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— IMPORTANT NOTICE —

As the A.G.M. of the Swiss Society of New Zealand took place two months ago, members will no doubt be aware that their annual subscription for the Helvetia 1985-1986 is now due. If you are a member of any club, please make sure that your sub is paid as soon as possible to the Treasurer of your club. If you are a single member, but still wish to obtain copies of the Helvetia, could you please send your subscriptions of \$7 to the Treasurer, Swiss Society of New Zealand, Mrs Pauline Rowe, 24 Kamahi Avenue, Hawera.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Wellington Swiss Club:

- Aug 18 — Club Afternoon
- Sept 7 — Club Evening
- 11 — Metzgete
- Oct 6 — Club Afternoon
- 19 — Fritz Adams Club Jass Competition

Taranaki Swiss Club:

- Sept 15 — Club Champion Shoot, 1 pm
- Oct 20 — Trudi Ott Bellt Shoot
- Nov 9 — Social at Clubhouse, 8 pm, plate please

Hamilton Swiss Club:

- Sept 7 — Fondue Evening, Eureka Hall, Medal Presentation
- Oct 19 — Gemuetliche Abend, Kegel and Jass. Please bring a plate for supper. At Swisscraft premises, 8 pm.
- Dec 7 — Adult Christmas Party, 8 pm, Eureka Hall.

HAMILTON SWISS CLUB

On Saturday, July 27, we celebrated our National Day at the Eureka Hall. Soon after 8 pm the tables were fairly full and we had a good crowd of about 110 people. To begin with the club shouted everybody a free drink to celebrate the Cowbell victory. This soon created a great 'Stimmung'. It is obvious the club is very proud to be the holder of the Cowbell for this very first time.

The President welcomed everybody and shortly afterwards the dance group performed two traditional Swiss dances. Many thanks to all the young, enthusiastic participants who put in several hours of practice, especially those who did it for the first time this year. Following this Herbert Staheli performed some 'Fahneschwinge', which seemed to be much appreciated by all, some even asking for an encore. Throughout the evening the band, Rural Delivery, entertained us and the dance floor seemed to be full all the time. Again their efforts to play some Swiss music was much appreciated by the crowd, resulting in several spontaneous sing-songs.

About 10 pm the committee served supper, consisting of a cheese board as entree, then ham, wienerli, coleslaw, potato salad and French bread for the main meal. Later in the evening coffee was served with the usual selection of delicious cakes.