Consulate General. Invitation to Reading

The Consul General Markus Meli invites to a reading by Albert Mehr from his book «Spuren». This reading will be held in german.

Date/Time: Monday, May 10th at 6:30 PM
Location: Goethe Institut, 90 Ocean St., Woollahra NSW 2025

Consulate General. Save swissinfo

swissinfo is essential!
Help us save it!

On 25 February 2010 the Swiss federal government announced that it intends to discontinue its financial contribution to swissinfo as part of its budget program for 2011-2013.

The Organisation of the Swiss Abroad (OSA) regards this decision as incompatible with the government’s international obligation to provide information, and contradictory to Swiss Broadcasting Law. The Swiss Broadcasting Cooperation is obligated to serve as an information service provider to the around 700,000 Swiss citizens living abroad with special emphasis to those 130,000 Swiss citizens enrolled to vote.

The Council of the Swiss Abroad (CSA) has repeatedly indicated its support for a strong international presence of SRG SSR ...

... idée suisse (Swiss Broadcasting Cooperation) through its multimedia platform swissinfo. After the closure of Swiss Radio International, swissinfo remains the only world-wide media showcasing Switzerland in all national languages as well as the major world languages.

swissinfo is Switzerland’s virtual window to the world and provides an essential information service to Swiss abroad – and that is the way it ought to stay!

The OSA is campaigning to save swissinfo and is asking for your support! We encourage all Swiss in Australia to leave a message on the swissinfo blog:

http://sch.swissinfo.ch/?page_id=217&lang=eng

Let the government know that they owe it to Switzerland and the Swiss abroad to maintain swissinfo!

Roland Isler, CSA Delegate

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www.aso.ch
www.swiss.org.au/csa
www.swissinfo.org
www.swiss.org.au
www.sacci.com.au
www.avsi-ai-international.ch

Swiss Revue Online (additional material / history / downloads)
Organisation of the Swiss Abroad
ASO Portal Australia (Local CSA Delegates / Hot Topics)
Actual News by swissinfo/SRI
Swiss Clubs on the Net in Australia
Bilateral trade and investment information
OAS/ID and voluntary contributions (AHV)

EDITORIAL / DEADLINE

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## Victoria

### Victoria events (cont.)

- **2/9** Kapelle Gruzi-Müntenand, Club
- **4/9** Jazz Finals, Club
- **12/9** "Kaffeeklatsch" (ASC5)

(please check the websites for most current information)

### Swiss Club of Victoria

- **89 Flanders Lane Melbourne VIC 3000**
  - Tel: (03) 9650 1196 Club
  - Fax: (03) 9650 3104
  - President: Barbara Küngind
  - Mobile: 0402 018 363
  - Email: swissclubvic@swiss.org.au
  - www.swiss.org.au/swissclubvic
  - Facebook: facebook.com/swissclubvic
  - Dear Reader,
  - We have great news at the club; our 2/F has been renovated and is now ready for our interest groups and anyone else looking for a bright and welcoming function and conference room in the heart of Melbourne. If you are planning an event, private or for your business, then why not consider the 2/F of the Swiss Club. We are now open for business! Just give us a ring or email.
  - The Swiss Festival in Melbourne on 21 March 2010 was a great success! Jointly organised by all Swiss community groups in Victoria the annual Swiss Festival attracted over a 1000 visitors supported by sponsors and many volunteers
  - For the next quarter, we have again a calendar full of functions for all age groups. 1st August will be celebrated thoroughly, we have planned several National Day functions. Please join us! If you are home sick for a nice Swiss meal and friendly company, our restaurant is the place to be! All welcome!
  - Your President, Barbara Küngind

### Ladies Luncheon

The Swiss Club of Victoria

- **Convenor: Heidi Giger**
  - Tel: (03) 9889 9321
- **Bookings essential with the Swiss Club.**

### The Swiss Companion Singers

- **Convenor: Heidi Giger**
  - Tel: (03) 9889 9321, or Herbert Schwaerzler (03) 9561 7811

Meet at the Club every second and third Thursday of the month for practice.

### Young Swiss Group

- **Convenor: Amy Bohren abohren@swiss.org.au http://groups.yahoo.com/group/YoungSwissMelbourne/**
  - We meet once per month. Anyone is welcome to come along.

### Swiss Yodel Choir Matterhorn

- **3 Bluegum Court, Upwey Vic 3158**
  - President: Marco Untershäuser
  - Tel: (03) 9752 6996 (h) or Tel: (03) 9388 8777 (b)

Meet 1st Thursday of each month from 11am-2pm at the Swiss Club.

### Swiss Folk Dance Group Alpenrose

- **President: Sylvia Hochuli**
  - 92 Addison Street, Elwood Vic 3184
  - Tel: (03) 9531 6575 hochuali@tpg.com.au

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We would like to extend an invitation to all our Senior Citizens (over sixties) to a wonderful afternoon of Coffee, Cakes and a chat "Kaffeeklatsch", at the Swiss Club. **SUNDAY, 12 SEP, 2 pm.**

There is no charge for this cosy afternoon, however our Group is thankful for any donations.

Please reserve a place by ringing or leaving a message with Marlies Krummenseker (bun: 9578 5049, home 9503 9921) or Rosmarie Oswald (9583 9043).

RSVP no later than Monday , Sep 6.

### Swiss Playgroup

- **Swiss Playgroup**
  - 5 Falls Road, Hoddles Creek Vic 3139
  - President: Claude Rossi
  - Mobile: 0402 018 363

Please refer to the Swiss Express (for more information)

### Regular Events:

- **“Hockete”,** first Friday of the month at the Austrian Association at 11 - 17 Torrens Road, Ovingham from 6.30 pm.
  - New Chef: Goëks Schneizler to perfection!

