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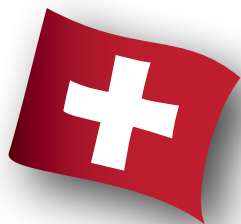
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and we celebrated in our own way

1 August Swiss National Day

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 situation, our much loved 1 August event had to be cancelled. However, many of our members have organised their own 1 August get-together with family and friends. We are very pleased to see that nothing keeps our members from celebrating this day.

The SSQ 1 August crossword competition was won by:

1. Lorly Wihler 2. Rebecca and Thomas Muehe

Congratulations! You have each won 1 kg cheese from Fromart. Enjoy!



Winner No 1: Lorly Wihler



Nicole Berner's two creative food photos – a close runner up!

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More submissions see pages 14 and 28.
Thank you to everyone who participated!



Winner No 2: Rebecca and Thomas Muehe



DEADLINE
for submissions for
issue 4/2020:
22 October 2020

**THE MISSION OF THE
SWISS SOCIETY**

***Preserve and promote
the Swiss heritage
and goodwill
between Australia
and Switzerland
through social and
cultural activities.***

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ABN 79 756 877 680

President's Report

Dear members and friends of the Swiss Society of Queensland,

Winter has well and truly arrived and has presented us with many cold winter nights already. It is the time where we can enjoy long walks, hot soups and stews, and the occasional log fire to warm up.



I love this time of the year. Almost every weekend I get rugged up and put my hiking boots on and go on bushwalks. It just reminds me of the time when I was still living in Switzerland.

If you also like to explore a bit more of South East Queensland by foot and fancy joining us on a bushwalk, you can contact Peter Zuend by email on bushwalker@swissclubqld.com.au.

This year saw us all celebrate the **Swiss National Day** very differently. Cancelling our biggest event meant that we all had to share the commitment of organising this special day. I'm sure many of you celebrated with your family and friends in a more homely setting. It warms my heart to see some members and compatriots making this day truly special. Members posted photos in our Swisscare COVID-19 chat group and we also had photo contributions sent in for the *Swiss News*.

I was also pleased to see some members taking the opportunity to enter the crossword puzzle and go into the draw to win one of the delicious prizes sponsored by Fromart Cheese. I hope it added a bit of fun for the whole family.

The solution of the puzzle together with the names of the winners can be discovered inside the magazine.

I would like to congratulate the winners and also would like to thank Christian from Fromart for donating the generous prizes.

Soon, I hope my team and I can make preparations for the film night and for the AGM, but also for the brunch, which was a favourite for so many of you.

I am really looking forward to seeing you soon. Until such time, I wish you to stay well and healthy but most importantly, I wish you to stay happy and strong in a time as uncertain as this!

Your president
Anita Meier

"You can cut all the flowers but you cannot keep spring from coming" Pablo Neruda



JOIN / RENEW Membership is due

Dear SSQ members,

Membership fees are due for the period of 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021. Please refer to page 25 for fees and payment options.

We welcome new members to the Swiss Society of Queensland! The Swiss Society of Queensland is able to organise many events and functions due to the support of its members.

You will be kept up to date on all our events through our 4x yearly newsletters and through News Flashes by email and facebook.

Membership also gives you discounts at certain events, so it will be worth it!



If you are in need of a Justice of the Peace, Swiss Club member Elise Charrière is happy to assist.

Elise can be contacted on
elise.charriere@gmail.com

A warm welcome to our new member:

- Dominik and Sonia Boreham
Kangaroo Point Q 4169
- Olivier and Wendy Gruenig and Cui
Southport Q 4215

Welcome to the Swiss Society of Queensland. We look forward to getting to know you. Please contact any of the committee members for info about the club (see contact details on page 24).

