

# English Speaking Club Zurich

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Programme AUGUST – OCTOBER 2024

93<sup>rd</sup> Edition

## *Summer Walk*

Zoo  
Ziegelhütte  
Schwamendingen



*Tuesday, August 13, 2024*

Register by August 8 latest

## **GRILL PARTY**

at

*Brigitte & Tom's*  
**Männedorf**



*Sunday, August 18, 2024*

«In past times, the first you  
smelled here, was chicken soup!»

## «The Valley»

### Kemptthal



*Tuesday, September 10, 2024*

*Excursion to Heidiland*

Open Air Sculpture Exhibition

in

## **BAD RAGAZ**

## *Bad RagARTZ*



*Saturday, October 12, 2024*

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## SUMMARY

### AUGUST

Tuesday, 13 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Walk in the forest – <i>register by 8<sup>th</sup> August</i>
Sunday, 18 <sup>th</sup>	Grill Party at Tom & Brigitte's – <i>register by 9<sup>th</sup> August</i>
Tuesday, 27 <sup>th</sup>	Open House at the Werdguet

### SEPTEMBER

Tuesday, 10 <sup>th</sup>	"The Valley" Kempttal - <i>register by 5<sup>th</sup> September</i>
Tuesday, 17 <sup>th</sup>	Integration Center – <i>register by 12<sup>th</sup> September</i>
Tuesday, 24 <sup>th</sup>	Open House at the Werdguet

### OCTOBER

Saturday, 12 <sup>th</sup>	Excursion to Bad Ragaz – <i>register by 8<sup>th</sup> October</i>
Tuesday, 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Mexican food at Tres Amigos Oerlikon - <i>register by 15<sup>th</sup> October</i>
Tuesday, 29 <sup>th</sup>	Open House at the Werdguet

<p style="text-align: center;">INFORMATION TO ALL MEMBERS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">****</p> <p>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.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ticket events are non refundable - No show policy will be applied</p>
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## A short note from the secretary

Did you know that 21.8 % of Zurich City's surface is forest? This is the green lung of Switzerland's biggest town. This includes not only high trees, but also a lot of bushes. Nowadays, with the hot temperatures, we sometimes even find ourselves in a subtropical forest. But no worries, there are no dangerous animals like snakes or bears (not yet). This means that we humans and our children (and grandchildren) can still enjoy our town forests, for leisure, for relaxation, education...and what else?

HIKING! Yes - our first event will take place in these green lungs. A real contrast to the densely populated and overheated town.

7310 Bad Ragaz. No, No, we won't go into the casino there. Nor will we jump into a hot and bubbling spa. Apart from this, the Spa resort in Heidiland is a really worthwhile place to visit, a different way to see Bad Ragaz - especially now, with the Bad RagARTz Open Air Sculpture Exhibition. In autumn, with usually no fog there and maybe even a Föhn wind which will mix up your haircut upon arrival. See you there in October.

Other events have to do with chicken soup (how this ???) or with social integration for those who need it.

Anyway, our varied programme shows how much you can do in and around Zürich. Let's profit from this!

I wish you a wonderful late summer season.

Warmest regards

Jürg

August 8            Register with Barbara for a wonderful summer walk in the forest

August 9            Register with Tom & Brigitte for Grill Party Männedorf

August 13           **Summer walk in the forest**

17.45 h

**Register**

Please join me for an unforgettable walk starting at tram stop Zürich Zoo and ending at Zürich Schwamendingerplatz lasting approx. 1 h - 1 ¼ h. After passing the Zoological gardens of Zurich on our left and restaurant Klösterli without entering this time, we walk slightly uphill for only about 10 minutes, soon



reaching the forest and its shade, making this walk a pleasant one, even on a hot summer day. We continue walking mostly downhill, reaching restaurant Ziegelhütte after about one hour. There is a lovely garden restaurant, where we can have a meal or just a drink renewing our lost energy while strolling through the forest. The visit to the restaurant is part of the event, so if you prefer **NOT** to come to the restaurant, please state so when registering. For those who are not coming to the restaurant, they continue on Hüttenkopfstrasse for about 10 minutes walking gradually downhill until reaching Winterthurerstrasse where you turn right. After about 150 m, you see tram stop Schwamendingerplatz. From there you can take tram 7, 9 or buses 62 and 75.

To make this walk an enjoyable one, please remember to take a drinking bottle along, wearing adequate clothing and comfortable shoes, depending on the current weather.

