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newly strengthened from 3 to 4 cars, LO 378208 awaits its return trip to London Euston, with this service now operated by CI.378s, 313123 (due to go to FCC) is seen stabled to the left is one of only 2 remaining CI.313/1s not yet transferred away to other operators.
Watford Junction, 16 August 2010

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No room to waffle, suffice to say new stock is appearing apace, Cl.172s, 378/2s with another Cl.70 on the high seas via Germany and the first ScotRail Cl.380s heading north. Enjoy another packed issue.

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The latest date for articles / info for the next magazine is **Friday 1st October 2010**. Items for **Out and About Sightings** should be sent in to **James Holloway** a few days earlier please.

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Ramblings of a Rail Enthusiast

by David Spencer - 1963 Part 4

Sunday 2nd June involved exploring the Snailbeach Light Railway. I travelled via Birmingham Snow Hill to Shrewsbury where I then caught a Midland Red bus to Pontesbury. I mentioned previously that we explored the lower terminus of the SLR at Pontesbury and I used this day to walk the whole line inspecting whatever relics I could find.



Hawksworth Modified Hall 4-6-0 7029 'Wyke Hall' (w/d 08/65)
on 09.40 excursion to Barry Island, Birmingham Snow Hill, 2 June 1963

Three days later with a mate that introduced me to South Wales, we started a few days of line bashing. Peak D63 took us to Cheltenham and Hymek D7067 on to Cardiff. DMUs took us up to Maerdy and back to Pontypridd then finally 5601 to Merthyr Tydfil. From there we walked to RhydrCAR Junction to await the daily Dowlais Central freight which duly arrived with 4690 and as it slowed down for the token we jumped onto the brake van for some rare track. We reversed at Pontsticill Junction where we switched from brake van to cab to go up the B&M line to Pant this track bed is now part of the Brecon Mountain Railway.



Snailbeach Light Railway engine shed
2 June 1963



Collett 0-6-0PT 4690 (w/d 10/63)
RhydrCAR Jnct, 5 June 1963

From Pant it was new track, so after we watched 4690 shunting Dowlais Central yard we went exploring, first to Panscallog Halts (High Level) on the Pant line and (Low Level) on the former LNWR MT&A line, then Moria's Tunnel then Dowlais where there was much to see. Two closed stations at Dowlais Top and High Street, then Cae Harris station shed and tin works, and the delightfully named Fosy Fran Junction and Dowlais zigzag Lines junction. Not sure what happened next but we must have descended into Merthyr and train to Treherbert where we changed to a Maesteg train and on through the Rhondda Tunnel. There we found the former Port Talbot Railway station at Neath Road and walked the PTR line to Cwmdau station (closed 1932) where the track finished.

We overnights in Maesteg and on the Thursday, starting at Neath Road, we began walking the other way until we reached Bryn Tunnel, here we hovered wondering whether to walk through or go round, when 3762 came along light engine (see photo opp) and the crew stopped and offered us a lift all the way down to Duffryn Yard. That saved us a tot of leg work but meant Bryn station and Tynyffon loop were only photographed from the cab.



Being dropped at the shed we looked round before following the PTR to Port Talbot Central, a station that always amazed me. It closed in 1933 and though trackless was totally intact and hidden behind advertising placards. I could never understand how it survived. A bus to Briton Ferry and we made our way to Jersey Park where the dead straight path going up the hill was in fact the Ynysmardy Incline of the South Wales Mineral Railway. We walked up and beyond the park, but not too far, as our plan was to take another bus to Neath and then a train on to Llanelli. 5087 took us from Swansea (High Street), oh for loco hauled Paddington to Milford Haven trains today! 8474 was on the 17.00 Llandovery train, which we took as far as Tirydial (now known as Ammanford) and we returned to Swansea (Victoria) behind 73002 where we found a B&B in Swansea Bay for two nights.

Friday we caught a bus to Ystalyfera and walked up to Gurnos shed and continued alone the then up the Ynysgedwyn branch where we were lucky to find 6742 shunting, a lovely photo on the River Towy bridge. We walked up to Ystradgynlais station on the Colbren Junction line before we returned to Gurnos and the ex Midland Brynamman line as far as Cwmllynfell where a mineral line shot off over the moorland and we followed this not knowing what would we find. It went from Gwaun-Cae-Gurwen Junction to Gwaun-Cae-Gurwen and apart from one enormous kink a couple of loops and closed collieries there was very little to see. At GCG there was an NCB shed and a couple of industrials and the built but never used viaduct on the GW line. Again we were lucky in that 7213 come storming up from Pantyffynnon, banked by a 67XX. Another bus took us back to Swansea and a fun evening playing pitch and putt and having a paddle! We were hobbling a bit from a lot of walking but as we returned to our B&B, a central Wales train was going into Swansea (Victoria) and I sprinted to get a photo. As my friend said afterwards you move fast for a cripple. Up at 06.15 to walk the Pentrefelin (Glam) to Llandore (Low Level) line including the Midland station at Morriston before breakfast, then a train to Llanelli, haulage by 5054 where we walked the Dafen branch the dock lines and the shed. Although I was no longer an active spotter I kept my books on me and one of my three GW wants was on shed. Another Castle, 5037 back to Swansea continuing by diesel to Bridgend for a trip round the Vale of Glamorgan line and on to Cardiff. Roger went home and I carried on up to Pantypridd and a bus to Old Ynysybwl where I walked down the branch which was unusual in that it ended with an unstaffed halt and had two junctions, track still insitu to Stormstown Junction and trackless to Clydach Court, I did of course cover both before returning to Cardiff.

On Sunday 9th June, my last day, for reasons I cannot recall I went up to Rhymney and walked the closed B&M line again before crossing over the valley to Tir Phil and a train down to Aber Junction. From there I walked to the complex Penrhos Upper and Lower Junctions where three tracks all went off at different levels and at one time one of the great Barry Railway viaducts went over all of them. I took the Barry line and crossed Walnut Tree Viaduct taking great photographs of the Taff Vale before descending down to Taffs Well and a train to Cardiff and Birmingham (see fascinating photo looking slightly to the northwest and now greatly changed today).



Built in 1901, the 517 yard long Walnut Tree Viaduct carried the Penrhos Branch of the Barry Railway 120 feet up across Taff Gap between Garth in the west and Penrhos in the east. The River Taff (just visible on the extreme left behind the house), Taff Vale Railway and Walnut Tree Junction lie below. The TVR still extant today, though just two tracks, runs from Cardiff in the foreground to Pontypridd bearing off to the northwest. Taffs Well station, again still in use can be seen above the road bridge. The first of the two lines bearing off to the right is the Walnut Tree Branch, the second is the Nantgarw Branch, both now footpaths and part of the Taff Trail. Both the Penrhos & Walnut Tree Branches join up at Penrhos Jncts having curved round to the northeast. The road is the A4054 Cardiff Road, still there today but to the right, the A470 has been built which heads up the right hand side of the photo with an industrial estate between it and the TVR. The viaduct was demolished in 1969 with the pier on the eastern bank of the river to the left of David's position (he is standing near the furthest right of the main piers) being one of only two remaining to indicate this structure ever existed....ed

all photos by Dave Spencer (to be cont.)

Network News

by Trevor Roots

Another piece of news not previously reported at the time...finally passed whilst a train was there !

Aberdeen Craiginches Yard:



With the closure of Aberdeen Guild Street adjacent the station, now redeveloped as a shopping centre, the freight traffic was split between a new yard 7 miles northwest at Raiths Farm, Dyce on the line to Inverness and a redeveloped yard 1 mile to the south at Craiginches. The existing Blue Circle facility lies to the east of the main line whilst the new two track container handling facility was created to the west from the existing down sidings.

Seen here on the 28th July 2010, DRS 66432 is marshalling the 4N83 MX service due to return south at 18.20 to Grangemouth.

Open Day News

by Trevor Roots

It is hoped that as details become known of forthcoming Open Days around the country then info concerning them will be notified to you. If anyone hears of any such events, please let me know.

Long Marston Open Day, 12th September 2010:

An Open Day has been arranged for Sunday 12th September, just the single day instead of the usual weekend. There will not be a train trip inside the depot but they will be running a bus trip around the internal depot for those who wish to have a good look at our site and its stock. They hope to be able to open up the storage lines to enable better photo opportunities and so be able to display more stock than usual.

The entry fee will be reduced to £10 per person and £5 for children under 15. Entry fees will be payable on the day only. Car parking is free. Gates will open at 10am and close at 5pm. The usual refreshments will be available. Unfortunately no shuttle will operate to/from the railway stations.

For further info please see the website motorail.co.uk

Harz Autumn Steam Gala – Advertisement

by Ray Smith

I am leading a party for Ffestiniog Travel to this event departing on the 21st October 2010 and returning on the 27th. I did this tour in 2008 and it was featured in **Railway Globetrotters**, Volume 37, Feb & Mar issues. All travel is by rail with 2 full days steam haulage and lineside photography. There is also a free day, and the area is served by a one day Lander ticket that gives up to 5 people unlimited travel on local trains within the area. This includes Magdeburg, Halle, Halberstadt, Dessau etc. All for 28 euros. A single ticket is 20 euros. It was a wonderful event and I would like to see if any ICRS members are interested. It is £895.00 sharing, with a single room supplement of £115.00. Details are still subject to confirmation but for updates please refer to Ffestiniog Travel website www.festtravel.co.uk or phone 01766 772957.

