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the second highest nine points and so on, and that will be the same in each round so that finally someone who has come first each time has a total of eighty points.

Shotput. Only four throws are allowed here. These are to be measured in either metres or feet, and each throw counts in the final result.

For all four competitions, the highest 20% are entitled to a medal, but only one medal per competitor. If a competitor is in the first 20% in more than one event, his medal will be distinguished as follows:

2 wins - silver medal with gold bar

3 wins — silver medal, gold bar, gold kiwi

4 wins — silver medal, gold bar, gold kiwi and gold 'Kranz'

These results are based on each individual club's results, so that the winning 20% of each club's competitors receive medals. This is to eliminate discrimination of facilities.

To add incentive for all members to participate, I should like to point out that if every member competes in each of the four events, 80% of the club will receive medals.

The charge per entry is one dollar, so that it would cost someone four dollars to enter in all four events. Unfortunately ladies, now that you have full equality, there will be no segregated events for yourselves.

I wish you all the very best of luck, and much enjoyment!

ARTHUR W. MULLER, Riflemaster, Swiss Society of New Zealand.

N.B. My change of private address and telephone number is: 11 Catton Cres., Mount Roskill, Auckland. Ph. 674-725

NEW AIR TRAVEL EXCURSION FARES

(By A. K. Hall, Swissair District Sales Manager for New Zealand).

With the recent introduction of new low individual excursion fares applicable from 1st February for air travel between New Zealand and Europe, I feel "Helvetia" readers will be interested to learn of the following details pertaining to the fare.

The new fare, which is subject to Government approval, has

two seasons —

Basic: August through to the following April for which the round trip economy class fare between Auckland, Wellington, Christ-church and Zurich/Geneva is \$710.70, and

Peak: May, June and July during which time the round trip fare is \$762.10.

The date of commencement of travel from New Zealand determines whether Basic or Peak rate is used for the entire round trip.

Ticket Validity: Minimum stay 45 days — maximum stay 180 days. NOTE: If you should fall sick and not be able to return before the 180th day, it will be necessary to pay the full fare — therefore insurance against this eventuality is strongly advised.

Stopovers: Only one stopover at a surcharge of \$32.10 to the fare is permitted for the entire round trip. The point of turn around, e.g. Switzerland, is not counted as a stopover for this purpose.

During the stopover expenses such as hotels, meals, etc., are for the passenger's own account and cannot be paid for by the

airline.

Residential Clause: Travellers commencing in New Zealand must be in possession of a New Zealand passport or a statutory declaration certifying that his or her country of permanent residence for six months has been New Zealand. Swissair can provide you with a form which may be used for this purpose.

Itinerary: Travel may be from New Zealand via the Far East to Switzerland in one direction and return via North America in the other. The new fare is therefore valid for travel on all Swissair flights between North America and Switzerland and from Hong Kong, Bangkok or Singapore to Zurich or Geneva and return.

GROUP TRAVEL

The most important change to Swiss Club members is that to obtain the lowest possible fare to Switzerland on scheduled services of airlines, there is no longer any need to travel in a

group.

The new fare also allows the traveller to choose his own individual date of departure from New Zealand and generally have a much freer hand in deciding on the itinerary and airlines of his choice. Swissair is aware that many Swiss in New Zealand have in the past been unable to travel on its flights because itineraries controlled by some group travel organisers have, for various reasons, not included our flights. This is a thing of the past and you can now, if you wish, travel to and from Switzerland on Swissair using the new low fare of \$710.40.

Our office in Auckland will welcome all enquiries and be happy to provide Swiss Society members, free of charge, specially prepared sample itineraries, one of which allows 23 hours in Hong Kong en route to Switzerland, without incurring the stopover surcharge of \$32.10. Swissair will ensure that those travel agents and associated airlines presently advertising in "Helvetia" will

continue to be supported where practicable.