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RENEWALS FORM QUESTIONNAIRE

Thanks are once again due to all of you who filled in the questionnaire which accompanied the 1990 renewal form. As last year, the results were given at the AGM and are printed here in full.

TYPE OF ARTICLE	Votes	TYPE of ARTICLE	Votes
Prototype articles	399	Manufacturer's information	266
Prototype news items	393	Advertising	161
Travelogue	307	Non-railway transport	127
Modelling	290		

BEST ARTICLE or SERIES of ARTICLES

Swiss Signals: John Jesson (First 4 instalments)

Other popular articles, in order of appearance, were:

March: *Krokodil and Snowfighting part II*
 June: *Rail-in '88*
 September: *RhB Lines that Might Have Been and Best Laid Schemes...*
 December: *The Early Lines*
 All issues: *Notepad*

FUTURE ARTICLES

Hardly surprisingly the leading request for several years no longer appeared as a suggestion - signalling. However some members did ask for something on RhB signalling, which the current series will not cover.

Articles on individual private lines came top of your wishes, either as a general request or naming a specific line. In addition any article dealing either with the RhB or the BLS would seem likely to please.

Requests for modelling articles were almost as numerous and prototype track plans remain a popular request. Unfortunately they also officially remain (believe it or not) Swiss military secrets. Several years ago the situation appeared to be easing but has since been tightened again.

Other topics which received a fair amount of support were, in no particular order, locomotive monographs, railway building plans, trams or rapid transit articles, articles/plans of rolling stock, historic articles, operational subjects and what could loosely be described as railway politics. The latter subject has been most thoroughly covered by the President, whose views you will be able to read, hopefully, with the September issue.

Finally, thanks to all UK modellers who filled in details of your layouts. The secretary frequently receives requests for exhibition layouts and your answers will help the Society support such events as the GRS Oxford exhibition and the SNCFS Epsom show.

BOOK REVIEW

Swiss Railways Locomotives & Railcars

by Chris Appleby & Paul Russenberger

176pp, A5 format, 106 photographs (63 colour). Text in English & French.

Platform 5 Publishing Ltd. Lydgate House, Lydgate Lane, Sheffield S10 5FH

ISBN 1-872524-09-5 : £9.95

This publication, expected for several years, fills a long-felt need for a complete listing of the motive power of the railways of Switzerland in the English language.

It is divided into several parts, first comes an introduction, covering the languages of Switzerland, types of tickets and the system of class-