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Swiss Railways Society Annual General Meeting and Spring Meet

In the Garden & Wyedale, Edale and Darleydale Rooms of the Hallmark Hotel, Midland Road, Derby.

Saturday 14th March 2015 10.30 – 16.30

(Guests and friends are also welcome but a donation of £2.00 per person would be appreciated)

This event is being organised by the Bristol & Bath Branch of the Society
with the support of the Management Committee.

Confirmed Trade Stands – Contikits, Gerald Savine Prints, Hornby International, Platform 5, and WINCO.

There will also be the Society Sales Stand, Bring & Buy Stall, and the Photo Competition.

There will be six layouts including "Preuninger Alm" (HOe) Austrian by Alex Klozenbuecher, "Zweitesfeld"

(N) Swiss by Steve Tinsley, "St-Roch-les Bains" (O & Oe) Swiss/French by Peter Harris, "Menabrea" (HO)

Italian by Alan Wardman and "Spatenbrau" (N) German Epoch V/V1 by Andy Howitt.

During the morning and after the formal AGM, Glyn Jones will be providing a series of Swiss DVD's
for you to relax and watch in the Edale Room.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 14.00

To be followed in the evening by a Dinner in the Garden & Wyedale Rooms at 19.00 for 19.30.

MENU

Roasted Plum Tomato soup with a Mozzarella Crouton or Ham Hock Terrine with Plum Chutney
followed by

Roasted Breast of Chicken with a red wine jus, French Beans wrapped in Courgette,
Vichy Carrots and Fondant Potato or Pan fried Salmon, crushed New Potatoes with a creamed Leek sauce
followed by

French Apple Tart with Chantilly cream or Cheese and Biscuits and homemade Chutney
Freshly Brewed Filter Coffee.

(a vegetarian alternative main course is available but must be booked in advance)

The cost is £26.00 per person including service and VAT but not including wine. Last date for booking is 1st
March 2015.

Bookings including your menu choice to:

Roger Ellis, Lammas House, 3 Peacemarsh Farm Close, Gillingham, Dorset SP8 4XQ. Cheques should be
made payable to Swiss Railways Society, and please remember to include a SAE for the return of your tickets.

HOTEL ACCOMODATION

A bed and breakfast rate of £55.00 per person for a single room or £48.00 per person
for a double/twin room is available.

These rates reduce to £52.00 and £46.50 per person respectively if booked
for both the Friday and Saturday nights.

In addition, for the Friday night a table d'hôte dinner will be available at a cost of £20.00 per person and this
must be booked with the Hotel at least two weeks prior to the event.

Please ensure when you book with the Hotel you mention the Swiss Railways Society AGM.

The full address of the Hotel is The Hallmark Hotel, Midland Road, Derby DE1 2SQ. Tel 01332 345894.

JOIN US FOR THE FRIDAY EVENING

The Bristol & Bath Branch will be hosting an additional March meeting in the Edale Room
commencing at 20.00. Details of this fun packed event will be in the December *Swiss Express*!

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In Basel and want to experience all kinds of DB trains? You can see the whole gamut, from locals to Class 403 class ICs, by taking a 10-minute (generally free of charge as tickets are rarely checked, but potentially nerve-wracking) trip on any train going from Basel SBB to the DB's Basel Badischer Bahnhof. The Border is at the DB station but, as usual with Schengen, it is open and without controls. Tickets are normally only checked after northbound trains have left here. Occasionally frontier inspections take place, without fuss, between Basel Bad. Bhf. and Freiburg im Breisgau. At Basel Bad. Bhf. you get off and either return the same way, or you walk outside and take a green BVB tram on Line 2 back across the river to the SBB station. The north end of the station is also a great place for train pictures, with many international freight trains, much engine changing, and the sun behind you. It is of course always better to have a ticket, which you can buy at the machine, or if you are resident in a hotel they should give you one that is valid across Basel for the whole day. 