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# **SOCIETY DIARY - Branch Meetings**

#### **Bristol and Bath**

Branch Organiser: Roger Ellis Alf-N-Alf Cottage, Kingbury Episcopi, Martock, Somerset, TA12 6AZ. Tel: 01935 824428 Venue: University of Bath, Room 2E-3.1 School of Electrical Engineering, start time 1930 pm. 13th Oct: The Gotthard Region-Sept.2000 -Mike and the Mechanics 10th Nov: David Burnett (GRS) - S-Bahns, U-Bahns,

Trams, DBAG in Münich & South Bavaria 8th Dec: Christmas Slide Quiz - Roger Payne

### **East Midlands**

Branch Organiser: Glyn Jones

18 Robin Road, Botts Hollow, Coalville, Leicestershire, LE67 4LB. Tel/Fax: 01530 837939 Venue: Brunswick Inn, Railway Terrace, Derby (almost opposite Derby Station) at 1930. Sept 28th: Members Night - Bring your own slides. Nov 30th: Alan Pike - Around The Rhône.

#### London

Branch Organiser: Giles Della Gana

76 Brampton Road, Kingsbury, London NW9 9DD Tel: (Day) 0802 861929, (Evening) 0208 204 4589 Meetings start 1900 on 2nd Wed. of the month at Fred Tallant Hall, 153 Drummond St, London, NW1 Sept. 13th:'Greater Zürich' - Members' Slides Oct. 11th: Brian Hemming - Private Railways Pt 2 Nov. 8th: Neil Wheelwright-Off The Beaten Track Again Dec.13th: Christmas Quiz

### Manchester

Branch Organiser: Dave Howsam

Venue: British Rail Staff Association, Store Street, (under Piccadilly Station) Manchester.

Meetings start at 1930, talks begin 2000 finishing at 2115 approximately, followed by chat time. Please phone if travelling a distance to ensure no last minute programme change. Tel no. 0161 748 7850.

Sept. 6th: Simply SBB - John Stein

Oct. 4th: Guest Presenter

Nov. 1st: The Rhine & Its Railways-Alan Donaldson Dec. 6th: Christmas Quiz

## North East England

Branch Organiser: Vacant:

Would anyone interested in taking over this role please contact David Ford on 01670 369060 or the Society Secretary.

#### Scotland

Branch Organiser: Willie McKnight 4D Scott House, Hume Road, Seafar, Cumbernauld, G67 1AR Tel: 01236 729 499. Venue: Buchanan House, 58 Porldundas Road, Glasgow - 1930 Please contact organiser for details of meetings

#### Wessex Group

Branch Organiser: Alan Rolfe

70 Grove Road Shirley, Southampton, S015 3GG. Contact Alan for details of meetings and venue. Please send your name, address and telephone number, enclosing a stamp.

### West Midlands Group

Branch Organiser: Gerald Savine

11 Welland Gardens, Welland, Malvern, Worcs. WR13 6LB Tel: 01684 310652 Fax: 01684 311335 The group meets on the last Wednesday each month (and sometimes in between) We meet in members' homes to view videos, books, do some modelling, chat and run locos on a metre gauge layout. Please contact Gerald on the above phone number to find out the next venue.

### West of England

Branch Organiser: Geoff Thompson The White House, Grove Hill, Mawnan Smith, Falmouth. TR 11 5ES. Tel & Fax: 01326 250580. Venue: The Jolly Porter Pub, Exeter (Opposite St David's Station) Saturdays at 1200 noon. Oct. 14th: Rupert Dove-Medows - European Miscellany Nov. 11th: Paul Russenberger (SRS Chairman) - A Swiss Railway Alphabet

Dec. 9th: Annual Branch Meeting followed by -Maurice Criddle & Michael Farr -Two Paddlers around Luzern in April 2000

## COLOUR OR BLACK-AND-WHITE?

You will all have noticed the return to full black and white illustrations in this issue of "Swiss Express" I am sure this will disappoint most members. Unfortunately, colour costs. The Committee will be considering the possibility of producing colour Swiss Expresses regularly, and possibly permanently, at the next Committee meeting in October and it will probably take up a lot of the meeting! Purely personally, I would be delighted to have colour in every issue, but it is inevitable that this would mean an increase in the annual subscription. Would you like colour in every issue? What increase in the subscription would you be prepared to accept? Please think about this and let a committee member know your thoughts we need to know them because this is your Society, it is your Swiss Express. Why not email me at srschairman@email.com?

#### Paul Russenberger (Chairman)