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"By members, for members; together in friendship for over 30 years."

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IWCL MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, 7 November at the Hotel Pestalozzi
Via Pietro Bianchi, Piazza Indipendenza 9, 6901 Lugano
09.30 - 10.15 Coffee/Tea
10.15 - 10.30 Club Announcements
10.30 Roving microphone with Tara Kalsi

Talking With Tara! "Where Are You From?"



This month's Club Meeting is going to be a little bit different, with all the focus on you, our amazing members. You all have your own stories and journeys, yet here we are together in Lugano, all members of IWCL! How did we get here? Our 'Hostess' for this meeting will be Tara Kalsi, a long-standing member who is always interested in people and places. She's

going to ask you the question, "Where are you from?"

She says, "When people ask me such a simple question... Where are you from? ...I don't have a simple answer! I was born in West Berlin 29/10/1949. My Hungarian father met my German mother in divided Berlin after the war. We left for the USA when I was 3 and I did my schooling there. We often spent our summers in Europe. In 1972 my parents decided to leave the USA. I was doing my masters in Zürich. My Mom flew over and we drove to Lugano, where she had an interview with Franklin College. She became a Professor of German and History there. I came to Ticino in 1985. I have been teaching English and selling my jewellery in Lugano since then. Very content to be living here!"

Tara is going to have a 'roving microphone,' and will move around the room. She hopes that YOU will tell us your story at the meeting, so we can learn more about you all! It will be informal, friendly and interesting, so do come prepared to say at least hello!

Our meeting will open with a short film, 'NUTMEG, Indonesia's Spice of Legends,' made by our member Juanita Maiullari!

We will have some beautiful tables selling pottery, design creations, jewellery and of course, our Charity Committee will also have items to sell! It should be an exciting and different meeting. We look forward to seeing you there!

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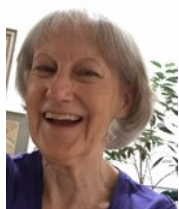
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CANDIDATES FOR IWCL BOARD 2024**Sue March (President)**

Sue March was born in the UK and has lived abroad for the past 24 years. She moved to Lugano with her husband nine years ago, and joined IWCL before she even arrived! Currently serving on the Board as President, she is thoroughly and passionately involved in the life of our Club. She runs the Cooking Group and Cultural Events. She would be honoured to continue her service into 2024 as your President. An English Literature graduate, Sue has always been a teacher, working in a wide range of academic centres across Europe. With professional qualifications in Education and Drama, she has taught Theatre Arts and worked as a drama therapist, a producer and a theatre director. As a qualified counsellor, Sue's focus is on individual support, and she tries to bring a sense of personal warmth, openness and friendship into all her work within IWCL. She speaks English, French, Italian and some Dutch. She has three grownup children, two grandchildren and a mad cat! She represents the caring, forward-looking and inclusive spirit of our Club.

**Christine Petersen (Vice President)**

Christine moved to Lugano from Geneva in 2011 to settle here. She has served as Treasurer of the IWCL from 2014 -2019, and is standing for Vice President again in 2024. Internationally focused, Christine founded VIRAK, a Swiss based training and consulting company in 2002, having previously worked for many years as a Project Manager around Europe. Christine is Danish/Norwegian, spent her childhood in West Africa and the U.K and speaks Danish, Norwegian, English, French, Italian and German. She is an experienced manager and a highly detail-oriented professional. Christine represents continuity, efficiency and the multicultural spirit of the Club.

**Jan Stanford (Treasurer)**

Jan Stanford has lived in Ticino for many years with her husband bringing up a family of two boys. She lives in the Malcantone, speaks Italian and has been a member of the Club for the last 5 years. She has worked in the accounting department of both Franklin University and The American School in Switzerland (TASIS) and in the last 11 years before retirement, she managed the Human Resource department of over 300 employees at TASIS which included being responsible for contracts and salaries. She is both trustworthy and reliable and is excited to be able to continue using her skills as Treasurer for the benefit of the club members.

**Renata Del Grande (Executive Secretary)**

Renata was born and raised in Lugano as a bilingual Italian and German speaker. As a language student, she lived for some time in Texas and worked on an intercultural programme for the 'American Field Service,' which inspired her enthusiasm for travel and new cultural experiences. After returning to Switzerland, Renata joined the national airline, Swissair, as an operations manager and spent time in Dakar (Senegal) and Rome before being promoted to the Geneva management team. Her work has always been focussed on communications and customer relations. As a senior staff trainer, she ran and facilitated communication and service seminars and workshops for her trainees. People are Renata's main interest in life; she also loves opera, ballet, art and literature. Since returning to live in Lugano post-retirement, Renata has been an active member of the Club. She speaks Italian, German, French, English and Spanish; she represents international experiences and traditional values and would be honoured to serve again on the Board as Executive Secretary.

