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## AGM DINNER & Spring Meet

**Please Note:** There has been a change to the menu for the dinner. We are also fortunate in having Mr. Peter Senn of the BLS as a guest speaker after dinner, he is going to tell us about the BLS past, present and future.

With this copy of Swiss Express should be a map of how to reach the AGM if you do not have one please contact the Editor.

Please try to attend, it is your AGM and Spring meet.

## Swiss Express Publication date - PLEASE READ

The Committee at its recent meeting expressed concern to learn that Society members expected to receive their copy of the "Swiss Express" on the 1st of the month of publication. It has always been the intention to circulate copies of the magazine to members within the first week of the publication month wherever possible, but never to have it to members each quarter on the 1st of the month.

On some occasions it has been found appropriate to circulate copies during the last

week of the proceeding month, but it has to be appreciated that those involved in the production and circulation are all volunteers who give of their time for the love of the railway hobby, some of which are also still in full/part time employment.

It is hoped that this short note clarifies the position for those members who have in the past expressed comments that the magazine was late if it had not been received on or very near the 1st of the month of publication.

**Peter Dransfield M.B.E. (Secretary)**

## EDITOR'S JOTTINGS

It doesn't seem like three months since the last issue of Swiss Express.

The content of this issue still carries articles from the 1997 - 150th Celebrations. To those of you who were able to attend one or more of the events last year, I hope it brings back the enjoyment of those days. To those of you who were not able to attend, I hope it conveys some of the flavour of the days.

Whilst on the subject of those who have been to Switzerland last year or are already planning this year's trip and perhaps have seen some of the items in Swiss Express, please remember that the majority of our members because of distance, health or other restrictions may never have been fortunate enough to have visited Switzerland last year if ever.

Please keep sending your articles to me. If you do not have photographs don't worry we will dig some up to go with the story if needed.

To those members who have shown an interest in the hotel and holiday offers, the airfares and other prices are just being confirmed and the details will be sent out before

the end of March. If anyone else wants details please send an SAE. We hope to have offers for The Glacier Express, Crystal Panoramic Express, Brunig Panoramic Express plus hotels in Montreux, Brig, Chur and of course the Hotel National in Interlaken.

I think we should all say a big thank you to the advertisers who have supported Swiss Express over the past year. Their contribution allows more pages for you the members, so if you get in touch with them please mention The Society, so that they will know they are spending their money wisely by advertising with us.

The AGM is on the 21st March, try to attend, it is YOUR Society. Your support of the event means a lot, you can have your say in the running of the Society as well as meeting the people you have elected to serve on the Committee.

Last, but not least, thank you for your support and the articles that you have sent in. The Swiss Express is read and respected by many railway companies and other people in Switzerland.

**Les Heath**