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Mailbag

Errors and Omissions

May I bring to your attention an omission and an inaccuracy that appears to have crept into the June Swiss Express.

On p.36 under the **Miscellanea** heading the palpable error lies in the statement that the windows of the Schindler Waggon Panoramic coaches are "19m long". This would equate to 62.33 feet each and as there are nine of these on each side it does seem highly unlikely. Perhaps your correspondent was referring to the total length of all windows combined.

The omission is that the stated routes on which these cars are operated makes no mention of that between St.Gallen and Geneve.

Finally, what appears to be an inaccuracy is featured on p.40 under Private Standard Gauge - EBT. In my experience the first class sections were in service before Christmas 1991.

Leslie Faulkson
London

RhB Schedules

The Graphic Timetables and Locomotive Diagrams for the current RhB timetable are obtainable from Bergun, prices SFr15 and SFr3 respectively. A front sheet is given with the diagrams showing which group of diagrams is allocated to which group of motive power. There is one diagram weekdays shared between the electro-diesels 801 and 802. Only 4 *Baby Krok* diagrams are shown, for 411-414, no mention is made of 415. Most interesting is a diagram on weekdays (No.81) showing two trips Landquart - Ilanz and back for a Furka-Oberalp locomotive. The only engines not seen were 631,706 and 801, I assume these were in works.

The Orstmuseum in Bergun has a model railway depicting the RhB in the area, this however is only open on Wednesdays, the museum is open Tuesday-Saturday.

On the model front PR Modelbahn have just released transfers for RhB coach insignia and lettering. The Berno display at the Hotel

Stolzenfels sported a number of new models including a Kk-w with a lorry skip load and an Fb(No.8511) with an imitation log load and a track cleaner rubber fitted on the underside; this was also available at the Marksport shop in Bergun at SFr85. All that has been done was to remove the brake cylinder and drill two holes in the frame for the Roco-Clean style track rubber screws to be inserted; no springs, no permanent fixings, I feel this to be an overpriced accessory.

G.Allen
Chatham

Oberfriedhof

The large HO layout at the AGM, Oberfriedhof has been built by the HO section of the Furness Model Railway Club, similar to but not identical with the SRS Cumbrian Group. Oberfriedhof, or "over cemetery" comes from the Club's meeting rooms in the cemetery gatehouse in Barrow!

If any exhibition organisers are interested in the layout (highly recommended, Ed), they can contact me on 05242 61611 or Ian Edwards on 0229 53595.

Stephen Greenfield
Kendall

Exhibition and Competition

The 12th Model Railway Show at the Luzern Transport Museum will take place from 9-17 October 1993. The usual competition will take place for rolling stock and dioramas, but there will be a special competition for the best model of the museum's latest acquisition, Ta971 from the SBB, Olten; only 3.3 m long and with magnetic buffers.

Further information can be obtained from the Verkehrshaus, Lidostrasse 5 CH 6006 Luzern..