



24<sup>th</sup> June, 2019

Dear Members

We are happy to be back with the third circular of this year.

### **Looking back: Variety Evening**

Variety Evening 2019 has gifted us some choicest golden memories to be cherished for a long time to come. Thank you all who joined us there. The audience was enthralled by the energy packed performance put up by the junior and senior performers, alike. We are delighted to share with you that there was an overwhelming appreciation of the performance by the “Royal Dancers” group, which presented our first president and his wife, along with some of the notable senior members to the new IAB members in a grandiose style and manner. The Mughlai dinner with its lavish spread added some more royal touch to the evening.

We convey our heartfelt thanks to the choreographers and performers who put in lots of energy and sacrificed their time in order to entertain us and make the evening enjoyable. We express our deepest gratitude to the supportive family members of each participant, whose cooperation and support contributed immensely to the success of the show.

We also heartily thank the photographers and videographer who captured those unforgettable moments for us. The photos will soon be available on our website [www.iabaden.org](http://www.iabaden.org)

Before we take a look at the upcoming event, we would love to warmly welcome all the new members who joined our IAB family this year.

## Looking forward: Overnight Picnic



Once the school holidays are over, are you looking for some more enjoyable moments? Find peace and quiet, have unlimited fun, glide over Lake Lucerne in a canoe or swim in the water - what could be better? Come and enjoy a triad of sun, mountains and lake in the heart of Switzerland.

We are waiting to welcome you at the well preserved, 500 years old chalet located at the shores of Lake Lucerne, outside the village of Gersau. The chalet boasts of breath-taking views of the lake and the snow clad mountains from its rooms. Plenty of delicious food will be ready to be served, including the much beloved vegetarian and non-vegetarian grilled platters.

**Date:** 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> September, 2019

**Place:** Gersau

<https://www.myswitzerland.com/en/destinations/gersau/>

**Accommodation:** Hostel Rotschuo Gersau, Seestrasse 163, 6442 Gersau.

<https://www.hostel-rotschuo.ch/>

### Transport:

1. Car: Self organized or friendly car pools (1hr 40min drive from Baden)- parking available at the venue
2. Train: Easily accessible by public transport. Accommodation is 2 min walk from Bus stop Gersau, Rotschuo.

### Picnic Plans:

**Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> Sep, 2019**

We will start the day with a tour to one of the most popular tourist destination, the family mountain Sattel-Hochstuckli

<https://www.sattel-hochstuckli.ch/en>



**11:00 – 11:30** Arrival (with your own transport) directly to Parking next to Sattel Hochstuckli Gondola lift Station (Eingang Sattel- HochStuckli Tal Station).

**Link to Google maps:** <https://goo.gl/maps/ai9kWNXLWETbLsnPA>

**11:30 – 12:30** Quick lunch

**12:45 pm** Go up to Sattel Hochstuckli by the world's first revolving gondola

- Hike across the 374 m long Raiffeisen Skywalk suspension bridge
- Those keen to add another thrill can race down the toboggan or tubing run ( 5 CHF per ride)
- The wonderful mountain landscape features numerous bouncy castles (at additional cost) that will try the stamina of even the most energetic kids

**15:30 pm (approx.)** Come down to Sattel Station parking and start for our accommodation in Gersau. It takes 30 minutes by car. **Please note** that the last cable car from the top is at 5 pm

**Link to google maps:** <https://goo.gl/maps/nPQm2BcCiPEt2Fpo7>

**16:00 – 17:00** Arrival at the venue. Check in into rooms.

**17:00-19:00** Tea time combined with entertainment galore:

Trampoline, Table tennis, Table football, Beach volley ball, Badminton, Zumba and more (Possibility of canoeing in the private lake against a nominal fee)

**19:00 – 21:00** Dinner & Grill evening

**21:30** – Open ended fun and enjoyment begins with music DJ, dancing, games and some more fun

## **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September, 2019**

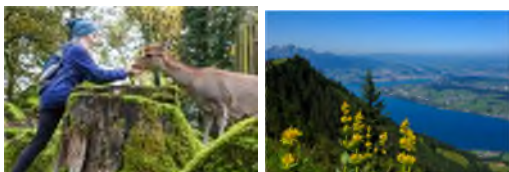
**08:30 – 09:30** Breakfast

**10:00** check-out

**10:00 onwards:** Those who wish may leave for home. Those who don't, have the options to explore some of the many sightseeing possibilities in the region. We suggest Wildlife Park, Goldau for family with kids, and the Queen of Mountains, Rigi, for the nature lovers. Both these destinations are just half an hour drive away.

