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Virgin Trains East Coast (VTEC) 91105 in charge of a full set of VTEC liveried Mk4s and DVT with an interim liveried Cl.91, King's Cross, 14th March 2015.

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## **Editor's Comments:**

Our AGM on the 21<sup>st</sup> March was a huge success, though for me the most manic ever, see report elsewhere of the day from Carl and below my memory loss !! One omission I made in my Editors Report was to fail to thank James Holloway for his efforts in compiling the **OUT & ABOUT** and **STIRLINGSHIRE & GLOUCESTERSHIRE SIGHTING** features.

A milestone I forgot myself to mention last month or at the AGM....so much going on in my addled brain, is that the March issue was my 100<sup>th</sup> in the role as Editor. Ably supported throughout by James and Pete Britclliffe and not least you the members in more numbers than ever, I hope **TRACKS** is going from strength to strength. Another milestone which will be reported on by Carl in the next issue is that we have now gone 5 years since we made the momentous decision to publish our own books at the end of 2009. It has been a hard slog by a dedicated few, but is reaping many benefits for members including visits many thought would never happen again. Look out for details of the next big one to Eastleigh in June on the **EVENTS** page.

Talking about a slog, apologies if this issue appeared slightly late as it has been a tough haul to compile this month. What with a busy railway scene on top of our AGM and compounded by the Easter break delaying printing. With so much material I could have produced a 100 page issue so editing takes longer plus the amount of research needed to properly give you accurate facts or embellish photos and reports with extra detail now takes longer. Couple this with being away ...!! The problem we also now have, albeit a good one is that it now also takes longer than 5 mins to proof read a packed 64 page magazine. What with new liveries due to franchise changes and the fact I was away for a fortnight meant downloading the many members photos was delayed then editing and writing corresponding T&TN 'captions' has taken ages. With photos coming in at the end of the month and over Easter relating to Franchise changes it was worth waiting to get the most up to date info and as it turned out, a fortuitous chance to photograph 170414, just as I was preparing to finish editing. So hopefully the upshot is a comprehensive account of the current scene with a massive 190 photos, the most ever and 14 pages of NEW STOCK & LIVERIES. Not surprisingly I have had to hold over several reports, eq there were 6 preservation Galas reported this month, so please be patient if it doesn't get in straight away, as with the KWV report from February, in this month. So watch out for NNR and MNR next month. To fit in all the new stock and liveries I have had to drop RAILWAY **GLOBETROTTERS** again, sorry Ray and shorten the latest Borders Railway article, looks like it's becoming a multi part work, still I hope I finish the reporting on the construction before it opens!!

The proposed membership subscription rate rise was ratified at the AGM which will come into effect on the 1<sup>st</sup> May 2015. If you have yet to renew (March) or are renewing in this month (April) you can still take advantage of the existing rates. However if you have recently renewed or your renewal date is after the 1<sup>st</sup> of May we will accept advance payment at the old rates as long as you pay by the 30<sup>th</sup> April and **ONLY** by cheque or by BACS **NOT** PayPal as this will cost us even more...there's a good deal and then there's throwing income away!! On that last point please try not to use PayPal to renew, it is a great tool for new members to join but costly to the Society thereafter, especially as the fee they deduct will increase with the new higher rates.

The new **Standard Membership** rates of £17.50 (Annual) or £80.00 (5 year) only apply to those taking **TRACKS** by post each month. It was agreed at the AGM that those only taking **TRACKS** by email, **eMembership** can continue to subscribe at the existing £16.00 (Annual) or £75.00 (5 year) rates. This option is available now but will be will be offered as an alternative to Standard Membership on renewal forms from May and may encourage a few to switch to receiving **TRACKS** by email only. Please note the membership subscription is still heavily subsidised by the sale of books and by not fully raising the rates, as was discussed at the AGM to nearer £20.00 we are still offering a very good deal, which there is every intention to maintain for the foreseeable future. With **TRACKS** at the page limit for the current postage rules and frankly the effort required to produce monthly, there should be stability for a while. We will just have to see what happens over the next few years with paper and postal costs, outside factors beyond our control. Those members with standing orders will need to amend instructions to their banks for their membership renewals, but all will be individually contacted before the end of May, as not all need to change.

I have also tweaked the renewal system from this month due to the cost of printing and distributing a 64 page **TRACKS**. To clarify, if you only remained a member for one year (which we hope no-one wants to, but sadly does occur) you would get 13 copies of **TRACKS**, with the last one being the issue after your renewal date which includes your Reminder. If you renew by the end of the month you are due, or within the following 5 / 6 weeks up to the production of the next issue of **TRACKS**, then membership continues smoothly. There will no longer be a postal Final Reminder, which was sent approx 6 weeks beyond the end of month renewal date as it is no longer viable to continue to send a further 14<sup>th</sup> copy of **TRACKS**. However I always attempt to chase up members by email, telephone or text or often all three about 4 weeks after your renewal date just in case the Renewal form was mislaid or you had simply forgotten. If no renewal is forthcoming then membership lapses and we haven't wasted another costly issue. The great value membership subscription can only be kept low on the basis members renew promptly when due. I hope this makes sense and is fair to those who renew.

One issue I keep mentioning is that all submissions for **TRACKS** should be accompanied by as many details as possible and most importantly your name!! This came to a head at the AGM when with so much going on and over 65 members I was given a disc on the North Norfolk Steam Gala and promptly forgot who gave it to me, had a guess and email to Colin James was proved right. I know it sounds terrible but many members approach me at events now and I can't always remember who you are, so please don't feel bad in telling me your name as it will save my embarrassment. I have never been brilliant at remembering names, I don't know how ladies in particular remember their school days, I have trouble remembering which school I was at!! Now numbers, being an engineer and this spotting lark, I can remember forever. Chris had a great idea for next AGM, sticky label name badges so no one need feel awkward and members might recognise others who they read about in **TRACKS**. Also at the AGM someone had a copy of July 2014 **TRACKS** which I said to let me have after the meeting but it didn't appear. Again whoever it was thanks and maybe you can try again at another event but apologies, please let me know who you are.

One more plea for those changing emails please let me know asap as it often doesn't get highlighted until your renewal. I am often emailing members so an up to date email is essential.

With the first IEP 800001 now in the UK for testing, further Cl.387s entering traffic and franchise changes it is still a very frantic railway scene. It is worth noting that since September 2014 there have been 72 livery changes to locos alone, let alone units and coaching stock, 7 including new names and another additional 7 namings. Most of these we have managed to cover, seems like half this month and more will be captured I am sure in the coming months. The newly electrified Liverpool Lime Street to Manchester Airport started operating with cascaded Cl.319 electrics on the 3<sup>rd</sup> March...what with all the Metrolink works in recent years, I have definitely got to find time to get to Manchester.

One last sobering thought, by the time the May issue comes out we will have a new government and without any political bias some of the posturing is appalling and will greatly affect the railways we all love. Scrapping privatisation may be appealing and I make no comment either way, but why are politicians so thick when it comes to railway operation and treat it as a political football. I'd like to know if they went public where the money will come from to compensate franchises, many which will run into the following government!!

**Errata – March 2015 Issue:** In Derek Everson's **OUT & ABOUT** report at bottom of page 30, Stafford should read Stratford and 6147/155 should be 66147/155..

## **Membership Matters:**

## Subscriptions:

**Standard Membership:** (up to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2015) **Annual - £16.00, Five year - £75.00** (currently saving £5.00 against annual rate but will save £12.50 against increase) (from 1<sup>st</sup> May 2015) **Annual - £17.50, Five year - £80.00** (saving £7.50 against annual rate)

eMembership: Annual - £16.00. Five year - £75.00

**NB.** Having been held for 6 years, the rates are to rise modestly from 1<sup>st</sup> May 2015 (agreed at AGM) to £17.50 (annual) and £80.00 (5 year – saving £7.50), to help cover increased costs of production / delivery of **TRACKS** and the 33% increase in size to 64 pages. **TRACKS** has actually increased 228% since the rate was originally set in 2009 as it was 28 pages printed in black & white !! Both paper and postal costs have risen considerably since the last increase and though the books have subsidised **TRACKS** since 2011 and will continue to do so, the deficit gap between income from the standard

member annual rate and production / distribution costs will still be £0.98. The cost of sending membership cards and general admin raise this deficit much higher.

## ICRS Membership gives you:

- TRACKS a high quality full colour 64 page monthly magazine covering all aspects of railways, posted with Standard Membership or emailed as a pdf with eMembership.
- up to 30% discount on all ICRS books (7 currently available).
- · occasional members only visits to railway facilities.
- the latest issue of TRACKS emailed (on request) 10 days prior to receiving printed version.
- an informative website, with access and indexes to previous issues of the magazine.
- 10% discount on lan Allan books (direct sales from IA only).

