

April 1, 2019



Das Echo April—June 2019

## Regular Events at the Edelweiss Club

**Conversational German**  
Wednesdays, 7-8pm  
Call the club 250-383-4823 or John Fear 250-920-9140.

**Friday Socials**  
4th Friday of the month,  
1-3pm. Call the club at 250-383-4823.

**New: German Language Program for Children**  
Mondays from April to June  
For details email  
info@languagehub4kids.com

**Schnitzel / Bratwurst Night**  
1st Thursday of the month.  
Call the club 250-383-4823 or Mona Jane 250 380- 9158 to RSVP by the Sunday before.

**Swing City Ballroom Dance**  
Fridays, workshops 8-9pm,  
social dance 9-11pm.  
John de Pfyffer 250-920-7556

**Yoga Tuesdays, 6-7pm**  
Call Tanja M. 250-891-1722.

Find more events on the next page and check for updates on the website  
[www.victoriaedelweiss.ca/](http://www.victoriaedelweiss.ca/)

## Celebrate the *49th Anniversary* of the Victoria Edelweiss Club / German Canadian Cultural Society

Let's spend a couple hours together and celebrate the Club's anniversary with coffee and cake.

Sunday, April 28, 2019, 2–4 pm

Members free, Guests by donation.



## 2019 AGM Update

The AGM was scheduled for March 17<sup>th</sup> St. Patrick's day which must have rubbed off on our members :) Only 8 members were in attendance and in accordance with the Constitution a minimum of 10 members are required to constitute a quorum for the conducting of the AGM.

Therefore the **AGM** was adjourned and is being rescheduled to **1:00 p.m. April 28<sup>th</sup>** (before the Anniversary Event). Please plan to attend and elect the 2019 Board of Directors.

Long-term Board members Monika Von Selz, Elfie Quay and John Fear have informed us they are not wishing to continue on the Board of Directors but all are remaining as members! The Victoria Edelweiss Club wishes to take this opportunity to thank them for their many years of service to our organization. Their dedication and hard work over the years is truly appreciated and we look forward to seeing them at our events (albeit in a different capacity but still actively involved!!!).



## Club Events 2019 April-May-June

**AGM** April 28, 1-2 pm Join us for our Annual General Meeting

**Club Anniversary** April 28, 2-4pm Coffee and Cake will be served.

**Conversational German** Wednesdays 7-8pm, Games Room.

**Apr 3, 10, 17, 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Jun 5, 12, 19, 26**

We focus on humour and having fun, some grammar, but mostly speaking and listening by watching/hearing audio-visual materials and doing exercises together. One important topic is German culture and what's happening in Germany today. For more information call John at 250-920-9140.

**German Children's Movie Time** Saturdays, Apr 20<sup>th</sup>, May 18<sup>th</sup>, Jun 15<sup>th</sup>, 2:30 pm

Watch a German children's movie with us! Let's build community and have a great time!

By donation. Email [Victoria.edelweiss.club@shaw.ca](mailto:Victoria.edelweiss.club@shaw.ca) to register.

**German Language Kindergruppe** April 1<sup>st</sup> – June 24<sup>th</sup>

**Ages 4-6: Mondays 3-3.45 pm. Ages 6-12: Mondays 4-5 pm**

Cost is by donation. Email [Victoria.edelweiss.club@shaw.ca](mailto:Victoria.edelweiss.club@shaw.ca) to register.

**Language Hub 4Kids** Apr 1<sup>st</sup> – Jun 24<sup>th</sup> 2019

**German Class for ages 4-6: Mondays 9.30– 10.15 am \$15/class.**

**German Class for Home Learners ages 7-12: Mondays 10.30–11.30 am \$20/class.**

To register and for more information email [info@languagehub4kids.com](mailto:info@languagehub4kids.com).

**Friday Socials** 4th Friday of the month, 1pm-3pm: Apr 26, May 24, Jun 28

Join us for board games, coffee and conversation.

**Schnitzel/Bratwurst Night** 1st Thursday of the month, 5:30pm. Apr 4, May 2.

**No Schnitzel night in June. Commencing in September.** Come out and savor authentic German cooking and enjoy some excellent music and company! Come early and socialize or play some games! Members: \$17.50 Guests: \$21.50 includes coffee & cake. Call Mona 250 380- 9158 for reservations by the Sunday before.

**Swing City Ballroom Dance** Fridays, Workshop 8-9pm, Social Dance 9 -11pm.

**\$10 per person. Main Hall.** Do you like to dance? Check out the Swing City Ballroom Dance! Learn to Waltz, Foxtrott, Jive, Cha Cha and even Polka in the workshops from 8-9pm and then stay for the dance. **Apr 5: Cancelled, Apr 12: West Coast Swing, Apr 19: Cancelled, Apr 26: Swing/Jive, May 3: Tango, May 10: West Coast Swing, May 17: Cha Cha, May 24: Hustle, May 31: Swing/Jive, Jun 7: Waltz, Jun 14: West Coast Swing, Jun 21: Rumba, Jun 28: Swing/Jive** More info: John de Pfyffer 250-920-7556.

**Yoga** Tuesdays, 6-7pm, for more info and to register call Tanja Motzigkeit 250-891-1722.

## Our old Kiosk found a new home

VEC members may have been wondering what ever happened to the old kiosk. It has been put out to pasture on 4 acres of land in Sooke, where it has settled in quite nicely since September of 2017.



The dark brown plywood “window coverings” were taken off and replaced with new glass windows.



A few steps and porch have been added for easier (safer) access.

