

Today, **29 October 2011** marks a significant date in the following series...

* 8 May 1923 – Anneliese Wiemer is born.

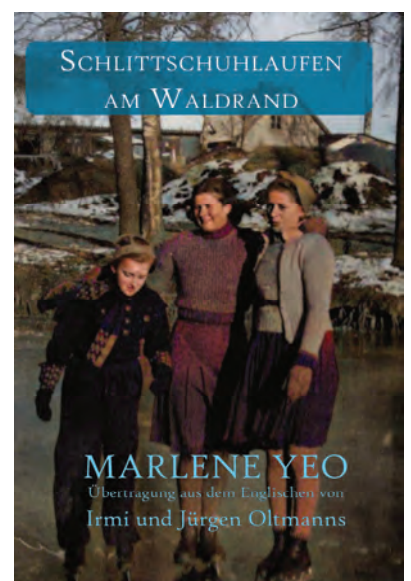
* 8 May 1945 – on her 22nd birthday, she gets the best present ever: the war, which destroyed her happy childhood in East Prussia, is over. Coincidentally, on the same day she meets her future husband, an ‘enemy’ soldier who loves Goethe.

* 8 May 2008 – on her 85th birthday, the first volume of her memoirs is published: *“Reflections in an Oval Mirror”* (<http://j.mp/OvalMirror>). The memoirs were written in English to help non-Germans understand the experience of growing up under Hitler, fleeing the Red Army and ending up a refugee. Ōzaru Books also publish her sister Marlene’s memoirs.



* 29 October 2011 – she dies, age 88, “suddenly and painlessly” as she wished. For the last 61 years of her life, she has lived in the East Kent village of St Nicholas-at-Wade, campaigning for peace while bringing up a family. Marlene dies in 2019.

* 29 October 2021 – on the 10th anniversary of Anneli’s death, Ōzaru Books announce the publication of her memoirs in German translation: *„Vor dem ovalen Spiegel“*. Her sister Marlene’s memoirs are also published in German translation on the same date: *„Schlittschuhlaufen am Waldrand“*. Both books now contain higher resolution, full colour photographs. The books will be available from all good booksellers (both online and bricks & mortar) from around 1 December. For full details see www.ozaru.net/ozarubooks or [@ozarubooks](https://www.facebook.com/ozarubooks) on Facebook and Twitter.



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