



April 2009

Dear Swiss Club member and friend of the Christchurch Swiss Club!

Autumn has definitely arrived and the trees are looking beautiful. It is hard to believe that Easter has already passed. I hope you enjoyed the few days off. The change of season reminds us that the Christchurch Swiss Club Annual General Meeting is not far away. This year's AGM will be held on

**When:** Monday 11 May 2009 at 7pm

**Where:** Old Stone House  
30 Shalamar Dr, Cracroft, Christchurch

We would like to invite you to a short AGM followed by pizza and the Swiss movie "Achtung, fertig, Charlie". We welcome everybody to our AGM; however only members who have paid their subscription are eligible to vote at the meeting.

At our last meeting, the committee decided not to change the membership fees for 2009. Economic times are harder and our membership fees should be affordable. The annual membership fee will remain at \$15 for a family or for an individual.

At this year's AGM, some long-serving committee members would like to stand down from their current positions. We hope to welcome some new members to our committee. The following positions will be vacant:

President, Vice President, Treasurer, Webmaster and Newsletter Editor.

If you are interested but are not sure what is involved in being on the committee, any of the current committee members would be happy to talk to you over the phone, over a coffee or a glass of wine. There were only 5 people on the committee this year, so some of us had to fill more than one position. As you can imagine this is not sustainable in the long run; however, it was great to see that so many of you were happy to help out when needed.

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who came along and helped out at the 1<sup>st</sup> of August, the Samichlaus and the Cultural Galore. Without your help we would not be able to run these events. At the same time, helping out at these events is a lot of fun (<http://www.swissclub.org.nz/pastevents.htm>).

On that note, I hope to see as many of you as possible on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> of May at the Old Stone House.

Verena Kreiliger

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#### **ACHTUNG, FERTIG, CHARLIE! (2004)**

This year's AGM again features a Swiss movie – apparently Swiss Army comic is the most successful movie at the Swiss box office since “[Der Schweizermacher](#)” from 1978!

#### **The plot**

In a Swiss church, Antonio Carrera is getting married to the pretty daughter of an Italian Mafioso, as army police marches in and takes him to the compulsory Swiss military school (RS – Rekrutenschule).

#### **The critics**

Well, the reviews are mixed – generally quite to very positive from viewers in Switzerland (7 to 9 out of 10), reasonable from film critics in Switzerland (5 to 6 out of 10), to rather miserable from reviewers outside Switzerland (2 to 4 out of 10). Well, why don't you come and watch it and make up your own mind!



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