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n behalf of the Society and the entire Swiss Express team I would like to apologise to those members who received a faulty copy of the June edition of the magazine. Fortunately not too many of the 1300 copies printed were effected but some of you received copies with some duplicated pages and other pages missing, whilst others had both the additional pages and all the remaining pages. There was no apparent rhyme or reason for the way the contents varied, or who was in receipt of the problem copies, and our printers cannot understand how their sophisticated computer-controlled printing machines managed to generate the problem they did. It should be noted that this is the first such incident that we have had with Swiss Express. We believe that most members who received a faulty copy have now been in touch and the printers have replaced their magazines at no cost to the Society. Thanks must go to Gerald Savine for offering to organise the replacement process with the printers. If there remain any members who have yet to contact us for a replacement copy would they please do so as soon as possible so we can bring this unfortunate episode to a satisfactory conclusion. Also, due to a computer glitch on my machine, I am aware that some incoming potential material sent in for the magazine may have gone missing. If you have submitted anything recently, and I have yet to respond to it, please resubmit your email.

Society Restructuring?

Following Legal Advice the Management Committee of the Society has set-up a sub-committee to look into the feasibility and desirability of forming a company limited by guarantee to run the Society. This is something that similar organisations to ours have recently decided that it in their best interests to do. It is hoped that more information should be available regarding this potential change in structure in the next issue of Swiss Express.

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