Since the early days of the Edelweiss Club, this kiosk was towed to events such as the Saanich Fair, the Multicultural Fair in Centennial Square as well as participating in various Victoria parades spanning many decades.

Through their devotion to the Club, members have voluntarily dedicated countless hours in their endeavor to achieve and sustain the Club’s success.

This original kiosk has stood up well over time, as it was built to last seemingly forever. Yet, it

was no longer towable and circumstances called for changes towards efficiency and cost effectiveness, ergo the new kiosk --- which will some day have it’s own story to tell.

## Victoria Day Parade May 20

We are once again entering the Kiosk in the 2019 Victoria Day Parade. We need volunteers to help decorate the Kiosk (Flower Baskets) and people to walk in the parade. Rick will be calling people as well to help, but don’t wait for the call ...

## 5 Week Gentle Yoga Series

Tue, Apr 9—May 7, 6—7pm

**Low impact full body workout ideal for beginners, people with limited mobility, and those looking to reduce stress levels.**

- Increase flexibility, muscle strength, tone
- Improve respiration, balance, energy, concentration, and mental well-being
- Learn meditative breathing techniques and stretches to release muscle tension

No prior experience necessary. Please bring a Yoga mat if available, water, and wear comfortable clothing.

**\$50 for all 5 classes for club members / \$60 for guests\***



**To register call Tanja at 250-891-1722 or email [tanja.motzigkeit@gmail.com](mailto:tanja.motzigkeit@gmail.com).**

Pre-registration and payment required by April 7, 2019.

*Drop-ins welcome. \$12 drop in for members / \$15 for guests.*



## *New German youth language program at the Club!*

Immerse your child in another language every week, without the airfare!

The programs are made possible through the partnership with Language Hub 4Kids Victoria!

### **Kindergruppe**

If you are a fluent or near fluent German speaker, this group is for you! Let's get together to play fun circle games, hear and tell stories, sing songs, do arts and crafts and make new friends – all in German!

**For ages 4-6: Mondays, April 1<sup>st</sup> – June 24<sup>th</sup>, 3-3.45 pm**

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### **Language Hub 4Kids**

We are working with the  curriculum, which has been on the market in Europe for 20+ years. This class is hands on and activity packed, while using your child's innate curiosity and desire to play and learn in a fun and safe small group setting. Classes are designed to turn individual attention into maximum results.

**German Class for ages 4-6: Mondays 9.30– 10.15 am, Apr 1<sup>st</sup> – Jun 24<sup>th</sup> 2019**

**Pricing: \$15 per class.**

**German Class for Home Learners ages 7-12: Mondays 10.30–11.30 am, Apr 1<sup>st</sup> – Jun 24<sup>th</sup> 2019**

**Pricing: \$20 per class.**

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# Renovations completed

In January, some busy bees got together and took on the long overdue renovation work.

They painted and put new carpet in the entire loft which is now completed and being rented out.



Not only the loft got re-carpeted, the entrance lobby area has a new floor now, too, and the stage in the main dance hall is now is all shiny with a carpet!

Everything looks fantastic!



We thank all those who helped with the renovations, especially Rick who worked tirelessly up into the early morning hours.

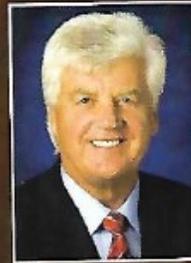
The work was completed four days ahead of schedule. What an accomplishment!

*Only 40 members have paid their membership fees so far. If you have not paid your 2019 fees, please do so asap!*

## Ihr Immobilienmakler

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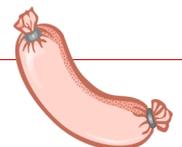
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Approximately 12 volunteers attended and were recognized at the Volunteer Appreciation Day held February 24th.

The event included a hearty Goulaschsuppe and open faced rye bread sandwiches, along with liquids and desserts. It was an afternoon for all to socialize and good fun was had by all! The ambience, as always was "gemütlich" and the overall feedback was positive.

Unfortunately a number of folks were unable to make it so again, to all volunteers, VEC Board sincerely appreciates each of you and your individual contributions! THANK YOU – without you it wouldn't be the same!!!!



### Wurst for Members

If you are interested to order German sausages through the Club, call 250-383-4823 or 250-380-9158 or email [Victoria.edelweiss.club@shaw.ca](mailto:Victoria.edelweiss.club@shaw.ca). More info in the next issue of Das Echo.

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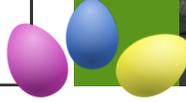
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Das Echo, it must be paid prior to May 31, 2019.

Please contact us at

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**Please feel free to contact the Board of Directors if you have any questions or suggestions.  
Board meetings every last Monday of the month at 7pm at the Club.**

Bill Prindl, Vice President

Mona Jane, Treasurer

250-380-9158

Secretary, vacant

Bill Buckley, Director at Large

250-391-9696

Willi Fahning, Director at Large

250-656-5933

Rick Przybysz Director at Large, Building & Grounds

250-888-9945

Phone & Program Committee, vacant

Christina Wegner, Director at Large

778-888-5427

**German Canadian Cultural Society of Victoria - Victoria Edelweiss Club**

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## 2019 RENEWAL & NEW MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please submit with your membership payment

Category	Annual fee (includes HST)	Check box to select category	Name of Member	
			Address (City & Postal Code)	
Adult (19-64)	\$53.00		Phone Number (incl. area code)	
Senior (> 65)	\$44.00		E-mail Address	
Youth (<19)	\$21.50		Additional card name:	
Family (2 adults & children < 19)	\$96.00		Additional card name:	
			What types of things would you be interested in volunteering some time at the Club for?	
<b>AMOUNT ENCLOSED</b>				