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Over the weekend

ROLF HARRIS CAN RELAX HERE

ROLF HARRIS is looking forward to a relaxing evening tomorrow — performing on stage at Torquay's Princess Theatre.

For a man who spends his life flying between Australia and Britain, the leisurely pace of life in Torbay is the thing he remembers most from his last trip.

"I thoroughly enjoyed the last concert I did here," Rolf said today.

"There was a terrific relaxed sort of feeling coming from the audience and there were none of the usual panics and backstage hassles either."

SHOWBIZ SCENE BY COLLEEN SMITH

He remembers most the quiet and polite autograph hunters — not the normal frenzied mob.

That atmosphere makes quite a change for a man in the unusual position of being just as popular here as in Australia.

The main problem with that, he says, is that au-

diences have short memories and he has to work hard at keeping interest going on each side of the world.

Next week he returns to Australia to host the opening ceremony of the Commonwealth Games in Brisbane, after that he is off to Canada.

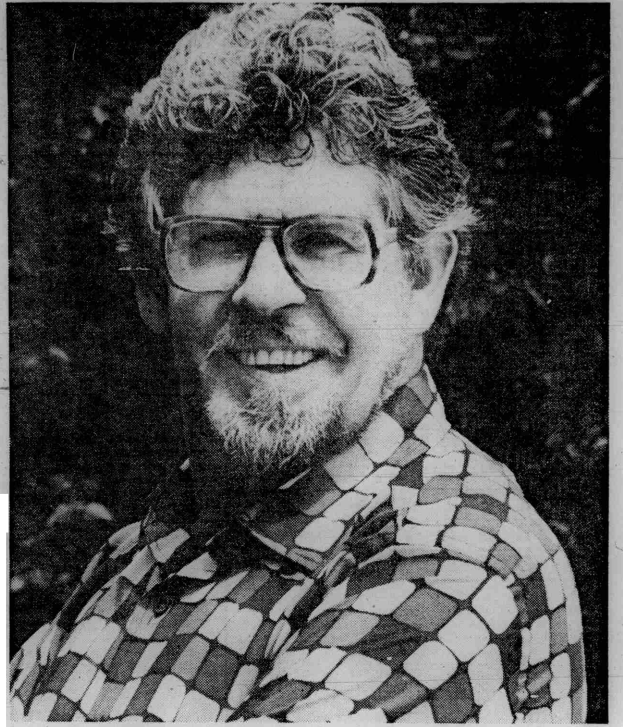
No wonder Rolf still refers to his house in Bray-on-Thames as his "new" home — even though he has lived there for two years.

"I have hardly been there — the longest I have spent at one time was a month."

Despite that Rolf now regards England as his home. He has been here since 1952 when he came over as a teacher to do an art course.

He started doing cabaret to pay for his tuition and had to give up college because he kept falling asleep across his desk.

Charlie Williams is at Paignton's Festival Theatre tomorrow night.



■ Rolf Harris . . . happy memories of Torbay.