



German Canadian Club

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Dear Members and Friends,

What a great summer it has been at the German Canadian Club! Our club has had so much activity throughout the summer it's hard to know where to start but first I think I would like to start by saying thank you to all of the great people who have made it all possible. From our President all the way down to the summer help and all of the club members who show up and help when we need them. The club greatly appreciates all of your time and effort to ensure everything runs smoothly and efficiently for our events and or elsewhere at the club.

Once again our beer garden was a great success with several bands each weekend in a gemuetlich garden where soccer players, soccer fans, and many people attending our outdoor concerts could enjoy some great Stimmung for people to enjoy dancing the night away under the stars.

The Tennis club was once again in full swing with the help of Joe and his many helpers keeping some of London's best clay tennis courts in perfect condition. And for perfect condition, as usual the soccer field was once again the place all soccer players in London were excited to play on thanks to everyone on the soccer committee and our summer student Nicholas.

Thank you again to everyone attending and helping with our events and we look forward to seeing you at Oktoberfest this year held on the 25th and 26th of October!

Michael Marienwald
Vice-President



Events in September

Sundays	The Nice Church	11 am
Mondays beginning 9	Lyra Choir Rehearsal	7:30 pm
Wednesdays	Barbershop Chorus	7 pm
Wednesday 4	Seniors Bingo	2 pm
Sunday 8	Special Events Kaffeeklatsch	2 pm
Friday 13	Scrapbooking Group	9 am
Friday 13	Deutscher Stammtisch	7:30 pm
Sunday 15	Seniors Kaffeeklatsch	2 pm
Sunday 22	General Membership Meeting	4 pm
Thursday 26	Accordion Club	7 pm
Saturday 28	Men of Accord Barbershop Chorus-Fall Cabaret	3 pm

Events in October

Sundays	The Nice Church	11 am
Mondays	Lyra Choir Rehearsal	7:30 pm
Wednesdays	Barbershop Chorus	7 pm
Sunday 6	Special Events Kaffeeklatsch	2 pm
Wednesday 9	Seniors Bingo	2 pm
Friday 11	Deutscher Stammtisch	7:30 pm
Monday 14	Thanksgiving Day	
Sunday 20	Seniors Kaffeektasch	2 pm
Thursday 24	Accordion Club	7 pm
Friday 25	Oktoberfest	5 pm
Saturday 26	Oktoberfest-Family Afternoon	11 am to 4 pm
Saturday 26	Oktoberfest	5 pm

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 friedhelm1899@gmail.com

Seniors Group (Ingeborg Schirmer) 519-472-1498
 or **(Evelyn Striegl) 519-685-6693**

Events take place all year round.

Choir (Kathy Wodrich)
 Every Monday 7:30pm-9:30pm
kwodrich@gmail.com www.lyrachoir.com

Tennis (HJ Rosell)
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hjrtennis@gmail.com

May to September
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Soccer (Mark Ellyatt)
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ellyatt.family@outlook.com

For field bookings &
 training schedule
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Special Events Group (Marlene Hoche-Davidson)
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Hall Rental

For information on our hall rental rates for members and non-members, please contact:
 Carlene Hitchens
 (519) 433-2901
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Please send any submissions for our newsletter by the 20th of the month to
germanclub1@rogers.com
 or call the office at 519-433-2901.

Everyone is welcome at all events.

OKTOBERFEST 2024

Please help us put together London's best Oktoberfest ever! Putting together such a large event takes a lot of time and people, and setting up of tables, chairs, and decorations. We would greatly appreciate any help you can offer either to set up the Oktoberfest or cleaning up after the party Sunday. Last year we had a lot of fun setting up and we were very proud of the *gemutlichkeit* we created for the event. We can also always use more corporate sponsors so if you know of a company or individual who would like to sponsor the event, please go to <https://germancanadianclublondon.com/oktoberfest-sponsorship> or have them contact Mike Marienwald or Fred Grossman.

As for tickets, if you have not bought your tickets, do not delay. There have already been well over 100 tickets sold for this year's event and if it is anything like last year's Oktoberfest we will sell out before the event. This year we also have our VIP area where VIP ticket holders will get reserved tables, waiters and waitresses to serve beer and food, a free beer in a 1 litre beer stein, and an Oktoberfest T shirt. As there are only 50 VIP tickets for each night make sure to get yours soon! To buy tickets, you can go to the website or call the club. This year we have Walter Ostanek back again Friday night as well as many other bands and we once again have a family Oktoberfest from 11-4pm Saturday for families looking to bring their children for some entertainment and dancing. This year Anna will again be both in the tent and in the club making sure everyone is well fed with all of our German food favorites. We will also have a schnapps bar and our own beer brewed for us for the Oktoberfest. So don't delay and get your tickets today before they are sold out.

OKTOBERFEST VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Please consider volunteering your time to help out with Oktoberfest. We are looking for help with many tasks before, with set up and decorating, during, with selling and taking tickets, and afterwards, with clean up. There are many jobs that need everyone's help. Many hands make light work and you will have a lot of fun.

If you wish to help us out in any way you can, please email Kathy Wodrich at kwodrich@gmail.com, Christine Heinemann-Gijzen at cheinema@sympatico.ca or Carlene Hitchens in the office at 519-433-2901 or germanclub1@rogers.com.



