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Front Cover Photo:

Applied for charity for 'Movember' there are still several SWT Cl.458s running around with very stylish moustaches as with 8020 at Waterloo at 15.08 in platform 19 alongside the former Eurostar terminal.

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Editor's Comments:

Hope you all had a good festive season and have not been unduly affected by the rough weather. Many of you are probably sick of the wind and the rain. Well to perk you up here is the first 48 page edition of **TRACKS**. Now into my ninth year in the editors chair it is pleasing, if not a tad masochistic, especially at Christmas, to have doubled the pages from 24 back in 2006. There is a slight tweak to the presentation which I hope you approve of, but by and large the content stays just as diverse. With 8 more pages each month, good old favourites like **Ramblings of a Rail Enthusiast** and **Railway Globetrotters** can now be regular features alongside the ever growing mountain of topical news items. Both the mentioned series cater for the nostalgia amongst, what is a largely older membership and for those who find the lure and vast variety of World railways of interest. I certainly find both fascinating reads, highlighting the ease with which Dave swanned around the network in the 60s and how welcoming (when anyone's at home !!) depots are abroad. What with new stock in operation since the December timetable changes, new locos due to arrive into the UK in January, new wagons, with hundreds being scrapped, the railway scene is as vibrant as ever, it's almost hard to keep up.

Errata:

In last issue on page 14 (right hand column bottom), 37425 should be 66425 and page 17, the FEA wagons (caption to bottom photo) should have been 642010/08/14.

Publication News - USF update:

Just in case anyone spotted the deliberate error on the rear cover of Vol.1, the caption is right to the left hand cover indicating Vol.2 is available, but the picture is not...first time for that typo, oops!!

Obituary:

Sadly we start the New Year with the news that we have lost member Roy Proudley from Chichester. Our sincere condolences go to his wife and family.

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Magazine:

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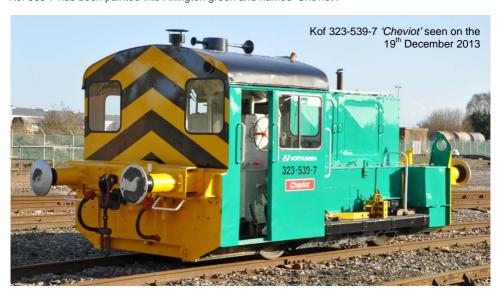
EASTLEIGH WORKS REPORT

by **Carl Watson** for the period up to 30th December 2013

Locos: Repaired 66562 departed in early December.

57312, 57310, 57305, GLVs 68504 & 68505, 73205 and 73141 departed for winter duties as a convoy on the 6th.

Kof 539-7 has been painted into Arlington green and named 'Cheviot'.



Repairs to 47790 have been completed and the loco departed in mid December. 56312 arrived with 50026, 50031 and 50135 on the 16th. The 56 departed light immediately after.





, 59004, 59102 and 59103 arrived on the 23^{rd} (see photo above) for maintenance/repairs over Christmas. They returned to Merehead on the 2^{nd} January.





Also arriving for repairs just before Christmas were 47818 (see photo above left), 66418 (see photo above right) and 66846 (see photo below).



Coaches: Work is well underway on the two DRS Escort Coaches, 9419 and 9428, including rubbing down ready for repainting.

Wagons: A start has been made by Raxstar on scrapping some of the stored coil carrier wagons on site. Three were done by mid December, KIB 33.70.0899 096-8/102-4 (see photo below) and 086-9.



73208 + 73212 arrived with SITT wagons, 99.70.9594.002-6, 004-2, 009-1 and 011-7 on the 23rd, presumably these will be based here for winter duties just like last winter.

The East Yard trip on a foggy 11th was a rare 08 working, it's usually a 66. Recent arrival to the Eastleigh area, 08904 arrived to collect IVA 2398 565-4 following repairs (see photo below).





Units: 455842 was completed by Wabtec in early December but didn't leave due to minor faults. 455844 still arrived on the 3rd, giving a 'before and after' comparison (see photo above). 455842 finally left on the 5th December. 455844 was completed to plan and departed on the 18th.

There were no 455 units on site over Christmas; the next incoming unit was due on the 2nd January. Siemens have overhauled 450023, 009, and 072.

London Underground: Work is progressing well on the two additional cars for the Asset Inspection Train, 3079 and 3179 (see photo right of 3179 taken on the 12th December), with plating over of windows and cutting out of recesses at vehicle ends to accommodate jumper cables. One of the Test Sheds has been refurbished and the AIT will be moved into it in the New Year.

'C' Stock arrivals have been: 5723/6723, 5513/6513, 5600/6600, 5506/6506, 5504/6504, 5711/6711, 5718/6718, 5514/6514, 5719/6719, 5597/6597, 5571/6571, 5731/6731, 5724/6724, 5535/6535.

'C' Stock disposals by Raxstar: 6582, 5563, 6562, 6542, 5542, 5606, 6723, 6513, 6506, 6600, 6504, 6711, 5723, 5513.

'C' Stock vehicles in the scrap line awaiting the restart of scrapping in the New Year are: 5600, 6718, 6514, 5711, 6719, 6597, 6731, 6571, 6724, 6535, 5514.



all photos by Carl Watson

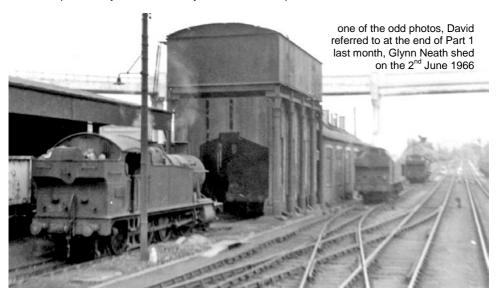
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RAMBLINGS OF A RAIL ENTHUSIAST

by David Spencer - 1966 Part 2

I try to provide extra detail on the items of traction shown in photos, other than number, date and location as provided by Dave...so it's my fault if errors creep in, ed.



August: On the 5th a DMU took me from Huntingdon into King's Cross and then via EMUs around the Southern to Wimbledon and Clapham taking photos as steam had less than a year to go before electrification. I then caught the overnight train to Port Talbot and starting with Port Talbot (Central) I walked the PTR lines first to Duffryn Yard and the site of the shed as far as Little Duffryn Halt, then back towards the Aman Valley where the R&SB and SWM lines all intermingled with the PTR. My notes read "rained off" but in any event I was due to meet Roger, then we rode behind D1060 to Neath General and caught a bus to Ammanford and found a B&B. The rest of the day was local where we visited Tirydial and went in the box then down to Pantyffynnon and went in that box as well.

Sunday the 7th saw us walk the Pantyffynnon Junction to Brynamman West line and the link through to the East line. Despite its small size Brynamman had two stations, Brynamman West, a terminus of the GWR line which we just walked and Brynamman East, a terminus of the Midland line from Gurnos Junction. The stations were either side the same road bridge and a link was built to connect the two. A bus took us down to Gurnos, as we had walked the Midland line previously and went up the freight line to Ynysgedwyn, also a repeat and then down to Ynysygeinon Junction where we got a bus down the valley to Clydach on Tawe. At Glais Junction the Midland split into two with a long closed goods loop to Upper Bank and the still open ex-passenger line through Morriston East to Swansea (St Thomas). A GWR branch ran between the two lines to Clydach on Tawe North and it was all new to me. Walking the Midland also offered good views of the GW line below, so we photographed both. It appears we then turned back and walked north to Pontardawe before getting a bus back to Ammanford.

On Monday the 8th we went inside Tirydial box again and walked the Great Mountain branch and returned to Pantyffynnon in the hope of a train to GCG but none were due to run, so we got a bus to Gurnos and then had a brake van ride behind D3827 from Ystalyfera to Swansea Eastern depot, down the line we had walked the previous day. We moved to the Swansea Bay area for the next two nights and started on the LNWR lines into Swansea (Victoria) and the connection into the docks, where we found the remains of the R&SB station at Riverside. We then headed to Swansea (St Thomas), the

Midland terminus. Being in the right place at the right time is important and although we researched all this beforehand you can never be certain with freights. It worked on this occasion and we had a ride with D3828 back up the line we did yesterday to the washery at Ynysgedwyn. From there we went up to the Neath and Brecon line at Abercrave and walked to Colbren Junction where D6909 and D6921 were on hand to take us back to Abercrave, rare track indeed. I cannot recall a special on this branch although I expect there was one once. Then D6921 on its own headed the 16:00 coal train to Swansea Eastern Depot going up to Colbren and reversing down the N&B main line. We stopped at Onllwyn and spent time chatting to the signal man in the box that emulated a greenhouse with the number of plants he had growing in there, before continuing south. This line is of course still open to Onllwyn and has many specials running on it over the years. On arrival in the docks we walked part of the GW Wynd Street line before return ing to our B&B



Wednesday the 10th was our last day together and we got a bus to Morriston and inspected East (Midland) station. Cohens scrap yard was off this line and apart from three Ivatt 2MT 2-6-0Ts (see photo above), of interest and more unusual was 6PAN EMU 3021 (see photo below) and SR shunter 15201.



We crossed to Copper Pit Platform on the GW Morriston West line and walked to Felin Fran where we visited both West Junction and East Junction signal boxes and waited in the latter for the 12.00 Jersey Marine to the International Nickel factory at Monds freight which arrived behind D9528, rare haulage on a rare line.



Monds is the present terminus of the GW Clydach on Tawe line and we watched the train set back off the down main line to access the branch then we joined it. Life was amazing in those days as we arrived in the reception sidings and freely walked unchallenged round the factory site chatting to staff and photographing the industrial shunter. I've since been told official requests to visit the industrials were always turned down but that day we got away with it.



Peckett 0-4-0ST 1 [1345] made it into preservation and is at the Gwili Railway, seen in the photo right at Bronwydd Arms on the 6th September 2009. It arrived two months earlier from the defunct Swansea Vale Railway, Pentrechwyth who saved the loco for preservation. Note that vacuum pipes have been fitted and the dumb buffers replaced since leaving industrial use, ed.