Miscellaneous Locos

as listed in UKRS No.2 Combine – if you ever wondered what they were !



85049 (works no. 393325)

2' gauge Ruston & Hornsby 4wDM used at Chesterton Jct Engineers Yard, Cambridge Rowsley, DNR (Peak Rail), 17 August 2010



97701 (ex-DX76105 & 97601)

converted from a Matisa C311 ballast cleaner for use at Kilmarnock RCE workshop Robertsbridge, RVR, 11 April 2010

Preservation 'forgotten locos'

Type 3 Co-Co Cl.37s



black liveried 37188
Rowsley, Peak Rail, 9 July 2010



rail blue liveried 37097 'Old Fettercairn'
Bridge of Dun, Caledonian Rly, 5 July 2010

Preservation News

Heritage Shunters Trust, Rowsley (Peak Rail) by Trevor Roots:

Further to my report last month, the roller doors have now been fitted to both ends of the new shed. Also one trackload of shunters were positioned outside allowing a much better photographic opportunity than on my last visit, shame the other line inside was not accessible.

D2868, D2854, 03099, D2953, 06003, D2000,
PWM654 & 08016 lined up alongside shed
17 August 2010



The two reports below are from Mike Rumens, who having ferried a family member to Heathrow on the 12th August then decided to divert on the way home to visit a couple of preserved railways.

Chinnor and Princess Risborough Railway (CPR) by Mike Rumens:

The CPR is based at Chinnor station and appears to be condensed into a very small area. The site was closed and secure it was not possible to see very much with houses being built alongside the railway that restricted the view of the storage areas.

Locos: Diesel: D8568, 37219

DMU: 55023

Coaches: 1845, 4584, 35337, ADFM395476, 80541, 1346, in use on the platform as a buffet is ex-Cambrian Rly coach body 247

Wagons: WGB 4041, 60174

Buckinghamshire Railway Centre (BRC) by Mike Rumens:

The BRC is a 25 acre site located at Quainton Road station - a station which was part of the GCR. The single line which runs through the station is not used by the BRC. It is an active NR line for Bin liners to and from the Calvert waste terminal. There is a short section of running line (about a mile) for use on steaming days. BRC is a working steam museum with many exhibits displayed internally and externally either side of the running line. The site was being prepared for a 1940's weekend but it was possible to tour the site with restricted access - effectively anywhere that was open (Cost £3.50)

My observations were as follows:

Locos:

Steam (Std): 5080 *'Defiant'*, 30585, boiler of 6989 *'Wightwick Hall'*, boiler and frames of 7200

Steam (NG): South African Rly 4-8-4 3405 *'Janice'*

Diesel: D2298

Industrial: Steam: 3, 7, 9 *'Chislet'*, 66, 1742 *'Millom'*, 1900, 2087 *'Gibraltar'*, 2105 *'Rokeby'*, 3782 *'Arthur'*

Industrial Diesel: 3271 *'Walrus'*, 6963 *'Army'*, 20067 *'Osram'*, 463153 *'Hilsea'*

DMU: 51899, 59761, 51886, Sentinel/Cammell steam rail car unit No 5208 (ex Egyptian)

Underground cars: 53028, 13063

Cranes: No 1, 27, 2357

Coaches: LNWR 77, LNWR 112, 99017, 4867, 5324 (body only), 25500, 53190, 80394, 80423, 86450, 94578, 96403, W1037, W2242, 9001, 5913, 3188, S1647, 1108

Wagons: 20, 35, 97, 98, 418, 801, 849, 1692, 1869, 2115, 2536, 4018, 4417, 4722, 8956, 68642, 96403, 10577, 306307, 312450, 386917, 418128, 506195, 709313, 731708, 76350, 787329, 75760, 885280, 893928, 950048, 951287, 952510, 955112, 983905, 992568, 993778



3'6" gauge NBH South African Railways
4-8-4 3405 *'Janice'*
Quainton Road, BRC 12 August 2010
Mike Rumens



Barclay 0-4-0ST 699 *'Swanscombe'*
Quainton Road, BRC 12 August 2010
Mike Rumens

Traffic & Traction News

by John Barton

Aug 1

57309 was seen at Edge Hill Depot at 10.46

Aug 2

66702 headed away from Cambridge at 22.13 with 6T65 Whitemoor to West Ham HL with 10 auto ballast wagons in tow.

Aug 3

66182 working the 4E70 Southampton - Wakefield intermodal screamed through Cholsey 110mins late west bound at 20.55. 37604+37603 thrashed out of Appledore at 17.18 with 6M95 Dungeness - Willesden Brent flasks.

Aug 4

73138+73107 for insurance worked 0Z73 Selhurst - Gatwick - Selhurst today and were seen at Redhill.

70001 passed Ipswich at 15.12 heading for Lawley St working 4M93.

Aug 5

37604+37603+flasks 550011+ 550038 slowed through Shortlands at 18.46 working the 6M95 Dungeness - Willesden Brent nuclear train. 321414 headed south through Peterborough at 13.45 in unbranded LMT livery.

Aug 6

66730+66401+378233 left Derby heading towards Spondon at 18.35 on 5X78 to Ashford. 37038 + 977869 + 6261 + 977983 + 999550 + 977969 +37218 worked 1Q52 09.20 Cambridge to Ipswich Serco today (via Norwich, King's Lynn & Middleton Towers).

Aug 7

67019 hauled the following from London Victoria to Oxford today consisting of stock 99545, 99541 (Pullman 243 *LUCILLE*), 99534 (Pullman 245 *IBIS*), 99546 (Pullman 281 *GWEN*), 99535 (Pullman 213 *MINERVA*), 99532 (Pullman 308 *CYGNUS*), 99531 (Pullman 302 *PHOENIX*), 99530 (Pullman 301 *PERSEUS*), 99543 (Pullman 284 *VERA*), 99537 (Pullman 280 *AUDREY*), 9502. 46115 'Scots Guardsman' running light engine with no support coach, headed south from York towards Colton Junction at 10.31. 6233 'Duchess of Sutherland' passed Bradley 07.46 on the return Scarborough Flyer.

Aug 8

1001 arrived at Hastings Platform 2 at 22.36 after working 1Z82 Poole - Hastings "The Andy Piper Memorial Tour" Private Charter. 378210 was at Watford Junction at 18.00 waiting to depart back to Euston.

Aug 8 (cont)

378208 was seen working into Euston at 11.00. 66164+66015 leading 23 loaded and 13 empty octopussy wagons passed southbound through Milton Keynes at 13.18.

Aug 9

66164 hauling 380405/615/613/614/505/020/158/161/163/314 passed through Water Orton at 21.26 on the way to Bescot. The following were noted in Thornaby Yard at 14.00, 66114, 66194, 66238, 66090, 08597, 08698 and 09205. 60163 'Tornado' passed through Slough at 16.00 with support coach en route Eastleigh - Hither Green.

Aug 10

70004 headed south on loaded coal, out of Crewe at 17.15. 67020 hauling 90026+90009+90021 headed north through Rugby at 14.06.

Aug 11

60039 passed Cossington at 18.16 working 6L15 Toton - Whitemoor. 47802+47712+66414 on Kingmoor - Barrow Hill ecs. passed Bramshall, Uttoxeter at 14.08. 5690 'Leander' passed Castleford at 11.00 on 1Z27 The Scarborough Spa Express.

Aug 12

172008 visible from London Rd, was seen outside the workshops at Derby Litchurch Lane. 47580 'County Of Essex' powered hard down through Three Bridges at 11.19 working 1Z58 Chesterfield - Eastbourne Statesman Railtour with 47826 on the rear.

Aug 13

With rain bucketing down, 6201 'Princess Elizabeth' passed Deighton at 09.46 on the Scarborough Flyer. 60013 headed east through Cardiff Central at 09.06 around 30mins early with 6B13 Robeston - Westerleigh tanks.

Aug 14

47802+47712 working 1Z60 Chesterfield - Salisbury 'Southern Circular' passed Farncombe at 11.40 about 20 minutes late. 47790+90003 on the 5V29 08.48 Norwich Crown Point - Great Yarmouth arrived into Great Yarmouth at 09.21.

Aug 16

86501+70001 dead in tow passed through Stratford at 12.30 with 4M88 Felixstowe - Crewe Basford Hall. This was then also seen at Watford Jct at 14.30 (see photo below).



Aug 17

60049 passed Lower Basildon at 14.02 working 6B33 Theale – Robeston

73204+73212 passed Allington Foot Crossing at 06.14 working 6G14 Tulse Hill – Hoo Jct.

Aug 18

31233 leading 1Q57 Three Bridges - Selhurst test train with 73138 on the rear passed Wishing Tree Reservoir, St Leonards, heading towards Hastings, at 09.45.

60071 passed Northfield at 14.05 working Westerleigh-Lindsey oil tanks.

Aug 19

73101 in grey livery, was seen stabled outside Derby RTC at 17.16.

66729 with barriers and 378234 was coupled up at Derby Litchurch Lane Works.

Aug 20

66098 headed north from Doncaster to Neville Hill with a rake of east coast Mk.3s.