Have you changed your contact details? Please let us know so we can update our records. Email anita@qbrg.com.au

Submission of all articles and photos for the Swiss News

Please email all text and photos (separate jpgs if possible) to:

editor@swissclubqld.org.au

No special formatting/design needed.

and cc: anita@qbrg.com.au

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SwissCareCOVID19 Facebook group

To help and assist our members during the COVID-19 crisis and to stay in touch, we have created a private Facebook group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/SwissCareCOVID19>

on the FB PAGE

- read/post useful information in relation to COVID

in our CHAT group

- we entertain each other with jokes, ideas and express our feelings



If you are looking for help, know of a compatriot who needs help, or would like to offer help, please contact us:

Tell us in the CHAT group
email: care@SwissClubQld.org.au
Call Franz Braun 0421 384 060
Call Anita Bickel 0457 457 211

**Do you need a break from COVID-19? Want to enjoy a creative day out?
Would you like to create a personal Christmas present for a special person?**



SSQ member Evelyn Upton is offering ceramic classes for adults and children, or one on one. You can also book one day workshops for a group, lunch included.

Evelyne has a very broad knowledge on everything ceramics, makes her own glazing and has her own kiln. She completed the 3 year ceramics art diploma at TAFE and has a university arts degree. She is a member of the Ceramics Art Queensland and exhibited her art at several prestigious venues winning prizes. Her art is exhibited at the Manly Art Gallery and she is preparing for Christmas exhibitions at different venues.

More info and to book: www.evelyneuptonart.com.au



Swiss Community Care Society



www.swissclubqld.org.au/swiss-community-care-society

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Dear members, friends and compatriots,

Here I am writing from Murwillumbah, just over the border. Don't worry, I have no intentions to cross into Queensland (I know when I am not wanted), the waiting time at the border is too long and I would have to first download my border pass on the computer and renew it weekly. Therefore, it is strictly written contact for the time being.

Sadly, our Buderim Seniors Lunch had to be cancelled, together with many other events, including the 1 August. Still, there is a rainbow on the horizon, the 'Jass Meisterschaft' will be on in September. What shape it will take, I don't know, but if the Swiss still can a "Jass chlopfe", all is not lost.

Unfortunately, at this stage, we don't know what is going to happen to our **SCCS Christmas Lunch**. The venue is still booked! As you all know the current situation is uncertain and it could go either way. "South" like Victoria and we all will be in lock down, or we will be able to meet again, and of course anything in between. We will let you know what it will be closer to the date, which is still **Saturday 12 November 2020**.

In the interim let me remind you that the SCCS is still here and if you need us you can phone, write or email. We are aware that this are exceptional times and are willing to help or just have a chat.

Until we get back to some normality, stay well, look after yourself.

Looking forward to meeting you all again.

Erika Vincent, Secretary

JOIN / RENEW Membership is due

The Swiss Community Care Society relies on the continuous support from its members.

Fees

- Single members \$20
- Couples \$25
- Corporations \$110
- Single Life membership \$175
- Couple Life membership \$250

Membership fees are due on the 1 July each year.

Please make your payment to:
Commonwealth Bank, BSB 064 144,
Acct No. 10061973 with your name in the description so we can identify your payment.

Call Anita Bickel on 07 3122 7007 or email: anita@swiss.org.au for infos.

Thank you for renewing your membership.



Swiss Care Queensland COVID-19 Community Support

Dear members, friends and compatriots of the Swiss Society of Queensland, the Baerg-Roseli Yodel Club, the Gold and Fraser Coast Swiss Clubs, Council of the Swiss Abroad Oceania (CSA), Honorary Swiss Consulate and Swiss Community Care Society,

Our world as it was has changed for all of us and seems to be still changing on a daily basis. We are very much aware of the challenges and uncertainties it causes to us all in our daily lives.

The Presidents of the various Swiss community clubs have the following messages for you:

Swiss Society of Queensland

- Anita Meier, 0401 957 309
anita@qbrg.com.au

We wish for you and your family to keep healthy during these unprecedented times. Let's work together, stay positive and care for each other. If you need help, please contact me.

Baerg-Roeseli Yodel and Folklore Group

- Gabriel Dubler, 0435 570 241
yodel@swissclubqld.org.au

All 14 members love to entertain together and entertain you, but now it's one by one. Would you like Willy to play Alphorn or Schwyzerörgeli, Peter Gerber the accordion or mouth organ, Iris or Gabriella to yodel, Katja and the other members to sing for you? I'd be too boring singing the Bass accompaniment, but you can call me and I'll organise something for you. Why not? The phone works well.