BALLOT FORMS TO VOTE FOR 2024 BOARD MEMBERS

As you may remember, voting takes place at our December Monthly Meeting for the 2024 Board. You should receive your personalised ballot form by the second week of November. Please be aware that you may **only** use your numbered ballot to submit a vote. If you lose or forget your form, unfortunately your vote will not be counted. You may either send it to a member of the Nomination Committee or hand it in at the December Monthly Meeting; **it may not be sent by email**. Thank you for your support.

The Board

PROPOSAL TO RAISE CLUB FEES TO CHF 120 PER ANNUM

As you know, this proposal by the IWCL Board was announced at the October Monthly Meeting, where there was opportunity for discussion.

As per our Statutes (Article X) the vote will take place at the December Monthly Meeting, by show of hands.

Again, as per our Statutes, if you are not able to attend the meeting you are welcome to send your vote by email to our Club Secretary, Renata- iwclsecretary@gmail.com who will ensure that your vote is counted.

NEW IWCL LIAISON OFFICER

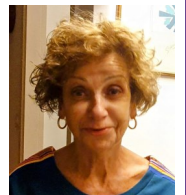
First of all, huge thanks from all of us go to Waltraud Vitaliano, who has served the Club so loyally for so long as our Liaison Officer, sending cards and notes of condolence and celebration to members at important times in their lives. We are grateful for her kindness and dedication, and have appreciated the words she has written from her heart.

In future, the role of Liaison Officer will be taken by Claude Boni. Should you wish for a card or note to be sent to a fellow member, please contact her:-

cm.boni@gmail.com.

079 487 89 92

Thanks to Claude for taking on this important function in the life of our Club.



5 DECEMBER MONTHLY MEETING - POT LUCK LUNCH

Dear Ladies,

This year we have decided to hold our Christmas Pot Luck Lunch - an event which brings all of us together to share good company and delicious food. Since we have members from over 37 countries, we can be sure of many tasty treats from all around the world! The Club will offer a festive prosecco and the Hospitality team will decorate the room beautifully, as always. We hope that each member will bring a home-cooked and lovingly prepared dish to share. To ensure that we do not receive too many dishes in the same category, members with surnames from **A - L should bring a sweet dish**, members with **surnames from M - Z should bring a savoury dish**. If, however, you are unable to bring a dish to share, we will ask you to contribute CHF 30.- towards the cost of the party (although we much prefer your own creations so that we can share in the cultural richness of our Club, so well expressed in food!)

The Board

IWCL WEBSITE

Please refer to the IWCL website for information on:

LANGUAGE CLASSES	OPEN DOORS
OUR CANCELLATION POLICY (CP)	THANK YOU FOR SIGNING UP!
IWCL PHOTOS	BIRTHDAYS IN OUR DIRECTORY
YOUR CLUB NEEDS YOU	PHOTOS FOR WEBSITE
RESPECT FOR OUR SPEAKERS	COPY OF THE LATEST NEWSLETTER
ARE YOU SERIOUS ABOUT YOUR NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS?	
PUBLICISING YOUR EVENTS	

Please contact Jonsi if you need a password to access the site.

CANCELLATION POLICY

Whenever you see the letters **(CP)** next to an event, please remember that, unless you give the organiser the specified number of days' notice of your non-participation, you will be charged the **full price** for the event. This is in accordance with our Bylaws - Article 1: Membership, subsection F on page 6 of the IWCL Directory.

This regulation will be **strictly** enforced in the future as we have seen an increase in ladies cancelling at the last moment. Thank you for your understanding.

The Board

IMPROVISATION WORKSHOPS

STARTING IN JANUARY 2024

Are you interested in Drama, but unable to commit to a weekly rehearsal schedule? Are you keen to make friends and have fun in an unthreatening environment? Would you like to have some new experiences, feel challenged and work as part of a team?

I am thinking of starting a 'beginners' improvisation group' once a month within IWCL. It's not about comedy or learning to be 'funny' and absolutely no drama experience is necessary, just a willingness to participate (even if you are a bit shy.)

