English Speaking Club Zurich
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Programme AUGUST - OCTOBER 2018
70th Edition

Summer Walk
in the Adlisberg Forests
with food & drink at the
Restaurant Degenried

Tuesday, August 14, 2018
Register by August 10 latest

Old Town Trip
& 
Dieter Meier's Chocolate

Tuesday, September 4, 2018

Alpaka Farm
Upper Toggenburg day excursion

Knabenschiessen Monday
September 10, 2018

Potluck Picnic
at Kathy’s

Saturday, September 15, 2018
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SUMMARY

AUGUST

Tuesday, 14th   Summer Walk Adlisberg - register by 10th August
Tuesday, 21st   Hardhof Groundwater Complex – register by 16th August
Tuesday, 28th   Open House at the Werdguet

SEPTEMBER

Tuesday, 4th   Old Town Tour & Chocolate Tasting - register by 2nd September
Monday, 10th   Alpaka Farm Toggenburg – register by 6th September
Saturday, 15th   Potluck Picnic at Kathy’s – please call before
Tuesday, 25th   Open House at the Werdguet

OCTOBER

Tuesday, 2nd   Moroccan Food at SouSou – register by 28th September
Tuesday, 16th   Tropical Palm House at City Gardens - register by 30th September
Tuesday, 30th   Open House at the Werdguet

INFORMATION TO ALL MEMBERS

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Your registration for an event by phone is only valid when you leave (in a clear voice) your last and first name as well as the telephone number where you can be reached.
Ticket events are non refundable - No show policy will be applied.
August 10
Register with Sonja for the summer walk /
or “for a summer walk without walk”

August 14
18.00 h
Register
Summer walk to the Restaurant Degenried
This evening we will take a walk in the woods of Adlisberg. The forest trails are well-developed, nevertheless it’s good to wear solid shoes. The Restaurant Degenried lies in the middle of the forest, and the walk there takes about 50 minutes. After a relaxed sit together with a bite to eat and a drink we can decide whether we take the short walk to the Dolderbahn (15 minutes) or to the bus stop in Witikon (about 45 minutes).

Sonja will be waiting for you at the tram station Zoo, terminus of tram 6. Please register with Sonja on 044 302 45 47, as the restaurant is very popular and we need to make an accurate reservation. You are also welcome if you don’t want to walk. It’s no problem to get to the Restaurant Degenried by car, because there is quite a lot of parking space. When you register, please leave your full name and phone number in a clear voice.

August 16
Register with Sonja for the Hardhof Groundwater Complex

August 21
16.45 h
Register
Hardhof Groundwater Complex Zurich
You open the water tap, and you get drinking water of the best quality. Did you ever reflect about where it comes from, why it is so clean and why it’s never ‘sold out’? The Hardhof Groundwater Complex is the heart of Zurich’s water supply. We will take about 2 hours to visit the whole complex with Daniel Schmid, who has the extensive knowledge to give us an English guided tour. You should be a good walker because there are quite a lot of stairs.

This event is free for members, guests pay CHF 10.00. Meet Sonja at 16.45 h at tram stop Tüffenwies (tram 17, bus 80 or 89 will bring you there). After the interesting event we can go to a restaurant and have something to eat and/or to drink. Please register as early as possible with Sonja by phone 044 302 45 47. When you register, please leave your full name and phone number in a clear voice.
August 28 19.00 h

**Open House at Restaurant Werdguet**

Do you want to come out for an evening to have a drink or a meal and visit with members of ESCZ speaking English? Then join us for the evening, stay as long as you wish. We meet at our “Stammbeiz” Restaurant Werdguet, Guests are cordially welcome. How to get there, see frame below. For any questions contact Barbara by SMS on mobile 079 582 19 48 (answering machine is out of order) or by e-mail merk.barbara@gmail.com

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For various events like slide shows, lectures, the AGM or the so-called “Open House” events on the last Tuesday of the month, we meet as usual at the

