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Please make a note of these dates in your diary or on your calendar. Further details will be sent to members; or interested persons may telephone the Secretary, Tel. No. Belfast 7165.

Saturday, March 13th: Games evening and Barbecue.

Wednesday, April 28th: Annual General Meeting

Friday, July 30th: National Day Celebrations in the Old Stone House, Cracroft Community Centre.

A film evening is also being planned for the autumn.

Frieda Looser

## HAMILTON SWISS CLUB SPORTS DAY

A reminder that the date for the Sports Day is fast approaching. Please keep Sunday, 7 March free and turn out in big numbers. Starting time 11 a.m.

## NEWS OF THE COLONY HAMILTON SWISS CLUB PICNIC

Our traditional annual picnic was held on Sunday, 7 February 1982 at Mr and Mrs Villigers farm, Kiwitahi. The weather was absolutely beautiful, fine, sunny with a light breeze. I am sure there must have been a few burnt people around, come evening.

Our members and friends started arriving after 11 a.m. and by the time the first lot of Bratwurst and Savelats were barbecued, we had quite a crowd waiting to sample them. The sausages were very popular as always, as was the cool beer and other drinks.

We were pleased to welcome our friends from Auckland and Taranaki at our picnic and must congratulate K.A. Buhler, Auckland, for competing so successfully for the Kegel Pokal, winning with 27 points. We are very sad to see the lovely cup leave the Hamilton club once more, but never fear, we'll attempt to get it back next year. The two Kegelbahnen were very popular all day. Later coffee and cakes were sold, although the committee had advertised that there would be no cakes for sale, plans had to be changed when a few very kind ladies decided a picnic wouldn't be a picnic without some Swiss style cakes. So thank you Ruth, Josy and Anita for your fine baking effort.

A very big thanks goes to the two Alphorn Blaser, Beat and Doris who entertained us with a few very lovely pieces during the afternoon. I am sure all the members and visitors enjoyed the playing very much. Its not every day that we have the chance to hear this difficult instrument played. Also many thanks to Joe and Therese Risi and family, who so generously took on the job of cooking the sausages once again. They have done this job for many many

years now and we are very grateful to them. Last but no least, thank you Mr and Mrs Villiger for having us at your farm and thank everyone who helped in any way during the day, we couldn't do without you.

All in all it was a very successful day and the kids with their lolly-scramble had lots of fun too.

## FOUND AT THE PICNIC

A grey blue checked blanket. If it is yours, please get in touch with Anita Zuber, phone 81-315.

March 25, 1982

## NEWS FROM THE EMBASSY

Dear compatriots,

It is not without a certain sadness my wife and I end our term in New Zealand. We particularly regret that circumstances have not permitted us the same freedom as my predecessors to travel quite as much as we would have liked. I say this with particular reference to those Swiss Clubs we were unable to visit before our departure; as this was not due to any lack of good will on our behalf, we hope we shall be forgiven.

Our time in New Zealand has been a particularly happy one, entirely due to the friendliness and kindness of Swiss and New Zealand citizens alike, a time in our lives we shall always remember.

Along with our most sincere wishes for you and your families, it is somewhat reluctantly and a little enviously too, we would say "Good-bye" to you all.

With kindest regards,

Mayette and Walter Sollberger.

The Embassy has the pleasure to inform the compatriots, that the well known "Kammermusiker Zuerich" will be touring New Zealand and giving concerts in

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### REMEMBRANCE SERVICE TO INGE FISCHER.

About 200, people, members of the Hamilton and Tarankai Swiss Clubs, friends of Inge from the University and others assembled at the Lady Goodfellow Chapel for a memorial of Inge, on Thursday 11th February. The Rev. A. Sutton conducted the service and gave the Panegiric. He dwelled on the ability of Inge to make friends very easily with everyone she met, a very rare attribute which is not given to all of us. In remembrance to Inge the members of the Hamilton Swiss Club would like to thank Mr and Mrs T. Meyer of Matangi and the Committee members of the Hamilton Swiss Club for all the help Inge received from them.

"Life after death" was the book entitled which her parents found on the bedside table of Inge. The Catholic doctrine believes in life after death and a lot of others do too. We cannot bear the thought that all should be finished when we die.

"The wish falls often, warm upon my heart, that I learn nothing here that I cannot continue in the other world; that I may do nothing here but deeds that will bear fruit in heaven." - Richter.

W.R.

### OBITUARY

John (Hans) Reichmuth died suddenly at his residence in Matamata on February 3rd.

Hans arrived in New Zealand in 1956 and worked first at the Taupiri Butter factory. A year later Agnes his bride arrived and the couple got married and started sharemilking in the Matamata district and progressed to own their own farm. The marriage was blessed with 3 boys which now are able to work the family farm, the oldest being 21.

A large congregation assembled at the Matamata Catholic Church on February 6th to celebrate Requiem Mass.

To the widow and boys and other relatives we would like to extend our deepest sympathies.

W.R.

Joseph Frank Chamberlain died at the Stratford Hospital on February 5th, aged 87 years.

Joe came to his brother Len 69 years ago and worked for him for a year and then looked round to make himself independent doing all sorts of contract work. He was well liked among the public for his thorough work and the people employed him building bridges etc. His bullock teams were a popular sight, grazing on the road side as late as 1940 to 1945 when the motorcars became more numerous and the bullocks had to make room for progress. Many of the old bridges also had to be made wider for these motorcars and lorries.

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Tony was a member of the Toko Bowling Club who gave him a graveside attendance at the Kopuatama Cemetery. In his younger days he was a keen member of the local Rugby Football Club and of other organisations.

To his relations we would like to extend our deepest sympathies.

J.S.

### Wellington Swiss Club

From Wellington comes the sad notice that Karl Bischof, a life-member of the Swiss Society has passed away on 13th January. Obituary next month.

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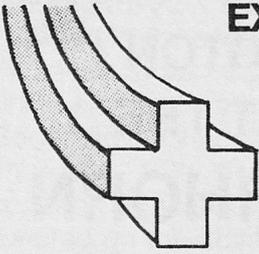
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