We'll get involved with 'Yes And', Listening, Character, Story, Objects, Scene Work and Games (but not all in the same session!)

I would like to know if there is any interest amongst our members, and whether such a group could work, so please let me know if you might like to join me, then we can work on finding dates.

Sue March

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COFFEE MORNING

Please join us for some friendly conversation on Friday, 17 November at Ristorante Pizzeria Breva, just past Pane e Zuccero, on the other side of Migros. It's also an opportunity for new and long-standing members to get to know each other.



Karen Claus

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WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Egle Boffola

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Egle was born in Molfetta near Bari and moved to Ticino because of her son. Egle has a keen interest in Economics and loves to share the Italian culture and style of living. She describes herself as a happy, curious and humorous person. Egle speaks Italian and French.

Flavia Fleming

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Flavia grew up in Potsdam-Babelsberg and has made Canobbio-Lugano her new home. Flavia is a creative, communicative and open-minded person, with a passion for art and design, botany, fashion, literature, classical music and opera. Her move to Ticino was motivated by her profound interest in the region's botanical wonders as well as its proximity to Milan, a hub of art, design and fashion all of which are central to her work. Flavia is working in her own studio as a freelance artist specialising in floral painting, porcelain and fashion design.

Flavia and her husband are looking forward to meeting international people in Lugano. They both moved with their little dog from Zurich to Lugano 4 months ago.

Yong Sun Mazzucchelli

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Korean born Yong Sun is an artist and known for her creativity and cheerfulness. Yong Sun has a variety of interests including drawing, gardening, playing the piano, singing and golf. After 40 years of accompanying her diplomat husband in various locations around the world including China, Korea, Japan, Egypt and England Yong Sun and her husband chose to retire in Ticino, the home of her husband. Yong Sun's two children were born in Texas, USA.

AN EXPLOSION OF COLOUR IN LUGANO! By Cindy Korfmann

There is a gem for art lovers nestled next to the Splendide Hotel that perhaps not everyone has discovered. The Fondazione Gabriele e Anna Braglia, founded in 2015, has brought many artistic treasures to Lugano, including exhibitions featuring works by Picasso, Klee, Kandinsky, and Chagall, to mention just a few. Many of the paintings come from the Braglia private collection. The setting is intimate, beautifully illuminated, and inspiring.

The current exhibit is dedicated to the famous German Expressionist Emil Nolde and a later painter, Herbert Beck, who was profoundly affected by a meeting with Nolde. As is typical of Expressionist Art, each painting is an explosion of colour. The exhibit is skillfully and logically organised, featuring different spaces grouping in turn flowers, landscapes, faces, groups and masquerades, and man's cruelty. Paintings by the two artists are hung near each other and are thought-provoking in their differences and similarities.

This fascinating exhibit will be open from 21.9 - 16.12.2023 and then from 7.3-13.7.2024, Thursday, Friday, Saturday 10.00-12.45 and 14.00 -18.30. A guided tour can also be reserved.

KNITTING GROUP

If you would like to join our group, please contact me by phone or email. Experienced and novice knitters are welcome so we can share our expertise.

**Pam Blakey**

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ANYONE FOR BRIDGE?

In the past we have had a thriving Bridge Group and recent interest suggests that several members would like to restart this group. If you would like to play Bridge with other members of IWCL, please email our Club Secretary, who will initially co-ordinate this new group.

**Renata Del Grande**

iwclsecretary@gmail.com

THE RETURN OF BURRACO!

We are delighted to inform you that our Burraco Group has started up again! Donatella has kindly offered to host the sessions at her apartment. The group will take place on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month from 14.30 - 18.00. Dona already has created a WhatsApp named "IWCL Burraco Group" and will add the interested ladies to it. Please contact her for more information.

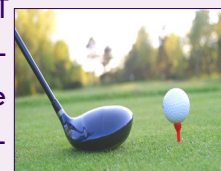
**Donatella Vanoni**

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GOLF

We meet at 11.00 every Wednesday at the Golf Club "Monticello" near Como (first EXIT autostrada A(to Milano after Como) Uscita "Fino Mornasco". The exact address is: I-22070 Cassina Rizzardi (Como) Italy, Via Volta, 63. Tel. 0039 031 928 055. The green fee for 9 holes = Euro 45.- during the week. Please contact Marlene for more details. Thank you.

**Marlene Mugglin**

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MOMS AND TOTS

For more information about Moms and Tots please contact Rocio Tauber. Her email address is: rocio_cuervo@hotmail.com

FRENCH COFFEE, ANYONE?

