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A.C.M. Objectives

A very brief & selective summary:

- To make known and promote Austrian culture in Australia with particular emphasis on Austrian fine arts, music and literature.
- To arrange performances of Austrian music in Australia.
- To maintain and develop the Austrian Cultural Centre as a place for providing cultural, social, recreational and sporting facilities from the joint funds of the Club
- To help enable children to participate in social, cultural and artistic activities.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

English & German

Dear Members & Friends of the Austrian Club Melbourne.

With fine weather bestowed on us, we once again experienced that lovely, long accustomed "Maypole" tradition. Musicians enthusiastically struck up cheery melodies, all the Stockshooters happily engaged themselves in erecting the Maypole and the contestants were resolutely intent on climbing the tree to seize the prized ribbons. The audience cheered the young climbers on, motivating them with exclamations of glee. The well-earned prize was a large Jagdwurst. We thank those who participated and congratulate those who were subsequently successful in claiming their Jagdwurst. Later three young lads, clad in Lederhosen, who just happened to be visiting from Austria, came along and for their part, climbed the pole and victoriously took possession of the last few sausages. The voluntary and paid staff worked a double shift on that Sunday. As the last attendant guests were departing from the daytime event, the first evening event guests were arriving. In a flash tables were redressed, bathrooms were checked and so on... It was a bit hectic for a while.

On this Sunday night we hosted the Liedertafel Arion choir and a visiting choir from Adelaide. Liedertafel Arion had performed a lovely concert earlier, in honour of this momentous day that celebrated the 150 year anniversary of the Liedertafel Arion choir. The Adelaide choir had participated in the festivities and, to relax and conclude this special day, many of the two choirs' members visited our premises. We must have had close to 230

Liebe Klub Mitglieder und Freunde des Österreichischen Klubs Melbourne.

Bei schönem Wetter erlebten wir wieder einmal einen schönen altgewohnten Maibaum Brauch. Die Musik spielte fest auf, die Stockschiesser waren allsamt bereit den Maibaum aufzustellen und die Teilnehmer waren erpicht den Baum zu erklettern um die begehrten Bänder zu erhaschen. Die Zuschauer feuerten ihrerseits die jungen Kletterer mit frohen Zurufen an. Der wohlverdiente Preis war eine große Jagdwurst und wir gratulieren allen recht herzlich zu ihrem gelungenen Aufstieg. Später kamen dann noch drei junge Burschen in Lederhosen, gerade zu Besuch aus Österreich, die ihrerseits den Maibaum erkletterten und die letzten Jagdwürste ergatterten. An diesem Sonntag hatte unser freiwilliges, sowie bezahltes Personal eine doppelte Arbeitsschicht. Als sich die letzten Tagesgäste verabschiedeten, konnten wir schon die ersten Gäste des Abends begrüßen. Blitzschnell wurden Tische ab und wieder neu gedeckt, die Badezimmer geprüft, usw. Es war für eine kurze Weile ganz schön hektisch.

An diesem Sonntag feierte die Liedertafel Arion ihr 150 jähriges Jubiläum. Für ihre Feier gab der Chor an diesem Ehrentag ein schönes Konzert, wobei sich ein Chor aus Adelaide anschloß. Zur Entspannung und Beendigung eines festlichen Tages kamen viele Chor-Mitglieder in unseren Klub. Wir hatten ungefähr 250 Gäste und im Klub herrschte eine großartige Atmosphäre!

Am 8. Mai brachten die I.C. Rock mit ihrer lebhaften Musik die Leute richtig in

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persons in the Club. It was a great atmosphere for everyone!

On 8th May, I.C. Rock presented their lively music rendition, which really put people in the groove. For many, memories flooded back from the time "Elvis" was king and as the band took to the stage with a magnificent tribute to Elvis Presley, the well-known songs enthralled everyone and magically transported them back to another place and time in history...

Mothers' day was once again an important and significant day in the Club calendar. It was a packed house and celebrated accordingly. The youngest mother, the oldest mother and the mother with the most children all received potted flower prizes and the children had fun in the playground, on the dance floor and in competing in the "Austrian Club trail" competition.

Monday the 10th was a sad day for us. Our new neighbour had organised for the trees on his land to be felled. One by one they tumbled down, in an operation that went on all week. Our once lovely wood no longer exists and the windbreak it offered us has gone. Though we seem to have more light, the Stockshooters especially will notice the wind. Consequently we are looking for suitable trees to plant at the rear of the Stockbahn. Stephen Hatton devoted three days to relocating mulch from the cleared forest area to the front of our property. Now I am busily working my way around, in spreading it all out. The next big project will be the erection of a new fence.

From 10am - 2pm on Wednesday 12th May, seventy-eight students from Overnewton Anglican Community College, together with nine adults (a mix of teachers and parents), visited our Club. Many heartfelt thanks to Mira Schellander, Margaret Hirschauer, Ignaz Martinu, Marie Van Cuylenberg and the Ladies' Group for passing on information and showing different skills to the students. For lunch the students enjoyed Schnitzel and Chips and we served Farmers' Platter for the adults. A warm thank you goes to Ed Schellander, who teaches at the school, for encouraging the school to consider this excursion for the German Language students and to head them in our direction.

For the Hungarian evening on the 15th May, Stephen Hatton and I decorated the Main Hall with red, white and green streamers and the imposing banner bearing the Hungarian crest graced the stage. We would have liked to see some more visitors, for the "Blue Boys band" played expertly and refreshingly and the Csardas was danced with great joy, zest and vigour. Thanks to Heidi Bauer, Melissa Bauer and Stephen Hatton for giving the event a little boost. Apologies to those who expected Dobostorte.

It was quite a busy weekend for the last weekend in May. On Saturday 29th the J W Swing Orchester entertained everyone with their catchy rhythms and many folks were up dancing. Following on with the festivities, Sunday then gave us the opportunity to host a couple of delightful birthday parties.

