



CLUB NEWS 2024

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Dear members,

In this new edition of our Club News, we document the first events of this first quarter of 2024, with a very attractive and diverse program. Additional event photos can be found in the password-protected "Members" section of our website. We hope you enjoy reading.

Please also note that we have postponed our Summer Gala date due to an overlap with the Red Cross Ball. **The new date is Wednesday July 17, at the air-conditioned Ballroom of the Yacht Club.**

OUR EVENTS

Invitation from the CAI for the New Year to the "new" Café de Paris Thursday January 11, 2024

Our first Fixed Day of the year was replaced, at the initiative of the Co-Presidents, by an invitation from the CAI to the Café de Paris, with champagne and canapes, to celebrate together the start of the year 2024. The Café de Paris, recently reopened to the public after its renewal, could be reserved for this purpose. And the Café de Paris team welcomed us with an open bar, selected canapes and very attentive service.

Besides many members, our new members Vitus Graupner, Bernd Hanke and the Barta couple were also present, as well as a few other people interested in joining our Club. It was a very friendly, interesting and conversation-rich meeting and therefore a successful start to opening our 2024 program.





**Gala evening of the International Circus Festival with awards ceremony and prior aperitif at the Columbus Hotel bar.
Tuesday January 23, 2024**

This year marked the 50th anniversary of the Festival. The festival, founded in 1974, therefore celebrated this jubilee with a special retrospective and also concluded the commemorations of the centenary of the birth of Prince Rainier III. It was a breathtaking spectacle with extraordinary performances by acrobats and tamers, in the presence of the Princely Family, who presented the coveted "Golden Clowns" trophies.

Beforehand, an aperitif with champagne and sandwiches was organized at the bar of the Columbus hotel, in a very friendly atmosphere. The circus festival didn't end until after midnight and was an unforgettable experience



**Screening of the film “The Unusual Life of Herbert Traube” with signing and cocktail at the Maison de France, offered by the association “Pour le Devoir de Mémoire”, in collaboration with Heribert Diehl and Gérard Weinberg.
Friday January 26, 2024 at the Maison de France**

This event, organized especially for the CAI, was a great honor for us, in particular thanks to the presence of Herbert Traube, almost a hundred years old, an extraordinary and very vital personality, whose life full of shocks under the Nazi regime, escapes and further adventures was documented in a film. Present were the Minister of Foreign Affairs Isabelle Berro-Amadeï with her husband, numerous members of the CAI, as well as members of the Swiss Club and the “Devoir de Mémoire” association.

After the very interesting biographical film and some personal memories of Herbert Traube, questions could be asked and discussed, accompanied by a generous cocktail dinner and a signing session. This unique event was a moving experience that left no one indifferent.



**Choral concert “A German Requiem” by Johannes Brahms at the Salle Garnier
Monday January 29, 2024**

The excellent Opera Choir performed this great classical masterpiece by Johannes Brahms, “A German Requiem” in the historic Salle Garnier. Among the rare choral concerts in existence, this work is of rare depth, with sublime chords and harmonies. The choir was reinforced by remarkable soloists and the stage decorated by the projection of very beautiful images of religious places. As fewer members than expected participated in this event, we made the excess tickets available and offered them to the families of the choir’s members. This initiative was highly praised.



**Raclette evening at the private restaurant MoNa, Monaco
Saturday February 10, 2024**

Following numerous requests, the CAI organized a raclette evening for the first time and Patrick Wetzel found the ideal restaurant for it: in an aparté in the private restaurant of the luxury residence MoNa! A private room was reserved for us, where not only were served Swiss raclette with all its accompaniments, but also a classic fondue! It was a very lively Swiss evening, with perfect service, much appreciated by the members present.



**Printemps des Arts: Screening of the documentary “Le Sel de la Terre” at the Cinéma des Beaux Arts followed by a brunch at the Restaurant La Môme, Hôtel Port Palace
Sunday February 18, 2024**

Renowned German director Wim Wenders has filmed the life and work of famous Brazilian photographer Sebastião Salgado in an impressive documentary film nominated for an Oscar and awarded at Cannes, the Césars and the Berlinale. Salgado wanted to show the misery of the Third World: famine, exploitation, expulsions, wars. But he found his personal salvation, after a great crisis, by producing a gigantic photographic documentary: “Genesis”, with which he devoted himself to the heavenly places of the world. It was his tribute to the beauty of our planet. The film was a great emotional and visual challenge for us, the spectators, which gave rise to controversial discussions. Our conclusion: an important film that absolutely had to be seen.



The brunch that followed on the sunny terrace of the La Môme restaurant was chosen by the restaurant: a wide range of starters and main courses, as well as desserts, with selected wines and very friendly service. It was a sunny Sunday with lots of suggestions and good discussions.



