

«30th Anniversary Tramstrasse 100-Celebration» on 15th October 2017



Once again the Schlussfahrt had to be cancelled and postponed, to the second Sunday in October, October 15th. Except for the band ‚Edelweiss‘ who already had another engagement it was the right decision. The weather was sensational and the view of the mountains fantastic. A day that shall long be remembered by all who took part.

The weather forecast was for morning mist, however, it had already lifted by the time most left for Pfäffikon SZ. I drove past Horgen and Samstagern-Schindellegi and looked down on the sea of fog over lake Zürich. Around the Seedamm there was no mist and one could even see Ufenau island.



Ufenau-Blick is the name of the location where we had our brunch-buffet. The Luegeten-Team had prepared a wonderful breakfast-buffet and everyone of the 32 of us having brunch was sure to have had enough, and even after 1 ½ hours the buffet wasn't completely cleared. By 10.30 all the participants for the ride had arrived in time for a briefing. In a short speech I looked back at 30 years and forward to the ride which was a surprise for most guests, or a «Fahrt ins Blaue».



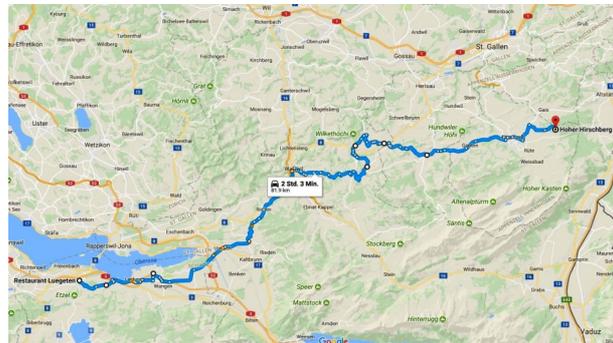
At 11 AM we started in 4 groups. Renato and Arthur took the riders who were willing to overtake when riding in a group, if the traffic situation allowed. Roman took the two ladies and all those who didn't want to ride with me. I offered to take the L-riders – only one – as well as those wanted to travel slower, and plus the only sidecar rider who participated.





I was totally surprised to see Renato heading to the left and riding downhill. I was just about to send Arthur to go after him when he returned and took the correct route we had planned. After a small diversion in Nuolen SZ, just after starting our ride, I easily found our way and the group managed to stay together.

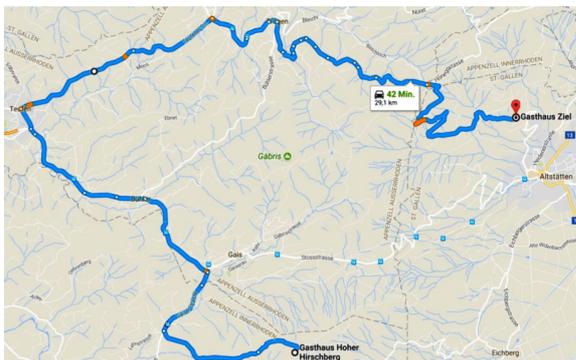
Our way took us to Uznach-Gommiswald and Rickenpass. In Wattwil we rode to Hemberg, then to Bächli, where I realised we were too early so I went to Peterzell, and from there to Dicken, Chäseren, Schöningrund, and over Tüfenberg directly to Urnäsch. The rest of the way was very curvy, the street went to Jakobsbad, then Appenzell, Gais, and to Meisterreute from where we headed to Gasthaus «Hoher Hirschberg».



We had to walk the last 200 meters from the parking lot to the location. At the Hirschberg we were welcomed with an apero and a local band: Bruno Kessler and his son and daughter played a traditional instrument, the Hackbrett, a bass, and an electric piano. Since the weather was so beautiful, hundreds of other people had arrived there also and we had to look out that our booked tables weren't taken. Some other guests arrived, Markus Sägesser and his wife Desiree (middle picture), Ernst Oderbolz and his wife Therese (left in right picture), as well as Oliver Merletti and his wife Gaby.



In more or less the same groups we rode another 45 minutes to Trogen, then St. Anton and over the Ruppenpass to Altstätten. We missed our destination, and turned at the roundabout in Altstätten to go back up the slope to «Gasthof Ziel», where the other groups had also arrived.



A late lunch was served, in the Restaurant which has a beautiful view, and the menu was «Wildhackbraten», red cabbage, and «Spätzli» made from Bio-Ur-Dinkel. For those who wished there was a bouillon with Backerbsen and a side salad from the buffet. I had more than enough with the soup and the main course, since I had already eaten delicious meat, cheese and homemade bread at the apero at Gasthaus «Hoher Hirschberg».





Family Kessler: Father Bruno (Hackbrett & Bass), daughter Anja (Bass & Hackbrett), son Florian (piano)



The first guests to leave for home were the guests from Germany. They gave me a gift for my anniversary, and then said goodbye. Also other guests started to leave for home. Karin and I were one of the last ones to leave.

Thank you to everyone, especially to my tour-guides, who helped to make this day SO SPECIAL – thank you very much!





Milly and Elvira joined us for the whole event. Milly had turned 81 in July, and it was probably an exhausting day for her. After she had returned home she informed me that the total donations for the BuKi house were Fr. 1'354.- plus 20 Euros. In an E-mail Fr. 200.- were donated as well as another Fr. 100.- from someone who couldn't join. In total we received 1'500 Euros, for the BuKi, help for children in eastern Europe and in honor to Siggie my late life partner, who would have turned 51 this coming Saturday.

This was Heidi Haller's reaction when she found out about the amount that had come together: "Dear Urs, this is fantastic, ... Siggie would be so happy about this. The day for the event was fantastic and I am sure you had a lot of fun. Thank you, dear Urs, for your support. Kind regards Heidi"

At that point I would like to thank everyone who helped to make this day a special one. The team at the 'Luegeten' in Pfäffikon SZ, the team at Hoher Hirschberg, Appenzell AI, the team at 'Ziel' in Altstätten SG as well as our musicians, the family Kessler, who did a great job! Also my tourguides who guided the groups safely to their destination and all the guests and helping hands and everyone who donated for BuKi.





**Gesamt-Resultat aller
«BuKi»-Sammlungen 2017**

2500 €

**Dieses tolle Resultat wurde dank
meinen spendablen Kunden
möglich, ganz herzlichen Dank!**

Anlässlich der Veranstaltungen meiner Töff-Fahrschule sammle ich jeweils für BuKi-Hilfe.de – so in meinem Jubel-Jahr kamen insgesamt 2500 € zusammen, 2018 anlässlich der Schlussfahrt weitere 500 €, die ich am 17.Okt. (Bild rt) an Heidi & Steff übergab.

