

Sybase and PowerBuilder User Group Switzerland - History 1995

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4 December 1995 Hotel Schweizerhof, Zurich

No notes available.

26 October 1995 1st Annual General Meeting in Zurich during Client/Server '95

The meeting started in the morning to allow members to attend seminars at Client/Server '95 (in the same building). In the welcome note by the president Arthur Hefti the members were thanked for making the group a success over the last year. The organisational contributions from SQL AG and milestone software AG were particularly noted. Martin Zellweger (SQL AG) and Werner Meier (milestone) were each presented with a case of the notable wine "Miir isch glych" (translated: "I don't care") as a token of our thanks.

In terms of achievements, not only had the user group promoted the use of PowerBuilder in Switzerland, but it had also encouraged the formation of the BeLux and German PBUGs. The user group had grown to include 29 corporate and 20 individual members. The SPBUG has also become known throughout the world with the distribution of PowerTimes, and in the December issue of the PBDJ, the SPBUG will be the featured user group.

There were a record number of attendants at the meeting, 44 to be exact. The accounts were independently checked and confirmed as being in order by user group members Rolf Vollenweider and Martin Zellweger and final approval was given to the treasurer, Graham Lancashire. Hans-Peter Oechslin and Martin Zellweger were elected as auditors for the coming year.

Several other topics were discussed (the future of PowerTimes as an electronic publication, incentives for presentations: CHF 200 for speaker presentations at meetings, CHF 100.- for articles in PowerTimes, free membership for steering committee members) and the steering committee was confirmed for the coming year.

Members stated that they would prefer not to travel 2 hours for a meeting which would last only 2.5 hours. It was then suggested that the number of meetings per year be reduced but the length of them be increased to half a day. Presentation and Prize Draw After this, our special guest speaker from the US, Mike Gora, presented a very informative set of slides on PowerBuilder V5.0. This generated numerous questions from the audience which were well handled.

For the first time, the SPBUG offered a prize draw. We hope to make this a regular feature at forthcoming meetings. The following prizes were given away: a one year

subscription to the PB journal "PowerSource", a copy of InfoMaker and a PowerBuilder sweatshirt. Finally the meeting adjourned to another room where Powersoft/Sybase (Switzerland) had arranged a reception with drinks and food.

11 August 1995 Mövenpick Radisson Hotel, Lausanne-Ouchy

The following topics were on the agenda:

- PVCS Version Control Software presentation by Intersolv, represented by Milestone Software, Basel
- Demos of the latest versions of S-Designor and Translation Assistant

A big "Thank you" goes to Milestone Software AG and SQL AG for arranging the speakers and presentations. Also, we'd like to thank Mr Martin Zellweger from SQL AG for leading through the meeting, as no steering committee member except Rolf André could be present at the meeting. Martin handled it with a lot of humour. Thanks once again ! It is said that some members attended the "Fêtes de Genève" the day after... the fireworks were spectacular as well as the parties that followed !!