Eventually it was time to return and we went back with D9528 to Neath Court Sart and walked to Llandarcy where we again waited in the signal box for D6917 for a ride to Llandillo Junction.





Yet again David has managed to record another survivor as D6917 survives today as NR 97304 having been converted by HNRC in 2008/09 at Barrow Hill from stored 37217. Having been withdrawn 10/02, 37217 nearly made it into preservation but the sale was cancelled ed.





After another look around Llanelli dockland and then we got a train back to Swansea and bed, my note reads "visited Swansea Eastern Depot box" but when I'm not sure. Roger went home Thursday morning, so for something to do I went to Whitland and back with a DMUs before D1018 took me back to Paddington. I was chuffed to get a baby Deltic D5901 back to Huntingdon.



all B&W photos by David Spencer (to be cont)

TRAFFIC & TRACTION NEWS

by John Barton

December 1

66106 on 6X46 Norton Fitzwarren - Westbury via Exeter Riverside passed Silverton at 09.08 with empty pointwork carrier train.

December 2

66430 was seen passing Preston at 15.25 on the Carlisle - Crewe Basford Hall departmental. 66953 passed East Usk at 13.20 with 4V20 Fiddlers Ferry - Stoke Gifford.

December 3

66131 on 6W99 17.45 Westbury - Pengam via Aberthaw headed northbound through Llanbradach at 23.12 with an engineering train. 66846 departed Cambridge at 18.59 with 6036 Whitemoor - Hoo Jnct with a rake of auto ballast wagons.

December 4

MPV DR98903 + DR98953 departed New Brighton at 08.15 on 3S06 - Wigan LIP.

60091 on 2F05 Leeds - Knottingley was seen at Castleford with the Lindsey - Ferrybridge tanks at 07.43

December 5

59005 roared through Kensal Rise at 19.28 with loaded Whatley - Dagenham ARC aggregates.

December 6

66198 departed Dee Marsh sidings 21.55 following the late arrival of the inbound 6M86, delayed due to very poor rail conditions on the Wrexham - Bidston line.

47501 'Craftsman t&t 47832 'Solway Princess' headed northbound through Ruabon at 14.30 with the 1Z39 Northern Belle Christmas luncheon special from Coventry – Coventry via Wrexham and Chester (photo below by Martin Evans).



December 7

66518 t&t 66528 on the never ending 6Y50 Toton - Harpenden HOBC passed Long Eaton High Level Goods at 20.23.

December 8

66604 t&t 66603 on 6YXX Standish Jnct - Fairwater HOBC through Swindon at 09.34 from the Gloucester branch.

December 9

66013 t&t 66144 passed southbound through Llanbradach on 3S61 18.57 Margam - Margam via Tir-Phil with RHTT at 22.25.

67005 departed Reading at 22.23 working 5M16 Eastleigh TRSMD - Wembley Euro Freight Operations Centre.

Black 5's 44871 + 45407 passed Basingstoke at 17.38 working 1Z84 Winchester - Ipswich.

December 10

56312 + PNA's + RailVac + 31190 passed Basingstoke at 23.04 working 6Z42 Eastleigh - London Waterloo.

66740 on 4F61 Ironbridge - Tuebrook Sidings was seen at Stafford at 14.15 (photo below by Roger Thomas).



90024 was seen at Stafford at 14.55 (photo below by Roger Thomas).



377612 seen at 14.47, was one of 10 different members of the new class 377/6 EMUs seen working through Clapham Junction (photo opposite top by James Holloway).



67021 was seen heading southbound at 10.52 with Milford Jnct signal box beyond (photo below by Colin Pottle).



December 11

66303 headed northbound through Bolton Le Sands at 16.34 on 4S44 Basford Hall - Coatbridge liner.

December 12

37604 t&t 37609 passed northbound through Ystrad Mynach at 21.41 working 1Q14 1ADJ - Bristol TM via Uskmouth PS, Cwmbargoed, Penarth, Bridgend, Machen Quarry, Ebbw Vale with Radio Survey test train.

December 13

Seven Cl.73s were present in Tonbridge Yard 73213 & 73109 + 73208 + 73212 + 73141 + 73119 + 73205. Unfortunately the six loco convoy was under the footbridge so two photos were needed, see below and opposite top.





66206 deputizing for normal Colas loco headed south through Bolton le Sands at 16.23 on 6J37 Carlisle - Chirk loaded logs.

December 14

Adorned with graffiti, 63236 from set 450036 was seen at Waterloo at 15.16.



67024 departed Wolverhampton at 08.06 with Crewe - Quainton Road tour.

33029 'Glen Loy' was seen stabled between the tunnels at King's Cross prior to working charter stock the following day.



December 15

66952 t&t 66720 passed Sileby Station at 13.06 working a Whitemoor engineers train.

Not often seen outside Scunthorpe Steelworks, 82 (20066) was seen on Barrow Hill.



37372 donor loco for the Baby Deltic project looks a bit more the part with a squat nose at Barrow Hill.



December 16

66118 headed southbound through Radyr on 6C47 Tower - Aberthaw PS with 21 loaded HTA's at 20.15.

December 17

66510 on 6Z96 Crewe – Toton engineers passed through Stafford at 11.40 (photo below by Martin Evans).



57007 + 57010 were stabled in York Parcel Sidings just off Platform 11 at 15.54.

57311 *'Thunderbird'* possibly off living up to its name heads southbound from Crewe at 10.30 and was later seen at Oxley, Wolverhampton at 16.25 (photo below by Martin Evans).



37688 + 37606 were seen on 6S43 Carlisle – Torness nuclear flasks at the Torness PS loading point close to the A1, Northumberland at 12.42 (see photo at end of article).

December 18

37604 + 37423 worked 6M56 Berkeley - Crewe through Walsall at 15.23.

DEMŪ 1001 passed Paddock Wood at 15.03 on test from Tonbridge West Yard - St Leonard's.

December 19

156402 was seen passing through Nuneaton at 14.12 presumably returning to Norwich after work at Wolverton (photo below by Mike Rumens).



156422 departed Derby pilot line at 15.28 on 5Z58 back to Norwich Crown Point.

66559 headed north through Bolton le Sands at 13.36 with 4Z28 Fiddlers Ferry - Hunterston empty coal hoppers.

December 20

70016 passed Camden road at 16.05 working the 4M93 Felixstowe - Lawley Street intermodal.

December 21

55022 hauling 318264 passed Springburn at 12.07 on 5D15 Glasgow Works - Shields TMD. 60009 'Union of South Africa' was seen approaching Wellingborough on 1Z52 London Victoria — York charter (photo opposite top by Colin Pottle).



66540 on 4V64 Crewe – Cardiff Wentloog was seen passing Tilstock near Whitchurch at 11.40 (photo below by Roger Thomas).



December 22

44871 + 45407 t&t 47580 passed Penshurst at 20.34 on Newington – Tonbridge working. 60015 passed Cossington on the fast at 12.53 on Sileby Jnct - Toton North Yard engineers with 2 cranes & MHA/MTA type ballast wagons.

December 23

31465 left Derby after a crew change at 23.15. 90036 passed Bolton le Sands at 19.46 on 6S02 Warrington RMT – Shieldmuir.

December 24

37194 + 37606 on 6E44 Carlisle - Seaton nuclear flasks was seen along the coast between Sunderland and Seaham at 10.36.
20132 + 20107 t&t GBRf pair passed Cossington at 10.23 on a light engine move from Peterborough - Barrow Hill.

December 25

The following locos were visible from Toton Bank today 59201 66002 66007 66010 66048 66080 66088 66097 66109 66134 66724 66745 67019 67026

December 30

57004 + 57012 headed northbound through platform 4 at 12.58 with the Carlisle New Yard to Crewe engineers train (photo below by Graham Kirkby).



The inaugural TPE service to be operated by new CI.350/4 EMUs started today with 350401 + 350403 between Manchester Airport Glasgow Central and the return service was seen at Carlisle at 13.23, 54 minutes down due to weather issues at Beattock (photo below by Graham Kirkby).





CLASS 456 FAREWELL to SOUTHERN SERVICE

by Mark Richards

The Class 456 2-car FMUs disappeared from Southern services during December. All 24 units are to be transferred to South West Trains. In week commencing the 9th December, there are 12 booked diagrams for 456s, which dropped to 8 on the 16th and then 4 from the 17th until Christmas Eve. The last Southern 456 working was the 20.59 Dorking to Sutton on Christmas Eve. I believe 12 of the units will go directly to South West Trains and the other 12 will go to Wolverton. are to be Thev transferred by road, due to the lack of suitable translator vehicles to move them by rail.



a suitable view of 456016 on a South London Line service stopping at platform 1 Battersea Park, 18th April 2008 not only has the service stopped, but the track too (see **INFRASTRUCTURE NEWS**)

Alas there was nothing organised to mark the humble 456s withdrawal from Southern services. I personally will miss them as I have grown affectionate of these slightly odd, unloved trains. They're not sexy, not remarkable and not even that comfortable to ride on but as no one seems to care for them, I and my colleagues have become our own unofficial 456 fan club!



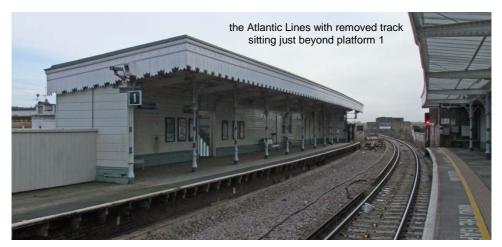
new & 'old' in the early morning sunshine, 456020 + 456013 sit alongside one of the very units introduced to replace them 377625, London Bridge, 08.43 14th December 2013

INFRASTRUCTURE NEWS - I

by Trevor Roots

Battersea Park, London:

Following on from the changes made after the East London Line was extended into Clapham Jnct (see article August 2012) Battersea Park has been altered with track rationalised. Battersea Park was a junction station with the Victoria to Clapham Jnct lines formed by two pairs of double tracks, Brighton Fast and Slow Lines. There were 5 platforms. Platforms 1 and 2 are on the Atlantic Lines (part of the south London Line), a ¾ mile double track spur section to Factory Junction, Wandsworth Road. Platforms 3 and 4 serve the Brighton Slow Lines and platform 5 the Down Brighton Fast Line, though this does no longer sees stopping trains. The Up Brighton Fast Line does not have a platform face. Previously the only intermediate station between Victoria and Wandsworth Road operated by twice hourly Cl.456s, through services were withdrawn in December 2012 on the Atlantic Lines. Throughout 2013 there were only two Mon-Sat daily services one terminating and one starting from the station, the 22.17 from Highbury & Islington, arriving at 22.59, and the 06.18 to Highbury & Islington arriving 07.01. From December 2013 an additional service has been added with the 23.09 to Clapham High Street arriving at 23.14. The services on the Atlantic Lines are operated by London Overground.