I am once again very appreciative of the efforts of all the Voluntary Helpers and the Committee Members.

With friendly greetings,

Otto Griesmayr

New Volunteers would be very much appreciated.

Schwung. So manche Erinnerungen wurden wach als "Elvis" (ein tolles Tribut zu Elvis Presley) die Show übernahm und die Leute mit seinen altvertrauten Liedern begeisterte und in die guten alten Zeiten zurückverzauberte...

Der Muttertag war wieder ein wichtiger, bedeutsamer Tag in unserem Klub. Es war voll ausgebucht und es wurde dementsprechend gefeiert. Die jüngste Mutter, die älteste Mutter, sowie die Mutter mit den meisten Kindern erhielten einen Blumenpreis und die Kinder hatten Spaß im Spielplatz, auf dem Tanzboden und bei dem Wettbewerb "Spurensuche in unserem Österreichischen Klub".

Am Montag den 10. erlebten wir einen traurigen Tag, denn unser neuer Nachbar fällte die Bäume auf seinem Land und unseren ehemaligen schönen Wald gibt es leider nicht mehr. Den Windschutz, den uns der Wald bot, fehlt uns ebenso, aber insbesondere den Stockschiessern. Deshalb erkundigen wir uns für passende Bäume, die wir am Ende der Stockbahn pflanzen werden. Für drei Tage widmete sich Stephen Hatton und beförderte die Holzsplitter aus der Waldgegend zum Eingang unseres Landes. Nun bin ich fest beschäftigt die Eingrenzung mit Mulch zu bedecken. Das nächste größere Projekt für uns wird die Errichtung eines neuen Zaunes sein.

Am Mittwoch den 12. Mai hatten wir von 10 Uhr früh bis 2 Uhr Nachmittag, achtundsiebzig Studenten des Overnewton Anglican Community College sowie insgesamt neun Erwachsene (ein Zusammenschluß von Lehrern und Eltern) zu Besuch. Herzlichen Dank an Mira Schellander, Margaret Hirschauer, Ignaz

Martinu, Marie Van Cuylenberg und die Frauengruppe für ihren Beitrag; Informationen weiterzureichen und verschiedene Fähigkeiten für die Studenten zu demonstrieren. Als Erfrischung gab's Schnitzel und Chips für die Studenten und Bauernschmaus für die Erwachsenen. Ed Schellander organisierte als Lehrer dieser Schule den Ausflug der Deutsch Studenten in unseren Klub, und wir danken ihm recht herzlich.

Für den Ungarischen Abend am 15. Mai dekorierte ich, mit Hilfe von Stephen Hatton, die Halle mit rot, weiß und grünen Girlanden und das ungarische Wappen schmückte die Bühne. Wir hätten gerne mehr Besucher gesehen, denn die ungarische "Blue Boys Band" spielte erfrischend und zünftig auf und der Csardas wurde mit großer Freude und Elan getanzt. Vielen Dank an Heidi Bauer, Melissa Bauer und Stephen Hatton, die diesen Abend mit ihrem Enthusiasmus förderten. Unsere Entschuldigung an jene die eine Dobostorte erwarteten.

Ein recht fleißiges Wochenende war das letzte Wochenende in Mai. Am Samstag den 29. verleitete das J W Swing Orchester mit ihren tollen Rhythmen jederman zum Tanzen. Und am Sonntag waren wir Gastgeber von schönen Geburtstagsfeiern.

Ich bin wiederum sehr dankbar für die Anstrengungen aller Freiwilligen Helfer und der Komitee Mitglieder.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen,

Otto Griesmayr

Neue Freiwillige Helfer sehen wir mit Dank entgegen



HELLO!

Happy Winter! June has begun and though winter may be characterised by grey skies, blustery winds, dropping temperatures and cold fresh days, in our Club it's always nice and warm and cosy! This month, for something different, we are bringing you something to snuggle up on the couch with, perhaps with a warm mug of soup at your side, as we look at woods, forest and nature in all its glory (and infamy!) We touch on the sadness experienced at losing our very own "Vienna Woods", continue our Little Herbal on Paprika and its medicinal properties, challenge the grey matter with a bird matching quiz and giggle at how innocently language miscommunication can happen - all about a "W.C.", or is that a "little wooden chapel"? For the scientifically minded there's a little piece on Australia's gold nuggets and how "being bitten by the gold bug" might not just be a saying, and a web review on how scientists have identified, isolated and brought to life eight million year old bacteria. As if we don't have enough germs floating around in winter anyhow! And so, with some tips from Oma's medicine cabinet and some other small tidbits and puzzles, we close this issue and look forward to catching up with you at one of the special events being held at the Club this month. Perhaps over a steaming cup of coffee, a comforting cup of hot chocolate or with Glühwein in hand, to discuss, to converse and socialise as we Austrians and friends of Austria know only too well how to do beautifully. See you there...

Paparazzi Team

ZUM SCHMUNZELN

Lady in need.

Some time ago an English lady, in a village in Switzerland, was looking for a room. She asked the local schoolmaster if he could recommend any. He took her to several delightful places and, everything being arranged, she decided to take one. On the way home it occurred to her that she had not noticed any W.C. so she wrote and asked if there was one in or near this rented room.

The schoolmaster, on receiving her letter, was much troubled, for (his English being limited) he did not understand the abbreviation. Finally he asked the parish priest for help and together they tried to work out what the lady had meant. They

concluded that she had meant "Wood Chapel" i.e. "Chapel in the Wood". Their reply read this:

Your ladyship, I have much pleasure in informing you that the W.C. is situated 9 miles from the house, in the centre of a beautiful grove of pine trees and surrounded by wonderful scenery. It is capable of holding 250 people, but is only open on Tuesday, Thursday and Sundays each week. There are many visitors in summer. We would advise you to go early, although there is plenty of standing room. This is an unfortunate position if you are in the habit of going regularly. But no doubt you will be glad to know that quite a number of people take their lunch and make a day of it, while others who cannot spare the time travel by car and arrive just in time. I should especially recommend you to pay a visit on Tuesdays, as there is an organ accompaniment.

