

Dear members,

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Swiss Club Toronto, I am pleased to invite you to our Annual General Meeting.

Important business, elections, and financial reporting are on the Agenda, and your participation is vital in upholding the democratic process within our Club.

Should you be unable to attend, you will have the privilege of making use of the proxy form that can be found on the last page of this newsletter. For it to be valid it must be received by the Swiss Club no later than by noon February 25th, 2016 (see address on proxy form).

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE
ACTIVE MEMBERS OF THE SWISS CLUB TORONTO

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2016

at The Musket Restaurant, Banquet Room
40 Advance Road, • Toronto, Ontario, M8Z 2T4
www.musketrestaurant.com

7:00 P.M. cocktails (cash bar) and dinner
(courtesy of the Swiss Club Toronto)

8:15 P.M. Meeting will start with the following (tentative) Agenda:

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| 1. Welcome and Introduction of the Special Guests | Sascha Frassini |
| 2. Introduction of the Board Members | Sascha Frassini |
| 3. Minutes of the 2015 General Meeting | Sascha Frassini |
| 4. Swiss Citizen of the year award | Rene Waelti |
| 5. Presidents report | Sascha Frassini |
| 6. Consolidated Financial Statement for 2015 | Claude Tièche |
| 7. Finance Commission report | Claude Tièche |
| 8. Membership report | Monika Rüber |
| 9. Council of the Swiss Abroad Report | Ernst Notz |
| 10. Elections | Arno Sigrist |
| 11. Other business as may properly come before the meeting | |
| 12. Adjournment | |

Please RSVP Monika Rüber (Membership Chairperson)

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(Please find the proxy vote form on the back page of this newsletter.)

UPCOMING EVENTS

See inside for details

Amicale Romande Annual Fondue

January 30, 2016

Jass Section 16th Annual Saujass

January 17, 2016

Swiss Club Toronto AGM

February 26, 2016

IceFest in Yorkville

February 21, 2016 • 2:00 PM

Theatre Group “Kei Regel ohni Usnahm” Sunday, April 24, 2016

Please note: Single performance!
Look for details in the next *Tell Tale*
Maggie Hess 905-508-8014



Amicale Romande invites you to

The Annual Fondue & Dance

January 30, 2016 • 7:00 P.M.

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The President's File

Dear members,
HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We are looking back to yet another year filled with activities and events. Some of the events have a long tradition with the club. But there were also some other organized events for our members which were new.

You can read all about our 1st of August celebrations and some of the other 2015 events in the November 2015 edition of the *Tell Tale*.

The various sections were also very active again with informal get-togethers, trips, excursions, breakfasts, lunches, dinners, soccer and golf tournaments, Jass, bowling, fondue, theatre, and more.

On November 22nd we had our annual movie event and bake sale at the Hillcrest Library. It was held on a Sunday afternoon for the first time. This time we showed the Swiss movie 'Usfahrt Oerlike'.

On December 4th, some Swiss Club members met for a walk through the Toronto Christmas Market in the Distillery District.

2016 will again be a fun-filled year with many traditional events and maybe one or two new ones.

This year's **Annual General Meeting of the Swiss Club Toronto** will be held on **February 26th, 2016** again at The Musket Restaurant in Toronto. Please see the front page for details.

We hope we can again expect a large number of members attending our AGM. Active participation during the year and at the AGM is needed in order to maintain the club and to shape the future of this vital organization. Please mark your calendar for the 26th of February 2016.

Please also see the note below about the open president position.

This year also marks the 98th anniversary of the founding of the Swiss Club Toronto in 1918 and we all hope to offer our existing and future members some great events and gatherings for many years to come.

*Yours truly,
Sascha Frassini,
President*

PRE-ANNOUNCEMENT: Open PRESIDENT Position in 2016

As you might know, my second (two-year) term as president of the Swiss Club will come to an end in February 2016. With that, I will have been president for four years and I will not be putting myself up for re-election in 2016.

We are therefore looking for a president in just a few months.

For your information, a past president stays on the board as ex-officio officer for two years to make the transition easier.

If you are interested in this interesting and rewarding position or know somebody who would be interested, please contact me (Sascha Frassini) or any other current board member. All the contact information can be found on page 2.

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Women's Section

PAST EVENTS

Swiss Movie Matinee and Bake Sale

Attendance was about the same as last year, everyone liked the afternoon matinee over the evening screening. Several members came by just to shop for goodies from the bake table. Thank you all for supporting our sale and a big thank you to all who donated and helped with set up.

Christmas Luncheon and Bake Sale

Once again we celebrated early Christmas at St. George's Country club. It is the highlight of the year when such a large group gets together. We enjoyed a great lunch, and piano music played by George Marton (Thank you George). We even did a bit singing. I am pleased to report that all the bake goods were sold. Well done ladies! A huge thank you to all of you who contributed, and a special thank you to B.B.R. for supplying those interesting gifts to all the ladies and also to Swiss Print International for the cash donation and the calendars. We are already looking forward to next year's event.