Council of the Swiss Abroad Oceania

- Katja Wallimann-Gates, 0418 737 488,
Katja_w_gates@yahoo.com.au

We are all here to help you through these difficult times. Thank you Franz for organising the Swiss Care Covid-19 Community Support Group.

I am your delegate for the Council for the Swiss Abroad and see myself as a link between the Swiss government and yourself - in both directions. If you are looking for a form or need help with a Swiss issue please don't hesitate to contact me.

As a Biologist I have an understanding around the science of the virus. I am not a medical doctor but would be happy to talk to you if you have virus related questions. Or call me anytime if you are just in need of a chat.

Swiss Community Care Society

- Franz Braun, 0421 384060
franzbraun@hotmail.com or
care@swissclubqld.org.au

Our special thoughts and concerns are about our elderly and vulnerable members and we have set up the Swiss Care COVID-19 Community Support group. We are here to help in any way we can, we have wonderful people ready to help you if needed with:

- Groceries
- Pick up medicine
- Follow-up calls, etc

Just let us know and we will arrange it for you!

However, we still need to protect ourselves and need to apply social distancing; we can therefore not take you to places such as doctors' appointments etc.

We have also created a Private Facebook Group <https://www.facebook.com/groups/SwissCareCOVID19>

If you have internet access and a facebook account, we encourage you to join, if you don't have one, perhaps your children do, if not, don't worry, you can reach us by phone and e-mail.

We are looking for volunteers, please let us know your name and what you can do (pick up, delivery etc) and we will get in touch with you.

Thank you and stay safe.

On behalf of all,

Franz Braun
President, Swiss Care Society Queensland



Swiss Yodel & Folklore Group



www.swissclubqld.org.au/yodel-folklore-group-baerg-roeseli



Baerg-Roeseli
Swiss Yodel – Brisbane

President: Gabriel Dubler
Secretary: Paul Spirig
Treasurer: Peter Weidmann

Ph: 0435 570 241
Ph: 0413 235 208
Ph: 07 3397 8359

Email: yodel@swissclubqld.org.au

Irregular rehearsals on Thursdays, 7.30 to 10pm,
community room St Thomas' Anglican Church,
69 High Street, Toowong. Parking at Kensington Tce.

Dear friends of the choir,

Coronavirus is affecting our choir a lot and we haven't been singing together since the 10 March. It is said that singing is particularly contagious in regards to the virus, therefore we are careful and adhere to the rules.

This situation gave us the opportunity for a great experience and a very steep learning curve, the production of a video. Willy filmed a song played with his Swiss accordion. Then at work, I lowered the tone, as it was too high for the yodelers. Finally, Gabriella recorded herself singing to it. The sound track of Willy and Gabriella was then sent to each of our members for them to sing and play with an accompanying instrument. Our members listened through earphones and recorded themselves with their phone. My son Yanni edited the numerous clips into a creative and beautiful video.

The whole process took two months and it has reached more than 8500 people on Facebook and YouTube. Watch it at <https://youtu.be/GWhnYxNtnu0>.

Bi-weekly Zoom meetings/catch ups kept our friendships going over the past four months. And finally, we were able to meet again in person on Saturday 1 August. Everyone prepared Swiss style goodies, we eat sausages and played our instruments around the campfire, thanks to Erika's hospitality. It was just wonderful!

We hope to perform a new program for you all at Samford next year.

We had planned doing the Radio 4EB recording at our gathering but decided it was still too unsafe and have postponed to another time.

Keep safe and healthy,
Gabriel Dubler, President



Our 1 August celebration.



The video we recorded together.



Fraser Coast Group



www.swissclubqld.org.au/fraser-coast-swiss-group

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Lunches in Restaurant Aqua Vue, Esplanade – on 15th of each month, contact Cecile for info.
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And the Fraser Coast Group celebrated

1 August Swiss National Day 2020

Corona free, we could celebrate our 20th Swiss National Day together. 39 booked but a last minute flu made 11 stay home – we were not risking spreading any virus!

