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Dear Members,

Another Corona year has nearly passed and while I'm writing this, discussions between the Federal Government and the Cantons get closer and closer to yet another at least partial lockdown. But fortunately, the Club skated through last year's lockdown very well and we will manage to do so again. Should personal meetings be restricted or too complicated to handle, we still have the Zoom event structure well established and in place. But I'm optimistic that when you read this about six weeks from now, we will still be able to meet in person, all vaccinated and happily showing our COVID Certificates at the entrance.

We started out with 243 members on January 1 2021 and are now at 282 members. Along the line we 'lost' some to personal reasons or relocation, but a steady trickle of registrations brought us a total of 117 new members so far! Quite a success considering the circumstances.

Here are some interesting new member statistics: the average and median age of the new members is 47, with a wonderful age range of 27 years old to 81 years young! I'd like to do a similar statistic on the whole range of members, but unfortunately a lot of you did not fill out the age field or put in such interesting information as 'adult'. Why not take a little time, log into your profile, check if all the information is correct and fill out what's missing? Be assured, the info in your profile will only be used anonymously for statistics provided to the Board in order to help them design new activities according to the overall member profile. Thank you!

All the best,
Anne-Lene
Membership Chairwoman



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New Members

Anne-Lene Groll,
Membership Chairwoman
Email: **membership@ziwc.ch**

We warmly welcome our new members

Alcira Peña, Zug
Kathleen Adamson, Zug
Karis Johnson, Cham
Tina Niederer, Unterägeri
Ashley Buckle, Steinhausen
Karina Krzelj, Oberägeri
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FEBRUARY

Business Networking Group (BNG)



My Life Story with Opera

Speaker: Lusila Mazi

Lusilla Mazi will be presenting the inception of the *bel canto* tradition and its transformation and development into *romanticismo* and *verismo* opera, through composers Bellini, Rossini, Donizetti, Verdi and Puccini, specifically under the umbrella of a dramatic *coloratura* soprano repertoire. She will discuss how her project of *La Traviata Opera in Concerto* uses unique, operatic voices to bring opera to intimate theatres with focus on the voice, music and emotions conveyed to the audience. *All'Opera!*

Known for her warmly lyrical, dramatically present timbre, Canadian soprano Lusila Mazi has performed with opera companies and on recital stages across USA, Europe and Canada. She has shared her communicative expression and instinctive musicality at venues such as the National Opera Center New York, the Schubert Geburtshaus in Vienna, the Teatro Sociale in Bellinzona and with The Canadian Opera Company in Toronto. She returned to Florence to reprise the role of ***La Contessa Almaviva*** in Mozart's **Le Nozze di Figaro** at *Conservatorio di Musica Luigi Cherubini di Firenze*, and debuted ***Donna Elvira*** from Mozart's **Don Giovanni** in an evening of opera scenes and arias. In Tuscany she has performed ***Suor Angelica*** in Puccini's **Suor Angelica** at Connecticut Lyric Opera's Greve Music Festival in Greve-in-Chianti under the mentorship of acclaimed soprano Katia Ricciarelli.

Ms. Mazi is passionate about *bel canto*, *romanticismo*, and *verismo* traditions, particularly for their revival. She is completing postgraduate studies in a Master of Advanced Studies in Music Performance and Interpretation programme at *Scuola Universitaria di Musica del Conservatorio della Svizzera Italiana in Lugano* and has completed the *ERASMUS European Opera Academy* at *Conservatorio di Music Luigi Cherubini* in Florence. She is working on the title roles of ***Anna Bolena*** in Donizetti's **Anna Bolena**, **Donna Elvira** in Mozart's **Don Giovanni**, **Elvira** in Verdi's **Ernani**, and **Adrianna Lecouvreur** in Cilea's **Adrianna Lecouvreur**.

When: Tuesday 28.02.22
Time: 18:00 – 20:00
Where: Bibliothek Zug, 5th floor, Kirchenstrasse 6, St.-Oswalds-Gasse 21, 6300 Zug
In case of lockdown, we'll move the workshop to Zoom
Cost: Free of Charge
Booking deadline: Wednesday 23.02.22
Please register on the ZIWC Website event calendar.

This seminar is also open to IMCZ Members and non ZIWC members, who are willing to join the club in the near future. *If you are not a member, kindly contact* interestgroups@ziwc.ch *to get your free trial.*

Contact: Cristina Rocco on 079 444 40 56 or at bng@ziwc.ch to register or to be added to the BNG WhatsApp Group.

About BNG

The group focuses on women who are interested in business topics, who are working, managing their company, intending to start up a new company or are changing their working life.
This group shares knowledge, experiences, information, ideas and techniques.
The program includes speeches, brainstorm sessions, workshops and coaching.
We meet once a month in the evening, and it is usually followed by an informal drink.



Samichlaus Breakfast



ZIWC hosted the traditional Samichlaus Breakfast early last December. Pouring out holiday cheer, we were greeted with Prosecco. Gillian and her team prompted those attending to don sparkling attire. Glitter and sequins glinted from each table, immediately creating a festive ambiance.



There was much buzz as the members chatted, laughed and bought raffle tickets. Thank you to Saakje, all of our raffle prize sponsors and those who so generously bought raffle tickets. We raised 1081 CHF for our charity, FRW Interkultureller Dialog www.frwzg.ch Please have a look at their website to see all the amazing things they do. You might feel moved to volunteer yourself!



Frothy cappuccinos arrived as Members savoured a delicious breakfast buffet of baked breads, fruit salad, *Birchermüesli*, cold meat cuts, egg dishes, smoked salmon and a variety of cheeses as well as yoghurts. It was a wonderful way to share the magic of the Swiss Christmas season with ZIWC friends!

The 54th Annual General Meeting of the **Zug International Women's Club** COVID-19 Special edition by email and post

Tuesday 3 May 2022

Via Zoom 18:30 - 20:00 approx or Live at Siehbachsaal Zug**

Agenda and Voting Details

To be on the safe side, due to the continuation of the COVID-19 pandemic and based on recommendations from the Government to avoid large gatherings, the Board has decided to hold a virtual AGM by Zoom. **Only if safe, based on the decision of the Swiss authorities and the Board, will it take place in person from 18:00–20:30.

By 18 March 2022 members should

- Vote for the proposed 2022-2023 Board Members
- Send any motion, objections, suggestions, questions or observations

Vote, motion and proxy shall be sent in writing, by mail to AGM@ziwc.ch or by post to Giuliana Hug, Hofstrasse 35, 6300 Zug

Approval of 2022-2023 Board Members

President • Cristina Rocco
Vice President
Advertising
Annual Events • Julija Utkina
Escape • Alicia Toledo
Hospitality • Veerle VanDionant
Interest Groups • Charis Theodorika
Marketing • Andrea Wörrlein
Membership • Susan Laudenbacher
Magazine Editor • Suzy Andricopoulos
Secretary • Giuliana Hug
Treasurer • Lilia Pascua-Volejnicek
Website



By Monday 11 April 2022

- Members must register online for the AGM (as you would for any other club event) – Zoom link in the event. No late registrations will be accepted. If you are not online, please RSVP by SMS to Giuliana Hug on 076 483 01 07.
- Final AGM Agenda will be posted in the event Calendar. The Treasurer's Financial Report will be presented at the AGM and will be available on the website after the AGM.

