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next summer. If anyone is interested in being updated on this celebration, and perhaps take-part in a trip utilising group discounts, then please contact me on geoff.j.turner@btinternet.com or see me at any of the West Midland meetings".



West Midlands 15

The West Midlands Branch has just celebrated its 15th Birthday. It was set-up by Gerald Savine, David Stevenson and Geoff Turner and for virtually all of its successful existence it has had Gerald as its organiser. Gerald stepped down

from this role earlier this year due to personal reasons and handed the reins over to Geoff. At the first meeting of its 2009/10 season on the 30th September, on behalf of the members, SRS Membership Secretary (and WM branch member) Martin Fisher presented Gerald with the gift of a bottle of 12 year-old Speyside Malt Whisky. Perhaps they could not find a 15 y/o one.

Magazines available

Member Tony Alderman is looking to give away 12 issues of *Eisenbahn Amateur* for the year 2008. If anyone is interested they can either collect for free from Weybridge, Surrey, or pay the postage. Contact Tony Alderman on 01 932 843344, or email Tony_Alderman@hotmail.com

Layout for Sale

A H0m layout incorporating the Landwasser Viadukt is up for sale. It is complete with scenery and occupies a 20' x 16' garage in Darley Dale, about 8 miles from Matlock. No stock, may be viewed by prior arrangement; contact Rudi Oliver on 01246 297 970, or e-mail rubrenoliver@googlemail.co

SWISS RAILWAYS SOCIETY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Swiss Railways Society will be held in the Hallmark Hotel, Midland Road, Derby, DE1 2SQ, on Saturday 20th March 2010 starting at 14.00.

Nominations for Officers

Nominations are invited for the following posts: Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Editor, Membership Secretary, Publicity & Exhibitions Officer, Sales Officer and two other elected members of the Management Committee. Nomination Forms are available from the Secretary: David Stevenson, 3 Aldersey Road, Worcester, WR5 3BG, or by email at Secretary@SwissRailSoc.org.uk

Completed forms must reach the Secretary by post or by hand, but not by email, no later than Saturday 6th March 2010.

It is important to note that all nominees, and both their proposers and seconds, must have paid their subscriptions for 2010 prior to signing the nomination form. Failure to do so will render the nomination form invalid. Members are advised that a list of nominees and a copy of any accompanying statement they may have made to support their nomination will be supplied by the Secretary on receipt of an application by post with an SAE, or by email at the above addresses.

Any application for a postal vote must be accompanied by an SAE and will be sent out by post only to the named addressee who must be a paid-up member of the Society at the time of application. The application must reach the Secretary by Saturday 13th March 2010. Completed ballot papers must reach the Secretary no later than the start of the AGM meeting on Saturday 20th March 2010.

Motions for the AGM

Motions for the AGM, proposed and seconded by members who have paid their 2010 subscriptions, must reach the Secretary by Saturday 20th February 2010. This will ensure that they can be included on the Agenda together with any motions put forward by the Committee.