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SUMMARY

AUGUST

Tuesday, 8th Summer Walk Limmat – *register by 4th August*Tuesday, 15th Steam Centre Winterthur – *register by 10th August*

Tuesday, 29th Open House at the Werdguet

SEPTEMBER

Tuesday, 5th Imhofbio Schwerzenbach - *register by 31st August* Tuesday, 19th Minigolf at Sperletwies – *register by 14th September*

Tuesday, 26th Open House at the Werdguet

OCTOBER

Thursday, 12th Repair Revolution – *register by 9th October* Tuesday, 24th Hedgehog Center - *register by 17th October*

Tuesday, 31st Open House at the Werdguet

INFORMATION TO ALL MEMBERS

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

A short note from the secretary

Dear Members,

Our 60 year Jubilee Event - It couldn't have been better! No breakdown, no missing members, no strike — and good weather, all perfect conditions for the past July 1st. Of course, we are still in the mood for 60 years of Jubilee. We already plan a bit for the upcoming Christmas Dinner on December 2 — in order to bring some 60 years anniversary spirit into it. But first, let's focus on the next 3 months with interesting activities, ranging from hiking shoes to hedgehogs.

I wish you a nice late summer season!

Warmest regards

Jürg

August 4 Register with Barbara for summer walk along the river Limmat

August 8 18.00 h **Register**



A wonderful summer walk along the river Limmat

Please join me for an unforgettable walk on the riverbank of the Limmat, lasting about 60 - 75 minutes. After crossing the car park of Sihlquai, we first take the pedestrian bridge of the Mattensteg crossing the Sihl, then the Drahtschmidlisteg over the Limmat. Between the two bridges, there is a refreshing fountain where you can cool down on a hot summer's day. In case there are dare devils in our hiking group wearing their swim suit underneath, they may jump off the railing of the bridge at their own risk to cool down; I certainly won't. The walk will take us past the EWZ, passing behind it with the possibility to admire an old train station. After leaving behind us diverse restaurants, snack bars and the "Lettenbadi", we will walk underneath the Hardbrücke, catching a glimpse of the second tallest building of Switzerland: The Prime Tower. Before reaching our final destination, the nice garden restaurant Tre Fratelli formerly called Turbinenhaus in Zurich-Höngg, we shall pass many gardens along the river, having the chance to admire numerous very old apartment houses as well as a few modern ones. To make this walk an



enjoyable one, please remember to take a drinking bottle along, wearing suitable clothing and comfortable shoes, depending on the current weather.

Meeting point: Tramstop HB/Sihlquai (tram 4,13 or 17) just behind the Landesmuseum (1 stop after HB/Bahnhofquai)

At the end of the walk, you can cross Hardeggsteg over the Limmat to the stop Hardturm, then take tram 8, 13 or 17 back to downtown Zurich. When registering, please write **if you come to the Tre Fratelli restaurant after the hike, leaving your full name and phone number**.

For registry, contact Barbara by SMS on mobile 079 582 19 48 (answering machine is out of order) or by e-mail to merk.barbara@gmail.com

August 10

Register with Sonja for the Steam Centre Winterthur

August 15 17.00 h **Register**

Steam Centre Winterthur



The Steam Centre in Winterthur is an extremely worthwhile visit. The most extensive and most interesting collection of international steam technology is located in an old factory hall. Let's immerse ourselves in the industrial history of the 18th and 19th centuries when steam engines were introduced to Swiss companies. Be fascinated by hissing colossi and filigree constructions that fundamentally changed people's lives, work and possibilities for movement. Admire the precision of the technology, the ingenuity and the flair for the beautiful, that the designers of the machines at that time showed. And gain an insight into the working conditions of those people, who with diligence, ability and skill founded the prosperity in Winterthur.

The Steam Centre Winterthur opens its doors for the ESCZ and gives us an English guided tour of about 90 minutes. Members have to pay CHF 5.00 and guests CHF 10.00. Buy a return ticket to Winterthur, and meet Sonja latest at 17.00 h in front of track 12 at main station Zurich. In Winterthur there will be a walk of about 15 minutes to the place of the event. Due to limited space it's good to register as early as possible with Sonja by sonita@sunrise.ch or by phone 044 302 45 47 (preferably in the evening). Don't forget to mention, whether you will come to the restaurant to round off the evening.

August 29 19.00 h



Open House at the Restaurant Werdguet

In our "Stammbeiz" Restaurant Werdguet, there is of course a menu, and not only one, but a whole variety, from Swiss food over to Austrian dishes leading to pizza and ending with Kaiserschmarren as dessert. Come along for good food or just a drink. In the restaurant, we always have our cosy corner for us, for the summer months, there is a garden terrace. Guests and visitors are very welcome to this event. 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 to merk.barbara@gmail.com

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

August 31

Register with Sonja for Imhofbio AG in Schwerzenbach ZH

September 5 15.45 h Register German



Imhofbio AG (recognised by Knospe Bio-Suisse)

The innovative family of Imhofbio AG in Schwerzenbach operates in the production areas of organic pot herbs, bedding plants and organic fresh vegetables, and is already successfully led by Hans Jürg Imhof and his team in the third generation. The company is based on three main pillars, which always influence the actions: Quality, customers and love of nature. The aim of the internal Imhof standards is to maintain the natural balance through biological cultivation. Imhofbio is keen on acquiring products that are more resistant to diseases and pests. We will get a very interesting guided tour in **German** of about 90 minutes, offered totally free of charge by Imhofbio AG. They have a wonderful farm shop where we can buy organic herbs, organic vegetables and flowers.

