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Front Cover Photo: 47749 'CITY OF TRURO' t&t 66789 'British Rail 1948-1997' with the HST 125 Mk3 coaches approaching Kidderminster Town at 11.08 under the signal gantry alongside the Diesel shed during the SVR Spring Diesel Gala, 18th May 2019

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SOCIETY NOTICE BOARD

Editor's Comments:

Remarkably we are already half way through 2019 and by the time we reach mid-summer this month we will have organised / attended 7 out of the 12 planned events and not too much of a crisis producing **TRACKS**....yet. However the really busy period is over the next 2 months, so a word of warning the July issue will be published later (see yellow box below). The sheer quantity of material means yet again this issue is 80 pages, the third already in 2019. At this rate you will be getting a lot more pages than planned this year so **TRACKS** will be subsidised. To cover the increased printing and postal costs of producing 80 pages at least 4 times a year (the 7 issues will be 64 pages), it is being proposed by the Committee that the **Standard membership fee be increased to a still not unreasonable £20 from January 2020**. It has a natural symmetry so please give me your thoughts. The eMembership will also be raised to £18.

The latest events to be reported are our second trip of the year to WCR Carnforth and the SVR Diesel Gala. The former went off well in reasonably warm weather until the heavens opened with an hour to go, good job for the bump cap fending off the hail !! With 265 items of stock on site this was the second best of the 4 visits so far. A report on the excellent SVR Gala appears elsewhere.

On the network, following the introduction of the summer timetable, the changes keep coming thick and fast with the introduction of several new classes or cascaded stock into service across several operators. HSTs feature heavily, either ending or starting associations with different areas. In preservation several items of stock have either moved, gained new numbers and/or liveries.

Conscious of the accelerated progress of re-signalling around the country as previously mentioned I am now trying to hunt down signal boxes as we travel but it does need time to plan in advance and even then it is not always easy or possible to get them all in a particular area or route. The problem is tying up info on extant NR boxes either working or out of use and those in private use sometimes on disused trackbeds. Following on from the list in the April issue, which has had some errors / duplications amended, I am in the process of compiling a more thorough 'definitive' list, if it ever can be of extant boxes which will also include a section on those now demolished but that have been covered in **TRACKS**. This will be put on the website as it will be too big to include in a future issue. Hopefully you can add to it and send relevant photos. My last 3 trips since April have yielded another 31 boxes from eastern Scotland through the borders into the northeast, 29 of which I did not have photos of. These include fascinating disused boxes at Rosyth Dockyard and Biggar, buried in the middle of a crane companies yard and the gantry boxes of Hexham and Haltwhistle.

Membership Matters: New Members: (14)

(* ex-members re-joined) (AFC – Additional Family Child, AFA – Additional Family Adult)

Geoff Brown (Maidenbower), **Derek Caruthers** (Hinckley), **James Culver** (Hook), **Ashley Micklewright** (Sutton Coldfield), **Justin Edwards** (Bristol), **Graham Hannah** (Berwick-upon-Tweed), **John Harris** (Portsmouth), **Phil Purvis** (Brighton), **Nicky Royle** (Sheringham), **Peter Swarbrick** (Hyde), **Simon Trott** (Bitterne), **Nigel Tennekoon** (Brundall), **Mike Ward** (Hook), **Norman Wynn** (Walsall) - a warm welcome to you all.

Obituary: Sadly we have lost Debbie Shelton the wife of member Arthur who together were a big part of the former sister society GBBG (GB Bus Group) so will be known by many who are into buses. At only 50 her sudden illness was a shock. Condolences go to her family and friends.

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Next issue: July 2019 (to be published later)

The latest date for articles / info is **Friday 5th July 2019**

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for updates please check the **TRACKS** page on the website

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EVENTS

All 2019 events organised, either confirmed or with provisional dates are shown below. Further events may be added in due course between issues of **TRACKS** so keep an eye on our website. **PLEASE DO NOT** try to book places for Members Only Visits with provisional dates shown by TBC until they are formalised or where the event though confirmed is many months in advance with details yet to be provided. Once they have, **BOOKING OPEN** will be shown alongside and a request will be made for you to book your place. Most visits do not have limits so no need to panic by booking too early.

Please note that there is no excuse for booking then not notifying us you cannot then attend or have been delayed travelling on the day, genuine reasons apart. As with events where numbers need to be accurately known by the hosts for a tour, food or room capacity this is not acceptable. We have tried to ease the official's organising burden and saving you money in postage by allowing members to pay on the day, but this can be abused as it can be then seen as nothing to lose if you can't be bothered to turn up. We still wish to save time and your money, so we will still try to allow payment on the day but **for those who do not turn up and do not have the courtesy to contact us at the time or afterwards will not be welcome to book future tours without a non-returnable payment up front.**

We dropped the idea of providing our bank details in **TRACKS** again as it seems no sooner than we publish these that we get spurious direct debits appear on the Society bank account. It happened before so if it is a member then that is extremely disappointing. If anyone wants to pay for anything up front then we can provide the bank details on request.

We cannot accept bookings by letter only, as there is no way to quickly contact you if plans have to be amended at short notice.

Visit Applications to Tony Whitehead: Clearly state your name, membership number, and importantly a contact telephone number. If it is for an event with multiple dates eg Carnforth then indicate your preference / availability for the dates shown. Email is best and he will respond asap. **Email: anthw884@gmail.com** or by **Tel: 07895 386777 but no calls after 20.45 in the evening please** as he will be in bed early as he has to be up for work at 04.30 each morning. Best time to ring is after 18.30 weekdays and weekends. Though Tony does not have an answerphone he will return your tel. call promptly if your number is recorded as a missed call, so don't panic. Only if you consistently have any trouble contacting Tony or he hasn't responded after several days then in the last resort contact Trevor or Christine (details on page 2).

MEMBERS ONLY VISITS

Long Marston: Sat 15th Jun 2019: BOOKING CLOSED

If you are going we will see you there. Please arrive no later than 10.00 with the aim to start at 10.30. We will be there from 09.00 so if you arrive earlier you will then have time to pay and buy books / sundries which we will have available.

West Coast Railways, Carnforth, 2019: BOOKING OPEN (spaces left)
Sat 22nd Jun (1), Sat 10th Aug (FULL) & Sat 12th Oct (FULL) 4 more p for 2020

Though the visits are fully booked we do have cancellations so there are reserve lists in operation.

Following our successful first visit in August 2018 we have organised 5 more for 2019. Again the places are limited to 30 but this is the right number having experienced it firsthand as it allowed questions to be asked of our guide and prevents getting in each other's way...well not too much !! The cost is £20 payable on the day.

For the **May, Jun, Aug & Oct** visits meet at Carnforth Station at 11.25 for an 11.45 start. The tour will take approx. 3 to 3½ hours **so if you are travelling by train please arrange your return accordingly. Needing to leave early caused problems but we got away with it once and we don't want to risk future visits.** There is paid parking at the station or free spaces can be found nearby.

Hi-viz, sturdy footwear and hard hat / bump cap must be worn. We have stocks of hi-viz vests and bump caps to purchase, so contact Trevor for more details. **All photos taken are for private use ONLY, no public display either online, in magazines or via social media.**

Please apply to **Tony Whitehead** (details above)

Eastleigh Works: Sat 14th Sep 2019: BOOKING OPEN – No limit on spaces

Bookings can now be made for our annual Members Only visit to Eastleigh Works. There will be no tickets and therefore no need to send money, with the fee of £20 payable on arrival. Please be at the main gate around 13.30 at the latest so that you can be let in, pay your money then gather for the safety briefing, prior to starting your visit at 14.00. The fee covers the normal Arlington visit fee (which they donate to charity) and organising stewards. You will get access to all areas until 16.30 and cab rides...locos TBC. Drinks and snacks will be available with our sales stand as in 2018.

Please apply to **Tony Whitehead** (details above)

Applications can be made right up to the day. **But please if you apply to attend and then cannot go, either inform Tony (up until a few days beforehand) or if you have problems just prior to or on the day then contact Trevor (07765 337700).** With escorted access required to let you in, **it will not be acceptable to just not turn up or not let us know you are running late, as we will not wait around to see if you arrive.**

PRESERVATION GALAS to be attended with our sales stand. Nothing planned

OPEN DAYS to be attended with our sales stand. Nothing planned

TECHNOLOGY NEWS

Called the 'Innovation Hub' Porterbrook owned 319454 has become a static test bed to assess new ideas and developments.

Siemens has been awarded a 33 month contract to upgrade the radio communication systems on the entire rolling stock fleet, that is 11,000 radios.

An interesting series of trials were undertaken in April and May 2019 on the Barry Tourist Railway with a Sentinel 0-4-0VBT to establish the viability of using biomass briquettes instead of coal to reduce smoke emissions, lower the carbon footprint and reduce costs. The first trial was successful and apart from minor adjustments to firing techniques the only mechanical alterations will be to the draughting system to allow prolonged usage. These are to be carried out before further trials are undertaken. This may be a solution for smaller heritage railways to switch to cleaner fuel whilst retaining steam operation.

CREWE BASFORD HALL VISIT - UPDATE

A correction by Nick Smith, the CI.90 in the shed is 90016 and additional wagon sightings by Aidan Turner.

Cart Roads: (west of access road) Northern track - the two missing wagons are OCA 112015/127, Southern track – the end two were identified as JNA 29081/228

Adjacent fuelling point: OCA 112010, MRA 501337/391

Coal Yard behind Crewe Sorting Siding North signal box: FNA 11.70.9229.014-9

Main Sidings: behind 70006 FEA 640331/332, FSA 607086, FTA 608449

near 97304 MPA 394139, MRA 501134 (between 501065 and 133), 501167 (next to 501168),

JNA 29096/494, IEA 31.70.5892.026-3 (near JNA 29121), FSA 608349 (end wagon behind 608401)

EASTLEIGH WORKS REPORT

by **Norman Smith** (Photos by **Carl Watson** unless shown otherwise)
for the period 1st to the 31st May 2019

Locos:

02/05 66779 brought in 73002 (now owned by LSL) from Eastleigh East Yard for cosmetic work.



66587 being prepared for repainting and almost looks the old Shanks livery in this state

- 09/05 66587 came in for a repaint from Southampton Freightliner Depot (see above on the 13/05).
13/05 59003 brought in 50026 and 73119 from Swanage.
14/05 73963 t&t 73965 were on and off site with a NR test train before leaving for Hither Green PAD two days later.
15/05 70811 came in for a windscreen replacement and left two days later.

15/05 37254 t&t DBSO 9714 came in with a NR test train from Woking Yard and left for Reading Triangle Sidings the following day. Two days later the train returned for the weekend and after that went back to Woking Yard. On the 24/05 the same test train arrived from Hither Green before setting off for Derby RTC later that night.



above & below 45029 now also numbered 17 named both inside (plate) and outside on the ends, 14th May 2019



16/05 73119/128 took No 12 'SARAH SIDDONS' and renovated Inspection Saloon LT 45029 to West Ruislip LU Depot (see below). 45029 has been here almost 10 years and been thoroughly overhauled and upgraded from bogies upwards, including re-skinning the wooden frame and re-upholstering the interior seats. A kitchen and loo have also been fitted. The repaint and external decal names were finished recently ahead of testing and release back to LU. It is has been named '*Florence Nightingale*' and additionally numbered.17 after the original Metropolitan Railway Bo-Bo electric loco.



17/05 47815 brought in Translators 68501 & 68504 from Leicester LIP



17/05 66415 in new Freightliner livery left for Southampton Freightliner Depot (see above).

21/05 60021 made an appearance in its new GBRf livery (see opposite top). The next day it was moved, with a coal hopper to Eastleigh East Yard by RSS Shunter 08460 (see also wagon trips below)

21/05 66849 came in for a minor repair and left when completed.

28/05 70816 came in for a 'C Exam.

30/05 47815 took Translators 68501/68504 to Leeds Balm Rd.



