

English Speaking Club Zurich

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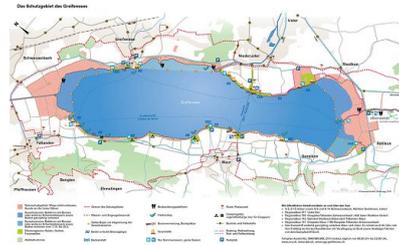
Our first event after the
“Corona Break”

Open House at the Restaurant Werdguet



Tuesday, May 26, 2020

Funny fake news tour at Greifensee with a Ranger



Tuesday, June 16, 2020

Build your own
Burger on the boat
at Lake Zurich



Wednesday, July 24, 2020

Beer tasting at the brewery

Bierlab



Tuesday, July 7, 2020

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SUMMARY

MAY

Thursday, 7th Pewter Foundry Rapold – *cancelled due to coronavirus*
 Tuesday, 18th Zoological Museum - Ornithology - *cancelled due to coronavirus*
 Tuesday, 26th Open House at the Werdguet – *Restaurant is open! Let's go!*

JUNE

Tuesday, 16th Greifensee Ranger - *register by 12th June*
 Wednesday, 24th ZSG – Build your Burger Boat - *register by 17th June sharp*
 Tuesday, 30st Open House at the Werdguet

JULY

Wednesday, 8th Bierlab tasting – *register by 4th July*
 Tuesday, 14th Summer walk + a bite to eat - *register by 12th July*
 Tuesday, 28th Open House at the Bauschänzli

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| <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. Ticket events are non refundable - No show policy will be applied</p> |
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A short note from the secretary

Dear Members,

I do not always know what to write in my “short note”.

This time I do!

What a mess! Who would have thought this a few months ago? A pandemic paralysing our public life. As you have probably noticed, the Club’s cancellation series started with our event “Haus Appenzell” in March even though the lockdown was not yet on. But not many registered anymore and so, from then on, our club activities turned into a state of coma. – the Club has been dormant for a long while, like never before

But now, 3 months later, it is time to wake up again, to chase away despair and lockdown. We will restart with our Open House event on May 26. In spite of the restrictions in restaurants, we invite you to join us, also as an **act of solidarity** offered to our “Stammbeiz” Restaurant Werdguet.

New: In future, each Open House event will have a “Motto” or a main subject to talk about. Each time, it will be a different topic. What motto it will be – that’s what we announce in the text. So, on May 26, we are interested in hearing what you did during these weeks of the pandemic. Curious to hear what **positive** experiences you have had.

I am looking forward to seeing you in the near future.

Warmest regards

Jürg

May 7

19.00 h

Register

Thursday

Pewter Foundry Rapold

Guided tour of the tin foundry Rapold in Zurich. You will be allowed to try the pewter casting by yourself.

Cancelled by Rapold due to corona - postponed

May 19
18.30 h
Register

Zoological Museum Zurich – bird watching in and outside

Introduction into ornithology by our guide Hermina - first about 1 hour theory in the Zoological Museum and then practice in the heart of nature.

Cancelled by the museum - postponed

And here comes our first event

May 26
19.00 h



Open House at Restaurant Werdguet

(In order to be on the safe side, please check with the restaurant, if it is reopening before taking your time to get there, and preferably not in vain.)

Members and guests may come for a social evening of conversation in English. You can have a meal or just a drink and spend an hour or two for catching up on news or meeting new people. Non-members are welcome! We meet in the Restaurant Werdguet in Wiedikon. Directions how to get there, see in the box below. No registration necessary. For any questions contact Barbara by SMS on mobile 079 582 19 48 (answering machine is out of order) or e-mail merk.barbara@gmail.com

Please note:

Corona restrictions apply – we cannot sit together as usual.