## **New Members:** (\* re-joined)

Paul Bateman (Bristol), Graham Bednall (Ripley), Mike Brooks (Dewsbury), Rowan Brown (Luton), Anthony Bushell (Stafford), Peter Commons (Bedford), Claire Cowen (Weston Colley), Peter Dale (Stoke-on-Trent), Roger Eves (Portishead), Tom Gilmore (Didcot), Alan Hammon (Totnes), John Knight (Leytonstone), Robert Lathbury (Mansfield), Simon Mclean (Lincoln), Stephen Mourton (Great Asby), Peter Powell (Tisbury), Michael Price (Cwmbran), John Singleton (Honiton), Paul Tisserant (Callington), Darren Twelves (Swindon), Mark Twinch (Lewes), Rob Wingett (Syston), Christopher Wyke (Coventry), Claire Yaxley (Bromley) - a warm welcome to you all.

Membership Renewal: When your membership is due for renewal this will be indicated on the TRACKS address carrier sheet with your expiry date. Therefore please check your address carrier sheet with your copy of TRACKS...before you dispose of it. The reverse of the carrier sheet will be printed with a Renewal form, which can be returned or not depending on the method of payment (see below). If no renewal is forthcoming after a Renewal Reminder form, your membership will be deemed to have lapsed. Please make sure you complete the Date of Birth section and provide a telephone contact number. If you are ex-directory, don't worry as it will not be revealed to any third parties but it is important that we have a contact number other than by post, which is a costly way to communicate and not covered by the low membership fee. As a helpful 'reminder', members who have set up a bank standing order will have a note to that effect above your name on the front of the carrier sheet but no renewal form on the reverse. Hopefully then no one will renew twice, as has happened!!

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## Methods of Payment: Please note we cannot accept credit card payments over the telephone.

**Internet Banking (BACS) / Standing Order:** This is the preferred most cost effective, secure and quickest way of paying, for you and the Society and ensures we get the full amount. Bank details will be included on your renewal form.

**Cheque or Postal Order:** Please make payable to ICRS and return your remittance with the form to: Trevor Roots (Membership Secretary) ICRS Membership Renewal, Mill of Botary, Cairnie, Huntly, Aberdeenshire AB54 4UD

**PayPal:** Pay by credit card or debit card via PayPal on the website, however this incurs a cost to the Society (currently £0.74 for £16 & £2.75 for £75)

Please provide your first name and a landline telephone number, whether joining or renewing and your email. If you renew in the first week of the month, whilst **TRACKS** is at the printers, you may receive a Renewal / Reminder form but do not worry as the admin process will naturally see things cross in the post. Please also note that cheques are not presented to the bank until the first week of the following month. As well as receiving a new card, renewals will be acknowledged where possible by email.

## NB. When using PayPal, please read and follow the instructions on the relevant web page.

**Membership Cards:** Your membership is valid until the end of month as shown by the first two numbers. For those who joined from mid 2009, the second two numbers are the year. Cards will be sent as soon as practicable following your renewal, separate from **TRACKS** distribution. No card is sent to overseas and e-members.

## **TRACKS Magazine:**

If you so request, the very latest issue of **TRACKS** will be emailed as a pdf when it goes off to the printers so you will get it 'hot off the press' 10 days before you receive the printed version. That means

you have the latest news, some within days of the event occurring. Please email the editor, Trevor Roots at **editor@intercityrailwaysociety.org** to receive the latest issue by email in addition to the printed version. Similarly the last 11 months are also available by email, but only to members.

#### Submissions:

**Articles:** Any information / article on any railway related item will be most welcome for inclusion in the magazine. Your visits, travel stories or anecdotes about any part of the railway network, past or present, home or abroad can give pleasure to others or inform of places to visit. This railway hobby of ours is made all that more enjoyable by the sharing of information, knowledge and experiences. Neatly hand written submissions are perfectly acceptable, but ideally a typed document is preferable. Better still, if you have a PC and internet connection then send an email.

**Photos:** Good quality photographs are always welcome, preferably high res jpeg digital photographs via email (**not compressed please**), but prints are acceptable. Please send an SAE if you wish them returned. Please include full contact details with any submissions, including your first name.

The latest date for articles / info for the May 2015 issue is Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2015 with delivery to members after Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2015 please check the TRACKS page on the website for date of posting from the printers

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## Website:

The new re-designed website was launched on the 17<sup>th</sup> May 2014. Login details are no longer required to access previous issues of TRACKS (Dec 2006 to date) and new pages have been added listing articles appearing in these issues. However the last 12 months issues (on a rolling basis) are available and can be emailed as pdfs to members on request from the editor (see Magazine above). Email Trevor Roots at website@ntercityrailwaysociety.org if you have any queries or suggestions.

Flickr Photo Gallery: www.flickr.com/photos/intercity-railway-society.

We have a photo gallery on **Flickr** and all photos submitted for inclusion in **TRACKS** will, time permitting, be added to the gallery. Please send all photos to **editor@intercityrailwaysociety.org** 

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## **Publication News:**

Apologies for the delay in releasing **UK Wagons 2015** this was partly due to finalising updates then the binding machine broke at the printers delaying it by another week. At least both the **Combine** and **Pocket Book** were early!!

There is unfortunately a duplication error in both the **UK Combine** and the **UK Pocket Book** as we listed 377/8s but these are in fact 387/1s. Nothing more than annoyingly wasted space.

On page 52 of the **UK Pocket Book** the LT loco numbers L15 – 21 have somehow gone haywire, they are all there but not in sequence, missed that one in proof reading.

See FREIGHT MATTERS for error in UK Wagons.

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

## **OPEN DAYS**

LT Museum (Acton) Open Weekend, 25-26<sup>th</sup> April 2015: The museum is located close to Acton tube station on the Piccadilly and District Lines. Pedestrian access is via Museum Way. The depot is open from 11.00 - 17.00 on both days. Tickets can be purchased by contacting the ticket office on 0207 5657298 and cost £10 for adults, £8 for concessions with under 17's free. Full details can be viewed on <a href="http://www.ltmuseum.co.uk/whats-on/museum-depot/open-weekends">http://www.ltmuseum.co.uk/whats-on/museum-depot/open-weekends</a>

# DRS Carlisle Kingmoor Open Day, 18<sup>th</sup> July 2015:

With DRS celebrating its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary the gates the Depot will be open from 10.00 – 16.00. Tickets are now on sale through the DRS website

http://www.directrailservices.com though I believe you can buy them on the gate. We will be there with our sales stand.

**Military Railway Railfest:** As no more details appear to be forthcoming it is assumed the event is private as suggested last month.



## **MEMBER ONLY VISITS**

## DRS Crewe Gresty Bridge, 12.30 - 13.30, 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2015:

The draw has been made and all successful applicants will have been notified by the time you read this. If you haven't received notification please contact Louise Watson. Can all those attending please be at the Gresty Bridge gates at 12.15 ahead of the start time. Trevor Roots will be there to organise and take the £5 donation.

## Eastleigh Works, 6th June 2015:

Following our previous two successful visits in 2013 and 2014 we have organised another Members Only visit to Eastleigh Works on the 6<sup>th</sup> June which is expected to start at 13.00. There will be a 100 tickets. It will however be necessary to make a charge of £20 to cover the normal visit fee (which Arlington donate to charity) and organising stewards, but for that you will get access to all areas for about 3 hours, cab rides and there will be that hog roast again. The cost of food is subsidised by the Society. Please reserve your place by sending an A5 SAE (normal second class stamp will suffice) with a cheque / PO (made payable to ICRS) to Louise Watson (Events Co-ordinator). Please provide either an email or telephone contact to receive confirmation of your application. Tickets will be posted out at the end of Mav.

Eastleigh Works, 25<sup>th</sup> July 2015: Guided tour. Further details nearer the time.

Eastleigh Works, 12<sup>th</sup> September 2015: Guided tour. Further details nearer the time.

## PRESERVATION GALAS

## Swanage Diesel Gala, 7-10<sup>th</sup> May 2015:

We will be there with our sales stand for the four days. It looks like the preview day on the 7<sup>th</sup> will be entitled 'Go West' with 45060 and 50035 combining with resident locos to recreate scenes from the past on the Western Region. A GBRf Cl.66 will also be named 'Swanage Railway' on the day. Other visiting locos for the Gala appear to be D5185, D7076, 37057 and 56006. There will be the opportunity to travel on the new 3 mile extension north of Norden to Worgret Jnct.

## EASTLEIGH WORKS REPORT

## by Carl Watson

for the period up to 31st March 2015

**General:** Two new 30 tonne gantry cranes for Bay 1 arrived in early March and attempts were made to lift into place on 10<sup>th</sup> but a technical hitch prevented this and they were successfully manoeuvred into position on the 31<sup>st</sup>.

The Works is getting busier all the time and this month has seen a huge number of wagons coming and going for various repairs.

**Locos:** 66711 arrived for repainting on the 5<sup>th</sup> and departed in new Aggregate Industries livery on the 19<sup>th</sup>.



57008 arrived on the 2<sup>nd</sup> with stored 47828 (see photo below left taken on the 20<sup>th</sup>) and two PFA wagons for overhaul. 47828 is to be repaired and used for ETS testing of coaches.

57310 and 57011 departed following repairs on the 9<sup>th</sup>.

66414 was completed and departed on the 9<sup>th</sup> in its new Powerhaul colours.