Wagons: Wagon Trips in/out during May were:

- 02/05 FL in 93353/479
- 06/05 66172 brought in 70.4971.046-3 from Eastleigh Depot for component recovery and disposal
- 13/05 DBC out 87.438.4007-2
- 13/05 66783/73128 brought in 371027 from Tonbridge West Yard
- 14/05 66708 took 92627/628, 70.6791.022-6/029-1/049-9/056-4/087-9/088-7/091-1 to Peterborough
- 16/05 70.4971.046-3 scrapped on site by Raxstar
- 22/05 08460 took 371027 to Eastleigh East Yard
- 23/05 FL in 92560/638/642 FL out 93479
- 24/05 66755 brought in 70.6791.001-0/007-7/010-1/053-1/089-5/092-9 from Wellingborough Up TC

OTP:

- 07/05 66753 took Speno Rail Grinder DR 79221-226 to Dollands Moor.
- 31/05 Stone Blower DR 80212 was scrapped on site by Raxstar.

Coaches:

- 07/05 66093 brought in Mk1 FO 3066 from Burton Ot Wetmore Sidings
- 13/05 67002 brought in 1651/1832/3068/3123/3141/3146/3149/4959/4991/4998/21269 from Hinksey Yard
- 15/05 66002 t&t 67002 took 1671/1813/3098/3110/3119/4927/21272 to Tyseley Steam Trust
- 17/05 37402 took 5810/05937/9525 to Norwich Crown Point



above 67002 & 66002 the second of each class nicely posed together

Riviera Trains stock moves for this period, including loco:

- 04/05 67005 UK Railtours 'The Ynys Mon Express'

04/05	66719/753	UK Railtours	'The Amber Valley Venturer'	
10/05	67005	UK Railtours	'Locomotion & The Weardale Railway'	(back by 66002)
18/05	66723/779	UK Railtours	'The Welsh Dragon'	
27/05	66703	Pathfinder Tours	'The Jolly Fisherman'	

442424 still in Gatwick Express livery



Units: Siemens Units receiving modifications during the month: 444005/008/013/035/039, 450001/010/012/073/102/105/117/118

- 01/05 66719 brought in 442405/424 from Eastleigh Depot for storage (see above).
- 08/05 442404 brought in 442411 from Bournemouth Depot and returned there with 442410.
- 08/05 47813/57303 brought in 977987 (51371) and 977988 (51413) from Long Marston for overhaul.
- 14/05 442404 arrived from Bournemouth and 442413 returned there.



977987 + 977988 (above)



PRESERVATION NEWS: I

Stainmore Railway (STR):

Further to the report in the Mar / Apr 2018 issue p13-14 one track has been laid into the new carriage shed and it is now in use. On my visit on the 19th May 2019 it was holding the following vehicles 6w NER 131 (2131) on wagon uf, van 903001 (5523) stripped to its frame and under reconstruction, 4w NER 1111 (DE 900192) & LNER brake third 3669 (on loan from NYM)



Eden Valley Railway (EDV):

MLVs 9003 & 9005 based at Warcop on the Eden Valley Railway have been brought back into use after a hiatus of 8 years hauling 4CEP 2315. The MLVs have been fitted with batteries to provide sufficient power to conduct 6 return trips along their short 2½ mile line on a once a month basis. The first day of operation of the 6 car formation unofficially dubbed the 'Cumbrian Boat Train' was on the 12th May and is seen on the return leg of the second run approaching Warcop at 12.20 with 9003 at the rear.



above MLV 9005 (931095) still in faded SE Jaffa cake livery, below 9003 in faded green



EMUs IN PRESERVATION

CI.438/491 4TC: There are 15 of these cars from various sets still in existence, 8 x DTSO, 3 x TBSK and 4 x TFK. Three vehicles have been already covered in articles, 76301/02 in Oct 2014 p29-30 and 70859 in May 2019 p45-47. This recent later article covered the background to the class. There are another 4 individual cars 70826, 70860, 76275 and 76277.



*above the inner end of DTSO 76298
awaiting transfer to SWG*

left restored TBSK 70824

both Butterley, MRB, 19th May 2019

70855 was featured on p18 in the Sep 2018 issue and is currently under a tarpaulin behind 76322 seen right at Swanwick Jnct, MRB, 19th May 2019



As preserved there were also two 4 car sets (DTSO + TBSK + TFK + DTSO) 76324 + 70823 + 71163 + 76297, this is mainline registered and is in LT red and 76298 + 70824 + 70855 + 76322. The former set regularly attends galas and has been featured several times in **TRACKS** in its former faux teal and new LT red livery, Feb 2012 p8, May 2016 p46, Jun 2014 p146, Jan / Feb 2017 p10 and Jul / Aug 2017 p15. The later set is owned by the Swanage Railway (SWG) and until recently was stored as a set in the stock sidings at Swanwick Jct, Midland Rly Butterley (MRB) as seen on p22 in the Feb 2012 issue. Initially the intention was to restore the complete set but one of the other individual vehicles DTSO 76275 that ran in 4VEP set 3169/3582 until 2004. It was bought by Hastings Diesels based at St Leonards (SLE) and used as a store but then was offered for sale and bought by SWG. Being in good condition it was restored at SLE and is now at SWG arriving on the 15th May 2017. It was therefore decided that 76298 which is in poor condition would be a source of spares. The first of the originally owned four cars to be renovated is 70824 and that has been restored at MRB and will shortly be moving to SWG along with 76298. Both 76275 and 70824 are in BR blue / grey livery. The next car to be tackled is 76322 which initially will create a 3TC until the second trailer 70855 can be restored.



76275 before & after *above left* in use as a stores vehicle with its set number of 3582 still applied, St Leonards, 3rd July 2011, *above right* Corfe Castle, SWG 9th May 2019 (Carl Watson)

COACH MATTERS



it appears ScotRail are applying large cycle decals to the TGSs in the short HST sets as seen on Mk3 44086 at Elgin on the 30th May 2019

With four types of Mk5 Caledonian sleepers here are two more photos illustrating the Lounge Car and Fully Accessible Sleeper. The standard sleeper was illustrated in the May 2019 issue.



Lounge Car 15109, Euston
(07.35) 7th May 2019 (Derek Everson)



Fully Accessible Sleeper 15207, Euston
(07.35) 7th May 2019 (Derek Everson)

STOCK MOVES

With so many new stock moves occurring, particularly with various barrier wagons and transfers of stock between operators or into store, I thought it best to start showing these all together as this will become a regular sight over the next few years.

57303 + stock (6330, 6338, 6344) 42021, 42557, 41006 (6340) on 5E23 Ely Papworth – Wabtec, Doncaster, 30th May 2019 (Toby Radziszewski)



above 66732 + 802206 + 802205 on 6X80 Dollands Moor - Eastleigh TRSMD, Eastleigh (09.34) 30th May 2019 (Chris Addoo) also see **NEW STOCK**



above 37402 transferring 3 Mk2 coaches 9525, 5810, 5937 on 5Z37 Eastleigh Works - Norwich, Eastleigh (12.20) 17th May 2019 (Chris Addoo)



above 385001 + 385102 hauled north as 6X80 Dollands Moor - Merchant Park sidings (Hitachi Newton Aycliffe) with 66748 passing Sidings Restaurant (York) (12.24) 22nd May 2019 (David Rice)



above 43185 t&t 43018 on Laira – Ely Papworth Sidings passing March West at 17.09, 24th May 20149 (Lee Spenceley)

PRESERVATION PHOTO SPOT: STEAM

4-6-0 506: After restoration 4-6-0 506 is seen at Ropley, MHR prior to returning to service.



PHOTO SPOT: RAIL TOURS



above 68033 t&t 68018 returning the NENTA 'The Welsh Victorian Highlander', Norwich – Holyhead
ecs 9507, 5998, 5929, 5961, 1200, 3345, 3364, 3314, 1691, 3333, 3356, Thetford, 5th May 2019
(Toby Radziszewski)

below 37409 t&t 37405 on the Cl.37 farewell EACH Express from Norwich - Ely - King' Lynn - London
Liverpool Street - Norwich, awaiting the return trip from London Liverpool Street (14.50) 18th May 2019
(Toby Radziszewski)





The Flying Banana

The last HST on the Great Western Railway



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above coach poster showing the various liveries carried on HST Mk3s (Spencer Conquest)

HST Farewell 'The Flying Banana',
1st June 2019 from Bristol TM -
London Paddington - Carmarthen -
London Paddington - Plymouth
43002 1&t 43198 + coaches 41160,
40755, 42016, 42554, 42005,
42015, 42361, 44005

right passing Stonehouse on 1Z24
13.49 Carmarthen - London
Paddington (15.52) (Nigel Hoskins)

below 1Z22 05.24 Bristol Temple
Meads - London Paddington,
London Paddington (07.05)
(Toby Radziszewski)





above 4-6-2 34052 on Saphos Trains 'Welsh Marches Express', 1Z20 Crewe – Cardiff Central passing Newport (12.12) 4th May 2019 (Chris Addoo)



left 4-6-0 61306 t&t 47802 on Steam Dreams 'Highlands & Islands Explorer' Day 9, Carnforth - London Euston passing Nuneaton (16.12) 17th May 2019 (Andrew Turnidge)

below 4-6-0 44871 t&t 47802 on Steam Dreams 'Cathedrals Express' 1Z42 09.02 Finsbury Park – York – London King's Cross passing Holme on the outward leg (11.15) 26th May 2019 (Toby Radziszewski)



67021 t&t 67004 on Belmond British Pullman 1Z32 Horsham – Surbiton passing Worting Jct on the return leg (17.38) 18th May 2019 (Chris Addoo)



above 4-6-2 35028 'BRITISH INDIA LINE' on Belmond British Pullman 1Z91 London Victoria - Bristol Temple Meads, Swindon (12.09), 15th May 2019 (Colin Pidgeon)



above 4-6-2 60103 'FLYING SCOTSMAN' + 4-6-0 61306 'MAYFLOWER', on Steam Dreams 1Z72 'Highlands & Islands Explorer' Day 1, York – Edinburgh passing Shipton by Beningborough (15.54) 9th May 2019 (David Rice)



left 4-6-0 7029 t&t 47773 (D1755) on Vintage Trains 'Cotswold Explorer' 1Z71 Dorridge – Oxford, Worcester (19.06) 18th May 2019 (Sean Davies)

PHOTO SPOT: NR TEST TRAINS



above 37610 t&t 37521 1Z22 Tyseley - Bristol HL, Westbury (14.28) 22nd May 2019 (Derek Everson)
note the ongoing extension to platform 2/3 as reported in the May issue with supporting metal framework now partially in place

right 37254 t&t 37219 on 1Q90 15.18
Derby RTC to Ferme Park Ely (19.00)
27th May 2019 (Tony Radziszewski)
note 37409 on the right



below 37116 t&t DBSO 9702 3Z03
Derby RTC - Tonbridge West Yard
approaches Wellingborough
underneath the growing forest of
OHL masts (12.34) 20th May 2019
(Colin Pottle)





above DBSO 9702 t&t 37219 on 3Z75 Slateford - Derby RTC, Spittal, Berwick-upon-Tweed (15.14) 26th May 2019 (Gareth Patterson)

CASCADED STOCK



left ex-LO Goblin Line 172005 + 172003 now with WMR in WMT livery, Birmingham Moor St (16.21) 25th May 2019 (James Holloway)

below ex-ScotRail 170476 in Northern livery, Doncaster (11.56) 20th May 2019 (Malcolm Clements)



PRESERVATION NEWS: 2

Misc News: 4-6-2 6201 'PRINCESS ELIZABETH' hauled its first service for 2½ years on the 30th April 2019 with WCR 'Dalesman' from York – Carlisle.

A new preservation site opened on the weekend of the 1st/2nd June 2019, the Leiston Works Railway simultaneously marking the lines 160th anniversary. The original Aveling & Porter loco from the works still survives at Fawley Hill Railway.

INFRASTRUCTURE NEWS



Stevenage: To enable all services on the Hertford Loop to terminate at Stevenage a new south facing bay platform 5 is being constructed on the west side of the station. Currently services during the week have to run through to Letchworth. Work started in February 2019 with photo below taken on the 28th May 2019 by Malcolm Castell looking south towards Six Hills Way A1070 overbridge.



