



# **Flying Tuesday**

**The official  
YPAC newspaper  
2010**

**Official  
Opening**

**Committee  
Meetings**

**The arrival  
Presentation  
of delegations**





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## Arrival

LET THE SHOW BEGIN!

After 4 hours of school, where we weren't very concentrated and our class mates were kind of jealous that we have the ability being part of YPAC, we took the train at 14.36. First we had a difficulty to find the right seats, because our teachers did not know how to find the right car. During the train ride we talked about our host families – there was only one small problem: Most of us did not have any clue about their accommodation. Therefore we were a little bit worried.

Then the big surprise: we jumped out of the train and all was perfectly organized. A young girl stood next to us who was asking her dad: "What's the name of the two girls? Something like M ... Maria & Anna?" So when we heard our names we turned around and that was the beginning of the adventurous YPAC.

We were driven to the house - an old farmer house - and we were just impressed by the beautiful landscape. There were only fields, trees, cats, small children playing snowball fights and beside this it was f\*\*\*\*\* cold.

Our host family is really generous; our small host brother was just charming. After eating a lot we felt asleep like small, cute babies and were looking forward to the next day.



## Weather Forecast Wednesday

Like you can see the bad weather is coming, so if it has impact on you, just hope that this would not be reflected in your work, because your chief would not be happy.

**-8 // -1 °C**

# Committees

## COMMITTEE 1 - THE BALANCED GUYS:

After meeting with Dr. Ballhus who gave them important details about their topic, members of committee 1 went in a classroom to discuss how social balance could be found for the Alpine society of the future. They recognized that the key problem of the Alpine regions is in fact that locals are moving away from rural alpine areas with immigrants taking their places. This should not be a dilemma but people can be quite narrow-minded when it comes to the foreigners with preventing them to integrate properly. Possible solutions for the problem of committee 1 were changing locals' minds about so called outsiders as well as trying to raise a sense of community.

## COMMITTEE 2:

How can the decrease of the young population in rural Alpine areas be prevented? – This was the main question the delegates of Committee 2 had to deal with. At first they made a brainstorming round, where they wrote down whatever came to their mind concerning this topic. Soon a good and vital discussion was enabled. After the expert meeting they had an entertaining team-building-workshop with three funny games to be watched. Finally, the members of the committee decided about the topics of the two resolutions: transport and employment.

## COMMITTEE 3 - MAINLY FEMALE - MUSICAL - BUT CAUTIOUS:

The day of Committee 3 started with a discussion with Bernhard Lederer, from the Bavarian State Ministry of the Environment and Public Health. As interesting as his position sounds, as interesting was his presentation. The Delegates were informed about water resources in the Alpine Region and how it is managed. Ending his speech, Mr Lederer seemed to be very happy that the strict timetable didn't allow further discussion ;-)

During the Discussion we felt a cool atmosphere between the participants and were afraid that it will last the whole Team-Building Workshop.

Fortunately, the Workshop's aim to improve the team spirit worked- although only in the end. The first game, climbing over very insecure chairs and fulfilling Julie's exercises namely arranging themselves after their birthdays or their hair lengths (which wasn't easy, because even the boys have long hair ! ), forced them to have first body contact. All in all, it contributed to lively conversations.

PS: If you need a band for some events we advise you to ask Committee 3, a very musical group (they offer saxophone- and lots of guitar players).

Just in time of the beginning of the 1st Committee Meeting the Delegates fell back into their previous behavior, consequently their discussion was not very enthusiastic. The Committee Presidents had difficulties to keep the discussion alive, up to the point, when the Slovenians took control of it. Now some others joined in and explained their ideas to their colleagues.

The following days the committee will talk about the allocation of water, how to manage these water sources (private/public) and how to inform people about the environmentally aware use of water.

