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# SOCIETY DIARY - Branches & Meetings

## BIRMINGHAM

Branch organiser: Steve Buck  
Te: 0121 382 5649. Email: gsdbuck@tiscali.co.uk  
Venue: Stockland Green Methodist Church, Slade Rd. Erdington B23 7JH.  
Meetings commence at 20.00 on the third Friday of the month from January to May & September to November.  
Jan. 16th: Bernese Oberland – Paul Russenberger.  
Feb. 20th: Last Quarter of C20 – Alan Pike OBE.  
Mar. 20th: David Adams. Apr. 17th Day out from Lugano - Steve Buck. May 15th TBA.

## BRISTOL AND BATH

Branch Organiser: Roger Ellis  
"Alf-N-Alf" Cottage, Kingsbury Episcopi, Martock, Somerset, TA12 6AZ. Tel: 01935 824428  
Venue: University of Bath, Block 3E (Ground Floor) Room 2.1 Start time 19:30  
Jan. 9th: British Railways from the '70s to date – Mike Miller. Feb. 13th: Through a different carriage window – Alan Pike OBE. Mar. 13th: BLS revisited and steam – Peter Over. Apr. 11th & May 9th TBA.

## EAST MIDLANDS

Branch Organiser: Glyn Jones  
18, Robin Road, Botts Hollow, Coalville, Leicestershire, LE67 4LB. Tel: 01530 837939  
Email: glyn.jones@btinternet.com  
Venue: Brunswick Inn, Railway Terrace, Derby. (almost opposite Derby Station) at 19:30.  
Jan 29th: Y is for Yens – Rob Morrey.  
Mar. 20th: Friday – AGM weekend. Joint meeting with the London Branch at Midland Hotel Derby commencing at 20:00 – Roger Ellis.

## HAMPSHIRE

Branch organiser: Glyn Smith  
Tel: 02380 849105  
Email: glyn-di.smith@tesco.net  
Venue (for the time being): St Andrews Church Centre, Beaulieu Rd, Dibden Purlieu, Southampton, SO45 4PT  
Meetings 13.00 - 16.00 Saturday afternoons as follows:-  
January 10th 2009 - in the "Coffee Shop" room - Post Christmas 'American Supper' Buffet (could members please bring along a food item for the buffet).  
"Winter in Switzerland" - members bring own slides, prints or photos on CD with a winter theme.  
February 14th - in the Garden Lounge - "Rhaetian Railway of Switzerland" - Ted Vaughan.  
March 14th - (Provisional) Early spring - open afternoon at Glyn Smith's garden railway in conjunction with the local G Scale group. Please contact Glyn for confirmation nearer the time.

## LONDON

Branch Organiser: Ron Dawes  
79, Partridge Knoll, Purley, Surrey, CR8 1BT.  
Tel: 0208 660 3532. Email: dawesronald@aol.com  
Meetings start 19:00 on 2nd Wed. of the month at The Model Railway Club, Keen House, Calshot Street, London N1 (Near Kings Cross Station).  
Jan. 14th: Members' Slides – Alpine Winter.  
Feb. 11th: Switzerland 1988 – Nick Freezer.  
Mar. 11th: Branch AGM + supporting talk.  
Mar. 20th: Friday – AGM weekend. Joint meeting with the East Midlands Branch at Midland Hotel. Derby commencing at 20:00 – Roger Ellis.  
Apr. 8th: Gotthard Part 1 – John Jesson.

## MANCHESTER

Branch organiser: Dave Howsam  
3, Balmain Road, Davyhulme, Manchester, M41 5TR  
Tel: 0161 748 7850  
Venue: Friends' Meeting House, 6, Mount Street, Manchester. [Behind Central Library.] (Metro – St. Peter's Square.) Meetings start 19:00 for 19:30 slide shows etc. (end 21:15).  
Jan. 7th: RhB and beyond – Dave Howsam.  
Feb 4th: South West Switzerland – Colin Mills.  
Mar. 4th: Switzerland & Europe in the '70s & 80's – Richard Winfield – guest presenter.  
Apr. 1st: Nigel's Switzerland – Nigel Emery.

## WEST MIDLANDS

Branch organiser: Gerald Savine  
3, Three Counties Park, Sledge Green, Berrow, Worcs WR13 6JW.  
Tel: 01684 833794 (Eve.)/01684 591122 (Day).  
Email: gerald Savine@btconnect.com  
Please contact Gerald about major changes for monthly meetings in 2009.

## WEST OF ENGLAND

Branch organisers: Rupert Dove Medows and Michael Farr c/o 1 Trethurgy Gardens, Callington, Cornwall PL17 7RH.  
Tel: 01579 383482  
Branch normally meets at noon on the second Saturday of the month from October to May.  
Forthcoming meetings on Dec. 13th 2008, Feb. 14th, Mar. 14th, Apr. 4th and May 9th 2009.  
We shall have the usual annual lunch on Jan. 10th when spouses/partners are welcomed.  
Pre-booking is essential with Rupert, either at Dec. meeting or by phone before 13th Dec. (Tel: 01803 872575).

## YORKSHIRE

Branch organiser: Philip Lockwood.  
Tel: 0113 2532176 Email: philipwengen@aol.com  
All meetings at the Middleton Railway, Engine House, Moor Road, Leeds LS10 2JQ  
Forthcoming meetings on Saturdays Feb. 7th, May 9th, Aug. 8th and Nov. 7th 2009.