### Swiss Corner

- **Swiss Corner**, every Saturday 6-7 pm on 107 Glyndon Road, Camberwell Vic 3124
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We had our AGM on 21st of March at the Dutch Club. Tempts heated up, because of a motion to again finance our Swiss Radio. The motion was finally passed in the positive. The Swiss radio spent a year in the wilderness, only relying on sponsorship money. Last year’s AGM’s motion had taken away all financial support to the Radio, saving $3,000.

Our Vice-President, Keith Worley, was the only Committee Member standing up for re-election. Our new Committee now, read as follow:

Helen Ostri, President
Keith Worley, Vice President
Patrik Ostri, Treasurer
Marianne Rentch, Secretary Memnup
Nicola Alberto, Editor/Webmaster
Pierre Bratschi, Property Manager
Urnsia Knecht & Leu Schuler, Members

After all was said and done, we all got stuck into the “Wienerli”/ potato salad “Zwitser”, followed by donated cakes and coffee. Thanks to Annalise, Katherin & Marianne for preparing the meals.

WA EVENTS
22/5 Metzgeta at the Rhein-Donau Club
For more information please visit our website. Come along and join the fun.

Regular Events / Groups:
NEW Swiss Radio Perth, every Tuesday 7-8pm (4th Thursday of the month in French) on 95.3MHz, or on www.6eba.com.au.
Studio / Presenter: (08) 9227 5953, French) on 95.3MHz, or

The fasnacht season is coming up!
, only “Guggemusig”
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New South Wales

NSW EVENTS
17/4 Film Night
26/4 Bushwalk
3/5 Socialising in the city
5/5 Swiss Entrepreneurs
6/5 Soirée pub, Clock Hotel, 470 Crown St, Surry Hills (Circle R)
8/5 Dinner & Dancing (combined club function)
14/5 Get-together, Austrian Club
16/5 Raclette (Cercle Romand),
Scandinavian (Danish) Club
20/5 Fryabig drinks
22/5 Seniors Luncheon (SCCS)
30/5 Buurezmorge
3/6 Swiss Entrepreneurs
3/6 Soirée pub, Sydney Roving Club, 613 Great Rth Rd, Abbotsford (CR)
7/6 Socialising in the city
11/6 Get-together, Austrian Club
17/6 Fryabig drinks
19/6 Bowling Competition
27/6 Bushwalk
28/6 Fondue
June (ba) Soccer World cup Function
5/7 Socialising in the city
7/7 Swiss Entrepreneurs
9/7 Get-together, Austrian Club
12/7 Swiss Club AGM & Dinner
15/7 Fryabig drinks
25/7 Bushwalk
31/7 Swiss National Day Celebration together with the Consulate
1/8 Swiss National Day @ Plumpton
(Yodlers)
2/8 Socialising in the city
4/8 Swiss Entrepreneurs
5/8 Soirée pub, Aust. Schnitzelhaus,
163 Victoria Rd, Gladesville (CR)
13/8 Get-together, Austrian Club
19/8 Fryabig drinks
22/8 AGM / Fondue Vypersonne (Cercle Romand)
29/8 Bushwalk
(all events organized by the swiss club but would like to join any of the activities, please feel free to contact us by phone or email. We are always pleased to see new faces and welcome anybody wishing to partici- pate. We look forward to meeting you at one of our next functions.

Heitzen Rutigliker

New South Wales
Au plaisir de vous rencontrer,
org.au/cercleromand ou par tél. 9874
séparé. Pour tout les détails sur notre
 grounded do you sing in swiss German and
Do black trousers suite you?
Swiss Folk Dance Group
‘Alpegruess’
President: Marco Nussbaumer
7 Wallace Street
Willoughby NSW 2068
Tel: (02) 9560 0666

Young Swiss Group
Contact: Matthias Neurohr
Tel: (07) 3376 1786
mneurohr@swiss.org.au

Swiss Yodel & Folklore Group
Bayer-Roeseli
President: Jakob Berger
Tel: (07) 3206 6101
Secretary: Eloy Schuetz
Tel: (07) 3207 7101
We would also love to hear from any-
body who would like to join the Choir.
We meet every second Thursday for
practice with Mark, our music teacher.
Jakob Berger

Swiss Community Care Society
(QLD Chapter)
Postal: SCCS, c/- Erika Vincent,
181 Kunghur Creek Rd. Kunghur 2484
President: Lorly Whiler
Tel: (07) 3298 5300 / Secretary:
Erika Vincent, Tel: (02) 6769 7210
Contact Sunshine Coast:
Ursula Sheldon, Tel: (07) 5443 4272
Have you considered becoming a
member and receiving our Newsletter
three times a year, giving you details
about our functions and other infor-
mation regarding the Society? Anyone
interested, please give us a call. Kind
regards.
Lorly Whiler

Swiss Club Sunshine Coast
Contact: Hassan Kaeche 5447 7548
Walter Siegenthaler 5476 2962
scsc@swiss.org.au
www.swiss.org.au/scsc
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Our 1st August National Day celebra-
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at one of our members’ rural property
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Please check out or website for more in-
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Verena Bachmann

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Rainfall in Sydney Harbour did not fail to please
those on board the Annual Harbour Cruise.
Numerous guests from overseas and intemate
on-board experienced what for many was the
highlight of their stay. Our thanks to “de
Schweizerg” Chirigu and Urs who flew
from Melbourne to entertain those on
board.

Nothing to do on a Monday evening?
Like to stand around?
Is red your favourite colour?
Do black trousers suit you?
Can you sing in swiss German and
stay focused on a man constantly wav-
ing at you? Then maybe, just maybe,
your yodlers are for you?
Alois Kretz

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