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

June 12

Register with Heinz for Greifensee Fake news tour

June 16

19.00 h

Register**Funny fake news tour at Greifensee with a ranger**

You may know that Greifensee is a large natural resort for local animals and plants. But did you also know about fake news around these topics? Flying fish, fish-eating beavers, ants feeding caterpillars (Raupen), etc.: Truth or lies? Enjoy an English guided round trip of about 90 minutes, with a ranger, and listen to unbelievable stories from the world of animals and plants. www.greifensee-stiftung.ch

Cost is CHF 10 per person (guests CHF 15). After the tour we can have something to drink or eat nearby Uster train station.

As you will have to walk for about 1 hour, without sitting facilities, this tour is not recommended for disabled people.

Put on appropriate footwear.

Meeting point: Naturstation "Silberweide"

How to get there: Take S15 from Zurich HB 18.09 h to Uster, then take Bus 842 direction Oetwil, stop at Riedikon Chis/Naturstation. From there it's a 10-minute walk.

For car drivers there is a chargeable parking lot.

Register with Heinz, not later than **by June 12**

(H: 044 780 19 45, O: 044 784 85 87,

or E-Mail hvifian@bluewin.ch

When you register, please leave your full name and phone number in a clear voice.

June 17 **sharp**Register with Jürg for Burger Boat Cruise on Lake Zurich

June 24

19.00 h **latest****Register****Wednesday****Build your Burger Boat on Lake Zurich**

It would be easy to go to a McDonald's or Burger King restaurant, order your favourite Burger – and this was it! But no, we do it in a slightly different way tonight.

Choose your bun bread, sauces, extras as side orders and "compose" your own perfect burger. Meat comes from highly valued local production, i.e. the *Pulled Pork Burger*. Or you prefer to go the veggie way? Then you must try the so called *Beyond Burger* from the American Food-Label *Beyond Meat*. The taste of pure plantic *Patty* is as good as equal to an ordinary meat burger.

Costs: Boat ride CHF 25.00 (½ Abo not valid).

The Burgers range from CHF 25.00 to CHF 27.50, Rustico Frites are included, side orders are extra.

We meet not later than 19.00 h at the ZSG ticket counter at Bürkliplatz (take any tram to “Bürkliplatz”). The boat departs at 19.15 h and is back at 21.30 h

Deadline for registration is **sharp** on June 17. You don't need to purchase the ticket in advance. Table reservation and ticket issue has already been effected. No show policy applies – if you cancel after June 17, the no show policy is CHF 25.00 (which is the fare for the boat ride). Register with Jürg on phone 079 580 10 81 or e-mail to info@escz.ch
For more information and menu card (PDF) see www.zsg.ch
Please note: Corona restrictions apply – we cannot sit together as usual.

June 30
19.00 h



Open House at Restaurant Werdguet

I dreamed I was forced to eat a giant marshmallow. When I woke up, my pillow was gone.

Let's hope you haven't had such bad dreams last night. But the motto of this Open House is “Dreams”. Come along to our regular monthly pub event at restaurant Werdguet Zunfthaus zur Hard, join us for pleasant conversation and a quiet drink. Those who are hungry can also have something to eat. This is Jürg's event. For information, call 079 580 10 81 or e-mail to info@escz.ch
Directions how to get there, see under May 26 (frame)
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July 4

Register with Heinz for Bierlab

July 8
18.00 h

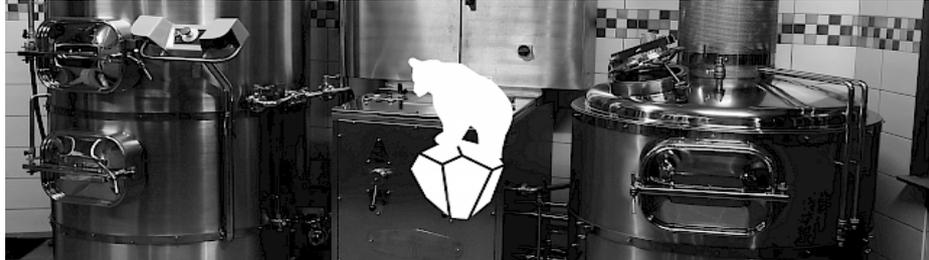
**Register
Wednesday**

Beer tasting and guided tour in the new “Bierlab”

