

## Swiss National Day Celebration 2023

**Sunday July 23, 2023 12 NOON – 5 P.M.**

**Join us to celebrate Switzerland's 732nd birthday!**

Get together with your Swiss friends from the Greater Toronto Area, current and future.

Enjoy live entertainment, Swiss food, and our famous raffle. We're looking forward to listening to the **Matt Lebar Ensemble**, our very own **Canadysli**, and the **Trillium Alphorns**. We're in the final stages of setting up an appearance by the **Golden Keys**.

We're honoured to host **Consul General Line Leon-Pernet**, who'll say a few words on behalf of the Swiss Consulate in Montreal.

We look forward to seeing you!

### **12:00 — Opening and Lunch**

Enjoy a Swiss lunch, and for dessert have a Nussgipfel and coffee.

### **1:30 P.M. — Official Celebration and Entertainment**

Finishing at 5:00 P.M., followed by our famous raffle draw.

Admission and parking provided by the Swiss Club Toronto

### **Hansa Haus**

(German Canadian Club Toronto)

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To register, please RSVP at <https://swissclubtoronto/nd2023> (preferred), or call **Charlotte Mariller** at 437-881-3940.



We're always looking for volunteers, please reach out to [charlotte.mariller@swissclubtoronto.ca](mailto:charlotte.mariller@swissclubtoronto.ca) if you're interested.

If you'd like to sponsor the event (or know a company that would be a great match / perfect source for raffle prizes), please let us know at [sponsorship@swissclubtoronto.ca](mailto:sponsorship@swissclubtoronto.ca).

We're not actively looking for vendors, but are open to the possibility, and have the infrastructure (that is, tables); reach out to [charlotte.mariller@swissclubtoronto.ca](mailto:charlotte.mariller@swissclubtoronto.ca) if that's you.

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**Meet your new President and Vice-President**

You may have read about it in an e-mail update or seen it on our website:



there have been a few changes to the board of directors! In addition to Simone Höhn stepping down as secretary (but staying on as the head of the five-pin bowling section), and the Canadysli joining as a new section with Philippe Moser as the section head, both the president and vice-president are new in their roles, with our past

president Nadia Berger having moved to Switzerland recently.

Allow us to introduce ourselves, in case we haven't had the pleasure yet!

**Charlotte Mariller, President**

My name is Charlotte, and I'm happy to be the new president of the Swiss Club Toronto. I've been involved with the club for the past three years, starting as the Vice President and helping out with social media and organizing Swiss social events.

I'm originally from Geneva, where I studied IT management. In November 2017, I moved to Toronto as an au pair and ended up meeting my partner, Houman. I decided to stay in Canada and now work in sales in the music industry.

Switzerland has always held a special place in my heart, which is why I decided to join the club. I started by assisting with the website and social media, and later became the Vice President alongside Nadia.

It's a great honor for me to take over from Nadia as President. Together with Ben, we have plans to organize various social events for people of all ages. We believe it's important to bring different generations together and honour the club's history.

I'm very excited for this journey as the President of the Swiss Club alongside the members and the board.

**Benjamin Wuethrich, Vice-President**

I moved to Toronto at the very end of 2014 with my Canadian partner, Kara. After multiple years of getting my dose of Swissness by visiting friends and family in Switzerland almost every year, the pandemic prevented me from doing so for long enough that I opted for the next best thing, joining the Swiss Club. Though when I joined in early 2020, the activities were limited to just monthly Zoom calls...

Nadia roped me into taking on the position of the membership chairperson pretty soon, and in 2021, I started working on overhauling the website. Both of these things keep me plenty busy, and I see my job as the Vice-President mostly to support Charlotte in maintaining what's going well, and help improving what could be better.

You can bump into me at most of our monthly Swiss Socials, and unlike last year where I got sick right on time for the National Day celebration, I definitely plan to be around for it this year!

Outside of the Swiss Club, I work as a software developer at KOHO, a Toronto-based fintech startup; in my spare time, I like endurance sports, and enjoy the benefits of my partner's passion for travel deals.

## Men's Section

Come and join us every Monday morning from about 10:00 A.M. 'til noon for Hot Chocolate or Coffee outside the Lindt Chocolate store, at the Bayview Village Shopping Centre, near the North/West Mall Entrance.