Aug 21

66710 top and tailed 73204 through Headcorn at 17.45 on the 1Z42 Dungeness - London Marylebone.

Aug 23

57601 headed away from Perth towards Dundee at 16.11 with The Royal Scotsman.

60040 passed Northfield 14.17 Westerleigh - Lindsey tanks

73204+73213 with barriers and 66729 drew into Hastings at 11.30 with 5Y22 Tonbridge - St Leonards.

Aug 24

66171 hauling DR98957 + DR98907 Sandite unit passed Didcot northbound at 22.40 on 6E15 Eastleigh - Scunthorpe

66401+6377+313216+6376 passed south through Stevenage at 21.27 on 5O13 Doncaster - Stewarts Lane.

Aug 25

The first Cl.380 EMU 380106 for Scotland crawled north through a wet Nuneaton behind 66189 and several barriers at 22.08 on 7X80 Dollands Moor - Polmadie. It was earlier seen passing Bletchley at 20.15.

Aug 26

70001 headed west through Ilford at 16.27 with 4M93 Felixstowe - Lawley Street.

Aug 27

The second Cl.380 EMU 380105 to enter the country was seen passing Bletchley at 20.15 behind 66055.

Preservation Photo Spot Type 4.Cl.44s

Just two of the iconic Cl.44 1Co-Co1 original Peaks survived into preservation. For those old enough who can forget the often complete line-up of the 10 strong class at Toton in the 70s.



D4 'Great Gable'
Swanwick museum, Midland Rly Butterley
17 August 2010



D8 'Penyghent'
Rowsley, Peak Rail
17 August 2010

Out & About

by James Holloway

To be more helpful for those interested in where stock was exactly, can I ask all contributors who list trip sightings en masse, particularly over long distances, to please add more detail when submitting to James...ed

Arthur Dunkerley:

4th August:

Wigan 07.30-08.00:

142045/49, 150139/145/269/277, 156426/460
221114, 390042

Preston 08.15 and 20.05:

57306, 66142, 150269/270, 156425/463
LMS 8F 48151 with 3096+5222+99311+99318+
99327+99350+99352+99722

Carlforth 08.40: 37261/605/612

Oxenholme: DR77001

Carlisle 09.20:

31459, 156470, c.s. 6263/9703/965230/999602

Kingmoor and yard 09.30:

37087/229, 66034/154/421/841

Glasgow Cent 10.35-11.45/13.35/16.30-17.50:

90026, 91110/14/24, 156411/432/433/435-437
156439/442/445-449/456/462/476/478/501-504
156507/509-514, 158720, 185115, 221102
314201/202/204-06/08-10/13-16, 318250/252
318254/56/60-62/64/66/67/69, 334001-007/010
334011/12/18/20/21/26-28/30-36/38
DVT 82216

Glasgow Queen Street 11.55-13.25:

156492-494, 158715/25/29, 170403/04/06/07
170414/18/26/28/54/57/59/472-475

Rutherglen 14.05: 73803/804/932, 968500/501

Motherwell 14.15-14.35: 334024/25, DVT
82209

Mossend 14.45: 08888, 66706, 92007

Kingmoor: 37667/611, 57010, 66433

Carlisle Station: 156430, 221113

Paul Tarrant:

6th August:

Stratford 11.04-12.58:

59102, 66017/126/503/608/711, 86501/610/613
90001/03/06/08/10/16/18/44/46, DR80205

16th August:

Wandsworth Road 12.16-14.05:

31602, 59004, 66139/621/843/729/956, 73107

18th August:

Wandsworth Road 11.35-15.12:

66031/058/176/188/517/530/566

19th August:

Wandsworth Road 11.51-15.45:

31233+73138 1Q58 Willesden-Sheerness
66007/177/188/221/517/569/610/732/843
73213/04/12/08 light engines

21st August:

Brixton:

10.24 73204 & 66710 T/T 'Ness Monster' 1Z40
London-Dungeness and Sheerness

Wandsworth Road 11.04-13.02:

37610/069 6M95 Dungeness-Crewe
66055, 92022

25th August:

Wandsworth Road 11.37-15.10:

31233 hauling 380106 Dollands Moor-Polmadie
59004, 66004/081/140/176/189/511/525/535
66702, 73138/208/212, 92032

Mike Rumens:

26th July:

Nuneaton 16.15-16.23:

66542, 170636, 390004

Leicester 16.50-17.49:

71000 'Duke of Gloucester' on the Midland
Tornado with 17041+3068+3066+1681+3069+
3097+3120+3119+1683+5322+5341+66050
43043/50/54/72, 158780, 170113/116/398/519
222004/05/07/11/13/18, DR73927

31st July:

Nuneaton 18.50-19.46:

D1015 'Western Champion' on the Western
Fellsrunner with 5276+4998+4902+3121+3147
+3107+3098+1699+3146+3141+21245,
350108/16, 390027, DR77901

2nd August:

Birmingham New Street 15.30-19.10:

43285/303/357/366/378/384, 153354/56/66
158818/19/21/23/25/30/37/38, 170101/103/104
170107/108/110/114/116/117/398/398/501/502
170507/510/512/514/516-520/522/630/633/635
170637-639, 220005/06/08/12/15/19/20/25/27
220028-30, 221115/18/19/21/22/25-27/29-31
221135/39-42, 323201-03/05/06/09-22/40/41
323243, 350102/105/106/114/116/120/125/129
350130/234/243/250/255/256, 390001/02/04/17
390022/27/45/46/50/52

Stechford: 66201

4th August:

Nuneaton:

66138, 153333, 350111

Coventry 16.32-18.45:

66565/77, 67012/14, 220031, 221115/22/40
350102/113/114/236/241/251/261, 390002/04
390012/14/23/27-29/42/43, DVT's 82303/5

11th August:

Nuneaton 18.35-19.10:

66083/417/842, 90029, 153325, 170636

221118, 350117, 390009, DR73929

Heathrow: 332010/012

Quainton Road: 66524

13th August:

Nuneaton 18.18-19.40:

66078/413/430/541/545/587/588, 90026/29

92003, 153325, 170111/113/398/518/636

221105/16, 325004/06/07, 390003/16/29/31/46

16th August:

Nuneaton 18.02-19.10:

66153/423/555/589/842, 90035, 153333

170114/397/637/639, 221101/05/10/16/43

325004/07/11/12/15/16, 350109/112, 390003

390011/18/21, DR73910

19th August:

Nuneaton 09.40-11.12:

47739, 66046/539/575/593/619, 170113/117

170523/636, 221114/16/43, 350116/123

390012/14/17/25/27/35/41/43/45/52, DR98003

DR98004/09/10

23rd August:

Nuneaton 18.00-19.15:

66192/417/430/577/609/845, 90036, 153356

170117/398/520/523, 221107/33/42/43, 325002

325005/007/015/016, 350107/126, 390002/10

390015-17/22/25/27/34/35/39

Dennis Dey:

16th July:

Hassocks: 377506/08/12

Norwood Junction: 377502/14, 378146

Forest Hill: 378148

Brockley: 378144

Blackfriars: 377503/15

St Pancras Int:

377509/517, 395010/11/26

Euston 10.40-11.04:

57308, 221113/17, 350105/239/251/259/266

350267, 378003, 390008/36/39/51

Camden Sidings:

350124/234/245/247/253/255/260

Willesden:

66115/576, 86101, 150130, 172004-06, 378004

378007/009/012/013/023/227/228/231

Wembley Yard: 90024/41, DVT 82302

Harrow and Wealdstone: 378229

Stonebridge Park: 378230

Euston 12.10:

221108, 350118/241/248/252/262

Farringdon: 377506/12

Purley Yard: 66164

27th July:

Hassocks: 377504/07/16

Three Bridges: 67005

Norwood Junction: 171806, 378142

Forest Hill: 378150

Brockley: 378149

Blackfriars: 377506/21

St Pancras Int: 377506/07/11, 395002/21

Euston 10.40-11.04:

57308, 221142, 350110/232/236/243/254/267

378011/227, 390009/14/35/42/50

Camden Sidings:

350104/234/237/239/245/248/262/264/266

379229

South Hampstead: 31285

Willesden:

86607/14, 150130, 172004/06/07, 378003/007

378013/016/022/230/231

Wembley: 66047/534/570, 90041

Farringdon: 377522

New Cross Gate: 378152

Purley: 59102

31st July:

Norwood Junction: 378148

Forest Hill: 378150

Brockley: 378142

New Cross Gate: 378141

Euston 08.50-08.57:

57302, 350115/116/232/237/241, 378005/006

378009/226

Willesden:

66592, 86101/401, 87002, 150130, 172002/04

172006/07, 378004/007/012-015/019/020/022

378227/230

South Hampstead: 378228

Liverpool Street:

90009/10, 315811/20/38, 317883/7, 321345

321358/426, 360117

Fenchurch Street: 357012/036/042/224

West Ham: 357008

East Ham Depot: 150129

Dagenham Dock: 66573/574/617

Limehouse DLR 13.20-14.30:

01-04/06-11/16/26/28/32/38/44/50/51/54/57/59

60/62/66/67/70/73-75/77/80/81/84/94/95-97/101

104/109/110/117/118/122/128/139/143/143/147

6th August: Hassocks: 377508/18/21

Norwood Junction: 378142

Honor Oak Park: 378138

Brockley: 378154

Blackfriars: 377506/14

Euston 10.40-11.04:

221117/43, 350116/124/128/232/234/242-244

350247, 378013/227, 390001/06/40/51

Camden Sidings:

350118/239/242/251/260/261

Willesden:

66709, 86101, 150120/28, 172001/02/04/05/07

378003-005/007/014/015/021/208/228/231

Harrow and Wealdstone: 378229

Stonebridge Park: 378210

Ron Sansome:**21st/22nd July:****Carlisle 13.20-08.30:**

37194/607/608/682, 60071, 66008/056/098/101
66130/137/169/173/180/200/414/416/418/423
66424/427/422/507/509/515/518/522/524/529
66531/549/554/561/599/610/612/712/841/953
70004, 86614/22/28/32/38/39, 90020/21/26/35
90042/47/48, 92001/17/26/31, 142026/50/66
153360/3, 156437/442/444/451/463/477/480
156481/484/506/512, 158795/843/848/901/906
185101/11/13/15/22/31/36, 325004/07/08/11/13
325014/16, 390009/11/14/15/17/23/26/27/31
390034/40/45/52

Kingmoor:

08922, 66414/417/421

Edinburgh Waverley 12.25-17.25:

43309/17, 67020/25, 91120/14/16/18, 158703
158707/712/717/718/721/724/726-731/733/734
158736/739-741/786/789/867/869-871, 170393
170395/396/401/404/406/408/409/411/413/415
170416-419/422-424/426/428/429/430/433/434
170451/453/454/457/459/461/470-472/474/475
170478, 185110/36, DVT's 82207/16/20/25

23rd July:**Glasgow Central 11.15-12.39:**

91117, 156431-433/436/442/446/462/467/477
156500/503/506-508/514, 314203/05-08/13-15
318250/57/68/69, 334007/09/12/17/21/22/26
334027/31-33/37, 390003/25, DVT 82231

Glasgow Queen Street 12.45-13.30:

156513, 158705/30/38, 170408/09/14/20/26/33
170451/57/59/71

Queen Street Low Level: 320312/14**Partick 14.50-17.47:**

318251/52/56/58-60/62-65/67/70, 320301-19
320321/22, 334001-03/05/13/16/18/24/25/29
334030/31/37/40

Glasgow Underground Outer Circle:

104/05/07/09-11/15/17/18/20/22-25/201/03/07

4th August:**Northampton 08.40-17.56:**

47826, 66035/088/126/200/416/533/538/565
66566/587/590/711/714, 67006/21/24, 86501
86610/13/21/22/27/37, 90041/2/7/8, 325001
325003/15, 350101/102/104/107-109/111-114
350117/118/123-125/127-129/233/236-238/241
350242/243/248/253/256/257/259/260/265/267
DR73910, 80212

8th August:**Edinburgh Waverley 15.30-17.30:**

43208/299/308/319, 91109/31, 156437/467/501
158703/714/715/717/722/728/732-735/739/869
170401/406/411/412/414/416/420-422/425/429
170433/452/457/461/471/473/475/476/478
185126, 220030, 221107, 322483/5
DVT 82217

Ian McAlpine:**30th July:****Peterborough:**

20304/5, 43059/076/300/307, 66047/163/556
66711/718/723, 91108/09/18/19, 153374
170636/9, 317345, 365527, DVT's 82200/17/19
82225

Grantham: 153311**Doncaster:**

08669, 66046, 67028, 92007, 156414, 158906
321903

York: LMS 5XP 45407, 37516, 185101/41**Thornaby:** 08597/698, 09104/205**31st July:****Darlington:**

91126/31, 142065/91, 185136/51, DVT's 82215
82230

Tursdale: 66005**Gateshead:** 185136**Newcastle-on-Tyne:**

67003, 156438/69, 185151, 220017/29, 221136

Edinburgh Waverley:

67023, 90029, 91111, 158701, 170393, 185138
322481/4/5, DVT 82208

Craigtynny: 08472, 57601**Musselburgh:** 322481**North Berwick:** 170427**1st August:**

Darlington: 43367, 91118, 142025/91/92,
185148

DVT 82225

Doncaster: 66710/32, 92007, 144006, 180114**Peterborough:**

43313, 66016/027/122/712/723-725/29, 158773
365509

6th August:**Peterborough:** 43059/081**Stevenage:** 321401**Brookman's Park:** 313052**Alexander Palace:** 313025**Kings Cross:**

43059/81/251/302, 67028, 180109, 365506/08
365515/20

DLR:

13-15/23/40/60/65/69/80/92/93/94/97/98/101
110/112/120/128/129/143

Shadwell: 357020**Pudding Mill Lane:** 08480, 59102**Stratford:** 315835, 321308, 378018

DVT 82139

Hackney: 378003**Dalton Kingsland:** 378004**Highbury and Islington:** 378006**Kentish Town West:** 378019**West Hampstead:** 378023**Kensal Rise:** 378024**Acton Central:** 378020**Gunnersbury:** 378009

Richmond: 378017
Willesden: 172001, 378210/229
South Hampstead: 313123
Euston: 350103/106/125/235

Brian Derricote:

14th August:

Birmingham New Street-Euston 07.30-09.50:
08676/813, 66070/072/083/131/174/524/574
66607, 90016/19, 92029, 172007, 350254/266
378021/210/213/227/229/230, DR73922, 77316
DR77906

St Pancras 11.00-11.30:

37 3009-012/019/020/211/212/223/224, 395007
395009/23

Paddington-Ealing Broadway 12.00-13.00:

43024/078/093/139/145/175, 57605, 59005
66091/159/176, 165101/02/05/13/14/20/21/24
165133/134, 166208/09/16, 360202/4

Fenchurch Street-Rainhill 13.45-15.15:

66844, 150123/28-31, 357002-004/006/012/015
357033/035/039/042/046/205/210/215/219/228

Tony Flatt:

28th July:

Didcot Parkway 09.55: 59203, 66587, 165125
Reading Station 10.30-15.20:

43010/012/015/022/025/026/028/030/034/056
43071/078/091/097/098/122/125/126/129/131
43132/135/137-139/142/143/145/151/155/161
43162/165/170-172/174/175/177/180/181/183
43185/186/190-192/194/196,
59001/004/005/102

59103/204, 66025/074/503/602, 165101/03-05
165107/10/12/13/16/23, 166201/03/05/09-14
166216/17/20/21, 220024/28/32, 221129/31/32
221135/37, 45 8011/14/18/21

Didcot Parkway 16.10: 59203, 66188/197

29th July:

Westbury 11.17-16.03:

43009/034/071/141/149/180, 59002/005/101
59103, 66601, 150221/48/61/78/81, 153305/29
158749/763/766/767/769/798/950/952-954/956
158958/959, 159001/14, DR75406

3rd August:

Didcot Parkway 09.54-10.55:

66007/066/080/129/618, 67006, 165108/12
166206/07, DR92286

Reading 11.35: 45 8015/30

Richmond 12.50-14.35:

378004/05/07/12-14/21/23, 450113/547/548
450550/551/553/555/557/558/561-563/565/567
450570, 455 5714/750/863/864/874/908/919
458 8013/25/29

Didcot Parkway 16.50: 08711, 66530

5th August:

Leamington Spa 09.50-10.15:

67012, 165015, 168219, 220008/17

B'ham Snow Hill 10.58-11.40 & 12.12-13.50:

150002/005/007/009-014/016-019/104/106/108
150122/124/126/214, 153364, 168001/004/215
Trams 03-06/08/10/12/13/15

11th August:

Didcot Parkway 09.50: 08711, 66078/178

Ealing Broadway 11.30-15.06:

43004/012/015/018/021/025/027/031/035/053
43078/087/088/132/136/137/141/145/156/169
43171/174/182/187/196/197, 59001/102/202
66006/007/098/188/198/524/610/622, 165101
165102/06/08-14/16/29/31/33, 166202/05/07
166208-10/12/14/15/19-21, 332001/02/04/06
332008-14, 360201/3/4

West Drayton 15.20: 66576

Didcot Parkway 16.22-17.15:

43010/015/025/056/071/079/135/136/140/141
43150/161/171/186, 66068/087/182, 165102/04
165115/29, 166205/15

16th August:

Cardiff Central 10.20-15.50:

43012/018/023/036/042/078/091/092/132/143
43145/154/164/177/180/198, 57005, 66012/027
66039/095/120/162/164/181/417/559, 67016/27
142002/06/10/69/72-74/76/77/80/81/85
143601/02/04/06/08/14/16/22/23/25, 150208
150213/29-31/36/37/40/50-54/56-63/67/80
153312/27/67, 158819/833/950/954/955/957
158959, 170104/519/638, 175002/004/008/009
175011/102/106/109/115/116

East of Cardiff 15.55: 66181/185

Ebbw Junction 16.00: 66012/074/126/162/189

Newport Station 16.03: 66616, 67028

Nigel Hoskins:

6th August:

Swindon:

08.15 43013/14 1Z20 Old Oak-Derby
08.35 66232 4E69 Southampton-Wakefield
09.46 66080 6D11 Avonmouth-Didcot
10.29 66013 6B49 Llanwern-Swindon
10.33 66182 4O53 Wakefield-Southampton
10.39 66594 4O74 Birch Coppice-Southampton
11.45 66537 4O51 Wentloog-Southampton
11.50 66955 4L32 Bristol-Tilbury
12.16 66156 6B35 Acton-Moreton-on-Lugg
12.30 66501 4O54 Leeds-Southampton
13.15 66559 4V60 Calvert-Bristol
13.44 66227 4M66 Southampton-Birch Coppice
14.30 66540 4O27 Garston-Southampton
14.55 66080 4D12 Didcot-Avonmouth
14.59 59101 6C48 Appleford-Whatley
15.13 66034 6V27 Eastleigh-Hinksey
15.16 66087 4O21 Hams Hall-Southampton

Location Spot'light'

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CARDIFF CENTRAL STATION (CAERDYDD CANOLOG)

Location: OS Map Ref: ST181 758

Cardiff is situated on the southern coast, actually river bank, of Wales. It lies on the northwest bank of the River Severn estuary directly opposite Weston-Super-Mare on the English side 10 miles away. Newport is 10 miles to the east and Bridgend 18 mile to the west. Cardiff is the capital of Wales and is the seat of the Welsh Assembly. Though now a unitary authority, it was formerly in the County of Glamorgan. The River Taff flows from the north through the centre directly past Cardiff Central station and into Cardiff Bay. Two other smaller rivers also empty into the Bay which is about a mile south of the station. The imposing structure of the Millennium Stadium, the national venue for football and rugby union is directly north of the station on the eastern bank of the River Taff.



looking west from platform 3 and the Down Relief in the left foreground

ATW 143609 + 142085 are approaching platform 6 from the Up Barry,

DBS 66104 is coming off Canton depot with the FO 6B99 TTA fuel oil tanks,

ATW 175005 is approaching on the Up Main into platform 4,

ATW Cl.150 is approaching on the Up relief into platform 5 and

FGW 43192 is on the No.2 Up Relief waiting to return having terminated from London Paddington

11 September 2009

Access:

Rail: All services in south Wales pass through Central station, which is the hub for the valley lines. Consequently there are frequent services from throughout Wales and many parts of the UK including direct links with Birmingham and London Paddington.

Bus: The main bus station is situated in Central Square on the north side of the station. There is a bus stop on the southern side, referred to as the rear by staff and is used by rail replacement services.

Road: Being on the 'coast' through roads to the west bypass the centre to the north. The M4 which is about 4 miles north connects from the east via Jnt 29 (6 miles from the station) and the A48(M), A48 and other roads (not driven in recently so unsure of exact route). From the west use Jnt 32 and the A470 which leads almost to the station. The A470 being the main artery up the Taff Valley to Merthyr Tydfil and beyond through the heart of Wales to Llandudno on the north coast. There are several car parks adjacent the station including Penarth Road CP on the southeast side and Riverside CP to the northwest. The short stay car park is directly outside the main northern Central Square entrance.

Station Layout:

The station lies on an east – west alignment with the eastern and western approaches curving in from the northeast and northwest respectively. The station is raised above the surrounding area. The River Taff flows beneath the western platform ends, whilst the eastern platform ends are above Penarth Road off which both station entrances can be accessed. The main station entrance and ticket hall is located to the north off Central Square and Wood Street with a southern access off Penarth Road. A subway protected by ticket barriers connects both entrances with steps leading up from both sides to three island platforms, 1/2, 3/4 & 6/7 numbered north to south. Platforms 3 and 4 are split into 'a' and 'b' sections ('a' being furthest west) allowing often two or sometimes three trains to accommodate the long platforms. Another subway containing lifts to the island platforms and a disabled toilet leads only off the main ticket hall. A seventh platform 0 was created on northern side of the station on the Up Relief track and only west of the ticket hall. Access to this platform is from stairs on the western side of the main ticket hall and a ramp. This does mean that you have to go through the barriers between this platform and the other platforms. Step free access is via Riverside car park.



looking east from platform 3, ATW 150250 is in platform 1, FGW 158956 (missing one car) is in platform 2a and 66119 is heading west on the Down Main with steel hoods, 11 September 2009



looking east from platform 4 with unidentified ATW CI.143 alongside ATW 143607 + 142082 arriving into platform 6, with now defunct Advenza 57005 + 57006 are stabled in Riverside Siding 24 September 2008

On the northern side of the station either side of platform 0 are two spur tracks, Fish Dock Siding to the west and Up Siding East obviously to the east. Riverside Siding off the Down Barry track on the south side outside of platform is the third spur within the station environs.

There are two additional through tracks, Up and Down Main between platforms 2 and 3 which create four central straight approach tracks through the station. To the east these four tracks run under the twin track Cardiff Queen Street line And single track Cardiff Bay line about 400 yds to the east. The Queen St tracks being the Up and Down Barry lines which access platforms 6/7. To the west of the station beyond the river, the Barry lines and Up Barry Relief from platform 4 curve of south at Cardiff West Jnct as do numerous tracks to Cardiff Canton depot. Further tracks to the depot, ¾ miles distant located in a triangle of lines, also leave the four straight main lines beyond this jnct. The four tracks reduce to two beyond the depot at Leckwith Loop North Jnct.



eastbound ATW 143602 leaving platform 6
11 September 2009



Advenza 57005 + 66842 in Up East Siding
as seen from platform 1, 10 September 2009



eastbound ATW 150252 in platform 0 with ramped access, Riverside CP and bit of Millennium Stadium jutting in on the right, as seen from platform 1, 11 September 2009

Freight Traffic:

There are still a number of freights that pass through the station, there being no other route along through south Wales. However the level of traffic is a shadow of its former glory even of only a few years ago. The recession hasn't helped either. Usually in the hands of CI.66s, with an occasional CI.60 if you are lucky, the main traffic is coal, largely operated by DBS with some by FL and steel though the latter is much now reduced. The one flow often photographed along its route is the weekday Robeston – Westerleigh Murco oil tanks usually still in the hands of a DBS CI.60. This operates as 6B13 westbound at 09.35 returning at 19.55 as 6B47. Freight's mainly pass through on the centre Up and Down Main though can use any other track.



looking east from platform 3, DBS 66018 approaches with an engineer's train on the Down Main, whilst an unidentified FGW HST awaits to depart eastbound from platform 1, 11 September 2009



ATW 57314 on the rear of terminating 09.58 Holyhead service (57316 on front was removed for return) heading to Canton depot for stabling before return service, 11 September 2009

Passenger Traffic:

The main station operator is Arriva Train Wales with Valley services seeing a regular flow of CI.142, 143 & 150 and occasional 153 DMUs. Longer distance ATW services are in the hands of CI.158 & 175 DMUs. Many services are also operated by First Great Western using HSTs, with 3 car CI.158/9s on the Portsmouth Harbour. CI.143, 153 & 158s can also be seen. Arriva Cross Country use CI.170s. Virtually all services pass through the station with the exception of those to/from Treherbert terminating in platform 7 from the east. All long distance services terminating from the east then continue west to cross over to return to other eastbound departure platforms with the exception of the Holyhead set which stables on Canton depot before returning.

Cardiff Central is the only non-electrified station where regular loco hauled services can still be seen throughout the day with Cl. 57/3s and 67s being used on the following 3 long distance services (2 x Cl.67 sets):

Locos	Arrival	Departure	Service
2 x 67	07.20	08.00	Bristol TM (ex 06.19) – CF – Paignton
1 x 57	09.58	16.15	Holyhead (ex 05.32) – CF – Holyhead
2 x 67	13.22	14.00	Taunton (ex 11.02) – CF - Taunton
2 x 67	16.29	17.40	Paignton (ex 12.47) – CF - Taunton
2 x 67	18.18	19.00	Taunton (ex 16.16) – CF – Taunton

Changes are often made, so If any member has any other info on these services, please let me know.

Best Spotting / Photography Sites:

Any end of the three island platforms is suitable to view all traffic, though the eastern end guarantees seeing those terminating services from the east. There are various locations for photography depending on the sun and time of day though it is difficult in sunny conditions to photograph services on platform 7.



looking west from platform 3, DBS 67016 is about to depart on 14.00 Cardiff – Taunton from platform 2a, 67001 is on rear (note Cl.158/9 behind), 11 September 2009

Facilities:

Apart from one small kiosk on platforms 1/2, all the catering facilities are in the ticket hall outside of the barriers. There are however toilets on all the three main island platforms.



seen from platform 4, ATW 142072 & 150253 are departing platform 7 and arriving into platform 6 respectively, 10 September 2010



seen from platform 4, eastbound DBS 60013 'Robert Boyle' is on the Up Main with steel coils, 11 September 2010

Stirlingshire Sightings

by Derek Sneddon

The following sightings are from Camelon Station & nearby Carmuir's Junction with an occasional sighting from Falkirk. Only freight and notable loco hauled workings are shown together with the diagram code, time, origin and destination (see location codes).