**Restaurant Werdguet, Morgartenstrasse 30, 8004 Zurich.**

How to get there: The restaurant Werdguet can be difficult to find. Those coming for the first time are recommended to take tram 9 or 14 to Bahnhof Wiedikon. Cross the street so that you are on the opposite side to the Wiedikon station entrance. Then walk back down Birmensdorferstrasse towards Stauffacher until you see Morgartenstrasse on the right hand side. Walk down Morgartenstrasse and you will see the restaurant Werdguet on the left hand side at the first corner. [www.werdguet.ch](http://www.werdguet.ch)

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September 2

**Register with Heinz for Chocolate Tasting**

September 4 18.15 h

**Old Town round trip with a new taste of chocolate**

**Register**

First of all we have a gentle walk through the old part (Niederdorf) of Zurich. We will attack your brain and ask you different questions about what you still know from our previous guided tours. You will be asked e.g. what happened at the Wasserkirche, why is this place famous, when was it built, style, …, etc. Who is the champion under us? There will be some little prizes…

Afterwards we pass over the Limmat to the riverside, called Wuehre. The next attack will be on your taste buds when you try chocolate at Dieter (Yello) Meier’s company. He produces this with an intense aroma of cacao – a revolution in chocolate production, known from ancient Mayan tradition! Afterwards we will have a drink and/or a meal at a nearby restaurant.

Meeting point: Wasserkirche (in front of the church)
How to get there: Tram 4 or 15 to Helmhaus.

Register with Heinz by Sept. 2. (H: 044 780 19 45) or E-Mail hvifian@bluewin.ch - Space is limited!

When you register, please leave your full name and phone number in a clear voice.

September 6
Register with Sonja for Alpaka Farm – day excursion

September 10
10.10 h
Alpaka Farm in Stein SG – day excursion

Today, we go to a place where fox and rabbit say good night to each other – and the alpacas living there think the same. These camelids look – at first regard – like lamas, and when in a bad or defensive mood, they can spit at you, so please keep a certain distance. We have the unique opportunity to join an English guided tour at Sabina Haese’s alpaka farm, located in the upper Toggenburg, outside Stein SG, about 60 km east of Zurich. The tour takes approx. 2 hours and is CHF 5.00 p.p. (CHF 15.00 for guests).

The itinerary is as follows: We meet in Zurich HB in front of track 14 at 10.10 h at the latest. Sonja will guide you to Nesslau by train (S5 leaving HB at 10.25 h, arr. Nesslau at 11.47 h). In this village, you will have a hearty lunch meal in the Restaurant Sternen, they have tasty menus, usually for CHF 14.50 and CHF 17.50, à la carte is possible too. After lunch, Jürg will take over and bring you to the alpaca farm by private car, there is no public transport going to this remote place (approx. 5 km from Nesslau). The tour at the farm starts at 14.00 h. We will begin with a barefoot stroll around the farm. If you can’t walk barefoot, you may bring your own pair of rubber boots. You will learn a lot about the social life of these woollen animals and how you raise them best. At the end, a snack will be offered. After the tour, for fit walkers, and weather permitting, you can hike back downhill to Nesslau, first with great views towards the seven “Churfirsten”, then along the Thur river, takes approx. 1 ½ hours. In Nesslau, you travel the same way back to Zürich. Please buy your own railway ticket, it costs you about CHF 30.00 (with ½ Tax Abo). While purchasing it, mention that the route is via Uster, Rapperswil and Wattwil (NOT via Winterthur).

WANTED: one or two car drivers to bring participants to the farm and back. Those plan the travel in order to arrive in
Nesslau at lunchtime. According to the weather, please take appropriate and warm clothes with you, we are at 900 meters over sea level. When registering, please specify whether you come by train or by car. For further information, visit www.alpakas.ch and for registration, call Sonja by phone 044 302 45 47. When you register, please leave your full name and phone number in a clear voice.

**September 15**
**from 16.00h**
**please call before**
**Saturday**

**Picnic at Kathy's garden in Fehraltorf**

Join in on a casual potluck picnic at Kathy's backyard garden. Same as we had a few times in the past. If you can come, please contact Kathy so you can let me know what you will bring to contribute. Brats, potato salad, side dish, appetizer, drinks, dessert, paper plates. Coop and Migros grocery stores are open until 18.00 h in case anyone needs a last minute stop there and are right next door. Hopefully this September date will be cooler weather than mid summer picnics.