Our meeting point is tram stop Zürich Zoo reached by tram 5 or 6 and bus 39. To register, contact Barbara by SMS on mobile 079 582 19 48 or by e-mail to [merk.barbara@gmail.com](mailto:merk.barbara@gmail.com) leaving your full name and phone number.

August 18  
from 15.00 h  
**Register  
Sunday**



### **Grill Party at Brigitte and Tom's in Männedorf**

Our long standing ESCZ members, Brigitte and Tom Albright, would like to host interested club members and guests for a relaxing Sunday afternoon/evening "potluck" grill dinner at their home in Männedorf. (We're also thinking of playing a few games ☺).

Brigitte and Tom are offering sausages from the grill and a variety of drinks, anticipating the planned outstanding weather!! In the tradition of a "potluck" dinner, each guest is requested to bring a small side dish/snack to share with the guests (e.g. Aperio snack, salad, dessert ... whatever your imagination decides).

Please find us at our home "In den Reben 20" in Männedorf, which is a 13-minute walk up a somewhat steep hill from Bahnhof Männedorf, reachable via the S7 from Zurich HB every ½ hour (arriving .03/.33). For those interested in less of a steep climb, we recommend taking the bus B925 or B940 from Bahnhof Männedorf to Busstop "Glärnischstrasse" (2-3 min) and then taking the 11 minute **flat** walk along Glärnischstrasse, until reaching the street of the home (turn right onto "In den Reben").

Please **REGISTER** by telephone or email directly with the

hosts (079 159 93 07 or [te.albright@icloud.com](mailto:te.albright@icloud.com)), **latest by August 9<sup>th</sup>**. (If possible, please indicate what type of side dish you have in mind to bring). We are looking forward to a strong turnout (we can handle up to about 25 people) and some good, English-speaking conversation. The event will take place no matter what the weather brings. If you have questions or special dietary needs, please contact the hosts any time.

August 27  
19.00 h

### Open House at 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. This is Barbara’s event.



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)

September 5

Register with Sonja for “The Valley” in Kempththal

September 10  
15.30 h

**Register**



### The Valley in Kempththal

Visit the former Maggi factory area, and let yourself be guided over a terrain steeped in history. Learn how pioneering work is still being done today, and feel the innovative spirit of the more than 100 companies now operating there. This unusual area is the working environment for start-ups as well as for already since many years successful companies. At the same time, it’s a center for leisure and entertainment.

Mrs. Ursula Saner Davare will give us a very interesting English guided tour of about an hour. Members have to pay CHF 15.00 and guests CHF 20.00. Buy a return ticket to Kempththal, and meet Sonja at 15.30 h in front of track 7 at main station Zurich (the train will leave at 15.44 h from track 34). Please register early with Sonja by [sonita@sunrise.ch](mailto:sonita@sunrise.ch) or by phone **044 302 45 47** (preferably in the evening).  
**While you register, don't forget to mention, whether you will come to a restaurant after the guided tour.**

September 12

Register with Sonja for "Verein Zürcher Eingliederung"

September 17  
14.45 h

**Register  
German**



**Verein Zürcher Eingliederung at Neumünsterallee in Zurich**

In Switzerland there are quite a lot of human beings who have difficulties to find a path into the world of work, or to find a suitable living space because of psychological or physical difficulties. The "Verein Zürcher Eingliederung" (recognised by „Bundesamt für Sozialversicherungen“ and by „Zürcherisches Amt für Soziales und Sicherheit“) offers about 200 places for schooling, working and living. Part of the „Verein Zürcher Eingliederung“ are also: Vier Linden, Wohnheim Zürichberg, Hof Wagenburg incl. farm shop, the Triemenhof and the big candle shop in Zurich Binz.

Mr. Udo Reif is the responsible person for the workshops at Neumünsterallee 10 in Zurich. He will himself give us a **German** guided tour, inform us about this institution and show us among other things the weaving mill, the sewing room, the metal workshop, the food packing department.....  
 As the "Verein Zürcher Eingliederung" depends partially on donations, we ask for CHF 10.00 from members and CHF 15.00 from guests. Meet Sonja at 14.45 h at tram stop Hegibachplatz (tram 11, the Forchbahn or buses 31, 33 and 77 bring you there).

