FOOTBALL

The main activity of this Club is the internal championship that runs from the middle of April to the end of June. Last year (1994) 12 teams took part in two mini-leagues, the top four teams then went on to play semi-finals and finals.

Teams are centred around a division, a group or an experiment, and often include outside firms which have contracts with CERN. In some cases teams are merely a collection of football-loving friends with a crazy name, and in nearly every case they are a truly international assortment of players (Americans were playing in a CERN team long before they qualified for the recent world cup!)

A CERN team is always invited to play in the Swissair tournament involving seven or eight clubs associated with Cointrin, (CERN is included because we are such great customers!). We have won this tournament a few times in the past and have nearly always been finalists. 1994 was a sad exception.

We are also often asked to compete in friendly matches with local teams as pre season warm-ups, these normally end up in heavy defeats for us, which is amply compensated for by some local hospitality.