By 20 April 2022

- Board will decide whether to hold a virtual or live AGM. Information will be in the Club Event Calendar.

About Voting

Voting will be by simple majority vote of Members (virtually) present, as well as any proxy votes.
You may provide your proxy to another Club Member, in writing, if you wish to have that person represent your voting interests at the AGM. Please send your signed proxy statement to AGM@ziwc.ch or to the Club Secretary by 26 April 2022 (1 week before the AGM).
In the event of a tie, the President has an additional casting vote.

Proposed Agenda

18:00 Apéro (only if AGM is live)

18:30 **Business of the Current Board:**

1. Approval of the Minutes of the 2021 AGM (Vote 1)
2. Report from President, Cristina Rocco 2021-2022
3. Report from Treasurer, Lilia Pascua-Volejnicek for the Annual financial closing as of 31 March 2022
   - Auditor's Report
   - Approval of the 2021-2022 Treasurer's Report (Vote 2)
4. Approval of Constitution updates
5. Any other business of the outgoing Board

19.20 Break

19.30 **Business of the Incoming Board:**

6. New Board Members 2022-23 (Vote 3 announcement of result)
7. Budget for 2022-23 (Vote 4)
8. Election of Auditors for the year 2022-2023 (Vote 5)
9. Any other business of the new Board

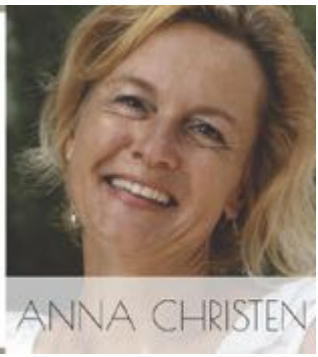
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SHOWCASE ZIWC TALENT

SIEHBACHSAAL *Saturday 14 May 2022*

Our Club is full of **Wonder Women** with skills and talents, who create and design and successfully run businesses of all kinds. We would like to showcase this expertise and give you the opportunity to present it not only to fellow Club Members, but the broader public as well.

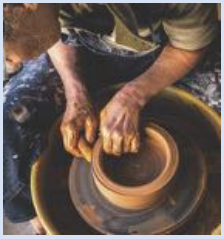
We have hired the *SIEHBACHSAAL* in Zug to showcase the talents of our ZIWC Members. We would like to invite you to express your interest in a stand or if you are ready, just go ahead and book one straight off!

Location: SIEHBACHSAAL, Zug
Event time: 11:00-16:00
Set-up: ca 9:30
Cost of stand: ZIWC members CHF25, non-members CHF50
(Club Members have priority)

Stand holders will be responsible for setting up their own stall, clearing up and taking their own rubbish home etc.

So, craftswomen, designers, photographers, wine-growers, caterers, artists, businesswomen – this is your chance to show off!
Contact vicepresident@ziwc.ch or phone 041 780 43 07 to book your table or get more information.











February Lunch Club

Join us for the ZIWC February Lunch Club at Aklin at the Zuger Zytturm in the Altstadt, Zug

When: Thursday 24 February - **Schmutziger Donnerstag** - **12:00**

Where: **Restaurant Aklin**, at the Zuger Zytturm, Kolinplatz 10, 6300 Zug
www.restaurantaklin.ch/en/

Booking: Please register on the ZIWC website

Booking deadline: **Midnight Saturday 19 February**
(early registration is greatly appreciated, please)

In years gone by, lunch at the Aklin restaurant on Schmutziger Donnerstag has been a special event for the ZIWC Lunch Club, as Zug's Fasnacht celebrations begin on that day and will reach Kolinplatz at 14:30, see www.zugerchesslete.ch
This is a great opportunity to be part of a Zug tradition following lunch in one of Zug's most iconic venues.

Contact: Ailbhe Fallon on 07869 85160 or at ailbhe.fallon@fallon-currie.com

If you need to cancel please email Ailbhe Fallon on or before 18 February.
Similarly, if you would like to attend once the table is full, please contact Ailbhe to ascertain whether there have been cancellations.

Directions: Old Town Zug District, up the stairs on the right of the Zytturm, from Kolinplatz.

Menu: to be confirmed

ZIWC cancellation Policy (Article 4.f) applies.

ZIWC November Lunch, Zunfthaus Kreuz

Food was good and the view spectacular.



Photo by Vivi Jensen



Name the Magazine Contest Winner

Thank you to all the members who participated.

We had a wonderful range of well thought out names.
It was a close vote, with ***Connect!***, from Helena Lustenberger ultimately winning the bottle of Champagne. She has also, along with our talented Graphic Designer, Ron Sumners, selected the design of this first cover of **Connect!**

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Escapes on a Winter Sleigh Ride in Raten



Join us for a winter adventure over the hills of Raten.

Date: Thursday 24 February 2022

Time: Meet at 14:00, tour begins at 14:30

Where: Meeting point will be the Raten Restaurant parking

Costs: 50CHF per person

Transportation to the Raten restaurant can be arranged by carpooling or by public transportation (bus). Details to follow closer to the date.

Booking deadline: February 17 2022

Contact: For questions or more information please contact Amy Egger on 076 761 91 35 or at escape@ziwc.ch.

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NEW BOARD MEMBERS



Suzy Andricopoulos
ZIWC Magazine Editor Chair

My name is Suzy and I'm wife to husband Ari and mum to 13- and 11-year-old boys and an 8-year-old daughter. After moving to Zug from our native home in London, UK, we quickly settled into life here in Switzerland, appreciating the beautiful landscapes, the great outdoors, as well as finding hobbies and forging lifelong friendships. It's been nearly 11 years and we feel very at home and integrated here. Originally trained as a clinical pharmacist, I now work in medical editing and am thrilled to have the opportunity to take on the Editor role for the new ZIWC magazine.

Charis Theodorika
ZIWC Interest Groups Chair



Greece – Zug
Born in Athens, Greece, moved to Zurich, Switzerland in March 2006 after completing Environmental Management studies in Greece. I worked in Switzerland and abroad and moved to Zug in 2014. I have two girls, 7 and 9.5 and I joined the club in 2020 to meet people in Zug.
I like yoga, swimming, reading, crafting and knitting.



Susan Laudenbacher
Membership Chair

Born in the UK, I moved to Switzerland on a temporary basis, where I met and married my late husband, moving the temporary to permanent. I have two daughters and we ran our businesses until 2019 when I moved to Zug. I currently live in Cham and joined the Club in 2018.
My hobbies are spending time with walking my two maltese dogs, dancing, gardening, travelling and listening to music.