Buy a return ticket to Schwerzenbach ZH and meet Sonja at 15.45 h in front of track 14 at main station Zurich. There will be a walk of about 12 minutes from station Schwerzenbach to Imhofbio AG. Please register early with Sonja via sonita@sunrise.ch or by phone **044 302 45 47** (preferably in the evening).

When you register, don't forget to mention, whether you will come to a restaurant after the guided tour.

September 14

Register with Sonja for Minigolf in Zurich-Seebach

September 19 18.00 h **Register**

Minigolf Sperletwies in Zurich-Seebach

Rush through tunnels, swerve around various obstacles, and avoid ending up in the water. When you join for a round of Minigolf, your objective is to encourage your ball to behave in this way. It costs CHF 6.00 per person (including all equipment needed), and we play for about 1 hour. Afterwards we will sit together in the nice restaurant Vesuvio, right next to our sporty place.

Meet Sonja at 18.00 h in front of the Migros shop at tram stop Seebacherplatz (tram 14 will bring you there). By bus 75 we will have a short ride together to the place of our activities. Please register with Sonja via sonita@sunrise.ch or by phone (preferably in the evening).

September 26 19.00 h

Open House at the Restaurant Werdguet



Where can you buy chicken broth in bulk? At the stock market.

I cannot guarantee if our "Stammbeiz" Restaurant Werdguet has chicken broth on its menu board tonight, but it's always worth coming here for a bite to eat or just a drink. Enjoy the company with other members and guests. How to get there, see directions under August 29. If you have questions, call Jürg on phone 079 580 10 81.

October 9

Register with Jürg for Repair Revolution

October 12 18.30 h Register Thursday



Repair Revolution at Museum für Gestaltung (Toni Areal)

In our daily life, things break all the time. Instead of repairing them, we often buy a replacement. This results in growing mountains of garbage and an increasing scarcity of resources that have global repercussions. How well an object can be repaired is already determined in the design process. In mechanical engineering, considerations regarding maintenance and replacement parts are an integral part of the design, which is often not the case with product design and architecture. But that can change! Repairing is no longer merely a last resort but an important cultural, social, and economic practice that offers an alternative to our throwaway society. The exhibition *Repair Revolution!* presents the vision of a repair society and the role that design can play in getting there.

Tonight, we will have an English guided tour, lasting 1 hour. Costs (excl. entrance fee) are CHF 10.00, guests contribute with CHF 20.00. The entrance fee of CHF 8.00 is subject to diverse reductions. The tour takes place at <u>Toni Areal</u> at Pfingstweidstrasse 96 (not Ausstellungsstrasse). How to get there: From HB, take tram 4 and exit at stop "Toni-Areal". After the tour, for those who like, we can go to a nearby Italian restaurant. Please register no later than October 9 with Jürg, phone 079 580 10 81 or e-mail all details to <u>info@escz.ch</u>. Please mention if you join me for dinner or not.

October 17

Register with Heinz for Hedgehog Center Zurich

October 24 18.30 h sharp(!) Register



Hedgehog Center, Zurich

What do you really know about these little nocturnal animals, apart from seeing them quickly crossing a road by night? Maybe you have also seen injured ones. The hedgehog center we are going to visit, takes care of all these hedgehogs (medical care, feeding, etc.) and informs people how to deal with these little known and vulnerable animals, whose population shrank substantially in the last decades. We will have an English guided tour about the aim and task of this institution and you will get to know a lot of insight information about hedgehogs.

The tour is CHF 5.- for members, guests pay CHF 10.-After the tour we are going for a meal or drink at a nearby restaurant. How to get there: Take any train to Zurich-Oerlikon (e.g. S3 from Zurich HB, 17.56). In Oerlikon take Bus 781, direction Glattbrugg, 18.08 and get off at stop Genossenschaftsstrasse. From there it's a couple of minutes to Hagenholzstr. 108b. Umsteigen-Bahnhof-Oerlikon.pdf (igelzentrum.ch) It's on the 1st floor of the building Nägeli Umzüge. Öffnungszeiten/Lageplan - Igelzentrum

Please do not wait in the stairway, as there are also private flats there.

Important:

For this tour you need firm shoes and rain shield, as part of the tour will be outside.

Register with Heinz by October 17th (<u>hvifian@bluewin.ch</u>, 044 780 19 45). Upper limit is 15.

October 31 19.00 h



Open House at Guild-Restaurant Werdguet

Come and enjoy some friendly conversation at the last Tuesday of the month in the Werdguet - guests are welcome! There is a section of the restaurant reserved for us, and you can enjoy a drink, a snack or a meal. This is Sonja's event; call 044 302 45 47 if you have questions. Directions how to get there, see under August 29.

Upcoming events:

November 7 Woodturning and heraldry/jewels - an unusual combination.

December 2 Christmas Dinner at Oberes Triemli Zurich