It may interest you to know that my daughter was married in our W.C. and it was there, she met her husband. On the day there was a rush of seats, there were ten people on my usual seat. It was wonderful to watch the expressions on their faces. My father has been there regularly since he was christened. A

wealthy resident of the district erected a bell on our W.C, which rings every time a person enters. A bazaar is to be held soon and the proceeds will go towards helping us to furnish



plush seats, as members feel that these have long been needed. My wife is rather delicate, she cannot attend regularly and it is now nine years since her last visit. It pains her very much not to be able to go more often. For the children there is a special time so that they will not disturb their elders. I shall be delighted to reserve the best seat for you.

Sincerely yours,

Your Parish priest & your Schoolmaster



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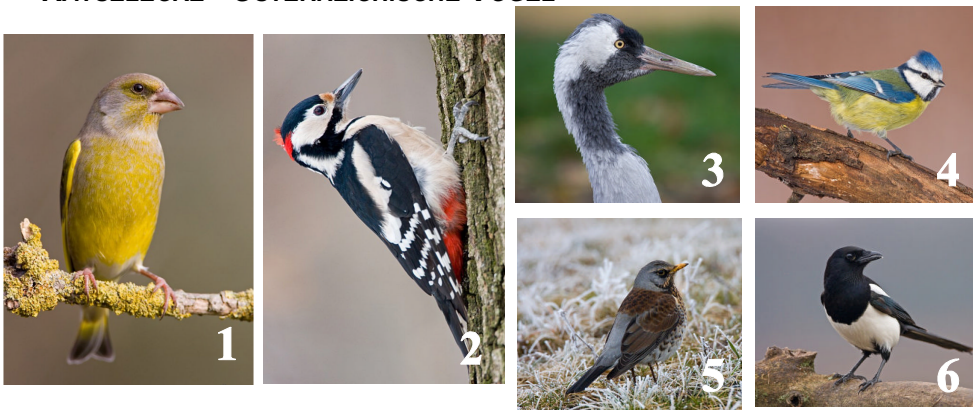
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RÄTSELECKE - ÖSTERREICHISCHE VÖGEL

Denken sie manchmal zurück an die wunderschöne Natur in Österreich und dessen herrliche Tiere? Hier eine kleine Kostprobe aus der Vogelwelt, dessen Einwohner nicht nur bildschön sind, sondern auch mit Herzenslust singen und zirpen.

Kennt ihr euch noch mit diesen heimischen gefiederten Freunden aus? Abgebildet sind einige Österreichische Vögel und sie dürfen zu jedem Bild den passenden Namen aus der Liste wählen.



A Bienenfresser

B Blaumeise

C Buntspecht

D Eichelhäher

E Elster

F Feldsperlinge

G Grünfink

H Kohlmeise

I Kranich

J Kuhreiher

K Mönchsgrasmücke

L Nachtigall

M Nebelkrähe

N Rotkehlchen

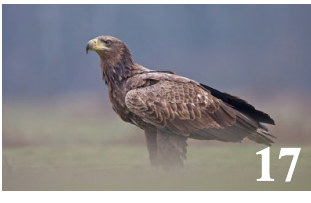
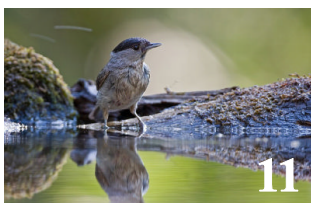
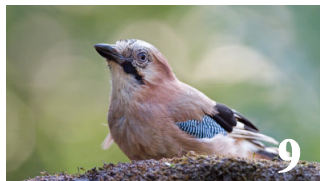
O Seeadler

P Star

Q Wacholderdrossel

R Waldohreule

S Wiedehopf



(Do you know your Austrian birds? For this puzzle, simply match the Austrian birds shown in the pictures to their correct name in the list.)

Answers: 1G, 2C, 3I, 4B, 5Q, 6E, 7R, 8M, 9D, 10P, 11K, 12N, 13S, 14J, 15A, 16F, 17O, 18L, 19H.

Answers:



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Vor kurzem, als ich mit einer schlimmen Erkältung (oder gar vielleicht einer Grippe?) zuhause verweilte und zum Zeitvertrieb im Internet browsete, fand ich zufällig diesen aktuellen Bericht in den Seiten der online Krone Zeitschrift aus Österreich. Es handelte sich um Urbakterien die aus fünf Gletschereis-Proben stammen,



Ein leichtes Schaudern überkam mich, denn es gab Bedeutung und Gewicht zu einem anderen Bericht den ich schon vor längerer Zeit sah. In diesem interessanten aber kontroversen Video einer Spanischen Ärztin erfuhr ich zum allerersten Mal, daß Bakterien wiederbelebt werden können. Diese Ärztin berichtete

die die Wissenschaftler am Südpol genommen haben. Die US-Forscher haben das Antarktis-Eis, das aus drei bis fünf Meter Tiefe stammt, auf verschiedene Mikroorganismen untersucht. In den Eisproben, fanden Kay Bidle und seine Kollegen von der Rutgers Universität in New Jersey (USA) DNA und Bakterien, die sie in Nährlösung wieder zum Leben erwecken konnten. "Wir probierten, ob sie in Nährlösung wachsen, und das ... Zeug wuchs wirklich schnell", sagt Bidle. Die Bakterien brauchten nur rund 70 Tage, um sich gerade einmal zu teilen! Als ich mich mit Interesse in diesen Artikel stürzte, wunderte ich mich nun wirklich wohin die Wissenschaft eigentlich hin will. Schon gut, Forscher können jetzt freudig behaupten sie hätten acht Millionen Jahre alte Bakterien wieder zum Leben erweckt. Aber für welchen Zweck ist dieses Wissen gut?

