johnny is trying hard to attract some new members...so come along and give it a go. I'm sure that you will enjoy the company and having a go at skittles. A nice supper is always served.

**October 16** Kegeln again...many people also play jassen, so you can play two sports in the one night! See which one you're better at!

**October 19** Trudi Ott Belt Shoot and Championship Shoot at 1pm. Give Mark your support...another great sport able to be played at the Swiss Club!!!

**November 6** Kegeln is in full swing...come and give it a go!!!

**November 16** Ted Napflin Memorial Shield and Championship Shoot at

1pm. There are always plenty of skilled shooters to help you out...so join the participants and you may uncover another talent!

**November 20** Another night to give kegeln a go...beautiful medals are at stake.

**November 30** Our very popular Christmas Shoot commences at 10am. Kegeln is also played for those who don't wish to shoot. A potluck lunch is held, followed by prize-giving and then Santa arrives. A wonderful social day, with a touch of sport. Would all participants please bring a wrapped prize with a value of at least \$10, and, of course, you will receive one back.

We have just been notified by Ozeania that they are planning another trip to New Zealand, and wish to stop in Taranaki at the beginning of March. They would be billeted with our members as with previous Swiss tour groups. The tour is planned to take place from 24 February to 17 March 2004, and they will tour both the North and South Islands. This may perhaps be a good way for some Swiss relatives to visit you, together with visiting our beautiful country. Should you have anyone interested in taking part, get them to contact Ozeania Reisen AG (see their advertisement in the Helvetia magazine for address and phone number details).

**MD**

### **News from Switzerland**

#### **Roger Federer in the record books.**

On the 6th July Roger Federer hit a high in Swiss sports history by winning Wimbledon - the first Swiss man to win a Grand Slam event. In just under two hours he beat the Australian, Mark Philippousses, 7-6, 6-2, 7-6. Roger Federer had always dreamt of winning this event ... and now he has achieved his goal!!! Now he must surely have a chance of becoming number one in the world!!!

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3. Occasionally your car would die on the freeway for no reason. You would have to pull over to the side of the road, close all of the windows, shut off the car, restart it, and reopen the windows before you could continue. For some reason you would simply accept this.

4. Occasionally, executing a manoeuvre such as a left turn would cause your car to shut down and refuse to restart, in which case you would have to re-install the engine.

5. Macintosh would make a car that was powered by the sun, was reliable, five times as fast and twice as easy to drive - but would run on only five percent of the roads.

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7. The airbag system would ask 'Are you sure?' before deploying.

8. Occasionally, for no reason whatsoever, your car would lock you out and refuse to let you in until you simultaneously lifted the door handle, turned the key and grabbed hold of the radio antenna.

9. Every time a new car was introduced, car buyers would have to learn how to drive all over again because none of the controls would operate in the same manner as the old car.

10. You'd have to press the 'Start' button to turn the engine OFF!!! Please share this with your friends who love - but sometimes hate - their computer!!!

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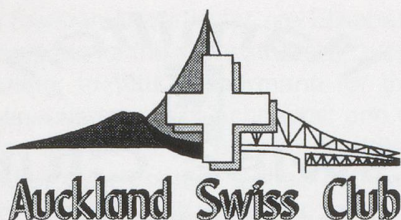
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Winter holidays spent in the snow or away on a sunny beach, while Auckland is in the grip of storms, rains, thunderstorms, and fog. Interchanging with glorious sunshine and the opening of a new railway station...all we need is trains now. I hope everyone is well equipped to fight the bugs that are going round. Do not despair, Spring is on its way. I don't have much activity to report. The singing group has been meeting with almost full attendance except Nellie Steinemann of course who is sailing in the Pacific - at present cruising the Tongan Islands where she is enjoying

the sea life under water as well as on the land and boat. Also, two of our women are studying so are unable to come for most of this year. Apart from the singing, we also exchange recipes, magazines, news from Switzerland, jokes and stories about what it is like to make a start in our new homeland. If anybody is interested in joining, please call Trudi 376 4923, or Edith 444 6972.

Peter Deutschle has made a copy of the Original Attendance list of the very first 'Bundesfeier' in New Zealand, in 1941. The original is displayed at the farm. Thank you Peter.