If you are interested in getting together for coffee every Tuesday at 14.00 at the Luini coffee shop by the LAC, I will form a Whatsapp chat with all interested ladies.

Once a group is formed, whoever is able to join us on the day will need to confirm their presence on our Whatsapp. I will not be a group leader, but I am coordinating this activity so that we can converse in French regularly, starting this month.

If interested, please call me.

**Marcela Selmoni**

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MUSIC APPRECIATION GROUP

I know that there are many of you out there who love music, concerts, opera, singing, concertos and all the other forms of musical entertainment that Lugano has to offer.

BUT how many times do you miss beautiful events because you didn't know about them? **OR** how many times do you not go to wonderful concerts because you don't want to go alone? **AND** how often would you like to find out about musical events that are taking place in our city which might appeal to you?

This is the group for you!! I want to create an informative, interactive group in which we can exchange news of upcoming events, find friends to go along to concerts with and a place to post reviews, comments and critiques.

Please sign up to this 'Music Appreciation Group' so that we can keep each other informed about all the musical events taking place in Lugano. I look forward to hearing from you, and I will get back to you soon with some ideas!

Malu Natali

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LET'S CHAT IS GOING HIKING!

This group meets at least once a month to explore the hiking trails of Ticino and possibly beyond while chatting about all manner of topics. The hikes will be roughly three hours in length and will include a picnic stop. Participants are kindly asked to pre-register, be equipped with appropriate walking attire (walking shoes, sunscreen, etc.) and bring a packed lunch and water. The goal is not only to hike but, as before, to openly engage, share knowledge, opinions, and experiences around a given theme.



Please contact Maria to be included on the distribution list for information about forthcoming walks.

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Hanneke Sillekens

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MAH JONG



Do you like to play board games? Why not try MAHJONG?

About 17 years ago we had an Australian lady in the Club who was passionate about this game. She brought all the equipment over here from Perth, Western Australia and started up a **Mahjong group**.



Unfortunately she had to return home to Australia but a few of us still meet **once a week - on Thursday afternoons from 14.30 – 17.00 (at Hotel Pestalozzi)** to play this fascinating game - which is fun, challenging and interesting!

It is a game of Chinese origin, using small engraved tiles, for tables of three to four players. We play the "Western style" (Chinese style is different). You are very welcome to participate - please contact us for further information!

Ruth Sergi-Baumann

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MULINO DI MAROGGIA, BREADMAKING AND MILL TOUR ON 20 NOVEMBER (CP APPLIES)



We are excited to offer you a breadmaking class and a guided tour of Mulino di Maroggia

Our host will be Luisa, leading classes or coordinating them for Homebaker (<https://www.homebaker.ch/it/prodotti/corsi>) please note pricing on the website, we are given the opportunity to enjoy a mini-class and mill guided tour at a great price!

How will it work: we need a minimum of 12 people joining (we will allow partners and friends to join) Maximum number of members 26 people, to be divided into two groups. If we stay within 13 members, we will only create one group (in that case we will reconfirm time of the mini class to people joining us). From 14 people upwards we will divide into two Groups to be managed as follows:

Group 1 from about 10.00 to 11.00 / Group 2 from about 11.00 to 12.00

The course will be divided into 4 parts:

- Luisa will explain details of the baking process
- Luisa will knead a small amount dough to show us how to go about it
- We will put our hands in the dough to shape an already leavened dough
- Luisa will be cooking a ready-made dough

After shaping the bread loaf, Group 1, will visit the mill in time to free themselves up to join the others for lunch.

Group 2 will step in and take advantage of the baking class, once finish we all go for lunch together. Following our meal, Group 1 will collect their bread loaves and will be free to go home, while Group 2 takes the mill guided tour, after which they will collect their loaves.

We will then have lunch at Ristorante della Stazione, Maroggia. Please get in touch with Lilo Valli if you would like to join us for lunch.

To join the Mulino di Maroggia experience write to:

IWCL CULTURAL GROUP iwclculturalgroup@gmail.com

We choose to offer sign ups at the Monthly Meeting and via email from now on for the IWCL Cultural Group: it's easier to deal with multiple events inscriptions in the same month. Thank you for your understanding and help.

LADIES' LUNCH AT RISTORANTE DELLA STAZIONE, MAROGGIA

Please note there's also a Ladies' Early Christmas lunch planned in Lugano on 30 November, you will see full details below, you are most welcome to join both if you can.