mit Hilfe von medizinischen Unterlagen und Beweisen, daß die Bakterien die die Schweinegrippe auslösen, jedoch schon seit langem ausgestorben waren (circa 1918), wieder zum Leben erweckt wurden - ähnlich der Bakterien die schon vorher im Krone Bericht erwähnt wurden. Im Falle der Schweinegrippebakterien handelt es sich um eine Eskimofrau die an dieser Krankheit erstarb und im Eis präserviert war. Angeblich wurden schon 1957 diese Schweinegrippebakterien im Labor in Nährlösung wieder zum Teilen und Wachsen gefördert. Das würde bedeuten, daß die Wiedererweckung einer Bakterie keine neue wissenschaftliche Erungenschaft ist. Sollte daß wirklich der Fall sein, dann gibt es für mich genug Material zum Wundern und Bedenken...

Melissa Bauer

BACTERIA WORTH THEIR WEIGHT IN GOLD



Nature has many wonders for the casual observer. A beautiful flower to catch one's eye, breath-taking scenery that captivates us, a snowflake with its amazing crystalline structure that is as pretty as it is cold, or we may even find ourselves watching, with baited breath, whilst some wild animal goes about its daily business oblivious of our presence. Yet nature has

hidden secrets too. Secrets which often take place on such a minute scale so as to be invisible to us, playing out their existence on a microcosmic level which we are only just discovering...

Recently I came across a little piece on Australia's gold nuggets and how "being bitten by the gold bug" might not just be a saying. Interestingly the article was found online in the Austrian Krone webpages and tells of how Australian scientists from the University of Adelaide have found that bacteria (specifically the bug known as *Cupriavidus metallidurans*) can produce gold when exposed to oxidative stress. It is important to note here that the bacteria do not "create" gold, but that they do assist in "producing" gold in its metallic state - an important distinction scientifically. If only the luckless gold diggers or alchemists of times gone by had known about this, they may have spared themselves quite a lot of heartache and spent more time studying microbiology than mine construction or chemistry.

As the story goes, years ago these insignificant bacteria had already been discovered clinging to grains of gold. At the time researchers wondered just why this particular strain of micro-organism seemed to be especially attracted to the precious metal and initiated research to determine why. What they found piqued their curiosity even further. It was not a case of the bacteria clinging to the gold, rather it was that the gold was being laid down around the bacteria as the micro-organisms took measures to detoxify their environment of the toxic gold complexes that were in solution around them.

As Australia has a great deal of mineral gold in the soil and, with the course of time, as rain and ground water dissolve these mineral ores, the ground has rich solutions of gold complexes washing through it. In this dissolved state the gold cannot be extracted successfully. Here is where the *Cupriavidus metallidurans* stars. Exposure to the toxic gold-rich solutions triggers a gene in the bacteria which acts as a switch, turning on the bacteria's ability to transform the chemical bonds that keep gold in solution and causing them to deposit nanoparticles of non-toxic pure metallic gold around them. So it would be that with the

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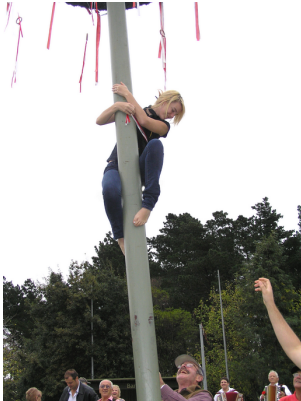
passage of much time, depositing layer after layer of gold to protect themselves, great clumps of metal (the so-called gold nuggets) would be formed. Picking up a nugget you would also pick up a handful of *Cupriavidus metallidurans* and be struck with the shiny beauty of the nugget so as to be "bitten by the gold bug" that covered the surface of the nugget you coveted. As this bacteria-gold connection has now been proven scientifically, we can say that *Cupriavidus metallidurans* bacteria are worth their weight in gold! Mind you, I wouldn't mind finding such a "rock" and checking it out for myself...



Mai Baum



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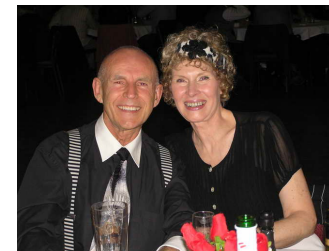
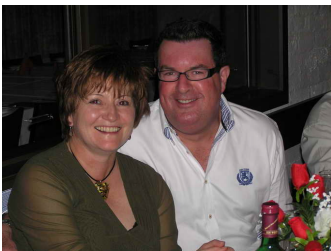
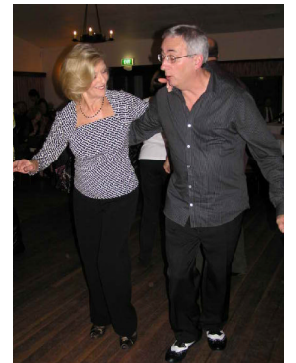
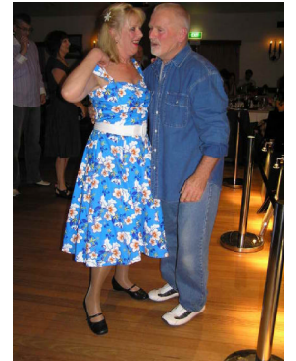
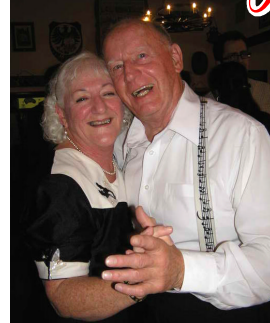