57008 arrived with more Mk2 coaches for repair/re-livery on the 16<sup>th</sup>.





66704 arrived for repainting on the 17<sup>th</sup> (see photo above right taken on the 19<sup>th</sup>).

Mendip Rail 08650 arrived from Isle of Grain by lorry on the 19<sup>th</sup> for repairs and departed on successful completion on the 27<sup>th</sup>.

GBRf 09002 arrived by lorry on the 20<sup>th</sup> for repairs (see photo opposite). 68009 arrived on the 27<sup>th</sup> to collect the completed ScotRail liveried Mk2 coaches (see photo opposite).





66012 was on the East Yard trip on 3<sup>rd</sup>, bringing in KWAs 95618, 95621, 95622, IGAs 4647 018-7, 4647 039-3 and IHAs 4667 082-0, 085-3, 088-7, 076-2, 091-1 and 079-6. It departed with repaired IVA 2398 632-2. IGA 4647 029-4. IPA 4384 025-4 and IFAs 4908 603-3, 632-2 and 604-1 - the latter two having had further modifications following trial loading of vehicles in Southampton Docks.

66568 arrived from Maritime on the 9<sup>th</sup> with KFAs 93321, 93356, 92559, 93404, 93472, 93481, 92650, FSA/FTAs 608500, 607111, 607003 and 608485, departing with repaired KFAs 92627, 93386, 92630, 93353, FEAs 608550, 607126, 607101 and 608540.

The 10<sup>th</sup> saw 66125 arrive with IGAs 4647 033-6, 042-7 and KVA 2795 340-0, departing with KWAs 95622, 95618, IGAs 4647 039-3, 018-7, IFAs 4908 623-1 and 611-6.

66589 arrived on the 11<sup>th</sup> with FSAs 608252, 608251, KFAs 93380, 93383, 608388 and 608425.

16<sup>th</sup> saw 66537 on the Maritime trip, arriving with FSA/FTAs 608179, 608180, 608413, 607067. 607061, 608414, 608100, 608099, 608230 and 608229. It departed with FSA/FTAs 608339, 607030, 607025, 608330, 608500, 607003, 607111 and 608485.

66175 arrived on the 17<sup>th</sup> with KWA 95626. IGAs 4647 047-6. 037-7 and TEA 82749 for repair. departing with KWA 95621, IGAs 4647 042-7, 033-6, IPA 4384 011-4, IHAs 4667 033-3, 015-0, 083-8, 081-2, 040-8, 028-3, 079-6, 091-1, 076-2, 072-1, 036-6, 062-2, 069-7, 057-2 and 025-9.

DLR Engineers Wagon 998 was completed and returned to London by lorry on the 19<sup>th</sup> (see photo overleaf).

The Freightliner Maritime trip on the 23rd arrived with 66587 bringing in KFA 93356, FSA/FTAs 608544, 607040, 607122, 608509 and departed with KFA 93481, FSAs 608174, 608175, 608229, 608230, 608099 and 608100.



66112 arrived on the 24<sup>th</sup> with IPA 4384 016-3, IFAs 4908 609-0, 620-7 and IGA 4647 002-1 for repair and departed with IFA 4908 615-7, TEA 82749, KWA 95626, IGA 4647 065-5, IHAs 4667 058-0, 032-5, 088-7, 034-1, 001-0, 085-3, 082-0, KVA 2795 340-0, IGAs 4647 037-7, 047-6 and IPA 4384 023-9 (see photo opposite bottom).

66088 arrived from the East Yard with IFAs 4908 075-4, 602-5 and departed with IFA 4908 628-0 and IGA 4647 002-1 on the 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Coaches:** Four more Mk2 coaches arrived on the 16<sup>th</sup> behind 57008 - 5937, 5955, 6137 and 9521. The four ScotRail liveried Mk2 coaches 5965, 5945, 6183 and 5976 were completed on the 26<sup>th</sup> ready for testing on the 27<sup>th</sup>. BSO 9521 was wrapped in DRS livery and departed with the four ScotRail TSOs behind 68009 on the 27<sup>th</sup> (see photos opposite).

GLVs 68501 / 505 arrived back on the 28th from Tonbridge.





above ScotRail 5945, 5965, 5976, 6183 & DRS 9521 + 68009 (taken on the 27<sup>th</sup> March)

*left* DLR 998 being loaded (taken on the 18<sup>th</sup> March)

below ScotRail 5945 (taken on the 26<sup>th</sup> March)



#### Units

Siemens have processed 450024, 019, 105, 085 and 106 with 108 and 107 on site receiving attention at the end of the month.



photos by Carl Watson

## EASTLEIGH WORKS AGM & VISIT REPORT

## AGM Report, Saturday 21st March 2015 by Carl Watson:

Our 2014/15 Annual General Meeting was held at Eastleigh Works on Saturday 21st March 2015. Attendance was much higher than any previous year and presented a few challenges, not least of which was swapping the location within the Works at the last minute to accommodate 65 rather than the anticipated 30 people! Even acquiring enough chairs was a challenge so a few hardy souls had to stand throughout.

The AGM is an important part of the governance of the Society and gives you, the Members, a chance to listen to what's been going on and to raise questions on any areas of concern. It was gratifying that so many attended this year and that some healthy discussion was enjoyed. Ordinarily, the Officials of the Society would make the necessary decisions on what we do and how we do it but there were a couple of important matters which needed to be put to the Membership. These were some small but important changes to our Constitution, the rules by which the Society is run, and a proposal to raise the annual subscription rate by £1.50 per year. Both proposals were accepted unanimously by those attending.

Having concluded the AGM and done brisk business with selling books, we then had a buffet lunch. Following lunch we had a visit round the Works site. This was a guided tour but we had plenty of freedom to wander a little off the path so that everyone could get the numbers and photos they wanted. We even had the weather on our side, not always a given in March!

As I said, the AGM is an important part of running the Society but we also had some fun too which made for a very busy but enjoyable day. I'd like to thank all the Officials for their hard work throughout the year and to all the Members who came from far and wide to attend the AGM. I'd also like to thank Barry Stephens, Managing Director of Arlington Fleet Group, for allowing us to have the AGM at Eastleigh Works and for the guided tour afterwards.

The £5 per person paid on the day was matched by the Society and a total of £690 was paid to Arlington which will all go to charity. Each year they choose a different charity but they are usually one of the recognised cancer charities. The decision on which one is made at the end of the year when the money is paid out.

All the best ..... Carl



## **Eastleigh Works Visit Stock List:**

**Locos:** 07007/08650/08721/08947/09002/01508/323-539-7, 47828, 50026/50031/50035, 57003/007, 59003, 66704, 73109, 73213, 35005 'Canadian Pacific'

DMUs: 51346/51356/51388/51392/55028/59486/59492

EMUs: in closed test shed \*

61229/230 (7105), 72509/635 (8210), 76818 (1399), 450085/106, GLV 68504

64667\* (508208), 64680\*/64723 (508211)

Wagons: un-numbered in grey primer inside \*

TDA 78238/52, TEA 82749, 89019/020, PFA 92760/779

KFA 92559/650, 93321/363/380/392/404/472/481, KWA 95626

FTA 607011/061/067/078 FSA 608067/099/100/155/156/174/175/179/180/229/230/251/252/267/268/307/308/317/318/388/413/414/425/435/437, IWA 33.80.2693.002-8/019-2/022-6/033-3/040-8 KVA 83.70.2795.301-2/304-6/306-1/309-5/312-9/313-7/329-3/331-9/333-5/336-8/340-0 IWA 83.84.3523.017-5/019-1/022-5/023-3/035-7/038-1/043-1/045-6, IFA 23.87.4376.008-0 IPA 23.87.4384.021-3/023-9, IHA 37.84.4667.001-0/032-5/034-1/058-0/065-5/082-0/085-3/088-7 KHA 83.70.4574.003-7\*/005-2/006-0/007-8/008-6\*/010-2/012-8/014-4/015-1/016-9/017-7 (to be modified for use with MPVs, IGA 33.80.4647.030-2/037-7/047-6 IFA 33.87.4908.605-8/615-7/628-0. Weltrols YVQ 900922, YDP 900929, Dogfish TFV 993345

**OTP:** in closed shed adjacent Fareham Line \*, in closed test shed #

TRAMM DR 98305+98306\*, MPVs DR 98914+98964/98922+98972/98924+98974/ 98927+98977, Track Assessment Vehicles 999800/801, Rail Grinders DR 80202/03/07/12, LUL Speno SRR 16M-1, LUL Speno RR24 MC7 (9733 09 801 17-1+901 57-5+902 57-3+903 57-1+904 57-9)#

Carriages: in 'old' paint shop out of view \*

Mk1 1657, Mk2s 1207/21/3366/5700/5937/5945\*/5955/5965/5976/5995/6137/6183\*/9488/9521 DBSOs 9704/09/10, Barriers: Cl.508 EMUs 64664/64707, Mk1s 975875/977087 ex-LMS Inspection Saloon 45029, Vintage LBSCR bodies 174/521/1646

**LUL:** 3003/05/49/58/76/78/82/84-86/103/105/141/149/158/176/178/172/184/185, 4003/05/49/58/76/78/82/84-86/103/105/141/149/158/176/178/172/184/185

## TRAFFIC & TRACTION NEWS

## February 24

20305 + 20308 were seen at Swindon at 12.30 heading for Bristol where they transferred the two drift snowploughs to Fairwater Yard, Taunton then used for route learning in the Okehampton area ahead of a railtour in April (photo below by James Trowbridge).