Please don't miss this very interesting and informative guided tour! Due to the limited space it's good to register as early as possible with Sonja by [sonita@sunrise.ch](mailto:sonita@sunrise.ch) or by phone **044 302 45 47** (preferably in the evening). Because this tour will end already a few minutes after 16 h, we will afterwards sit together for a ‚Zvieri‘ or a drink only.

September 24  
19.00 h

## Open House at Restaurant Werdguet



Come and enjoy some friendly conversation on the last Tuesday of the month at the Restaurant Werdguet. This is our regular event and a chance to meet up with members. Guests are welcome! This is Sonja's event. How to get there, see August 27 (frame).

October 8

## Register with Jürg for Bad RagARTz

October 12  
14.00 h

**Register  
Saturday**



## **Excursion to Bad Ragaz** (which turns into Bad RagARTz)

Bad RagARTz – Hä? This must be a typing mistake. Isn't it rather the wealthy spa village of **Bad Ragaz** (St.Gallen County)? Well, BOTH are correct!

Today, it's time for a change of scenery. Bad RagARTz is welcoming visitors from all over the world to the 9<sup>th</sup> Swiss Triennial of Sculpture. Until October 2024, selected works of internationally renowned artists will make the "present" both visible and tangible in parks, gardens, streets and squares. Join us on a 2 hrs English guided tour to a unique art experience in the here and now. Over 450 works by 88 artists from all over the world turn Bad Ragaz into a fascinating town of shapes and colours. Dive into the world of international artistic creation: from bronze, stone, wood and glass to innovative industrial materials:  
*here, you're allowed to touch the art!*

Thus, we leave Zurich and travel in a 1 ½ hrs train journey to Bad Ragaz.

*The programme looks as followed:*

- Train ride from Zürich HB to Bad Ragaz (Bhf.)  
(14.12 h – 15.28 h)
- Postauto from Bad Ragaz (Bhf.) to Bad Ragaz Post  
(15.35 – 15.38)
- English guided tour (16.00 – 18.00)
- fine Italian food at Restaurant La Piazza (*afterwards*)

For the guided tour, we ask for a contribution of CHF 15.00 for members, CHF 25.00 for guests. Please buy your own return ticket to Bad Ragaz Post. Car drivers may park in Bad Ragaz Zentrum at Bartholoméplatz. Meeting point is Zurich HB at track 9 at 14.00 h latest. Dinner in the Restaurant is part of the programme but if you want to leave us after the guided tour already, please specify this.

In the evening, we have good connections back to Zurich (bus leaving Bad Ragaz at 20.15 h). To register, contact Jürg on phone 079 580 10 81 or send ALL details to [info@escz.ch](mailto:info@escz.ch)

October 15

Register with Barbara for Tres Amigos in Oerlikon

October 22  
19.00 h  
**Register**

**Succulent Mexican food at Restaurant Tres Amigos Oerlikon**

*Vamos a comer y disfrutar de la cocina mejicana !*  
Please join me for an unforgettable delicious meal at the Mexican restaurant Tres Amigos at Querstrasse 6 in Zürich-Oerlikon. For the menu card go to [www.tresamigos.ch/de/p/standorte/zurich-oerlikon-1092.html](http://www.tresamigos.ch/de/p/standorte/zurich-oerlikon-1092.html) and choose Speisen & Getränke.

It's very handy to reach the restaurant. If you come by public transport, it's best to get off at tram stop Sternen Oerlikon situated at the end of Querstrasse, a side street where at its other end you find the restaurant. Trams 10, 11 and 14 as well as buses 61, 62 and 75 will take you there. Another option is to take trains to Zürich-Oerlikon station, from where you can reach the Mexican restaurant within 5 minutes.

To register, contact Barbara by SMS on mobile 079 582 19 48 or by e-mail to [merk.barbara@gmail.com](mailto:merk.barbara@gmail.com), leaving your full name and phone number.

October 29  
19.00 h

**Open House at the Restaurant Werdguet**



*What did the shark say when he ate the clownfish?  
„This tastes a little funny.“*

On the menu card of our “Stammbeiz Werdguet”, you’ll find neither shark nor clownfish dishes. But a lot of other specialities, also to mention the Fischknusperli...  
Enjoy a nice and casual evening while having a drink or a bite to eat. Guests are very welcome! More questions about this event? Call Jürg on phone 079 580 10 81 or [info@escz.ch](mailto:info@escz.ch).  
No registration necessary, you can just step in and leave when you like.