Elvis Fever



Australia's Got Talent

The Swingchesters and J.W. Swing

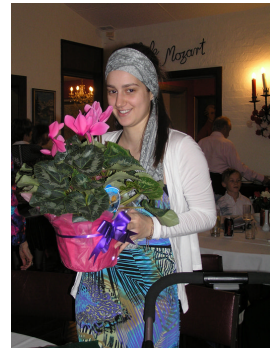




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Most Children



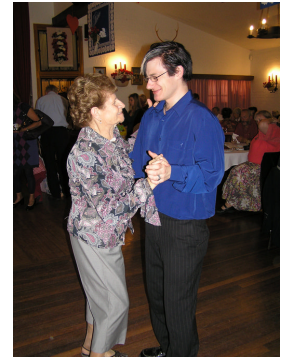
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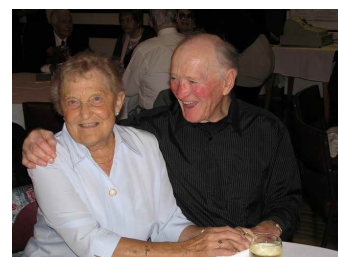
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THE LITTLE HERBAL

CAYENNE - CAPSICUM FRUTESCENS AND PAPRIKA - CAPSICUM ANNUM

In our last issue of The Little Herbal we investigated the distinction between the culinary terms Cayenne, Paprika, Capsicum, Chilli and Hot Pepper. We dipped into the history of their spread around the world, how they found their way into popular cuisine as trade with the orient flourished along the spice route, and with the invasion of the Turks into Hungary and other parts of Europe. We delved into the variety of dry powdery spices obtained from the fruits of Capsicum plants. From Cayenne - the hot, biting condiment composed of the ground pods and seeds of a particular cultivated form of Capsicum frutescens to Paprika - a wide range of bright-red powders made from various strains of Capsicum annum. We learned that the hot spicy taste of cayenne is imparted by capsaicinoids, particularly capsaicin, whilst paprika's vivid colour is determined by the amount of capsanthin (the red pigment present) and the lack of capsaicin (the heat element in chillies). Let us now investigate the beneficial effects cayenne and paprika can have on our health.

Medicinally cayenne plays a bigger part than paprika, because of its higher content of capsaicin, though both have application in traditional herbal healing. Rich in vitamin C, peppers fight colds and relieve congestion. They also contain saponins that are thought to be able to kill bacteria, and it is due to the antiseptic and anti-inflammatory effects of these saponins that paprika and cayenne are used in a gargle for laryngitis. A cayenne (chilli) gargle has the added benefit that capsaicin in the cayenne is an effective painkiller, acting by depleting the amount of a component in nerve cells (called substance P) which transmits pain

impulses to the brain. Regular application of a cayenne cream can help ease lingering post-shingles (postherpetic) pain, as well as painful nerve damage from diabetes and from surgery (such as a mastectomy or an amputation). Preliminary studies also indicate that cayenne cream may reduce the itching of eczema (since the itching sensation follows the same nerve pathways as pain), have promise in relieving the aches and pains of fibromyalgia and that special nasal preparations may relieve the piercing pain of cluster headaches.

When applied to the skin, the capsaicin from the cayenne increases the area's blood flow and promotes healing by transporting nutrients to the region and encouraging the removal of toxins. It is used in this way to reduce pain and inflammation from lumbago, arthritis, muscle and joint pain, and skin irritations. Furthermore cayenne has also been applied to the scalp in poultices aiming to prevent hair loss, as increased stimulation and blood flow to the scalp and hair follicles work to increase scalp health and thus reduce hair loss.

Taken internally, cayenne stimulates the digestive system, and is used to treat indigestion, flatulence, colic and constipation. Herbalists consider that cayenne's heating properties help to improve circulation, particularly bringing warmth to the peripheral parts of the body, such as the hands or feet. Coldness in the extremities caused by Raynaud's disease may thus be aided by use of cayenne.

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substantiated, should there be truth to folk-wisdom claims that cayenne and paprika may reduce heart disease risk (by lowering blood cholesterol and triglyceride levels) or help to prevent cancer (by providing vitamin C and other antioxidants), then a good hearty gulasch soup, paprika chicken or cayenne sauce is worth the possible recrimination to be had from licking the dish to finish every tasty last morsel...

The 'Little Herbal' is intended as inspiration only. We recommend you collect further information and consult a qualified medical professional such as your own doctor or naturopath for individualised advice regarding a herb's effectiveness and suitability for your needs.

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ENTERTAINMENT REPORT

MONTH RETROSPECTIVE:

May was a big month and it started with a bang when our Club gave away Jagdwurst (Hunters' sausage) to those climbers who conquered the Maypole. The following weekend saw people climbing up onto tables and screaming with excitement as "Elvis" took to the stage. Boy oh Boy! Mothers' Day, whilst more sedate, was no less enthusiastically celebrated and our Hungarian night the following weekend saw delicious Szegedi Gulyas on the tables and dancers participating (with fiery temperament) in the delightful and uplifting Csardas. Not to be outdone, the Swing dancers gave it their all, to the big band sounds of the JW Swing Orchestra, to finish the month with lots of dancing glee. What a lot of fun it all was. Check out the picture pages elsewhere in this Newsletter to see what fun it all was...