The Jassen is having to take place without the Jassmaster, Hans Iten, who is in Switzerland until September. His son Andrew is taking care of the facility in his absence. His number is 623 2372. The June meeting was well attended and the

#### Results were:

1. Hansruedi Wolf	4351
2. Toni Manser	4171
3. Louis Wallimann	4077
4. Hans Iten	4022
5. Dominic Hess	3916
6. Brian Zuppich	3910
7. Fidel Good	3875
8. Tony Mathys	3807
9. Andrew Bunter	3783
10. Hans Fitzi	3709
11. Othmar Wyss	3699
12. Edith Hess	3641
13. Elisabeth Preisig	3633
14. Hilda Iten	3632
15. Marie-Theres Melville-Schopfer	3622
16. Emil Tellenbach	3549
17. Annagret Wolf	3508
18. Agnes Iten	3251
19. Jakob Preisig	3224

#### Card Enthusiasts PLEASE NOTE:

Due to restructuring, Oski's lab is no longer suitable to accommodate the Jassen.

We are evaluating some new possibilities for city venues, but for the meantime Edith Hess is offering her entertainment room for use. So the **next Card Evening** will

be on Friday 15 August 2003, at 7.30pm at **5 Glen Vista Place, Glenfield.**

#### Forthcoming Events:

**Fondue Evening: Saturday 20 September 2003. 7pm,** at the farm at Kaukapakapa. \$15 for members, \$20 for non-members. If you never eat fondue, you can't resist it when it's made by Vreni Pfenniger. Please book with Trudi, 376 4923, or Edith, 444 6972. Numbers are limited for this event, and the demand is great.

**Our Spring event is the Mystery Tour. Sunday 16 November 2003. Beginning at 10am,** at a location in the city, (tba) and going through for the day till around 5pm. There is a cost for food and travel. Everything else is a surprise, and it is usually great fun and very interesting. Please keep this day free for the club.

**Samichlaus this year is on Sunday 7 December 2003.**

**A 'plug' for the French Speaking members, in case you don't know yet:**

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### Past Events

Congratulations to Edit Burla on the birth of a lovely little girl NARISSA in the Lower Hutt Hospital.

Congratulations to Marianne Walti on the birth of a lovely little boy Matthew (all the problems are over!) in the Wellington Hospital.

We are looking forward to starting our preschool afternoons again soon.

### Next Events

**6 September Berner Abend.**

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### 8 November Garage Sale

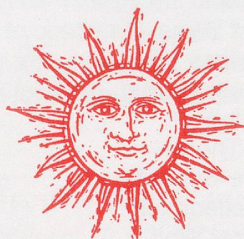
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### Mann ohne Eigenschaften Photographs by Matthias Wahner

From 15 July until 19 September. 1st Floor, NZ Portrait Gallery, entrance Bowen House, Bowen Arcade cnr Lambton Quay. From a mountain of several hundred thousand black and white photos the artist has selected 40 different pictures from the spheres of culture, politics and sport. This is an interesting exhibition to see and is recommended by the Goethe Institute.

VM

*Herzliche Gruesse bis  
zum nächsten Mal Vreni*



## Hamilton Swiss Club

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### Past Events...

#### Card Evenings

Time certainly does pass quickly, and we have completed another year of card evenings, which were this year again very well attended - it seems that this year's change of venues hasn't caused any great difficulties. On 21 June, 42 players travelled to Matamata, on what turned out to be a very foggy night. On 5 July, we met for the final time with 40 players in Cambridge, where besides the evening prizes, the overall winners were also announced. This year, 32 players were eligible for this section, which is made up of those players who have played on at least five evenings, with their lowest score deducted if all six rounds have been attended. Congratulations to Heidi Santner for taking home the trophy, and the ham, for the second year in a row. Also, congratulations to the ten other prizewinners. Once again, a big thank you goes to everyone involved with the catering and organising of prizes, in particular to Heidi Leuenberger and her team for looking after the Matamata evenings. Thank you also to those people who have donated extra prizes



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- to mention in particular are Elisabeth Gaemperle for the apple strudel at every evening; to Vitus Achermann for the continuous supply of Schnapps; and to Helen Staheli for once again providing another ever popular quilted blanket. Also, of course, we would like to thank all of our faithful card players for regularly coming along, as you are the ones who make our card evenings so enjoyable and popular! We look forward to seeing you all back again next year. **BL**

**Winners of the fifth and sixth card evenings are as follows:**

**Fifth Card Evening, 21 June**

1) Erika Bolli	4251
2) Hans Schurmann	4187
3) Vitus Achermann	4159
4) Hanna Frischknecht	4122
5) Bruno Rufer	4064
6) Roland Rufer	4035
7) Jakob Dunner	3980
8) George Russenberger	3948
9) Oskar Reichmuth	3934
10) Heidi Santner	3917

