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John Jesson

Christmas approaches again and I wish all members and their families an enjoyable time, not only over the festive season, but also through the year to come. Although the weather this past summer has not been that good, I hope that you found at least some sunshine. Dare we hope for a brighter summer next year?

I am able to report, again, that the Society is in a healthy condition, thanks in no small part to the support you all give in different ways. You have my thanks and respect for the time and effort involved. I really do want to express my appreciation of the editorial team led by Malcolm Bulpitt, whose untiring work regularly gives us such a good magazine, at least the equal of any professional magazine. An on going matter is that of the legacy that our late Joint President Roy Duglison left to the Society. The legal procedures involved with this have been finalised and your committee will, hopefully, be able to report more fully at the AGM.

2015 will be the last year that all traffic on the Gotthard route will be travelling over the mountain route. Elsewhere in this issue there is an announcement of two trips that Roger Ellis and I are organising to take advantage of this traffic before it starts using the base tunnel, so I hope to see a lot of you in Switzerland next year. ☑

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