**Recital Cecilia Bartoli and Lang Lang at the Salle Garnier, combined with a table at the Bal de la Rose, Salle des Etoiles
Saturday March 23, 2024**

These two major events have been combined by the CAI into a unique experience. The recital brought together two emblematic figures of classical music. Cecilia Bartoli performed a repertoire of arias from the early 14th to the 20th centuries, brilliantly accompanied by the talented world-renowned pianist Lang Lang, whose solo contribution received an enthusiastic ovation. It was an exceptional concert evening.



The Bal de la Rose which followed at the Sporting de Montecarlo, full of pomp and glamour, reached a new height of Monegasque social life. The ball, which celebrated its 48th anniversary this year, is a cornerstone of the Principality's festivities. It is also a philanthropic event for the benefit of the Princess Grace Foundation, with a sumptuous raffle. After the fantastic dance show from the MC Performers, the evening reached its climax with the iconic singer Gloria Gaynor, who captivated us all with her timeless disco melodies "I will survive" and "Never can say Goodbye". A special menu inspired by the 80s was served with unlimited champagne! It was an unforgettable celebration for everyone present.



**51st General Assembly of the CAI with champagne aperitif, sponsored by Andreas and Jutta Barthel, and gourmet dinner at the Automobile Club de Monaco
Thursday, March 28, 2024**

The Annual General Meeting took place again during Easter week, in the ACM Conference Room. The Co-Presidents documented the various activities of the CAI Jubilee year as well as the financial results for the year 2023. These were approved by the Auditors and the Committee received its discharge. The Co-Presidents also thanked the Auditors for their work and their commitment.



Then, our long-time member Heribert Diehl, who recently became an honorary member of the CAI, was presented with a Monegasque coin from 1974 in recognition of his loyalty to the Club. Titus Gebel also received a series of Monegasque Euros as a thank you for his work as Vice-President over the last three years. Finally, the Co-Presidents thanked Angela Kleiber, our Vice-President, for her generous and retroactive donation to cover the deficit of our Jubilee year. Then the first planning of the event program for 2024 was presented and the city of Vienna was presented as the next destination for the Club's trip in 2025.



The cocktail with champagne was offered by Jutta and Andreas Barthel, for which all the members present thanked them very much. The gourmet dinner that followed at the club restaurant was of excellent quality and served impeccably.



**Invitation of the CAI to the “Easter Sunday Swing” with the Amazing Keystone Big Band at the Rainier III Auditorium.
Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024**

This invitation from the Club to conclude the Easter weekend in musical form was very well received. It was a fantastic performance featuring many classics by the famous jazz pianist Count Basie, played by France's best jazz big band. Swing, a fusion of blues and jazz, put all participants in a good mood. A musical treat!



JOURS FIXES

**Private invitation to Robert Smulders' Jour Fixe at the Café de Paris
February 1, 2024**

This generous invitation for a Jour Fixe, once again at the very popular Café de Paris, was very well received, including by Robert Smulders' son Francis. It was a very lively and friendly Fixed Day, for which we would like to thank Robert very warmly.



Private invitation of Gérard Weinberg to a Jour Fixe with Italian aperitif on the terrace of Cantinetta Antinori

March 7, 2024

The entire terrace of the restaurant was privatized for the CAI, which was greatly appreciated. Apart from our members, some interested guests and friends of the CAI were also present. Delicious Italian specialties and selected wines were served. It was an aperitif in good humor, for which we would like to warmly thank Gérard Weinberg.



NEW MEMBERS AND INTERNAS

Bernd Hanke



We met Bernd Hanke during our “Open Day” at Espace Léo Férre. And we are happy to now be able to welcome him among our members. He is German, lived for many years in London and is now based in Monaco. Bernd Hanke is trilingual, a financial analyst and works as an expert witness for American law firms. Privately, he wishes to make new contacts and participate in the diverse life of our Club. He offers to help us organize trips, for example to Great Britain, where he lived for many years. Its godfather and godmother are the Co-Presidents Beatrix von Dellingshausen and Patrick Wetzel.

