May 2008 Program



# METROPOLITAN CLUB STUTTGART E.V.

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THURSDAY May 1 14:00 h	METCLUB OPEN, MINI GOLF TOURNAMENT We want to kick off the outdoor season for this year with the Metclub mini golf championship! To warm up we will walk through some of Stuttgart's famous 'Stäffeles' to the Uhlandshöhe, where we reach the venue for the Metclub Open 2008. Having fun comes first, but to push oneselfs to the limit is also worthwhile, because the first three athletes will be rewarded with a prize and the winner can claim the title 'Metclub Mini Golf Champion'. Sitting together afterwards and regenerate our strength with some drinks or cakes might be a nice way to end up such a strenuous tournament as we will phase out the day in the cafe Luxem. Meeting point: Tourist information at Stgt-Hbf (Königstr. 1A); Costs: Expect around 5 EUR Please register with Roman by April 29; email: Roman.Tomaschek@gmx.de; Mobile: 0172/7572255.
TUESDAY May 6 19:00 h	IRISH FILM FESTIVAL – SNEAK PREVIEW (ENGLISH LANGUAGE FILM)   As the title implies details regarding the film are yet unknown, at least to us. But what we heard from reliable sources is that the film is worth seeing.   Prices: Free for members of the Metropolitan Club and 4,50 EUR for non-members.   Meeting point: Corso Kino, Stgt-Vaihingen, Hauptstraße 6, (5 minutes walk from Vaihingen Bhf); for directions please see www.corso-kino.de/directions.htm   Organizer: Carmen Fellner, email: fellner@diakonie.de; mobile: 0172/7164348
TUESDAY May 13 19:30 h	INTERNATIONAL GET-TOGETHER Join us for our get-together to meet friends, for some good conversation and laughter. New guests are welcome! A table in Sophie's Brauhaus, Marienstraße 28, Stuttgart is reserved in the name of the Metropolitan Club. However, from past experience we can say that you just have to look out for the big friendly crowd. If possible, please register by email: program_manager@metclub.de (by May 12).
SUNDAY May 18 11:00 h	ESSLINGER WEINWANDERTAG: WANDERING AND WINE CULTURE Do you know Swabian vineyards, like those of Esslingen? Do you want to find out about the "Glockenspiel" and the "Faifegrädler"? The stroll of about 5 km is a good opportunity to learn more about the region and the Swabian joy of life. The Weinwandertag route has several stops, with booths serving wine tastings for little money as well as local snacks. The tour starts in Esslingen and leads us finally to the "Kelter" (the winery) in Esslingen-Mettingen. We meet at 11 a.m. at the fountain in front of the ancient "Rathaus" (overall restored city hall in nice red color). Take the S-Bahn S1 to Esslingen (departure Stgt Hbf at 10h25) and walk from the station 5-10 minutes to the city center, following the signposts for "Altstadt/Rathaus". In case of any questions just contact Bruno Bär, Mobile: 0176-218 37370; brunobear@mac.com
THURSDAY May 22 12:34 h	BICYCLE TOUR TO BESIGHEIM After last year's well attended bicycle trip upstream the river Glems, we want to explore this year the river's downstream part and more. Our trip takes us along Glems and Enz towards Besigheim. Besigheim's scenic medieval old town waits there to be discovered by us. Fredi Derlin will guide us on a short sightseeing walk through the ancient alleys. A cozy get-together in one of Besigheim's nice old town restaurants will round out the day. Back to Stuttgart we will go by train (Stgt Hbf 26min, hourly trains, ca. 4 EUR each person). The tour is around 40km long and mostly flat, but not all parts are paved. As we expect some "bikeless" folks asking for a bike to borrow, please let us know whether you can provide a bike to lend. We meet 12:34 at S-Bahn Station Weilimdorf (S6). This event is organized by Martin and Fredi. Please register with Martin (by May 20): email: martin.moser.public@web.de, mobile: 0151/57345104
SUNDAY May 25 19:15 h	OPERA EVENING WITH THE STUTTGART OPERA SCHOOL: A 'REMIX' OF TWO ROSSINI OPERAS The opera school belongs to the Stuttgarter Musikhochschule (conservatory) and stages about 1 - 2 opera productions per year in the wonderful Wilhelma-Theater. Rossini's successful musical career is based on five one-act operas. Two of them - 'La scala di seta' and 'L'occasione sulla scala' - have quite confusing plots due to their condensed form. Art director Matthias Schönfeldt still increases the complexity by mixing together parts of these operas. Enjoy this experiment! Ten tickets are reserved for this event. Meeting point and time is 19:15h in front of the Wilhelma-Theater (Neckartalstraße 9, Stuttgart). The opera starts at 19:30h. Tickets cost 25 EUR (15 EUR for members of the Metropolitan Club). If you are interested, please register with Matthias by May 19; Email: schneider.matth@web.de; Phone: 0711 / 835 0979