New Stations: A new station at Horden has commenced construction on the line between Seaham and Hartlepool, just north of the former station site which closed in 1964. It should open in spring 2020.

TRAFFIC & TRACTION NEWS

May 11

91120 + 91115 were seen in bay platform 2 at Doncaster (Andrew Turnidge)



68005 + 68015 + FNAs 11.70.9229.014-9 + 024-8 passed Carnforth at 10.03. 68005 was missing its nameplate on one side, it appeared, due to replacement of bodywork panel.



May 19

90020 was seen on the rear of a King's Cross service at Doncaster at 17.42



May 20

66786 passed Newsham LX (A1061) at 13.55 near Blyth on 13.56 6N87 Lynemouth PS – Tyne Dock with 24 IIA biomass hoppers (photo at end) 66704 passed Ipswich at 15.35 on 6A32 13.34 North Walsham – Harwich Parkeston Yard Carless Sidings condensate tanks (Colin James)



May 24

56094 + 66739 + 66723 passed Spittal, Berwick-upon-Tweed at 17.51 on 6S31 Doncaster Up Yard - Millerhill (photo at end)

May 29

68010 and 68011 were seen at Birmingham Moor St, but as there are only 90 seconds between arrival of one and the departure of the other you have to be quick and lucky to photo them together (James Holloway).



News from Norfolk (Stuart Moore):

Delivery of the New Flirt units appears to have settled in to a once a fortnight routine with May deliveries 755415/16 on the 2nd May (illustrated in May 2019 issue), 755417/418/326 on the 16th May and 745002 on the 30th May. The latter two being the first of their sub class to arrive. In addition the new sidings for the units are in use at Crown Point and units can often be seen parked in them. The new sidings on the Mid Norfolk Railway have also been used for the first time with 755413/414 reported to be there. They ran to the sidings under their own power on 29th May

from Crown Point. The first visit of a Cl.755 to the Bittern Line took place on 24th May running to Cromer and on to Sheringham to try the newly reopened station with the extended platform. Testing of the units has increased since the timetable change but they are not yet in public use. The short set NC37 continues in use but the latest date when the new units will start and NC37 will stop is the 23rd June.

A brief visit to Norwich station on the 1st May produced 755407 on test, 37423 and 37425 on NC37 duties 37059 in the yard and 321422 + 321xxx on London run.

The 2nd May was a bit of a Cl.37 day with 37716, 37800 and 37059 in the yard, 37423 and 37425 on NC37 and 37057 and 37099 on the 1Q98 duty

On the 3rd May saw 68018 t&t 68033 arrived with Riviera Trains blue/grey Mk2s for the following Days NENTA tour to North Wales.



68018 t&t 68033 Norwich Yard, 3rd May 2019
(Stuart Moore)



above 37716 t&t 37423 on 2P13 09.17 Great Yarmouth - Norwich, Brundall (09.39)
6th May 2019 (Toby Radziszewski)

On the 7th May 37405 arrived from London Brent to take up NC37 duties later in May.

On the 9th May NC37 was in the care of 37423 t&t 37716. 37425 was being moved to the yard and 321322 + 321350 were noted on a London duty.

On the 11th May the 'East Anglian Explorer' from Hasting - Lowestoft via Norwich operated by DEMU Thumper 1001 (see photos below) was noted heading to and from Lowestoft in the Brundall area.



above 1001 (60118) on outward leg, Ipswich (11.49) (Keith Partlow)
below 1001 (60116) on return leg, Strumpshaw (16.15) (Stuart Moore)



On the 13th May NC37 was seen operated by 37405 t&t 37716



above 37405 on the EACH Express Norwich before setting off, (09.12) 18th May 2019
(Stuart Moore)

The next tour was the Cl.37 farewell EACH Express which was 37405 t&t 37409 with five

Mk.2s. The extra coaches in addition to NC37 stock had been returned to Norwich from Eastleigh by 37409 earlier in the week (see **STOCK MOVES**). Also seen in the yard along with 37405 and 37409 were 37402, 37423, 37716 and 37800. 37402 had arrived earlier in the week with 90004 from CE. The EACH Express departed 10.20 from Norwich to Ely then on to King's Lynn before running via Cambridge to Liverpool Street and then along the GEML back to Norwich (also see **RAIL TOUR PHOTO SPOT**)

The start of the new timetable saw the introduction of the 'Norwich in 90' service. This is a fast limited stop run (Norwich-Ipswich-London). The first run was the 09.00 from Norwich operated by a buffed up 90001 and 82114 with suitable headboards. The train ran to time. There is now a 09.03 slow train from Norwich to London which uses 321's (see **FRANCHISE NEWS**).



above 47245 Norwich 24th May 2019
(Stuart Moore)

Also on the 20th May 37402 + 37423 ran light to Derby. 37409 remained in the yard for the week in the company of the extra DRS Mk2s before being used for drags from Cardiff Canton and to Crewe the following week.

On the 24th May WCR 47245 + 47826 arrived with stock to operate a Norwich to Carlisle tour the following day. It's not often the WCR stock appears in Norwich now that the NENTA tours are operated by DRS with Riviera stock but on the 31st May 57313 t&t 57601 ran from Derby to with the Northern Belle stock for a tour from Norwich to Bristol.

On the 30th May test train 1Q98 ran again this time powered by 37219 t&t 37254. It was seen passing through Brundall at 20.10 and again at 20.45 with 37405 t&t 37716 passing between the gauging train runs with the late evening Lowestoft to Norwich.



above 37219 t&t 37254 1Q98 Brundall,
30th May 2019 (Stuart Moore)

Finally newly named 37407 'Blackpool Tower' ran light engine from Crewe Gresty Bridge to Norwich on the 31st hopefully to take up the NC37 duties. We will have to see if the 23rd June is the final date.



66786 Newsham LX near Blyth,
(14.00) 20th May 2019



above 56094 + 66739 + 66723 6S31 Doncaster Up Yard - Millerhill, Spittal, Berwick-upon-Tweed ((17.51) 25th May 2019 (Gareth Patterson)

FRANCHISE / NETWORK NEWS

East Anglia by Colin James: With the timetable change in May 2019, Abellio Greater Anglia have now introduced two return 'Norwich in 90, Ipswich in 60' services. Leaving Norwich at 09.00 & 17.00, returning from London at 11.00 & 19.00, these services only call at Ipswich on their journeys and have been given 9Pxx headcodes. The standard stopping pattern services keep the 1Pxx headcodes and now leave 2 or 3 minutes after the non-stop services. Ipswich already had 2 non-stop services to & from London, with the 07.40 Norwich to London and the 17.00 London to Norwich stopping only at Diss & Ipswich. These two commuter services continue with the same stopping pattern, giving Ipswich six non-stop services.



For the launch day, 20th May 2019, a very clean 90001 t&t DVT 82114 plus Mk3 stock 11091, 11087, 10403, 12132, 12021, 12051, 12129 12035 were used, bulled up at Norwich Crown Point. Both loco

and DVT carried a 'Norwich in 90, Ipswich in 60' headboard. The first 09.00 Norwich to London service was seen at Ipswich at 09.31 (see previous page middle) and its 11.00 return at Norwich at 12.28 (see previous page bottom), where it arrived only 5 minutes after the preceding 10.30 London to Norwich service.

Misc News: Crossrail services will not now start on the central section until at least October 2020.

WMT ran the first direct service between Leamington Spa and Nuneaton on the 20th May 2019 and is seen approaching its destination at 06.14 by Gareth Taylor. The stock used was 172003 an ex-LO Goblin Line DMU now in WMR livery.



Following the electrification of the Walsall to Rugeley line, WMT passenger services switched to CI.350 EMUs from the 19th May 2019. The photo below by James Holloway shows 350240 in LNWR livery calling at Cannock at 11.59 on the 22nd May 2019.



With CI.800 Azumas now entering service the hired in EMT HST has been handed back. The first IC225 Mk4 set BN23 has been stored at the new safe facility at Worksop.

Cl.710s finally entered service on the Goblin line on the 23rd May 2019 with 710216 and 710269

With both Stagecoach and Arriva taking the DfT to court, the signing of the new East Midlands franchise contract has been delayed. Stagecoach has also lodged a second claim in relation to the West Coast franchise.

Long distance HSTS into and out of London Paddington ended on the 18th May with last four services in the hands of 43188 (18.03 to Plymouth), 43162 (18.15 to Cheltenham Spa), 43009 (18.22 to Hereford) and 43198 t&t 43002 (18.30 to Taunton). The latter eight car set was the final one in service on the GWR network having worked a special to Exeter arriving at 22.00.....*another landmark missed, ed.*

Hull Trains has hired another GWR HST set to overcome the loss of the set for several days when it returns to St Philips Marsh for servicing. The photo below by Colin Pottle shows 43023 t&t 43027 with Mk3s 41166, 40900, 42347, 42506, 44002 on 1A96 Hull - King's Cross passing Abbots Ripton at 19.05 on the 24th May 2019.



SVR SPRING DIESEL GALA REPORT

A full report by Colin James is covered under **PRESERVATION GALAS** so all I need to say is we pitched our sales stand next to 12099 in the Kidderminster Diesel shed on Saturday 18th May 2019 which although dry and reasonably warm was only occasionally sunny. Being near the open roller shutter door we were glad of a screen SVR erected to stop the breeze. We had a fairly good day gaining another 4 four members. This Gala has gained a reputation for a good selection of traction on show with many visiting locos and this year was no exception. For me it was a chance to see newly GBRf liveried 47749 (another photo cop and my last extant 47), 50007 (50014) /49 and 60095 plus the CS liveried 47727. New liveries / re-numberings were also to be seen on 13201, 09107, D7535, 97205 (31163), 37688 which had also received its former name when operating for TL Construction out of Buxton and D1015. It was also good to see recently transferred 50033 and an uncovered D1013 a long time tarpaulin covered resident of the Bridgnorth headshunt. Early on the Saturday morning 4-6-0 7029 'CLUN CASTLE' t&t 47773 (D1755) passed by at 09.10 on Vintage Trains 'Cotswold Explorer' from Dorridge – Oxford. Nice to see this since being recently restored as I had only seen it once before in bits in 2012 at Tyseley.



above 41001, D7535 D1062, 50007 & 60095 Kidderminster Town, SVR (18.50) 17th May 2019

RAMBLINGS OF A RAIL ENTHUSIAST

by **David Spencer - 1991**

This series started with 1958 in the Aug 2009 issue. I try to provide extra detail or follow up photos on the items of traction illustrated, other than number, date and location as provided by Dave, including what became of them particularly with regards to preservation.

I did three special trains during the year, two HST specials and one normal tour, the first being an HST 'Hills and Dales' tour on the 2nd February. I picked this up at Kidderminster to go to Skipton and up the Grassington branch to Rylstone Quarry then back to Keighley where we had almost three hours for a trip behind Jinty 0-6-0T 47296 + 0-6-0WT 'BELLEROPHON' on the Keighley and Worth Valley Rly.



above 58005 on MGR Empties, Nuneaton, 22nd March 1991 (stored Alizay France)

Two weeks later I had a day at Reading where all the Cl.50s had disappeared and all loco hauled expresses were in the hands of Cl.47s. This also produced my first working sight of a Cl.59 and I always enjoyed seeing and hearing thumpers on the Basingstoke trains. A month later Union work took me on to Leicester and the sight of several Cl.60s out working with at Nuneaton a plethora of Cl.31s on departmental, oil and parcel trains. One of the joys of commuting was holding an annual season ticket funded by work that was paid for by monthly deductions from my wages, that meant if I had any spare time or a loose day I had the entire network open to me and on the 30th March I obviously had one of those days and I took loads of photos at obscure places like Bloxwich North and Duddeston as well as on the main line.