**Booby Prizes**

Anna Rufer	3428
Germaine Telli	3434

**Sixth Card Evening, 5 July**

1) Martha Schefer	4254
2) Heidi Santner	4128
3) David Fitzi	4113
4) Anna Rufer	4108
5) Angus Forsythe	3994
6) Otto Fitzi	3978
7) Margarethe Poppe	3975
8) Werner Faissler	3952
9) Peter Weiss	3938

**Booby Prize:**

Fritz Hasli	3259
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**Full list of 2003 Overall Prize Winners and Scores:**

1. Heidi Santner	20,225
2. Heidi Leuenberger	19,932
3. Vitus Achermann	19,706
4. Hanna Frischknecht	19,693
5. David Fitzi	19,665
6. Anna Rufer	19,560
7. Margarethe Poppe	19,525
8. Angus Forsythe	19,501
9. Theresa Fitzi	19,470

10. Robert Frischknecht
11. Heinz Leuenberger
12. Bruno Rufer
13. Oskar Reichmuth
14. Joe Kennel
15. Elisabeth Gaemperle
16. Hans Vetsch
17. Otto Fitzi
18. George Russenberger
19. Erika Bolli
20. Margaret Hayward
21. Hilda Schicker
22. Helen Staheli
23. Peter Weiss
24. Theres Kennel
25. Joe Staheli
26. Karl Waldvogel
27. Ruth Waldvogel
28. Rosli Schurmann
29. Werner Fassler
30. Lina Rufer
31. Ruedi Meier
32. Fritz Hasli

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- 19,206
- 19,195
- 19,188
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- 18,956
- 18,902
- 18,887
- 18,823
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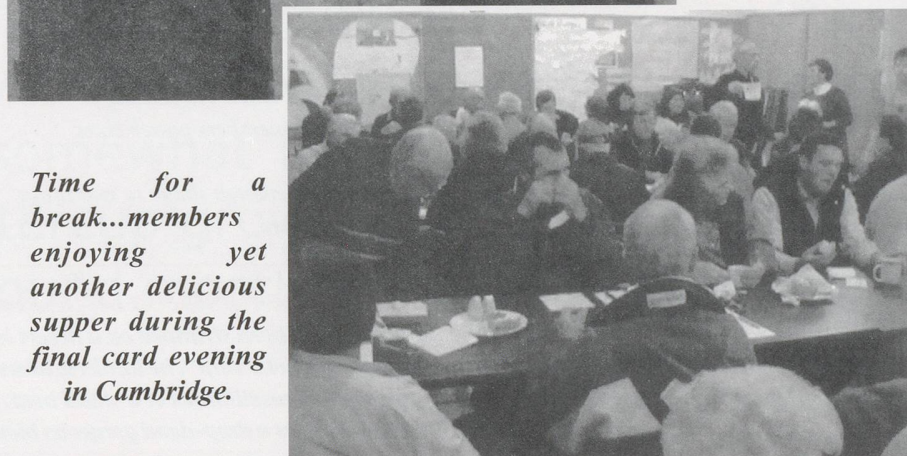
**Sunday, 24 August** is the date set for our next family walk to be held this time in Hamilton along the Waikato River. This section of the walk has only been open for a few months. Meeting time is 11 am in Ann Street. Drive north on Victoria St, past the Fairfield Bridge, turn right into Awatere Ave, and then right into Ann Street. There is plenty of parking in Ann Street and the walk should be fairly easy for most age groups. Bring your own picnic lunch. If wet, still meet here and then some indoor activity can be planned, ie ten-pin bowling.

**Saturday, 20 September** will be our very popular Fondue Evening to be held at the Eureka Hall, commencing 8pm. We are very fortunate to have 'The Sound of Switzerland' from Auckland, with Peter and Ursi Arnold and friends. Please remember to bring your marked Fondue Sets and forks.

**AZ**



*Overall winner of the 2003 card evenings, Heidi Santner, receives the trophy presented by Beatrice Leuenberger*



*Time for a break...members enjoying yet another delicious supper during the final card evening in Cambridge.*



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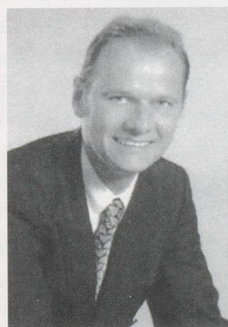
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