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## THE "WALDESRAUSCHEN"

# Calendar

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### THIS MONTH:

- June 6<sup>th</sup>**  
Turf Field Dedication Ceremony  
Friendly – USA vs Germany  
Biergarten Open – live music  
by Tuesday Night Special
- June 12<sup>th</sup>**  
WC 2026 – USA vs Paraguay
- June 13<sup>th</sup>**  
Biergarten Open – live music  
by Fitz McGee
- June 14<sup>th</sup>**  
WC 2026 – Germany vs  
Curacao
- June 19<sup>th</sup>**  
WC 2026 – USA vs Australia
- June 20<sup>th</sup>**  
WC 2026 – Germany vs  
Ivory Coast  
Biergarten Open – live music  
by Scattertrain
- June 21<sup>st</sup>**  
BVV Beach Party
- June 25<sup>th</sup>**  
WC 2026 – USA vs Turkey  
and Germany vs Ecuador
- June 27<sup>th</sup>**  
Biergarten Open – live music  
by Dirty Mac
- July 4<sup>th</sup>**  
Happy 250<sup>th</sup> Birthday America!  
Clubhouse closed

### WEEKLY UPDATES

If you are not getting the weekly update email, please let the Club office know. You can also click on our link "subscribe" at the upper corner of our website. This is the best way to keep you up to date about any last-minute updates to VE including Club news, events, soccer games, dinner specials, Club closings and job opportunities.

## President's Message – June 2026

Dear Members of VE,

The Club has a lot going on this month. The Biergarten and grounds are open for our enjoyment, and the pool is finally full of water. We have a busy summer planned and I encourage all our members to visit the Club and admire the special place we have. There is absolutely nothing like our Club and I hope to see all our members over the summer.

The grounds look great and the new soccer fields are beyond impressive. A huge thank you to the Sports Committee for overseeing the replacement of the driveway after the turf field work concluded. I encourage everyone to come out to the Turf Dedication Ceremony on June 6<sup>th</sup> and see the work done. We have a top-notch soccer facility that rivals true professional soccer grounds in Europe.

Our first event at the Biergarten was a big hit and hopefully sets the tone for the rest of the season; the summer Bundesliga soccer games will begin soon, along with the Cornhole and Horseshoe leagues. We also will be televising World Cup games in the Ratskeller. Definitely make a point of wearing your colors when the United States and Germany play.

The connections with Germany remain strong and we recently were featured in a video in Saxony marking the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Erzgebirge songwriter Anton Günther. The organizers of the event in Germany have the video posted online so please look for it on YouTube.

However, on a sad note, please keep your thoughts and prayers for the family of our Club Banquet Manager Ellen McGee who passed away suddenly in May. Ellen was only with us for a short time but quickly became a part of the VE family. She will be missed.

Lastly, congratulations to all our High School and College grads, and to all Dads, have a Happy Father's Day!!

Glück Auf!

Philip Gabel / President

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### VE MEMBERSHIP NEWS

As you know, our membership year is June 1<sup>st</sup> through May 31<sup>st</sup>, and we require membership renewals completed by May 31<sup>st</sup>. Our membership numbers have grown significantly over the past few years and now we have over 1400 Club members! Last year we successfully migrated our membership files from a manual process to an online platform. The online platform runs through a membership management company called Join It. You should have received an email to help you begin the renewal process; for those who opted out of the online version, a renewal was mailed to you like last year. After you have renewed, your digital membership card can be downloaded to your Apple or Google Wallet. Payment via cash or check can still be mailed to the Club at: 130 Davisville Rd, Warminster, PA 18974. Donations can be made online, or by cash or check which are greatly appreciated and help us with our many improvement projects.

**NOTE:** Due to the cost of postage, in lieu of mailing Club coupons this year, we will have prearranged dates/times for all paid members to pick up their Club coupons in the Club's Ratskeller. Dates/times are:

|                                   |                                   |                                    |                                    |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Sun. May 31 <sup>st</sup> (1-3pm) | Tue. June 2 <sup>nd</sup> (6-8pm) | Wed. June 3 <sup>rd</sup> (6-8pm)  | Thur. June 4 <sup>th</sup> (6-8pm) |
| Fri. June 5 <sup>th</sup> (6-8pm) | Sun. June 7 <sup>th</sup> (1-3pm) | Fri. June 12 <sup>th</sup> (6-8pm) |                                    |

If you have any questions, please contact the Club office.

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### 2026 FIFA WORLD CUP

For the second time in World Cup history, the games shall be played in the United States with a few games in Philadelphia to boot! This year's FIFA event is being held with 48 teams competing; the most teams ever. Of special interest to us are the United States men's team and Die Mannschaft! VE will be televising games with special focus on the US and German teams. Why watch at home? Come to a soccer Club with your friends and cheer your team(s) on!

|                             |                                   |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Fri. 6/12 (USA v Paraguay)  | Sun. 6/14 (Germany v Curacao)     |
| Fri. 6/19 (USA v Australia) | Sat. 6/20 (Germany v Ivory Coast) |
| Thurs. 6/25 (USA v Turkey)  | Thurs. 6/25 (Germany v Ecuador)   |

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### WHAT'S COOKING IN THE VE KITCHEN?

