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SWISS SOCIETY COMPETITION SEMI-FINALS BETWEEN HAMILTON AND AUCKLAND SUNDAY, 20th MAY 1979. A glorious morning sun shone upon the few sleepy individuals who drove early Sunday morning towards Hamilton. Even though some might have felt slightly resentful about the early rising, everybody appreciated the beauty of the winter scenery along the Waikato River.

We were given a warm welcome at Mr. Staehli's factory; the sportsground of the day. After a bit of practising we started with the 'Kegeln'. The Auckland team found some use for their ladies, who were initially only taken along as decor. However, they were only able to improve the total points slightly, unfortunately not enough. The 'Steinstossen' was a loser too for Auckland, in spite of the superior effort of all our boys. Hamilton had too many strapping young fellows, who carried the 10kg stone around as if it were made of cardboard. The 'Steinstossen' was such a strenuous business, that everyone, onlookers included, were in the right frame of mind to attach the enormous 'Schueblig', offered for lunch by our guests. It goes without saying, that the 'Schueblig' were from Max Bachmann.

The 'Jass-Competition', which followed after lunch, did not decide matters either and left us with the result of Hamilton winner of the 'Kegeln' and 'Steinstossen' and Auckland winner of the Shooting and 'Jass'. A few more well aimed, or shall we say lucky shots at the pins decided the game for Auckland. This means, Auckland has the opportunity to measure their strength against Wellington in Taranaki at Labour Weekend.

We Aucklanders wish to thank the Hamilton Club and especially 'all the Staehlis' who have given us a warm welcome and displayed generosity and hospitality in true Swiss fashion. There are some ladies in Auckland who, since 21st of May are on a strict diet, due to too much indulgence in those irresistible cakes and biscuits.

Thank you Hamilton for a very enjoyable day. The President also wishes to thank all the members of the Auckland Club who have come to Hamilton and have through their contribution made this event a success.

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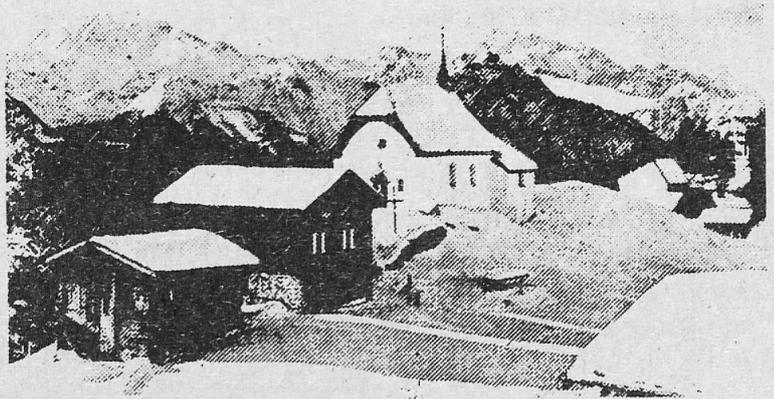
FORTHCOMING EVENTS AUCKLAND SWISS CLUB

Once again, we would like to invite everybody to an ORIGINAL CHEESE FONDUE EVENING, to be held on the 30th June, 7 o'clock, at Hagans Licensed Restaurant,

Newmarket. We may be able to welcome some Swiss Friends from Taranaki to this Social, as it is a Shooting Weekend for our Guests from Taranaki. We hope to see you all on the 30th.

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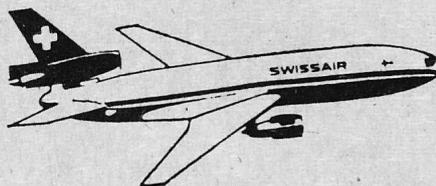
The Committee of the A.S.C. has decided, to have the Swiss Corner (Stammtisch) going, just **once a month**, rather than every Monday. Always the **first Monday in the month**. If Monday falls on a Public Holiday, it will be the Monday after. We hope, that way, to get a few more people coming, as it is a good opportunity to meet other Swiss friends.



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The Celebrations this year will be held on Saturday, August 4th at 7.30p.m. in the Landsowne Community Centre in Landsowne Tce. (off Centaurus Road). The evening's programme will include a Swiss meal, traditional speeches, music and songs, wine and dancing. We hope many Swiss and their friends will be able to join us. Tickets will be available from Monday, July 2nd priced at \$6.00 per person for financial members and \$8.00 for non-members and may be obtained from any committee member. Final numbers will be required for catering by July 20th.

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Our 1 August Celebration will be on Friday 20th July, 1979 at the Te Rapa Racecourse, Flemington Lounge, at 8.00 p.m.. A very good band will play for your entertainment. There will also be a floor-show with popular Swiss items and an excellent supper will be served. Cost: \$9.50 single, \$18.00 double.

To give the evening a special flavour it would be nice to see as many national costumes as possible worn that evening. To encourage people to get into their 'Trachten' a prize will be rewarded to the nicest 'Trachtmeitschi' and 'Trachtbueb'.

Invitations will reach all Hamilton Club Members shortly after receiving the June Helvetia. For catering purposes please send back the attached form together with your cheque as soon as possible, but not later than Thursday, 12th July, 1979. Only a limited number can be accepted, so be early!! THERE ARE NO DOOR SALES.

