

Swiss National Day Celebration 2025

Sunday, July 20, 2025 12 Noon - 5 PM

Join us to celebrate Switzerland's 734th birthday!

Get together with your Swiss friends from the Greater Toronto Area, current and future.



Join us at beautiful **Willowgrove Farm** for live entertainment, Swiss food, our famous raffle and more.

We will have access to **outdoor park and wooded spaces**, walking trails and picnic sites. There will also be great attractions for the younger ones, including multiple **play structures**, hay bale rides, and outdoor slip and slide.

Our staple **musical entertainment** will also be coming back! We're looking forward to listening to our very own Canadysli, the Trillium Alphorns, and a DJ for some fresh tunes!

We look forward to seeing you!

12:00 PM Opening

Explore our new location and indulge in a Swiss lunch, coffee, drinks & more

1:30 PM Celebration & Entertainment

Music, our famous raffle & more,
closing at 5:00 PM

Willowgrove Farm

1137 McCowan Road,
Whitchurch-Stouffville, ON L4A 4C3

Check **swissclubtoronto.ca**
for further information.

We're always looking for volunteers to help out. Besides our appreciation, you will get a free lunch.

Sign up at:
swissclubtoronto.ca Events/July 20
and complete volunteer form.

If you'd like to sponsor the event (or know a company that would be a great match for raffle prizes), please let us know at:

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Dear Members and Friends of the Swiss Club Toronto,

I want to begin by expressing my heartfelt thanks to all of you for your continued support and commitment to our club. It is an exciting time of renewal and progress for the Swiss Club Toronto, as we renewed our bylaws at the recent AGM and formed a new Board of Directors. A special welcome and congratulations go to our new Vice President, Celine, whose energy and dedication are already making a positive impact. Together with the rest of the board, we are committed to honoring our club's traditions while also building a vibrant and inclusive future.

Thank you to everyone who participated in our recent Annual General Meeting. Your overwhelming support for the now accepted bylaw changes is a clear sign that we are united in our vision to modernize and strengthen our organization. These changes will provide us with the flexibility and structure needed to grow, adapt, and better serve our community in the years ahead.

Looking ahead, I warmly invite you all to join us for our next major event: the Swiss National Day celebration on Sunday, **July 20, 2025**. This beloved tradition is always a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with old friends, meet new members, and celebrate our shared heritage with music, food, and festivities. You won't want to miss it!

And as a little teaser — get your appetites ready for a **Raclette this September**. We'll be sharing more details soon, but expect an afternoon gathering filled with great company and, of course, plenty of melted cheese.

With warm regards,

Philippe Moser

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Men's Section

It is with sadness we announce the passing of **Arno Adolf Sigrist** on May 13, 2025, in Toronto, Ontario, at the age of 93. Arno never lost his Swiss heritage. He was a proud and active member of the Swiss Club Toronto, serving as President of the Men's Section and the Canadysli Band. He received numerous accolades including Swiss Citizen of the Year and was the longest-serving personal member of the Swiss Canadian Chamber of Commerce. Arno's enthusiasm for drumming, especially in Fasnacht events, his commitment to organizing cultural activities, and his beloved Kaffi Klatsch gatherings reflected his joyous spirit. We will greatly miss Arno.

Philippe Moser

5-pin Bowling Section

The season went by in a blink of an eye – that can only mean one thing: We had a fantastic time together.

Our last bowling was in May, with the highest attendance yet. What a wonderful way to end the season. I hope we can continue to have similar numbers when we start bowling again in October 2025.

I wish everyone a wonderful and enjoyable summer, and I hope to see you in October.

Simone Höhn
Chairperson 5-pin Bowling



Meet Our Vice President: Céline Baracho

Hello everyone!

I'm excited to introduce myself as the new Vice President of the Toronto Swiss Club. I've been part of the club since 2017 and have really enjoyed being part of a community that brings a little piece of Switzerland to our lives here in Canada.

I'm originally from the canton of Bern and still feel very connected to our beautiful country. I visit often and love sharing that connection with my two kids, who are growing up surrounded by Swiss traditions, both here and abroad. It's important to me that they grow up feeling connected to their Swiss roots and to this wonderful community.

It's a real joy to help out with the club's events and to celebrate the values, flavours, and spirit of Switzerland right here in Toronto. I'm looking forward to seeing many of you at our August 1st celebration!

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The Swiss Social **Jass Section**



I hope you all enjoy the summer. We are on our summer break, but hope that we can welcome some new players in the Fall. Why not give it a try... you might even like it. It is a fun Sunday afternoon playing Jass and socialize. We will start our 25/26 season again on September 28, 2025.

Please contact me for more information.

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