#### March 1

47727 was seen in the old parcels bay in Plymouth after bringing a RailVac down for use at Liskeard.

### March 2

387126 + 387127 were seen passing through Nuneaton at 15.00 on a Crewe – Wembley test (see **NEW STOCK**).

47746 t&t 47245 were seen at Tamworth LL at 11.19 on a special from Carnforth for the naming of 47746 'Chris Fudge 29.07.70 - 22.06.10' before continuing to Stratford-upon-Avon. They were seen returning at 15.20 through Aldridge (photo of latter below by Ken Bull).



March 3

387126 + 387127 were seen passing Gypsy Lane, Whitestone at 15.06 on test.

37602 t&t 37609 on Derby RTC - East Ham EMU Depot test train passed Harrowden Jnct at 11.30.

68010 passed through Tamworth LL on 6U76 Crewe - Mount Sorrel Departmental at 11.12 (photo at end by Ken Bull).

70006 passed Rugeley Trent Valley on 6Z69 Crewe Basford Hall - Willesden departmental at 15.16 (photo at end by Ken Bull).

#### March 4

66750 passed Tonbridge at 12.11 on 4E19 11.30 Mountfield Sidings - Doncaster Down Decoy Yard.

150262 departed Wrexham General 13.28 for the short journey to Wrexham Central where it will form the 13.30 departure to Bidston (photo below by Martin Evans).



A busy 30 mins at Purley cutting between Pangbourne and Tilehurst saw the following 3 freights pass:

10.56 60085 Tilbury – Llanwern

11.00 66541 Bristol - Tilbury

12.20 66768 Colnbrook - Pengham

(photos below, in **INFRASTRUCTURE** and in **NEW STOCK** respectively by Paul Sumpter).



387113 + 387114 was seen at Gatwick Airport on 1W32 12.38 Brighton - Bedford at 13.09.

73136 t&t 73128 on 1Q64 09.15 Hither Green -Hither Green test train were seen passing through Tonbridge at 16.13.

387127 t&t 387126 was seen at Redhill on the 5B89 08.36 Bletchley TMD - Bletchley TMD commissioning at 12.52.

#### March 5

57314 + 31128 t&t 57315 plus 2 Mk2 coaches passed Chorlton at 10.40 on a Carnforth - Burton Wetmore Sdgs working (photo at end by Roger Thomas).

66761 passed Chorlton at 08.35 heading the Seaforth - Ironbridge PS biomass train (see **NEW STOCK**).

86614 + 86612 passed Chorlton with the Ditton - Felixstowe liner at 15.25.

Not often featured PPM 139001 was seen at Stourbridge Jnct at 10.41 (photo below by Graham Stockton).



66750 was seen passing Clapham Jnct at 13.30 on 1130 4E19 Mountfield - Doncaster Decoy empty gypsum (photo below by Norman Smith).



86614 + 86612 passed Chorlton with the Ditton - Felixstowe liner at 15.25 (photo at end by Roger Thomas).

## March 6

387126 was seen passing through Nuneaton at 14.53 on test.

143620 was seen departing Crediton at 10.36 (photo opposite top by Kevin Bates).



#### March 7

47804 + 47851 passed through Penrith at 18.13 on ecs working 5Z01 Old Oak Common - Kilmarnock Barclays Sidings hauling HST stock for refurbishment work: 6338, 44064, 42204, 42201, 42027, 42203, 41102, 42207, 42185 & 6330.

56078 + 56105 were seen near Redbridge at 16.31 on 0Y68 Canton – Eastleigh (photo below by Ian Knight).



90035 t&t 67005 passed through Penrith at 07.10 working from Newcastle and Hexham to Wembley via Carlisle.

#### March 8

70804 + 56078 + 56105 passed through St Denys on 0C30 Eastleigh - Cardiff at 17.59 (photo below by Ian Knight, note the local bobby eyeing the photographer!).



The FL 08s at Southampton Maritime Depot are not often featured and are currently, 08691 and 08785 not illustrated before (photos opposite top by Ian Knight)...realised I hadn't been there for a few years and not photographed either 08,

timely as I called in after AGM on the Sunday, ed.





#### March 9

170432 was damaged after hitting a tree between Elgin and Keith after high winds caused havoc overnight.

47727 passed through Redbridge at 12.01 on 6C51 Liskeard - Eastleigh RailVac working (photo below by Ian Knight).



March 10

66138 passed through Nuneaton on a Halewood - Southampton service at 13.55 90046 passed through Nuneaton with a consist

of empty container flats at 14.10.

66758 passed through Nuneaton with a Bescot -Cliff Hill Stud Farm working at 14.05.

92033 + 66747 passed through Stafford with the Trafford Park - Felixstowe liner at 16.05 (photo below by Martin Evans).



86614 + 86622 passed through Stafford with a Crewe Basford Hall - Tilbury freightliner service at 15.55 (photo below by Martin Evans).



92018 was seen passing through Stafford on test runs twice at 12.10 and at 14.18 (photo below of the latter run by James Holloway).



March 11

60002 passed Elford at 11.39 heading a Bescot - Toton working (see LIVERIES).

70809 passed Elford at 11.30 heading a Ratcliffe - Gloucester New Yard working.

47746 t&t 47851 passed through Falkirk Grahamston at 16.52 with ecs from Kilmarnock Carnforth.

92015 was seen passing Willesden Jnct at 09.40 on the WCML (photo below by Derek Everson).



47847 + 47843 made an impressive start away from a signal stop heading south through Doncaster at 17.41 with 4D31 Drax PS - Doncaster Down Decoy gypsum. This was the first day of operation with GBRf for 47847, freshly repainted in BR large logo livery.



March 12 56113 was seen at Crewe on 6S96 Thurs only Sinfin - Grangemouth aviation tanks at 16.32.



60040 was seen at Crewe on the late running 6Z37 Radcliffe - Arpley Sidings empty coal hoppers at 16.48 (photo below by Alan Brooks).



92018 in base Caledonian Sleeper livery passed Sytch Lane at 10.40 on Stafford - Crewe move.

## March 13

66716, 66720, 70803/04/05 were all seen stabled opposite Eastleigh station at 12.10 (photos below and at end by Paul Sumpter). 73128 + 73136 headed through Ashford Int at 11.32 on the 3Z35 10.14 Hither Green - Dollands Moor (photo below by Joshua brown).



March 14

60015 passed Chorlton on a Bescot - Crewe engineers train at 08.53 (photo below by Roger Thomas).



March 15

66536 on 6Y27 0740 Tiverton Loop -Eastleigh PW Train passed Nursling at 13.44 (photo below by Ian Knight).



#### March 17

92042 ran into Platform 10 at Crewe from the Electric depot at 12.35 (photo below top by Martin Evans).



66112 was seen at Didcot at 14.34 on shunting duties (photo below by Peter Trowbridge).



#### March 18

The third Cl.73/9 73963 was seen passing through Wellingborough on its way to Tonbridge from Brush, Loughborough at 10.07 (see CONVERTED STOCK).

### March 19

37610 + 37612 passed Sytch Lane at 15.30 on Berkeley - Crewe nuclear flask (photo below by Roger Thomas).



## March 20

MPV DR 98914 + 98964 passed through Eastleigh on an Eastleigh Works - Woking test run at 13.30.

70805 passed through Eastleigh on 01.00 6C17 Claydon LNE Junction - Eastleigh East Yard engineers train at 08.05

66601 on 6M91 Theale - Earles empty cement tanks was seen approaching Wellingborough at 14.26 (photo below by Colin Pottle).



66728 on 6M54 Colnbrook - Bardon Hill empty bogie hoppers was seen approaching Wellingborough at 14.54 (photo below by Colin Pottle).



March 21

66724 passed through Eastleigh on Mountfield Sidings - Southampton Western Docks at 16.06 (photo below by Colin Pottle).



70014 passed through Eastleigh on 4M61 Southampton - Hams Hall at 10.26 (photo below by Colin James).



66090 was seen at Eastleigh at 16.53 awaiting use on 22.56 6N01 Eastleigh - Farnborough Engineers train (photo below by Colin James).



66175 passed through Heald Green with the 10.18 Trafford Park - Bescot.

66747 passed through Heald Green with 4M21 03.15 Felixstowe - Trafford Park.

66536 was seen approaching Eastleigh northbound at 15.33 on 6O26 10.50 Hinksey Sidings, Oxford – Eastleigh East yard engineers train whilst 66590 headed southbound on 4O29 08.14 Crewe Basford Hall yard – Southampton MCT intermodal (photo below by Colin James).



March 24

37607 + 37609 passed Aldridge, Sutton Park on 6M63 Bridgwater - Crewe at 16.35 (photo below by Ken Bull).



