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Local News – Great Britain

NOTICE

Dear Readers,

Regretfully the time has come, after almost seven years, for me to tell you that other commitments mean the present issue (No 2/88) is the last in which I shall edit the local pages. I take this opportunity to sincerely thank you all for your contributions and help in so many other ways.



Nick Miller ... lookalike of skier Peter Müller ?

Now, I have the pleasure of introducing the new editor of the Local News, Great Britain. Mr Nick Miller has kindly Volunteered to accept the post. Aged 29 years, he is a dual national and one of our new compatriots. He has his own Publishing company and brings both Professionalism and enthusiasm to his new endeavour. We can have confidence that our magazine is in good hands. I know you will continue the close collaboration between reader and editor that has been such a reassuring feature of my time in the post. I also know you would Wish to join with me in wishing him every success. M.E.Hall-Zeller

NEW EDITOR

Editor

Commencing Issue No.3/88
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DEADLINES FOR CONTRIBUTIONS

No.3/88 - 6th August, 1988 No.4/88 - 14th October, 1988

OBITUARY

With great sadness we have to record the death (on 10.4.88) of a long time and faithful member, Miss Armida Veglio. Our sincere sympathy goes to her family and friends.

COMMUNICATION

Regarding Nationality of Children of Swiss Women Abroad

Children born before 1st July 1985 but after the 31st December 1952 can still apply up to the end of June 1988 for recognition as Swiss citizens. Owing to phe tremendous number of applications received, the responsible Swiss authorities, are considerably behind (in some cases up to two years) in dealing with them.

Those applicants who have still not received the cantonal decision are requested to refrain from sending enquiries about this matter to the Embassy.

It is pointed out;

- That you can regard the application has having been forwarded to Switzerland if your cheque covering the fees has been paid in by the Embassy.
- That all applications paid for and submitted by the end of June 1988 are legally valid even if the cantonal decision is taken after that date.

Swiss Embassy, London

NOTICE

This is an appeal to our new compatriots, our young people of the Swiss colony in the U.K. As you now have Swiss nationality, maybe you would be interested in coming together, forming your own group and holding your own social events.

Anyone interested in this new venture please contact, in writing, Dr R. Duttweiler, Credit Suisse, 24 Bishopsgate, London. EC2N 4DN; or our new Editor.

SWISS RIFLE ASSOCIATION

1988 SHOOTING PROGRAMME

RIFLE 300m & PISTOL 50m - BISLEY
Sunday 4th September: Surrey Match
Sunday 18th September
Last date for Medal Shoots
Sunday 18th October
Gruempelschiessen

The Rifle & Pistol Meetings are held at Bisley Camp, Brookwood, Surrey (NRA Ranges). The Rifle shooting takes place on the covered 300m Stand on the Century Range starting at 10.00am.

Pistol shooting is available at the Gallery Range, subject to demand.

UNIONE TICINESE



The Society has a new president, Mr Ian Berti, who was elected at the Annual General Meeting held on Saturday 5th March 1988. Mr Berti holds a unique position in the Swiss Colony in the UK,in that he maintains the family tradition to the third generation - his late grandfather Carlo and his father Virgil also served as President of the Society - and we have every reason to be proud. Our warmest congratulations and Best Wishes for a successful term of office to you, lan!!

I would also like to thank - on behalf of the entire Membership - **Mr Luigi Bozzini**, for his selfless dedication during his six years in office and for agreeing to remain in office as one of the Vice Presidents. In particular we wish him a Very Happy 80th Birthday for June 21st !! Ad multos annos, caro Luigi !!

Valeria Ossola

WILLIAM HARDY

We are a notary's office in Switzerland and we are looking for William Hardy. Born on the 29th August 1926 in Le Petit Saconex GE, Switzerland as Hervé William Pierre HOCHSTRASSER.

If you are William Hardy or you know his address please contact us at the following address and enclose a copy of your passport.

ADDRESS: Notariat Kreuzlingen, Postfach 40, CH-8280 Kreuzlingen 3, Switzerland.

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Tel: 041-40 45 40

THE SWISS AND THE CITY OF LONDON

On 18th February, an Open Meeting took place at the Swiss Embassy Lecture Hall, organised jointly by the City Swiss Club and the new Helvetic Society, supported by members of the Unione Ticinese and the Swiss Mercantile Society. Sir John Wraight, KBE, CMG, former British Ambassador to Switzerland, addressed the large gathering on the historical relationship between the two countries, especially in the City of London.

As in his recently published book on Anglo - Swiss relations through the centuries The Swiss and the British , Sir John's vast knowledge based on detailed research and long experience was clearly demonstrated in a fascinating way. Of special interest was his excursion into the events surrounding the foundation of the City Swiss Club in 1856, the Club's archives having been partly lost in the war.

Mrs Anne Allen, on behalf of the New Helvetic Society, and Dr R.Duttweiler as President of the City Swiss Club, chaired the meeting and expressed thanks on behalf of all present for the excellent exposé.

It was a most rewarding event, followed by a reception kindly offered by the Swiss Ambassador and Madame Pictet.

