

[Swiss Club of Washington, D.C.](#)

September 2019 Postillion

by
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President's message

Gruezi, hello, bonjour and salute,

Almost 600 people took part in celebrating Swiss National Day at the Embassy on July 27, 2019. A big thank you to the sponsors, performers, vendors, and volunteers who make it all possible. A special thanks to all of the board members who work behind the scenes to make this event a success. Please let us know if you or anyone you know would like to join the board as a member-at-large. The photos of Swiss National Day are available on the Swiss Club website: www.swissclubdc.org.



Lots of Swiss Club happenings in September. The annual picnic with the Swiss Rifles will take place on September 8, followed by Kaffee Klatsch on September 14 and the fourth tournament for Jass on September 22.

Last but not least, since the Embassy will be moving to 2201 Wisconsin Ave N.W., #300, Washington, DC, we are looking for venues for the Annual Meeting, Raclette and Samichlaus. See insert below for more information. Please contact info@swissclubdc.org with any suggestions.

Martin Perret-Gentil

2019 Swiss Rifles Picnic - September 8, 2019

We invite members and their guests to our annual picnic with the Swiss Rifles in Thurmont, MD for food, fun, and festivities. We will have a BBQ, shooting lessons (beginners welcome), and a shooting contest.

From 11am to 3pm ~ rain or shine

11am - 2pm ~ Shooting Activities

1pm - 2pm ~ BBQ Lunch



Swiss Rifles

Bring your own lawn chairs, rain gear, mosquito spray, and sunscreen!

Admission Includes

BBQ lunch, soda, water, coffee & dessert

Ticket prices:

Member Adult \$10

Member Child (2 to 12) \$5

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Shooting

We will have a shooting contest with prizes! Participants will fire with the Swiss rifle (Karabiner 31) with electronic scoring, 300 yard range and small caliber shooting (children and teens ages 8 to 18), 50 yard range.

Those that wish to participate in shooting will be assigned to a team. Since there are five 300M targets, each team will be comprised of 5 people (a parent will be asked to accompany any child under 18). Each team will have a time slot (roughly 1/2 hour) for shooting. Each participant will be paired up with a preceptor to monitor their shooting, answer questions and manage the weapon. Children and teens that wish to shoot .22LR will shoot on paper. At the conclusion of each team's shooting, we will declare the line "cold" and we will collect the small bore targets for scoring and as a souvenir for the participants.

Rules will be explained by Swiss Rifles members to each team at the Pavillion prior to their time slot and before they go to the range. Shooting will take place only with instruction and supervision by expert Swiss Rifles Members. For your comfort, please wear regular outdoor clothing and closed toe shoes since the shooters stand or sit on wooden chairs. Please bring your own sunglasses or goggles. Ear plugs will be provided.

Please note:

Children must be accompanied and supervised by a parent at all times, at picnic area, playground and shooting range. No child under the age of 8 will be allowed near the shooting ranges. Ear protection must be worn before approaching shooting ranges.

Ammunition cost is \$6 for 10 rifle shots.

Do you want to join the Swiss Rifles? Ask for registration forms at the entrance.

If you have any questions about the Picnic with the Swiss Rifles, please contact Jeni Tutwiler at jeni.tutwiler@swissclubdc.org or call her at 207.577.9495.

Registration closes September 3, 2019.

Kaffee Klatsch

Saturday, September 14 at 9:00 AM

Come and enjoy good conversation and good food!

What a great way to spend a Saturday morning!

We usually have 15 to 20 participants speaking French, Swiss German, German, and sometimes Italian.

When: Saturday, Sept. 14 9 am-12 pm

Where: Praline Bakery
[4611 Sangamore Drive](#)
[Bethesda, MD 20816](#)



Please RSVP by Thursday, September 12, 2019 to Janine Ali either via phone at 703-899-8667 or email at janine.ali@swissclubdc.org.

Jass Tournament

Join us for the fourth Jass Tournament of the Year

Sunday, September 22, at 1:30 pm

Where: Zipf Residence, Navy Yard, Washington, DC

Please register with Marc Boberly by sending an email to marc.borbely@swissclubdc.org

Cost: The cost is \$5.00 per person and payable at the time of arrival in the host's home.

Registration will remain open until the tournament roster is full.

We look forward to playing with you!

You can find the rules on our [website](#)



Embassy of Switzerland closed from September 19 to September 23

The Embassy of Switzerland in Washington D.C. is moving as of September 24, 2019 to the following address:

2201 Wisconsin Ave N.W., #300, Washington, DC 20007-4105

Due to this move, the Embassy will be closed from September 19 to September 23, 2019 to the public.

Thank you for taking note and for your understanding.

Request for Venues for Swiss Club Events

The Swiss Club Board is looking for venues for the following events: the Annual Meeting, Raclette and Samichlaus. The Annual Meeting is attended by about 40 people, and has traditionally been a potluck. Raclette and the Swiss Benevolent Society Auction is usually a sold out event attended by about a 125 people.

Samichlaus is the largest event and is limited by the number of people the space can hold. Any suggestions/ideas would be much appreciated. Please send all information to info@swissclubdc.org.

Swiss Club Events for 2019

September 8	Fall Picnic with the Swiss Rifles
September 14	Kaffee Klatsch at Praline Bakery
September 22	Jass Tournament
October 25	Annual Meeting
November 9	Raclette
December 1	Grittibänz at the Swiss Bakery
December 8	Samichlaus Party

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2019 prices are as follows:

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