Recently Battersea Park Jnct pointwork has been removed, with the track in platform 1 removed and platform 2 now a terminus with the track terminated at buffer stops where the original platform finished. Platform 3 has been extended to the same length as platforms 4 / 5 across where the junction pointwork previously was.

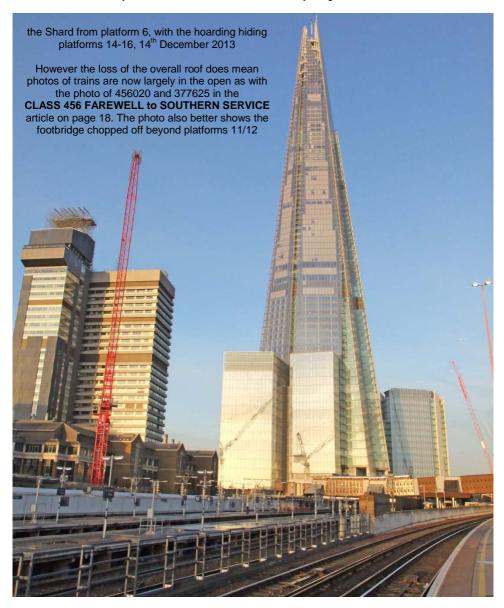




One advantageous by-product of the physical changes is that photographing all 4 tracks north of Battersea Park is now possible (see photo above) from the extended end of platform 3 without any encumbrances or inadvertently obscuring signals, as can happen at Clapham Jnct...staff do get annoyed!! If interested in only Southern operated services then this is now the place to go. Being alongside the gasometer a view is also possible of the Chatham Lines operated by South Eastern, though binoculars are needed. The only issue was a distinct whiff in the air! If wanting to then see South West Trains services, Queenstown is only a 5 min walk away.

London Bridge:

As part of the Thameslink programme the station is being re-built with platforms 14-16 currently out of use. As a result one sad loss is the overall roof from the western terminus side of London Bridge station. Towered over by the Shard, the station looks decidedly insignificant.



Compare the present view above taken on the 14th December with that on the 19th April 2007 opposite top, with 456022 in its original NSE livery...thought you might like this Mark, ed (see **Traffic & Traction News**). For reference note the enclosed footbridge between the two halves of the station on the extreme right of both photos which were taken from platform 6 of the through station.



King's Cross, London:



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 over long distances, to please add all locations when submitting to James...ed

Mike Rumens:

18th November:

Nuneaton 14.08-14.50:

66158/569/849, 86501, 90047, 153356, 170103 170522, 350122, 390047/115/151/157

DR73930/946/947

19th November:

Nuneaton 13.50-14.45:

47237, 66078/238/849, 90046, 153364, 170106 170110/112/519, 221114/43, 350101/124, 390008 390010/039/042/119/129/154, DR73947

20th November:

Nuneaton 14.14-14.40:

66135/849, 153356, 170639, 350128, 390008/015 390046/107

21st November:

Nuneaton 14.05-14.35:

66027/094/172/250/849, 153356, 170104/637 221112. 390039/118/136

25th November:

Nuneaton 14.15-14.40:

57302, 66077/849, 90043/47, 92038, 153356 170107/520, 221103, 350263, 390009/043/121 390125/154

26th November:

Nuneaton 13.55-14.55:

66094/198/503, 90046, 153375, 170104/523 221103, 350115/116./262, 377623, 390016/046 390118/131/151, DR80208

27th November:

Nuneaton 14.10-14.30:

66168/849, 153334, 170398, 350111, 390125/130 390135/154

28th November:

Nuneaton 13.45-14.42:

66131/213/592/849. 153375. 170104/106/520 221104/07, 350101/116, 390005/013/016/112/114 390125/132/141/154

2nd December:

Nuneaton 14.05-15.00:

66069/541/849, 90047, 90026/31/44, 153334 170397/518/520/638, 221108, 350108, 390010 390040/107/129/131/134/136

3rd December:

Nuneaton 13.44-15.05:

66050/090/571/718/849, 90043, 153365, 170103 170108/111/521, 221117, 350101/112, 390002 390008/013/016/047/115/126/131/135/137 DR77906

4th December:

Nuneaton 14.10-14.40:

66122/537/849, 153356, 350125, 390009/107/114 390129

10th December:

Nuneaton 13.47-14.40:

66050/142/572/589/849, 86613/22, 153375 170516/522/639, 221102, 350110/265, 390006

390104/117/125/129/134/136/138

11th December:

Nuneaton 14.20-1515:

66074/147/729/849, 86602/28, 153354, 170115 170518/523, 221116, 350105/126, 390020/047 390118/123/125/127/134/151

12th December:

Nuneaton 14.10-14.35:

66162/849, 153334, 170104, 350111, 390005/156

16th December: Nuneaton 14.10-14.50:

66078/420/849, 90048, 92038, 170107/115 221105, 350102, 390122/124/127/135/141

17th December:

Nuneaton 13.40-14.40:

66095/200/501/729/849, 90043, 153364, 170106 170108/113. 221112. 350112/126. 390042/046 390107/114/115/118/124

18th December:

Nuneaton 14.12-14.50:

66182/603. 86501/612/628. 153365. 350122 390120/136

19th December:

Nuneaton 14.06-14.40:

66095/849, 90016, 153375, 156402, 170639 221102/10, 350249, 390006/039/042/103/107/141

Michael Hayman:

30th November:

Euston: Steam: 44871/45407

33207, 90029, 92039

King's Cross:

43257, 67021, 91104/08/15-17 Peterborough: Steam: 60009 43206/310/315/465, 47580/826/854

66066

7th December:

East Croydon: Steam: 44871/45407

Finsbury Park: 90019

King's Cross: Steam: 60009, 70013 43272/274/309, 47580, 67016 Victoria: 67005, Steam: 35028

Clapham Junction: 66018/100/115/117/190

11th December:

St Pancras: 43050, 66601 Luton-Bedford: 66147/149

Leicester:

43047/059/060/089, 56007/031/069/087/106

66085/707/727/731/732. 97301 Mexborough: 66020/031

Doncaster: 66099/425/516, 67016

York:

43252/317/465/468, 66501/564/738, 67028

12th December:

Victoria: 66004/082, 67005/11

St Pancras:

43045/046/048/055, 37667, 67024, 37 3006/010

37 3013/015/205/219/222

13th December: Paddington: 57605

Eastleigh:

08904, 31190, 56312, 60045, 66084/850, 73109

73141/208/212 Southampton:

66075/078/418/543/566/588/954, 70019

23rd December:

Acton: 37419, Steam: 44871/45407

Geoff Hope:

7th December:

Doncaster 08.25-14.30:

08669. 43206/238/239/257/272/275/290/295/296 43300/305-309/317/-319/423/465/468/480, 60001 66030/076/090/115/118/119/129/162/170/171/413 66515/534/560/705/706/735/736/743, 67021 91101/08-12/14-16/18-22/24-29. 142019/21/24/33 142043/50/55/88/91, 144002/04/07/13, 153324 156403/70. 158790/793/797/815/843/849/850 170303/6, 180107/10-13, 185135/37/39/44 220002/05/09/19/24/27/28. 221120/37/38. 222021 321903. 322483/5. DVT's 82200-04/06-12/16-18 82224/26-28/30. Charters 47786+6103+6022+ 6724+586+3431+3350+3326+504+3313+Emerald +57314. 90019+3110+3121+3068+3120+3069+ 3097+1691+3066+3119+35469, 47826+4905+ 5032+99722+5035+506+99327+99317+99328+ 4960+21266+47746

12th December:

Knottingley 08.45-15.00:

09201, 66011/015/035/076/185/428/508/524/526 66554/561/562/595/705/707/709/713/716/735 144010. 153332/78. 180107

17th December:

Clapham Junction 09.15-11.50:

158884. 159001/004/011/015/103/105/106 378141/146/147/153/205/209/215/217/218/222 378224/229-231/234. 377101-104/121-123/127 377132/133/136/140/142/147-149/152-154 377157-160/164/203/204/206/208/210/215 377301-303/310/312/317/320-322/328/401/404 377406-408/410/412/414/415/418/420/423 377430-432/434/438-443/446/449/450/452-455 377458/460/462/466/469-471/606/607/610 377612-615/618/621/622/624, 442401/02/07/11/13 442414/16/18/19/20/24. 444001-04/08/12/13/18/25 444026/28/30/31/36-43/45, 450001/002/005/006 450008/012/015-017/021-023/026-031/036 450039-041/071/073/074/076/080-082/085/086 450091/096-098/102/104/105/109-118/123/125 450127/543-547/549/552-554/556/558/559/562 450563/566/568/569, 455701-708/710/712-727 4557330/731/733/738/740-742/750/806/807/811 455813/814/816/821/825/828/829/833/835/839

455842/843/847-850/852/853/855-862/864 455866-873/901-916/919/920, 456010/13/17/20 458001/04/06/08/09/11/12/14/15/17/18/20/21/25 458027/29

Whitechapel 12.20-13.35:

378135/138-141/143-150/152-154/203/211/212 378214/215/217/221/222

Barking 13.50-14.50:

66150. 357001/006/008/014/016/025-027/031/034 357035/038/041/201/203/207/213/215/219/221 357222/224/225/227

London Bridge 15.45-17.45:

171728/804-806. 319012/430/432/434/437-439 319441/444/445/459/468, 375307/309/605/609 375615/617/620/621/703/704/714/715/802/806 375808-813/818/824/908/909/913/917/919-921 375925/926. 376001-09/11-14/16/18-20/22-25 376027/29-36, 377103/108/109/115/116/120/123 377124/129/145/161/201/204/213/305/310/316 377326/328/405/410/413/415/416/419/420/424 377434/444/456/460/461/467/471/505/509/515 377520/608/619/623, 455802/803/805/807/808 455810/812/813/817/818/820/829/832/834 455836-838/840-842/845/846, 456016 465001-007/010-017/019/021/028-031/033/035 465037/038/040/043-046/050/151/152/154/155 465158/160/161/164/166-168/170/172-175 465178-180/183/185/187/190/192/193/195 465235-237/239-244/246-248/901/907-909 465911-913/917/918/922/924/925/927/929-931 466001/03-05/14/15/17/19/23/27/29/34/36/41-43

Ian McAlpine:

29th November:

Peterborough: 66117/726, 91103

York: Steam: 4464 37518, 185131 30th November:

York:

47580, 142096, 150223, 155344, 158853

185104/05, 220033, 222013

Selby-Hull:

144008, 158842/844/904, 170304, 180111

1st December:

43367, 142017/50/65/91

6th December:

Peterborough: 66118/702/704/738, 91116

Doncaster: 66076/428/714/736

York:

43277/311, 47826, 150143, 185110, DVT 82224

7th December: Peterborough:

66040/704/737/738/744/955, 170105

11th December:

Peterborough: 66132/221, 91106

York: 09017, 37518

14th December:

Darlington: 142091, 185104, DVT 82229

York: Steam: 60009 56303, 185148

Doncaster: 60035, 66428/539/542/743, 67016

Peterborough: 66701/712/726, 91105

17th December:

Peterborough: 37607, 365514/31

Biggleswade: 66156 Bounds Green: 08571 Hornsev: 66164

King's Cross: 67021, 317347, 321408, 365504

Victoria: 377613/614, 442402

Balham: 377611 19th December:

43465/480, 66169/250/708, 170202, 366521/25

Huntingdon: Steam: 4464

Hornsey: 66164

King's Cross: 67021, 321405/07

St Pancras:

37 3007/008/103/214/215/217/218/229/230

395004/05/07/19/21/23/29 **Ashford-Canterbury West:** 375824/916, 395002/13/17 **21**st December:

Leicester: 66250, 222011

Nuneaton-Stoke:

 $70009,\,153365,\,170630,\,350103/129/130,\,390136$

Crewe:

08868, 47712, 86247, 87035, 90050, 158822 221108/13. 390114

Chester-Moorfields:

158833, 175007/105, 507023/032/033, 508131/37

Bob Eastwood:

9th December:

Shipton-by-Beningborough: 11.12 66715 Tyne-Drax coal

11.28 66115 Doncaster-Mossend L/E 11.55 66748 Redcar-Drax biomass 12.09 66703 Drax-Butterwell coal

12.21 66539 Doncaster-Tyne coal 43296/308, 91112/20, 185125/27/48, 220025/28

220031/32

Paul Bright:

1st December:

Blackpool-York & return:

43043/059, 47501, 57309, 91113/17, 142052 150114/132/136/140, 153331, 155342/5/6, 156468 156489, 158752/791/845/909, 170303, 185101/20 185129/38/41/45, 390118

York:

43013/062/208/239/257/272/295/299/300/302/304 43306-308/310/313/316/320/321/367, 47818 66131/514/715/739, 67016, 91102/05/09/11/15/19 91122/27/31/32, 142004/70, 150201/204/206 158754-759/784/791/843/907, 180105/14, 185102 185105-07/09/13/20/27/30/34/37/40/42/43/46/47 185151, 220003/05-07/14/19/23/27, 221121/31/33 221141, 222010

RHTT GALLERY

The last photo of the 2013 Rail Head Treatment Train (RHTT) season, which ceased at the start of December 2013, features yet another of the workings and another class of loco.

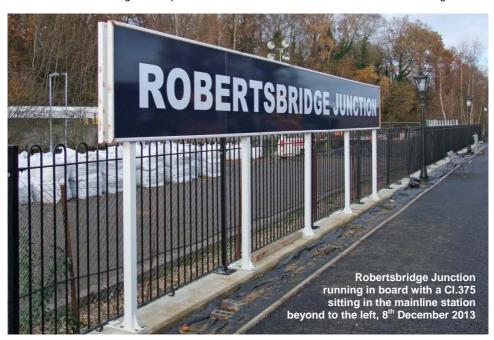


PRESERVATION NEWS

by Trevor Roots

Rother Valley Railway, East Sussex (RVR):

Following the article in the August 2013 issue, a successful 'Return to Robertsbridge' Gala was held in September using the partially completed Robertsbridge Junction Station, as it is now known. The stock is now stabled alongside the platform and work continues to create new station buildings.





Weardale Railway, County Durham (WEA):

As per last year the Weardale Railway ran its Polar Express trains. Apparently these have proved highly popular with over 40,000 tickets being sold over the season. The Dartmoor Railway also ran similar services. The services start from Stanhope and run east to the 'North Pole'. On the day I visited the 16th December 2013, DCR 31452 was the east facing loco with 45133 on the 'rear' hired in from Midland Railway Butterley. A rake of 10 Mk2 coaches was used with 7 hired in from Eastern Rail Services (ERS) in a variety of liveries, Virgin, BR Blue/grey and Intercity to supplement the 3 resident* (green) coaches. The rake was made up as (45133 to 31452) 6059, 5906, 5960, 9492*, 3402*, 3425*, 3521, 9497, 5866, 6168. Due to the failure of its resident Cl.141, 141113 was also present having been hired in from MRB and was shuttling staff to and from Stanhope.





A visit to Wolsingham depot on the same day saw both Cl.31/6s on view, DCR owned 31601 and RVEL owned 31602, both operated by British American Railways (BAR). Both photos below taken from the public footpath alongside the River Wear which leaves the A689 opposite Lynndale (road jnct). 31601 is seen across the waste ground of Wolsingham Business Park whilst 31602 is poking out the shed near the access from the Bishop Auckland line. The footpath crosses the line here.





STIRLINGSHIRE SIGHTINGS

by Derek Sneddon

The following sightings are from Camelon Station & nearby Carmuirs 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)

| 16 th November | | 26 th November (cont) | | 6 th December | |
|---|-----------|---|-----------|---------------------------|-----------|
| 13.00 66424 4A13 | GM-AB | 06.55 56302 6R46 | GM-PW | 05.45 66431 4H47 | MN-IS |
| 13.30 66023 6S36 | DS-GM | 07.00 66431 4R75 | GM-EE | 07.00 66303 4R75 | GM-EE |
| 17 th November | DO-OW | 13.00 66424 4A13 | GM-AB | 07.40 66011 6G25 | FY-ES |
| 13.00 66424 4A13 | GM-AB | 13.30 66213 6S36 | DS-GM | 7 th December | 1 1-LO |
| 18 th November | GIVI-AD | 27 th November | D3-GIVI | | Sinfin-GM |
| 05.45 66303 4H47 | MN-IS | 05.45 66423 4H47 | MN-IS | 05.45 66431/37259 4H47 | |
| 07.00 66424 4R75 | GM-EE | 07.00 66424 4R75 | GM-EE | 11.20 66430 4M16 | GM-DV |
| 08.30 66602 6A65 | OX-AB | 07.40 56302 6L82 | GM-LW | 13.00 66434 4A13 | GM-AB |
| 19 th November | UX-AB | 07.40 56302 6L82 07.40 66083 6G25 | FY-ES | 13.30 66131 6S36 | DS-GM |
| 05.45 66423 4H47 | MN-IS0 | 08.30 66616 6A65 | OX-AB | 8 th December | D3-GW |
| 06.55 56087 6R46 | GM-PW | 13.30 66213 6S36 | DS-GM | 13.00 66434 4A13 | GM-AB |
| | | | | 9 th December | GIVI-AB |
| 13.00 66425 4A13 | GM-AB | 20.40 56302 6M65 28 th November | GM-Sinfin | 05.45 66431 4H47 | MALIC |
| 13.30 66101 6S36 20 th November | DS-GM | | 07.10 | | MN-IS |
| | EV E0 | 05.10 66618 6H51 | OX-IS | 07.00 66434 4R75 | GM-EE |
| 07.40 66164 6G25 | FY-ES | 05.45 66424 4H47 | MN-IS | 08.30 66616 6A65 | OX-AB |
| 08.30 66602 6A65 | OX-AB | 06.30 66077 6A32 | MN-AB | 13.00 66425 4A13 | GM-AB |
| 13.00 66426 4A13 | GM-AB | 08.50 37602/605 6S99 | CL-GE | 14.20 66158 6D61 | RI-GM |
| 20.00 56087 6M65 | GM-Sinfin | 13.00 66302 4A13 | GM-AB | 10 th December | |
| 21 st November | | 29 th November | | 06.30 66115 6A32 | MN-AB |
| 05.10 66618 6H51 | OX-IS | 00.58 66101 6H44 | MN-IS | 06.55 56094 6R46 | GM-PW |
| 05.45 66423 4H47 | MN-IS | 05.45 66424 4H47 | MN-IS | 07.00 66425 4R75 | GM-EE |
| 06.30 66007 6A32 | MN-AB | 07.40 66083 6G25 | FY-ES | 13.00 66432 4A13 | GM-AB |
| 07.00 66426 4R75 | GM-EE | 13.00 66422 4A13 | GM-AB | 11 th December | |
| 13.00 66430 4A13 | GM-AB | 30 th November | | 07.00 66432 4R76 | GM-EE |
| 22 nd November | | 10.05 66101 6A32 | MN-AB | 08.30 66616 6A65 | OX-AB |
| 00.58 66101 0H44 | MN-IS | 1 st December | | 13.00 66427 4A13 | GM-AB |
| 05.45 66423 4H47 | MN-IS | 13.00 66426 4A13 | GM-AB | 13.30 66156 6S36 | DS-GM |
| 07.40 66230 6G25 | FY-ES | 2 nd December | | 12 th December | |
| 13.00 66434 4A13 | GM-AB | 05.45 66427 4H47 | MN-IS | 06.30 66104 6A32 | MN-AB |
| 23 rd November | | 07.00 66426 4R75 | GM-EE | 07.00 66427 4R75 | GM-EE |
| 05.45 66423 4H47 | MN-IS | 08.30 66618 6A65 | OX-AB | 13.00 66305 4A13 | GM-AB |
| 10.05 66104 6A32 | MN-AB | 13.00 66421 4A13 | GM-AB | 13 th December | |
| 11.20 66434 4M16 | GM-DV | 3 rd December | | 00.58 66104 6H66 | MN-IS |
| 13.00 66303 4A13 | GM-AB | 05.45 66432 4H47 | MN-IS | 05.45 66422 4H47 | MN-IS |
| 13 <u>.</u> 30 66158 6S36 | DS-GM | 06.55 56302 6R46 | GM-PW | 06.55 56094 6R46 | GM-PW |
| 24 th November | | 4 th December | | 07.00 66305 4R75 | GM-EE |
| 13.00 66303 4A13 | GM-AB | 05.45 66432 4H47 | MN-IS | 07.40 66031 6G25 | FY-ES |
| 19.00 56087 6M65 | GM-Sinfin | 07.00 66425 4R75 | GM-EE | 12.30 47501/805 1Z35 | ED-DU |
| 25 th November | | 07.40 66011 6G25 | FY-ES | 13.30 66107 6S36 | DS-GM |
| 05.45 66423 4H47 | MN-IS | 07.40 56302 6L82 | GM-LW | 14 th December | |
| 07.00 66303 4R75 | GM-EE | 08.30 66618 6A65 | OX-AB | 10.05 66104 6A32 | MN-AB |
| 08.30 66618 6A65 | OX-AB | 13.00 66303 4A13 | GM-AB | 12.40 47501/805 1Z63 | GC-PH |
| 13,00 66431 4A13 | GM-AB | 13.30 66101 6S36 | DS-GM | 13.00 66301 4A13 | GM-AB |
| 26 th November | | 5 th December | | 15 th December | |
| 05.30 56302 6S96 | Sinfin-GM | 06.30 66158 6A32 | MN-AB | 13.00 66427 4A13 | GM-AB |
| 05.45 66423 4H47 | MN-IS | ļ | | ļ | |