16th July

05.43 66104 4H47 MN-IS
13.00 66428 4A13 GM-AB
18.15 66112 6N44 PW-
GM

19.05 66560 6G10 RV-LT

17th July

10.05 66200 6A30 MN-AB
14.15 66412 4D50 IS-CB
15.19 66101 6E69

Georgemas-HL

18th July

13.00 66418 4A13 GM-AB

19th July

14.15 66412 4D50 IS-CB

20th July

05.43 66108 4H47 MN-IS
13.00 66200 6S36 DS-GM
13.00 66432 4A13 GM-AB

21st July

05.43 66104 4H47 MN-IS
13.00 66429 4A13 GM-AB

22nd July

05.11 66609 6H51 OX-IS
05.43 66172 4H47 MN-IS
06.30 66104 6A31 MN-AB
07.00 66432 4R75 GM-EE
11.13 61994 The Great
Marquess 5Z97

Thornton Jcn-Ft William

13.00 66429 4A13 GM-AB
13.30 66130 6S36 DS-GM
14.15 66412 4D50 IS-CB

23rd July

05.00 66108 4H47 MN-IS
07.00 66416 4R75 GM-EE
10.05 66423 4A13 GM-AB
13.30 66111 6S36 DS-GM
14.15 66412 4D50 IS-CB

24th July

05.43 66108 4H47 MN-IS
08.20 66113 6E69

Georgemas-HL

09.00 66423 4M16 GM-CL
10.05 66104 6A30 MN-AB
13.00 66418 4A13 GM-AB
14.15 66424 4D50 IS-CB

25th July

13.00 66418 4A13 GM-AB

26th July

08.30 66614 6A65 OX-AB
18.15 66108 6N44 PW-

GM

27th July

05.43 66104 4H47 MN-IS
07.00 66418 4R75 GM-EE
13.00 66432 4A13 GM-AB
14.15 66424 4D50 IS-CB
22.08 31602+31233 4Q01
PO-Winchburgh

28th July

05.43 66104 4H47 MN-IS
06.30 66107 6L49 MN-LW
14.15 66424 4D50 IS-CB

29th July

06.30 66108 6A31 MN-AB
07.00 66432 4R75 GM-EE
11.30 66100 6E69

Georgemas-HL

13.00 66421 4A13 GM-AB
14.15 66424 6D50 IS-CB

1st August

11.30 66044 6K01 MN-
GM
13.00 66429 4A13 GM-AB

2nd August

06.00 66108 4H47 MN-IS
08.30 66614 6A65 OX-AB
10.30 66513 6G05 RV-LT
13.00 66424 4A13 GM-AB
14.15 66430 4D50 IS-CB
18.10 66106 6K09

MN-Tain

18.15 66115 6N44 PW-
GM

3rd August

06.00 66111 4H47 MN-IS
07.00 66413 4R75 GM-EE
10.30 66513 6G05 RV-LT
13.00 66428 4A13 GM-AB
14.15 66430 4D50 IS-CB

4th August

06.00 66111 4H47 MN-IS
10.30 66513 6G05 RV-LT
11.30 67011/25 5L25

MH-PH

13.00 66424 4A13 GM-AB

4th August (cont)

13.30 66113 6K06 MN-Brora

14.15 66430 4D50 IS-CB

5th August

06.00 66111 4H47 MN-IS
07.00 66104 6A31 MN-AB
07.00 66432 4R75 GM-EE
07.00 66612 6H51 OX-IS
10.30 66528 6G05 RV-LT
13.00 66412 4A13 GM-AB
14.15 66430 4D50 IS-CB

6th August

06.00 66104 4H47 MN-IS
07.00 66424 4R75 GM-EE
10.30 66528 6G05 RV-LT
13.00 66413 4A13 GM-AB
14.15 66430 4D50 IS-CB
18.40 66106 6K30

MN-Nairn

7th August

10.05 66147 6A30 MN-AB
10.30 66528 6G05 RV-LT
19.35 66099 6K07 MN-ME

9th August

06.00 66113 4H47 MN-IS
07.00 66427 4R75 GM-EE
08.30 66612 6A65 OX-AB
14.15 66430 4D50 IS-CB
18.10 66104 6K09

MN-Forres

10th August

10.30 66951 6G05 RV-LG
13.00 66412 4A13 GM-AB
18.10 66110 6K10

MN-Forres

11th August

06.00 66113 4H47 MN-IS
07.00 66412 4R75 GM-EE
10.30 66951 6G05 RV-LT
11.30 67025/30 5L25

MH-PH

13.00 66428 4A13 GM-AB
14.15 66424 4D50 IS-CB

12th August

06.00 66113 4H47 MN-IS
07.00 66112 6A31 MN-AB
10.30 66951 6G05 RV-LT
13.00 66429 4A13 GM-AB

12 th August (cont)			13 th August (cont)			13 th August (cont)		
14.15 66424 4D50	IS-CB		10.05 66114 1Z39	ED-ED		13.00 66421 4A13	GM-AB	
13 th August			circular tour via Alloa			14.15 66424 4D50	IS-CB	
06.00 66106 4H47	MN-IS		10.30 66509 6G05	RV-LT				

Sightings Location Codes:

AB Aberdeen	CP Chepstow	HV Haverfordwest	MW Moorswater	RY Rugby
AC Achnasheen	CR Croft Quarry	HW Heywood Jnct	NG Nottingham	SA Saltley
AD Alexander Dock	CS Cheltenham	HY Hinksey	NH Neath	SB Stourbridge
Jnct	CT Cardiff Tidal	IM Immingham	NJ Norton Jnct	SC Scunthorpe
AE Attercliffe	CV Cliff Vale	IS Inverness	NL Newtonhill	SD Standish Jnct
AH Ashchurch	CY Corby	JM Jersey Marine	NT Newport	SG Stoke Gifford
AJ Awre Junction	DC Dyce	KK Kilmarnock	NV Neville Hill	SH Slough
AL Alston	DL Dalmeny	KL Kyle of Lochalsh	NW Nantwich	SN Stockton
AN Acton	DM Dollands Moor	KN Kennethmont	OB Oban	SR Stourton
AR Abercynon	DR Doncaster	KS Kingsland Road	ON Onllwyn	SS Swansea
AV Avonmouth	DS Dalston	KY Kingsbury	OO Old Oak	ST Severn Tunnel
AW Abergthaw	DT Didcot	LA Laira	Common	Jnct
AY Ayr	DV Daventry	LC Lincoln	OX Oxwellmains	SV Stevenage
BA Blair Atholl	DY Derby	LD Lydney	OY Oxley	SW Swindon
BD Bedworth	DU Dundee	LG Lairg	PA Paisley	SY Shipley
BE Berkeley	EA Earles Sidings	LI Linlithgow	PC Port Clarence	TD Tyne Dock
BH Brierley Hill	ED Edinburgh	LK Lackenby	PF Peak Forest	TE Trostre
BL Bristol	EE Elderslie	LL Llanwern	PG Pengham	TH Theale
BN Beeston	EH Eastleigh	LM Long Marston	PH Perth	TK Tavistock Jnct
BP Bath	EL Elgin	LN Laurencekirk	PN Paddington	TL Tilbury
BR Bridgwater	EX Exeter	LO Longsight	PO Polmadie	TN Taunton
BS Bescot	FB Ferrybridge	LS Leeds	PR Preston	TO Toton
BT Barton Hill	FF Fiddlers Ferry	LT Longannet	PT Paignton	TR Trishington
BW Barrow Hill	FG Fishguard	LW Linkswood	PW Prestwick	TY Tees Yard
BZ St Blazey	FR Fairwater	LY Lindsey	PY Portbury	VA Victoria
BY Barry	GL Gloucester	MC Machen	PZ Penzance	WB Wembley
CA Calvert	GM Grangemouth	ME Montrose	RC Ratcliffe	WH Westerleigh
CB Coatbridge	GR Grange Sidings	MF Milford	RD Reading	WP Worksop
CE Crewe	GS Gleneagles	MG Margam	RE Redmile	WR Warrington
CD Charfield	GY Grimsby	MH Millerhill	RG Rugeley	WS Worcester
CF Cardiff	HA Hayes	MN Mossend	RM Rotherham	WV Wolverhampton
CH Chaddesden	HD Handsworth	MO Moreton	RN Robeston	WW Washwood Heath
CL Carlisle	HL Hartlepool	MS Maesteg	RO Round Oak	WY Westbury
CM Chalmersston	HS Hunslet	MT Mountsorrel	RR Rowley Regis	YT Yate
CN Carnforth	HT Hastings	MV Manchester Vic	RV Ravenstruther	YK York

Gloucestershire Sightings

by Nigel Hoskins

The following sightings are mostly from Gloucester Station, but also include workings on the avoiding line southeast of the station between Barnwood and Gloucester Yard Junctions. Only freight and notable loco hauled workings are shown together with the diagram code, time, origin and destination (see location codes).