THURSDAY	POP ART PORTRAITS
May 29 19:00 h	"PopArtPortraits" is a collaboration between the Staatsgalerie Stuttgart and the National Portrait Gallery in London, where it was previously shown. The exhibition is the first to examine the role and significance of portraiture within Pop Art - one of the major art movements of the late twentieth century. It brings together 52 key works by 28 Pop artists working on both sides of the Atlantic in the 1950s and 1960s, including major portraits by Andy Warhol, Robert Rauschenberg, Jasper Johns and Roy Lichtenstein alongside those of Peter Blake, Richard Hamilton, David Hockney and Patrick Caulfield. A guided tour in English will introduce us to this interesting exhibition. Please register with Petra at 0173-995 94 45 or »petra.michel@arcor.de« by May 28. We meet at 7 pm in the entrance hall of the Staatsgalerie. Prices are 4 EUR for members of the MetClub and 10 EUR for non-members.

## ... coming up soon, please register in May:

#### WATERSKIING AND HIKING WEEKEND ALLGÄU WEEKEND

**JUNE 6/7/8** 

Waterskiing, barbecue and mountain hiking with the well proven organization by Götz Stelzenmüller. Every year for a long time this popular event attracts many metclub members and friends, newbies and experts. We will meet on Friday evening (June 6) in Wertach/Allgäu at the hostel Hinterreute, which will be our base camp for the weekend. Saturday morning the action starts with waterskiing at the waterski lift Immenstadt (www.wakeboard-allgaeu.de/). For lunch we will have then a (self-organized) barbecue and in the afternoon a little hiking tour is possible. On Sunday some "serious mountain hiking" is on the program (different levels on demand, good hiking shoes required). In the late afternoon we will set off for our return to Stuttgart. Please register with Götz; email: kontakt@motorbike-shop.de (Cc: program\_manager@metclub.de) by May 23 and transfer an advance payment of 20 EUR to Götz's account (Postbank Stuttgart, BLZ 60010070, Konto 139843708). Registration is valid after money receipt. Have in mind that hostel places are limited! Costs: Expect 38 EUR (2 nights in a 4- or 6-bed room in the hostel with breakfast) + 15 EUR (2 hours waterskiing incl. rent of waterski) + aditional costs like 3 EUR for neoprene suit rental, barbecue etc. . And please don't worry, if you don't feel up to both, waterskiing only or hiking only is also possible. For transportation we will organize car pooling. Please let us know wether you can provide a car.

#### 5-DAY-TRIP TO THE BALTIC SEA, SCHLESWIG HOLSTEIN **SEPTEMBER**

10 - 14

Join us for Kiel, the "Sailing City"! Enjoy the breeze while sailing on the Kieler Förde. Relax on a white sandy beach and watch big ships go by. Discover the scenic town Schleswig with its gardens and a wiking castle. Modern marine industries and untouched northern landscape are other highlights during our trip. Our former Metclub member and program manager Fanny Vollrath (Bazin) proposes this trip to the region she lives in now. We plan to travel by train and to stay in Kiel in an affordable hotel. Costs: Train ticket 80 EUR; accommodation 125..160 EUR (4 nights, 1, 2 or 3 bed rooms); entrance fees etc. 50..100 EUR (there will be a reduction for members of the Metropolitan Club). Interested? If so, please register with Georg Mallebrein by end of May because the train tickets need to be organized well in advance and Fanny needs time to arrange things too.

Local coordinator:Georg Mallebrein; email: georg.mallebrein@metclub.de; mobile: 0174/2536147

### ABOUT THE METROPOLITAN CLUB

We are:	A German-American club with international membership.	
The members:	People from all walks of life, especially between 18 and 35.	
Club language:	English for all official programs.	
Activities:	Cultural and social activities, fun and entertainment, weekend trips and whatever you suggest. The members and their ideas keep the club alive.	
President:	Dennis O'Donohue, 0711 687 5463, president@metclub.de	
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The programs marked "DAZ" (Deutsch-Amerikanisches Zentrum), are at Charlottenplatz 17 (Amadeus Building). To get there, enter the courtyard of the complex from the side facing the "Altes Schloss", turn right to entrance 3 at the round tower in the courtyard corner, go up the stairs to the top floor. In case of an accident, neither the Metropolitan Club Stuttgart nor the organizers of events assume any responsibility. The Metropolitan Club will also take no responsibility for accidents at transportation from or to club events.

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