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THEATRE

LEMPEN PUPPETS GRINDELWALD

The Lempen Puppets of Grindelwald have been invited to perform at this year's Edinburgh Puppet Festival in April. Taking this opportunity to visit other parts of the UK as well, they will give numerous performances at various schools and theatres throughout Scotland and in the North of England on the following dates:

June 26th (Sunday) 4.00pm
PEEBLES Town Hall
June 28th (Tuesday) 4.30pm & 7.30pm
LONGHOLM Town Hall
June 30th (Thursday) 4.30pm & 7.30pm
KIRKCUDBRIGHT Town Hall
July 7th (Thursday) 4.00pm
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TORBAY SWISS CLUB

PROGRAMME FOR JULY - DECEMBER

7th July 1988 10am to 12 noon
Coffee Morning & Bring & Buy at Odd Fellows Hall.
20th July 1988 (Time to be conf)
Theatre Night- Details to follow
1st August 1988 (Monday) 6.30pm
SWISS NATIONAL DAY.
Barbecue at LUPTON PARK - £5.00 per person

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1st September 1988 10am to 12 noon
Coffee Morning & Bring & Buy at Odd Fellows Hall.
18th or 25th September 1988 (Sunday)
Coach Outing - details to follow
6th October 1988 10am to 12 noon
Coffee Morning & Bring & Buy at Odd Fellows Hall.

19th October 1988 7.00pm
Fun and Games Night followed by Snacks
at the Odd Fellows Hall.

3rd November 1988 10am to 12 noon
Coffee Morning & Bring & Buy at Odd Fellows Hall.
16th November 1988 7.00pm

General Talk between Members followed by Heisse Maroni & Spanisch Nuessli 8th December 1988 10am to 12 noon Coffee Morning and Arrival of Samiklaus at Odd Fellows Hall.

16th or 17th December 1988 7.30 - 8pm Christmas Dinner at the Palace Hotel, Torquay £8 per Swiss Member Non-members £10 per person

SOUTHERN SWISS CLUB

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Games Evening for the Young and Young at Heart
Saturday 30th July 1988

1st August Celebration (venue to be advised)
2nd September 1988

Films from the Tourist Board
7th October 1988: Fondue (please book early)
4th November 1988: 10th Anniversary
2nd December 1988: Christmas Party

Chairman: Marcel Gret, 28 Kent Road, Fleet, Hants. Tel: Fleet 615149

ABERDEEN SWISS GROUP

Dear fellow ex-patriots, the Swiss Group from Aberdeen extend their best wishes for the summer holiday. Let us hope that 1988 will increase our numbers for a few enjoyable meetings and the 4 main events throughout the year.

If interested, phone **Aberdeen 732261.**(Mrs Antoinette Wright)

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NADIA MYERSCOUGH (Violin)



Nadia Myerscough studied the violin at the Royal Academy of Music in London where she gained distinction in her final exam. She was awarded the Professional Performer's Certificate, the LRAM and the BJ Dale Prize for foreign studies. Last summer she won a bursary awarded by the Bayer Simmen Stiftung to take part in the Franco Gulli master class in Luzern. From August 1988 she will continue her studies with Franco Gulli at Indiana University in America.

Nadia has appeared as a soloist in many concerts in England, France, Spain and Switzerland including a tour of the Far Fast

Nadia Myerscough will be the soloist with the London City Chamber Orchestra as part of their Summer Music Festival on ...

Saturday 23rd July at 7.30pm at The Old School, Bridge Street, Hadleigh, Suffolk

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NEW ZURICH STRING QUARTET

Concert will be held on the following date:

June 26th (Sunday) at 11.30am Sunday Morning Coffee Concert WIGMORE HALL 36 Wigmore Street, London W1

NADIA LEFERT (Piano) & ANITA WYSSER (Flute)

The two musicians will give a concert on June 21st (Tuesday) at 7pm CHURCH of ST.DUNSTAN-IN-THE-WEST 184 Fleet Street, London EC4

MEMORIAL CONCERT FOR ALBERT FERBER

In the June 1987 issue of the Review an obituary appeared giving an appreciation of the well-known Swiss concert pianist Albert Ferber, his life in this country and his distinguished career which had taken him all over the world.

Four of his former pupils gave a Memorial Concert for their revered teacher at the Wigmore Hall on the 25th February. A number of works (Beethoven, Schubert, Fauré, Debussy and Rachmaninoff) which the artist himself had played so many times, were expertly performed.

The most moving item on the programme were six songs by Verlaine, which Ferber had set to music during the last four years of his life when a cruel illness prevented him from playing the piano. The music first performance- was most impressive, making great demands both on soprano and piano. The last of the songs Ferber wrote three weeks before he died. It was a gripping and sad farewell.

The concert was a fitting tribute to a great pianist and the Hall was filled with friends and admirers.

The organisers are most grateful to the Credit Suisse, London, for their generous sponsorship. This enabled them to pass on all the admission receipts to the Department of Radiotherapy and Oncology of the University Hospital.

Anyone who was unable to attend the Memorial Concert but would like to support the worthy cause, can send a contribution to the above Department, c/o Prof. R.Souhami, UCH, Gower Street, London WCIE 6AU.

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