To celebrate the birthday of my late wife I decided to have a week in Glossop in April and yet another North West Day Ranger. Whilst up there I went on another special, the Cl.20 Society 'Bristol or Bust' tour from Sheffield although I did my best to foul that up. Sheffield is my motoring nemesis and I get lost more often than not and earlier in the week I passed the station three times trying to find somewhere else. So on Saturday I drove into Sheffield and couldn't find the station! Cursing like fury I eventually found it but far too late for the special so I had to chat up the guard on an HST to let me get to Derby where I had to change onto a DMU for Burton. However I missed the trip to Toton where it reversed for a ride on the Sheet Stores to Stenson Junction line. The train hauled by 20081 + 20016 then went down to Birmingham avoiding New Street by taking the Camp Hill line then via Droitwich and Worcester to Hereford and through the Severn Tunnel to Bristol. Reversing at Temple Meads we returned via Swindon, Didcot and Oxford on to the Cotswold line to Worcester and returned direct to Sheffield. A great trip, an interesting route and several hundreds of miles of Cl.20 haulage on routes I seldom travel these days.

Cl.20s again appeared nine days later when another special came through Birmingham. First 47813 took a loco hauled passenger train into Snow Hill for possibly the first time since reopening then with 20120 t&t 20090 went onto Handsworth and Smethwick line and reversed at the scrap metal place. I

was not on this train but photographed it on the GW line and from the beautiful Galton Bridge (see below) before they built the adjacent station, the train then headed off to Ironbridge.



BR blue 20090 (D8090) + RF 20120 (D8120) Galton Bridge on the 'Iron Glove' tour from London Paddington – Ironbridge, 6th May 1991
(20090 wd 04/93, cut 03/95)
20120 still extant as DRS owned
20304 stored BH as seen right on 10th April 2016 (Trevor Roots)

below Cl.114 DMU 53036 (50036) + 54106 (56106) (T023) on ecs to Tyseley Depot, Small Heath, 6th May 1991
53036 into Dept service as engine test bed, cut 07/93, 54106 into Dept service as 977191, cut xx/02



right 47845 (D1653/47069/47638/57301) 'County of Kent' on 08.59 Liverpool Lime Street – Paddington, Reading, 11th May 1991
still extant operating for DRS as converted 57301 'Goliath' last featured on p21 in the Dec 2018 issue on RHTT duties

On 11th May 1 reeled off two films at Reading and Basingstoke although only fifteen years ago at the time of typing only 59101 and possibly 60039 of the locos I saw are still in service although others may be preserved, I have not checked them all.





*above un-named D400 on 08.10 Exeter St David's – London Waterloo, Basingstoke, 13th May 1991
still extant operating for Boden Engineering, based at Nottingham Eastcroft
last featured on p39 in the Nov 2018 issue*

Many Summer Saturdays were spent in the Barnt Green area for the holiday traffic and occasional trip to New Street to see CI.37/4s on the 09.32 from Pwllheli. Looking back it is almost scary as more than once I spent over eight hours at Northfield and five and a half at Barnt Green, I must have been made of stronger stuff then! I also spent many an evening at Small Heath with the usual local traffic there shuffling in and out of Tyseley depot as well as a few freights and RES locos. I was still very unhappy and lonely and a girl from work, Rachel 'adopted me' on a purely platonic basis and we went out once a month which brightened up my outlook but it was a little odd as on the one occasion I took her to a car park to drop her off to meet her boyfriend...the day shift handing over to the night shift! We are still close friends and eventually she married someone else and both I and the ex-boyfriend were there as guests!



above 155319 (52319 + 57319) on 12.10 Portsmouth Harbour – Cardiff Central, Salisbury, 2nd July 1991 note the TRAMM on the left DR 98xxx (still extant as separate single CI153 cars 153319 operating for EMT based at Nottingham and 153369 recently transferred to Cardiff Canton for TfW)

On what was mainly a long distance walking holiday with my brother in July I spent a whole day at Salisbury with CI.50s galore and time at Eastleigh. Also in July I had a week at Glossop with Rachel she wasn't into trains so we walked the hills instead and I made the most of a day on the railways when she spent one night with mother in Liverpool. It was around this time I had met a girl, Christine, at church and we got on but I truly believed that I was still grieving too much to bother, but an innocent (on my part) thank you card turned the situation around and much to my surprise I fell in love again.



left a very new looking 59102 having only entered service with ARC in Oct 1990 Salisbury, 2nd July 1991

still extant as 'Village of Chantry' operating for Mendip Rail

right 60033 'Anthony Astley Cooper' on Furzebrook – Hellen Marsh LPG, Southampton, 3rd July 1991

still extant owned by DBC and stored at Toton as seen below on the 23rd March 2018 carrying the name 'Tees Steel Express' (Trevor Roots)



56018 + 58030 on MGR empties from Didcot, Small Heath 9th July 1991 (both are still extant with 56018 undergoing conversion to CI.69 at EML, 58030 is stored in Spain as L46)

In the midst of this the freight companies had arranged a load of specials on the North Wales coast line on 3rd August and I had hoped to go and photo them. My new lady friend at first rejected my invitation to come with me but changed her mind and we set off as far as Flint where she saw a steam special and I got photos of the first train two CI.37s. The plan was to go to Holywell Junction but I was in love and we found a quiet spot and snogged all day so I missed the CI.20s, 56s, 58s etc. I also missed CI.20s on the Heads of Ayr coal train as well which I saw in the distance one time I came up for air! Whilst I sometimes look back and think what I missed, as the event has never been repeated, railways sometimes have to come second. I had arranged to take mother to her friends in Newport and stay a couple of nights myself and of course as I said earlier, Newport had loads more freight than that it has today. I also spent time at Seven Tunnel Junction and on the way home visited Big Pit and the then very new Pontypool and Blaenavon Railway.



above right 37197 + 2 similarly liveried 'Dutch' CE brake vans, Newport, 14th August 1991 (wd 12/07, cut 05/12)



above 60034 'Carnedd Llewlyn' on Port Talbot – Llanwern iron ore, Newport, 14th August 1991 still extant and named owned by DBC and stored at Toton as seen below on the 2nd September 2018 (Trevor Roots)





above 37099 (D6799) 'Clydebridge' + 37250 (D6950) stabled, Newport, 14th August 1991 both still extant, 37099 was initially preserved but is now operated by Colas Rail, and is regularly featured

56088 in TL Coal livery, Severn Tunnel Jnct on MGR,
14th August 1991 (wd 02/04, cut 03/11)



*left 56044 'Cardiff Canton'
in fresh TL metals livery,
Severn Tunnel Jnct,
14th August 1991
(wd 12/00, cut 09/07)*

Christine was the youngest person in the country to have an artificial hip in the 1970s and not long after we got together, time came for its renewal so after the operation I spent most of my time in hospital visits and my brief days of

freedom and train chasing came to an temporary but abrupt end. Also my work commute utilised the cross city line instead of the North Warwick line. My last trip, which I joined at Leicester, was another HST Special which became a favourite and if it still ran today I would book on it every year. It was the Coast to Coast from St Pancras then after Leicester direct to Cleethorpes. From there we reversed through Scunthorpe and Wakefield and down the Calder Valley line to Hall Royd Junction where we took the right turn to Burnley then on to Preston and Blackpool North for a two hour break. We returned via the west coast line to Nuneaton and crossed over to the Midland line where I got off at Market Harborough. The late night HST service train back to Leicester scared me to death with drunks brawling over who pinched each other's beer and I was glad to get off in one piece.

photos by Dave Spencer (unless shown otherwise) to be cont

OFF THE BEATEN TRACK

An occasional series on odd items of rolling stock found around the UK, not dumped or formally preserved, but in private use as part of a leisure facility, pub or holiday accommodation.

Stoke Edith Station: (Map Ref. SO 414 615)

Though just ¼ mile north of Tarrington on the A438 between Ledbury 4½ miles to the east and Hereford 6 miles to the west, the local station was called Stoke Edith, a smaller hamlet a mile further west. Opened in 1861 on the Worcester & Hereford Railway taken over by GWR the station was demolished when closed in 1965 though the line is still open. The former station masters house and loading bay are all that remain of this station which also had a goods yard, goods shed (since rebuilt in 2004) and signal box. In the former goods yard a large two track loco maintenance shed has been built around a frame and overhead crane obtained from Sharpness Docks. A replica station has recently been built as two holiday lets, though designed to operate if the station were to ever be re-opened. On site are 3 items of railway rolling stock.



above looking west with the new 'station' 35158, goods shed and new loco maintenance shed



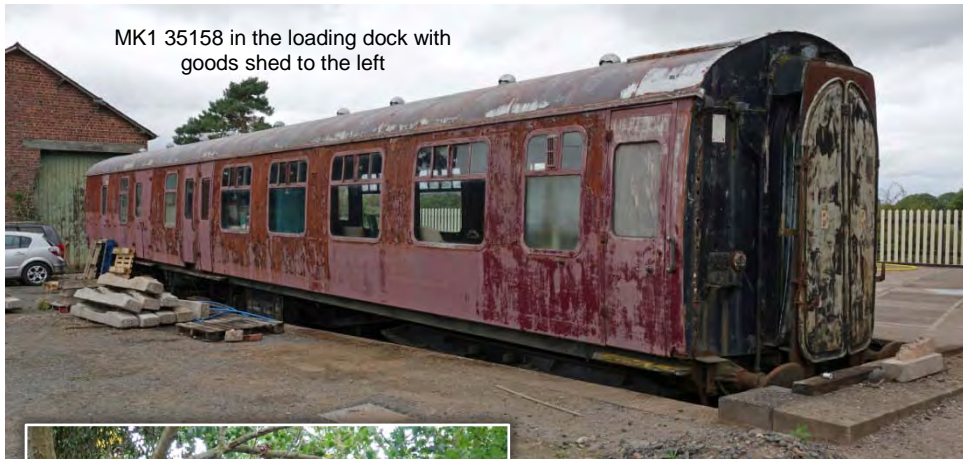
above looking east with 35158 in the loading dock, new 'station' and mainline on the left



left 800310 heading eastbound past the former platform and new 'station'

BR Mk1 BSK 35158: This BR 1958 built coach by Charles Roberts was preserved in 1990 at the former Bulmers Centre, Hereford, branding for which is still on the end, moving to Stoke Edith by 2005 and is stabled in the former loading bay between the goods shed and the new 'station'.

MK1 35158 in the loading dock with goods shed to the left



BR GUV 061206 (86650/93650/977557):

(photos left and below) Buried in the undergrowth on the southern boundary of the former goods yard lies a former BR GUV built in 1959 by St Rollox Works. Latterly used as a S&T stores van then internal user at Bristol Barton Hill Depot it still carries the yellow and red livery of its departmental career. It was preserved in 2000.

R&H 4wDM DL1 / 01001 [463150]:

Stored in the loco maintenance shed is former Sharpness docks shunter DL1. Also numbered 01001 and carrying a BTC registration plate [3475] from 1969 it was built by Ruston & Hornsby in 1961. It was bought to be hired out.



DL1 / 01001 [463150] carrying British Waterways Board stickers on the cab fronts inside the new maintenance shed



above looking east from the end of the former goods yard with the mainline left, re-laid track and the new loco maintenance shed right beyond the trees which contain the GUV

below looking west along the mainline towards Hereford from the level crossing (automatic half barriers) showing the re-built platform and goods shed, the line was singled in 1984 when the signal box which stood adjacent the station masters house by the level crossing was also demolished



ACCIDENTS

This is an occasional series devoted to showing the various mishaps / crashes that have befallen rolling stock in the UK over the years including current incidents. If you have photos and any accompanying info, then please forward to the Editor.

Wellingborough Derailment by Colin Pottle: Monday 6th May started like any normal Monday and as I was working the late turn I didn't have to get the train into London until 13.00. I was

pottering about most of the morning, when my phone rang at about 12.20 "There's been a derailment by Kangaroo Spinney" my friend explained!



Quick as a flash, camera in hand, I drove all of 5 minutes to said location, only to find that all I could see was the rear of the train on the bi-directional slow line (see right). As time was short, I shot back home where I left the car, and walked to the station car park where the full extent of the incident could be viewed.



