IMCZ NEWS

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SUNDAY 2nd AUGUST IS CHARITY GOLF DAY

It's all happening from 12:00 at Golfplatz Holzhausern

Kiddies Play Area

Half-Way House



BE THERE with your money or I send my boys around.....

13:00 - 18-hole PRO-AM COMPETITION

Teams of 3 AMateurs & a PROfessional! Individual & Team Stableford event off full handicap (max 36. Sorry, no PR).

Come and get some 'free' tips; see how the PROs do it!

** 160 SFR including dinner **

15:00 - 6-hole TEXAS SCRAMBLE

Teams of 4. Team competition & handicap. (Sorry, you need a PR)

** 90 SFR including dinner **

16:00 SCHNUPPERKURS. If you have always wanted to give GOLF a try or never played GOLF before and wondered what all the fuss is about, this is for you.

Bargain price * 25 SFR - this does NOT include dinner *

19:00 DINNER & PRIZEGIVING. Why not just come along to the Dinner & Prizegiving event. Come on down and buy some Raffle tickets, it's all for a good cause. * Absolute bargain at 50 SFR dinner only *

Lots of **PRIZES** for all events.

RAFFLES

Tombola

Good Game?

Bad Game?

Indifferent Game?

WHO KNOWS WHO WINS?

YOU might win something just for being there!

Mail, call or fax the Registration Form to Club Secretary Steven Butterworth on Tel:790 41 94 Fax:790 41 72 to arrive no later than 24 JULY

Numbers are STRICTLY limited for the 18- and 6-hole competitions.

Unfortunately, local rules are that you need a Handicap to play on the 18-hole course and at least a Platzreife for the 6-hole course.

BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT

FUTURE CLUB EVENTS

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2 August (Sunday from 12:00 hrs)

The IMCZ Charity Pro-Am Golf Tournament, plus a Texas Scramble format Team Tournament, a Schnupperkurs and Kiddies fun area. The fun and games are at Golfplatz Holzhausern and will be followed by a Prizegiving Dinner in the evening. SO, put the date in your diary NOW and see the adverts elsewhere in this issue. In the meantime, if you want to know more or wish to volunteer to help out, call one of the organising committee, Ian Park on 758 11 57, Ivor Johnstone on 710 49 29, or Steve Newton on 740 23 72.

17 September 1998 (Thursday evening)

Visit to military bunker installations "somewhere in the Äegeri area". Meet at Restaurant "PEKING ENTE" in Unteraegeri for an introductory presentation prior to the actual Tour itself, returning to the Peking Ente afterwards. The timings are still to be decided so Watch This Space.

17 September 1998 (Thursday 19:00 hrs)

ZIWC Business Forum. This month's guest speaker is Dr Peter Hess, Politician, Chairman of the Christian Democratic Group in the Swiss Federal parliament. All welcome at Congress Centre Metalli, opposite the Park Hotel, Zug.

TBA October 1998

Visit to the PERLEN Paper factory. Watch out for the date.

3 November 1998 (Tuesday 19:00 hrs)

ZIWC Business Forum. This month's guest speaker is Margaret Friebe, Psychologist. All welcome at the Congress Centre Metalli opposite the Park Hotel, Zug.

POOL at the Cherry Bowl

The 8-ball variety, not swimming competition - is having it's regular Summer vacation and will return in September. Get up to the Cherry Bowl for some practice; competitions are coming up later this year with the return of the popular Pool-Darts-Bowling Try-Athlon. Watch this space...

INTERNET NEWS

Thanks to numerous members for their comments and input to the IMCZ Web Page idea.

The proposal is with the IMCZ Board and a decision will be taken shortly. WATCH THIS SPACE!

MEDIUM FELLA...

Murphy's First Corollary

Nothing is as easy as it looks

Murphy's Second Corollary

Everything takes longer than you think.

Murphy's Third Corollary

If it is possible that several things could go wrong, the one that will cause the most damage is the one that will go wrong.

Murphy's Fourth Corollary

If any two things can go wrong, they always go wrong in the worst possible order.

MARKETPLACE

Send items for publication to the Editor.

WANTED. 5 crash helmets, any condition, size L. Please contact Steve Newton, 729 31 27

STAMM NEWS

The Stamm continues to flourish and meets every Thursday from around 17:30 in the Casino.

How about newsletter input fom you STAMM regulars? Send items for publication to the Editor.

NUMBERS

23 billion: The worldwide amount, in tons, of topsoil washed or blown away every year

368 million: The number of times the human heart beats in 10 years.

9,000: The number of Britons attending hospital emergency rooms each year with injuries caused by struggling with the keys on cans of corned beef.

198 km: The distance swum by 23-year old Australian Susie Maroney from Mexico to Cuba.