Alicia Toledo
Escape Chair



Hello ladies! My name is Alicia Toledo. I moved to Zug a year ago from Miami and am still working on learning German. In the meantime, I look forward to planning Escapes for us to enjoy as we get to know each other and have a wonderful time. Travelling, culinary arts and fellowship are things I enjoy quite a bit and am grateful for the ZIWC for bringing us together.

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NEW BOARD MEMBERS



Julija Utkina
Annual Events Chair

Originally from Lithuania, I spent 8 years in London studying and working as an Events Manager in corporate, sports and luxury fields. Events are my passion - throughout my career I had a chance to host events around the world, work at the London 2012 Olympic Games, shake Prince William's (and Justin Timberlake's!) hands, and most importantly create happy memories for numerous clients. Since moving to Switzerland almost 3 years ago, I have lived in Lausanne and Bern, and finally I am happy to call Zug my home. I am excited to be part of the ZIWC community and deliver events that facilitate fruitful conversations and bring us closer together. My hobbies include art, tennis, yoga, skiing, choir singing and computer science, as I am currently shifting my career to IT.

Vacant positions:

Vice President	**Charity Coordinator**
Web Editor	**Business Networking Group Coordinator**
Advertising Chair	**Leaders for Interest Groups**

If one of these positions appeals to you, please send your interest to the Nominating Committee Chair: Veerle Vandionant at hospitality@ziwc.ch.

Looking forward to have you on Board
Veerle Vandionant
Hospitality Chairwoman ZIWC

Escapes to TRIESTE with the Italian Wine Tasting group



Date: Thu 24 March till Sun 27 March 2022
Where: Different Locations in Italy, Lonato del Garda, Trieste, Collio, Verona
Time: To be confirmed, leaving from Zug Bahnhof by private coach
Program: We'll visit five wine producers (Garda lake & Friuli Venezia Giulia)

Overnighting at the Hilton hotel, Trieste. Additional visits include Trieste, Miramare Castle, the Illy Coffee Plant and Verona.

ZIWC Members and +1
IMCZ Members are welcome.

Maximum group numbers of 20 people on a first come first served basis.
More details soon on website or contact escape@ziwc.ch

Frauen Sind Unschlagbar

Women Are Unbeatable is a campaign run by organisations in canton Zug to help women who are victims of sexual and domestic violence. These crimes have doubled in incidence since the COVID pandemic! Canton Zug now has a dedicated website where victims can go to find help and resources: **www.haeusliche-gewalt-nein.ch**



Lichterkette the "chain of lights" representing a path of hope for all victims.

These are organisations that can help:

- **Zug Police** dept. responsible for domestic violence: **+41 41 728 41 41** **haeusl.gewalt@zg.ch**
- **Eff-Zett (Frauenzentrale)**: **+41 41 725 26 00** **www.eff-zett.ch**
- **KESB** Canton Zug: **+41 41 723 79 70,** **www.zg.ch/behoerden/direktion-des-innern/kues**
- **Herberge für Frauen Zug (Refuge): +41 41 727 76 86** **www.herbergefuerfrauen.ch info in English**

Women from all backgrounds can face crises at home or outside the home (stalking etc). There is no need to suffer alone or let the children suffer. Help is at hand. Should you or someone you know need help, you can contact the above dedicated institutions.If you need help with German, you can call the ZIWC Vice President, Helena, on 041 780 43 07. You can be sure of complete discretion and an understanding ear.

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February Monthly Dinner

Join us at one of the best Thai restaurants in the old town of Zug, the **Gotthärdli am See**. The restaurant is very near to the Postplatz and they will be reserving a private room for us again on the second floor. We are looking forward to repeating this experience.

When: **Thursday 17 February**

Where: Restaurant **Gotthärdli am See**, Seestrasse 3, 6300 Zug, 1st floor. Take the bus to Postplatz, or park there or at the Casino. The restaurant is near Brasserie Löwen. Please register online (or email to webeditor@ziwc.ch if you cannot register online by yourself)

Time: **18.00**
Booking deadline: Wednesday, 16 February
Contact: Valerie Gitter 079 763 46 06 or at vgitter@bluewin.ch for questions only.
Menu: We will be choosing 'à la carte' from their delicious **Thai menu**

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Accident Insurance:
Participation in any club event is at your own risk. It is each participant's responsibility to have personal and accident insurance.

007 JAMES BOND BALL

MARCH 11 - 2022

The Annual Events Team is delighted to invite you to ...

What: **James Bond Gala Ball**

When: **Friday 11 March 2022** 18:30-23:30

Where: **Neuhof Kulinaria**
Oberneuhofstrasse 8 - 6340 Baar

How much: ZIWC and IMCZ Members: 110 CHF
Guest: 150 CHF

Dress code: Fascinating James Bond characters

Menu: Welcome drink, finger food and 3 course dinner

Special Diets: *For any other special dietary requirements, please send an email to* annualevents@ziwc.ch

Drinks: Two bottles of red wine and one bottle of white wine per table included and carafes of still water, coffee, tea, with dessert. Any other drinks can be ordered and paid at your table. A full cash bar will be available after dinner.

Entertainment: Music and … it's a 007 party so the rest is a secret!!

Registration: Please register online. Let us know with whom you would like to be seated (each table can seat 8 people). Ladies' tables are also available on request.

Booking & Payment Deadline: 22 February 2022
By credit card or to our bank account:
Zug International Women's Club, Post Finance, 6340 Baar.
A/C No 17-521935-3, IBAN CH40 0900 0000 1752 1935 3.
Please state "James Bond" and the names of the guests on the payment.

How to get there: Bus Number 1 departs from Zug Bahnhof and stops right outside of the hotel. Limited car parking outside the hotel, carpooling highly recommended.

COVID 19 updates
In case of a change in COVID 19 safety rules the Club will reschedule or refund Members based on a decision by the Board.

ZIWC Cancellation Policy (Article 4.f) and required personal accident insurance applies.

February 2022

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
	1 9:00 **Badminton** 13:30 **Social Walk**	**2** 9:45 **Zug Stammtisch** 13:30 **Intermediate Walking/Hiking Group**
7 13:30 **Social Walk**	**8**	**9** 9:45 **Zug Stammtisch** 13:30 **Intermediate Walking/Hiking Group**
14 13:30 **Social Walk**	**15** 14:00 **Book Club** **Fit and Kicking Group**	**16** 9:45 **Zug Stammtisch** 13:30 **Intermediate Walking/Hiking Group**
21 13:30 **Social Walk** 17:30 **Italian Wine Tasting**	**22** 9:00 **Badminton** 14:30 **NEW! Aegeri Coffee** 16:00 **Italian Wine Tasting** 19:00 **Emotional Intelligence Monthly Workshop**	**23** 9:45 **Zug Stammtisch** 13:30 **Intermediate Walking/Hiking Group**
28 13:30 **Social Walk** 18:00 **BNG - My life story with Opera**		
		

Remember to check out our Website www.ziwc.ch for up-to-date calendar, photos and membership news. Have you joined our Facebook Group? www.facebook.com/groups/zuginternationalwomensclub/

Please note the changes to the Club's cancellation policy on p.4

Please note all events will be per BAG (Federal Office of Public Health) regulations, including COVID certification requirements.