66563 had been at the front of a Network Rail ballast train with MRAs 501052/276/274/275/112*/103*/247*/248/249/043 and whilst the ballast was being dropped, three MRA wagons (shown by * above) had tipped over more than they should have done. After getting a few shots, I had to rush to get my train to work. The cleanup crew did not arrive until the early hours of Friday night, thus leaving the derailment in place for almost a week! Come the Saturday morning, I was on my way to the SCR Diesel Gala so I thought I'd pop

down to Kangaroo Spinney to see how the work was progressing. I was lucky enough to see 66027 (07.20) waiting to remove half the train with Kirow cranes DRK 81611 'Malcolm L. Pearce' and 81613 (nearest 66563) plus match wagon VR 97406 hard at work righting the wagons that had fallen over. Luckily there were no trains running this particular weekend which allowed the cranes to be positioned on the up fast. The disgraced wagons were removed to Wellingborough Yard.

SCOTRAIL HSTs

With more HSTs sets, albeit with 'classic' Mk3 coaches, now being used on services I am finally starting to see them out and about. The following photos show 8 power cars all in new Inter7City livery with rakes of four ex-GWR green or ex-FGW 'dynamic lights' liveried Mk.3s.



43012 t&t 43125
Laurencekirk, (11.58)
17th May 2019



above left
43145 t&t 43xxx Arbroath,
(13.01) 17th May 2019

above right
43169 t&t 43146, Arbroath,
(13.19) 17th May 2019



above 43021 t&t 43026 Elgin
(15.19) 30th May 2019

right 43146 t&t 43169 Huntly
(12.21) 17th May 2019



PRESERVATION GALAS

Epping & Ongar Rly (EOR) Diesel Gala by Colin James:

The EOR held its Spring Diesel Gala on the weekend of the 27th & 28th April. I visited the railway on the Sunday, on a mixed day of sun and rain.



above D7612 North Weald at 11.32 uncoupling from the rear of the E08 11.18 Epping Forest – Ongar service, 28th April 2019 (Colin James)

D7612 (courtesy of the South Devon Railway) was the visiting locomotive for the event, joining long term loanee 8001 (courtesy of the CI.20 Locomotive Society) and the home fleet of 31438, D6729 and 47635 'Jimmy Milne'. Joining these locomotives was the CI.117/121 DMU 51384 + 56287. 47635 was making its first appearance in two years following a heavy mechanical overhaul and extensive roof repairs, in a freshly applied large logo blue livery.



above 8001 + ZUV DB 993856 shark brake van departing platform 3 at 14.52 on 7E25 14.50 North Weald – Epping Forest brake van ride, 28th April 2019 (Colin James)

The CI.25, 31, 37 & 47 worked services between Ongar & Epping Forest, which were top & tailed between North Weald & Epping Forest using two rakes of mixed BR Mk1 & Mk2 stock. The CI.20 worked alternate driver experience turns in the North Weald station limits and brake van rides with shark brake 993856 between North Weald & Epping Forest. The DMU was also employed on services between North Weald & Epping Forest.



above D6729 approaching North Weald at 12.27 on 2E15 12.15 Ongar – Epping Forest service

right 31438 North Weald at 12.45, the tail loco on the 2E15 12.15 Ongar – Epping Forest service, both 28th April 2019 (Colin James)



03170 was stabled in the yard headshunt at North Weald, currently restricted to yard duties. 45132 was also in North Weald yard as its return to service continues. A leaking radiator was being attended to on the Sunday, before the loco made some light engine moves within the yard. It is hoped that the loco will be ready for service at the Autumn Diesel Gala. DEMU 205205 was not in service, as repairs near completion on its major engine failure. It is currently in the yard at Ongar along with the intermediate carriages of EMU 4-BEP 7105.

The biggest engine currently at North Weald is visiting S160 2-8-0 5197 which was outside the shed. In the sidings on the other side of the line was the stored Hawthorn Leslie 0-6-ST 16, with the 1959 LU stock driving motor 1031.

The timetable worked well, with passenger numbers building up during the day. As is the norm, vintage Routemaster buses linked the stations to Epping underground station.



above 47635 approaching North Weald at 13.17 on 2E19 13.05 Ongar – Epping Forest service, 28th April 2019 (Colin James)

Swanage Railway (SWG) Diesel Gala by Colin James:

SWG held its Diesel Gala and Beer Festival over the 4 days of 9th-12th May 2019. The Dorset Beer Festival was held at Corfe Castle, this year in conjunction with the Bankes Arms Hotel. There were trade stands and a barbeque at Swanage station.



D7535 approaching Corfe Castle to terminate at 09.37 on 09.15 from Swanage 12th May 2019 (Colin James)



26007 departing Corfe Castle at 10.13 as tail loco on the 09.39 Swanage – River Frome service, 12th May 2019 (Colin James)

Visiting the railway for the event were: D7535 (courtesy of the South Devon Railway), 26007 (courtesy of Victor Korzeniewicz and due to stay until September), 97205 (31163) (courtesy of the Chinnor and Princes Risborough Railway), 50007 'Hercules' (50014 'Warspite') (courtesy of Class 50 Alliance Ltd), 59003 'YEOMAN HIGHLANDER'™ & 73119 'Borough of Eastleigh' (courtesy of GBRf). D4 had also been due to visit, but mechanical issues meant it was a late scratch from this and subsequent events.



These joined the home fleet of D6515 'Lt Jenny Lewis RN' & 33111. 08436 was the station pilot at Swanage, with D3591 & Paul Spracklen's 50026 'Indomitable' stabled in the Swanage station area. On display at Corfe Castle was, DTSO coach 76275 from the Swanage Railway Trust 4TC group and the restored Hibberd & Co, 4wPM Planet loco 2054 'BERYL' (see opposite bottom, this was the line's first locomotive and saw a lot of use on track relaying trains). Further down in the sidings at Corfe Castle was Fowler 0-4-0DM shunter No.4210132 'MAY' undergoing its own restoration.

Thursday the 9th was a preview day, billed as the Type 2 Thursday, with D7535 and 26007 in action, sharing services with a resident steam engine. The main event then ran over the Friday to Sunday. My visit was made on the Sunday on a sunny spring day. There were three coaching sets in use of mixed SR era & BR Mk1 styles. One set worked an hourly Swanage to Corfe Castle and return service, with loco swaps at each end. The other 2 sets worked the full 10 miles of the line, necessitating top and tail running between Corfe Castle and the River Frome on the Network Rail boundary. This meant some slick work for the staff at Corfe Castle with locos being attached and detached from all the services. The timetable worked well, but a delay to the arrival and loco change on the first service, meant that trains were stubbornly running 15-20 mins late for the whole day. Only 59003 & 73119 did not work past Corfe Castle to the River Frome. 73119 was a brake translator for the air braked only 59003 on the vacuum braked stock, but it did get to work services on its own.



above 33111 approaching Corfe Castle at 15.46 to terminate on the late running 15.15 from Swanage, with 50007 & D6515 on the right

below 59003 + 73119 approaching Corfe Castle at 16.41 to terminate on the late running 15.15 from Swanage, with 33111 & 97205 on the right, both 12th May 2019 (Colin James)



There was also a vintage bus running between Wareham and the Norden Park & Ride car park linking the railway to the main line.

The following Gala was attended by Phil Rogers and Colin Pottle who visited on different days with photos by both as shown (PR or CP)

Swindon & Cricklade Rly (SCR) Diesel Gala by Colin Pottle:

This has to be the smallest preserved railway I have visited for a very long time, currently approximately 1¼ miles long it comprises just three stations. Southernmost is Taw Valley Halt, Blunsdon, the main access and parking with Hayes Knoll to the north where the depot is situated. The line extends a short way in both directions, there are plans afoot to continue southwards into a park at Mouldon Hill and northwards to Cricklade although that includes rebuilding a road bridge which was taken out when the line was lifted. Passenger traffic ceased on the line in 1924 and goods traffic in 1937. The railway re-opened since 1978 as luckily the trackbed remained although the tracks were lifted.



I journeyed there on Saturday 11th May for their Diesel Gala over that weekend and managed eventually to find Blunsdon station car park. It shouldn't have been difficult, but there are a lot of new housing developments in the area, and the roads have been changed accordingly, the sat nav showed me driving across fields most of the time...it is a bit of a maze, ed. The first thing I saw in the car park which is surrounded by a railway yard containing several items of rolling stock under restoration was 98504, a TASC-45 maintenance unit.

Crossing the track bought me onto the single platform with a row of wagons and DMU 51074 + 51104 stabled in the run round loop. D3668 a CI.09 was preparing to take brake van B954937 (see above CP) north to provide the brake van rides northbound from Hayes Knoll to the railway limits. There were two locos being used on one set of four coaches, swapping over at Hayes Knoll, E6003 (see right PR) and D2152 (see above left CP).

The first train was heading south with E6003 and left on time at 10.30. It was only as the train left Blunsdon that I noticed a steam loco on the other side of the car park, more about this later. The 73 ran around at Taw Valley Halt



and we headed for Hayes Knoll, calling at Blunsden and passing a stock siding on the left-hand side just north of the station.



above the ongoing restoration of 4-6-0 6984 'OWSDEN HALL' previously carried out in the yard at Blunsden (CP)

right 03022 nearing restoration (PR)

On arrival at Hayes Knoll everyone was invited to inspect the small but very well equipped works and shed if they so wished. Inside were locos in various stages of repair and overhaul, a DEMU and a wagon, including 03022 (which I believe Trevor has never seen let alone photographed)...yep, *my only ex-BR loco never ever seen, ed.* Outside the shed were more locos including various industrials.



After D2152 had left bound for Taw Valley Halt, D3668 gave brake van rides to the northern limit passing stored stock sidings on the left-hand side and these were filled with various wagons which looked very much worse for wear. During the day D3668 was swapped for PWM651 (see left CP). Also used were D3261 and industrials,

Fowler 0-4-0DH [21442] 'WOODBINE' and Fowler 0-4-0DH [4220031] 'BLUNSDON'.



right Fowler 0-4-0DH [21442]
(PR)

After my brake van ride, I headed back to Blunsdon, again behind E6003, to check out the 'Vintage Train Project'. This turned out to be a couple of small coaches that are being restored. One of them was a six-wheeler, but after concerns from the pee-way about how it would negotiate the trackwork I was informed that it will probably become a four-wheeler! I asked about the steam loco outside and was shown



around what was in fact two locomotives 35011 'GENERAL STEAM NAVIGATION' (see top CP) and 0-6-0ST 70 from the Manchester Ship Canal which is like a giant Meccano set, but I was assured it

was all there just waiting to be put back together. Interestingly, 35011 is the only surviving chain driven steam locomotive and the owning group has opted to restore it in its original condition, including chains and oil bath that the chains run through....*this loco moved from Hope Farm, Sellindge so is a bit easier to now see and a bit more restored (see photo left taken on the 19th February 2012), ed.*



For such a small railway there is an incredible amount of information to be had, and not being connected to the main rail network you can pretty much

guarantee that everything that should be there will be, though you need to get a ride north of Hayes Knoll to see it all...*don't I know it as I didn't do that on my only visit so far, hence why I missed 03022 and the DMU which were then stored, ed!!!*

Heritage Shunters Trust (HST) Diesel Gala by Phil Rogers:

Over the weekend of 25-26th May 2019 HST ran a gala in memory of HST member and PLEG website webmaster Andrew 'Brillo' Wilson who died earlier this year. I attended this excellent little event on the Saturday. In use were D2953, D2854, 03113, D2139, D2205, D2284, D2587, PWM 654 and Thomas Hill (rebuilt Fowler) 0-4-0DH [4200019] 'BIGGA'. Rides were given with brake vans. D9525 was named 'IAN'S' in his honour.



above D2284 + PWM 654
with D4 behind

left D2587

below D9525 with its new
nameplate





above D2139 + D2205 with
03099 behind



left D2854 t&t [4200019] +
D2953 with brake vans
730949 + 732376
730949 carries a new
nameplate
'Andrew Wilson (Brillo)
1963-2019'

below PWM 654 + D2284

photos by Phil Rogers



The following Gala was attended by several members and the photos are by Trevor Roots

Severn Valley Rly (SVR) Spring Diesel Gala by Colin James:

The Severn Valley Railway held its Spring Diesel Festival and Mixed Traction Day over the four days from Thursday 16th to Sunday 19th of May 2019. My visit was on the Thursday and Friday, with a warm day of sunshine followed by damp and cloudy day.