76.5: The average life expectancy of Swedish men, Europe's longest lived. They are also the safest drivers, have the lowest smoking rate and lowest consumption of alcohol. On the other hand, they have one of the highest suicide rates!

46: The age of Swiss Army colonel, Pius Segmueller, appointed as the new chief of the Swiss Guards at the Vatican.

20km: The width of firework displays celebrating the millennium as envisaged in California using obsolete intercontinental ballistic missiles as launching platforms.

4: Is it a) The number of goals England would have put past Argentina if Beckham had stayed on the pitch. Or,

b) The number of hermaphrodite polar bear cubs found in the Norwegian Arctic (thought to be a genetic defect caused by atmospheric pollution)

BIGGER FELLA...

The hunt is on for the elusive glyph. This is the name for the euro symbol and its absence from current computer keyboards, printers and software, could cause an unpleasant surprise when the single European currency becomes legal tender in 1999. To hard pressed IT managers struggling to convert accounting software to handle the euro and its intricate rules for triangulation and rounding, the lack of the glyph character may not seem of particular importance, but some experts believe it is risky to neglect these seemingly minor aspects of the euro.

LITTLE FELLA...

DID YOU KNOW THAT...each KING in a deck of playing cards represents a great king from history?

Clubs :Alexander the Great Spades :King David Diamonds :Julius Caesar Hearts :Charlemagne

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10th ANNUAL IMCZ BBQ

Fortunately, the advance party had thought to blaze the trail from Unteraegeri and although it was a simple matter to follow the IMCZ pointers to Sibrisboden, we took our lives in our hands dodging tennis balls by the UTC and being attacked by a crazed dog and two ferocious looking ducks en route!. 40 IMCZ members & guests managed to beat a path through the wilderness into the shadow of Piz Allenwinden, some had strange stories to tell of being delayed by gangs of Argentinian and Dutch fanatics, others worried through the evening of a reported conflict between Germany and Croatia.

However, promptly at 19:00 and with aperos in hand, we kicked the evening off with a hearty game of cherry-pip-spitting (you had to be there, believe me!). No sooner had the fun started than we were called to order and we crowded into the main room of the Sibrisboden Hut which was liberally decked out with Stars & Stripes bunting. After a brief welcome speech by our President and host for the evening, Ivor Johnstone, we were soon tucking into heaps of salad and potatoes and some of the most tender meat - chicken, beef, and lamb, hamburgers, wurst and ribs - I have tasted this side of a braai. Excellent fare, all part of the Party Service again provided by Hr. Horat.

Our compere for the evening was the inimitable Ian Park and the American History quiz he had organised was a hoot. Some reporters would not mention the LOW score of 4 out of 10 however, I have no such qualms and the bottle-of-wine prize went to someone with the initials of Hans Lafrenze. A most creditable 8 out of 10 went to non-American, and ex-President (IMCZ, not US) Max Lustenberger, but the winners of the 1998 10th Annual Barbeque American History Quiz were David & Suzanne Kellermann. For the next event of the evening, we were led with a rendition of The Star Spangled Banner by Ms America herself, Franzie Riechlin which we followed with a raid on the groaning desserts table and cheeseboard all washed down with liberal measures of kirsch, wine, beer and coffee. Whilst still undergoing recovery, Ian forced a music quiz upon us and from a highest possible score of 24 modesty forbids me to say who won with a wunder-score of 22 and three-quarters (I know, don't ask). Actually, if I don't say it was Mary Newton I will be in REAL trouble. By an amazing co-incidence, second-, third- and fourth-place just happened to be on the same table but were curiously disqualified by the compere "because I said so".

The evening eventually degenerated into fun, laughter and horseplay and everyone had a thoroughly jolly time. You should have been there! - the best value BBQ we will run this year. Our thanks to Ivor and Debbie for the organisation, to Ian for the compering and to Franzie for having the nerve to stand up and sing in front of all those people!. See you next year.

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CROSSWORD No.2 (Solution in the next issue)

Across 1 Bright colour (6), 6 To go away rapidly? (7), 7 Organic poisonous substance (5),

9 Relieving place? (6), 12 Attractive with a vacuous mind? (4), 15 Ancient? (5),

16 Inhabitant of Sodom? (8), 17 United into a corporation? (9), 19 Deep Blue? (6),

20 Piston or plunger of a pump? (6), 21 Book made up of sheets folded into six? (5)

Down 1 Member of an imaginary race of creatures?(5), 2 Canopy over a 4-poster bed?(6)

3 Pledge as a security? (4), 4 Fine-quality coffee? (5), 5 Wooden or metal bar? (4)

7 Type of Ford? (11), 8 Speak gently & soothingly? (3), 10 Unwilling to work? (4)

11 Form of roof built into two steps? (7), 13 Ambiguous position? (5), 14 Rape oil? (5)

17 Piled in a cone? (4), 18 Trying to get custom by canvassing? (4).

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Solution to CROSSWORD No.1

Across: 1 Rector,

5 Fumigate.

6 Muse,

7 Cloche.

8 Ovule.

Down: 2 Rigadoon,

3 Dresden,

4 Plumula,

5 Fishwife,

7 Cello.

.....AND ANOTHER THING

(A sometime series of comments from the Locker Room)

It seems appropriate that with the upcoming golf tournament that I take the chance to comment now that I have the attention of all the golfers.

