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SOCIETY NOTICEBOARD

From the Membership Secretary: Dave Howsam, 3 Balmain Road, Davyhulme, Manchester, M31 3TE. Telephone: 061 748 7850.

You may have noticed on your mailing label a mysterious letter lurking between the initials SRS and your membership number. Being totally disinterested you may also have consigned it to the waste bin without a second glance! Where possible each member is assigned to a branch and the initial letters of your branch is on your label. The branches are created by locality irrespective of whether they actually exist. This means that members within an area can easily be drawn out. This is how many of you receive the LONDON BRANCH NEWSLETTER.

The rules of the society prevent me publishing the names and addresses of all members within an area because of the agreement to publication on the membership form. This means that members who might like to get together (not necessarily with the formality of forming a branch) cannot do so unless they are known to each other. There are areas where members could form small groups or hold informal meetings for prototype or modelling chats and the purpose of these notes is to provide a link with these people.

There are members in Cumbria, Devon, Yorkshire and Birmingham who might like to be introduced to each other — **Dave's Dating Column?** In addition members in the United States, Australia and New Zealand might like to know of each others existence. There are areas where no 'branch' has been designated; members living in these areas choose the most convenient centre with which they wish to be linked.

By the time this is published I hope most renewals will have been made and I am willing to receive letters from anyone wishing to communicate with fellow members in their area. By the way you can easily opt to be in a neighbouring area, boundaries are very flexible except for overseas members. Anyone willing to act as co-ordinator for an initial meeting should let me know. I will then forward the names, addresses and telephone numbers to the appropriate co-ordinator and publish the name of the co-ordinator (if he agrees) in the next SWISS EXPRESS. It would be appropriate to include an S.A.E. for a reply from the co-ordinator.

NOTE: Birmingham covers the Midlands but "M" was already allocated to the Manchester Branch!.



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