37688 Kidderminster Town, (19.08) 17th May 2019



Great Rocks

Visiting the railway for the event were: D7535 (courtesy of the South Devon Railway), 97205 (31163) (courtesy of the Chinnor & Princes Risborough Railway), 46010 (courtesy of D05 Preservation Ltd), 55019 'ROYAL HIGHLAND FUSILIER' (courtesy of Deltic Preservation Society), 47749 'CITY OF TRURO', 60095 (courtesy of GBRf), 88006 "Juno" (courtesy of DRS) with 66789 'British Rail 1948-1997' booked for the Saturday only. Prototype HST power car 41001 (courtesy of NRM & 125 Group) attended the event, but a power unit issue meant the loco was withdrawn from the running list and placed on display at



Kidderminster Town station (see above). D4 was also unable to attend as its own power unit problems meant a cancellation of its visit (see **LIVERIES**). 47727 'Edinburgh Castle' (courtesy of GBRf) was on display behind the Kidderminster diesel shed after working one of the stock moves for the event.

60095 t&t 47749 on the Mk3s, Kidderminster Town, (15.14) 18th May 2019



Long term visitors and home base locomotives in use were: 33108 (courtesy of 33/1 Preservation Company), 40106 'ATLANTIC CONVEYOR' (courtesy of class 40 preservation society), recently repainted and named 37688 'Great Rocks' (courtesy of D05 Preservation Ltd), D821 'GREYHOUND', 50007 'Hercules' (50014 'Warspite', 50031 'Hood', 50035 'Ark Royal' 1062 'WESTERN COURIER'.

As is usual the shunters had their part to play, with recently re-numbered 13201 (D3201) + D4100 'Dick Hardy' working on the Bewdley Shuttles. D9551 was scheduled to run, but mechanical issues meant a late withdrawal from the event and it was on display at Bridgnorth where D3586 was the yard pilot. Rushton & Hornsby 165DM 0-4-0 319290 was the yard pilot at Bewdley. All the CI.108 DMUs 52064 + 59250 + 50933 + 56208 + 51941 were stabled at Bewdley. At Kidderminster, the newly restored and now BR blue 09107 (see right), was the carriage yard pilot, but largely tucked out of the way though it did briefly shunt 50031 on the Saturday alongside the diesel shed.

below 13201 + D4100 Kidderminster Diesel shed, 18th May 2019



below 40106 approaching Kidderminster Town with the four coach GWR set, (09.10) 18th May 2019



The diesel shed was open to the public, for a donation, for all three days. Inside were: 12099 (now starting an extensive restoration), 50033 'Glorious' being prepared to move to Eastleigh for a re-paint into large logo blue, D7029, D1013 'WESTERN RANGER' (on full view for the first time in a while) & D1015 'WESTERN CHAMPION' under



overhaul.

left 47727 with 50044 behind at rear of Kidderminster Diesel shed, 18th May 2019

50049 'Defiance' was lifted on the jacks having had repairs to a cracked gearbox completed and was ready to be re-united with its bogies. 50044 'Exeter' was stabled behind the diesel shed and was used for cab visits along with 08635 (sheeted) and 47727. By the turntable was D3022 out of service with its coupling rods removed and 08896, stored in withdrawn condition.

The SVRs extensive collection of coaching stock was put to good use, with 5 rakes of coaches working the full length of the line (GWR 7284, 1086, 1146, 6562, 9627, 829, LMS 27220), (LMS 26986, 24617, 12992, 2300, 149, 26890, 27270, 27218), (LNER 2701, 43600, 24506, 24105, 643, 52233, 43612, BR Mk1 25771) and (BR Mk1 35219, 3083, 25346, 1856, 4690, 21254, 4550, 3109) and (BR Mk1 16267, 16202, 25498, 1853, 4545, 34562, 4345, 4509). A four coach GWR set worked the Kidderminster – Bewdley shuttles (9103, 3930, 6913, 650). For the air braked only locos, a five coach rake of the 125 group's Mk3s was used in top & tail mode (12087, 12134, 10206, 12092, 11074) covering the whole line and the Bewdley shuttles. 47749 substituted for 41001 stayed coupled to the Mk3s at the southern end with various locos taking their turns on the northern end.

right 46010 moving onto its next duty at 15.19, Kidderminster Town, 18th May 2019



66789 on the Mk3s, Kidderminster Town, (11.41) 18th May 2019



above 33108 coming off its train at Bridgnorth at 16.00 with the replica 2-2-0 'CATCH ME WHO CAN' to the left. 17th May 2019

looking like a scene from the 1970s, D7535 & D1062
Kidderminster Town, (14.50) 18th May 2019



The sounds of the 25, 31, 33 & 37, especially on well loaded eight coach sets up the Severn Valley will linger long. It was hard to choose a favourite loco. The 25 & 46 in their BR blue and the 37 in TL construction colours looked the best, but it was a bonus to see both the 47s and 50049 in their respective liveries for my first time. But overall I think 37688 just edged it. Spending the two days travelling back and forth allowed me to keep tabs on the passing West Midlands CL.172s at Kidderminster, most of which are now in the gold & purple livery and on Thursday evening the Chiltern Cl.68s. There was just one freight seen, an unidentified DBC Cl.66 working the 08.43 Round Oak - Margam empty steel train on the Friday.



above 55019 showing the classic V shaped exhausts being readied for its first turn of the day at 16.00 via the turntable, with stored 08896 behind, 18th May 2019.



50035 departing
Kidderminster Town and
passing under the impressive
signal gantry alongside the
Diesel shed (09.37)
18th May 2019



above left 50033, above right D7029
Kidderminster Diesel shed,
18th May 2019



D1013, Kidderminster Diesel
shed, 18th May 2019



above D821 to the rear of Kidderminster Diesel shed, (13.21) 18th May 2019



above 50049 & left D1015 in new chromatic blue livery Kidderminster Diesel shed 18th May 2019



below 50031 with the LNER teak set approaching Kidderminster Town at 15.58, 18th May 2019



PRESERVATION PHOTO SPOT: GALAS



above during a behind the scenes weekend at the North York Moors Rly D2207 t&t 08495
ran brake van trips with 247610+ 731270 from Pickering to New Bridge
as seen at Pickering, 4th May 2019 (David Rice)

GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

This is an occasional series devoted to showing withdrawn and ultimately scrapped rolling stock around the UK. If you have photos and any accompanying info, then please forward to the Editor.

50010 (D410):

Built in March 1968, 50010 'Monarch' forlornly awaits its fate on Laira Depot in ? having been withdrawn in September 1988 following a power unit failure on the 30th July 1988 whilst passing Bromsgrove. It was scrapped on site by Coopers Metals on the 26th May 1992.



DEPOT / YARD PHOTO SPOT

Toton: Freeing up space for active locos in the stabling sidings to the north of the Depot has meant the single line of stored Cl.60s in New Bank Sidings has been joined by another.



from left to right above and back (south) to front (north) below, 19th May 2019
eastern track 60067/32/60/86/50/80/03/58/51/94/72/48/69/30/41/68/43
western track 60081/06/93/83/23/89/31/05/53/78 (Mainline blue) /25/27/37/42/97
the depot building is to the right with Ratcliffe PS in the background



There are now 32 locos in total with 17 on the eastern track and 15 on the western track. Interestingly green liveried 60081 and silver Corus liveried 60006 were originally near the bridge but are now at the opposite end of the line the other way round. With stored wagons and the ever growing 'jungle' obstructing views from the Bank, the best place to view them from is the eastern side of the A52 overbridge looking south. You will need to be tall or stand on something to properly see them. The easier view from the western side of the bridge around the parapet is obstructed by the growing trees so the view opposite of the 60097 line is now the best you can get.

This rearranging was good news for me as I needed a photo of 60043, couldn't have been better positioned, so just need 60064 to complete the photo cop of all CI.60s. Remarkable really, as when I returned to spotting in 2005 I thought I might never see all of them before being scrapped, as had happened with the CI.56s, let alone photograph them such was the talk of their imminent demise. The fact they are back in demand with various operators is good news even if two-thirds of the class still languish un-used. Has anyone clapped eyes on 60064 around Toton recently, possibly from the western canal side behind the Depot or near the virtual quarry ?

On the same day was an interesting line up of DBC locos in nearly all the livery variations of EWS maroon / gold and DBS / DBC red. Only the original EW&S livery not present in this line of CI.60s & 66s



left to right 60011 (red, DB logo with Schenker removed, 60020 DB Schenker branding)
60065 (maroon / gold with EWS removed, DB logo), 66134 (red with large DB logo)
66120 (maroon / gold EWS branding)

Also present were the 3 CI.60s sold to GBRf lined up by the fuelling point, 60004/14/18



LOCATION SPOT'LIGHT

LH Group (LHG), Barton under Needwood: Map ref SK 208 187

LHG is a subsidiary of Wabtec and is involved in railway related engineering including loco maintenance, particularly shunters usually CI.01/5s, 08s and industrials. With shunters arriving and departing regularly there are often 4 or 5 on site at any one time and those in the yard can be viewed from an adjacent public footpath which crosses the end of private access road running through Graycar Business Park within which LHG is located. This footpath connects the southbound side of the A38 dual carriageway and Station Road / B5016 between Barton-under-Needwood and Walton-on-Trent. Parking is available near the Travelodge on the same side of the road just north of the junction B5016 which crosses the A38. To access the TL from the south you need to travel 1½ miles north on the A38 to the A5121 Burton-on-Trent junction and return back down the southbound carriageway. From the TL you walk along the A38 verge past a direction sign for approx 300 yards where a gap in the hedge / trees takes you 50 yards through the trees to the road crossing. LHG is immediately opposite on the right. You can then view the locos from the footpath. You should really not walk down the road but certainly under no circumstances must you try to gain access to the yard.

The continuation of the footpath takes you past LHG where a footbridge crosses the Tamworth / Lichfield to Burton-on-Trent railway. The footpath continues straight on southeast for approx ½ mile towards Walton-on-Trent and Station Road a point ½ mile east of the A38. I haven't checked out the footpath from Station road to the footbridge so don't know if there is any parking in the vicinity, certainly it would be a quieter route than the A38 !!



above the footpath crossing Graycar Business Park road with LHG on the right beyond, this has recently been tidied up and improved as the path alongside LHG was overgrown and had double fences (see photo below taken on the 19th July 2018) so it is now easier to view the locos as can be seen above on my last visit on Sunday 19th May 2019, out of hours, gates block off the private road so no question of trespass

08615, 08823, 08531 with 08873 to the right not in view





above the view looking southwest from the A38 southbound verge with the TL access just beyond the direction sign and before the junction overbridge, 19th July 2018



above the footbridge over the railway 19th July 2018 not sure if this has been tidied up
the footway continues under the overhead power line seen in the distance
below looking southwest from the footbridge with 170520 heading towards Burton-on-Trent alongside Graycar Business park, the overbridge carrying Station Road is just visible in the background





above Andrew Barclay 0-6-0DH [614] 'ALEX'; Hunslet 0-6-0DH [8999] 'REDWING'; Andrew Barclay 0-6-0DH [659] 'SAM' & 08873, 19th May 2019



left seen through the gate 08669 'Bob Machin' normally found at Wabtec, Doncaster is seen on an Allelys low loader presumably having recently arrived for maintenance

PRESERVATION PHOTO SPOT: ELECTRIC LOCO



unique 89001 is undergoing refurbishment in order for it to return to service as seen at BH on the 1st June 2019 in undercoat (Andrew Turnidge)

OUT & ABOUT

by James Holloway

*For clarity, steam locos are now shown in red. To be more helpful for those interested in where stock was exactly, can I ask all contributors who list trip sightings over long distances, to please add all locations when submitting to James. Please also ensure your sightings reach James a few days before the press deadline, see **SOCIETY NOTICE BOARD**...ed*

Paul Rosser:

1st May Stockport 08.00-08.23: 150104/06/35, 150201
150203, 156488, 220028/29, 319365, 323234/35, 390045
390130/38
Milton Keynes 09.50-10.12: 221115, 350124, 350262
37210/13
Bletchley 10.16-10.47: 66951, 153366, 230005, 350116
350117/30, 350258, 390013
King's Cross 12.30-13.00: 67002, 91118/19/30, 387101
387116/27, 800201/02
Bounds Green 13.06: 66703, 800101
Welwyn Garden City 13.19: 700032
Peterborough 13.55: 66704/30/80
Doncaster 14.40: 66763, 331105/07
York 14.59-15.25: 68024, 150129, 185139, 800108

Ian McNeil:

1st April Derby 17.30-18.30: 43045/49, 43480/84, 153308
153310/18/55/57/68/79/83, 158856, 170102/05/14/15/17
170397, 170523, 170638, 220008/13/18/25/27, 221124/34
222002/05/10/12/15/17
2nd April Derby 16.30-18.30: 43044/82, 43480/84
153302/11/26/68/72/76/79, 156403/08, 158799, 170104/05
170107/13/15/16, 170397/98, 170637, 220009/12/13/18
220020/21, 221119/33/34/36/40, 222001/02/04/05/07/11
222012/15, 222104
Derby RTC: 08588, 08682, 20118/32, 37116, 37409/19
37714, 66773, 97303, 319444
3rd April Derby 16.30-18.30: 37116, 43055/59, 43301/57
43484, 97302, 153310/13/55/72/81, 156401/03/04, 158788
158862, 170101/09/11/14-16, 170397/98, 170519, 170638
220004/11/19/22/26-28/30/31, 221126/31/37/40, 222001
222002/05-07/09/10/12/14/15, 222101
4th April Derby 16.30-18.30: 43207/85, 43321/78, 153311
153372/74/81/84, 156403/04, 158799, 170102/07/14/15/17
170521, 170637/39, 220006/10/13, 221138/39/41, 222001
222002/04/05/08/13/15/20/22, 222103
Derby RTC: 08588, 08809, 20118/32/42/89, 37116, 37419
66773, 73138, 73951/52, 97301/02
8th April Derby 16.30-18.30: 43047/48/50/54, 43207/85
153319/21/57/76/81, 156403/04, 158774, 170101/04/11
170116/17, 170518, 170636/37, 220004/13/20/24/26
221129/37/39, 222002/03/06/10/13/14/18/20/23, 222101
Derby RTC: 37175, 37409
9th April Derby 16.30-18.30: 43049/58, 43207/85, 43467
43468, 153302/10/13/72/81/84/85, 156406, 158810
170101/06/15/16, 170398, 170520-22, 170636/38, 220001
220002/05/09/17/20/21/30, 221122/36/39/44, 222001
222006-08/10/12/22, 222102/03

Derby RTC: 20189, 37116/75, 37409/19/23, 37605, 37714
67023/27, 97303
10th April Derby 16.30-18.30: 37099, 37254, 43321/78/84
56302, 60066, 67027, 153310/13/21/26/83-85, 156405/13
156470, 170102/08/09/17, 170518/19/21/22, 170637
220001/05/11/12/16/17/19/22/25/27/28/33, 221136
222002-04/06/09-11/17/18, 222104

Mike Rumens:

1st April Nuneaton: 66056, 66127, 66776, 70805/07
90020/28
2nd April Nuneaton: 66056, 66714/51/66, 66846, 70807
3rd April Nuneaton: 66034, 66560, 90020/28
4th April Nuneaton: 66849
5th April Nuneaton: 66598, 66607
6th April Nuneaton: 66532, 88003
8th April Nuneaton: 66129, 66532, 66619, 66728, 70802
70804, 90020/28, DR73930
9th April Nuneaton: 37884, 66095, 66607, 66728/54
70015, 70801/02
10th April Nuneaton: 43165/90, 47739, 66078, 66619
66714, 66846, 73966, 90020/28
15th April Nuneaton: 66092, 66622, 70802, 90049, 92020
16th April Nuneaton: 70002, 92044
17th April Nuneaton: 66623, 68020, 70802
18th April Nuneaton: 66753, 70802, 90018/40
22nd April Nuneaton: 66848
23rd April Nuneaton: 70811
26th April Nuneaton: 66147, 66613
30th April Nuneaton: 66134, 66559, 70806

Alan Jones:

24th April Inverkeithing: 43295, 43311, 170425
Haymarket: 43034, 43144/49/50/51/79, 170404/14
385008/22, 385108/18/24
Edinburgh Waverley 12.15-12.45: 91114, 158702, 170410
170413, 221140, 385011/15/23/24, 385116/17
28th April Ealing Broadway 13.15: 332004, 387132
802014/21, 802107
Acton: 59204
North Pole: 800019/31, 802110
Paddington Crossrail Tunnel: 345031, 800036, 800314
Willesden: 37611, 710265/67
Wembley: 08696, 325015, 390117, DR75008/09
Harrow & Wealdstone: 66303, 350123, 350249, 390010
390123/30
Willesden Brent: 56303, 66077, 66161, 66502, 67005
Euston: 350262/65, 390008
Clapham Jct 16.00-17.00: 158888, 159021, 159101

159104/05/07, 377324/42, 377704, 378146/51, 378214/17
378231, 444020/30/38, 450001/03/06/17/23/30/36/75/79
450082/92/93/97, 450556/67, 455712/24/25/27/50
455820/51/52/57/65/73, 455906/08/13/15/20, 456012/23
458510/13/23/32/33, 707002/04-09/11/13/16/18/20-24
Wandsworth Rd 17.15-17.45: 66848, 67021/24, 375610
375703, 375817/23, 378135/43/48/54, 378228, 465011/12
465023/41, 465158/61/85/92, 465925/30
Waterloo East: 375604/18/29, 375804/24, 375904
465169/72/96, 465931
29th April Royal Oak 07.30-08.30: 43063/88, 332006
332009-11, 345007/12, 360202, 387137-39/42/43/45/49
387150/55/56/63/65/66/71/74, 800018/20, 800313/16
800319-21, 802005/11, 802112/13
Waterloo East: 465006/07/11/13/19/22/23/32/42, 465156
465174/76/80/84/90, 465903/18/26/34
London Bridge: 375308, 375809, 375905, 455845
465151, 700013/38/60, 700112/22/45/47/54
Grove Park: 375627, 375701, 375801, 375902/12
465017, 465902/08/31, DR75201
Sevenoaks: 700048
Tonbridge: 375618-20, 375707, 375814/19/24/26/27
375904/24, 377316, DR79301-04, 989307/175/76/80
Tonbridge Yard: 66703/51/65, 73107/09/19/28/36, 73201
73961/63/65
Orpington: 465035, 465172/96, 700023
Cricklewood: 43058/60, 222003/08/15/20/22, 700002/07
700018/19/28/35/53/54/57-59, 700113/17/27/28/35/50/53
Willesden: D3671, 37611, 378203/05/10/13/30/57
710266/68, DR98008, 98219
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Stan Bown:

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Ian McAlpine:

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28th April Liverpool Lime St: 150136, 185119
Allerton: 66706
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Southall: 33207
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Paddington: 345007, 800004/09, 800310/21
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Hornsey Depot: 700144
Bounds Green: 08441
Peterborough: 800110

Stephen Lord:

18th May Derby: 73951/52, cs 9708, 96609, 977985/86
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Geoff Hope:

10th May Manchester Victoria 10.10-11.40: 142001/04
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Brian Derricote:

14th May Didcot 09.30-16.00: 57603/04, 60015, 66018/25
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Danny Coyne:

16th April Farington Jct 14.50-17.25: 47832
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25th April Leyland 09.10-9.35/19.25: 66172, 90041/45
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LIGHT RAIL, METRO & UNDERGROUND NEWS

West Midlands Metro:

To celebrate 20 years since the opening of the Metro, tram 19 was released into service on 30th May 2019 suitably liveried to commemorate the event as seen below at St Chads by James Holloway.



Manchester Metrolink by Geoff Hope:

April 2019: Met-Man a superhero has been created who will stop at nothing to capture Fare Evaders and fine them £100 on the spot, but if paid within 14 days it will be reduced to £50, After 21 days prosecution proceedings will commence and the fine increases. On the 10th April an elderly pedestrian was in collision with a tram in the city centre who has since sadly passed away. RAIB have announced they will be investigating an incident in Ashton on the 12th March at 23.00 hours when a 'vulnerable' passenger alighted from the stop and then leant against the tram. When the tram left the stop he had no further support and fell from the platform onto the track where he lay until the next tram to arrive stopped short of the passenger and emergency services were called carting him off to hospital.

The Trafford Park line is taking shape with all platforms in place and canopies built, with the exception of the Imperial War Museum stop. Both the Trafford Centre and Imperial War Museum stops will be island platforms. To solve the objection ITV studios had over screeching trams during production of Coronation Street a special floating track slab will be laid to keep noise level to a minimum. Over the Easter Weekend work was carried out on the Bury line at Crumpsall, the terminus for the future Trafford Park line, with the installation of a new crossover and turnout and new driver facilities.

Tram 3075 no longer carries The Body Shop advertisement.

Observations at Cornbrook 29th April 09.05-11.20: (103 trams in service)

Altrincham - Bury: 3001+3031, 3002+3053, 3005+3016, 3006+3032, 3007+3009, 3010+3029, 3011+3037, 3013+3047, 3020+3051, 3025+3055, 3026+3034, 3038+3042

Altrincham - Piccadilly: 3003, 3004, 3014, 3024, 3046, 3048+3059

East Didsbury – Shaw / Rochdale: 3028, 3030, 3035, 3036, 3050, 3062+3074, 3064, 3065+3093, 3067, 3071, 3072, 3076, 3077, 3082+3110, 3083, 3085+3119, 3087, 3089, 3091, 3092, 3097, 3109, 3113, 3114, 3116, 3117

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Media City - Ashton: 3039, 3049, 3061, 3069, 3095, 3100, 3101, 3104, 3112, 3115

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Queens Road Depot 11.50-12.10: 1027, 1028, 3018, 3045, 3070, 3103, 3111

Victoria: 12.15-13.15 Bury - Piccadilly: 3015, 3019, 3021+3022, 3023, 3033, 3041, 3058, 3060

Not seen: 3008, 3012, 3043, 3056, 3078, 3079, 3080, 3084, 3094, 3096

May 2019: On the 1st May at approximately 07.30 tram 3109 was involved in a collision with a parked road sweeper at Wythenshawe on the Airport line damaging the doors on the nearside of the first leading carriage. Friday 3rd May a suspected backpack containing a suspicious bomb hoax caused closure of Market Street and Piccadilly Gardens tram stops from 1400-2000 hours. On the 10th May a tram was attacked near Barlow Moor stop on the East Didsbury line by brick throwing yobs during rush hour resulting in a smashed window and it being taken out of service. Another tram taken out of service was 3027 when on the 16th May it was involved in a collision with a van carrying four people on the Airport line at Martinscroft at 20.30. Serious damage was caused to the van and railings along the tramway and the driver was arrested on suspicion of drink driving. On the 27th May at 18.30 an accident involving tram 3063 and a taxi close to Manchester Central caused severe delays to all services. To round off the month on the 31st May a car came out of a petrol station and collided with a double tram hitting the lead tram at Droylsden on the Ashton line.

Over the weekend of 25th/26th May work concentrated on the connection to the network at the Pomona tram stop. The Trafford Park line now has approximately 70% of track laid.

Trams 3081/3094 & 3116 are now carrying adverts for IKEA / Olivia Burton London & Cheshire Oaks Designer Outlet respectively.

Tyne & Wear Metro by Geoff Hope:

A visit to South Gosforth on Friday 24th May 13.30-17.30 Tyne & Wear Metro revealed the following: 4004-4014/4016-4018/4020/4023-29/4031/4033-4039/4041/4042/4044-4068/4071-4073/4076/4077/4079-4082/4084/4086/4089/4090

Glasgow Underground: Glasgow: The first of the new Stadler units has arrived for testing.