Do you remember our last beer tasting event? It was many years ago. So we offer you a new possibility, this time in Zurich city. The newly founded “Bierlab” produces a lot of different types, much more than you can imagine or taste. On our English guided tour of 2½ to 3 hours you can taste 8 different beers and get some insight information on how it is produced. For this full-evening programme with enough beer consumption, we will have to ask you for CHF 20 (guests CHF 30), despite our substantial subsidy. We hope for a thirsty virus free summer evening and that you can really enjoy it. www.bierlab.ch
Meeting point: Grüngasse 7 (entrance or inside)

How to get there: Take Tram 14 to Werd (next stop after Stauffacher), then walk for about 70 meters into Grüngasse. Register with Heinz, not later than **by July 4** (H: 044 780 19 45, O: 044 784 85 87, or E-Mail hvifian@bluewin.ch)

When you register, please leave your full name and phone number in a clear voice. No show policy will apply.



July 12

Register with Barbara for summer walk

July 14
18.30 h

Register

Pleasant summer walk with astonishing views

Up with summer time! And with an unforgettable summer walk lasting about for an hour! Hopefully by then the Corona virus will be for our history books in the not too distant future.

Please wear comfortable shoes as our summer walk first goes slightly uphill, then even level along the side of a forest and finally downhill, sometimes without tarmac roads! Also bring adequate clothing depending if it's dry or - hopefully not - wet and rainy.

Meeting point is at the tram stop Zoo at 18.30 h.

From Bahnhofplatz/HB, take tram 6 **or** bus 39 (reaching by tram 9 or 10) and exit at the last stop Zoo. The end of the walk is down Letzistrasse after spending some time at an excellent viewpoint, reaching Schaffhauserplatz in due time where trams 7, 11, 14 and 15 and bus 33 run. For the ones feeling like having a drink and/or a bite to eat, we will round off the evening in a nearby restaurant.

To take part, please register with Barbara either by SMS (079 582 19 48) or by e-mail merk.barbara@gmail.com by July 12. The combox on my mobile CANNOT be used.

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July 28
19.00 h

Open House at Bauschänzli



This month's Open House event will (as usual in July) take place at the Bauschänzli, Stadthausquai 2, located near Bürkliplatz.

If it rains and we cannot sit outside, we will move to the nearby Old Fashion Bar at Fraumünsterstrasse 15 to find shelter.

But let's keep our fingers crossed that we will be able to enjoy our get together at this special garden restaurant in downtown Zurich on a mild summer evening.

PLEASE, always check at the Bauschänzli FIRST, to see if we are there. Experience has shown that "good" and "bad" weather is a very individual perception and people have ended up in both places. In case of doubt, call Jürg (phone number below).

As the Bauschänzli can be quite busy and some faces might not be familiar I will try and put some mark of identification (the Union Jack or a small English flag) on our table.

The "Motto" of this Open House event is: History of the Bauschänzli. I will collect some historical info about this "island" and perform it to you. Maybe you also know something about this prominent spot – and let us know about it.

How to get there: Take any tram or bus to Bürkliplatz. Walk across the square towards the Limmat where you will see the Bauschänzli on its island in the Limmat. This is Jürg's event.

Any questions, call 079 580 10 81 or e-mail to info@escz.ch

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upcoming events:

open date Alpenbahnparadies Schlieren with Apero riche
open date Haus Appenzell "Zuckerschleck und Mehlgebäck"
December 12 Christmas Dinner 2020

Can't go to an event yet ?

Well, then the event comes to you! Not physically but virtually. i.e. our FocusTerra ETHZ Museum (which we visit almost every year) invites for the following "event":

- Iceland Video

Other online recommendations:

- Nespresso production
- Frankincense production Oman
- Dive 11000 m into the depths
- Bakery / Confectionary Bachmann (recommended by Sonja)
- And of course: Coronavirus explained

The links can be found via our website www.escz.ch/eventindex.html