## COMMITTEE 4 - SCRAMBLING ON CHAIRS:

Our first exercise was to observe the delegates while they were getting to know each other. When we walked into the room where the exercises took place, we were offered a strange view: All the delegates were standing on their chairs! As time passed by we found out they played these typical trust games, but that all this had to be done on less chairs than people! This fact caused a lot of scrambling, especially when the biggest person had to get to the other end of the chain. The topic of committee 4 is how people in the Alpine region can make use of rivers and lakes. The most noticeable impression of the delegates was that they were far away from a heavy debate, they sooner seemed to be either shy or stuck with an answer. Although only a few people appointed the discussion with arguments, they were able to find some resolutions with a brainstorming.





# Have you already met...

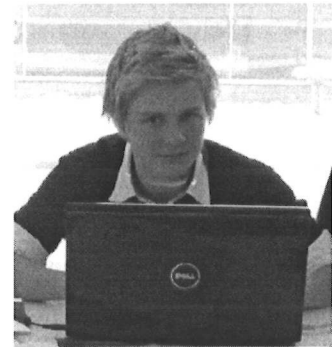
SAMO MIKUS

Age: 17  
 Sign: fish  
 Function: pressteam  
 Hometown: Kamnik  
 Hair colour: brown  
 Eye colour: green-brown  
 Sisters and brothers: sister(24) , brother(23)  
 Hobbys: play the violin and the piano, windsurfing, soccer  
 ☝ Cats  
 ☝ play computer games  
 ☝ persons who are selfish  
 ☝ persons who are pessimistic  
 career aspiration: Journalist  
 biggest dream: to go to intermediate windsurfing course in  
 Egipt one year



LUKAS GRAF

Age: 16  
 Sign: Gemini  
 Function : crew, city guard  
 Hometown : Rosenheim  
 Hair colour : blond  
 Eye colour: green  
 Sisters and brothers: brother ( 14 years old )  
 Hobbies: soccer , listening to music, to sing Elvis  
 songs while having a shower  
 ☝ skiing  
 ☝ Scrubs  
 ☝ Vegetables  
 ☝ interviews  
 Biggest dream : to travel a lot  
 Career aspiration: a job where traveling is very  
 important



## Do you know your presidents?

You had enough time to get to know the committee presidents. But do you really recognize them??? We will soon see. Link names with pictures !!!

Uros Kokotec

Raffael Gübeli

Domen Presern

Peter Lorenz

Barbara Brock

Susanne Hoff-  
mann

Niklas Guske





# Presentations

The first thing that comes to our mind when we think of the presentations of the delegations is that the assembly hall was like a fridge. The ones who had to suffer most were the many participants dressed in traditional clothing which was mainly short. We were almost frozen! Nevertheless, all delegations presented really creative and often very funny shows, which could be seen due to the fact that for hardly anyone it was easy to decide which presentation was the best one. Really useful was the performance of the Rosenheim delegation who taught us how to flirt in Bavarian dialect on the basis of a little sketch about an obviously horny boy trying to attract a girl in a tavern. Now we know, if we want to get in touch with a girl at the Thursday evening party, we can tell her she's a very beautiful girl by telling her she's a "Fesche". If you want to go further you can try telling her, that she has "gscheid Hoiz vor der Hütt'n" but you mustn't be surprised if she calls you "a gscheada Lackl".

Furthermore, the Sonthofen delegation focused on tradition; they showed us a "Klausen". For everybody who can't deal with this expression; it was the weird boy with horns who was dressed into furs. In the Allgäu, he runs around in December to chase away bad ghosts. In the end, they totally won the audience over by sharing their world-known "Engel-Bräu" beer.

But if the Germans can bribe people, it shouldn't be a problem for the Swiss: After performing a little sketch about a typical day in the life of a teenage Swiss, which seems to consist mainly of eating and relaxing, they offered the observers some of their "Bärli-Bibers" little calory-bombs.

Due to the lack of space, we're can unfortunately only report about the three presentations that achieved the highest votes in our survey, but at this point there should be mentioned that every delegation put a big effort in their presentations to enable us a fantastic evening and we want to thank everybody for their efforts.