20 th July			21 st July (cont)			22 nd July		
11.00 66118 6B13	RN-WH		05.03 66115 6V72			06.05 66157 6M81	MG-RO	
11.11 66039 6V05	RO-MG		Liverpool Alex.	Dock-SW		11.14 60074 6B13	RN-WH	
12.01 60040 6E41	WH-LY		06.08 66039 6M57	RN-KY		66058 0A53	TO-CF	
13.04 66132 6A36	AH-DT		12.28 60074 6B13	RN-WH		DR80206 6V26	BT-GL	
15.15 66040 6V92	CY-MG		66157 6M81	MG-RO		60040 6E41	WH-LY	
16.25 66016 6M41	MG-RO		66040 6V92	CY-MG		66017 6Z44	BH-CT	
18.04 66118 6B47	WH-MG		66157 6V07	RO-MG		66016 6M96	MG-CY	
21 st July			66016 6M41	MG-RO		23 rd July		
00.50 66017 6E29	CT-LC		66204 6E09	MG-MF		20.30 66951 4V61	RG-SG	
04.14 60040 6V98	LY-WH							

24th July

06.20 150125 2C65 GL-TN
 08.08 66087 6M60 EX-BS
 11.25 60040 6E41 WH-LY
 66951 6Y34 WY-CS
 66006 6Z44 BH-CT

25th July

09.05 66530 6Y25 GL-WY
 10.28 66556/957 6Y33
 Alstone-FR
 11.22 66951 6Y34 AH-WY
 17.12 66017 6E47 LL-TY

26th July

01.45 66039 6Z74 MG-WV
 03.58 66114 6M98 CT-KY
 06.05 66194 6M81 MG-RO
 09.24 66199 6B36 DT-AH
 10.58 59206 6B13 RN-WH
 11.55 60011 6E41 WH-LY
 12.05 47739 6Z47 GL-AD
 13.09 66124 6Z70

 MG-Daw Mill

19.02 66194 6V07 RO-MG
 19.08 59206 6B47 WH-MG
 19.15 66116 6V06 HD-CT
 22.55 66430 6Z68 CT-TD
 47739 0Z47 RY-GL
 31465 4Z08 DY-EX
 71000 5Z69 BT-GL

27th July

05.14 66013 6M81 MG-RO
 11.02 59206 6B13 RN-WH
 12.26 60011 6E41 WH-LY
 18.15 59206 6B47 WH-MG
 18.35 66118 6V06 KY-CT
 19.15 66008 6V69 BS-AD

28th July

09.12 66197 6B36 DT-AH
 11.05 66197 6A36 AH-DT
 11.11 59206 6B13 RN-WH
 15.57 66137 6M41 MG-RO
 18.06 59206 6B47 WH-MG
 18.18 66039 6Z79 WV-MG
 20.55 70003 4V61 RG-SG
 21.23 66024 6E09 SS-IM
 22.24 66116 6V29 LC-CF
 23.07 66015 6E47 LL-TY
 23.37 66169 6V81 RM-CT

30th July

11.00 59206 6B13 RN-WH
 18.17 59206 6B47 WH-MG
 19.10 66419 6Z90 TD-CT

31st July

11.24 60071 6E41 WH-LY
 20.33 66006 6V68 BN-CT
 20.50 66100 6V35 RM-CT

1st August

08.20 66608 6Y25 GL-WY

1st August (cont)

10.05 66585/620 6Y33
 Alstone-FR
 11.30 66615 6Y34
 Alstone-WY

2nd August

00.00 66090 6Z68 CT-SY
 06.10 66078 6M81 MG-RO
 07.20 66002 6M57 RN-KY
 11.13 59206 6B13 RN-WH
 15.59 66162 6M41 MG-RO
 18.50 59206 6B47 RN-MG
 19.02 66078 6V07 RO-MG
 19.05 66002 6Z59 KY-RN
 23.31 66162 6Y61 RO-LL

3rd August

23.26 66213 6E47 LL-TY
 23.43 66081/66116/60074
 6E20 MG-IM
 66082/006 6E47 LL-TY
 66133 6Z47 MG-WV
 66039 6M74 CT-BN
 60011 6V98 LY-WH
 66194 6V05 LL-RO
 59206 6B13 RN-WH
 66165 6M41 MG-RO
 66149 6V55 BD-MG
 66133 6Z77 WV-MG
 70003 4V61 RG-SG
 66133 6V07 RO-MG
 66003 6V69 BS-AD
 66039 6V68 BN-CT
 66094 6V35 RM-CT

4th August

02.55 66036 6Z47 MG-WV
 03.44 66013 6M98 CT-RY
 04.56 66090 6Z44 CT-HD
 06.29 66002 6M57 RN-KY
 07.11 143618 2A99 GL-SW
 11.14 59206 6B13 RN-WH
 18.04 59206 6B47 WH-MG
 23.04 66060 6E47 LL-TY

5th August

00.25 66039 6M74 CT-BN
 04.11 66084 6M11 LL-RO
 05.53 66198 6M81 MG-RO
 08.45 66110 6T90 BS-AD
 11.11 59206 6B13 RN-WH
 18.05 59206 6B47 WH-MG
 66422 0Z71 Plymouth-CE
 37059/069 6V74 CE-BR
 60011 6E41 WH-LY
 66601/620 6Y11 BE-FR

6th August

60011 6E41 WH-LY
 66076 6M03 RN-BD
 66149 6M81 MG-RO
 66168 6B36 DT-AH

7th August

10.59 66003 6M60 EX-BS
 11.18 59206 6B13 RN-WH
 18.53 59206 6B47 WH-MG
 20.00 66069 6V68 BN-CT

8th August

66618/585 6Y33 Alstone-FR
 66615 6Y34 Alstone-WY

9th August

06.07 66142 6M81 MG-RO
 06.57 66080 6M70 MG-WV
 07.28 66171 6M57 MK-KY
 09.10 66094 6M96 MG-CY
 11.09 59206 6B13 RN-WH
 12.00 66703 GL-EH

12.27 60071 6E41 WH-LY
 15.13 66082 6V92 CY-MG
 16.00 66039 6M41 MG-RO
 18.33 59206 6B47 WH-MG
 20.26 66199 6V06 KY-CT
 23.40 66162 6V81 RM-CT
 66703 4V66 EH-GL

10th August

07.56 66012 6M81 MG-RO
 09.11 66703 4C53 GL-LM
 66599 4V06 Ironbridge-SG
 66078 6M70 MG-WV
 66094 6M96 MG-CY
 59206 6B13 RN-WH

11th August

66138 6V29 LC-CT
 66074 6V81 RM-CT
 66014 6V07 RO-MG
 59206 6B13 RN-WH
 66165 6E30 MG-HL
 66039 6V63 WV-MG
 66061 6E41 WY-LY
 66082 6V92 CY-MG
 66129 6M41 MG-RO

12th August

66601/620 6Y11 BE-FR
 66014 6N11 MG-RO
 66426/420 6M67 BR-CE
 66530 4V06 Ironbridge-SG
 60071 6E41 WH-LY
 66084 6M81 MG-RO
 66039 6M96 MG-CY

14th August

10.33 66194 6M60 EX-BS
 10.58 60013 6B13 RN-WH
 17.25 60013 6B47 WH-MG

15th August

09.05 66618/510 6Y33
 Alstone-FR
 10.20 66559/596 6Y34
 Alstone-WY

Railway Globetrotters

by Ray Smith

Czech Republic, Slovakia and Hungary – Part 1:

A brief history:

Slovakia, as we know it today was part of the Kingdom of Hungary which was formed in the 11th century. The region became an integral part of the Hungarian state until the collapse of the Austro-Hungarian Empire in 1918. Due to conflicts such as the Ottoman wars against the Habsburg Monarchy which resulted in the occupation of Budaš, Bratislava (today's capital of Slovakia) was capital of Hungary until 1848. During the revolution of 1848-49 the Slovaks supported the Austrian Emperor, hoping to gain independence from the Hungarian part of the Dual Monarchy. They failed resulting in relations between the two nationalities deteriorating culminating in the secession of Slovakia from Hungary after World War 1. Buda was on the west bank of the Danube and Pest on the east. These joined to become the Hungarian capital, Budapest.

In 1918, Slovakia and the regions of Bohemia and Moravia formed a common state, Czechoslovakia. Now the Czechs and Slovaks enjoyed a period of relative prosperity, not only in the progress of the development of the country's economy, but in culture and education as well. In 1925, the Locarno Treaties left the East European security open. Then the Great Depression caused a sharp economic downturn. Thereafter, Czechoslovakia came under pressure from the revisionist governments of Germany and Hungary and in 1938 the Munich Agreement allowed Nazi Germany to occupy part of the country known as Sudetenland. This area bordered Germany and Austria. The remainder of the country was renamed Czecho-Slovakia. At the same time, the First Vienna Award allowed Hungary to claim back southern and eastern Slovakia. Next, Nazi Germany threatened to annex part of Slovakia and allow the remaining areas to be partitioned by Poland and Hungary unless independence was declared. This happened in 1939 and Slovakia, in many respects became a German puppet regime.

In April 1945, Slovakia was liberated by Soviet and Romanian forces. After World War 2, Czechoslovakia was reconstituted and in 1948 came under the influence of the Soviet Union and its Warsaw Pact. Towards the end of the Second World War the Hungarian railway system was severely damaged and it took until 1948 to have most of it operable. During the 1956 Hungarian Revolution the railway system escaped serious damage. Hungary is now part of the EU.

In 1969 Czechoslovakia became a federation of the Czech Socialist Republic and the Slovak Socialist Republic.

With the end of Communist rule in 1989, following the Velvet Revolution, this allowed the dissolution of the country for the last time with the Czech Republic and the Slovak Republic going their separate ways. The country was officially dissolved on December 31st 1992. This has sometimes been called the Velvet Divorce. The Czech Republic and Slovakia have remained close partners and both countries co-operate with Poland and Hungary in the Visegrád Group. Slovakia joined NATO and became part of the European Union in 2004, and in 2009 adopted the Euro as its national currency.

