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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

AUCKLAND SWISS CLUB

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday, 17th April, 1978, at 8 p.m. at the Royal International Hotel, Victoria Street, West 1, Auckland. Drinks are available beforehand at the Greenstone Bar. All members are invited to come along to this meeting and take part in the discussions.

TARANAKI SWISS CLUB

Society Competition on 2nd April on Len Chamberlain's place. Ladies a plate please, starting at 11.00 a.m.

HAMILTON SWISS CLUB

Annual General Meeting:

Date: Saturday, 8 April, 1978

Time: 8.00 p.m.

Place: Common Room Club, Hillcrest Road
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1. S. Odermatt, Hamilton
2. N. Werder, Taranaki
3. W. Rothlisberger, Hamilton

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And so the afternoon went by and only too soon we had to depart. Many, many thanks to everybody!

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TARANAKI SWISS CLUB

WEDDING

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L.K.

Taranaki Swiss Club: Picnic Schwingen on 12th February. N. Werder 1; G. Hodel 2; B. Dudli 3; J. Steiner 4; P. Stutz 5; J. Dudli 6; B. Hughes 7; P. Niederberger 8; D. Cruikshank 9; B. Hermann 10; T. Niederberger 11.

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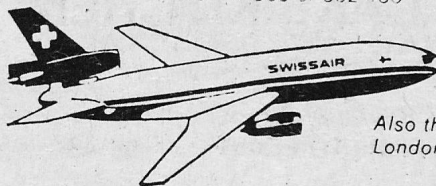
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News of the Colony cont.

AUCKLAND SWISS CLUB

Our Picnic on 5th February up on the farm, Kaukapakapa, turned out to be a great success. This year our picnic was in conjunction with all the tourists from Switzerland travelling with Knecht Reisen. The opportunity was given to make friends between Swiss-Swiss and Kiwi-Swiss. The Bull had been on the spit for several hours before the people had started to arrive. The smell of barbecued meat was everywhere. Everybody was looking forward to lunchtime. As special guests we were able to welcome our Charge d'Affaires, Mr F. Adams and his wife, many Swiss tourists, friends from Hamilton and all over New Zealand. To shorten the waiting Time, lots of entertainment was provided. There was the Enzo-Cup-Kegel competition for members. Many tried their luck to win this trophy. Mr A. Amstutz finally emerged as the winner of this Cup. A special attraction was the Kegel elimination between 12 Swiss-Swiss and 12 Kiwi-Swiss to win the wonderful Maori carving engraved with the words "Auckland Treffen Swiss-N.Z." This was a donation from our Charge d'Affaire Mr F. Adams, our Honorary Consul Mr A. W. Muller and Mr Amstutz and Mr Tellenbach. A special thank you to these donors for this fabulous idea and present. Very soon, you could see who was the better player. The Swiss-Swiss won with a lead of 17 points. Each player got presented with a lovely 10 cent piece in gold plating. What a lovely souvenir to take back home to Switzerland! Knecht Reisen will take this Maori carving back home to Switzerland and perhaps in two years time we will see it again.

In the meantime the bull was well looked after. Mr E. Dobler gave his full attention for a good taste. Two experts, Mr Wuethrich and Mr Bachmann were cutting the bull into pieces. Many thanks to the experts, you did a marvellous job. The queue was long, but everybody got enough meat and potato salad, which was made by Edith Hess. People were sitting in the shade under beach umbrellas eating this tasty meal. You could go back for a second or third time, there was plenty left. The hot weather makes you thirsty, but our barman, Mr H. Wolf, was solving that problem. As dessert Nussgipfel and Coffee got eaten in big quantities. After this lovely lunch lots of competitions continued. Darts were played and a nice Zuepfe was the winner's prize. And more Kegel competitions to win a nice Schuetzenwurst. Many tried their luck in shooting where a long Salami was the prize. In a speech, Mr Adams welcomed all the Swiss tourists and wished them a happy stay in N.Z. Each time he is up in Auckland he finds beautiful weather. Mr K. Boeckli thanked the Charge d'Affaire, the Consul of Auckland, the Swiss Club and his committee for this big effort in organising such a wonderful day.

