## Swiss Community Care Society

# Newsletter



### Queensland Chapter

A.B.N. 28 446 153 022

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### **Senior Citizens Lunch**

# due to unforeseen Golf Tournaments we had to change the date to **Sunday June 6, 2021**

Headland Golf Course, Golf Links Road, BUDERIM

10:30	Doors open
11:30	Yodel Choir Entertainment
12:30	Hot Lunch, Dessert & Coffee alternate serve
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Due to Covid restriction we will not have our usual buffet lunch but alternate serve set menus

The lunch is free for all financial members over 65 years, \$ 25 for all others. Guests are very welcome

Drinks are available from the bar – strictly no BYO (including raffle prices).

As always there will be a Tombola.

### Bookings are essential - RSVP by April 29 2021

To Rita von Rotz: 0431 707 144 or Anita Bickel: 0457 457 211

or email: care@swissclubgld.org.au

If anyone would like a lift, please contact one of our committee members; we will try to arrange carpooling.

### From the President's Desk

Dear Members, Supporters, Compatriots and Golden Oldies of the Swiss Community Care Society

Last year, writing the President's report, we were at the beginning of the Covid Crisis and hoping for a quick cure and eradication of the virus. What a roller-coaster year it has been. Let's hope the coming months or years will see us going back to a more or less normal life. One of the lessons we all learnt from the crisis is to be adaptable and to go with the flow. We from the SCCS hold our functions whenever and in whatever way we can and are allowed to do. So hopefully our Buderim Lunch will be able to go ahead as planned in early June. The setup will be different, no buffet, but Bergroeseli will perform as usual.

We have been incredibly lucky with our community. We have been able to help, support and guide a few in need. Thanks to you all, as always, it has been appreciated by the recipients. At the beginning of the crisis, we were able to coordinate the departure of stranded Swiss back to Switzerland followed by getting supply and support to those in need unable to leave the house and shop ect.

Whilst many of our senior compatriots are not fully computer literate, technology has evolved and there are simple and easy smart phones where one can use a What's app or Skype to be in contact with loved ones. There are also apps for signing in when visiting functions or restaurants as most of them don't accept manual sign in anymore. These apps help you to sign in quick and easy and once the information is on the phone and works it can be used everywhere. The same will go for the Covid Pass once you're immunised.

If any of you need help with the app setup, please give us a call and we try to help you or find someone who can help.

Looking forward to seeing you all at our Buderim Lunch (Covid willing).

Keep save and do not forget how lucky we are here in Australia compared with most other parts of the world.

Franz & the Swiss Care Team

Another year has passed and after forgetting to add an invoice for the memberships last May I include this year's with this newsletter.

The fees are due on 1st July 2021 and are unchanged from last time. You are as always able to pay cash in Buderim.

To update the membership base, I print out all the information we have about you on the last page and would appreciate, if you could check if all is okay. In the last years many things have changed, many people no longer use landline-phones and have added email accounts. As we usually send out birthday cards for over 65-year-old members we also like to get your date of birth.

We would like to introduce the option to send the newsletter by email, please tick the relevant box. You are still very welcome to get the newsletter in the mail.

Of course, your personal information is not shared with anybody outside the committee.

Thank you for your continued support.

Treasurer

Anita Bickel

This is for all grandparents unable to visit their grandchildren at the moment.

A 6-year-old was asked where his grandmother lived. "Oh, he said, "she lives at the airport, and when we want her, we just go get her. Then when we're done having her visit, we take her back to the airport.

If only it was that easy :-)



### **List of upcoming Swiss Functions:**

May 8 <sup>th</sup>	Fondue Evening at the South Brisbane Sailing Club
June 13 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup> Australian National Jass Tournament – Sydney
June 12 th	Raclette Evening at the South Brisbane Sailing Club
July 31st	National Day Celebrations, Samford Show Grounds
Nov 14 <sup>th</sup>	Swiss Club Brunch location to be advised
Nov 20 <sup>th</sup>	Swiss Community Care Society – AGM and Christmas lunc

Regular Jass at Gallopers Club, Ascot, alternate Wednesdays from 6pm contact Rita von Rotz 0431 707 144 or Ruth Milwright 0414 705 255

For complete information check the Swiss Club website https://www.swissclubqld.org.au/events/ If you would like a lift to one of the functions, please contact one of our committee and we will try to find a match.

A grandmother was telling her little granddaughter what her own childhood was like. "We used to skate outside on the pond. I had a swing made from a tyre and it hung from a tree in the front yard. We rode a pony. We picked raspberries in the woods." The little girl was wide eyed, taking it all in. At last she said, I sure wish I'd gotten to know you sooner!"

#### The Committee

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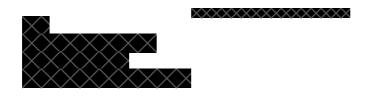
Have you given a thought to joining our committee?

Erika Vincent has again expressed the desire to retire, as it gets more difficult to travel to Brisbane for meetings.

We therefore urgently look for a new secretary. We have 2 to 3 meetings a year and the AGM to write invitations and minutes and receive mail and email for the Society (very few). If anybody would like to be treasurer Anita is happy to change to secretary.

To update our database, please take some time to check your details below. Pleas return the form with changes or send an email to <a href="mailto:care@swissclubqld.org.au">care@swissclubqld.org.au</a>.

Thank you!



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