We had Walter and Susie's quiche lorraine as entree and gulasch, red cabbage and mash potato as main, everything was superb. Thanks for having us and cooking for us! Already full, nobody could resist the beautiful delicious dessert buffet with many 'swiss' cakes, aenis schnitten, mousse, "wähe", etc.

It was an enjoyable day and our thoughts were with those who were not able to celebrate. I hope next year all will be ok again.



*Fantastic feast at the 1 August Fraser Coast celebration. A huge **THANK YOU** to Cecile Scherrer (third photo from left, checking the tombola) for organising all these wonderful events for her members.*



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Gold Coast Group



www.swissclubqld.org.au/gold-coast-swiss-group

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And the Gold Coasters celebrated

1 August Swiss National Day 2020

It looks like our Gold Coast members had a beautiful sunny 1 August celebration and enjoyed some delicious Swiss food and good company.





“Undenufe, Obenabe, Stöck”

All eyes are on the cards once again. Itchy fingers get their fair workout and minds are on no walkabout. In between games a cuppa and a bickie because those tactics can be a bit tricky.

Now, eyes are on the cup.
Whose name will be on the golden plaque?

Jass Meisterschaft Brisbane

Sunday, 13 September 2020

Where: St. Colomb's Anglican Church Hall,
23 Victoria Street Clayfield
(same as last year)

When: Doors open 8.30am with a start time at 9am.
Coffee, tea and lunch will be provided

Cost: \$30 Preferably paid online.
BSB 034 002, Account 708 120

Please contact Rita von Rotz to register.

Email vonrotz@optusnet.com.au

Mobile 0431 707 144

Movie Night

Wednesday, 16 September 2020



Please join us for a fun evening, which we will start with a small dinner (“Wienerli” and bread), then we will watch the movie and end the evening with a yummie dessert and chatting with friends.

Date: Wednesday, 16 September 2020

Time: 6pm for a light dinner which consists of wienerli and bread, coffee and cake. The movie itself starts at 7pm.

Venue: Anglican Church Hall
56 Racecourse Road, Ascot

Cost: \$10 for dinner and a gold coin for the movie.

RSVP: Anita Mob: 0401 957 309,
email: anita@qbrg.com.au



Swiss Society of Queensland Camping Weekend at Emu Vale

Friday 3 October to Monday 5 October 2020

Our planned trip to Booreen Point had to be cancelled due to early reservatio/payment stipulations due to bookings they already have.

This year's Camping Weekend will therefore take us to the beautiful Emu Vale near Warwick in the Scenic Rim. We have the opportunity to pitch our tents on Ruth and Willy Enggist's property, with nice flat grounds, near Emu Creek. Come and experience the tranquility and peace, and you might even spot a wallaby (or two or three), possums and Willi's deers.

A number of National Parks are nearby and bush walking is possible. There is a toilet and shower for our use. Limited hot water will be available.

Ruth and Willy Enggist's property is located at 532 Emu Creek Rd, Emu Vale QLD 4371 approx 25 km from Warwick.

For more information and RSVP

Rita von Rotz at vonrotz@optusnet.com.au or call 0431 707 144



Emu Vale



Koreelah Creek Gorge



Notice of Annual General Meeting

Saturday, 24 October 2020



Society of Queensland Inc

PO Box 3240, Newstead Qld 4006

email: info@swissclubqld.org.au

www.swissclubqld.org.au

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The Swiss Society of Queensland Inc invites all financial members to attend our AGM.

Date: Saturday, 24 October 2020

Time: 11am, followed by lunch

Venue: Anglican Church Hall,
56 Racecourse Rd, Ascot

RSVP: By 19 October
(important for catering purpose)
Anita Meier 0401 957 309
email anita@qbrg.com.au

A membership check will be conducted prior to the meeting. If you are unable to attend in person you may appoint a proxy in writing which must be deposited with the President prior to the commencement of the meeting.