FORWARD REVIEW:

We've got such a jam-packed entertainment program this year, with lots of interesting acts and events, that it's hard to keep in mind the dates of all those wonderful Events. Upcoming visits from our special guest artists from Europe and many special events for our own Club, it's all happening. Here are those most important dates again to pencil into your diaries:

- **Silver Wonderland:** On Sunday 13th June, when the Silver Echoes are performing, we encourage everyone to get into the spirit and wear something silver. It is amazing what can be done with aluminium foil!
- **"Koehne Quartet":** is returning home to Australia. Performing for the Woodend Winter Arts Festival, at St Ambrose Church and you can see them here, live at the Austrian Club, on Friday 18th June.
- **A Taste of Bavaria:** On Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th June we have Bavarian Dimitro entertaining us for the first time in our Club. We're sure you'll want to check his talents out, so make a booking then come along and "Schunkel" with us.
- **Christmas in July:** On Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th July we are celebrating with a little Christmas cheer. A touch of spice and magic on a cold winters' night does wonders for the heart and soul. Get into the spirit of this occasion and enjoy it with us!
- **La Dolce Vita:** Saturday 17th July is our Italian evening with Scorpio Duo. We will have the Italian musicians, we will have something Italian on the menu, now it is up to you. We may even have question and answer time i.e. English/German to Italian. I wonder what naughty or tricky little questions the MC of the night can think up!...

- **"Die Schmalzler vom Bayrischen Wald":** Superstars from Bavaria. They've performed in the Grand Prix der Volksmusik and at the Kastelruther Spatzen Fest, played with Captain Cook and his singing saxophone band, rubbed shoulders with Judith & Mel, Monika Martin, Tommy Ohrner, Ireen Sheer & Dagmar Frederic and had a "gaudi" with the Alpentrio Tirol. And now they're coming to the Austrian Club to play for you. When? On Saturday 13th November. Grab your tables fast before they're gone...

Please refer to our Program on the back page for other functions

KOEHNE QUARTETT BIOGRAPHY:

The Koehne Quartet of Vienna was founded in 1987 by Australian violinist Joanna Lewis, and counts as one of today's outstanding interpreters of contemporary music in continental Europe. Two further members are Australians, Melbourne-born violinist Anne Harvey-Nagl and violoncellist Melissa Zielasko. Elaine Koene, who plays viola, hails from Scotland. The three Australian members originally moved to Vienna to further their skills by studying with renowned music professors. Now these talented ladies perform regularly in various orchestras and ensembles, such as Vienna Volksoper, the orchestra of the Vienna Opera Ball, Radio Symphony Orchestra, Klangforum Wien and as soloists with the Vienna Mozart Orchestra. As a quartet they have also performed regularly in concerts and festivals throughout Austria.

Since its formation the Koehne Quartet has enjoyed an intensive working relationship with contemporary composers and has also been strongly influenced by participating in masterclasses with the Alban Berg, Amadeus and Brodsky string quartets. As a quartet the ladies also perform regularly with renowned international jazz musicians and world musicians throughout Europe, the USA and the Middle East. Musically, the quartet's repertoire ranges from classical music through to the melodies of the 21st century.

Here, to whet your appetite, is a look at what will be on Koehne Quartet's programme on the night they visit us:

- Josef Haydn: String Quartet op.76 "Quinten"
- Erwin Schulhoff: selection from 5 pieces
INTERVAL
- A selection of viennese waltzes and polkas

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SATURDAYS AT THE CLUB:

Saturdays at the Club are our most flexible function nights and offer everything from a party atmosphere to a gala ball, or that quiet night out for a lovely dinner. In fact, Saturday is the only day of the week that the Club offers a full Evening Dinner session, with Main meals served from 6:30pm - 9:00pm. Frankfurts may be ordered right up until 9:00pm, and will be served before the Bistro fully closes for the evening at 9:30pm. For entertainment CD background music is played from 6:30pm, with the live band kicking off at 7:30pm and playing through until midnight or, for special occasions, occasionally till 1:00am. Due to the large variety of functions held on Saturday nights, it is advisable to make enquiries beforehand and secure a reservation. Table reservations made for the Main Hall for Saturday night will under no circumstances remain reserved after 7:30pm. If for some reason you are delayed, please telephone the Club on 9459-8686. On regular Saturdays Members are admitted free upon showing their valid Membership Card, for Guests there is a \$5 cover charge. Children 12 years and under will be admitted free of charge. Please refer to the Entertainment Program on the back page of this Newsletter, and to our website, for specific details.

SUNDAYS AT THE CLUB:

Sundays at the Club offer a great afternoon for the whole family, with live musicians providing entertainment for your enjoyment. The Club and its facilities are open from 11:30am, with entertainment commencing at 1:00pm. On regular Sundays Members are admitted free upon showing their valid Membership Card, for Guests there is a \$5 cover charge. Children 12 years and under will be admitted free of charge. Please refer to the Entertainment Program on the back page of this Newsletter, and to our website, for specific details. On Sunday afternoon table reservations will only be acknowledged until 1:00pm.

ENQUIRIES & BOOKINGS

Why not visit the Club and experience Austrian "Gemütlichkeit".

For all Enquiries & Bookings:

Telephone 9459-8686 during the above office hours

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Hon. Entertainment Co-ordinators

Otto & Beverly Griesmayr

GENERAL INFORMATION

Office Hours

10:00am – 3:00pm	Wednesday to Friday
5:00pm – 8:00pm	Saturday
11:00am – 6:00pm	Sunday

Bistro Open - Lunch / Dinner

11:30am – 2:00pm	Thursday & Friday (Lunch)
6:30pm – 9:00pm	Saturday (Dinner – Main Meals)
6:30pm – 9:00pm	Saturday (Dinner – Snacks)
<i>after 9:30pm Kitchen closed</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
11:30am – 3:30pm	Sunday (Lunch – Main Meals)
11:30am – 5:00pm	Sunday (Lunch - Snacks)
<i>after 5:00pm Kitchen closed</i>	<i>Sunday</i>

TABLE TENNIS - WE'RE BACK!

Table Tennis is back! We're looking forward to our newly scheduled Friday games, where we can burn up some energy with a fun social game - and then enjoy a delicious lunch at our Club afterwards! The next scheduled meeting of the Table Tennis group will be on **Friday 11th June at 10:00am**. For more dates and times, please contact Margaret Hirschauer at the Club on 9459 8686.

