

This year was a difficult year due to Covid 19. I hope none of you were affected and those who were are fully recovered.

Due to the pandemic all general events this year have been cancelled except this the years end braai. The average age of our club members is over 67 years, hence the risk for severe symptoms is high. I was not prepared to take any chances. The target shooting section is much smaller with younger people attending, therefore we had some shooting competitions. The recent Omicron variant is according to what I read mild, the committee decided to have the years end function.

There were 48 bookings: 32 members and 16 visitors. Amongst 23 apologies there was Sheila Needham, who sent the following message: "I send you and all the other Swiss Club friends good wishes for a lovely get-together and hers hoping 2022 will be more sociable for us all." Sheila used to be our secretary.

I would like to thank Rolf for organizing the quiches, salad, sausages and beer, Fritz for booking the venue, music, providing speaker system, gazebo and cool drink and last but not least Lynne for sending out invitations, keep record of bookings and apologies, coffee machine, coffee, rolls thermometer and Covid register.

Fritz was phoning several members and realized, that many members or spouses have a health problem and therefore are unable to attend this function. I am wishing those affected a speedy recovery. I sincerely hope that there will be soon an end to this pandemic so we can get back to normal, inclusive Jassen the Swiss card game which presently is a high-risk activity due to sharing cards.

Please note, there are pictures of the event in the web site. Many thanks goes to Fritz, who maintains the website

I am wishing you all a merry Christmas and a healthy, happy new year.

Your President Philippe Lanz