As special entertainment, Mr J. Egger from Hamilton did some Fahneschwinge, which was rather hard work because of the wind. Our Jodlerchoerli sang some Heimat Songs. Everybody was fascinated by what they heard and saw.

Our picnic will be an unforgettable day for everybody. Our guests will take the memory of this day back home to Switzerland. I like to say thank you very much to the organiser and everybody who helped to make this day so beautiful.

M.F.

WELLINGTON SWISS CLUB

On February 4th a social evening was held at our Clubhouse in honour of the visitors from Switzerland. About 70 members, friends and ex-Kiwis were present. Quite a number of old familiar faces could be recognised and of course our thoughts wandered back to good old times, when we often had fun together.

Mr Andre Schleicher, our Vice President welcomed our guests and wished them a wonderful holiday and a safe journey home.

Two New Zealand films in colour were screened. Many remarks could be heard over breathtaking views and beautiful sceneries.

A delicious supper with Delicatessen and a variety of cakes was enjoyed by everyone and special thanks goes to all members who contributed.

R.M.

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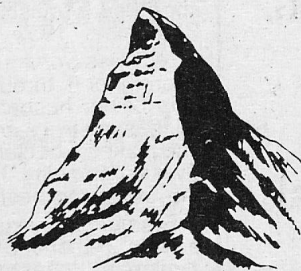
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1. Lausanne	30	22	4	4	199:106	48
2. Zug	30	22	1	6	152: 80	47
3. Zurcher SC	29	22	1	6	160: 95	45
4. Davos	30	21	2	7	137: 85	44
5. Genf-Servette	30	14	6	10	134:106	34
6. Langenthal	30	15	3	12	129:126	33
7. Visp	30	14	5	11	128:128	33
8. Lugano	30	13	4	12	99:104	30
9. Villars	30	12	3	15	153:150	27
10. Olten	30	11	3	16	138:139	25
11. Rappwil-Jona	30	11	2	17	136:162	24
12. Sitten	30	9	3	18	100:150	21
13. Fleurier	29	9	2	18	92:137	20
14. Neuchatel	30	9	2	19	99:140	20
15. Luzern	30	9	2	19	95:138	20
16. Forw. Morges	30	2	3	25	90:195	7

SPORT IN SWITZERLAND

28. Februar 1978 TAGES-ANZEIGER

ZURICH EROBERTE MIT GLUCK UND
KAMPFGEIST EINEN PUNKT

Lausanne - FCZ 1:1 (1:0)

Meisterschaft Nationalliga A

Chenois - Young Fellows 5:0 (1:0)

Etoile Carouge - Young Boys 0:1 (0:0)

Grasshoppers - Xamax verschoben

Lausanne - Zurich 1:1 (1:0)

St Gallen - Basel verschoben

Sitten - Servette verschoben

NLA-RANGLISTE

1. Grasshoppers	18	12	4	2	51:23	28
2. Lausanne	19	13	2	4	44:16	28
3. Servette	18	10	5	3	36:18	25
4. Zurich	19	9	6	4	30:24	24
5. Basel	18	10	3	5	44:28	23
6. Sitten	18	6	8	4	28:23	20
7. Chenois	19	8	2	9	26:30	18
8. St Gallen	18	5	5	8	23:32	15
9. Xamax	18	5	3	10	27:38	13
10. Young Boys	19	4	5	10	21:43	13
11. Et. Carouge	19	4	3	12	20:34	11
12. Young Fellows	19	1	2	16	12:53	4

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RESULTATE UND RANGLISTEN

Meisterschaft Nationalliga A: Ambri-Plotta - La Chaux-de-Fronds 5:6 (3:4, 2:1, 0:1). Biel - Kloten 4:1 (2:1, 1:0, 1:0). Langnau - Bern 3:6 (1:0, 0:4, 0:2). Siders Arossa 1:4 (1:1, 0:1, 0:2).

