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## MEMO FROM YOUR EDITOR

The secretaries of the various Swiss societies in Great Britain as well as the various Swiss churches are reminded that, with effect from April, the *Swiss Observer* is published monthly instead of fortnightly.

Copy about forthcoming events should now reach the Editor no later than the 20th of the month preceding publication date.

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## SWISS RADIO AT YOUR SERVICE

The European and overseas services of the Swiss Broadcasting Corporation has published the following details about its programmes.

Please tune into the frequencies on your dial at the times shown.

On 3985, 6165 and 9535 kHz (75.28, 48.66 and 31.46 metres)

**GMT Programmes**  
07.00-07.30 **Dateline**, from Monday to  
11.00-11.30 Friday: news, comment  
13.15-13.45 and current affairs in  
15.30-16.00 Switzerland and around  
21.00-21.30 the world. On Saturday  
and Sunday: news and  
special **feature pro-  
grammes** (see page 5!)  
06.45-07.00 **Music**, especially Swiss  
13.00-13.15 country music from the  
15.15-15.30 various language regions.  
(Each of these music  
programmes is im-  
mediately followed by a  
transmission in English!)  
18.00-18.15\* Followed by a trans-  
mission in Italian

### Programmes

**Dateline**, from Monday to Friday:  
news, comment and current affairs in  
Switzerland and around the world.

News and special **feature  
programmes** on Saturday and Sunday.

### Dateline (Monday to Friday)

SBC's weekday current-affairs  
omnibus. International and Swiss news,  
Swiss opinion on world affairs, interviews  
and reportages on life in Switzerland:  
eight times a day, five days a week.

### Saturday

International news summary  
followed by:

**Swiss Music-Makers** (1st and 3rd  
Saturdays)

Twelve country music tours of the  
regions of Switzerland. The happiest  
sounds on shortwave!

**Swiss Shortwave Merry-Go-Round** (2nd  
and 4th Saturday)

Bob Thomann and Bob Zanotti  
investigate problems on the DX scene and  
keep you up-to-date on international  
radio around the world.

**In His Name** (every Saturday)

Our weekly inspirational message.

### New

Listeners' choice: Is there a Swiss  
topic you would like to know more  
about? Drop us a line and we'll cover it  
for you on Dateline.

### Folk Music

Daily at 6.45, 13.00, 15.15 and  
18.00 GMT on 3985, 6165 and 9535  
kHz.

### Sunday

International news summary and:

**The Name Game** (1st Sunday)

Each programme in this series contains a  
wealth of information on a specific place  
in Switzerland. But one essential fact is  
always missing . . . the **name** of the place!  
Listen carefully and send us what you  
think are the correct names. Six Name

Games, six fine Swiss watches as first  
prizes. Write to us for the contest rules.

### After Hours (2nd Sunday)

Personalities from all walks of life in  
Switzerland step out of their customary  
roles as artists, politicians, businessmen or  
scientists to talk about themselves and  
what they do after hours.

### Sunday Supplement (3rd Sunday)

In-depth expansion of specially selected  
subjects first introduced to SBC listeners  
on our Dateline current affairs magazine.

### Jazz-Panorama (4th Sunday)

The best in jazz from Europe!

### Repeat Performance

SBC will continue to use all fifth  
Sundays for repeat performances of  
programmes which have been especially  
well-received in their original broadcast.  
Your comments help us choose our bonus  
feature!

## ON THE FRONT PAGE

*Switzerland's Papal Guard is still  
on duty! 1975 has been declared  
a "Holy Year" by Pope Paul VI  
but how many Popes have  
already been "guarded" by Swiss  
volunteers such as those on the  
front cover?*

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