THERESA OBER, VERONIKA SCHARF

## Interviews

DR. ONIDA, SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE AC

PRESS: "What are your expectations for the YPAC 2010 in Rosenheim?"

MR. ONIDA: "The youth should be informed about the Alpine Convention and the topics we deal with. The knowledge about the Alpine Convention, as well as the awareness about the Alps and our environment in general should be increased. The AC hopes that further schools will be attracted to join the YPAC to reach this goal."

PRESS: "Did the last four YPACs meet your expectations?"

MR. ONIDA: "I think that the YPAC has definitely enabled a good intellectual exchange so far and it has always been an informative, thrilling event, but



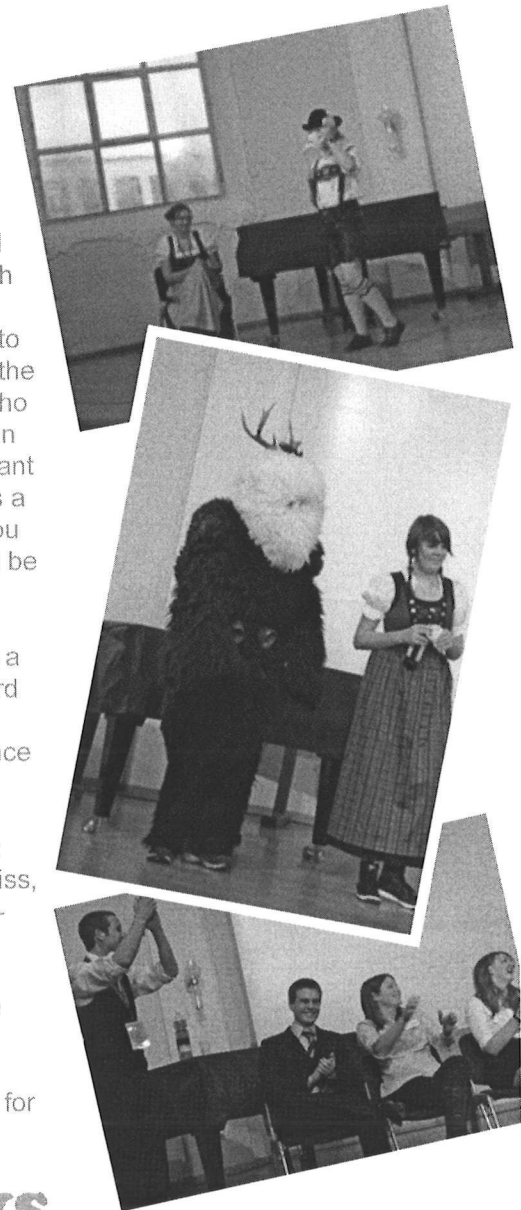
DR. EGGENBERGER, DEPUTY OF THE ENVIRONMENT MINISTER OF BAVARIA

PRESS: "What were your ambitions to come here today?"

MR. EGGENBERGER: "Firstly it's due to my official role to represent the environment minister, who unfortunately was not able to come today. Secondly, because of my personal wish that young people get involved politically. Thirdly, I was just curious if the YPAC works properly."

PRESS: "Do you think the YPAC is useful to support the awareness about the Alps?"

MR. EGGENBERGER: "Yes, because it's better when young people deal with the topic among themselves and try to convince one another, without having know-it-alls of the older generation. The youth has the right to have a different opinion!"





## Interviews

HEADMASTER MAGNUS NIEGER and the PARENT'S REPRESENTATIVE ANDREA SCHÖNE. All in all, the school activists were pretty much of the same opinion.

1) Do you think this platform has a future?

Yes, I think it is much better to establish such a brilliant platform than moaning all the time. Once in their life, the pupils have the opportunity having an impact on politics. Beside this I think this year there are impressive topics - this concerns everybody, and also very much Rosenheim, our home, because of floodings (Input by the writers: Rosenheim is situated between Inn and Mangfall)!