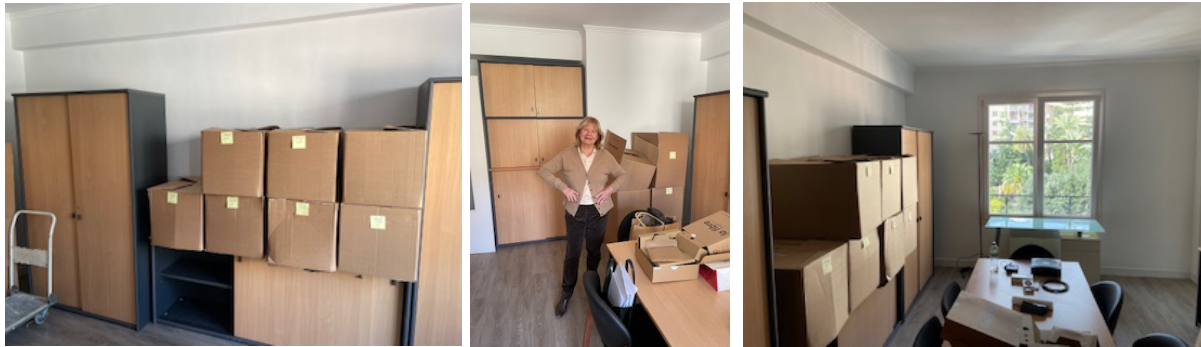
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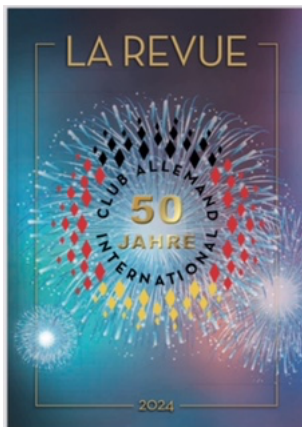
Recommended by Heribert and Lui Ming Diehl, we are very happy that Vitus Graupner has become a member of the CAI. He is a German national, lives in Munich and Monaco and is an auctioneer and managing partner of the Hampel auction house in Munich. He speaks several languages: German, Italian, French, Serbian, Spanish and Russian and is also very sporty. He is particularly interested in making new contacts and by the diversity of our activities. Her godfather and godmother are Heribert Diehl and Beatrix von Dellingshausen.

Office moving

At the end of February we moved to a new office that is smaller and better suited to our needs. The move will also allow us to reduce our rental costs in the future. Our address, Palais de la Scala, remains the same, still on the 5th floor, but at number 1233 (instead of 1205).



La Revue 2024



The 2024 “Revue” was presented and distributed during the general assembly and is currently being sent to all our members. It documents the many activities as well as the grand gala organized on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of our German International Club. It also contains a tribute to Prince Rainier III, whose 100th birthday was also celebrated in 2023.

NEXT EVENTS

MAY

THURSDAY 2ND OF MAY

Jour Fixe Terrace at the Café de Paris at the invitation of our member Jutta Ehle

SUNDAY MAY 5

Golf tournament at Monte Carlo Golfclub „CAI Cup“
Sponsored by Beatrix von Dellingshausen and Jean-Paul Vaugoin

THURSDAY MAY 9 (ASCENSION)

Excursion to the private Villa „Le Balcon“ in Theoule, with gourmet brunch and
Meeting with the filmmaker and citizen of the world Robert Dornheim

JUNE

THURSDAY JUNE 6

Jour Fixe Terrace at the Café de Paris

THURSDAY JUNE 12

Gala Concert of the Rainier III Music Academy

FRIDAY JUNE 14 AND TUESDAY JUNE 18

International Television Festival, opening and Awards Gala

FRIDAY JUNE 21 (YET TO BE CONFIRMED)

Boat tour in the protected area of Pelagos to observe whales, with experts from the Prince Albert II Foundation

JULY

THURSDAY JULY 4

US-National Day: Invitation from Patricia Eisenbeiss for a Brunch

FRIDAY JULY 5

art montecarlo / VIP Vernissage, sponsored by Beatrix von Dellinghausen

SATURDAY JULY 6

Final of the Longines International Jumping Tournament – Final, Tickets and dinner

DATE TO BE SPECIFIED AND EVENT TO BE CONFIRMED

Short excursion to Berlin

Combining a reception at the Berlin Embassy celebrating the accession to the throne of Prince Albert II

A private tour of the Stadtschloss

Reception by the Honorary Consul of Monaco in Potsdam, Mrs. Barbara Zumstein

And guided tour of the Caspar David Friedrich exhibition, at the Alte Nationalgalerie.

WEDNESDAY JULY 17 (PLEASE NOTE NEW DATE!!!)

CAI GALA at the Yacht Club Ballroom, Deck 3

With Musical Show “LA DOLCE VITA”, Gourmet Dinner, Raffle and Dance

FRIDAY JULY 19 (INFORMATION FOR INTERESTED MEMBERS)

Red Cross Ball, Salle des Etoiles

SUNDAY JULY 28

Concert with Conductor Claudio Muti at the Court of Honor of the Palace, with dinner at the Castelroc Restaurant, offered by Vice-President Carmen Schall and Reinhard Schall

AUGUST

THURSDAY AUGUST 1

Jour Fixe

SATURDAY AUGUST 17

Exhibition "William J.M.Turner, the sublime heritage"

Guided tour and dinner