Margaret Hirschauer

DO YOU KNOW WHAT'S ON IN YOUR CLUB?

Alive with a whole host of regular Club Activities, the Austrian Club's always buzzing. Want to be part of it? It's easy. Just turn up and say "Hello". We're always keen for our members to join in with the numerous things to see, do and be part of. So why not join the ranks and have some fun...

Day	Activity	Time	Location
Wednesday	Ladies Group – hand craft & folk art work	10:00am – meet fortnightly on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month	Mozart Stube
	Rosanna Rotary Group – Dinner & Meeting	6:00pm (assembly)	Strauss Stube
	Ice Stock Sport practice – also known as "Eisstock"	7:30pm – meet weekly	Stock Bahn – Bitumen lanes in front of the Sports Pavilion
Thursday	Deer Hunters – Dinner from 6:00pm	7:00pm – meet every two months on the 2nd Thursday of the month	Main Hall
Friday	Canasta – Contact Club: 9459 8686	10:00am – meet fortnightly	Strauss Stube
Sunday	Ice Stock Sport practice – also known as "Eisstock"	1:30pm – meet weekly	Stock Bahn – Bitumen lanes in front of the Sports Pavilion



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NEWS & NOTICES

CLUB MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS DUE

Club Membership renewals are due on 1st July 2010. Payment can be made at the office, by cheque or direct deposit. Please remember to quote your membership number as a reference, so that we know the payment is coming from you.

CLUB MEMBERSHIP

We warmly welcome our five new members to the Austrian Club:

- Mr Raymond Peters
- Mr Robert Williams
- Mrs Sonya Williams

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES AND GET WELL WISHES

Congratulations to Club Members celebrating Birthdays or Anniversaries. Our best wishes also, to all persons who are recovering from operations or who are struggling with health problems.

ADMISSION CHARGE CHANGES

Commencing January 2010, an entry charge of \$5 applies for non-members attending regular Saturday Night Functions marked as "Standard Entry". There will be no charge for Members (remember to bring your Membership Cards) or for children 12 years and under, who will also be admitted free of charge. This is the same as for Sunday Functions marked as "Standard Entry", which has been applicable since 1st July 2009. Please note that "Special Function" prices apply as usual.

CREDIT CARD SURCHARGE

Purchases made with credit cards attract a surcharge of 3%, with the exception of Diners Cards which attract a surcharge of 4.5%. This information is displayed in several places within the Club. It is also displayed on the menu.

BISTRO CHANGE OF HOURS

On Saturday the kitchen closes at 9:30pm. Main Meals are served from 6:30 - 9:00pm. If Frankfurts are required, they may be ordered until 9:00pm. This enables Bistro staff to accommodate your requests before 9:30pm, when everything is turned off and Bistro staff leave for the evening. On Sunday the kitchen will serve Main Meals from 11:30 - 3:30pm. Light snacks such as Frankfurts, Goulasch Soup or Filled Rolls can be ordered from 3:30 - 5:00pm. Please communicate this information to your fellow members and guests.

CLUB RULES

Please note:

Food and drinks are not allowed to be brought onto the premises.

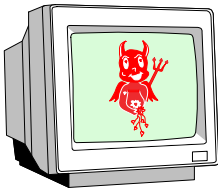
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Hon. Club & Membership Secretary

SCHRIFT TEUFELCHEN



Ooops! Schrift Teufelchen (that naughty little "Typo") has slipped into our

Newsletter once again. His handiwork? An error on page 9 of the May 2010 edition on the Newsletter. Consequently we would like to advise a correction to the Kaleidoscope article "My Early Life". The name of the Hungarian composer referred to should have been Kálmán, not Karl Mann. Apologies.

YOUR SAY

Have you got some comments you'd like to make about the Newsletter? Want to tell us something interesting? Or just air your opinion. This is your corner to tell it as you see it...

Humbled by thanks

Editors can be a great help, but they can also be a hindrance. Fortunately ours belong to the first category. The proof? In the May 10 edition of the Newsletter, the "My early life" article featured some deep seated emotions. Some of these were skilfully and deservedly accentuated. For this I am very grateful.

J Verpeleti

Editors Comments: We are honoured and humbled by your generous words.

PEEKING IN THE SUGGESTION BOX

With a fluttery feeling of anticipation our trusty committee members took out the Suggestion Box keys and turned the locks. The event the inaugural "Peek in the Suggestion Box". What would they find? Would anybody have left a message? Would it be good? Would there be some constructive criticism that we could work on? These thoughts and many more ran through their minds. They were not disappointed. Our Suggestion Boxes had only been live for one weekend and already there was a small handful of little white slips to withdraw. And the comments were very heartwarming for all of us here in the Austrian Club. We'd love to share some of the comments with you. Read on to "Peek in the Suggestion Box" too:

- We love the Austrian Club just as it is! Don't change anything. A special thank you to volunteers.

Editor: Many kind thanks for your lovely words of recognition. They are appreciated.

- Could we have Veal Schnitzel everything was very good.

Editor: Veal Schnitzel are delicious, we agree. We'll see what we can do.

- No unhappy people at our table. We enjoyed the meals. Will visit again.

Editor: Glad to hear it! We look forward to seeing you again...

- The people who work at the Door, Bar, Bistro and Shop are all so competent and friendly that they should all receive a raise in pay and a gold watch for service.

Editor: A gold watch would certainly be nice, to show due recognition to our wonderful and loyal volunteers wherever they work. As this is not in the Club's scope at the moment, we've taken up your other suggestion and given all our volunteers a raise in pay two smiles instead of one and lots of thanks and appreciation.

And that concludes today's "Peek in the Suggestion Box". Want to join in the comments and leave your own thoughts and ideas for us to contemplate? Why not drop us a line yourself and post it in the Suggestion Boxes next time you're at the Club. We look forward to hearing what you have to say...

