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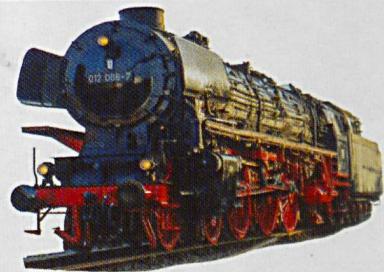
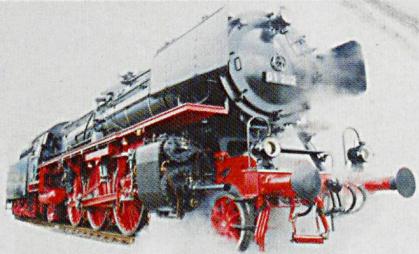
Dampfsonderzug „Gotthard-Express“ an den Lago Maggiore

vom 04. – 08. März 2015

mit

01 202

01 1066



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The details of the March 2015 trips.

All photos: Mario Gavazzi

Steam on the Gotthard

Mario Gavazzi

During the spring and summer of 2015 several steam train operations were organised just before the ETCS-II-technology was realised on some parts of the Gotthard route. The first one was a great happening with two steam and one electric powered engine: from 4th March to the 8th March the steam locomotives 01 202 ("Verein Pacific 01 202") and 01 1066 were on the Gotthard line with a special train with international coaches. Organised by Eisenbahn-Nostalgiefahrten Bebra, the special train was planned to go to Locarno, with a special program in Canton Ticino with locomotives of the Luino railway museum. On the tour back to the north of Switzerland and Germany two engines from Luino escorted the main train. The second steam event was similar to the program in March; this was organised by IGE Erlebnisreisen from 26th June to 30th June. The train travelled from Frankfurt to Basel with steam engine 01 150, then together with Pacific 01 202 to Luzern and from there to Ticino. IGE Erlebnisreisen organised a perfect programme together with other partners (see www.ige-erlebnisreisen.de). Ae 6/6 No.11407 and a special train of Museo Ferroviario Luino with Ae 4/7 No. 10987 Italy, (see www.verbanoexpress.it) was another attraction on these days. The two trains were lead by BR 01 150, 01 202 and 141R1244 ex-SNCF, now operated by Verein Mikado 1244 (www.mikado1244.ch), and BR 50 3673 from the Luino museum. Another steam train was organised on 10th May: B 3/4 No.1367 of SBB-historic was at the head of a beautiful passenger train with coaches from the steam period of Swiss railways. It was a birthday and a wedding day 'cruise' from Zürich to Göschenen and back. ■

Ex. DB locomotives No.01 202 and No.01 1065 wait at Erstfeld, March 2015.





1. Ae6/6 No.11407 at Erstfeld.

2. Something like a word puzzle 'a hot spot' (steam) train on a very cold day gives a cool atmosphere.

3. The steam train with fuel fired 141.R.1244 at the top passing Flüelen, June 27 2015.

4. Ae 4/7 No.10987 with ex-SBB/Ferrovie Nord-coaches ('Leichtstahlwagen', now at Museo verbano-express Luino)

ready at Flüelen for the 'escort train' to Ticino, Saturday June 27.

5. Full steam ahead to Gotthard Tunnel of 1882.

6. Emotional and impressive scenery at Wassen.