Stirlingshire & Gloucestershire Sightings Location Codes:

| AB | Aberdeen | AJ | Awre Junction | AW | Aberthaw | BL | Bristol | BU | Burton |
|----|----------------|----|-----------------|----|---------------|----|-------------|----|-------------|
| AC | Achnasheen | AL | Alston | ΑY | Ayr | BN | Beeston | BW | Barrow Hill |
| AD | Alexander Dock | ΑN | Acton | BA | Blair Atholl | BO | Bo'ness | ΒZ | St Blazey |
| | Jnct | AP | Appleford | BD | Bedworth | BP | Bath | BY | Barry |
| ΑE | Attercliffe | AR | Abercynon | BE | Berkeley | BR | Bridgwater | CA | Calvert |
| AF | Ashford | ΑT | Abbotswood Jnct | BH | Brierley Hill | BS | Bescot | CB | Coatbridge |
| ΑH | Ashchurch | ΑV | Avonmouth | BI | Burntisland | BT | Barton Hill | CD | Charfield |

| CE CH CI CK CL CM CP CC CC CC CC DL DM DR DD DD DV | Crewe Cardiff Chaddesden Clitheroe Chirk Carlisle Chalmerston Carnforth Chepstow Croft Quarry Cadder Cheltenham Cardiff Tidal Cumbernauld Cliff Vale Corby Dyce Dalmeny Dollands Moor Doncaster Dalston Didcot Dundee Daventry | FR FY GC GE GL | Forres Fairwater Falkland Yard Glasgow Central Georgemas Jnct Gloucester Grangemouth Grange Sidings Gleneagles Grimsby Hayes Handsworth Hereford Holyhead Hartlepool Halewood Harwich Hunslet Hastings Hunterston Haverfordwest Heywood Jnct Hinksey Ironbridge | LY MC MD ME MF MG MH ML MN | Lincoln Lydney Lairg Leith Linlithgow Lackenby Llanwern Long Marston Laurencekirk Longsight Leeds Longannet Linkswood Lindsey Machen Middlesbrough Montrose Milford Margam Millerhill Motherwell Mossend Moreton Maesteg | ON OOX PAB PC PF PB PN PR PT PW PX RCD RE RG RI | Oxwellmains Oxley Paisley Peterborough Port Clarence Peak Forest Pengham Perth St Philips Marsh Paddington Polmadie Preston Paignton Prestwick Portbury Penzance | SK SO SP SR SS ST SV SY DE FF GH TJ K TL N TO TR TS TU TY | Shirebrook Stockton Southampton Spetchley Stourton Swansea Severn Tunnel Jnct Stevenage Swindon Shipley Tyne Dock Trostre Tremorfa Teigngrace Theale Tuffley Jnct Tavistock Jnct Tilbury Taunton Toton Trishington Tees Yard Tunstead Tyseley |
|--|--|----------------------------|---|--|--|---|--|---|---|
| CU | Cumbernauld | ΗН | Holyhead | LY | Lindsey | PR | Preston | TG | Teigngrace |
| CV | Cliff Vale | HL | Hartlepool | MC | Machen | PT | Paignton | TH | Theale |
| CY | Corby | НО | Halewood | MD | Middlesbrough | PW | Prestwick | TJ | Tuffley Jnct |
| DC | Dyce | HR | Harwich | ME | Montrose | PY | Portbury | ΤK | Tavistock Jnct |
| DL | Dalmeny | HS | Hunslet | MF | Milford | PΖ | Penzance | TL | Tilbury |
| DM | Dollands Moor | HT | Hastings | MG | Margam | RA | Redcar | TN | Taunton |
| DR | Doncaster | HU | Hunterston | MH | Millerhill | RC | Ratcliffe | TO | Toton |
| DS | Dalston | HV | Haverfordwest | ML | Motherwell | RD | Reading | | Trishington |
| DT | Didcot | HW | Heywood Jnct | MN | Mossend | RE | Redmire | TS | Tees Yard |
| | Dundee | | | | | | | | |
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| DY | Derby | IM | Immingham | MT | Mountsorrel | RM | | VA | Victoria |
| EΑ | Earles Sidings | IS. | Inverness | MV | Manchester Vic | RN | Robeston | | Wembley |
| ED | Edinburgh | JM | Jersey Marine | | Moorswater | RO | Round Oak | | Wentloog |
| EE | Elderslie | KB | Kittybrewster | | Nairn | RR | Rowley Regis | | Westerleigh |
| EH | Eastleigh | KC | Kirkcaldy | NE | Neath | RV | Ravenstruther | | Wemyss |
| EL | Elgin | KK | Kilmarnock | NG | Nottingham | RY | Rugby | | Worksop |
| EU | Euston Earlseat | KL KM | Kyle of Lochalsh Kemble | NH | Newton Heath | SA | Saltley | | Warrington Worcester |
| ES EV | Evesham | KN | Kennethmont | NJ NL | Norton Jnct Newtonhill | SB SC | Stourbridge Scunthorpe | | Wolverhampton |
| ΕX | Exeter | KS | Kingsland Road | NT | Newport | SD | Standish Jnct | | Washwood Heath |
| FB | Ferrybridge | KY | Kingsbury | NV | Neville Hill | SG | Stoke Gifford | | Westbury |
| FF | Fiddlers Ferry | LA | Laira | | Nantwich | SH | Slough | | York |
| | Fishguard | LB | Ladybank | | Oban | SI | Stirling | YT | Yate |
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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 with the diagram code, time (if known) plus origin and destination (see location codes).

| 25 th November | | 26 th November (cont) | | 27 th November (cont) | |
|---------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|-------|----------------------------------|-------|
| 11.59 60049 6V05 | RO-MG | 15.05 66848 4V30 | RC-PY | 19.05 66531 4V57 | RG-SG |
| 14.59 66133 6V92 | CY-MG | 16.10 66204 6M41 | MG-RO | 20.14 66547 4V18 | WW-FR |
| 16.06 66055 6M41 | MG-RO | 19.04 60040 6B47 | WH-RN | 20.18 66133 6E30 | MG-HL |
| 16.49 66021 6V07 | RO-MG | 19.37 66192 6V69 | BS-AD | 20.25 66430 4M36 | WG-DV |
| 20.22 66430 4M36 | WG-DV | 20.13 66185/174 6E30 | MG-HL | 20.49 66184 6V55 | BD-RN |
| 22.37 66114 6V81 | RM-CT | 20.45 66303 4M36 | WG-DV | 28 th November | |
| 23.24 66155 6V97 | BN-CT | 20.53 66148 6A29 | WG-DT | 03.34 66742 6V83 | PB-CT |
| 66953 4V47 | RG-SG | 21.08 66133 0Z99 | AD-BS | 08.00 66139 4V83 | TO-PY |
| 56303/31190 6Z41 | | 21.28 66183 6E09 | ON-IM | 09.10 66134 4V70 | RC-PY |
| | DR-Totton | 21.33 66702 6E12 | CF-LY | 11.12 60040 6B13 | RN-WH |
| 57003/37259 6V73 | CE-BE | 23.38 66055 6E47 | MG-MD | 12.32 60071 6V05 | RO-MG |
| 66529 4V06 | RG-SG | 27 th November | | 14.52 66068 6V92 | CY-MG |
| 66169 4V70 | RC-PY | 08.33 66021 6M81 | MG-RO | 15.10 66848 4V30 | RC-PY |
| 26 th November | | 12.00 66134 6V05 | RO-MG | 18.05 66175 6V06 | HD-CT |
| 02.03 66702 6V01 | LY-CF | 12.45 37611/409 6M56 | BE-CE | 19.03 60040 6B47 | WH-RN |
| 10.00 66169 4V70 | RC-PY | 12.52 66039 6V67 | RA-MG | 29 th November | |
| 12.12 60020 6E41 | WH-LY | 14.30 66729 4V94 | IB-PY | 08.49 66130 6M81 | MG-RO |
| 14.53 66174 6V92 | CY-MG | 15.05 66068 6V92 | CY-MG | 11.13 60040 6B13 | RN-WH |
| 15.00 66953 4V47 | RG-SG | 17.02 66021 6V07 | RO-MG | 12.00 66520 4V06 | RG-SG |

