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Swiss Club of Washington, D.C.

President's Message

Bonjour tout le monde,

As you will see from the listings below you'll have a choice of events to attend this month. Whether it's a Happy Hour, a World Cup game or even a hike on the famous Billy Goat Trail, we hope you'll find something to your liking.

We are also hard at work preparing for the Swiss National Day on Saturday, August 2nd, so don't forget to mark the date on your calendar.

See you around, Eveline Roberts chvd@aol.com 301-460-9571

Swiss Club Events for 2014

Happy Hour, June 5, Redline DC
World Cup Soccer Game, June 15: Switzerland vs. Ecuador
World Cup Soccer Game, June 20: Switzerland vs. France
Billy Goat Trail Hike and BBQ, Saturday June 21
World Cup Game, June 25: Switzerland vs. Honduras
Kaffee Klatsch, July 12, Swiss Bakery
Swiss National Day, Saturday, August 2, Swiss Embassy
Swiss Shooting Day, Saturday, September 6, Thurmont, MD
Jass, in September
General Assembly, October
Kaffee Klatsch, October
Raclette, November
Jass, November
Grittibenz, Sunday, December 7, Swiss Bakery
Samichlaus, Sunday, December 14, Swiss Embassy

Save the Date

Celebrate with us the Swiss National Day at the Swiss Embassy!
Saturday, August 2, starting at 4pm.

There will be food, music, and of course, a bonfire! Be sure to mark your calendars for the biggest Swiss Club event of the year.

The advanced entrance fee for members is only \$ 10! If you are not sure whether you have renewed your membership for 2014, please call Marc Barbely 202-557-1083.



Happy Hour Thursday, June 5 at 6pm

Join us for a happy hour and relax after your busy day/week/month!

You can't miss this one, especially if you missed the last one! Chef Fabrice Reymond and his team at the Redline Gastro Lounge will be our host this time.

Chef Fabrice Reymond graduated from the Professional School of Montreux and he will be

spoiling us with surprise appetizers along with some extra specials you won't want to miss!

We are very excited about this one friends, so as always: come happy and thirsty, and invite your friends (or ditch them and come make better ones)! No registration needed, just come; pay at this restaurant only for what you consume.

Also, see the event on <u>Facebook</u>
Thursday, June 5 at 6 pm
Redline Gastro Lounge
707 G Street, NW Washington, DC 20001



Switzerland plays for a chance at the World Cup (Soccer)

June 15, June 20, June 25

We have teamed up with the Swiss Embassy and organized a series of events to watch the world cup games in a social setting (in restaurants, pay only for what you consume). There are three events that have been created in the month of June, mark your calendars and join us.

Sunday, June 15, CH vs. Ecuador; 12:00 pm City Taphouse 901 9th Street Washington, DC 20001

Friday, June 20, CH vs. France; 3:00 pm Redline DC 707 G Street, NW Washington, DC 20001

Wednesday, June 25, CH vs. Honduras; 4:00 pm <u>Darlington House</u> 1610 20th Street, NW Washington, DC



Billy Goat Trail Hike and BBQ Saturday, June 21 Potomac, MD

Join us for a hike on the beautiful and adventurous Billy Goat Hiking Trail which offers great views of the Potomac River, especially in the Mather Gorge area. Then relax with sausages on the grill at the Carderock picnic area.

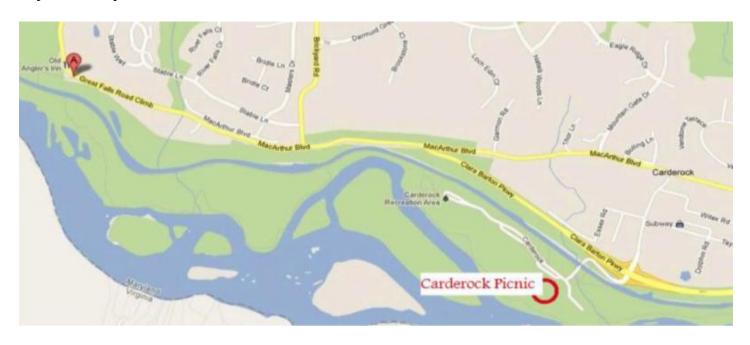
We will hike a short piece of the towpath and then pick up the Billy Goat trail, which is about two miles along the river. For those who have never hiked the trail, this will be an adventure as you get the sense that we are in the wilderness, miles away from the city. Although it starts out flat we will encounter some rugged



terrain which requires a bit of rock climbing, therefore, good hiking shoes are recommended. For those seeking a less adventurous activity, you can hike parallel to the towpath and meet the group at the point where we come back out to the towpath, then hike back to the starting point as a group. **Total length of the hike is a little less than five miles.** The hike will take place rain or shine. \$10 fee includes sausages, salads and drinks at the BBQ. Beer and wine will be available for an extra charge.

We will meet on Saturday, June 21 at 10:00 am at the parking lot across from the Old Anglers Inn on 10801 MacArthur Boulevard, Potomac MD 20854 (A on map below)

Please RSVP to Alexis Sullivan, 703-774-3132 (<u>alexis.sullivan@swissclubdc.org</u>) by Thursday, June 18



Swiss Club Quiz

Answer to the May Quiz:

At the original clock of the SBB, one of the most punctual transport systems in the world, time stands still for a moment when the red dot of the hand for seconds hits the 12 o'clock position, before moving continuously (without clicking) around for the next minute. Within that round, the train scheduled for this departure time starts to move. And if you miss it, there is another one in exactly one hour, or even in half an hour on high frequency routes. And they make great efforts to improve on that, as public transportation is so popular that trains are often filled to capacity..... June Quiz: There is a line in Switzerland which is called the Röschtigraben. Where is it and why is it called that way? Hint: While you are revamping your Swiss geography, have a look at the results of the May 18 vote about a fighter plane, minimal wages (ca. \$ 25!), work restrictions for pedophiles, and health care:

http://bazonline.ch/schweiz/standard/So-hat-die-Schweiz-abgestimmt/story/15206587

Looking for vendors for our Swiss Village

Do you have a local business that sells Swiss goods? Do you create Swiss-themed crafts? Do you have information to share that is of interest to the Swiss community?



Then be a part of our Swiss Village at the Swiss National Day on August 2nd!

We are looking for vendors and exhibitors to sell their products or display their information to a large Swiss audience. If you are interested, please contact Alexis Sullivan 703-774-3132 alexis.sullivan@swissclubdc.org for more information.