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	WEEKEND
3 11:00 **English Intermediate Group**	**4** 9:15 **Fitness Hiking Group**	**5** SATURDAY **6** SUNDAY
10 15:00 **Italian for beginners** 16:00 **Italian conversation** 19:00 **"Wellness Matters" Workshop**	**11**	**12** SATURDAY **13** SUNDAY
17 9:45 **Cham Coffee** 18:00 **Monthly Dinner** **Joint Stammtisch with IMCZ**	**18** 	**19** SATURDAY **20** SUNDAY
24 9:45 **Walchwil Coffee** 11:00 **English Intermediate Group** 12:00 **Monthly Lunch** 14:30 **Sleigh Ride Raten** 15:00 **Italian for beginners** 16:00 **Italian conversation**	**25** 9:15 **Fitness Hiking Group** 17:30 **BNG Apero For Working Women**	**26** SATURDAY **Appreciation Event** **27** SUNDAY
		
		

Hospitality

Veerle Vandionant - Hospitality Chairwoman
Organises regular social events for Members.
Welcomes new Club Members. She also provides information, related to our Club activities, to potential New Members and current Members.

Stammtisch

The Hospitality Team is pleased to host our *Stammtisch* again.

Please note that all events will be per BAG (Federal Office of Public Health) regulations, including COVID certification requirements so please bring your COVID certificate with ID or a negative PCR-test.

When: Every Wednesday, 9:45-12:00 (except public holidays)
Where: Park Hotel, Industriestrasse 14, 6302 Zug
Parking is available at the hotel. Your ticket needs to be validated at the reception.

Cham Coffee

Karin has created a Whatsapp group to keep members informed about attendance. Whatsapp or email her if you will be attending. If you live in the Cham area (Hünenberg, Knonau,...) and are interested in joining the coffee, call Karin to be added to the group.

When: Third Thursday of the month, 10:00–11:45
Where: Cafe Plaza, Kirchbuhl 5, 6330 Cham
Contact: Karin Resch, +43 664 421 27 75, karin-resch@bluewin.ch

Walchwil Coffee

Why not come and join us for a cup of tea or coffee and a friendly chat?

When: Last Thursday of the month, 9:30–11:00
Where: Riviera Café, Dorfstrasse 19, 6318 Walchwil
Contact: Sarah Paul 079 279 97 48 paulfamily@bluewin.ch

New!!!! Aegeri Coffee

With the Cham and Walchwil area coffees going strong, we are delighted to announce that we have a significant amount of Members in the Aegeri area. The coffee takes place on the last Tuesday of every month and has had its premiere in January. The first few coffees will take place at Tina Niederer's historic Bommerhüttli, a little outside of Unterägeri. Going forward, the location might change.

Don't miss the opportunity to meet other Members for a lively get-together in the Aegeri area! Please register on the website calendar as spaces are limited to 8 for now.

For any questions you can contact Tina on 077 479 13 11

February Contact Drinks

Our February get-together for new members will be in Walchwil and our host will be Christine Blanshard.

Where: Horndlirain 21, 6318 Walchwil
When: Thursday 17 February 2022 15:00-17:00
Max capacity: 10
Registration deadline: 14 February 2022

Please contact: Christine on +447885911116
or Veerle at hospitality@ziwc.ch or 077 505 12 13

Hope to see you there!

March *Contact coffee*

In March, Lilia Pascua will be hosting our monthly get-together in Oberarth.

Where: Muehlemoosweg 12, 6414 Oberarth
When: Thursday March 10, 10:00-12:00
Max capacity: 10
Registration deadline: 7 March 2022

Please contact: Lilia on 076 398 08 58 or Veerle at hospitality@ziwc.ch or 077 505 12 13





Bar&Lounge

February / March

Meeting Details: Usually Tuesdays, once a month at 18:30

Please check the Website Calendar for the dates for February and March or contact Ingela Stigemar at dent_stigemar@bluewin.ch

Note: Registration is mandatory - latest 24 hours in advance of event.

ZIWC Cancellation Policy Applies

Join us for an apéro after work or a long day. Meet up with other Members and share your stories.

March Monthly Dinner

Do you like Mexican food (guacamole, fajitas, burritos, enchiladas, tostadas) and cocktails (Margaritas, Daiquiris, Mojitos, Piña Colada)? Then join us in March at **Juanito's** to celebrate the arrival of spring. *Please note that there will be some loud Latin music played during the dinner, so be prepared.*

When: **Wednesday 23 March**

Where: Restaurant Juanito's, Vorstadt 20, 6300 Zug. You can take the bus to Postplatz, park at the Coop City and walk, or walk from the Zug train station. Please register online (or send a mail to webeditor@ziwc.ch if you cannot register online by yourself)

Time: **18.30**

Booking deadline: Tuesday 22 March

Contact: Valerie Gitter 079 763 46 06 or at vgitter@bluewin.ch for questions only.

Menu: We will be choosing 'à la carte' from their **Mexican / Tex-Mex menu** and sampling their delicious cocktails

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Accident Insurance:
Participation in any club event is at your own risk. It is each participant's responsibility to have personal and accident insurance.

Wellness Matters

The Fundamentals Workshop Series

You're smart, you're savvy and you've decided that now is the time to kickstart your energy levels, get your skin glowing, manage your stress and get into your best shape ever; your only problem is knowing where to start.

You've already tried pretty much everything there is to try, and you're well informed about most aspects of wellness, yet somehow, for some reason, that magic sweet spot of effortless vitality and healthy weight consistently eludes you.

You are not on your own. This is the case for most of us. It is mainly because the fundamental aspects of health and wellness are typically treated as separate topics and the important connections are often ignored or overlooked.

During this series of six fascinating workshops, you'll discover the relationship between the fundamental elements of wellness and how they each play their part and contribute to your overall well-being.

Whether it be poor sleep, an inability to shift stubborn weight gain, constant headaches, or any of the multitude of signs that our well-being is compromised, understanding what really drives our health and wellness and building an understanding of how closely connected each of these elements are, is a game changer.