Interested non-Hamilton Club Members please ring Hamilton 77-220 all day and evening, or Hamilton 64-042 after 5.30p.m. So come along, bring your friends, and enjoy a memorable evening.

HAMILTON SWISS CLUB

Our first card evening was held on Saturday, 12th May 1979 at the Eureka Hall. It was nice to see so many people gathering for the 'Jassen'. We also welcomed a few visitors from Switzerland, one of them took home a prize! We also welcomed an 'old' member of the Hamilton Swiss Club, Mrs F. Braem, who visited Hamilton after a long time. She showed everybody that she has not forgotten how to play the Traditional Swiss card game, because she also won a prize!

The prizewinners for the first card evening were:

Mr R. Schuler	4160 points
Mrs J. Arnold (sen)	4126 points
Mrs F. Brem	4084 points
Mrs Muller (visitor)	4076 points
Mr W. Zuber	4069 points

Andrew Arnold received the booby-prize! (Not bad Andrew, for



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First we played for the medals. The scores reached there are pretty high. Then we continued the usual way and finished round about midnight. At 'half-time' everybody enjoyed the delicious 'Wurstsalat' and home-made cakes, prepared for us by Anita and Ursula and some friendly helpers. We hope to have a 'full house' again at the next card evening. See you there and good luck!

Our second card evening this winter took place at the cosy W.D.F.F. Hall in Putaruru. 40 keen card-players tried their luck and the scores reached were quite high. At 'half-time' supper was very well received. The 'Pastetli' were delicious, so were 'Linzertorte und Schluufkuechli'. All these goodies were home-made by some of the voluntary cooks (female) from and around Putaruru. A special hearty thank you to the ladies 'behind the scenes', because supper is one of the highlights of the 'Jassabende', except, of course, for the prizes. The proud winners this time were:

1. Mrs Schlapfer
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5. Mr R. Wehrli

The booby-prize, a lovely home-made handbag, donated by Mrs Staheli, was received by Mr. Graf (good shopping!).

TARANAKI SWISS CLUB, Rifle Section

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

For the year 1979/80 we will have the following programme:

September: Club Championships

October: Trudi Ott Belt; Ted Napflin Memorial Shield.

November: Club Championship

December: Christmas Shoot

February: Fox Shoot

March: Society Shoot

April: Fox Shoot.

May and June: Club Championship Shoot; Fox Shoot

July: Anniversary Shoot; Fun Shoot.

The 1979 Anniversary Shoot is going to be held on the 8th July, starting at 10 a.m., please be early.

TARANAKI SCHWING CLUB

In poor weather conditions the fourth annual Schwingfest was held. Under cover in Joe Kiser's shed, the 10 schwingers took to the sawdust pad, to try and win the first prize - a Swiss brown bull, kindly donated by John Bishop. Thank you very much John. After some very hard fought fights, Niklaus Werder came out as the winner.

The Hamilton Swiss Club was represented by Seri Odermatt and

Peter Arnold - also supported by Peter's wife and the Rust family. Thank you all for coming the long way to join in.

The weather got a bit kinder to us in the afternoon which made things easier for people to go to the next shed to get some delicious bratwurst and refreshments. Thanks to Mr. Dudli for making the bratwurst and to Martin Buhler for donating the meat to make them.

After the Schwinge, people headed for the woolshed to try their hand at Kegeln, and win the Leoners.

After the prize giving, people got down to some card playing or a spot of dancing, which carried on to the small hours of the morning.

The Taranaki Schwing Club would like to thank all the people who supported us and every special thanks to all the people that helped us. To name everybody would fill a book!!!

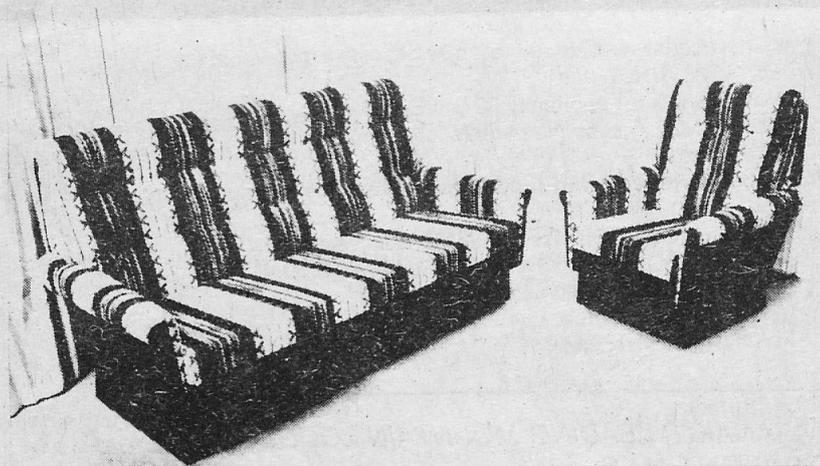
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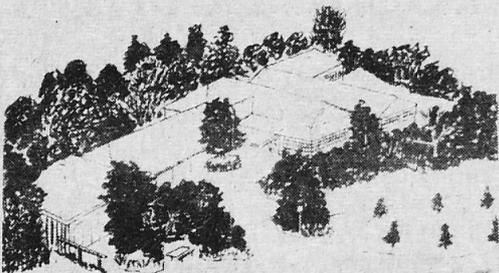
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