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2011 Calendar

It is time to order your 2011 edition of the SRS Calendar. Last year all of the 150 copies we had printed sold out in days so we have enlarged the print run this year but we still expect it to be another sell-out so get your order in as soon as possible. By popular demand the 2011 edition will revert to the slightly larger size of the 2009 version. Due to this change, and increased postage charges, each copy will cost £11 including delivery to a UK address, or £12.50 dispatched to an overseas one. Orders, accompanied by sterling cheques drawn on a UK Bank and made payable to "The Swiss Railways Society", should be sent to Liliana Wood, 15 Crowther Park, Horfield, Bristol, BS7 9NT. It is anticipated that the calendars will be posted out in early October.

SRS gets Swiss publicity

The Swiss Government finances "Swiss Review", a quarterly magazine distributed to all its citizens living abroad. It is published in English, as well as in the Swiss national languages, and the version sent to residents in the UK has an eight-page supplement giving details of Swiss people and events in this country. In the edition that was published

last April the Swiss Railways Society featured on the centre spread of the magazine thanks to Derek Meakin, an SRS member whose organisation produces the UK supplement.

Member's Model Shop

SRS member Nigel Harper now runs Milford Models and Hobbies. He has indicated that he is happy to offer a Club Discount of 5% to all SRS members on production of a current membership card. The shop is at 48, High Street, Milford-on-Sea, Hampshire, SO41 0QD. Telephone 01 590 642 112, or go to the website www.milford-models.co.uk

2011 AGM

Is it in your diary? The 2011 Annual General Meeting and Spring Meet will be held at the Hallmark Hotel, Derby, on Saturday 26th March 2011. It is being organised by the East Midland Branch on behalf of the Management Committee and will follow the usual format with a Friday evening presentation, and dinner on the Saturday evening with a guest speaker. Offers of layouts and displays would be most welcome and it may be possible for a contribution to be made towards expenses. If you have anything suitable please contact Glyn Jones.

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Swiss Railways Society Annual General Meeting & Spring Meet 2011

In the Garden, Edale, & Wyedale Rooms of the Hallmark Hotel, Midland Road, Derby Saturday 26th March 2011 11:00 – 16:30 hrs

(Guests and friends are also welcome but a donation of £2 per person would be appreciated)

The event is organised by the East Midlands Branch
with the support of the Management Committee.

Confirmed Sales Stands – Winco, Platform 5, Contikits, Hornby International, Gerald Savine Prints, Society Sales, N-Scale Ch, Bring and Buy Stall, Society Library Book Sale, Raffle.

Layouts and Displays – by Simon Ellis and Dave Howsam - Photographic Competition.

Annual General Meeting - 14.00 hrs

To be followed in the evening by a DINNER in the Wyedale & Garden Rooms at 19.15 for 19.45 hrs

MENU

Melon and Pineapple Tower with a Fruit Compote Either Lamb Rump accompanied by a Red Wine and Rosemary Sauce

Poached Salmon with a Hollandaise Sauce
Seasonal Vegetables and Potatoes
Homemade Chocolate Brulee with Shortbread
Freshly Brewed Filter Coffee with Swiss Chocolate
(A vegetarian alternative is available but must be booked in advance)

The cost is £25.00 per person including service and VAT, but NOT wine. Early booking is advisable to avoid disappointment. Please state which main course you require.

There will be an after dinner talk by Andrew Cook followed by one of Rob Morrey's (in)famous quizzes.

Bookings to:

Glyn Jones, 18, Robin Road, Coalville, Leicestershire LE67 4LB Cheques should be made payable to Swiss Railways Society.

Please enclose an s.a.e. for the return of your tickets.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

A special bed & full English breakfast rate of £53.00 per person for a single room, or £47.00 per person for a double or twin room per night is available. This reduces to £50.50 and £45.50 respectively if booked for both the Friday and Saturday nights. In addition a table d'hôte dinner will be available on Friday 25th March at a cost of £20 per person. This must be booked with the Hotel a minimum of two weeks prior to the event and is also available to non-residents attending the Friday evening talk. Bookings should be made direct with the hotel, but please ensure you mention the Swiss Railways Society AGM when making your booking. The full address of the hotel is: The Hallmark Hotel, Midland Road, Derby DE1 2SQ. (Tel: 01332 345894)

JOIN US FOR THE WHOLE WEEKEND

The East Midlands Branch will be hosting their March meeting in Derby at the Midland Hotel on the Friday evening commencing at 20:00.

The Speaker is John Porter (former Crossrail Driver) and the talk is entitled "Freight Trains through the Alps"

There is still plenty of space available for additional layouts and displays. Please contact Glyn Jones if you have anything you wish to bring or display.

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