- **Wednesday Night Dinners:** Have stopped for the Summer. They will start up again in October. Thank you for coming out and supporting us on Wednesdays.
- **Friday Night Dinners:** In addition to traditional bar food, we will be offering a dinner special every Friday. Below are the June dinner specials. Food served in the Ratskeller.

Friday night dinner entrees served in the Ratskeller for the month of June:

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| 06/05/26 Chicken Salad with Jersey Tomato Platter                  | \$13.00 |
| 06/12/26 Jersey Burger – Cheeseburger with Pork Roll and Fried Egg | \$15.00 |
| 06/19/26 Chicken Cutlet BLT Sandwich with French Fries             | \$13.00 |
| 06/26/26 Rouladen with Spätzle and a Vegetable                     | \$15.00 |

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### ENTERTAINMENT NEWS

#### Live Music / Biergarten

Our Biergarten season with live music is open and will run through October. The events run from 5:00 to 10:00pm; with music starting at 6:00pm. The round bar is open, and food is always available. Please look for our band schedule on the VE website or our Facebook page.

Biergarten list of bands for June:

|  |                                    |
|--|------------------------------------|
| June 6 <sup>th</sup> — Tuesday Night Special | June 13 <sup>th</sup> — Fitz McGee |
| June 20 <sup>th</sup> — Scattertrain         | June 27 <sup>th</sup> — Dirty Mac  |
| July 4 <sup>th</sup> — Closed                |                                    |

#### Ratskeller Hours on Saturdays.

With the opening of the Biergarten, the Ratskeller will close on Saturday nights at 6:00pm so that we can staff outdoors.

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### DID YOU KNOW?

**Spargelzeit** is Asparagus Time! If you've not eaten white asparagus German style yet, you must come taste it for yourself! Germans take their asparagus very seriously. In Germany asparagus is white. This is created by painstakingly mounding up the dirt as the spears grow so they don't get exposed to the sun. Asparagus is only allowed to be harvested in a very short time frame in Germany, usually from the third week of April until the third week of June. Germans eat a vast amount of asparagus in this time. And with good reason — it's delicious!

Every restaurant introduces a **Spargelkarte**, a special asparagus menu, that is only served for these short two months of the year. Asparagus soups, risottos, pizzas, salads, with Schnitzel or without, it's all there. The most common way to enjoy it is with plain boiled potatoes (Salzkartoffeln), cooked ham (Schinken), and melted butter or Hollandaise sauce. Asparagus season is amazing!!

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### INDOOR SPORTS

It's that time of year again! We are forming our Cornhole and Horseshoe Leagues at the Club. Both leagues will start up in early June and run through the end of August with a BYE week built in during July 4<sup>th</sup> week. If interested, contact:

Cornhole: [veindoor@yahoo.com](mailto:veindoor@yahoo.com)      Horseshoes: [pjoycecpa@verizon.net](mailto:pjoycecpa@verizon.net)

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### BAYERN VV BEACH PARTY / DANCE

Come to the Club on June 21<sup>st</sup> from 2:00 to 6:00pm for music and dancing! Food and beverages available and Emil Schanta will be our musical guest that day!

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### VE BLOOD DRIVE

Save the Date for our Blood Drive on Thursday, October 29, 2026, from 1:00 to 6:00 pm in the large dining room. The Club is sponsoring this event and is asking our members to Donate a Pint! Please plan your donations using the Red Cross app. Any questions, call Beth McCullough at (215) 850-6709 or [micbeth3@comcast.net](mailto:micbeth3@comcast.net).

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**ANNUAL VE GOLF OUTING  
BENEFITS U18 BOYS TRIP TO EUROPE**

The VE U18 boys' team would like to send a huge thank you to all the Club members who generously supported our Germany trip fundraisers, especially our hugely successful Golf Outing. Our scheduled trip will send 16 young men along with family members and coaches on a 14-day trip with five games planned and stops in Berlin, Chemnitz, Prague, Salzburg, and Munich in early July.

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**NEWS FROM GERMANY**

The Club and the Singers provided a video to our friends in Germany recently. Please see the attached thank you correspondence we received:

*Dear friends of the Vereinigung Erzgebirge Club,  
We would like to sincerely thank you for your support and for the wonderful video. We truly appreciate your kindness, friendship, and dedication to preserving the traditions and culture of the Erzgebirge.  
We would be very happy to stay in close contact with you and look forward to a lively and lasting connection in the future. We also have a link for you so you can be part of last Sunday's celebration marking the 150th anniversary of Anton Günther.  
<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/8cvlzza2eb5kspxbibwm/ACXuVSZ37pTcqtSrQRwpjso?rlkey=33j3vaxnfy4ove97dfscr5t6m&st=dz48fg3f&dl=0>  
Wishing you a beautiful Pentecost holiday from the Erzgebirge, Annaberg-Buchholz.  
Glück auf — and may God protect you all.  
Warm regards,  
George - Kunst und Kulturverein Erzgebirge e.V.*

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**VE LADIES AUXILIARY**

I want to thank everyone, both members and friends, for making our Bingo parties such a huge success, with each passing month our attendance has increased with the last few months being over 130 people. All thanks to you for coming and bringing friends. I would also like to thank the volunteers who have come to help set up our Bingo the day before our event. We will be taking a break from June to August resuming in September.  
Please save any books you have read and would like to share with our group and bring them to our September meeting. Have a safe and happy summer and remember to visit our pool and our Saturday evening Biergarten from 5-10pm with fabulous bands and delicious food by Chef Ed and his team. See You in September!

