

# Newsletter

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## Dear Members,

56 members and guests and their 14 children celebrated our National Day at the Tropical Hut of the Mt. Lavinia Hotel on Saturday, July 28th. The location, the decoration, the mood and the food were absolutely perfect. We are very grateful for the excellent Swiss Wine that the Swiss Embassy offered the Swiss Circle for the aperitif, and our compliments go out to Mr. Ralf Vogt, new Director of Operations Food and Beverage, who prepared a scrumptious buffet with his team. We are further thankful to the Mt. Lavinia Hotel team for giving us the opportunity to watch the President of the Swiss Confederation, Mr. Alain Berset, deliver his speech on a big screen instead of listening to an audio tape. We also thank Mrs. Stéphanie Périllard, Deputy Head of Mission / Head of Chancery for her vivid speech. The children had a ball playing and running around on the beach and formed a beautiful procession with their brightly lit lampions. All in all this celebration turned out to be a very successful and pleasant evening.













#### **NEXT OUTING**

## A weekend at Walter Hubacher's Ayubowan Swiss Lanka Bungalow Resort in Bentota, on Saturday and Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> October

Most of the times, we meet, we say hi, we eat and we say bye. In order to go beyond these ordinary meetings, to be able to spend more quality time together, to get to know each other and to have a good time, we request you to join us to spend this first weekend in October at Walti's beautiful resort. You can take long walks on the beach, relax in his peaceful garden, refresh yourself in the swimming pool, and enjoy Walti's delicious homemade food. Walti will give all the members of the Swiss Circle a 50% discount on the room rates, and you can book your room directly on his website, <a href="https://www.ayubowan.ch">www.ayubowan.ch</a>.

If you are unable to spend the whole weekend at the Ayubowan, you are most welcome to come and spend the day and, if possible, have dinner with us on Saturday, as you please.

In any case, we need you to confirm your participation as soon as possible, the latest by Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> October with our Secretary, Mr. Emil Saladin: email: secretary.swisscirclesl@gmail.com, mobile: 0777 887 659.

If you need assistance to book a room, please contact our Secretary as well. In case if you'd like to join us but have no way of driving down south, do let us know. We would be able to organise a transport for a reasonable amount.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Please keep the dates free for the following events, details will follow later:

Oktoberfest on 8th November

International Christmas Charity Bazaar on Sunday, 25th November

Santa Claus & Christmas dinner on Saturday, 8th December

#### **OUR NEW MEMBERS**

The Swiss Circle Sri Lanka warmly welcomes the following new members:

## Mrs. Andrea Buetler and Love Yadar Mrs. Claudia Paixao Mrs. Shirin Sadiq

With best regards,

Randel van Heerden

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