For the out-of-town guys we will now have an additional Zoom Kaffi Klatsch every 3rd Wednesday of the month, also from 10 to 12 A.M. I will e-mail the link to all Men's Section members.

We had a very successful Family BBQ at the Egger Farm on June 24th and want to thank Walter and his family for letting us having it there.

I am still planning the November Swiss Movie matinee and will advise later about it.

As I announced earlier this month already our long-time member Heinz Vollenweider passed away at 77 and as per his wishes, there will be no funeral or other service for him.

There are no memorable Birthdays until December.

Arno Sigrist

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## Women's Section

August 12 is the Niagara Peach festival. \$99.00 per person which includes lunch. Call Paula 416-652-9067 ASAP to reserve a seat.

Kaffeeklatsches are the first Wednesday of the month at the new location, Queen's Pasta Cafe, 2263 Bloor Street West, at 1:30 P.M. and each last Wednesday of the month at the Pickle Barrel, 5941 Leslie Street [north of Finch].

I wish everybody a safe summer, enjoy every day.

Paula Rico

## Membership Information

Some recipients of the printed version of the *Tell Tale* will have noticed an invoice for their membership fee sent with the *Tell Tale*. This is a first attempt to make it a bit easier to remember when your membership renews, especially if you don't use a credit card with automated payments.

Notice that due to the delay between sending a cheque and us emptying the P.O. box and cashing the cheque, you might have received an invoice even though you have already paid for your membership. Please ignore the invoice in this case!

Not all memberships renew at the same date; the invoice shows you your individual renewal date, for future reference.

We'll think of more ways to improve invoicing our "paper-based" members; if you have any questions, please reach out at [membership@swissclubtoronto.ca](mailto:membership@swissclubtoronto.ca).

Benjamin Wuethrich

### Some of your 2023 Swiss Club contacts



Left to right: Simone Höhn, Arno Sigrist, Magdalena Hess, Jean-Marc Velen, Heidi Lawrance, Nadia Berger, Auggie Werner, Charlotte Mariller, Benjamin Wuethrich, Erika Tieche, Philippe Moser

# SOCIAL JASS SECTION

Do you like to play Jass (Swiss card game)? Then this is for you!

We no longer look for a champion and you do not have to be a pro. We will strictly play a:

- SOCIAL, FRIENDLY and RELAXED GAME
- We play the SCHIEBER (no Wys)
- Cost \$2 (for misc. expenses)

**Location:** 3131 Bridletowne Circle, Agincourt Room, Toronto M1W 2S9 (Finch and Warden). Free parking at the back of the building.



**Time:** 1:00 P.M. to approx. 4:30 P.M.

**Dates:**

- September 24, 2023
- October 22, 2023
- November 19, 2023

Free Coffee and Tea will be available. No other drinks will be available, so if you wish, you can bring your own.

So, come on out and bring a friend who also likes to play. I am always open to receiving suggestions and comments (good or bad).

To be able to have complete tables, it really be appreciated if you would contact me prior to the date. This way, no one will be left out to play.

Your host, Erika Tièche  
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## Report of the Theatre Group

After a 3-year hiatus due to COVID, the Theatre Group put on a play again this past Spring. They performed in Wellesley on Sunday, April 16 and in Toronto on Saturday, April 22.

We welcomed a large crowd in Wellesley, in Toronto... not so much. Still, the performances were well received and a success.

Many thanks go to Edith and Franz Zuber, Eva and Jerry Hajda for opening their homes so we could practice our play.

The play was a comedy in 3 Acts "In Himmel wänd alli" by Andreas Kessner. Franz and Eva performed expertly in their large leading roles.



### The Cast:

Thomas Rohr	Franz Zuber	Gemeindepräsident
Anne Rohr	Eva Hajda	seine Frau
Ursula Vogel	Edith Zuber	Freundin von Anne, Nachbarin
Michael Vogel	Walter Brunner	ihr Mann
Brigitte Liebi	Doris Oechslin	Ärztin
Paul Zahner	René Wälti	Pfarrer

Greetings,  
Walter Brunner