70809 passed Aldridge, Sutton Park on 6M50 Westbury - Bescot departmental at 16.41 (photo below by Ken Bull).



The following freights were seen at Swindon:

12.46 66099 was seen at Swindon (photo below by Peter Trowbridge)

12.57 66130 Southall Yard – Moreton-on-Lugg 13.53 66716 Westbury – Stud Farm



March 26

950001 was seen stabled in the old parcels bay at Plymouth (photo below by Malcolm Hooper).



66763 was seen in Bescot yard at 12.31. 66621 passed through Tame Bridge Parkway at 12.44 (photo below by Graham Stockton)



66101 was seen in Plymouth through road at 16.59 with the 15.05 St. Blazey - Exeter Riverside. It was reported to have failed later that evening so did not work the return (photo below by Malcolm Hooper).



66770 on 6Z54 Theale Lafarge - Bardon Hill was seen approaching Wellingborough at 16.14 (see **NEW STOCK**).

### March 27

37603 + 37601 on Hither Green - Derby RTC test train was seen approaching Wellingborough at 16.22 (photo below by Colin Pottle).



43062 t&t 43013 on Plymouth - London Paddington NMT at 11.38 over the top of Hemerdon bank, near Plympton (photo below by Malcolm Hooper).



387124 + 387126 was seen at St Pancras Int on the 10.40 to Three Bridges (see **NEW STOCK**).

#### March 28

66175 on 6D31 Radlett - Mountsorrel was seen approaching Wellingborough at 14.57.

70808 on Slade Green - Mountsorrel was seen approaching Wellingborough at 16.42.

67029 passed northbound through Crewe light engine at 11.37.

The following were seen during a visit to Crewe Gresty Bridge Depot:

20305, 20309, 20312, 37218, 37405, 37610, 47501, 47810, 47841, 47853, 57010, 57011, 57302, 57310, 66301, 66432, 68001, 68005

### March 30

59201 passed Redbridge on 7V08 1241 Chichester - Whatley stone empties at 14.47 (photo below by lan Knight).



### March 31

All three 73/9s were seen in Tonbridge West Yard along with another 7 locos, 20901, 66714, 73119, 73136, 73141, 73201 & 73212 (see photos at end by Paul Sumpter).

08644 recently named *'Laira Diesel Depot 50 Years 1962- 2012'* was seen on Laira Depot (photo below by Malcolm Hooper).



April 1

56301 resting from RailVac duties was seen at 15.45 being passed by 66101 on yard shunting duties at Eastleigh (photo at end by Norman Smith).

The fourth Cl.73/9, 73964 was seen heading south to Tonbridge Yard at Loughborough at 09.42 and Clapham Jnct at 12.05 (see CONVERTED STOCK).

## **News from Norfolk (Stuart Moore):**

March 1: 37059/405, 47790/47818 were all present in Norwich Yard (see photo at end).

The short set has not seen much use in March, although in the last week it has been used daily. 37405 was sent over for driver training ahead of Cl.37 use on the AGA/DRS short set. 37059 has been used as the motive power for stock transfers to works and back.

**March 7:** 57301 was seen in Norwich Yard having arrived for stock transfer moves on the  $6^{\rm th}$ .

**March 8:** 61306 'Mayflower' visited Norwich on Easterling tour from King's Cross - Lowestoft via Norwich. Also present in Norwich were 90010, 37405 37059 and 57301.

**March 9:** 57301 took 37059/405 to DRS Crewe for repairs as they had both failed.

March 10: 37604 and 37419 arrived as replacements for the other two 37's.

March 23: 56311 + 56312 had a light engine run from Dereham on the MNR to Chaddesdon, Derby. They had arrived the previous Friday with ecs from the Christmas Polar Express runs. 56311 had been repainted into the new DCR livery but was in need of repairs (see

**LIVERIES**). It was pushed off the MNR by 56312. 66085 was on the Mountsorrel Trowse stones (see photo below).



47790 and 47813 were on the short set. 47813 had been replaced by the 25<sup>th</sup> by 47818.

**March 25:** A bit of a DRS festival in Norwich today. Present were 37419, 47790/813/818 57301/305 & 66425. 57305 left light engine on 26 March (see photo at end).

**March 27:** 66425 t&t 3 DRS coaches with 57301 on a service to Derby to join with an extra DRS loco to go to Carlisle.

Also on the 26<sup>th</sup> 47805 ran light to Norwich, seen on the 28<sup>th</sup> on the low yard with 47813.









below 20901, 66714, 73141 + 73201 & 73136, 73119 + 73212 Tonbridge West Yard  $31^{\rm st}$  March (Paul Sumpter)











## **OUT & ABOUT**

## by James Holloway

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

**Albert Ward:** 17th March: **Toton Yard:** 

08480/578/630/653/701/738/802/939, 09006/106 58012/23. 60002-08/13/14/18/20/23/25/27/31-33 60037/40/42/48/50/53/57/58/60-62/65/67-69/72/73 60075-78/80/81/83/86/88/89/93/96/97. 66013/039 66048/065/142/162/172/423/563, 67019, cs 11039

Michael Hayman:

1st March:

Paddington: 61306 'Mayflower', 47580

2<sup>nd</sup> March:

King's Cross: 43272, 91124

7th March:

Paddington: 43127/153/158/191

Acton:

47804/851, 66009/021/044/076/126/517/590/728

West Ealing: 60085

Southall: 61306 'Mayflower', 47245/580, 66576

Haves: 34046 'Braunton'

9th March:

Clapham Junction: 57011/310

21st March:

Paddington:

43053/037/087/088/122/124/133/139/145/156/162

43172/185/188/193/196 Old Oak Common: 57603/604 Acton: 59201. 66012/115

Southall: 37706 Haves: 66134

**Heathrow Airport Junction:** 66164

Maidenhead: 66084 Reading: 66066 Eastleigh:

66025/080/090/121/131/137/148/536/547/590/716

66724/731, 70014/016

**Barry Marshall:** 

15th March:

Crianlarich 11.00: 66101/108

17th March:

Crianlarich: 156476/479

19th March:

Tarbet: 66111 6D16 Fort William-Mossend Glasgow Queen Street 12.15-13.05: 156437/445/474, 158726, 170393/403/404

170407-410/425/451/455/471 Low Level 13.10-13.50:

318267/68. 334013/15/28/36/39

20th March: Polmadie: 90028

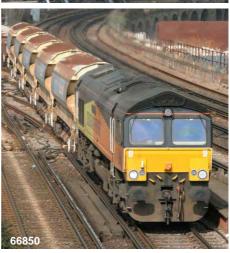
**Derek Everson:** 

25th March:

Wandsworth Rd 11.30-14.20:

59102. 66031/715/731/740/752/850. 73128136/141 73201







## **Malcolm Wallace:**

### 14th March:

### Totnes 00.24-03.56:

Overnight engineering works saw the following: 43091/145/160/180, 57303/306, 66148/526/555 66585/596, 70802/803/805, 220018, 221125

### Mike Rumens:

### 17th February:

## Nuneaton 14.08-15.10:

66200/704/749, 67010, 86622/637, 90045/48 92010, 153375, 170101/115/398/519, 221113 350372/375, 390009/010/046/104/115/117/130 390134/141

### 18th February:

### **Birmingham New Street:**

221103. 350256/265. 390157

Soho: 08805

## **Wolverhampton Steel Terminal:**

60011, 66089

Crewe:

66596/721, 68009, 70015, 92033, 350103/116 350246/369

Winsford: 70014 **Speke:** 156485 Edge Hill: DR98008

**Liverpool Lime Street:** 

156426, 158813, 350256, 390104

Liverpool Lime Street/Central/Southport: 507009/15/20/25-27. 508108/17/22/30/38/40/41

Southport: 142015/45, 150141/218

20th February:

Nuneaton 14.05-15.10:

37059/406, 47790, 66001/003/749, 86605/614 90043/45, 92011/41, 153375, 170104-106/114/520 221113, 350114, 378124/25, 390005/039/045/104 390118/121/122/135/137/141/157

23<sup>rd</sup> February:

### Nuneaton 14.35-15.30:

66145/727, 86604/617, 90016/43, 153364, 170103 170112/117/397, 221107, 350119/372, 390001 390016/039/046/117/126/148/154

25th February:

Nuneaton: 66743, 170397 Washwood Heath: 70003

Lawley Street: 66571/581, 220009

Birmingham New Street:

170104/515/517/521, 323210/18/21/41, 390103

**Bromsgrove:** 57302/309 Ledbury: 170506/632/634

Hereford:

43194/198, 170507/517, 175003/004/011/109

26th February:

Nuneaton 08.42-09.10:

66429/747, 170104/108, 350372, 390141 Washwood Heath: 08762, 66956, 70003

Lawley Street: 66596 **Birmingham New Street:** 323208, 350261-263, 390050/124 Bescot: 08580/709/907, 66057/144

Walsall 10.25-12.35:

66083/620, 70004, 153334/75, 170504/508/512 170516, 323213, 350254

Rugeley TV 13.05: 68009/10 Stafford 13.35-14.58:

66108/721, 90042, 220006/20, 221109/15/24/26 350109/110/119/243/244/253/368. 390013/042 390046/049/103/114/141/148/153/157

Lichfield TV: 37509, 90012 Tamworth 15.20-16.20:

57302/307, 66053, 170105/113/520/522/523 220008, 221127, 350114/372

2<sup>nd</sup> March:

### Nuneaton 14.27-15.10:

66517/730, 90016/47, 153356, 170113/117/397 221102, 350373/377, 387126/27, 390001/127/129 390151

3rd March:

Gypsy Lane, Whitestone, Nuneaton 14.40-15.05: 70006, 86605/622, 90029/43/44, 221110, 350373 350377, 387126/27, 390039/114

6th March:

### Nuneaton 13.43-17.05:

66017/079/532/590/705/720/730/747/756, 68013 70013/018, 86609/639, 90045/48, 92019, 153356 170106/108/109/115/519/521/636, 221103/04/16 221118, 350118/124/130/372/374/377, 387126 390006/011/020/039/043/045-047/049/050/103 390117/119/121/123/125/127-129/138/148/151 390153/155

10th March:

## Nuneaton 14.30-15.35:

66060/532/756, 86613/638, 90046, 153365 170104/111/112/397/519. 221101/03/06/07 350111/369/370, 390010/043/044/103/114/125 390129/132/135/137/153

11th March:

### Nuneaton 14.50-17.25:

66020/024/065/074/092/130/232/420/703/752/756 86613/614/622, 90016/42/48, 153365, 170105/107 170108/519/637, 221102/04/06/07/09/42, 350111 350121/122/370/376. 390006/013/045-047/049 390050/103/104/115/122/123/125/128/151/155 390156

#### Geoff Hope:

### 3rd March:

### Crewe 09.05-09.20:

92029, 150236, 153323/55, 325002/09, 350265 390154

**Stafford:** 57302, 390126 **Soho:** 08805, 323220

Birmingham New St 10.20-13.10/15.35-17.15: 43207/285/304/321/378/384, 150107, 153334/56 153375, 158818-820/822/823/826/828/829/833 158835/837, 170104/106-108/110-112/114/117 170397/398/501-504/506/507/509/510/515/516 170518/520-523/630-633/636-638, 220001/02/05 220006/10/12/19/20/23/26/31/33, 221104/06/08/09 221114/15/19/21/25/27/29/30/32/34/38-41 323201-03/05-11/14-22/40-42, 350103/106/119 350122/124-127/129/130/233/239/247/250/252 350253/255/263, 390001/016/020/039/042/043 390118/119/122/126/128/129

### Birmingham Moor St 13.20-13.40:

67008, 165012, 168215/219, 172217/218/334/335 172344, cs 12606/610/613/615/620

## Tyseley 13.47-1402:

150105, 153334, 168112, 170630/633, 172215 172336/339/342/343, 220009

## Birmingham Snow Hill 14.13-15.15:

153334, 168108, 172215/219-222/332-335/337 172339/341/342/345, Trams 08/10/16/18-20/22-24 34 on test

## 6th March:

#### Leeds 09.15-14.20:

43052/064/207/303/310/318/321/384, 91101/06/11 91115/22/24/26/29, 142017/21/31/63/78/84/86/88 142096, 144001/03-05/10/15/16/19-23, 150114 150118/133/148/149/206/214/224/270/272 153307/17/24/59/60, 155341/43-47, 158752-759 158787/791/793/796/815/817/842/845/849/850 158855/859/861/901-903/906/909/910, 170301 170305/306, 185102/04/07-09/15-17/19/20/22/23 185126/30/31/33/34/37-41/44/46/47/50/51, 220003 220026, 221119/32/35/39/40, 321901-903, 322483 333001-06/09-14/16, DVT's 82201/03/11/12/17/19 82223/25

## 10<sup>th</sup> March:

### Crewe 08.50-09.00:

92019/33, 150229, 153312, 221142, 350128/235

Stafford: 66763

Birmingham New St 10.05-13.20/15.30-17.00: 43207/285/303/304/321/357/366/384, 150105 153334/56/64. 158819-822/824/825/829/830/836

158837/839, 170102/103/105-108/112/113 170115-117/501-503/505/507/510/512-514 170517-523/631-635/637/638, 220005/07/10/12-14 220017/21/24-26/28-31/33/34, 221104/07/11/12/16 221118-20/24/25/39/40/42, 323201-03/05-12/14-18 323220/21/40-43, 350105/108/109/112/117/120 350121/125/234/243/244/248/252/253/257/260 390001/002/006/009/020/042/045/112/126/132 390136/156

Birmingham Moor St 13.35-13.40:

67014, 165012, 168108, 172216/220/331

#### Tyseley 13.47-14.02:

153334/64, 168217, 170508/513/631/632, 172340 220008

## Birmingham Snow Hill 14.12-15.17:

153364, 168214, 170631, 172213/215/219/221 172222/332-334/336-338/344

Trams 10/16/18/20/22/23/25-27 with 32 on test **12<sup>th</sup> March**:

## Leeds 09.20-13.15:

43208/238/300/303/304/314/357/384, 91104/13/20 91125/26/31, 142025/39/68/79/91/93, 144001/02 144004/07/08/11/15/16/18/20-23, 150136/141/149 150204/207/211/218/220/223/224/270/271 153328/31/58/59, 155343/44/46/47, 158752-756 158759/787/790-792/796/797/816/817/844/860 158861/902/903/907/910, 170303/304, 185101-03 185107-09/11/14-16/18/20/22-25/27-29/31-33/36 185140/43/44/46-48, 220026, 221120/21/23/26/32 321903, 322482/84, 333001-06/08/09/11-16 DVT's 82205/15/16/22/27/31

## 17<sup>th</sup> March:

#### Crewe 08.45-09.01:

97301/03, 150256, 153357, 221103/16, 350120 350239, 390042

Stafford: 68015

### Birmingham New St 10.10-11.40:

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### Tyseley-Moor St-Snow Hill 11.55-14.05:

66504, 67013, 68011, 153356/64, 168107/112 170510/512/634, 172211-217/220-222/333/334 172336/337340-343, DVT's 82304/309, cs 10271 10274, 12604/605/607/614/616-619/623/625 Trams 09/16/19/20/22-27

## DAYS OUT

## Saturday in South Wales by Andrew Buckley:

Being a rail enthusiast and a Dorchester dweller is at the best of times not a hand in glove experience!! In short, if you want to see something other than Classes 150 and 444 DMU and EMU respectively you have to get on a train and travel. However the redeeming feature of Dorchester is ironically that those classes of unit can take you to very different parts of the British rail network and one option is South Wales. And so on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2015 I found myself at the unmanned Dorchester West station waiting for the 06.51 departure for Bristol Temple Meads. Being a well

trodden route of mine I knew that I would be able to get some sleep on the train with the internal alarm clock ringing to enable me to take in the scene at Westbury and then drop off before the wake-up call of Bristol. From there a fifteen minute connection time usually allows for a cup of tea and paper

purchase before heading off, first for Severn Tunnel Junction and then Newport before, if time and expected working schedules allow, a final destination of Cardiff. Plus this particular Saturday also had the added bonus of a steam excursion in the shape of 'The Red Dragon' from Tyseley Steam Trust to Cardiff Central and return featuring Collett 4-6-0 4965 'Rood Ashton Hall' (see photo right of 4965 approaching Newport at 15.28 with the return 1Z76).

The attraction of South Wales, for me, is guaranteed freight workings with the added

possibility of something a little more unusual turning up as an STP or VSTP working. Ordinarily the expectation is a minimum of three DB class 60's working. Firstly into Westerleigh (see photo below left of 60019 passing Severn Tunnel Junction at 10.01 on the



05.04 Robeston-Westerleigh loaded Murco bogie tanks). Secondly on the Margam - Llanwern steel round robins, and finally on the Theale - Margam working (see photo right of 60001 working the diverted, via Newbury and Bath, 6B33 Theale-Margam

through Newport at 15.04). Plus there is a Colas WTT path with the Tilbury-

Llanwern working, which had been of late 60085, although on this occasion it had failed on the outbound working earlier that day! Whilst the area still remains a bastion of EWS liveried DB 'Sheds' - a total of nine were recorded between 11.00 and 15.30 hours - things are beginning to change and Cardiff Canton and its environs now see a variety of different company's motive power stabled there. On the day, 66737 was stabled east of Cardiff on a rake of



empty bogie hoppers and 66501 worked the Crewe Basford Hall - Wentloog. However the star diesel sightings for me were two workings through Newport, one being a Colas light engine positioning move to Eastleigh at 12.02 involving 56078 + 56105 on 0Y68 (see photo above) in preparation for engineering turns that evening and the other a Network Rail move involving 31285 working 0Z31

Derby RTC-Cardiff Canton (see photo below right).





So this particular Saturday in South Wales saw

some twenty locomotives from five different companies and a steam excursion all of which were observed between 10.00 - 15.30 hours. Every weekend of course varies, but the Newport area always proves a sound choice with a number of freight moves.