Address is Russikerstrasse 7, 8320 Fehraltorf. There are only a few parking spaces here, but other parking around the neighbourhood or by Coop and Migros which is next door. From the train, walk up Bahnhofstrasse, cross the streets by Coop and Migros walking toward direction of Russikon. Just past Migros, go left at the first driveway and walk all the way to the back. My garden faces the parking area and I will have an American flag up for you.

Please contact Kathy at 044 554 94 48.

**September 25**
**19.00 h**

**Open House at Restaurant Werdguet**

*A guest calls the waiter and complains, “How come there are no chairs at our table?!”*  
- The waiter shrugs, “I’m sorry but you only booked one table…”

At our monthly get together at the Restaurant Werdguet, you will have a table AND a chair. Guaranteed! We sit in our cosy corner and meet for a bite to eat or drink. Directions how to get there, see under August 28 (frame). This is Jürg’s event, for questions, call 079 580 10 81.

**September 28**

Register with Jürg for Morocco Restaurant SouSou
September 30
Register with Barbara for City Gardens Zurich

October 2
18.30 h
Register

Moroccan Food at Restaurant SouSou in Zurich Enge

It’s a 2-hour flight to Morocco, a country with many contrasts - and a unique style of cooking. This evening, we don’t have to take the aeroplane, it’s enough to travel to Zurich-Enge! Restaurant SouSou offers authentic Moroccan food. As a starter, we suggest a cold or a warm Mäsa, the specialities of the main dishes are, of course, the so called “Couscous” with millet or the “Tajine” with meat and rice. Prices for the main dish range from CHF 20.00 to CHF 30.00. Please study the menu card under www.sousou.ch

Directions how to get there: From HB take tram 7 or 13 to Bahnhof Enge and turn into General Wille Strasse. It’s No. 18 on the right hand side. Please register with Jürg not later than September 28.

October 16
16.15 h
Register

The tropical palm house at City Gardens Zurich - Stadtgärtnerei

The tropical palm house was built in 1938 when it was used for keeping tropical plants inside over the harsh winters that were usual almost one century ago. In 1961, they changed the rooftop to a glass roof and made it into a public place. Four years ago, it was totally renovated and now has a roof with rolling textiles, which cover the glassy part when temperatures are sinking.

The German guided tour takes approx. 1 ½ hours, is free of charge for members, guests pay CHF 10.-. Afterwards we reserved in a nearby restaurant to have a drink/bite and we can continue to discuss the art of plants.

Meeting point is at the main entrance of the city gardens: Sackzelg 25. By public transport, you can take tram 3 or buses 33, 83 or 89 to stop Hubertus.

Register either by SMS on mobile 079 582 19 48 (answering machine is out of order) or by e-mail to merk.barbara@gmail.com leaving your name and phone number.

**last registration possible: September 30, 2018 as we need to be a minimum of 10 people**
Open House at Restaurant Werdguet

Come, join Sonja, and meet old and new friends for a drink or something to eat, while catching up with the latest news. Directions how to find the Restaurant Werdguet, see under August 28 (frame). For further information contact Sonja by phone 044 302 45 47.

Upcoming events:

December 1
Saturday

Christmas Dinner 2018 at Restaurant Stürmeierhus in Schlieren

A short note from the Secretary

Dear Members,

In this envelope, you also find the new membership list. When you discover that your e-mail address is not yet on this list or is not valid anymore, then please let us know. We need the correct data for our start-up in 2019 of our e-broadcasting for the club programme which will be sent by e-mail only – and can be downloaded on our website as a PDF file. We will not send out programmes by post anymore. Except those who still wish to get one – then let us know too.

We have composed plenty of events again. In and outside Zurich. And we already let you know that the Christmas Dinner 2018 will be held again in the Restaurant Stürmeierhus in Schlieren – like last year.

I wish you a pleasant summer season with the new programme.

Best regards,
Jürg Meier

A hearty welcome to our new member Christina Fässler