Date: Monday, 20 November
Time: 12.15/12.30
Address: Ristorante della Stazione, Viale Stazione 28, 6817 Maroggia
Google map location: <https://goo.gl/maps/H5FzUHvfJyYV42Yk7>
Website (Italian): <https://www.hotel-ristorante-stazione-maroggia.ch>



Please join writing to:

Lilo Valli 079 207 20 92 lilosmile@yahoo.de
 Some of us will take part in the visit cooking class and visit of Mulino di Maroggia that morning, please find information on this newsletter and remember to contact Sue March to join the activity.

LADIES' EARLY CHRISTMAS GATHERING**VISIT TO MASSIMO GIUDICI FLOWER SHOP AND LUNCH AT ANTICA OSTERIA DEL PORTO**

30 November from 11.00 (CP)

Dear Ladies,

From 11:00 let's chat about Christmas trend decor with Massimo Giudici at his gorgeous flower shop located downtown Lugano: <https://massimogiudici.com>. Lunch, will follow after our activity.

Will take a stroll through Parco Ciani to Antica Osteria del Porto.

By signing up writing to Lilo, you are joining both the visit and lunch, if you wish to join only the visit write to

IWCL CULTURAL GROUP: iwclculturalgroup@gmail.com

Date: Thursday, 30 November
Time: 11.00
Address: Massimo Giudici Fiori E Decorazioni
 Via Guglielmo Marconi, 6900 Lugano
Google map: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/ZpmpzuSHKaiKzhwd6>

Lunch at your own cost at Antica Osteria del Porto, Via Foce 9,
 6900 Lugano

Google map: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/fZNNhjh8kKXni2dA7>
Sample menu: <http://anticaosteriadelporto.ch/menu/>

Please contact:

Lilo Valli 079 207 20 92 lilosmile@yahoo.de

***CP Cancellation policy applies**



ART GROUP

If you are a member of IWCL why not take the opportunity to come and paint together with us? We are a group of women who enjoy spending time together, with lots of individual creative expressions. Watercolour, Acrylic, Pastels, Charcoal, Pen, Ink etc. Provide your own supplies! Let's inspire each other!



Come and share the joy with us! We are meeting on alternate Mondays from 14.00 -16.00 at the Pestalozzi Hotel. Fee for the room is CHF 5.- per person. Any questions please contact Eva.

Eva Wahlqvist

078 846 75 45

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"BREATHE, RELAX, FEEL!"

Learn to use mindfulness in your daily life ...

Would you like to begin to deepen your self-awareness, to learn something about controlling your emotions, to develop new habits or to break old ones? We shall be meeting every Monday at 18.00 on Skype. If you are interested, please send me an email with your ID Skype. Let's experience mindfulness together, under the guidance of a fully trained and qualified teacher, who is also a well-known member of our Club.



Maria Teresa Paladino

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BOOK GROUP



We welcome members old and new to Book Group this month on Tuesday, 21 November at 10.00 promptly at Hotel Pestalozzi for our discussion based on "*Birnam Wood*", by Eleanor Catton which will be led by Hanneke. Come and join us even if you haven't read them book! You might be tempted!

For your diaries, here are the next meeting dates, with our book choices.. Please note that we now all pay CHF 3- per person at Book Group.

19 December - *Remarkably Bright Creatures*, by Shelby Van Pelt

23 January - *The Hare with Amber Eyes*, by Edmund de Waal

20 February

19 March

23 April

14 May

11 June

Please note that 19 December will be our "Tuesday Choose-day" when we will select our books from February to June. Please let Hanneke have your suggestions asap!

We look forward to seeing you all soon. Happy reading!

Hanneke Sillekens

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COOKING GROUP (CP)**"A Traditional New England Seafood Dinner"**

Tuesday, 14 November, 18.30 onwards

We have a beautiful, new, purpose-built venue, La Cascina, Via Cremignone 4G in Sorengo! Come and check out the view, the facilities, the superb kitchen and dining area!

Our Cooking Group is open to ALL MEMBERS each month – the only requirements are to reserve your place early and to clear up afterwards!! Come and join us so we can learn, cook and eat together. We continue our exciting Cooking Group year with A Traditional New England Seafood Dinner, hosted by Claudia. Our dress code for the evening is 'Smart Casual.' Several members have been disappointed recently when the group has been full. Sign up early!

