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News of the Colony

☆ HAMILTON SWISS CLUB

The Club's Annual General Meeting took place on Saturday, 12th April, in the Swiss Chalet.

The President, Mr John Villiger, opened the meeting and thanked those present for their interest and support; the attendance was quite pleasing and he hoped that those who were not present were happy with the running and management of the Club.

In his report to the meeting Mr Villiger touched on the highlights of the year, the annual dance, the picnic and card evenings, and said that the financial position of the Club was not only sound but prosperous, thanks to the efforts of the Treasurer, Mr J. von Holzen, and Mr Hans Oettli, who took over the Treasurer's job during Mr von Holzen's absence in Switzerland.

Afterwards, it was moved that the President's report and balance sheet be adopted, and Mr W. Risi, in seconding the move, said that, as a foundation member and past President of the Club, it was most pleasing to see that the Club was running so harmoniously and that it was in such a good financial position.

The office-bearers for the ensuing year were re-elected enblock with the exception of Mr E. Studer, who retires as entertainment officer and as member of the committee on account of his intending visit to Switzerland for several months. In his place to assist Mr W. Mueller as entertainment officer, Rinaldo Rust was elected. Messrs W. Unternahrer and Hans Meister were elected Rifle-masters.

Under Correspondence a letter from the President of the Swiss Society, Mr Karl Bischof, urging the Club to look into the matter of the proxy voting at the annual general meeting of the Society, a very lively discussion took place for the best part of an hour. After looking at it from all angles it transpired that abolishing proxy voting would deprive all members who do not belong to an affiliated club of the right and opportunity to vote. Considering that 190 of the 402 Society members do not belong to an affiliated club, to change the annual general meeting into a meeting of club delegates is most unfair to nearly half of the members. After all, the Swiss Society is not a Society of clubs, but a Society of members. The annual general meeting of the Hamilton Swiss Club then voted unanimously in favour of retaining the proxy system.

To conclude the evening everyone enjoyed an excellent supper a la Swiss Chalet.

WEDDING: OETTLI — DOUGLAS

The Reverend I. A. Purdie officiated in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Hamilton, for the marriage of Miss Sharon Yvonne Douglas, daughter of Mr and Mrs G. R. Douglas, of Hamilton, and Mr Rudolf Oettli, second son of Mr and Mrs H. Oettli, of Rukuhia.

The attendants were Miss Jenny Clad and Miss Margaret Crump. The best man was Mr Owen Keightley, and Mr Rhys Douglas, the bride's brother, was groomsman.

The reception for the large wedding party was held at the Waikato Motor Hotel. The Jodelchorli and the Laendlerkapelle from the Hamilton Swiss Club presented some well received items. —E.St.

CLUB SHOOTING COMPETITION 1969

1. M. Pratt	60	11. Mrs Pratt	48
2. H. Meister	59	12. Mrs V. Meister	47
3. W. Unternaehrer	57	13. P. Reinhard	46
4. O. Reichmuth	54	14. Mrs R. Unternaehrer	45
5. T. Lischer	53	15. Mrs J. Studer	45
6. E. Studer	53	16. E. Wuthrich	45
7. K. Waldvogel	51	17. F. Nyffeler Jnr.	44
8. B. Taylor	49	18. E. Schefer	43
9. P. Arnold	48	19. R. Oettli	42
10. F. Arnold	48	20. Eschmann	40

Results from the Kegeln from the Hamilton Swiss Club Picnic:

1. R. Stucki	21, 21 Pts.
2. M. Pratt	21, 20 Pts.
3. P. Weiss	21, 19 Pts.

☆ WELLINGTON SWISS CLUB

The Annual General Meeting of the Wellington Swiss Club took place on Saturday, 29th March, 1969, in the Victoria League Hall. Fifty-two members were present.

Before the meeting proper, a Cocktail Party was held in honour of our new Ambassador, Mr M. Corti. In a short speech, Mr Corti told the assembly how pleased he was to be in New Zealand and what great importance he attached to mutual trust and confidence, so that the Embassy can work in the best interest of the Swiss people in New Zealand.

The President's report showed that the Club can look back on a very active and on the whole successful year. The Car Rally, a film afternoon in the Dominion Museum, the Metzgete, the First of August Ball, the Fondue and the children's Christmas Party,

as well as the Camping Weekend in Riversdale, were all well attended. The walks and the Christmas Social on the other hand were not so popular, but those who took part enjoyed themselves very much. The treasurer's report showed a satisfactory rise in Club funds, thanks mainly to generous donations and the hard work put in by the Committee and other members.

The meeting decided to submit to the Annual General Meeting of the Swiss Society the following suggestions:

1. Group Travels: All inquiries to be handled by the Committee of the Swiss Society.
2. Abolition of Proxi-Votes: All voting to be done by two delegates per Club with one vote each.

Mr Erb was in the chair for the elections. Elected were: President: Mr F. Wehrli. Vice-President: Mr H. R. Zulauf. Treasurer: Mrs R. Messmer. Secretary: Mr E. Homberger. Members: Mrs R. Katz, Mrs T. Scherrer, Mr M. Jaeggi, Mr R. Schubauer, Mr H. Steiner. Auditor: Mr H. Ittensohn.

Mr Erb proposed that Mr Frick be made an Honorary Member and the meeting accepted this proposal unanimously.

Hedy's Corner

1. If you are a new arrival here and need a doctor, ask around the neighbourhood or pick the one nearest you from the list at beginning of phone book.
2. You should not go to a doctor who is called "physician", "surgeon", or by any other prefix. These are specialists and only your family doctor, called a G.P., should refer you to a specialist.
3. The patient is at liberty to ask G.P. for a 'second opinion'. Similarly the family doctor may refer his patient for a second opinion, if he feels this advisable.
4. If at Home you were looked after by a homoeopath or someone specialising in natural healing treatment, you should know that these are unobtainable here from a qualified doctor. These branches of medicine are not normal practice in N.Z. medical schools, nor taught at post-graduate courses.
5. You cannot take a "cure" at a spa, such as at Rheinfelden or Baden, they do not exist as such, except in Rotorua for rheumatic and arthritic conditions.
6. G.P.'s fees vary somewhat, depending on the service given. Specialists fees are considerably higher and also vary for service given.