| 29th November (cont) | | 4 th December (cont) | | 9 th December (cont) | |
|---|---------------------|--|----------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| 13.56 66426 4V38 | DV-WG | 12.09 66003 6V05 | RO-MG | 17.10 66177 6Z35 | BS-AV |
| 14.05 66708 4V94 | IB-PY | 13.15 66507 4V06 | RG-SG | 19.08 66164 6Z44 | AW-LY |
| 15.03 66953 4V47 | RG-SG | 14.00 66027 6V67 | RA-MG | 10 th December | |
| 15.20 66139 6M39 | PY-RC | 15.03 66074 6V92 | CY-MG | 04.25 66177 6Z94 | AV-CI |
| 16.02 66002 6V92 | CY-MG | 15.05 66848 4V30 | RC-PY | 08.30 66051 6M81 | MG-RO |
| 17.00 66094 6042 30 th November | HO-SO | 15.07 66021 6V07 18.05 66070 6Z35 | RO-MG | 09.22 66093 6B36 | DT-AH |
| 08.15 66139 4V83 | TO-AV | 18.55 66953 4V57 | BS-AC RG-SG | 09.31 66105 4V70 11.00 56087 0Z56 | RC-PY WW-CF |
| 10.32 31465 3Z02 | BL-DY | 20.00 66550 4V18 | WW-FR | 11.14 60040 6B13 | RN-WH |
| 10.57 60040 6B13 | RN-WH | 20.05 66152 6V55 | BD-RN | 11.51 60020 6E41 | WH-LY |
| 18.35 66175 6V06 | HD-CT | 5 th December | DD 14.1 | 12.05 66434 4V38 | DV-WG |
| 1 st December | | 03.38 66742 6V83 | PB-PG | 12.09 66506 4V06 | RG-SG |
| 12.25 66422 4V38 | DV-WG | 03.45 60017 6V98 | LY-WH | 12.29 66206 6V05 | RO-MG |
| 17.18 60049 6E47 | MG-MD | 05.02 66070 6Z94 | AV-CI | 14.30 66717 4V94 | IB-PY |
| 17.34 66081/198/134/ | | 05.03 66702 6V01 | LY-CF | 14.59 66204 6V92 | CY-MG |
| 074/194/ 0R01 | BS-MG | 05.05 37609/604 6V74 | CE-BR | 15.09 66848 4V30 | RC-PY |
| 2 nd December | | | -Newcastle | 18.40 66005 6V06 | HD-CT |
| 05.35 60040 6B16 | RN-WH | 08.40 66198 6M81 | MG-RO | 11 th December | DVVV |
| 10.12 66951/550 6X33 | :t | 08.56 66105 4V83 | TO-AV | 11.19 66425 4V38 | DV-WG |
| 11.20 60062 6B13 | itemoor-FR RN-WH | 11.04 66425 4V38 11.12 66161 6V05 | DV-WG RO-MG | 11.20 60040 6B13 12.05 66206 6V05 | RN-WH RO-MG |
| 12.27 60040 6B25 | WH-RN | 11.25 60062 6B13 | RN-WH | 12.37 66506 4V06 | RG-SG |
| 12.50 66302 4V38 | DV-WG | 12.39 66507 4V06 | RG-SG | 12.49 37419/194 6M56 | BE-CE |
| 13.45 37609/259 6M56 | BE-CE | 12.59 60017 6E41 | WH-LY | 14.17 66740 4V94 | IB-PY |
| 15.15 66848 4V30 | RC-PY | 13.20 37604/609 6M63 | BR-CE | 14.45 66559 4V47 | RG-SG |
| 16.02 66175 6M41 | MG-RO | 14.00 47832/813 1Z70 | BL-NT | 15.07 66848 4V30 | RC-PY |
| 16.04 66081 6V92 | CY-MG | 14.55 66848 4V30 | RC-PY | 15.58 66083 6M41 | MG-RO |
| 16.58 66956 4V47 | RG-SG | 15.12 66549 4V47 | RG-SG | 16.59 66060 6V07 | RO-MG |
| 18.05 66155 6Z35 | BS-AV | 15.18 66708 4V94 | IB-PY | 17.25 66161 6Z35 | AV-CI |
| 19.42 66075 6V55 | BD-RN | 16.04 66201 6M41 | MG-RO | 20.09 66951 4V18 | WW-FR |
| 3 rd December | | 6 th December | | 20.20 66005 6V52 | WV-NT |
| 02.55 66702 6V01 | LY-CF | 08.38 66194 6M81 | MG-RO | 20.48 66201 6V55 | BD-RN |
| 03.52 66156 | CT-HD | 12.08 66074 6V05 | RO-MG | 12 th December | A\/ CI |
| 04.55 66152 6V49 05.20 37688/611 6V74 | TS-MG CE-BR | 12.43 66507 4V06 13.10 66305 4V38 | RG-SG DV-WG | 05.44 66161 6Z94 09.10 66105 4V70 | AV-CI RC-PY |
| 06.05 66155 6Z94 | AV-CI | 13.50 66729 4V94 | IB-PY | 10.44 66041 6B36 | DT-AH |
| 08.34 66021 6M81 | MG-RO | 14.57 66549 4V47 | RG-SG | 11.02 66432 4V38 | DV-WG |
| 09.00 66105 4V83 | TO-AV | 14.59 66018 6V92 | CY-MG | 11.14 60040 6B13 | RN-WH |
| 09.15 66001 6B36 | DT-AH | 15.14 66848 4V30 | RC-PY | 11.57 66201 4E66 | MG-TS |
| 11.03 66422 4V38 | DV-WG | 17.04 66048 6042 | HO-SO | 12.25 60020 6E41 | WH-LY |
| 11.21 60062 6B13 | RN-WH | 7 th December | | 12.37 66506 4V06 | RG-SG |
| 12.01 66074 6V05 | RO-MG | 01.30 66125/126 3S59 | BT-RHTT | 12.40 66051 6V05 | RO-MG |
| 12.08 66957 4V06 | RG-SG | 05.44 66155 6Z94 | AV-CI | 13.16 57002/008 6M56 | BE-CE |
| 12.30 60071 6E41 | WH-LY | 08.07 66105 4V83 | TO-AV | 14.14 66084 6A36 | AH-DT |
| 13.51 37688/611 6M63 14.05 66708 4V94 | BR-CE IB-PY | 11.00 60062 6B13 12.28 66507 4V06 | RN-WH RG-SG | 14.35 66717 4V94 14.46 66559 4V47 | IB-PY RG-SG |
| 14.45 66953 4V47 | RG-SG | 14.56 66530 4V47 | RG-SG | 15.00 43013/062 1Q15 | SW-DY |
| 15.07 66848 4V30 | RC-PY | 18.40 66096 6V06 | HD-CT | 15.04 66090 6V92 | CY-MG |
| 15.59 66204 6M41 | MG-RO | 8 th December | 115 01 | 15.54 66094 6V07 | RO-MG |
| 16.00 66201 6V07 | RO-MG | 13.03 66430 4V38 | DV-WG | 21.26 66106 6E09 | ON-IM |
| 18.34 66156 6V06 | HD-CT | 14.05 66848 6V86 | WW-MG | 13 th December | |
| 19.20 60062 6B47 | WH-RN | 17.15 66134 6E47 | MG-MD | 04.46 66111 6M03 | RN-BD |
| 19.24 66139 6V69 | BS-AD | 18.47 66430 4M36 | WG-DV | 11.23 60040 6B13 | RN-WH |
| 20.25 66231/182 6E30 | MG-HL | 9 th December | | 12.22 60020 6E41 | WH-LY |
| 22.10 66168 6W57 | BS-KM | 10.04 66547/956 0Z33 | | 12.28 66427 4V38 | DV-WG |
| 4 th December | DNIDD | | nitemoor-FR | 12.37 660506 4V06 | RG-SG |
| 03.15 66152 6M03 | RN-BD | 11.17 60040 6B13 | RN-WH | 14.50 66559 4V47 15.17 66848 4V30 | RG-SG |
| 03.47 66003 6M11 04.42 60017 6V98 | MG-RO LY-WH | 11.50 37604/609 1Q13 11.51 66848 4Z30 | DY-BL PG-GL | 15.17 66848 4V30 15.20 66069 6M39 | RC-PY PY-RC |
| 05.05 66168/147 6W57 | KM-BS | 12.33 66506 4V06 | RG-SG | 15.54 66023 6V07 | RO-MG |
| | erpool-SW | 14.13 66740 4V94 | IB-PY | 17.02 66074 6042 | HO-SO |
| 08.00 37261/405 6V73 | CE-BE | 14.15 37261/405 6M56 | BE-CE | 18.07 66132 6Z35 | BS-AV |
| 08.05 66105 4V83 | TO-AV | 14.48 66204 6V92 | CY-MG | 19.10 66529 4V57 | RG-SG |
| 08.32 66021 6M81 | MG-RO | 15.10 66848 4V30 | GL-PY | 19.44 66956 4V18 | WW-FR |
| 10.55 66424 4V38 | DV-WG | 15.58 66094 6M41 | MG-RO | 20.20 66094 6V52 | WV-MG |
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| 13 th December (cont) | | 16 th December (cont) | | 17 th December (cont) | |
|----------------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------|-------|
| 22.49 66083 6V81 | RM-CT | 11.08 60062 6B13 | RN-WH | 05.50 66132 6Z94AV-CI | |
| 14 th December | | 12.02 66305 4V38 | DV-WG | 08.37 66063 6M81 | MG-RO |
| 11.04 60040 6B13 | RN-WH | 12.45 66847 4V30 | PG-GL | 09.15 66060 6M96 | MG-CY |
| 14.39 66529 4V46 | RG-SG | 13.38 57008/002 6M56 | BE-CE | 11.08 60040 6V05 | RO-MG |
| 15 th December | | 14.53 66063 6V92 | CY-MG | 11.17 60062 6B13 | RN-WH |
| 11.44 66424 4V38 | DV-WG | 15.18 66847 4V30 | GL-PY | 11.52 60017 6E41 | WH-LY |
| 13.43 66848 6V86 | DY-MG | 15.50 66548 4Z72 | RG-SG | 12.33 66506 4V06 | RG-SG |
| 13.58 66068 6O32 | MG-DM | 16.00 66126 6M41 | MG-RO | 12.59 66201 6V67 | RA-MG |
| 17.14 66006 6E47 | MG-MD | 17.00 60099 6V07 | RO-MG | 13.51 37425/194 6M63 | BR-CE |
| 20.17 66060 6E30 | MG-HL | 17.08 60001/66151 0V97 | TO-NT | 14.34 66725 4V94 | IB-PY |
| 20.30 66619 6V82 | TU-WY | 19.58 66121 6V55 | BD-RN | 14.45 66539 4V47 | RG-SG |
| 23.02 66024 6E93 | LL-SC | 20.05 66529 4V57 | RG-SG | 14.57 66066 6V92 | CY-MG |
| 16 th December | | 20.20 66956 4V18 | WW-FR | 15.55 66006 6M41 | MG-RO |
| 06.52 66619 6M58 | WY-TU | 20.22 66081 6E30 | MG-HL | 17.01 66063 6V07 | RO-MG |
| 08.03 57002/008 6V73 | CE-BE | 56312/50026/50031 | / | 19.39 66161 6V69 | BS-NT |
| 08.20 60099 6M81 | MG-RO | 50035 0Z51 | SVR-EH | 21.24 66065 6E09 | ON-IM |
| 10.00 66130 4V70 | TO-PY | 17 th December | | | |
| 10.07 66547/952 6X33 | | 03.38 66006 6V49 | TS-MG | | |
| Wh | itemoor-FR | 04.22 66065 4V32 | MF-ON | | |