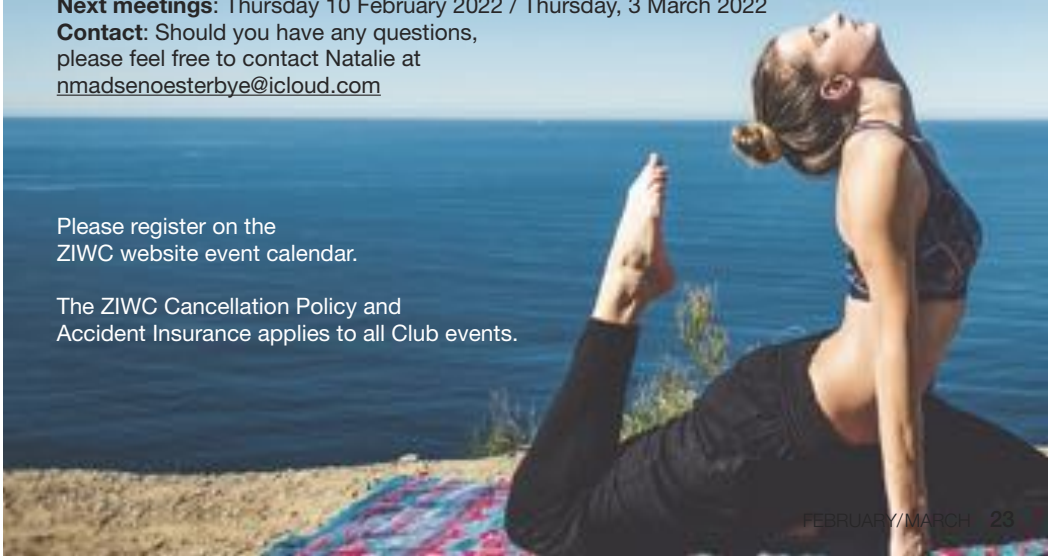
Hosted by a certified Wellness and Nutrition Coach, the workshops will introduce you to an integrated way of managing your health and wellness. We will start by exploring each of the six aspects of wellness, and then learn how each is connected to the other.

The workshops will be held monthly and will be in person and interactive sessions. In the case of government rules changing, due to the nature of these workshops, they might be rescheduled. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Natalie Madsen-Oesterbye.

Speaker: Natalie Madsen-Oesterbye FCIPD, MCMA Practitioner
Location: Haus zum Lernen, Stadt Zug, St-Oswalds-Gasse 20, 3 OG, 6300 Zug
Time: 19:00 - 20:30
Next meetings: Thursday 10 February 2022 / Thursday, 3 March 2022
Contact: Should you have any questions,
please feel free to contact Natalie at
nmadsenoesterbye@icloud.com

Please register on the
ZIWC website event calendar.

The ZIWC Cancellation Policy and
Accident Insurance applies to all Club events.



March 2022

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
	**1** 9:00 **Badminton** 14:30 **Gardening Group**	**2** 9:45 **Zug Stammtisch** 13:30 **Intermediate Walking/Hiking Group**
7 13:30 **Social Walk** 19:00 **Emotional Intelligence Monthly Workshop**	**8** 9:00 **Badminton**	**9** 9:45 **Zug Stammtisch** 13:30 **Intermediate Walking/Hiking Group**
14 13:30 **Social Walk**	**15** 9:00 **Badminton** 14:00 **Book Club** **Fit and Kicking Group**	**16** 9:45 **Zug Stammtisch** 13:30 **Intermediate Walking/Hiking Group**
21 13:30 **Social Walk**	**22** 9:00 **Badminton**	**23** 9:45 **Zug Stammtisch** 13:30 **Intermediate Walking/Hiking Group** 18:30 **Monthly Dinner**
28 13:30 **Social Walk**	**29** 9:00 **Badminton** 14:30 **NEW! Aegeri Coffee**	**30** 9:45 **Zug Stammtisch** 12:00 **Monthly Lunch** 13:30 **Intermediate Walking/Hiking Group**
		

Remember to check out our Website www.ziwc.ch for up-to-date calendar, photos and membership news. Have you joined our Facebook Group? www.facebook.com/groups/zuginternationalwomensclub/

Please note the changes to the Club's cancellation policy on p.4

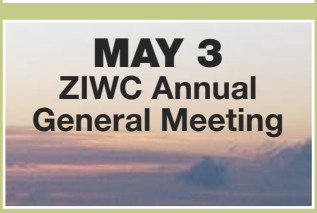
Please note all events will be per BAG (Federal Office of Public Health) regulations, including COVID certification requirements.

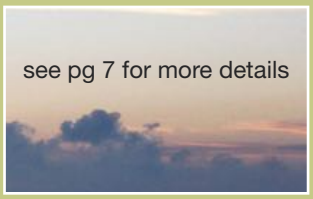
THURSDAY	FRIDAY	WEEKEND
3 10:00 **Escape To Glasi** 11:00 **English Intermediate Group** 19:00 **"Wellness Matters" Workshop**	**4** 9:15 **Fitness Hiking Group**	**5** SATURDAY **6** SUNDAY
10 11:00 **Oberarth Contact Coffee** 11:00 **English Intermediate Group** 15:00 **Italian for beginners** 16:00 **Italian conversation**	**11** 9:15 **Fitness Hiking Group** **James Bond Gala Ball**	**12** SATURDAY **13** SUNDAY
17 9:45 **Cham Coffee** 11:00 **English Intermediate Group** **Joint Stammtisch with IMCZ**	**18** 9:15 **Fitness Hiking Group** 17:30 **BNG Apero For Working Women**	**19** SATURDAY **20** SUNDAY
24 11:00 **English Intermediate Group**	**25**	**26** SATURDAY **27** SUNDAY
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Italian Wine Tasting Weekend in Triste 24 -27







March Lunch Club

Join us for the ZIWC March Lunch Club at Puccini Ristorante



When: **Wednesday 30 March 2022**

Where: **Puccini Ristorante**, Vorstadt 26, Zug
www.puccini.ch

Booking: Please register on the ZIWC website

Booking deadline: **Midnight Friday 25 March**
(early registration is greatly appreciated, please)

Contact: Ailbhe Fallon on 07869 85160 or at ailbhe.fallon@fallon-currie.com

If you need to cancel please email the Lunch Club Coordinator Ailbhe Fallon on or before March 25. Similarly, if you would like to attend once the table is full, please contact Ailbhe to ascertain whether there have been cancellations.

Menu: to be confirmed closer to the date

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English Afternoon Tea



14.30 – 16.00 every Saturday

English Afternoon Tea: CHF 36.00 per person
English Afternoon Tea: CHF 48.00 per person
including a glass of champagne

Restaurant Seefeld at the Seminarhotel Tel. +41 41 754 61 61
Seestrasse 10, CH-6314 Unterägeri Sha@seminarhotelagerisee.ch

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We serve sweet and savoury delicacies with freshly-brewed tea: sandwiches, avocado, organic egg, Aegeri cheese, country ham, Scottish smoked salmon, scones with strawberry jam, small cake, shortbread, almond tart, fruit tart

Interest Groups

Anastasia Tziapoura, the Interest Group Chairwoman,
manages and coordinates existing interest groups, facilitates the creation of new groups, and promotes interest group activities to the membership.
Contact: **interestgroups@ziwc.ch**

Participation in physical exercise or training activities is at your own risk. It is the participant's responsibility to have personal and accidental insurance.