RAILWAY GLOBETROTTERS

Isle of Man by Keith Blackman:

These are a few of the highlights of a week long holiday to the Isle of Man from the 6th -11th September 2017. The aim was to view the horse drawn trams, electric trams, Mountain Railway and steam line. Our journey involved a bus from our home in Wiltshire to Heysham where we caught the Ferry across to Douglas.

The horse trams plod up & down the seafront at Douglas and well worth a couple of rides. On Saturday the 8th we went by coach to Laxey. Here we caught the tram to the summit on the Mountain Tram Railway. We were lucky as it is now closed for an indefinite period.

On our return to Laxey we visited the little Laxey Mine Railway where we saw 0-4-0 'ANT' (see below).



We then we abandoned the coach for a tram ride back to Douglas.

On Sunday we chose to take a return steam trip from Douglas to Port Erin and took in a visit to the Rail Museum at Port Erin station, an extra that I did not know about prior to leaving. There were two locos working both Beyer, Peacock & Co 2-4-0Ts, as are all the IoM steam locos bar one. We travelled both ways behind No.12 'HUTCHINSON', the other loco was No.8 'FENELLA' (see opposite). There were two more locos in the Museum (see opposite).



On our return to Douglas No.13 'KISSACK' could be seen in the shed doorway. On the Sunday afternoon we visited the Douglas Tram Workshops, escorted round by one of the apprentices who was a very informative young man.

I really enjoyed our week on the Island which is a very clean and tidy place, a credit to the residents and at all sites we met friendly helpful people.



photos by Keith Blackman



above
No.12 'HUTCHINSON'

right
No.8 'FENELLA'

below left No.16 'MANNIN'

below right No.6 'PEVERIL'

photos by Keith Blackman



FREIGHT MATTERS

To allow members to keep their copy **UK Wagons** as up to date as possible, changes are provided via this spot every month. Please let Trevor Roots know if you have any amendments or wish pass on any other helpful wagon information, contact details on page 2.

UK Wagons 2019 Further updates since release shown below.

also see **EASTLEIGH WORKS REPORT** for further updates. Thanks to the following for information: Alex Ford

Stored: 370552/574/597

Converted: RBA Barrier Wagon 33.70.9382.049-2

Removed from TOPS / For Scrap / Scrapped: 3006, 14505/17, 14752/54/58/59/63/65/72/85/96, 14801/03/11/12/16/19/24/25/27, 311079, 60560/561/563/689/694/767/860-867/882-884, 82214-227 82748-50/52/55, 85305-08/12/14, 85931/34/38/39/74, 900210, 33.70.4739.001-4/006-3/011-3/019-6/022-0/024-6/025-3/034-5/036-0/039-4/043-6/051-9/056-8/059-2/060-0/070-9/071-7/073-7/081-6/082-4/084-0/086-5/091-5/096-4/099-8/100-4

Preserved: 310000

FREIGHT NEWS: British Steel revived in 2016 was placed into compulsory liquidation on the 22nd May 2019 but hopefully a buyer will be found. BS operates Scunthorpe, Teeside and Skinninggrove steelworks and is responsible for producing a sizeable chunk of rail for the UK network.

OTP NEWS: Drift Snowploughs ADB 965209/231 to Motherwell Depot, ADB 965223/235 to Fairwater Yard, Taunton

OTP PHOTO SHOP



above as reported in the May issue p9, repainted Stoneblower DR 80301 'Stephen Cornish' has travelled quite a bit north as it was seen at Laurencekirk on the 17th May 2019, this is last one of three Switch & Crossing variants built in 2006/07 to be featured and the only one named

GRAFFITI & VANDALISM

47746 and MK2 coaches 5200/16 were attacked overnight at Southall on the 3rd / 4th May 2019 just hours before they had to run in service on a Steam Dreams tour. This must have been doubly frustrating as 4-6-2 6233 was also due to operate the service but was under repair at Carnforth which was seen on our visit to Carnforth on the 11th along with 47746 with the graffiti removed.

In the space of ½ hour six moronic teenagers smashed 112 windows on rolling stock at Ruddington, GCN on the 29th April causing £80,000 worth of damage some of it irreparable. On the same day £1000 worth of damage was caused to a WSR coach at Bishops Lydeard.

STOCK CHANGES

*It is hoped that all major changes recorded below will help you keep the **UK Combine, UK Pocket Book, UK Locomotives** and **UK Name Directory** up to date, (numerous pool code changes will not be recorded). In order to compile as accurate and up to date list as possible, can members please pass on their observations, particularly name changes and multiple unit reformations to the editor, **Trevor Roots**. Where possible, photos of new nameplates will be included as and when a suitable photo is sourced from members.*

Misc. News:

66790 the first of the 3 Euro spec Cl.66s for GBRf has arrived

New:

Locos: 66790 (T66.403)

DMUs: 195111

EMUs: 385024-27/29/30/32/34-39, 385120, 745002, 755326, 755417/418, 802109-13

Coaches: MK5 11511, 12731-33, 12811

Transferred / (Stored): (* preserved)

D&E Locos:

08375 WO	08624 LHG	08632 EH
08791 FX	08809 KET	08847 PDP
08939 NH	20302/03/05 (BH)	
43018/165/185/190 (EY)		37190 LSL
43070/079/087/159 (LM)		60028 (TO)

Steam Locos: 9682 DFR 42859 ELR

Coaches:

Mk1 3098 TM
Mk3 10250* CAL
Mk4 set BN23 + DVT 82226 (WK)
HST 40604, 42069/118/183/343/559, 44023, 46010 IS, 40900, 41166, 42347/506, 44002 PM 40231, 40710/15/16/18/21/22/27/34/39/43/52, 41006/030/102/106, 42021/25/43/49/71/83/98, 42196, 42510/12/14/16/57/68/75, 44026/93, 46002/05 (EY)
 40115, 40807/10/11, 41186/89, 42232/33, 42303/05/53/81. 42356/62, 42518/20/83, 44074/91 (LM)
 41020, 42027/107/201/204/252/253, 44064 (ZB)
 42143/145 (ZK), 42245/50 (ZN), 44008 LA

DMUs:

977987/988 (ZG) 165116 PM

EMUs:

319012/217 NN 319444 ZA 345023 (WK)
 350403 (ZN) 385001/102 NA
 387130/140 RG 769008 CF

Re-numbered:

D3201 to 13201

Converted:

321418 to 320418

Steam Status:

506 to A 48305 to A

Names:

New: (* re-applied)

08645 *St Piran*
 37407 *Blackpool Tower*
 37688* *Great Rocks*
 60021 *PENYGHENT*
 66051 *Maritime Four*
 444040 *THE D-DAY STORY PORTSMOUTH*
 800023 *Firefighter Fleur Lombard QGM / Kathryn Osmond (correction)*
 802013 *Michael Eavis (correction)*
 45029 *Florence Nightingale*



444040 (Chris Addoo)



800023 (Colin Pidgeon)

Removed:

43070 *The Corps of Electrical and Mechanical Engineers*
 43087 *11 Explosive Ordnance Disposal Regiment Royal Logistic Corps*
 43165 *Prince Michael of Kent*
 60021 *Bustler*

For Scrapping / Scrapped:

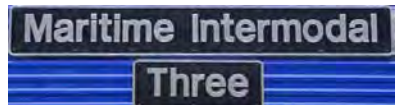
(* Dept)
 CF Booths, Rotherham 10232
 Ripple Lane 977077*/111*/112*
 Sims, Newport 313031/123



150275 reported in Nov 2017 (Lawrence McCormick)



revised 390104 (Lawrence McCormick)



66142 reported in Apr 2019 (Colin Pidgeon)

NEW STOCK

Though in the past I have attempted to individually show all new stock, with the flood of new stock recently delivered and proposed over the next few years and less pages to work with, it is now impractical to do so. I will continue however to show all new locos and smaller classes of units and coaches but I will only show a representative selection of the latter types, particularly from as many different members / different locations as possible or to illustrate a comparison. So if a particularly unit has not been shown but you photograph it in a more 'unusual' location within a reasonable time of it entering service then I will try to include it.



Doncaster was host to 3 of the new Cl.331/1 EMUs on the 19th May 2019
above 331102 stabled in the bay platform with 2 in the West Yard, below 331105, bottom 331107





above 755418 + 755326 + 755417 + 66001 Ipswich (07.22) 16th May 2019
below 745002 Ipswich (07.16) 30th May 2019 (both Keith Partlow) first 755/3 & 745/0 to be delivered



66790 en route to
EMD Longport, Stoke-on-Trent
(11.58) 3rd May 2019 (Harold Hull)



above 802205 + 802206 arriving Eastleigh at 09.36 from Dollands Moor, 30th May 2019 (Chris Addoo)



195111 Crewe (14.12)
28th May 2019 (Roy Hitchin)

CONVERSIONS



more conversions to bi-mode above 769424 ex-319424 19th May 2019
below 769431 ex-319431 11th May 2019 (Andrew Turnidge) both Wabtec, Doncaster



LIVERIES

This section will endeavour to show all new liveries / variations or those existing ones where not carried on the stock before. Liveries that become 'extinct' will also be covered. As with names, it may take a while after the livery application before a photo is sourced from members. New liveries may also be shown in other articles: 60021, 66415, 45029 **EASTLEIGH WORKS REPORT**, 09107, PWM 651 **PRESERVATION GALAS**.



not a lot of love for these Cl.143s judging by the branding !!

above 143614 Cardiff Central (11.45) 11th May 2019 (Sean Davies)

below 143616 Cardiff (09.53) 25th May 2019 (Stan Bown)

almost Mission Impossible wording...hopefully termination will not be in smoke !!



above another complete ScotRail HST set in InterCity livery 43133 t&t 43147 on 5S02 Doncaster - Perth, Spittal, Berwick-upon-Tweed (11.47) 27th May 2019 (Gareth Patterson)

right 139002 Stourbridge Jnt (13.33) 29th May 2019 (James Holloway)



above 170420 Edinburgh Waverley
(08.39) 23rd April 2019 (Iain Gardiner)

above & right two of the five Cl.170/4s (170416-20)
due to transfer to SR in base blue livery

below the gala shy D4 now in BR blue livery under
repair at Swanwick, MRB, 19th May 2019

bottom left 66104 another in DBC red, Cardiff
(15.32) 25th May 2019 (Stan Bown)



170417
Carnoustie,
17th May 2019

below 08757 now fully finished and
re-united with its name as carried
between 1993-95, Spring Village,
TSR 17th May 2019





above DRS 37419 in
IC Mainline livery
Ipswich, 3rd June 2019
(Keith Partlow)



left 423 (01585)
re-numbered into WD
series and re-liveried in
Army green, BRC,
19th May 2019
(Phil Rogers)



below 333013 in
Northern livery, Leeds
11th May 2019
(Andrew Turnidge)



above 165013 on 2A25
 Marylebone - Aylesbury,
 Princes Risborough (12.07)
 5th May 2019
 (Colin Pottle)



right 66051 on 4L45 10.04
 Wakefield Europort -
 Felixstowe South,
 Needham (15.08)
 20th May 2019
 (Keith Partlow)
 np (Malcolm Clements)

Maritime Intermodal
Four



above Birmingham Airport on 60654 (350371) using Birmingham International,
 Northampton (11.58) 21st May 21019 (Graham Stockton)



above 153333 in new TfW livery, compare with p15 in the April 2019 issue, Cardiff Central (11.26) 25th May 2019 (Stan Down)

left 08436 in lined LSWR livery branded BRML EASTLEIGH WORKS Swanage, SWG 10th May 2019 (Carl Watson)

below ex-GC 43484 in revised EMT livery, Leicester, 17th May 2019 (Andrew Turnidge)



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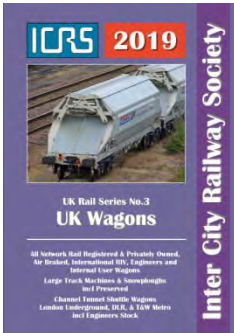
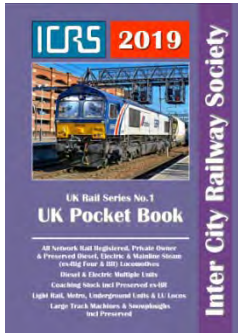
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