The Railway Companies:

Ceské dráhy (Czech Railways) CD:

The company was established in 1993, after the dissolution of Czechoslovakia as a successor of the Czechoslovak State Railways. CD has 9,496km of track, 6,697 bridges and 154 tunnels.

The numbering system today became effective on January 1st 1988 replacing a complex, rather clever system invented by Mr. Kryspin, chief engineer of the locomotive factory První Českomoravská Praha in 1921. This applied to electric and diesel locomotives as well as EMUs. Steam locomotives had a class and serial number e.g. 354 7152.

I will try to give a simplified explanation. Take T448 0017. The first letter(s) described the locomotive or unit.

E	Electric locomotives DC
M	Diesel motor coaches
N	EMU centre coaches
R	EMU driving trailers
S	Electric locomotives AC
T	Diesel locomotives
EM	Electric motor coaches of DC EMUs
SM	Electric motor coaches of AC EMUs
ES	Electric locomotives dual voltage

1st digit	number of driving axles
2nd digit	that number plus 3 then multiplied by 10 equals its maximum speed. confused! eg. T448 0017, the second digit is 4, $(4+3) \times 10 = 70\text{km}$.
3rd digit	that number plus 10 = weight per axle (that answer could be slightly over or under), so $8+10 = 18\text{t}$.
4th - 7th digits	was the serial number.

T448 0017 became 740 017, a Bo-Bo, its weight was 72t and its max speed was 70kmh.



2-10-0 556 0510 Luzna u Rabounik
(Czech Rly Museum) 22 July 2010



T669 0001 (orig no.) Luzna u Rabounik
(Czech Rly Museum) 22 July 2010

From 1st January 1988 a common system was introduced with a 3 digit class number, a 3 digit serial number and a 1 digit European check digit e.g. 000 000-0.

To simplify, only the 1st digit of the first 3 describes the locomotive or unit, eg. 740 017-9.

Now the 1st digit indicates:

0	EMU / DMU centre car	5	EMU motor coach AC
1	Electric locomotive DC	6	EMU motor coach dual voltage
2	Electric locomotive AC	7	Diesel locomotive
3	Electric locomotive dual voltage	8	Diesel motor coach
4	EMU motor coach DC	9	EMU / DMU driving trailer.

There are many private / industrial locomotives all over the system and many have the same class numbers. However, their serial numbers start 500 upwards.

In 2009 CD announced that it would start to scrap or refurbish all locomotives and coaching stock that were over 40 years old, which accounts for nearly 50% of its current fleet!

all photos above and opposite by Ray Smith (to be cont.)



dual voltage 363 127
Praha (Prague) Hlavní station, 18 May 2005



DC electric 111 020
Praha (Prague) Hlavní station, 18 May 2005



DC electric 111 020
Praha (Prague) Hlavní station, 18 May 2005



749 187
Praha (Prague) Hlavní station, 18 May 2005



704 001
Horníhrstherpsice depot, 3 April 2007



diminutive B shunter 799041
Cheb depot, 31 March 2007



snorkel class 754 020
Plzeň depot 1 April 2007



AC electric 240 109
Česká Budejovice depot 1 April 2007

Light Rail & Metro News

by Martin Hall

Birmingham: The Midland Metro in Birmingham is to be shut down for two weeks due to engineering work in late autumn of this year and in spring 2011.

Blackpool: With the new trams arriving soon in Blackpool some of the older trams are leaving. Number 619 has gone to Heaton Park Tramway, 623 and 702 have gone to Museum of Museums, Trafford Park, Manchester, 712 to Crich Tramway Village, Derbyshire and 716 to Ptarmigan Transport Solutions, Perth.

Gatwick Airport: The new Gatwick Airport Automated Peoplemover is now operational and has six Bombardier Innovia APM 100 cars running as two sets of three. They have rubber tyres and each pod can carry eight passengers with the luggage and can accommodate wheel chairs.

Freight Corner

WAGON UPDATES by Scott Yeates (to UKRS No.3 UK Wagons 2010):

Now released, it is intended to provide changes via this spot every month. In this way members can keep their copy as up to date as possible until the 2011 edition....nothing like planning ahead. It is known that various wagons reportedly withdrawn or missing from previous editions are still in service so if any member can provide information please let Scott know, contact details on page 2.

Nothing to report this month.

WAGON NEWS:

Freightliner has re-painted one each of its Cl.86/6s & 90's, 86637 & 90045 in the new powerhaul livery as per Cl.70s.

A blow has been dealt to freight plans in the UK with two new freight terminals getting into difficulty. One is ProLogis, who were hoping to turn the abandoned Parkside Colliery site into a rail based warehouse complex and the other, Helioslough which has had its plans refused for a freight terminal at the former Radlett Airfield.

The Donnington Rail Freight Terminal is rapidly filling up with stored multiple units and rolling stock.

Rare visitors have been coming through the tunnel like French registered ICA wagon carrying waste oil for re-cycling, its number being 33.87.7995.001.

WAGON REVIEW by Martin Hall:

HAA 32.5t MGR Coal Hopper Wagon

I did a wagon review on this wagon back in 2004 when it was one of the commonest wagons on BR metals but now due to its age and new technologies it has been superseded by the much larger bogie HTA hoppers. In their heyday there were some 10,702 vehicles, but now only 1,247 survive and many of these have been modified. The revolution came when power stations burning coal needed a constant supply of coal and the MGR (Merry-go-round) was born with two experimental wagons 350000 and 350001 both of which have been preserved. The first one 350000 is preserved at the National Railway Museum – Sheldon and the second one 350001 at the Bo'ness & Kinneil Railway. With many of the power stations now closed and the new HTAs being 3 x bigger, fewer wagons are needed to carry the same amount of coal. At first many of the redundant wagon chassis were used to construct new wagons like the MEAs and MHAs but now even this is stopping and many more HAAs are now being scrapped.

As interest I have added some photographs of an incident I recorded on 2nd September 1988 at Trowel Junction, Ilkeston, Derbyshire, when a rake of HAAs de-railed and struck the main road bridge blocking the line for several days, some concertinaed and jammed under the bridge which made it very difficult to clear up. The wagons could have been made of plastic judging by their mangled state.



HAA 352063 with Mainline branding at Toton, 2 April 1995

Martin Hall



prior to entering preservation HCA 350001 was a long time stored resident of Elgin Yard, this pioneer is seen in one of the various modifications given to HAAs with a partial canopy interestingly the visible worksplate is missing but the one on the other side, is still insitu
10 January 2008



mangled HAAs, Trowel Junction, Ilkeston, Derbyshire, 2 September 1988

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Stock Changes

by Trevor Roots

It is hoped that all major changes recorded below will help you keep the **Combine, Pocket Book** and **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**

Locos & Multiple Units:

New Stock - DMUs: (on test)

172002* 172007* 172008*
378232* 378233* 380105* 380106*

Locos returned from abroad (DBS):

66026 66029 66033 66042 66062
66071 66072 66073



DBS Euro Cargo 66033 & 66029 (behind)
Toton depot, 17 August 2010

Re-numberings:

37240	to	6940	47770	to	47500
43068	to	43468	43080	to	43480
313107	to	313207	313110	to	313210
313111	to	313211	313113	to	313213
313115	to	313215	313115	to	313215
313116	to	313216	313120	to	313220
378008	to	378208	378010	to	378210
378011	to	378211	378016	to	378216

Locos Transferred / on loan *:

08511	FX	to	CVR	20906	(CP)	to	WH
08870	Ketton	to	WEA				
D9504*	NVR	to	KES	14901*	ELS	to	PEA
20020*	BKR	to	WEN	50007	GCR	to	MRB
47813	(DWY)	to	BH	47828	(DWY)	to	BH



14901 Rowsley, PEA 17 August 2010



D9504 Tenterden Town, KES 12 August 2010

DMUs Transferred:

150125 TY to PM

EMUs Transferred:

508201-04/06/09/10 to (DRT)

EMU into preservation:

3CIG 1497 to MNR

Locos for Scrapping:

EMR Attercliffe:	08872
EMR Hartlepool:	09104
EMR Kingsbury:	08884, 87031

Locos Scrapped:

Ron Hulls:	08397, 37890, 37896
TJ Thomson, Stockton:	20105
EMR Kingsbury:	08540, 08543, 08689
	58003, 58014, 58028



long time stored 20105 still in ex-channel tunnel
guise as 2016 (also numbered 36)
Barrow Hill, 18 April 2009

Eastleigh Works Report - Scrapped:

Rail Grinder DR79275 (after 2009 fire damage -
its overhauled partner DR79265 is stored)
LUL cars – 1576, 1577, 2576, 2690, 9745

New Stock



LO 378226 one of the 10 as built 4 car Cl.378/2s (1 still to be delivered) approaches Watford Junction from London Euston, this service is now totally in the hands of these EMUs together with the Cl.378/0s, being strengthened from 3 to 4 cars and consequently re-numbered as Cl.378/2s (see cover), 16 August 2010

Liveries....RIP (partly)




ScotRail 156504, the last remaining Cl.156 and hence the last DMU wearing ex-SPT carmine & cream livery (still extant on Cl.314, 318, 320 & 334 EMUs) has entered works to be receive the new Saltire livery
Edinburgh Waverley, 21 January 2010

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