Agenda

1. President's Welcome/Opening Remarks
2. Apologies
3. Minutes of previous AGM
4. President's Report
5. Treasurer's Report
6. Election of Committee
 - a) Election of Chairperson in respect to 6c
 - b) Retirement of Committee
 - c) Election of New Committee
 - d) Appoint an auditor, accountant or an approved person for the present financial year
7. General business – Questions from the floor



Please ensure your membership is up to date.

Send your proxy to: Swiss Society of Queensland Inc.

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PROXY FORM

I of

being a financial member of the above named Association, hereby appoint:

Mr/Mrs/Ms of

as my proxy to vote on my behalf at the annual general meeting of the Swiss Society of Queensland Inc. on 24 October 2020 at Anglican Church Hall, 56 Racecourse Rd, Ascot

Date:

Signature:





1 August Swiss National Day 2020

and we celebrated in our own way



Susanne and Werner Ehrsam sent in these photos, together with the correct puzzle solution. Thank you!



Other members sent in creative contributions, thank you all! (from left: Katja Wallimann-Gates, Rudolf Hug and Peter Oesch, and Gabriel Dubler with the correct solution too, despite being creative with lantern).



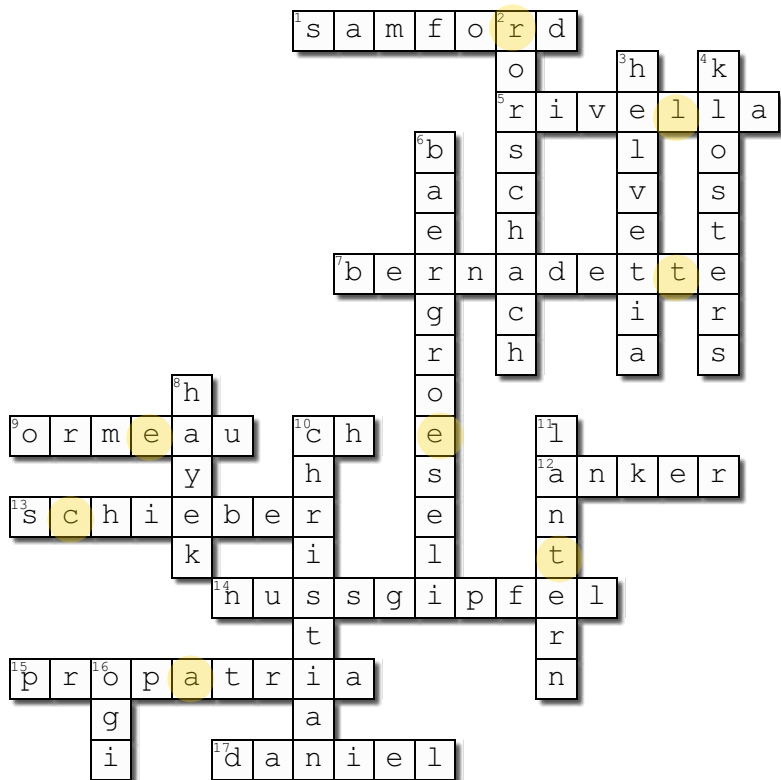
From left: Baerg-Roeseli 1 August party, and goat cheese preps by Koebi/Priska Meier in Toowoomba.





1 August Swiss National Day 2020

Puzzle solution, thank you to everyone who participated!



Created using the Crossword Maker on TheTeachersCorner.net

Across

1. Name of Showground where the SSQ National Day is held (**samford**)
5. Swiss drink sold at National Day (**rivella**)
7. First name of special guest at last year's National Day (**bernadette**)
9. QLD Suburb of the manufacturer where the Swiss sausages for National Day are made (**ormeau**)
10. Short for Confederation Helvetia (**ch**)
12. Last name of Swiss painter † 1910 (**anker**)
13. Swiss card game (**schieber**)
14. Baked sweets eaten on SSQ National Day (**nussgipfel**)
15. Name of pins sold on National Day (**propatria**)
17. First name of QLD Honorary Consul (**daniel**)

Down

2. Last name of inventor of Inkblot test (**rorschach**)
3. Female National personification of Switzerland (**helvetia**)
4. Swiss ski resort frequented by the British Royals (**klosters**)
6. Name of QLD Swiss Jodelchoir (**baergroeseli**)
8. Last name of Swatch founder † 2010 (**hayek**)
10. First name of cheese maker Nobel (**christian**)
11. What is used in the procession at the National Day after the bonfire is lit (**lantern**)
16. Last name of ex-Bundesrat with famous saying 'Freude Herrscht' (**ogi**)

SOLUTION:

R A C L E T T E

Thanks also to our President Anita, who created the puzzle!



