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landslide. So we took the 1017 to Gallarate (0739 Genève-Milano) running 50 minutes late – incompetence on the part of FS on which I shall not dwell – but the Italian ticket inspector accepted our Saver Day Pass in the circumstances without demur. We then wound our way via Varese over the partly new line to Lugano. However we thus missed our scheduled 90 minute lunch break at Bellinzona. So we had lunch on the 1343 ICN to Basel – a pleasant way of occupying the passage through the Gotthard base tunnel – changing at Olten to another ICN via the Jura Sud route to Genève Aéroport.

Two of our party of six had detached at Bellinzona.

They had arranged to take the PostAuto to Thusis, thence via the Albula and the Bernina to their overnight stop at Albergo Stazione at Campocologno, intending to make their way the next day via Arosa to Basel airport. Earlier in the day, when revising their itinerary beyond Bellinzona, from where their planned PostAuto departure was missed, one of our party was using the SBB website, whereas I was using the European Rail Timetable (ERT), to work out which PostAuto instead to take. It transpired that the SBB website was wrong. Conversely although this was road transport, the ERT was correct! +

And finally...

Switzerland comes to the West Somerset Railway – Tony Bagwell

The modern craze of “Yarn Bombing” – knitting or crocheting decorative items and then leaving them for public display – has seen Bishops Lydeard Station on the West Somerset Railway receiving such treatment. The spear fencing along the platform has a display of handiwork representing what the local craftspeople think are representative items of Switzerland – railways, cable cars, cows, cuckoo clocks, penknives, balloons, the Red Cross and even Swiss rolls !!! +



Where's Heidi?

Answer

You need to get an S1 service from Bern Hbf two stops out to Bümpliz Süd – probably not a destination at the top of the list if you're a tourist!! +