2) What is the main focus of the Karolinen - Gymnasium?

I think the idea of YPAC fits very well with the ideals of our school. We want young people to be interested in politics and therefore the main focuses are languages, social sciences and politics. The YPAC was also founded by 2 of our teachers amongst others.

3) Was it hard to find host families for all the members?

Actually yes. We had to find an accommodation in host families for 70 young adults! We made some announcements in our school, printed flyers and luckily the necessary number of host families sacrificed themselves. Thanks to all this families!

DR. ROMAN NELL, HEADMASTER OF THE "AKADEMISCHES GYMNASIUM INNSBRUCK" as the mental initiator of the YPAC

PRESS: "How did you like the presentations and which one was the best, in your opinion?"

MR. NELL: "Oh it was awesome, I liked it very much! My favourite presentation was the Tyrolean one, but I have to say that I'm not objective, of course." (laughs)

PRESS: "Can you shortly tell us how the YPAC came into being?"

MR. NELL: "As I heard that the constant office of the Alpine Convention will be established in Innsbruck seven years ago, I tried to set up a cooperation with it. First, they were not interested at all, but as Mr. Onida became secretary general, things changed. Finally, an engaged team of our school including me managed to persuade them."

PRESS: "So you are proud of what the YPAC has turned to be?"

MR. NELL: "Of course I am! It's a pleasure to observe it and I think it is a very valuable event for all the participants!"



## City tour

In order to introduce the YPAC – participants of other countries to the host city there were guided tours for each committee organized by pupils of the KARO. After starting at the University of Applied Sciences, the members who were taking part were looking forward to an interesting and entertaining trip through Rosenheim's long and exciting history reflected by the city's rich architecture and historic sights.

The participants were shown the city's famous municipal hall and the formal rail station which is today used as the city's town hall. After less than one entertaining hour the students were generously rewarded with a relaxed stay in several cafes. Rosenheim is as well famous for their cafes.

SAMO MIKUS & JULIAN KLAR





# 4 Questions - 4 Answers - 40 Seconds

## 1. How high do you think are the flirt chances here?

- I don't know but when there is the right chemistry you can flirt anywhere. (Jan, Slovenia, with a bride grin on his face ^^)
- We are 100% liberal and open for everything (David, Switzerland)
- They are really high, I think, because you get to know a lot of people who speak the same language although they are from different countries. (Giulia, Italy)
- (Thinking...) There would be some flirting, but not much today (Monday) because it is the first day, but on Thursday on the party. (Nina, Slovenia)
- For me zero; for you (the pupils) great, because you will meet a lot of people you never met before and everyone is in a good mood. (Mrs. Achatz, teacher in Rosenheim)

## 2. What do you think about the snow?

- The snow is great, because it is winter and in winter there normally should be snow. (Mrs. Achatz, teacher in Rosenheim)
- We have a little bit more in our country. But it looks very similar. (David, Switzerland)
- It is very annoying! We weren't expecting it. (Lara, France)
- Shit!!!! (Abuzar, Germany)
- I hate it, but I can stand it. (Giulia, Italy)

## 3. YPAC for me is.....

- Lots lots lots of work and hopefully a great event for everyone. (Mrs. Achatz, teacher in Rosenheim)
- A good experience. (David, Switzerland)
- Great fun and new friendships (Giulia, Italy)
- Pleasure and business mixed together in a perfect way. (Nina, Slovenia)
- Discuss and talk with people of other countries about politics and their own opinion. (Abuzar, Germany)

## 4. Would you like to be a Politician?

- Definitively not!!! (Mrs. Achatz, teacher in Rosenheim)
- I don't know yet. (David, Switzerland)
- No, because it is too much of a busy life. (Lara, France)
- We will see what the future brings. (Abuzar, Germany)
- Yes, even every assembly would be like the YPAC (Giulia, Italy)

MARIANNE SCHOBER & NINA HRZIC

## Daily Horoscope

### PRESS TEAM:

Today you'll get on well with all people you'll meet. Your working creativity and energy are high, so use them. You'll have some problems with love, but don't give up. All things considered today are quite good for you, so all in all it's a good day!