Italian Wine Tasting

Are you a fan of wine? Don't miss this opportunity!
Join this group for a tasting tour through Italian wines.
Group leader Lorella is a certified sommelier.
Membership in this group is limited, but please contact Lorella for space availability and meeting details.
The participants must have a valid COVID certificate, as per up-to-date governmental rules.

Cost: 15 CHF per session for wine and savoury snacks.

Meeting Details: The next meetings will be on the following dates:

Group 1: **Tuesday February 22 16:00**
Location: **Helena Lustenberger**; Reussblick 4, 6331 Hunenberg.
The booked room, situated in a private building, is big and well-aerated and the area has plenty of parking.

Group 2: NEW! Afterwork group **Monday 21 Feb 17:30**
Cristina Rocco; Aabachstrasse 10, 6300 Zug (5th floor)

Contact: Lorella Benedetto on 078 652 13 96 and lorella.benedetto@libero.it. Please confirm attendance with Lorella.



Last Minute Outings WhatsApp Group

If you are interested in receiving spontaneous invitations to various outings, as proposed by Valerie, please join this group by texting her. This group communicates only by WhatsApp and only reply if you are willing to join the outing!

Contact: Valerie Gitter on 079 763 46 06



Knit and Natter

This is just the group for those interested in knitting and crochet. You will have fun, find encouragement, get professional advice, learn new ideas, and make new friends. People wishing to learn are very welcome.

Meeting Details: Once every three weeks at Ober Altstadt 10, Zug

Contact: Antonia Latter
076 386 00 05, or
antonia.latter@bluewin.ch



Tapas & Friends Group

Hablas español? Have you studied Spanish in college? Is your partner Mexican? Have you lived abroad in a Spanish speaking country? Have you learned this language while travelling in South America? Have you studied Spanish online over the last few years? Then this new interest group is for you! We will be meeting every 2-3 months to go out for tapas, cook a paella or Mexican food together, see a film in Spanish in the cinema, visit a Frida Kahlo art exposition or even go to a concert of a Latin singer when they are in Switzerland.

We will speak exclusively in Spanish during these outings and you will be able to learn new words and remember those that you haven't used in a long time… This group will mainly meet in the evening, on weekdays.

If you are interested in being part of this group, send a mail or a WhatsApp message to Valerie Gitter on 079 763 46 06 or at vgitter@bluewin.ch

New Emotional Intelligence Workshop Group

Issues, misunderstandings and arguments are part of every relationship, be it personal or professional, but how you react will dictate how you feel afterwards. Were you able to convey your thoughts and intentions to the other person? Were you able to really 'listen' to the other person's reason and explanation or was it lost in the heat of the moment? Did you respond or did you react?

The human heart's biggest desire is to be seen, heard and understood. Be it your spouse, your children, your boss or colleagues, deep down they just want to be respected. They want to share their thoughts and opinions, and most of all want to convey their feelings (eg fear, vulnerability, pain, sadness, insecurity) but may not know how to or feel able to, and maybe you too feel the same.

If you want to discover more rewarding ways to communicate with others, then these workshops will definitely be thought-provoking, engaging and unexpected.

The Interest Group Leader for this new group is **Shilpa Sukumar**. Shilpa is a certified, professional life coach & NLP Master Practitioner. She will share some of the insights and techniques that will help you improve your social, personal and professional relationships. She will hold monthly workshops on specific topics. The first topic of discussion will be ***'Four Things That will Change the Way you Communicate'.***

The Group will be meeting monthly, usually on a Tuesday or unless otherwise stated in advance, at the Attic Room, Bibliothek Zug.

If you are interested in more details, please contact Shilpa Sukumar at shilpa@mindaid.ch.

For further information visit www.mindaid.ch/emotional-intelligence/

Meeting: **Tuesday 22 February**
Monday 7 March

Time: **19:00-20:30** for both sessions

Location: Attic Room, Bibliothek Zug
St. Oswalds-Gasse 21, 6301 Zug

Please register on the ZIWC website event calendar.

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Let's go shopping

Welcome to the Shopping Centre Zugerland with 50 shops and the biggest Migros Supermarket in Central Switzerland.

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Book Reading Morning Group

All women wishing to participate in book reading and discussion are very welcome to join us!

Meeting Details: Once a month at Ober Altstadt 10, Zug

Contact: Antonia Latter 076 386 00 05 or antonia.latter@bluewin.ch

Afternoon Book Club

If you are interested in reading a new book and discussing it with other Club members over a coffee on a Monday afternoon, please join Diane in our new Afternoon Book Club. The books will be chosen in turns by all members of the group!

Meeting Details: Once a month on a **Monday** at **14:00** - the place of meeting will be decided among the group Members

Contact: Diane Price on 079 192 75 35 or at pricefamily1@aol.com





Book Club - Fit and Kicking Group!

Book Club - Fit and Kicking! This book club focuses on non-fiction books which cover the latest scientific findings on health and wellbeing with the aim of improving quality of life and vitality. The group will review one non-fiction book each month. Topics will be wide-ranging and will include any aspect of healthy living which we deem to be of interest, such as stress reduction, gut and brain health, sleep and more. The group meets in person once per month on a Tuesday afternoon from 14:00 to 16:00.

Disclaimer: This group will not provide medical recommendations of any sort. Each participant must decide what information or activities they would like to include in their life. All medical conditions should be addressed with a doctor or another authorised medical practitioner.

Meeting Details: The next meetings will be on
Tuesday, 15 February at **14:00**
Tuesday, 15 March at **14:00**

Group Leaders Contact:
Jan Frei on 079 335 76 69 or at jan.freicox@outlook.com
Caroline G. Hoem at cghoem@outlook.com

Badminton

Badminton is a great way to have some exercise and fun at the same time! The badminton group plays every Tuesday morning. New members are always welcome, and some previous experience is recommended but not necessary!

Meeting Details:
Every **Tuesday** at **09:00**
Location: Sports Zugerland, Riedstrasse 1A, 6330 Cham.
www.sports-zugerland.ch

Contact: Gillian Nolan on 079 617 20 45 or at gillianenolan@gmail.com



Social Walk

A weekly social walk for members who enjoy walking at a leisurely pace. We walk on Monday afternoons at 13:30 for 7km/90 minutes (plus a coffee stop!) and is a great way to make new friends! This group is managed via WhatsApp. If you would like to join, please send your mobile number.

Contact: Jan Frei on 079 335 76 69 or at jan.freicox@outlook.com

Intermediate Walking / Hiking Group

The Intermediate Walking/Hiking Group runs walks of around 1.5 to 2.5 hours every Wednesday afternoon. There may be some hikes in the mountains, but they will be done at an intermediate pace, with short stops if necessary. The group members will take turns in choosing and leading a walk. If you want to exercise and make new friends at the same time do join our new group!