Janet Welsch Lynch, President, Ladies Auxiliary

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**HERZLICH WILKOMMEN ZU UNSEREM KLUB  
Welcome to Our Club!**

Welcome to our new members who joined our Club in May 2026. We hope you will enjoy our facilities and have many happy and memorable hours at VE.

**Transfer to Active:** Bob Connelly, Paul McGee, and Gregory Speck  
**Passive:** Hope Boyle, George Holiday, Marianne Lauter, Ashley Lukoschek, Joseph McIvor, Jessica Monaghan, Kelly Moy, Dawn O'Connor, Stephen O'Donnell, David Sebastian, and Marilyn Sweeney

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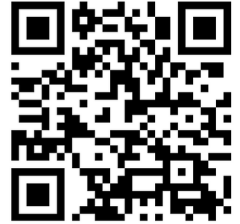
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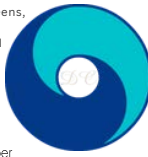
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**CORNER KICK SOCCER NEWS**

The soccer program has never been busier and with the completion of our new turf fields we are entering an exciting time in our history. Spring soccer is wrapping up with just a few spring league games left; however, we still have a busy summer in store with our adult summer Bundesliga, our U23s, the summer camp, and our Summer Splash tournament.

Our Majors and Reserves still have a few games remaining. Meanwhile our Over-30 and Over-50 men's teams advanced to the regional knockout rounds of the amateur cups and play their next games on June 7<sup>th</sup> at the Ukrainian Club. Both teams could advance to the national finals this summer.

We had two boys' teams crowned as State Cup Champions this month. Our 2015 boys coached by Chris Oswald were crowned EPYSA Challenge Cup state champs by defeating Philadelphia SC Surf by a score of 3-0. Meanwhile in the U19 boys' division, the VE Timbers claimed the title in the EPYSA Presidents Cup by beating the VE Rheinlander 4-3 in penalty kicks in the final. This is the first time we had two VE teams advance to a state cup final in the same age group. Both teams advance to the regional finals in Connecticut in June. Best of luck in regionals!!

Lastly, our Youth Soccer Camp is scheduled for the week of July 27<sup>th</sup>. To register, please go to VESoccer.org and follow the prompts; spots are filling up quickly. Mighty Mite registration will open in early June. Please check our website, or Facebook or Instagram pages for information,

Steve Feuchter / VE Soccer Chairman



**POOL NEWS**

Pool season passes are still available! Discount books can be purchased at the pool booth ONLY, please do not send money to the Club office for these.

Please bring your current VE Membership card (June 1, 2026, through May 31, 2027) with you to show at the booth when you come to the pool. If you are not in possession of a current card, you will not be able to use the pool this season until your dues are paid.

We will be open the first two weekends in June from 12:00pm until 6:00pm. Beginning on June 20<sup>th</sup>, we will open with our full summer schedule: Monday through Friday from 1:00pm until 8:00pm and Saturdays and Sundays from 12:00am until 8:00pm.

A couple of reminders:

- No glass or alcohol permitted in the pool area.
- Pool hours for beginning weekends (until June 20<sup>th</sup>) are noon to 6:00.
- No Parking at the pool (handicap parking on the weekends only).
- Call the Pool if you need a ride to the pool with the golf cart.

The pool committee hopes to see you enjoying the pool this summer!

The VE Pool Committee



**IN MEMORIAM**



The Board of Directors extends our deepest sympathy to the families of the following members who left us:

- Diana Bayer**, passed away March 26, 2026, joined 1987, a 39-year member
- William McDermott**, passed away May 17, 2026, joined 1973, a 53-year member
- Gerda Zimmermann**, passed away May 19, 2026, joined 1958, a 68-year member

**Ruhe in Frieden**



The House Committee asks that parents monitor their children while in the kid's playroom in the Ratskeller and would appreciate it if the room was cleaned up and free of trash after being used. Thank you.



As a reminder, we are a Membership Club, and it is your responsibility to validate your membership when ordering / purchasing alcoholic beverages- even if you have been a long-time member. This practice is not to be an annoyance to you but is a requirement of the PA Liquor Control Board who governs our private club status. If you are bringing guests in, you may purchase the alcohol for them (anyone 21 and over) after you show your membership card. Non-members are not permitted to purchase any alcohol from our bartenders unless they are attending a contracted event. Food purchase is open to members and non-members. All our bartenders will be asking to see your Membership cards.



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