Sudoku

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2	1		9	8				4
	8	1			4		9	
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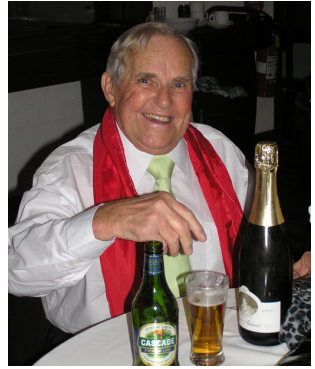
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June 2010

- Saturday 5th **Continental Trio** *Music & Dance*
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- Sunday 6th **Rene** *Music & Dance*
Bua vom Ottakring
M:Free G:\$5
- Saturday 12th **Silverbeat** *Music & Dance*
A Little Bit Of Spice
M:Free G:\$5
- Sunday 13th **Silver Wonderland** *Music & Dance*
with Silver Echoes
See the Club with Silver Lining.
Sparkle and shine yourself -
wear something in silver to
match the mood of this day.
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- Friday 18th **Koehne Quartet** *Music & Dance*
EUROPEAN BAND!
M:\$10 G:\$15
Performances of Classical, Viennese waltzes and polkas, and contemporary Austrian repertoire
Early booking essential
- Saturday 19th **Dimi** *Music & Dance*
Bavarian Experience
M:Free G:\$5
- Sunday 20th **Dimi** *Music & Dance*
Bavarian Experience
M:Free G:\$5
- Saturday 26th **Burgenland Abend** *Music & Dance*
with Alpine Cocktail
M:\$10 G:\$15
GSC:\$12
Dance and be Merry
- Sunday 27th **Rene** *Music & Dance*
Bua vom Ottakring
M:Free G:\$5

July 2010

- Saturday 3th **John Wanner Swing Orchestra** *Music & Dance*
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Big Band Swing Orchestra
Early booking essential
- Sunday 4th **Rene** *Music & Dance*
Bua vom Ottakring
M:Free G:\$5
- Saturday 10th **Christmas In July** *Music & Dance*
with Marianne & Mimmo
M:Free G:\$5
Our favourite M&M
- Sunday 11th **Christmas In July** *Music & Dance*
with Silver Echoes
M:Free G:\$5
Musical Love is in the Air
- Saturday 17th **Italian Evening** *Music & Dance*
with Scorpio
M:Free G:\$5
Scorpio
Italian Surprise
- Sunday 18th **Accordion Society** *Music & Dance*
of Australia (Vic.)
M:\$15 G:\$20
Concert - Performances by a range of top soloists & the Victorian Accordion Orchestra
- Saturday 24th **Tiroler Abend** *Music & Dance*
with Alpine Cocktail
M:\$10 G:\$15
Dance and be Merry
- Sunday 25th **Heinz** *Music & Dance*
Popular and Precise
M:Free G:\$5
- Saturday 31st **Continental Trio** *Music & Dance*
Slovenia, Germany and Austria together
M:Free G:\$5

Juni 2010

- Samstag 5. **Continental Trio** *Musik & Tanz*
Slovenien, Deutschland & Österreich vereint
M:Frei G:\$5
- Sonntag 6. **Rene** *Musik & Tanz*
Bua vom Ottakring
M:Frei G:\$5
- Samstag 12. **Silverbeat** *Musik & Tanz*
A Little Bit Of Spice
M:Frei G:\$5
- Sonntag 13. **Silber Wunderland** *Musik & Tanz*
mit Silver Echoes
Der Klub im Silber Glanz.
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Stimmung des Tages
M:Frei G:\$5



- Fritag 18. **Koehne Quartet** *Musik & Tanz*
EUROPEAN BAND!
M:\$10 G:\$15
Performances of Classical, Viennese waltzes and polkas, and contemporary Austrian repertoire
Buchungen sind erforderlich
- Samstag 19. **Dimi** *Musik & Tanz*
Bayrisches Erlebnis
M:Frei G:\$5
- Sonntag 20. **Dimi** *Musik & Tanz*
Bayrisches Erlebnis
M:Frei G:\$5
- Samstag 26. **Burgenland Abend** *Musik & Tanz*
mit Alpine Cocktail
M:\$10 G:\$15
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Dance and be Merry
- Sonntag 27. **Rene** *Musik & Tanz*
Bua vom Ottakring
M:Frei G:\$5

Juli 2010

- Samstag 3. **John Wanner Swing Orchestra** *Musik & Tanz*
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M:\$12 G:\$17
Musikanten und Sängern.
Buchungen sind erforderlich
- Sonntag 4. **Rene** *Musik & Tanz*
Bua vom Ottakring
M:Frei G:\$5
- Samstag 10. **Christmas In July** *Musik & Tanz*
mit Marianne & Mimmo
M:Frei G:\$5
Our favourite M&M
- Sonntag 11. **Christmas In July** *Musik & Tanz*
mit Silver Echoes
M:Frei G:\$5
Musical Love is in the Air
- Samstag 17. **Italian Abend** *Musik & Tanz*
mit Scorpio
M:Frei G:\$5
Scorpio
Italian Surprise
- Sonntag 18. **Akkordeon Gesellschaft** *Musik & Tanz*
von Australien (Vic.)
M:\$15 G:\$20
Konzert - Vorführung einiger Spitzensoloisten und dem Victorian Akkordeon Orchester
- Samstag 24. **Tiroler Abend** *Musik & Tanz*
mit Alpine Cocktail
M:\$10 G:\$15
Dance and be Merry
- Sonntag 25. **Heinz** *Musik & Tanz*
Popular and Precise
M:Frei G:\$5
- Samstag 31. **Continental Trio** *Musik & Tanz*
Slovenien, Deutschland und Österreich vereint
M:Frei G:\$5

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