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arch is not one of my usual months for writing notes for 'Swiss Express', but our editor has prevailed upon me to put something together. I can hardly complain as I am Editor of the Model Railway Club publication, the 'Bulletin', and frequently bully my Chairman. What's sauce for the goose...! I hope that the New Year has got off to a good start for all of you, with not too many resolutions broken (as yet). The AGM is coming up in a few weeks, again in Derby, but at a different venue. We will see how it works out. I would like to remind everyone that we still need someone to organise the AGM in 2019. If we do not have a volunteer, we may well be reduced to simply holding a very dry business meeting. Following appeals over the last couple of years, several people have expressed interest in helping run the society, either immediately or in the future. Come to the AGM to learn more. If you can't make it, a summary will be published in the June magazine. I am aware of several prospective group holidays being planned. Two of them are purely Switzerland (based at Spiez and Olten), a third includes Switzerland, but also covers little bits of France, Italy and Austria. This last is my doing and I intend to (at last) visit the museum at Mulhouse and have another look at the Brenner, both the Austrian and the Italian side. However, as I write this, I am being frustrated by the failure of the Italians to put their trains on the train planning websites. I am reminded very much of the old Irish saying "if you want to go there, I wouldn't be starting from here". Look after yourselves, get over those winter colds, and I hope to see as many of you as possible at the AGM.

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