So, I shall take this opportunity to complain.

I had some frustrating times playing golf last year and this year it is obvious that things are not getting any better. What am I talking about ? SLOW PLAY is what.

Amongst all the other joys of playing, I guess one of the reasons we took up the game was to go out and have a relaxing, pleasant time and I am certainly not an advocate of express-golf but quite frankly Scarlett, you really do have to speed up your game guys. I play off a relatively high handicap so this is not a complaint from a know-all low handicapper who thinks they are better than us hackers. Too many people seem to believe that payment of their green fee entitles them to take as long as they want to. Why not try taking the time that is actually NEEDED.

You notice I say that YOU have to speed up. No golfer known to man will acknowledge the fact that he (or she) could possibly be guilty of slow play. Seriously though, we can ALL quicken up our play without detracting from the enjoyment and relaxation so here are a few tips - and afterwards, an interpretation of what (I think) the rules mean!

1. Two practice swings - that is ALL

One or two practice swings to get the feel of the shot to be played is perfectly OK. Some players though, take as many as five swings before they actually step up to take the shot. More than two practice swings means you are wasting everyone's time, including your own. Leave your best swing for the real thing!

2. Get to your ball

Many players add time to a round by waiting for a partner to play a shot before walking to their own ball and making the decision on what club to play. If it is safe to do so, get to your ball as soon as possible so you are ready to play when it is your turn.

3. Searching for lost balls

Although the rules allow you 5 minutes to search for a ball before declaring it lost, it DOES NOT mean you have to hold up those behind you for that period of time. Call players through as soon as it is obvious that a search is needed to locate a ball.

Question: Is it a macho thing to NOT call through the group behind? Answer: NO

4. Position bags in a sensible place.

Leaving clubs and trolleys at the front of the green is guaranteed to upset those playing behind you. By doing this you have to walk all the way back from the hole towards those waiting to play. Leave bags and trolleys in a line between the flag and the next tee so you don't have to retrace your steps.

5. Lining up putts.

This is a cracker; you are NOT playing in The Open. You don't have to view the putt from every conceivable part of the green or dangle your putter in the air (what DOES that do anyway?). It's one thing to do your homework on the green but it's another to hold up everyone for an unacceptably long period while you line up the putt, take your practice swings - then miss the putt! Be considerate to others and get on with it.

6. Marking your card

Marking your card on the green when people are waiting to play up is a golfing crime and is absolutely unforgivable. Get clear of the green before doing the paperwork.

Rules on Slow Play

The Rules relating the slow play and a liberal interpretation of what they *really* mean!.

- * If you are unsure as to the location of your ball, play a provisional
- * If you think you cannot readily find your ball then call the next group through immediately
- * If you are unable to keep up with the group ahead then call the next group through
- * Clear the green as soon as you have finished the hole
- * Play at all times without undue delay

And Finally...

Have fun out there relax and enjoy the day but remember.

The aim is to keep just behind the group in front, NOT just ahead of the group behind!

Summer is here (allegedly), so send in the quirky T-shirt slogans you spot

T-shirt slogans spotted this month

I HATE GOLF
I HATE GOLF
Good Shot!
I LOVE GOLF

NATURAL BLONDE Please talk slowly

REGISTRATION FORM

I don't play GOLF but	Name(s)	Total Number
YES		
I want to attend the Prizegiving Dinner		
50 SFR each Dinner Only		

YES

I want to play in the 18-hole Competition

160 SFR each Golf + Dinner

Name (Member)	
Telephone Number	
Handicap (mandato	ry)
Name (Guest)	
Telephone Number	
Handicap (mandato	ry)
TOTAL NUMBER	

Golf only 120 SFR

YES

I want to play in the Texas Scramble

90 SFR each Golf + Dinner

Name (Member)	
Telephone Number	
Handicap / Platzreife	
Name (Guest)	
Telephone Number	
Handicap / Platzreife	
TOTAL NUMBER	

Golf only - 50 SFR

YES

I want to attend the Schnupperkurs

> 25 SFR each Course Only

Name (1)	
Telephone Number	
Name (2)	
Telephone Number	
Name (3)	
Telephone Number	
TOTAL NUMBER	

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