SSQ Sunday Brunch

7 November 2020

Come along for a scrumptuous brunch buffet and “gmuetlichs Zaemes!” at our Sunday Brunch. Please let us know if you are coming, for catering purposes.

Date: Sunday, 7 November 2020

**Where: Anglican Church Hall
56 Racecourse Rd, Ascot**

When: Start 10.30am

RSVP: by 1 November
Rita von Rotz, 0431 707 144
vonrotz@optusnet.com.au

Cost: \$15 per adult (member)
\$20 per adult (non-member)
\$40 for families (member,
incl 2 adults and 2 children
below 12 years)
\$50 for families (non-member,
incl 2 adults and 2 children
below 12 years).
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We look forward to seeing you on the day!

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‘Die Schweizerstunde’

German language program on Radio 4EB 98.1FM



Dear Swiss friends,

Winter has ‘hit’ us again with temperatures as low as 6°C in the Brisbane area, temperatures our family and friends back in Switzerland would laugh about. Sometimes the heating in Qld and NSW is something to laugh about as it is – seen in a motel room – nothing more than a tiny reverse cycle air conditioner in one room to heat up two rooms. How about using your kitchen oven and stove a bit more than usual to heat up your house; try baking again. Here are two very quick and easy recipes for you to keep warm during these chilly winter days.

Quick and easy bread

Mix 500g wholemeal flour, 0.5 litre lukewarm water, yeast, 1 teaspoon honey, 3 cups of seeds of your choice (linseed, sunflower, sesame, pumpkin), 1 teaspoon salt, 2 tablespoons vinegar and bake for 1 hour at 225°C on oven’s bottom level, no pre-heating. Bon appétit!



Simple Röstli Recipe

1 kg potatoes boiled in their skin a day or two earlier. Peel - if desired before grating coarsely. (I often grate with the skin, as most of the skin comes off while grating, and the rest I leave on).

Season cold grated potatoes with salt, pepper and nutmeg. Heat butter in a frying pan. Add

potatoes, cook for about 5 minutes, turning occasionally, letting them warm up nicely. Then press into flattish shape. Add some extra butter if you like. Let it cook undisturbed for about 15 minutes. Flip with the help of plate. Cook the other side gently on medium heat, don’t burn your Röstli. Season to taste with extra salt (Herbamare) and pepper. E Guete !!

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Maria presents Die Schweizerstunde every 1st + 5th Saturday of the month. Our program is available on demand via the 4EB website www.4eb.org.au/4eb-ondemand, and via our group’s Facebook page www.facebook.com/4EBGerman (4EB Radio auf Deutsch/ German language).

The German language program is on

Monday 21h – 22h

Friday 9h – 10h

Saturday 11h – 12h

For our friends ‘de la Romandie’, the French language program is every Saturday 17h – 18h.

Danke für’s zueloose.

Maria Steiner, Thomas Mühe and the German language program team



Bushwalk reports – stay fit and have fun

17 May – Gheerulla and Mapleton Falls

Once again Peter led us on a well planned absolutely picturesque walk through the Sunshine Coast hinterland and part of the Great Walk.

We took our time, all glad to be able to travel further afield and relish being in the ‘wider world’ after being confined to our necessary small circles over the past months. What a great way to ‘walk and talk’, catching up with long standing acquaintances and friends. Still practicing social distancing, we were enchanted by the varying forest types of tall open eucalypts, cool rainforests, babbling brooks, mossy glens, fascinating fungi and at the end rewarded by magnificent views of the Mary Valley from the lookout at Mapleton Falls.

