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Society Diary

Branch Meetings 1992

Bristol and Bath

Branch Organiser: Dr.J.Henderson, School of Mechanical Engineering, University of Bath, Claverton Down, Bath BA2 7AY

Venue: Room 2E-3.1, School of Electrical Engineering. 19:30

19 June Some walks in Switzerland with the railway James Henderson

Cumbria

Branch Organiser : Stephen Greenfield. tel: 05242-61611 (9-5) 0539-725494 (evening)

9 October BLS locomotives D. Annison

11 December InterRail 1992 I. Edwards

Contact organiser for venue.

East Midlands

Branch Organiser: Glyn Jones, 13 Welland Close, Dalebrook, Winhill, Burton on Trent, DE15 0AG

Venue: Brunswick Inn, Railway Terrace, Derby (Almost opposite Derby Station) 19:30

London

Branch Organiser Chris Elliott, 8 Short Street, Caversham, Reading RG4 8JJ

Venue; Keen House (MRC HQ), 4 Calshot Street (Off Pentonville Road) London N1 9DA

Meeting starts at 19:00 on 2nd Wednesday in month. Please ring bottom bell, marked CLUB.

9 September Wagon Lits Dave Carson

14 October Railways with Anniversaries in 1992 Member's slides

11 November The Alpine Tunnels Giles Della Gana

9 December Christmas Quiz and lighthearted slide show

Phone enquiries to Giles Della Gana tel: 081-204 4589 after 8pm please

Manchester

Venue British Rail Staff Association, Store Street, (under Piccadilly Station) Manchester 19:30

Branch Organiser: Dave Howsam, 3 Balmain Road, Davyhulme, Manchester M31 3TE tel: 061-748 7850

2 September Beat the "experts"

7 October Flight of the Cranes

4 November Swiss Recollections

Willie Mc.Knight

2 December Christmas Quiz

North East England

Branch Organiser: Dave Ford, 29 Banbury Way, Blyth,

Northumberland. tel: 0670-369 060 Please phone organiser for details of meetings.

Venue 10 Tern Close, South Beach; officially first Wednesday of each month, in practice every Wednesday evening.

Scotland

Branch Organiser: Willie McKnight, 4D Scott House, Hume Road, Seafar, Cumbernauld G67 1AR
tel: 0236-729 499

Venue: Conference Room A, 8th Floor, Scotrail House, 58 Portdundas Road, Glasgow. 19:30
Please contact organiser for details of meetings.

Editor's Jottings

Thanks to the fact we now have a reasonable stock of varied articles in hand it is possible to present a reasonably balanced magazine each quarter, but this happy state of affairs does in no small measure depend on our receiving a steady supply of fresh material. In general there is no need to ask if we want an article, the only exceptions are if we have just published something on the same subject, or where a fairly long feature is contemplated when it makes good sense to check when we can fit it into the schedule. There are however a couple of points that should be observed.

First and foremost, please let us have the complete article. In particular, it is essential to submit photographs with any account of a visit, prints are required for this purpose, and colour is perfectly OK. We can produce maps, and can dig up the odd diagram if need be. Second, and even more important, please conform to the golden rule and put your name on the M/S and on the back of photographs, which should have a brief caption as well.

The 1993 AGM will be held on March 13th at the Bonnington Hotel, Southampton Row London. Full details will be given in the next issue.

The first meeting of the SRS to take place in Switzerland was held on June 24 at the Drei Könige Hotel, Chur, Switzerland. This was purely by chance, just before we left for Switzerland I phoned Alan Pike to tidy up a couple of details and discovered that his party would be in Chur at the same time as ourselves, and would be stopping just across the road at the Stern. Clearly, we had to get together, if only to enjoy the excellent local brew in congenial surroundings.

COMPETITION

LOKI, the Swiss railway and model magazine, has announced a competition expressly for members of the Swiss Railways Society with up to £1000 in prizes. It is for layouts, modules or dioramas which must incorporate at least one turnout, and be of a standard gauge prototype, HO, N or Z gauge, of a Swiss prototype or recognisably Swiss. The entry may be of an existing model, or one purpose built for the competition by must not have been previously published, or accepted for publication elsewhere.

Rules

1. A short description of your entry, together with a drawing of the track layout, buildings, scenery etc., which need not be to scale, must reach LOKI by **31 January 1993** at the latest.
2. If the entry is accepted, you may not publish it anywhere else. Entries which are judged not to be suitable for publication in LOKI will be released from this ban by **31st July 1993** at the latest.
3. The entry must be finished, in the sense that photographs suitable for publication may be taken by the LOKI-Team by **1st June 1993**. It will not matter if the wiring etc. is not finished.
4. It is expected that entrants will keep LOKI informed of progress from time to time, with photographs. The construction methods are also of interest. (This is for new construction, for existing layouts please write a short note on how you achieved the result.)
5. All prizes (Rolling stock, videos, books, railwayana etc.) will be awarded by **31 July 1993** at the latest.

All entries and correspondence to:

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