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Another year draws to a close. It is most pleasant to be able, again, to report a quiet and stable year for the Society and, although I find it problematic to find different ways of saying this each year, I am grateful that I do have to find those ways. As you all know, we lost Roy Duglison, founder member and Joint President, at the end of last year. His bequest to the Society, his extensive collection of N-scale models, has now been handed over to us and has been sold as a collection. The Society will not receive the proceeds of the sale until next year, but everyone is already benefitting through extra pages in our quarterly magazine, "*Swiss Express*". Roy was a strong supporter of the Brienzer Rothorn Bahn and it is intended that a memorial seat will be placed at the BRB station at Brien, with a memorial plaque cast in the BRB workshops. It is likely that a dedication ceremony will be held in the early summer of 2014 and, as soon as we know more, the information will be placed on the Society website. If timescales allow, it will also be published in "*Swiss Express*". I wish all our members and their families a very happy Christmas and New Year and, as always, thank everyone for continuing to support the Society. In particular, my thanks go to all those who give up their time to attend committee meetings, organise branches and all those other tasks that help to make the Swiss Railways Society the success it is. ■

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