The Nature Reserve and Wildlife Park Goldau is located in the middle of a wild, romantic landslide area. More than 100 species of wild European animals live in an area of 42 hectares.

Rising to 1797 meters above sea level, Rigi Kulm is the highest peak of Mount Rigi. From there, you can enjoy a view of no fewer than 13 lakes and a regular "sea of peaks", a 360-degree panorama that is truly the stuff of legend.



<https://www.tierpark.ch/#>

<https://www.suisse-view.com/360/rigi/summer/tours/klassiker/>

### Contribution for the overnight Picnic:

Name	Less than 6 (sharing Bed with parents)	Less than 6 (on own Bed)	6 - 12 Years	12 - 18 Years	18+ Years
Member	Free	20.--	30.--	40.--	60.--
Non Member	Free	25.--	40.--	50.--	75.--

Member rates also apply to: Parents and Grand Children (less than 18 years old) of members registered for the event. Visiting relatives of members registered for the event/Member's guests are non-members for payment purposes.

### Price includes:

- Accommodation
- Meals (lunch on arrival, chai/snacks, dinner and breakfast on the second day)
- Return ticket for cable car from Sattel Gondola Station

Rooms with 2 Beds/4 Beds/ 6 Beds are available at the venue. Showers and Toilets are shared on the same floor. If you prefer bigger rooms for your group, please let us know as early as possible to grab those.

Now, you can register online at <http://iabaden.org/izero-reg-event/picnic-2019/> with just a few simple steps

You may also send your registration to Raghu Vijaynagar or Kavita Sukhija by e-mail to [treasurer@iabaden.ch](mailto:treasurer@iabaden.ch) or [cm2@iabaden.ch](mailto:cm2@iabaden.ch) latest by **18th August 2018**. For ease of compilation, please indicate the number of people attending as per following table:

Name	Member Yes/No	Food Preference Veg/Non Veg	Less than 6 (sharing bed with parents)	Less than 6 (on own bed)	6-12 Years	12-18 Years	18+ Years

Due to limited capacity of beds, registration will be done on a first come-first served basis. Members will be given preference over the Non-members. **Registrations will be considered only after receipt of payment to:**

Indian Association, 5401 Baden

Account No. 50-17831-6, IBAN: CH54 0900 0000 5001 7831

### Gala brochure articles request:

It is now time that we start planning plots for stories or select rhymes for our poems or perhaps pick up the paint brush and let our creativity flow for a reason. Continuing the tradition from the previous years, IAB Brochure aims to provide a page by page platform that showcases your creativity in different forms.

Would you like to share your creative spirit with the IAB Family? Then send us your submission by Saturday 31st August, 2019. Our goal is to make YOUR Brochure a golden souvenir for YOU. Please help us keep this deadline by sending us your submissions on time.

Below you will find the details and categories for your submission. Please send your submissions to [president@iabaden.ch](mailto:president@iabaden.ch)

## **Submission Categories:**

### **A. For Adults (18+):**

#### **1. Essay, Fiction, Poetry, Travelogues, Memoirs:**

Submit on any topic of your choice, any language (English, German), and approx. 1500 words.

Or write a very short text on the topic for a Swiss Graffiti wall in our brochure: 'My first year in Switzerland' (maximum 140 characters, you can also supplement it with a photo).

#### **2. Any form of art:**

Paintings, sketches, photos are welcome. (one submission per person)

### **B. For Youngsters (5-17):**

#### **1. Short Story, Travel stories, Jokes or Essay:**

- Write on any topic of your choice in any language (English, German). Word limit: approx. 1000 words.
- Or write a short review of any book, film or game. Word limit approx. 200 words

#### **2. Any form of art:**

- Paintings, sketches, photos are welcome. (one submission per person)

**With every submission please submit your 1) portrait photo, 2) full name, 3) a 20 words profile.**

## **Volunteers request:**

We are still looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help us with some of our upcoming philanthropic projects. Please write to [secretary@iabaden.org](mailto:secretary@iabaden.org) if you wish to help us.

We look forward to sharing loads of enjoyable moments at the picnic. We wish you bright sunny weather and happy and relaxing holidays ahead.

Cheers

On behalf of EC 2019

Srijani Bhattacharya