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SWISS THEMED WEEKEND IN MINEHEAD



Organised by The Exmoor Modelling Club in association with the West Somerset Railway and The Swiss Railways Society

Friday 31st May to Sunday 2nd June 2002

THE PROGRAMME

Friday 31st May - 19.45 A Slide Show by Arthur Turner

Swiss Railway Wonderland
Geneva to Graubünden
At: Exmoor Modelling Club
Townsend House, Townsend Road, Minehead.
Light Refreshments will be provided.
Everyone welcome

Saturday 1st June and Sunday 2nd June 10.30 and 14.30

Conducted Tour of Minehead Shed and Workshops.

Advance booking essential. Parties limited to 10 persons.

10.30 and 14.30

Conducted Tour of Minehead Signal Box.

Advance booking essential.

Parties limited to 10 persons

SATURDAY EVENING

19.00 - 20.30

Rhätische Bahn video presentation by MITV Townsend House, Townsend Road, Minehead, Tickets must be purchased in advance.

Followed by •

SWISS STYLE BARBECUE

2045 – 2300 approx. Minehead Station platform West Somerset Railway

Taste: Neuchâtel Cheese Fondue, Cheese Rösti etc.

Tickets must be purchased in advance.

Model Railway Exhibition

With a Swiss theme

Saturday 1st June and Sunday 2nd June

Layouts will include:

Oberfriedhof, Bergün, Bad Alpsee (N Gauge) Lenz plus Malix and The Wrong Kind of Snow

Traders will include:

MITV, Contikits, Kenwater Rail-Ways Buffer Stop Shop, Readers Halt and Friends of Minehead Station

Society Stands will include:

Exmoor Modelling Club, Swiss Railways Society 10.30 -17.30

Minehead Station, West Somerset Railway and also at the nearby Hobby Horse Pub.

REFRESHMENT FACILITIES

Minehead Station platform, West Somerset Railway

Saturday 11.00 - 23.00 Sunday 12.00 - 16.00

Licensed Bar selling a range



of bottled continental beers, lagers, soft drinks and wine.

and Tea will also be available at the same times.

1200-1730 (Saturday only)

A range of Swiss style snack foods will be available.

At various times during the days and also Saturday evening a Swiss style Oompah Band will play for your entertainment.

A Booking form is included with this issue of Swiss Express For more Information please contact:

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NOSTALGIA SPECIALS

Ferrovia retica Viafier retica

This year the RhB are trying harder to promote their Steam and Nostalgia trips. The times and dates appeared on their website before the 9th January. Much play is made of the variety of trains and journeys available including organised photo stops and the guarantee of a bar on board run either by the Dampffreunde der Rhätische Bahn or the Club Engiadinais dals Amihs da la Viafier, I'll leave you all to translate the latter which is in Romansch. Here is a clue: it isn't the SRS.

There is also another four-day trip over our August Bank Holiday weekend similar to that run last year. It involves special travel arrangements and tours of RhB infrastructure. Those who went to the AGM may remember the flyers, which I obtained from the RhB. I have to say that I was somewhat disappointed to take most of them home again. Remember this is run by the Railway and includes some very special events. Now that I have whetted your appetite come along to the AGM where I hope to have the flyers available again. Otherwise check out the RhB website: www.rhb.ch

Steam Train-Engadin Valley

St Moritz - Samedan - Scuol-Tarasp and return. Break for lunch at Zernez.

Sundays - 28 July 2002 and 20 October 2002

Schedule - (Proposed times - Subject to alteration!)

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|-----------|-----|----------------------------|
| St Moritz | dep | 09.38 |
| Celerina | dep | 09.43 |
| Samedan | dep | 09.50 |
| Scuol-T. | arr | 12.02 |
| Scuol-T. | dep | 13.50 |
| Samedan | arr | 16.08 * |
| Celerina | arr | 16.26 |
| St Moritz | arr | 16.31 |

*Connection to the fast train for Filisur (-Davos)-Chur It is possible to board and alight at intermediate stops and the ticket for the steam train also allows you to ride on scheduled trains.

Steam Train Davos Circular Tour

Landquart - Chur - Filisur - Davos - Landquart

Sunday, 17 March 2002 – good place for the next AGM!, 16 June, 15 September, 6 October 29 December 2002 Schedule

(Proposed times - Subject to alteration!)

| Landquart | dep | 08.39* |
|-----------|-----|--------|
| Chur | arr | 09.14 |
| Chur | dep | 10.00 |
| Filisur | arr | 12.30 |
| Filisur | dep | 14.30 |
| Landquart | arr | 18.00 |
| | | |

^{*}Connections for the SBB

It is possible to board and alight at intermediate stops and the ticket for the steam train also allows you to ride on scheduled trains.

Fares for the above two steam train journies

| Adults: | CHF 65.00 |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Adults with Half Fare Card: | CHF 48.00 |
| Adults with Swiss Pass: | CHF 25.00 |
| Children age 6 to 16: | CHF 25.00 |
| Children with family ticket | Free! |
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Rhaetian Rarities

Thursday - Sunday 22-25 August 2002

Traditonal 4-day journey through Graubünden on board historic trains. Accommodation included.

Adults: CHF 860, with half price ticket CHF 830, with season ticket CHF 810.

Motor Coaches Tw 30/34 and Alpine Classic Pullman Express

Saturday, 19 October 2002

Over the Bernina by Alpine Classic Pullman Express from St Moritz to Tirano and back, pulled by historical yellow motor coaches Tw 30/34.

Price per person CHF. 98.00

| St. Moritz | dep | 10.10 |
|------------|-----|-------|
| Tirano | arr | 12.18 |
| Tirano | dep | 14.00 |
| St. Moritz | arr | 16.18 |

Pentecost Journey with "Red Arrow and Alpine Classic Pullman Express"

Sunday, 19 May 2002

An unusual travel combination with famous trains and an imposing itinerary. The journey starts in Zürich with the "Churchill Red Arrow" (built for the 1939 national exhibition). Journey on the Gotthard line to the canton of Ticino, then transfer by coach from Lugano/Chiasso along the Lago di Como and through the Valtellina Valley to Tirano. Continue by Alpine Classic Pullman Express over the Bernina and the Albula to Chur.

Railtrip incl. Breakfast/Dinner in the restaurant car.

The trip may be travelled in either direction as the Alpine Classic departs from Chur and the Red Arrow returns to Zürich.

Price per person CHF. 295.00

Mother's Day Journey

Sunday, 12 May 2002

Davos Circular Tour.

Circular Tour in cooperation with the club Dampffreunde der Rhätischen Bahn.

Adults CHF. 65.00, Base Half Fare Card CHF. 48.00, Children CHF. 25.00

It is not clear what traction will be used for this journey.

Santa Special

Saturday, 7 December 2002

By steam train to Santa's grotto deep in the forest... Adults CHF. 35.00, Base Half Fare Card CHF. 30.00

Children age 6 to 16 CHF. 20.00

Children age 2 to 5 CHF. 10.00

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