And afterwards – the local coffee shop likely did its best business all day! We got a personalised expression of gratitude and farewell! Thank you again Peter for your superb organisation and leading us on a great adventure!

Heather-Ann Briker-Bell



20 June – Enoggera Reservoir

The bushwalkers walked around the Enoggera Reservoir on Saturday 20 June, a walk suggested by Rita Von Rotz. Not even the wet weather dampened the spirits! The 11km, 2.5 hours hike around the lake had several steep climbs but it looks like nobody complained!

Everyone enjoyed the wonderful bird life including bell birds.



23 May – Mount Mathieson Circuit

Peter did it again. Another amazing walk!

This time, we met at Spicers Gap, in the Main Range National Park at 11am on Saturday, 23 May 2020.

As a fun fact, it turned out to be the coldest of that day in 98 years! So we rugged up and started a 3 hour walk on the Mt Mathieson trail. We enjoyed plenty of view points, and a mix of wet, tall sclerophyll and dry, open forest.

There were also historical sites and of course, Peter shared some very interesting facts with us along the way (including lumberjack stories).

We were ten people in total which was the maximum that is allowed outdoors in a group at the moment.

After a welcome picnic, we reached a wonderful view point, which was also super windy! Our little Swiss hiker Lucy thought she would take off!

The last bit of the hike was very pleasant too, and we all appreciated each others company.

Elise Charriere

If you are interested in bushwalking with the Swiss Club, Peter Zuend will plan regular bush walks in 2020.

Notice for bush walks will only be given in the week before the walk via email, so he can better match weather, park status and availability. Please email your interest to bushwalker@swissclubqld.org.au



Photo cover page

Message of Hope from Zermatt

The Australian flag was projected on the Matterhorn in message of hope on 23 April 2020.

Amid the outbreak of coronavirus in Switzerland and the world over, the town of Zermatt has been projecting a different image each night onto its iconic mountain, the 4,478-metre Matterhorn, to symbolise hope and solidarity. The people of Zermatt also dedicated this to all Australians in support of the bushfires.

Their message to Australia: The country is having a hard time with the bushfires and now the coronavirus. Today we think of the Australian people and send hope and courage to get through the crisis well.

This is a project by light artist Gerry Hofstetter and it is also "to say thank you to all the people working hard during this crisis".

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1. Navigate to Schieber.ch – follow the prompts and register with your email address and give yourself a Player Name (mine is FranzH). You can play just yourself against 3 computers, or you can organise yourself with 3 others and play together.
2. If you don't have it already, download *Whatsapp* for your mobile device, so you can all connect and talk together while playing. (There is a Chat option, but talking is easier). And off you go! If any of you need assistance, feel free to contact me on 0484 597 451.

Franz Huber

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Bushwalk report – stay fit and have fun

Sunday 21 June – Amity Point to Adder Rock, Stradbroke Island

Winter in Queensland could not be better than at the beach! And a few intrepid Swiss (Peter, Gabriel, Yanni, Rita and myself) set off to explore the lesser known parts of North Stradbroke island.

Thanks to Peter's superb planning, the water taxi/ bus transitions were seamless to bring us to the wooded, seaside area of Amity Point to meet up with Erika Gnehm and her resident sister, Margaret who invited us to see her home, and, we (possibly) invited ourselves to coffee!!! By that time, the tide had gone further out, meaning, for the initial part we could stroll along the beach rather than negotiate our way around many fallen trees.

Barefoot was de rigeur as we strolled the about 13.5km along the beach, chatting, paddling and witnessing the changing skies and light, all creating magnificent scenery. It even got quite warm, sufficient for us to nestle under shade and watch the passing parade as we had our lunch.

The photos say it all – thanks to the combined efforts of the superb photographers among us. Simply another superb day in Queensland! We are so fortunate to be in Queensland in these current times.

Heather-Ann Briker-Bell





1 August Swiss National Day 2020

and we celebrated in our own way



Looks like the Baerg-Roeseli team celebrated in style as always!



Koebi and Priska Meier treated the Toowoomba 1 August group with a yodel.



The Swozzie-group in Toowoomba on 1 August. It was so nice to meet friends in person again.