Appetizer: Lobster Puffs**Starter:** Lobster Bisque
Cranberry Nut Bread**Main:** Baked Cod Crab Cakes Harvard Beets Vermont Baked Beans
Cranberry Orange Relish**Dessert:** Old Fashioned Indian Pudding 'Joe Frogger's' Molasses Cookies*Wine Pairings by NERIDA***When:** Tuesday, 14 November, 18.30 onwards**Where:** La Cascina, Via Cremignone 4G, Sorengo**Cost:** Up to CHF 50.- per participant (usually less.) Our cancellation policy applies. Please note that La Cascina is now levying a small charge for the rental, which will be reflected as a share of each participant's cost for the evening.**Parking:** There is ample free parking. A short, two-minute walk uphill is rewarded by the great location. There is a drop-off point (as we had at Viganello) if you are carrying heavy items. You will receive more details when you reserve your place.**Required:** Tea towel, apron, making sure the kitchen is spotless before you leave!

To book your place or for more information (we can accommodate up to 12 people) please contact Sue.

Sue March

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LET'S DANCE - KEEP FIT, HAVE FUN, MAKE FRIENDS

Everyone is welcome to join our Dance Group, back by popular demand after the Summer Break, meeting at the usual time of 10.30 - 12.00 on Wednesdays. We will dance together not only the moves from previous groups, but also learn new styles, as we prepare for Christmas!



This time, we have a series of 12 sessions, and we pay only for the room rental divided by the number of participants; to be paid at the first session. Please sign up with Marina asap. Dates as follows:

1, 8, 15, 22 and 29 November

7 and 14 December

Marina Marsaglia

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INVITATION (CP)
CANDLELIGHT CHRISTMAS DINNER AT
THE HOTEL DELFINO



Our special “ladies only” Christmas dinner will take place this year on **Wednesday, 6 December** at Hotel Delfino, Via Cassarinetta 6, 6900 Lugano. Please note that due to limited places, each member may bring one guest.

Our evening will begin with an aperitivo at 19.00 followed by dinner at 19.45. The cost for the evening will be CHF 95.– per person all inclusive. The registration on the sign-up sheet or directly with Christine for the dinner is binding and there will be no confirmation. No payment beforehand is required, payment directly at the dinner.

Please let me know which menu you prefer, and if you wish to have
any special seating arrangements.

No shows will be charged the full cost of the dinner. Deadline for reservations is Friday, 1 December.

Christine Petersen

078 854 24 68

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MEAT MENU

Welcome finger food appetisers

Vichyssoise with poached egg at 62° and drops of pumpkin oil and crispy bacon

Tender veal cooked at low temperature with oyster mushrooms and morels

Potatoes dauphinoise

Chocolate trilogy

FISH MENU

Welcome finger food appetisers

Vichyssoise with poached egg at 62° and drops of pumpkin oil and crispy bacon

Scottish salmon pavé with watercress cream

Potatoes dauphinoise

Chocolate trilogy

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For any special food requirements or for a vegetarian option, please let Christine know.

Please, note membership must be renewed for 2024 by the end of December/beginning of January. Only for 2024 IWCL MEMBERS



SAVE THE DATE - 9/10 MARCH 2024

Calling all IWCL artists, makers, writers, creatives of all kinds ...

You are warmly invited to display and sell your work at our Art and Craft Pop-Up Gallery
at La Cascina, 9/10 March, 2024

In our Club, we have so many members with masses of skills and talents. We have Group Leaders who love to share their passion for Latin Dance, Mah Jong, Music, Aramaic ...you name it! Let's celebrate all this talent!

We have hired the beautiful building of La Cascina for a whole weekend to host an Art and Craft Gallery to showcase all this creativity. We offer YOU individual tables to display and sell your work, plus the chance to participate in a programme supported by our Group Leaders, of workshops, activities and hands-on experiences. There will also be tasty treats and a Saturday evening dinner.

We want this to be a big event for the whole Club. Your participation would be invaluable, as an artist and/or as a planner, supporter, workshop leader or chef. Please contact Sue asap to book your table, and/or to offer a workshop.

Sue March

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Contact details: 079 849 09 96 epastoris@gmail.com)

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Spanish conversation weekly with Blanca Giovannari at the LAC Cafe. Please contact her if you would like to participate. Initially, all ability levels are welcome.

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English Conversation with Linda Denkinger on Wednesdays from 14.30 - 15.30.

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Contact details: 079 487 89 92 cm.boni@gmail.com

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