OPEN DAY NEWS

Nothing to Report

PRESERVATION PHOTO SPOT



LIGHT RAIL & METRO NEWS

Edinburgh: Further to the report in May 2013, trackwork between Edinburgh Gateway and Gogar Depot has been completed, as can be seen in the photos below taken on the 17th December 2013 from the Gogar Depot access road (top) and from the A8 (bottom).





Metrolink: The following information is kindly supplied by Geoff Hope.

The latest T68 withdrawals from passenger use are 1009/1013 & 1026 This just leaves 1007/1012/1016/1017/1022 & 1023 and two T68A's 2001/2003 serviceable. Tram 3077 arrived on the 8th December is awaiting commissioning and mileage accumulation. Transport for Greater Manchester Committee will determine a budget and business case on a report into the 5.5 km route to the Trafford Centre. The closure of Manchester Victoria station over the 9 day Christmas period for electrification work allowed Network Rail to carry out work on the Metrolink track ahead of building a third platform as part of the Second City Crossing, due to open in winter 2016/17.

Driver training on the Oldham town centre route ready for passenger services started on the 11th December. The first collision between a car and a tram happened on the 19th December. If poor weather conditions do not delay work on the line, it is hoped to be open on January 27th. The temporary section north of the Freehold to Mumps stop should be decommissioned by Spring 2014,the tunnels will be sealed at both ends to prevent trespass. A visit on the 20th December found trams 3071/3075&3076 stabled at the new Mumps tram stop

On the 16th December thirteen serial fare dodgers who racked up more than £16k in court fines have been arrested and kept in custody pending an appearance in Bury magistrates court.

INFRASTRUCTURE NEWS - 2

Borders Railway (Waverley Route):

One of the major construction projects on the route was at the northern end where the former railway route was blocked by the A720 Edinburgh bypass just north of Dalkeith. To facilitate the construction of a new underpass, a full 4 lane diversion of the A720 has been constructed in a big semicircle east of Sherifhall Roundabout (junction of A7). In the photo opposite top, taken looking north from where the Borders Railway passes under the A6106 Dalkeith Road (entrance to Dalkeith Country Park), the new A720 underpass box can be seen with the diversion beyond. Eventually the A720 will return to its original alignment. For interest Millerhill Road, which connects to the roundabout (just out of picture to the left) is just beyond the A720 (top of a white van on the road) and is the last road to cross the Borders Railway before it 'joins' the existing track passing Millerhill Yard.



RAIL TOUR NEWS

by Martin Evans

On 30th November two steam railtours visited Chester and below are photos of 70013 'Oliver Cromwell' and 44871 + 45407.



BR Standard 4-6-2 70013 'Oliver Cromwell' has just arrived at Chester running an hour late from Bristol Temple Meads, the passengers were detraining and the empty stock departed for Crewe for servicing after arriving at 13.55



having arrived on a Cathedral 's Express steam railtour at 13.04 from London Euston travelling up the WCML, Black Five 4-6-0s 44871 + 45407 run through Chester yard with the empty stock ready for servicing

RAILWAY GLOBETROTTERS

by Ray Smith

The Smiths on Tour, 18-30th April 2012 – Part 1:

For 2012, what was the annual 'Lads Week' tour, had to be changed. Dave, who usually plans the itinerary, had already committed himself to a safari in Africa (for us older members he was spotting B1s 61000 – 61040). We were still going to do something and it was decided to start in Northern Germany, cross into Poland, then re-enter Germany near Cottbus. The problem was contacts in Poland for permits. Derek, who sorted this out last time, could not help. John Smith and I were going regardless, hence the Smiths on Tour title. We decided that is was not worth going into Poland without permits, so a complete change was made. Normally we try to concentrate on a specified area or subject but this year that went out of the window. We agreed to do as much of Germany as possible, concentrating on rush hours at many locations and getting as many different private, preserved and obscure places as possible. The whole tour worked out very well.

We decided not to write for permits apart from three workshops. In the past, most requests do not elicit a response so it is still worth going and asking. Two of the workshops at Stendal and Bremen did not reply, however a positive reply was received for the best one at Neustrelitz.

April 18th 2012: I flew to Dusseldorf the day before I was to meet John. I took a ride to Munster which is a fairly busy station. I spent a couple of hours there, some cops, then back to Dusseldorf for some station time. This is a busy station although I find it hard to cop anything there. Outside the station there is a steady flow of trams and underneath there is the underground. I pushed the boat out that night and bought some sandwiches and went underground to eat them and watch the U-Bahn! How sad!



private operator, Westfalenbahn ET019 5 car unit (DB computer numbers 429005 / 829605 / 829305 / 829505 / 429505) Munster 18th April 2013



private operator WLE (Westfälische Landes Eisenbahn GmbH) 05 DB computer number 420 001 Munster 18th April 2013

April 19th 2012: John was due to arrive around lunchtime and I had hired a car at the airport so I spent the morning on Dusseldorf station before going to the airport to meet him and pick up the car. As there were only two of us I opted for a Ford Focus. However, on collection I got a BMW series 1 for the same price. I did not complain. Off we went. First depot was Oberhausen. I could not find anyone to ask, then suddenly a door opened and dozens of officials emerged from a meeting. One of them came to us and I asked if we could get round. No problem as long as we did not go into the hall (depot) itself. These buildings are controlled by the workshop staff, where as the yards belong to the running shed. In most cases you can see everything in the works through the windows anyway! Quite a lot on for a weekday. Then off to Oberhausen West, a freight yard with 9 locos seen. The next call was Osnabrück Hafen, a DMU depot with a couple of locomotives as well.



Cl.66. DB 247039 (ex-266439 Euro Cargo Rail 7703) Oberhausen Depot 19th April 2013



private operator 802 (Cl.G1206)
DB computer number 275802
RBH, part of RAG Bahn und Hafenbetribe
Oberhausen West Yard 19th April 2013



Oberhausen Hafen is a depot for private operator's DMU as with Eurobahn 648182 19th April 2013



HABA (?) 8, DB computer number 203116 stands outside Oberhausen Hafen Depot 19th April 2013

The next call was Osnabrück main depot. My last class 295 lives here. Disappointment! The shed only had 14 scattered about. Nothing like it used to be. No 295s at all. So on to Bremen and our hotel. Once checked in it was off to the station to see the passenger trains and freight. In Germany a lot of freight starts in the evening as passenger trains tail off. Here was no exception. A McDonalds on the platform and plenty of action.

155425 on Osnabruk depot, like many others it is now a shadow of its former self 19th April 2013



April 20th 2012: One of the days I had been looking forward to.

In the North Sea, North of Germany are the East Frisian Islands. One of them, Wangerooge, is a popular holiday destination. This small island has no roads. It has footpaths/cycle paths and in the town itself the streets are used only by battery electric vehicles and vehicles belonging to the

emergency services. However, it is also the home of the only DB metre gauge railway which runs from the harbour at Harlesiel to Wangerooge. This line conveys the passengers and cargo that arrive by sea. There are only 4 locomotives allocated there. 1989 built C (six wheel) 399105/6 are used on freight trains only and 1999 built C 399107/8 haul the mixed trains. There are only 2 ferries a day so we got our return tickets and the ferry Harlingerland took about an hour to get us to the island. 399105 was on the docks at Westanleger along with 399108 that was to haul us to Wangerooge.



photographed from the ferry on the docks at Westanleger are C 399105 and C 399108 the latter was to haul us to Wangerooge, 20th April 2013



plinthed in the car park is this unidentified narrow gauge shunter Westanleger, 20th April 2013



plinthed outside a church in Wangerooge was 0-6-0T 99 211, 20th April 2013

As we left 399107 was waiting outside to bring passengers to catch the return sailing. At Wangerooge the depot was adjacent to the station and inside was 399106 partly dismantled. That's it, the island cleared and only a 4 hour wait before we could get the ferry back. How can we kill 4 hours? The town is so small so we went looking for a café to pass some of the time. Luckily we found a plinthed steam

locomotive, 1929 built 0-6-0 99211 outside a church. A coffee and cake then back to the station with a couple of hours still to kill. Our train was in so we took photos and wandered around. Eventually we got on the train then the guard (at the time we did not know he was) came and told us to come with him! He took us to the cab and told us to get in, so cabbing 399107 back to the harbour. Our thanks go to him and the driver. Arrival back on the mainland was about 1600. We drove to Emden depot before returning to Bremen for a repeat of last night.



our cabbed loco C 399107 Westanleger, 20th April 2013



295004 Emden Depot, 20th April 2013



April 21st 2012: Initially we had written for permits for Bremen works which did not get a reply so this morning we caught a train to Verdon which passes the works yard. We saw quite a bit including a German Warship class 221117. As we arrived at Verdon a return train was in the platform so no time was lost. The car was parked at the now closed Hbf depot so we went to the Rangierbahnhof (freight) depot. Like many depots, only a shadow of its former self but still a good selection was seen.