UPCOMING EVENTS

We take a little break to recover from the festivities. I will check out the Bloor West Playhouse for a upcoming performance and will inform you at a later date.

ONGOING

KAFFEEKLATSCH

The first Wednesday of the month at 1:30 PM at 2312 Bloor street west, at Java Joe's Cafe.

The last Wednesday of the month 1:30 PM at the Rich tree Restaurant, at Bayview and Yorkmills.

*To all of you a happy, healthy New Year
and hopefully a lot of get togethers in the year 2016
your chairperson, Paula Rico*

Men's Section

PAST EVENTS

At the **November Swiss Movie Matinee** at the **Hillcrest Library Hall** we showed for a change, a rather serious Swiss movie. Everyone seemed to enjoy it, and the Women's Section had a successful bake sale.

On **December 4th**, we had our **Christmas Lunch** at The Musket Restaurant. For those who could not attend during the day, we had a downtown dinner on Dec. 17th, at Le Petit Gourmet Restaurant.

UPCOMING EVENTS

On **Thursday, January 21st, 2016** starting at about **11:45 AM**, we will have lunch followed by our **Annual General Meeting** at the **Musket Restaurant**, 40 Advance Rd. in Etobicoke. The AGM lunch is free for paid up members of the Men's Section.

Don't forget the **Fondue** evening of the Amicale Romande on **January 30th**, see the notice elsewhere in this *Tell Tale*.

In **February**, we will participate at the **AGM of the Swiss Club Toronto** at the Musket, see separate notice in this *Tell Tale* issue.

Our **March Event** is still in the planning stage and I will advise everybody in good time.

Please call me or e-mail me at least 10 days prior to any of the above events, to let me know if you can come, but also if you cannot come, thanks.

ONGOING

Come and join us **every Monday morning** from about **10:15 till noon** for coffee (or whatever) at the **Bakery Garden Restaurant** (near Loblaws) inside the Bayview Village Shopping Centre, Bayview at Sheppard.

MEMORABLE BIRTHDAYS

Freddy Kern will be 85 on February 7

Robert Walder will be 80 on February 7

Thomas Winiker will be 80 on February 19

Many happy returns and good health to you!

*I don't feel eighty.
In fact, I don't feel anything till noon.
Then it's time for my nap.
— Bob Hope*

I hope everybody had an enjoyable Christmas with family and/or friends and as the New Year is just around the corner, I wish you all a happy 2016 — good health and much success.

Arno Sigrist

FOR YOUR SPECIAL EVENT



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**CANADYSLI TORONTO
SWISS CARNIVAL BAND
(GUGGEMUSIG)
40th Anniversary in 2016**

We are a Swiss Style Carnival Band in Toronto and we are always looking for new players with (or without) instruments.

Our band practices started in mid November, but there is still time to join us.

Our Carnival starts with the Morgestraich on Saturday, February 13, 2016 from 6:00 AM till 10:30 AM and our Costume Ball is on Saturday, February 20 at 7 PM.

Both Events will be held at
**THE MUSKET RESTAURANT
& BANQUET HALL
40 Advance Road, Etobicoke, ON**

For more info, check our website
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Or give one of us a call or send an e-mail, we look forward to hearing from you !

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*Come and join us in celebrating winter in the city
at Bloor-Yorkville's 10th Annual Icefest!*

February 21, 2016 • 2:00 PM

We meet in front of the Nespresso Boutique Bar
on 159 Cumberland Street

Please contact me if you would like to join the group
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INVOICE - ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE

January 1, 2016 - December 31, 2016

Dear Members, Annual membership fees are due by March 31, 2016 at the latest.

May I ask you to kindly send your cheque to:

SWISS CLUB TORONTO: P. O. Box # 823, Stn. Q, Toronto, Ontario M4T 2N7

Name: _____

Address: _____

Tel. _____

Email Address: _____

FAMILY Membership \$40.00 • SINGLE Membership \$30.00

You may also pay by PAYPAL: see www.swissclubtoronto.ca under membership for details.

Welcome New Members

Christine Hostettler and Family • William Cormier • Christian Keller

Monika Rüber, Membership Chairperson

SCHEDULE A TO BY-LAW NO. 1 PROXY:

The undersigned voting member of the Swiss Club Toronto hereby nominates, constitutes and appoints,

_____ Or her/him failing, _____ as proxy of the undersigned to attend the Annual General Meeting of the Corporation to be held on the 26th day of February, 2016 and any adjournment or adjournments thereof and to vote and otherwise act thereat for and on behalf and in the name of the undersigned in respect of all matters that may come before the meeting in the same manner as the undersigned could do if personally present thereat, the undersigned hereby ratifying and confirming and agreeing to ratify and confirm all that such proxy may lawfully do by virtue hereof.

Date: _____ Signature of voting member: _____

Please print your name: _____

Please return Proxy Form to arrive at addressee by no later than noon February 25, 2016 to:
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