1. Biel	28	19	3	6	159: 93	41
2. Langnau	28	19	2	7	158: 98	40
3. Bern	28	17	4	7	162: 95	38
4. Kloten	28	14	3	11	114:105	31
5. Arossa	28	11	3	14	96: 98	25
6. La Ch.-de-Fds.	29	10	2	16	116:138	22
7. Siders	28	4	4	16	103:162	20
8. Ambri	28	3	1	24	87:206	7

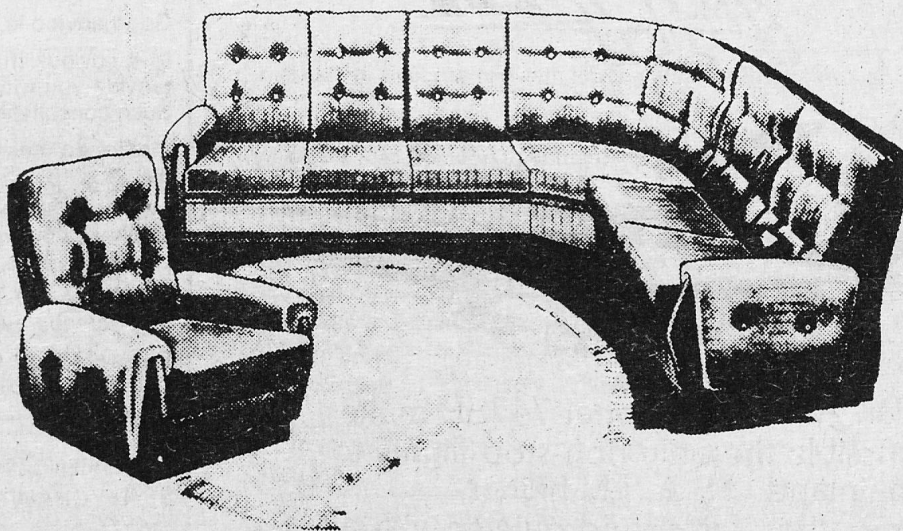
Nationalliga B: Davos - Genf-Servette 2:4 (2:3, 0:1, 0:0). Fleurier - Zurcher SC beim Stand von 0:1 in der 28. Minute wegen Regens abgebrochen. Forward Morges - Zug 3:15 (0:5, 1:3, 2:7). Langenthal - Lausanne 5:4 (1:1, 3:2, 1:1). Luzern - Villars 3:3 (0:3, 3:0, 0:0). Neuchatel - Olten 3:2, (1:1, 1:0, 1:1). Sitten - Lugano 3:6 (2:2, 0:1, 1:3). Visp - Rapperswil/Jona 9:5 (0:3, 4:0, 5:2).

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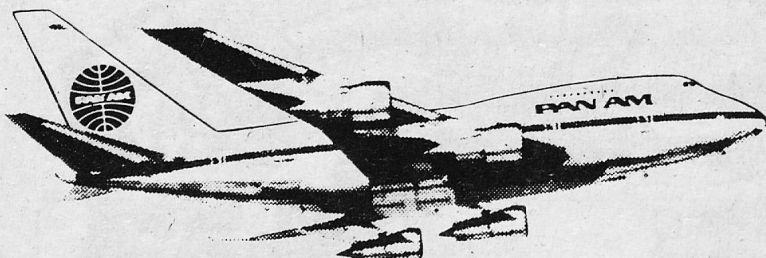
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"A Swiss woman loses her Swiss nationality when marrying a foreigner if, through the marriage she acquires the citizenship of her husband or if, at the time of the marriage she possesses the same already, unless, **prior to the marriage**, she makes a declaration stating that she wishes to retain her Swiss nationality. The declaration must be made in writing to the Swiss representation." (Embassy).

Example: A Swiss woman born in New Zealand, who is also a New Zealand citizen by birth, and who marries a New Zealander, loses her Swiss nationality, unless, prior to her marriage, she signs the above-mentioned declaration. Special forms for this purpose are available at the Embassy. The declaration is free of charge.

Change of Address:

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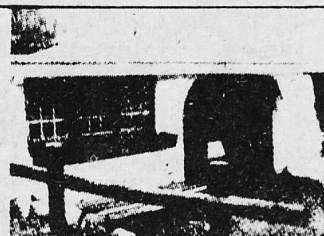
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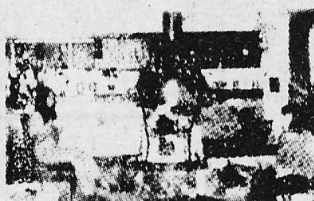
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