## MISCELLANEOUS LOCOS

The first page of Shunting Locomotives and the Miscellaneous Locos section in the **UK Combine** include some odd non-classified survivors built for pre-nationalisation companies, often for evaluation of which some were eventually ordered in larger numbers or incorporated into the mainline companies fleet. This occasional series features these locos. Previous articles / photo spots featured: 85049 and 97701 - September 2010 p8, 18000 – March 2012 p32 & 'Tom' & 'Tiger' September 2014 p32.

Fowler 0-4-0 DM shunter [21442] 'Woodbine' was built in 1933, and worked at WD&HO Wills Swindon factory. It was registered with the GWR in 1941 as 211 so as to be allowed to work into their sidings. Woodbine was presented to the Swindon & Cricklade Railway (SCR) when Wills closed their factory in 1980. The story goes that Swindon works fitted Woodbine with a steam-style chimney as a

joke when the locomotive was once sent there for overhaul (courtesy SCR website).









## PRESERVATION GALAS

## Keighley & Worth Valley Rly Gala, 27-28th Feb 2015 by Colin James:

I attended the KWV Gala on both days. Friday started cold and bright but gradually clouded over, more so than the weather forecast predicted. There were five resident engines in steam, Fowler 4P 4-4-0T 1054 & BR Std 4-6-0 75078 worked solely on the Keighley - Oxenhope services whilst Fowler 4F

0-6-0 43924, Bulleid WC 4-6-2 34092 'Wells' & USA S160 2-8-0 5820 worked the Keighley - Ingrow West services. Services ran around 15 mins late for the early part of the day, gradually returning to the timetable late on. The late running allowed an additional Keighley - Ingrow West shuttle to be slotted into the timetable, so that the lunchtime Keighley - Oxenhope non-stop service, though starting late, could run through non-stop, passing the equally late running service from Oxenhope at Damens.





above left 90733 & 5820 Haworth shed above right 75078 + 90733 arriving at Haworth station at 14.30 on the 14.10 Keighley – Oxenhope service, 28<sup>th</sup> February 2015







above 5820 + 90733 heading south from Haworth at 12.23on the 11.55 Keighley – Oxenhope service, 28<sup>th</sup> February 2015

Saturday was mostly overcast, with the odd glimpse of blue sky, gradually getting darker, then wetter !! There were eight engines in steam, Manning Wardle 0-6-0ST 'Sir Berkeley' & Hudswell Clarke 0-6-0T 1704 'Nunlow' exclusively working the Keighley - Ingrow West shuttles with WD Austerity 2-8-0

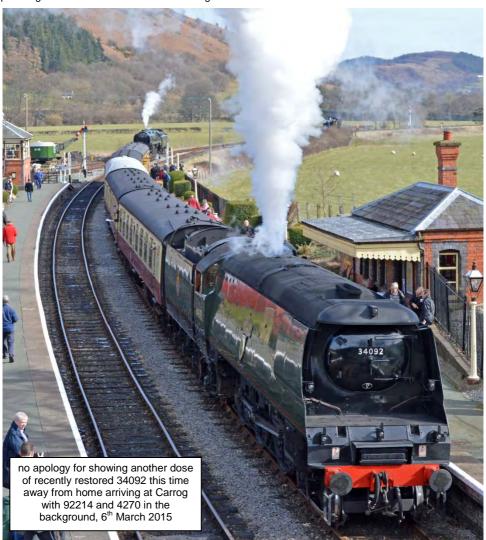


90733 joining 1054, 43924, 34092, 75078 & 5820 working over the full length of the line, with more double heading. The goods train was run early, before the passenger service got fully going. All the larger engines were facing boiler first from Keighley.

left 43924 &, 34092, being prepared for service at 08.40, Haworth shed yard, 27<sup>th</sup> February 2015

## Llangollen Steam, Steel & Stars Gala, 6-8<sup>th</sup> March 2015 by Martin Evans:

I attended on Friday, the 6<sup>th</sup> March. The weather was dry and bright for most of the day and there was a fair crowd with trains running with a number of passengers on board, I would say at about 60% full. There were a total of 6 visiting engines all of which were in steam: Collett Autotank 0-4-2T 1450 (SVR), BR 9F 92214 'Central Star'(GCR) (see LIVERIES), Bulleid WC 4-6-2 34092 'Wells' (KWV), Collett 0-6-0 3205 (SDR), Churchward 2-8-0T 4270 (GWR), BR Black 5 45321 'Sherwood Forester' (ELR). In addition resident 2-6-2T 5199, recently returned to operation, was also in traffic on passenger turns and the demonstration freight train.



The aim of the Gala was to raise funds for the ongoing new build GWR Grange no 6880 'Betton Grange'. (look out for an upcoming article on 6880 and other new build locos, ed). The next major task is to overhaul the boiler from donor loco 7927 'Willington Hall', which is in the Society's possession. If sufficient funds are raised it is hoped to see a Grange in steam in 2017. This year the Gala was arranged over 2 weekends 6-8<sup>th</sup> March and 13-15<sup>th</sup> March.





## Swindon & Cricklade Diesel Gala, 21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> March 2015 by Trevor Roots:

The SCR was one preserved railway I have been meaning to visit for some time due to photograph the varied collection of ex-BR locos and units, but its location made it difficult to fit in on our travels. Finally, following the AGM at Eastleigh Works, the opportunity arose to call in on our way back north

on Sunday the 22<sup>nd</sup> March. This coincided neatly with their Diesel Gala weekend. The main station is Blunsden and the 'car park' in the yard was packed but we squeezed in at 12.00. Just as we arrived DEMU 61907 + 60127 (207203) passed by south. We first wandered around the yard where 6984 'Owsden Hall' is in the final stages of restoration from Barry scrapyard condition, having arrived from the Gloucestershire Warwickshire Railway (GWR) in 2013. Heading onto the station we quickly established that to see the shed at Hayes Knoll the next station up the line to the north we needed to catch a train. Now as Chris will tell you I tend to try to fit in as many sites as possible on our journeys and then tear around trying to photograph anything that resembles railway stock / infrastructure leaving little time to travel on the lines !! As I had also intended to catch the end of Severn



Valley Steam Gala (we were staying the night at Kidderminster TL) that had to be sacrificed and so tickets were bought for the 12.30 and we waited for the DEMU to return from the current southern terminus Taw Valley Halt opened in 2012. Whilst then waiting to depart, as Blunsden was the passing point for the two trains that were running, I was able to see D3261 arriving on a rake of 3 BR Mk1s. I had not seen this since 1972 at Cardiff Canton, as it was one of those Cl.08s that never received a TOPS number.



After a very short 5 min ride passing stock in a siding we arrived at Hayes Knoll. The shed lay to the west of and abutting the station with access tracks leading into it from the north. On these tracks was the second of four shunters based here, D3668 (09004) which I had not seen since 2007 and its days on the Spa Valley Railway (SPA). Alongside was D2152 (03152) one of only two cut down Cl.03s used for the Burry Port & Gwendraeth Valley branch in South Wales. Again I hadn't seen this since BR days at Doncaster Carr in 1974. It has recently been overhauled and turned out in BR green but lacks

any numbers. So that was 3 out of the 4 shunters leaving just D2022, a shunter I have never seen so it would have been a cop but alas it was up in the siding and I failed to grab a chance to see it on the



shuttle being operated by Fowler 0-4-0DM [21442] 'Woodbine', as I wanted to see inside the shed before our return journey. Perils of travelling and not enough time...next time!!

The reason for looking inside the shed was I also wanted E6003 'Sir Herbert Walker' not seen since 1976 at Brighton. It had been working on the Saturday but the batteries had run flat and it was hooked up inside. Before going into the shed D2152 fired up and was brought out into the station ready to take over from D3261, good news

as this was our return traction departing at 13.20. A trip round the shed revealed E6003, two Wickhams trollies, a tamper DR 73216, three steam locos under restoration, several coaches and

wagons and operational Polish 0-6-0T 'Spartan', again bought from SPA in December 2014. As it is out of gauge it has necessitated much track realignment.

So back on the train and we headed south to Blunsden but realised that the southbound service passes through on its way to Taw Valley Halt, oh well we got to ride the whole line finally returning to Blunsden at 13.52 and after another quick few photos we were on our way north at 14.10....next stop the GWR. It was on the way to the SVR!!

right 6984 Blunsden

below left D3261 Blunsden

below right D3668 (09004) Hayes Knoll







## Rushden Transport Mus & Rly Diesel Gala 21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> Mar 2015 by Colin Pottle:

This is probably the closest preserved railway to where I live, so I had no excuse not to go. It is also the shortest I have ever visited, being roughly ½ mile in length! This should be doubled in the not too distant future as the Railway has the go ahead to continue to Higham Ferrers. Vegetation clearance has already begun with this in mind. There is a car park directly opposite, so no problems with parking.

I attended on the Sunday which turned out to be the better, weather-wise, of the two day event. Trains started running at 11.00 and thereafter every ½ hour until 16.00. The first and last train was a brake van ride between two elderly 0-4-0 locos, WD 72222 and Sentinel 10159 (see photo right). Each timetabled departure had two runs to the end of the line and back.