Cl.295s once would have been 2 or 3 to each track, sadly now only one, Bremen RBF (freight depot) left to right 295058/042/093/085/100, 21st April 2013

Next depot was Bremerhaven. As this was a Saturday there was no one to ask at the depot so we wandered around and noted 38, mainly locomotives, a few units and even an Austrian 1116. Next stop was the docks. Scattered around were 12 locomotives, 6 DB class 295s including my last one (Osnabruck allocated) 295083 and 6 private EVB locomotives.



private operator Railpool's Cl.185638 Bremerhaven shed, 21st April 2013



DB Cl. 440 EMUs originally were used on s-bahn services in the Augsburg / Munich area but private operators like North West Bahn now use them as well. Here ET440 347 is stabled at Bremerhaven. NB. this unit only carries a DB class number, 21st April 2013



in plain white livery with no clue as to ownership 223 155, Bremerhaven Docks, 21st April 2013

Bremervorde was next. This depot is for private companies and is adjacent to the station. The gates for the road entrance were closed but the walkway from the station gave us access. Not a soul to be seen so no one to ask!



EVB (Eisenbahnen und Verkehrsbetriebe Elbe-Weser GmbH) 411 51 DB computer 271019, Vossloh 5001565 Bremerhaven Docks, 21st April 2013



EVB 306 51 DB computer 263011 Bremerhaven Docks, 21st April 2013



EVB 420 12 DB computer 223032 Bremerhaven Docks, 21st April 2013



EVB ex-DB 211061 Bremervode Depot, 21st April 2013



BTEs (Bremen-Thedinghauser Eisenbahn GmbH) only locomotive 1001 DB computer 293002 Bremervode Depot, 21st April 2013



ex-DR CI.202725 now MWB (Mittelweserbahn GmbH) V1203 Bremervode Depot, 21st April 2013

There was a good mixture of locomotives and units from several private companies. Well worth the visit!



Metronom operate some services in Northeast Germany with electric and diesel locos, here is diesel 246009 Bremervode Depot, 21st April 2013



EVB 420 01 was an interesting locomotive stabled on Bremervode Depot DB computer number 219001 but the class 219s did not look like this (see later in article) it looks more like a 215/6/7/8, 21st April 2013

Kiel was next. I needed 4 class 143s and 2 class 112s from Germany. One of each is allocated here. We drove into the depot, it was a Saturday and all of the doors to the offices were locked. No one to ask, so we wandered around. Classes 112 and 143 were on shed. Not mine. More DMUs than last visit! Lubeck was next. I have done this depot a few times. It was one of the strongholds for 'rabbits' class 218s, but they had all gone! A few DMUs scattered about in the yard of a once great depot. However, success at the station as my Kiel 112 was there.

We were booked to spend the night in Hamburg. We wanted somewhere near the station. A shock when we arrived! It was a hostel, not a hotel. Our mistake! As Status Quo said on their album track, slow train, a bed a chair and one back door, only there was no back door. The plus for me was my window overlooked the station carriage sidings. There were a couple of Danish units stabled here and an assortment of classes 112, 143 and 218 as well as a couple of 36xxxx shunters.

photos by Ray smith (to be cont)

ODDS & SODS CORNER



merry go round HAA hopper 350002 now 'preserved' at Knottingley Depot as seen from Spawd Bone Lane which crosses the triangle of lines south of the depot 16th December 2013

FREIGHT CORNER

WAGON UPDATES by Trevor Roots:

To allow members to keep their copy **UK Wagons** as up to date as possible, changes are provided via this spot every month. The 2013 editions has not only been updated but has been re-organised to be more user friendly and incorporate stored wagons where known. As this latter attempt is anything but exhaustive we rely on member sightings to help. Please let Trevor know, contact details on page 2, if you have any amendments or wish pass on any other helpful wagon information.

New: IDA Bogie Twin Container Flat 'Lowliner' 39.70.4901.053-1/054-9/055-6/056-4/057-2 IIA Bogie Biomass Hopper 83.70.0698.040-8/041-6/042-4/043-2/044-0/045-7/046-5/047-3/048-1 049-9/050-7/051-5/052-3/053-1

Re-numbered:

Barrier wagons for Cl.350/4 moves 31.87.4906-xxx-x to IFA 83.87.9980.000-1/001-9/002-7/003-5 **Scrapped / for Scrapping:** various locations

110317, 200338/348/350/368/371/387/461/463/492/967, 210244/246/342/393, 391019, 395023, 400068, 460196/305/555/745/751/861/945, 9800033/0179/2445/2455/2456/2459/2465/2469/2471/2473/2475/2476/2478/2481/2486/2488/2492/2494/2498/2510/2513/2518/2528/2529/2543/2550/2554/2569/2571/2577/2581/2594/2591/2596/2598/2600/2601/2611/2615/2620/2625/2628/2629/2642/2649/2652/2654/2659/2664/2668/2672/2683/2687/2693/2696/2714/2717/2728/2738/2765/2766/2769/2773/2774/2782/2796/2799/2802/2803/2806/2807/2822/2834/2840/2859/2873/2877/2882/2896/2899/2902/2904/2906/2907/29112917/2922/2927, 83098/167/266/293/295/462/592/680/762/786/788/789/793, 85960, 90012-15/24-27/48-51, 967502/585/601/637, 996397/656/813/828, 997015, KIB 33.70.0899.086-9/096-8/102-4

Wagon Sightings:

The wagons seen in Departmental use at Birmingham New Street Station were as follows on the 19th December (Graham Stockton): 110042/119/264/298/333/394/589/597/618/704, 112058 and 500321

FREIGHT NEWS

The 4 new KFA RHTT wagons arrived at Tonbridge Yard on the 31st October and went into service as two pairs between Cl.73s. The photo below shows, KFA 99.70.9310. 006-0 n at Tonbridge Yard on the 8th December 2013 together with 005-2



STOCK CHANGES

It is hoped that all major changes recorded below will help you keep the **UK 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.**

Misc News:

CR 168002 is the next of the class in the new silver livery.

New Locos: 70803 70805 Loco Repatriated: (from France)

66010 **New EMUs:**

350402/403 377608/10/16/21-25 **Transfers:** (# yet to take place)

Locos:

56009 CF Booth to BAT 47715 WEN to HNRC # **DMUs/DEMUs:** (* loan) 51909 + 56271 MDH to ESR 51505 + 50599 EVR to BBR* 59506 WSR to ELR

60117 + 60828 (205018) PON to WSR



58017 virtually demolished Eastleigh Depot, 7th September 2013



58002 (above) & 58037 (below) minus bogies
Eastleigh Depot
as seen from Southampton Airport car park
14th April 2012 (David Elliott)

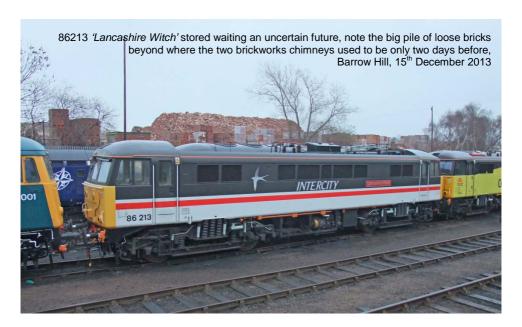


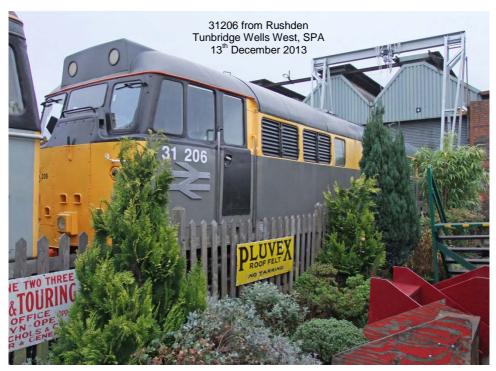
Locos Scrapped:Eastleigh 58002, 58017, 58037

NEW STOCK



TRANSFERS





LIVERIES





Not so much a new livery as a repaint for tatty 84001 Barrow Hill 15th December 2013



further to the photo in August 2013 issue, 91114 *'Durham Cathedral'* has lost its Lindisfarne Gospel advertising vinyls, King's Cross 14th December 2013



from one unique livery to another
the Cl.73s still throw up a galaxy of liveries for such a small operational fleet
73202 in newly applied Southern livery with Gatwick Express branding
Eastbourne 10th December 2013 (see former Gatwick Express livery in Sep 2011 issue)

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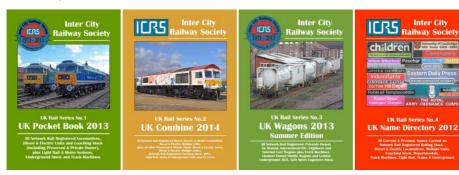
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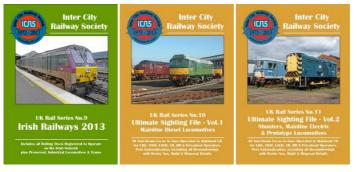
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