Meeting Details:
Every **Wednesday** at **13:30**

Contact: Jan Frei on 079 335 76 69 or at jan.freicox@outlook.com

Zuger Trophy Walking and Running Group

We will be taking part in the Zugerberg Finanz Trophy on **Tuesday mornings** at **9:00**. There are 6 stages, with each location offering a short, middle or long distance ranges. You can walk, nordic walk or run, the choice is yours. For those who register with ZIWC as their 'verein', you can win prizes both through direct registration and competing or by winning a random draw for any prizes won by the club.

Pre-season begins on February 22 and runs for 4 weeks on the Zug middle 5.9 km loop.

Contact: Amy Egger on 076 761 91 35 or at eggeramy@gmail.com to be added to the WhatsApp group.



Fitness Hiking

This is a sport fitness hiking group. The group walks with a speedy pace in the mountains around Zug. Please show up FIT for the hike. Every session will take around 2 hours. Please email Amy Egger if you would like to participate!

Meeting Details:
Every **Friday** at **09:15**

Contact:
Amy Egger on 076 761 91 35 or by email at eggeramy@gmail.com

Gardening Interest Group

Grow your own!!

Learn how to grow your own vegetables in an easy way on your balcony or terrace. You learn all about how to plan, sow, grow and harvest.
Émely calls herself a foodie by birth, having grown up in her mom's kitchen and garden. Her two biggest passions are cooking and gardening, as in growing her own herbs and vegetables. Since her recovery from cancer, she dedicated her terrace to growing her own vegetables and loves to share her passion, knowledge, and expertise with you.
You do not need 'green fingers' because this group is for everybody passionate about food, vegetables, and herbs, from beginners to seasoned gardeners.
The vegetable gardening group still has spots for vegetable loving ladies who'd like to (start) growing their own produce on their balcony, terrace or in the garden.

Meeting details: First **Tuesday of the month** in the afternoon from **14:30 – 16:00**

Where: We meet at variable locations, announced in the WhatsApp group a few days ahead of our meeting date

Contact: Émely Steegstra-Hendrix on 077 490 73 74 or emelyziwc@gmail.com
Registration: Please per WhatsApp as you will be added to our group for communication purposes

If you are not a member, kindly contact interestgroups@ziwc.ch to get your free trial.



Cooking Group

Diane Price, the Interest Group Leader of the Cooking Group is inviting you to join and share your experiences with her!

"Whilst in Singapore I was part of a cooking group which I really enjoyed. I found it fascinating to learn and try recipes from the other group members' home countries and then share the delicious food with them. You can prepare anything from a main course, baking item or even a three-course meal! The beauty of these groups is the flexibility - cook whatever you want. No pressure on anybody or expectations - even a salad is fine. You really do not need to be a great cook to host a session - I am certainly not! The idea is to get new recipe ideas and meet up with people to share the food. If you get different nationalities in a group, it is nice if they prepare something from their own countries. I am really enthusiastic about leading a similar group here in Zug."
The group meets on a **Thursday once a month** and in due course we could run meetings every 2nd week or even have additional evening or weekend sessions. We are aiming for a group of six members to keep things manageable.
If you will be hosting the group, you will normally arrange to begin at around **10:00** for a coffee before the session starts. The host will have planned what you are going to cook and will provide copies of the recipe(s) to the group members.

Contact: Diane Price on 079 192 75 35 or at pricefamily1@aol.com
Please register in the group by e-mail or WhatsApp.

Please check the website Calendar for the next meeting dates!!

NEW Last-Minute Tennis WhatsApp Group

Do you love playing tennis? Do you have difficulty in finding a co-player? Would you like to be spontaneously invited to play? Well, Adriana Schiraldi who comes from Argentina and loves playing tennis, would like to invite you to the New Last-Minute Tennis WhatsApp Group which will begin its activities in February!

Initially, Adriana will be monitoring the invitations/postings within the group but at a later stage any member can propose and organise singles or doubles games and will be responsible for arranging all the details ie. reserving the court and stating if it is for a single or a double game. The group members must be intermediate and/or high-level players (not beginners) who will enjoy practising their beloved sport and at the same time making new friends within the Club community!

This group will communicate only by WhatsApp, so if you are interested in being part of it, please join by texting Adriana!

Contact: Adriana Schiraldi on 079 744 17 46





Girls About Town WhatsApp group

'Girls About Town' will embrace and encourage **spontaneous** outings suggested by **any** member, such as a Ship Cruise, going for a drink or a stroll to the lake, watching a movie etc. The suggestion to be communicated can be as…. ***"it's a nice evening and I'd love to have a drink and/or stroll by the lake… would anyone like to join me?"*** or ***"I'm planning to visit the Art Museum Kunsthaus Zug on June 23 … would anyone like to join me?"***

When a member of the WhatsApp list has a suggestion for such an outing, they can send a message to the group recipients and inform them as to what the details of the outing suggestion are. From then on, **only** whoever is interested in joining, can either turn up or communicate together with the member suggesting the outing if they want to go together. These outings will operate only through the WhatsApp group. If time permits, the proposing member/organiser can ask the Web Editor to post on the Website 'Happening Now' section. If you are interested, send a WhatsApp with your full name to the Vice-President on 079 243 64 39.

Conversation Groups

NEW German Language Conversation Group

The German Language Conversation Group starts its activities again with a new leader, Agnès Reicke. If you are currently learning or you are a bit more advanced, this is the best way to start practising your German conversation skills! The Group will be meeting on a **Wednesday morning from 10:00 to 11:00** so if you are interested in joining the Group please contact the group leader Agnès Reicke for more details at agnes@reickeglaus.ch.

Italian Conversation Beginners Group & Intermediate/Advanced Group

If you are a fan of Italy's food, wine, fashion, and culture, here is your chance to learn the nuances of its beautiful 'singing' language. Marina Cesena and Cristina Rocco are native Italian speakers and are looking forward to welcoming new ladies!

Are you new to the Italian language or not so confident? We will have a **beginner's basic conversation** from **15:00 – 16:00**. Do you want to keep on learning? Are your conversation skills intermediate or more advanced? Then continue by joining the more **advanced group** from **16:00 – 17:00!**

Meeting Details: Currently the meetings take place at **La Taverna Metalli Zug**, on the **2nd and 4th Thursday of the month**, and last for approximately 1 hour, but always check the group calendar. It must be noted that in the case of government regulations / restrictions applied, the group meetings will be held virtually via zoom and this will be communicated in advance to the group members via WhatsApp.

Contact: Beginners Group: Marina Cesena at mcesena62@gmail.com
Advanced Group: Cristina Rocco on 079 444 40 56 or at cristina@italianallegria.com

English Intermediate

Members of this group discuss a topic through questions in a friendly atmosphere. Through our discussion we distinguish strong points and difficulties in the language and at the end of the lesson, important notes and grammar are analysed. This intermediate group is led by Eugenia Loras, a native speaker and certified English teacher.