OKTOBERFEST 2024 ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

5pm Open ADULTS ONLY (19 years+)

6:00-8:30 WALTER OSTANEK

8:30-9:00 CONCORDIA SCHUHPLATTLER

9:00-11:00 SOLD FOR SHEEP

11:00 Close

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

11am Open

11:30-1:30 ALPINE ECHO

1:30-2:00 CONCORDIA SCHUHPLATTLER/TEACH CHILDREN ABOUT OKTOBERFEST

2:00-3:00 ALPINE ECHO

3:00-4:00 MUSIC AND KIDS EVENTS AND GAMES

4:00 Close

5 pm Open ADULTS ONLY (19 years+)

5:00-6:00 ALPINE ECHO

6:00-6:30 CONCORDIA SCHUHPLATTLER

6:30-9:00 ALPINE ECHO

9:00-9:30 CONCORDIA SCHUHPLATTLER

9:30-11:00 SOLD FOR SHEEP

11:00 Close

The German Canadian Club, London, Ontario

Notice of a Special Membership Meeting
(in accordance with the Constitution Article 9)

September 22, 2024 at 4 pm

Beverage Room at the German Canadian Club

Dinner will be available following the meeting

At the Annual General Meeting this spring, Membership fees were discussed and suggestions made. A decision was made to have the Board take these suggestions that were made at that meeting and develop a new structure. Therefore, the Board of Directors has done its work and asked for a General Meeting to discuss and decide on a new Membership fee structure.

Agenda Topics

- 1. New Structure of Membership Fees**
2. General updates of operation

We will offer a traditional German dinner after the meeting for \$20.00 plus tax. All full members are welcome. It is a wonderful opportunity to socialize with fellow members.

For planning purposes, please RSVP to Carlene in the office by phone (519-433-2901) or email (germanclub1@rogers.com).

On behalf of the Board of Directors
Friedhelm Hoffmann, President

German Club Membership

Are you thinking about joining us at our Annual Big Tent Oktoberfest? Did you know Full Club Members get discounts on those tickets? That's right, Members pay only \$20 per ticket. General admission is \$30. You save \$10.

How about the Christmas Market in November? Members get in free.

Need a hall for that special birthday coming up? Rent our Biergarten in the summer for that Family Reunion? Organize a Super Bowl watch party? Members get discounts on the rental fees.

Anyone can be a member of the Club; you do not have to be German!

The fee for Full membership is \$100 with a second household member being \$60. But beware, that our Full Membership fees might go up next year, to help cover those never-ending maintenance costs. Sign-up now for 2025 to lock your membership in at the current fee.

The fee can be paid by cheque, mailed to German Canadian Club, 1 Cove Rd., London ON, N6J 1H7 or by etransfer, sent to germanclub1@rogers.com.

Personal Note from the Club President;

I would like to express my deepest thank you for all the words, cards, messages, flowers, and food that I received from members, Untergruppen, and friends and to all who attended the funeral service for my husband Ricardo's sudden passing. I am overwhelmed and grief is not easy especially when it was so unexpected. Knowing that so many reached out to offer their kindness makes it easier to bear. Thanks to all for showing the true colours of the members of this Club. It is an honour to serve such kind and caring people.

Friedhelm Hoffmann

Seniors News

The next Bingo/Kaffeeklatsch is Wednesday, October 9 at 2 pm.

Kaffeeklatsch resumes on Sunday, September 15 at 2 pm. There will be a Kaffeeklatsch on Sunday, October 20 also at 2 pm.

The Seniors wish all the best to Manfred von Wistinghausen.

Christmas Dinner will be held on Sunday, December 1 at 1 pm. Payment for dinner is due no later than the Kaffeeklatsch on November 17, 2024.

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email: Hodgsone79@gmail.com or

Ilse Spangenberg, 519-769-2338,

email spangenberg@sympatico.ca

for more information

Tennis Update

Players are enjoying another great summer of tennis, rainy days and all. We are looking forward to hosting our upcoming annual tennis Member Appreciation Day on September 15, in honour of Joe Sr.

Joe Rosell

Lyra Choir

Lyra Choir will begin rehearsals for the season on Monday, September 9 at 7:30 pm. The Choir is looking forward to an outstanding season.

Singers are always welcome.

Rehearsals are Monday evenings at

7:30 pm. If you would like to join the

Lyra Choir, please email Kathy

Wodrich at kwodrich@gmail.com

In Memoriam

We wish to extend our condolences to the families and friends of

Ricardo Hoffmann—51 Years of Age

Frank Trittler—87 Years of Age

Christkindl Market

Mark your calendars for the Christkindl Market, taking place on November 22, 23, and 24. This is an excellent time to purchase one of a kind gifts for Christmas.

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Tickets

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Friday night 19+ 5:00 - 11:00 PM -

Presale \$30/Day of \$35

Saturday Family Day All Ages 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM \$10/Adult
Children 16 and under FREE

Saturday Night 19+ 5:00 - 11:00 -

Presale \$30/Day of \$35

Friday and Saturday Night 19+ - Presale Advance Tickets Only
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<https://germancanadianclublondon.com>
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in person at or call the Club



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Tickets must be purchased in advance through the club.

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2024 SPECIAL EVENTS KAFFEEKLATSCH



Sunday October 6, 2024
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Sunday November 10, 2024
Live music by Eric Hatzenbuehler



Sunday December 8, 2024
Live music by BLUE SKY

GET YOUR TICKETS!

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Must be 19 years of age or older

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