### TEACHERS:

Your working creativity and energy are high, but you won't be able to use them, because you have to spend everything on your love affairs.

For those who are married it would be advisable to call your marriage partner as soon as possible because otherwise they won't let you go to YPAC next year.

For the singles watch out not to fall in love with another teacher because long distance relationships are quite exhausting.



### COMMITTEES:

1st : Today you're full of energy and happiness, but you won't have good relations with the others but anyway this day is very important. You'll meet your true love.

2nd : Stay away from any type of work, because you'll just do damage. Also avoid the opposite sex, because you will just make a quarrel.

3rd : That's not a nice day for you. You have a lot of energy, but you'll use it just in a negative way. The opposite sex won't be interested in you at all.

4th : You won't be able to do anything, because you're totally out of energy. You will have good relationships with others and in love affairs you'll be very successful too.

### CREW:

Try to communicate as much as you can with the participants of the YPAC, because you're very sociable today, so your relations may become better. You haven't got much energy and also about love it's not your day.



# The official opening ceremony

Yesterday the official Opening Ceremony took place to welcome all participants of the YPAC 2010. Actually, there was a big error in the written invitation, it was saying: 10th March 2010, but yesterday was most certainly the 9th of March (GREAT BIG HYPER-MAYOR FAIL!!!!). We were strongly disappointed and wanted to leave the ceremony immediately. But luckily we managed to stay calm, thanks to the impressing piano composition from Georg Glas, a creation of his own, that we wouldn't have wanted to miss. The great applause after the play was well deserved.

The first speech was held by Manolo Kahl, one of the Presidents of our years' YPAC. He talked a lot about motivation to make a change, learning about democracy and working

in teams. Manolo made us understand that we are not here to show off our good English skills and to remind us that democracy is exhausting, on which the audience agreed by laughing.

We then listened to the speech of Magnus Nieger, the headmaster of the hosting school (Karolinen-Gymnasium Rosenheim). He called the YPAC an "outstanding organization" and told us that the YPAC was linked with changes in his school system: A project group of the host school organized the YPAC as a preparation for their final exams.

To live up and cause a lively atmosphere in the room, Stefan Demmel played a music piece with the traditional akkordeon, for which he achieved great applause.

At next Gabriele Bauer, the mayoress of Rosenheim was delighted to hear that it wasn't necessary to speak great English and deeply thanked her translator for the help on her speech. She talked about the connections between the themes of YPAC and Rosenheim and also the great relations between the Bavarian regions and Tyrol (Tirol isch lei oans... Oh no, we already had this...). Gabriele

insisted on sharing with us that "Europe is our future, and Rosenheim is in the middle of Europe". Furthermore, she kept on smiling and glancing at our president Manolo again and again – especially when she told us that "Rosenheim was gaining ENORMOUS ATTRACTIVENESS".

Marco Onida, the secretary general of the alpine convention came next to share with us his belief that the best speeches were made on the spot. He also let us know that it is not enough to exist – like Manolo had claimed before – to make a change, but more to become representatives of our problems.

Stefan Demmel played again an awakening piece of polka for us on his akkordeon.

Prof. Ursula Männle, the member of the parliament of Bavaria kindly apologized to the audience for her bad English, and insisted on inviting us to inform and make propositions to the European Parliament.

The representative of the Europe office of Tyrol was so important that her name was not mentioned in the written invitation. However she made a lovely conclusion that we needed to fund an attractive environment for ourselves and the future generations.

Last but not least the representative of the ministry of environment of Bavaria, Dr. Peter Eggenberger insisted on letting us know his appreciation for the YPAC, wished us all the best and was deeply looking forward to our results in the future.

To round off whole tiring ceremony, Georg Glas very kindly played one last piano composition of his own for us. He was so generously honored by a big applause from the audience that was followed by a pilgrimage to the buffet.