Meeting Details: On Thursdays at 11:00 – 12:00 virtually via Skype

Contact: Eugenia Loras on 079 588 23 60 or at evloras@yahoo.ca





NEW Leaders Wanted for New and Existing Interest Groups

Business Networking Group (BNG)

We are looking for a new active and enthusiastic leader for our existing Business Networking Group! The group focuses on women who are interested in business topics, who are working, managing their company, intending to start up a new company, or are changing their working life. This group shares knowledge, experiences, information, ideas and techniques. The programme includes speeches, brainstorming sessions, workshops and coaching sessions. This group meets once a month in the evening. If you'd like to know more, please contact Interest Groups Chairwoman Anastasia Tziapoura at interestgroups@ziwc.ch.

New Mums and Toddlers Group

What if you are new to your city and haven't made any new friends yet? What if you don't live near family? Being a new parent is certainly rewarding but it can be challenging at times and it is always good to have a group where you can learn from other parents, ask others questions you may have, develop friendships with other stay-at-home mums, plus share in the joy of raising children. New mothers or those with young children can seek socialising, friendship and support from other mums, as well as playmates for their preschool children. You can find lifelong friends in such a group and sometimes they can be a life-saver for those who are feeling isolated or are perhaps new to our community. Mums in these groups can arrange among themselves stroller walking, playdates, having coffees, meeting by the lake, visiting playgrounds and planning short trips with their children. They can exchange knowledge, views and experiences with regards to health issues, school system and parenting in general! Starting such a group is a great way to bring mums and toddlers together! If you are interested in leading such a group, please contact Anastasia Tziapoura at interestgroups@ziwc.ch.

Tennis Interest Group

The Tennis Interest Group is looking for a new leader to reorganise its activities. Many ladies in our Club love playing tennis so if you are interested in leading the Group, please contact Meren Schawalder-Siems for more details at 041 711 76 74.

Lunch Kino WhatsApp Group

The Lunch Kino WhatsApp Group is looking for a new Leader to continue its activities. If you would like to lead such a group, please contact Interest Groups Chairwoman Anastasia Tziapoura at interestgroups@ziwc.ch.

Potential New Interest Groups

ZIWC members have requested additional activities be offered by the Club, and we are now looking for volunteers to share their expert knowledge for the enrichment and fun of fellow members. We are still looking for native speakers who would like to volunteer in leading any other than the existing language conversation groups at any level.

If any ZIWC member is willing to set up or lead any Interest Group, please contact Interest Groups Chairwoman Anastasia Tziapoura at interestgroups@ziwc.ch.

Spotlight Events!

Spotlight Events are member organised experiences created for other members. Exhibitions, movies, concerts, sightseeing, day trips and business presentations are examples of what a Spotlight Event may be. Ski trips, wine tasting, cooking lessons, direct sales parties, the possibilities are endless! Please get involved and think about organising an event. For additional guidelines you can find more information on the Club Website or contact Anastasia Tziapoura at interestgroups@ziwc.ch.



Seasonal Evening

Success Again!



The much-loved traditional Seasonal Evening was held in the historic *Pulverturm* in Zug, part of the old city's medieval wall. Gillian and her team of helpers decorated the venue in festive style with candles outside to show the way. Ladies in sparkly outfits kicked off the evening sipping prosecco and enjoying nibbles downstairs. The event continued upstairs where guests sampled potluck dishes from all over the world made by the partygoers themselves.





There was only room in this cosy venue for 30, but those ladies certainly made the most of a lovely evening, with delicious food, crackers and a glass or two to drink!

Escapes

Escape to Glasi Museum





Join us for a 'behind the scenes' tour of the glass factory in Hergiswil.

We will begin our tour in the 'Formed by Fire' museum. Following the museum visit, we will watch the glassblowers themselves while hard at work. We will have the opportunity to visit the glass archive, the priceless glass exhibition and much more. Book your spot for this incredible tour.

Date: Thursday 3 March 2022
Where: We will meet at the Zug Bahnhof
Departure: 9:03 with the IR75 train- direction Luzern- with connection on the S5 to Hergiswil
Time of tour at Hergiswil:10:00
Costs: CHF 5 per person.
Transportation to and from Hergiswil is covered by Members.
One way ticket with Halbtax is CHF 7.60.
Booking deadline: 24 February 2022
Contact: For questions or more information please contact Amy Egger on 076 761 91 35 or at escape@ziwc.ch .

Please register via the ZIWC website. The ZIWC cancellation policy applies.

Would you be interested in making your own Limoncello?

On **March 4** we will have a virtual class with a special teacher and the original recipe from Amalfi!

First we need to know how many of you are interested, so we can buy enough lemons.
The lemons will be delivered to Zug - directly from Amalfi coast!

Register online by **February 10**
For more information, contact cristinarocco64@outlook.com



Vivi Jensen

Verona!

On a balmy September day, four of us ladies met up at the Zug railway station ready for adventure. We were going to see the last opera performance at the open-air arena in Verona. From platform 3 we boarded the direct train taking us first class all the way to *Verona Porta Nuova*. A journey of just 4 1/2 hours.

We got a taxi, and ten minutes later we arrived at The Hotel Opera Relais de Charme. Wonderfully comfortable rooms with names from famous operas, like *The Barber of Seville* and *Romeo & Juliet.*

Having settled in and unpacking quickly, we headed out for our first meal on Italian soil in Corte Sgarzarie. Delicious food, grilled salmon with vegetables, venison with white truffles, and other delicacies. Wine from the region followed by desserts. A veritable feast for us and we loved sitting there.

Then it was back to the hotel for a speedy shower and change of clothes. We met in the lobby shortly after in all our finery, ready for the opera. Puccini's *Turandot* was performed on this, the last evening. As we approached the Verona Arena, a magnificent Roman amphitheatre from the first century, there was true magic in the air.

The venue accommodates thousands of spectators on several levels and many entrances. It was all handled efficiently by the Italian officials. After showing our Covid Certificates and having our temperature measured on the wrist, we could proceed to our seats in the *Poltrona*, the best seating area in the Arena. We joined people in elegant evening attire and lots of bling, which really comes into its own here, because the lighting is dimmed.





It was a marvellous performance of Puccini's *Turandot*. The final aria *Nessun Dorma*, 'let no one sleep', was sung twice, after the Italian audience went wild, shouting "Biss, Biss!" and stamping their feet. There we were under the starry sky, listening to the most famous aria being sung by a magnificent tenor, while the audience around us held lit candles. Even the birds came flying in to listen. By now the magical evening had become very dark. As we exited the Arena, we noted that the Square was lit by old-fashioned lamps. Joining the crowd we found a place to have a nightcap and enjoyed the balmy evening on the *Piazza Bra*.



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Find out what happens to the stowed away fugitive and if the ladies make it home safely! Go to ziwc.ch/happening-now a members only section of the ZIWC website and scroll down to find the "**Verona!**" post.

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