The all blue 31289 'Phoenix' recently moved from the Northampton & Lamport Railway and 31206 were also running



with three trips from 14.30 in t&t mode. 31206 has been repaired after it failed at the Spa Valley Railway last year and sounded in good form. A relay failed on 31289 as it left the station with the 15.30, quickly remedied with 31206 providing the power on both runs in both directions.



I look forward to seeing the Railways' Cl.121 55029 (977968) up and running, apparently work is progressing well (see photo above).

For such a small concern the gala was well attended, only a few empty seats on each train and staff were friendly and happy to divulge knowledge about the locos and the Railway.

## Ribble Steam Rly Diesel Gala 7-8<sup>th</sup> Mar 2015 by Peter & James Trowbridge:

Following attendance at the previous Gala in October 2014, which was reported in the November issue, we attended this diesel gala on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March on our way back from Lancaster. The weather was cloudy in the morning but brightened up in the afternoon. We were aware that Colas Rail



was sending a locomotive to attend the diesel gala on the Saturday, rumoured, leading up to the event to be 66849 'Wylam Dilly' and this duly arrived light engine at Riverside Station shortly after we had arrived. It was soon put to use top and tailing the first train with CI.14 D9539.

66849 topped and tailed with both D9539 (see photo left) and the Cl.05, D2595 until the early afternoon, when it was detached from the rear of a train which had been hauled to

the spur adjacent to Strand Road by D2595. Then at approx. 14.30 66849 crossed Strand Road and

ran light engine to Carlisle. The Class 05 then propelled the train back into the exchange sidings, ran-round and then hauled the train back to Riverside on its own. D2595 worked one round trip with NS 663 before the curtain came down with the last round trip being worked by Railcar E79960. Unfortunately, both the two Cl.03 locomotives 03189 and D2148 were unserviceable on the day.

We also had the opportunity to have a look around the new maintenance shed, which seems to be split in two. Inside the Riverside Station end were 03189 (see photo right), 4-6-0 4979 'Wootton Hall' and Collett 0-6-2T 5643. In the other part of the shed were a few industrial shunters which were later pulled out into the open. In the other workshop various steam



locomotives were being restored. 08628 was to be found in front of the new maintenance shed in a poor state of repair (see photo left). We were advised by a member of staff that the locomotive was

going for scrap.



This railway is well worth a visit. Although the length of the line is very short it is a very pleasant journey passing over a swing bridge and running alongside the river Ribble in part.

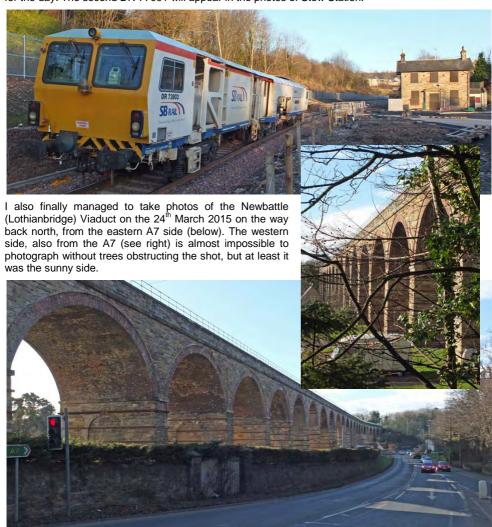
As most of the resident fleet was illustrated in the November article, just those that were not shown, or with 08628 a better view, have been included here.

photos by Peter & James Trowbridge

## **BORDERS RAILWAY**

Just a hiccup in the description of Part 1, it was to Heriot / Shoestanes which was beyond Falahill, I originally planned to stop the article there but added a bit more but forgot to amend the title!!

Before continuing along the line on the way south there were two tampers working the line on the 10<sup>th</sup> March 2015, the first DR 77803 *'Alexander Graham Bell'* was seen at Gorebridge, having just stopped for the day. The second DR 77001 will appear in the photos of Stow Station.



## Part 2 - Fountainhall to Stow by Trevor Roots

There are three site offices along the route and the middle one (now cleared) was based at the former Fountainhall station, which roughly covered the section from Gorebridge to Stow. At this point was the next road crossing, a minor road which crossed the Gala Water after leaving the A7 before crossing the railway via a level crossing north of the station to join the western minor road from Sandyknowe. A

new road bridge has been built to replace the 'level crossing' and the road realigned slightly to the north to obviate the need to build another bridge over Gala Water.



The view above looking south on the 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2014 from the former 'level crossing' shows Fountainhall station on the right and the site offices on the left. The two photos below show the new

road bridge, firstly the view looking north from the 'level crossing' and secondly from east of the A7. In the second photo. Gala Water can be runnina seen in foreground before passing under the bridge on the A7 to the left. The new road iunction is behind the tree and the former road junction is to the left of this bridge, as can be seen in a later photo taken on the 24th March 2015. In the photo opposite top looking south, also taken



on the 24<sup>th</sup> March 2015, the former road from the A7 can be seen crossing the Gala Water together with the track now laid across the former 'level crossing' severing the road. The new tarmac road in the middle leads to a farm which connects with the new road rather than out onto the A7, see photo opposite middle.



As mentioned above, the photo opposite middle taken on the 24<sup>th</sup> March 2015 looking east to the A7 from the new bridge, shows the old road to the right (with van), Gala Water and the new farm road curving up to the new road on the left. The A7 runs horizontally across the middle of the photo.

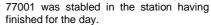




For the next 4 miles the minor road, railway, Gala Water and the A7 run alongside each other until the next minor road crossing of the railway at Stow. This crossing, unlike the previous two is a bridge just to the north of the former station which is being re-built and is the only station between Gorebridge and Galashiels. In the photo right taken on the 10<sup>th</sup> March 2015 from the road bridge looking south, the former station can be seen along with two new platforms, for the double track section at this point on the route. As the road bridge is narrow, a new footbridge within the station environs



is being built alongside to connect the platforms with I presume access from the road / footpath. A new ramp is being constructed on the western side, right in the photo. As mentioned above tamper DR





The photo left taken on the 5<sup>th</sup> December 2014 looking north shows the new footbridge in front of the existing road bridge. The photo below that taken on the same day looking north from the road bridge shows the recently laid unballasted double track (see comparison photos of Stow on page 13 in the June 2013 issue).

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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).

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06.06 158836 5E42	CF-DR	WW-	Meldon Quarry	10.55 66431 4V38	DV-WG
	Hexthorpe	12.57 66003 6V37	TO-MO	11.02 70004 4V09	RG-SG
07.58 37402/609 6V73	CE-BE	13.46 97303 3Z08	DY-LA	11.18 60019 6B13	RN-WH
08.07 66152 6V85	MF-AP	14.46 70004 4V47	RG-SG	11.43 31601 5Z34	Taunton-DY
10.51 66305 6V38	DV-WG	15.00 66154 66V92	CY-MG	11.53 60011 6E41	WH-LY
11.12 60001 6B13	RN-WH	16.00 66034 6V07	RO-MG	11.56 66186 6E66	MG-SC
11.17 66720 6M25	WY-SF	21.56 56312 6Z12	SN-CT	11.57 66720 6M25	WY-SF
12.20 60065 6E41	WH-LY	27 <sup>th</sup> February		12.40 66106 6V05	RO-MG
13.42 37402/609 6M56	BE-CE	08.29 66008 4V83	TO-PY	14.35 70809 4V13	GL-PY
14.40 70809 4V13	GL-PY	08.32 66107 6M81	MG-RO	14.55 66034 6V92	CY-MG
15.01 66143 6V92	CY-MG	09.35 66105 4V70	RC-AV	16.00 66107 6V07	RO-MG
15.17 66016 6M39	PY-RC	10.48 66305 4V38	DV-WG	18.05 57315/314 5Z67	
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12.43 66024 6V05	RO-MG	22.35 66762 6V80	WE-PY	12.44 66527 4M18	FR-WW
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10.53 70003 4V09	RG-SG	11.13 60019 6B13	RN-WH	14.53 66150 6M39	PY-RC
11.02 66710 6M25	WY-SF	11.44 70809 4C30	AW-GL	15.00 66197 6V92	CY-MG
11.07 60001 6B13	RN-WH	12.44 70004 4V09	RG-SG	16.00 66004 6M41	MG-RO
12.02 66093 6V05	RO-MG	12.53 70803 6X50	WY-BS	16.01 66106 6V07	RO-MG
15.01 66144 6V92	CY-MG	14.50 66206 6V92	CY-MG	6 <sup>th</sup> March	
14.15 57009/002 6M63	BR-CE	16.02 66197 6M41	MG-RO	01.35 56312 6Z36	SN-CT
14.35 70809 4V13	GL-PY	19.53 56312 6Z35	CT-SN	06.07 60017 6M59	MG-WV
14.48 70011 4V47	RG-SG	20.01 66085 6V55	BD-RN	08.27 66076 6M81	MG-RO
15.57 66181 6V07	RO-MG	21.07 66125 6E03	AP-MF	09.10 66055 6M96	MG-CY
18.18 66137	BS-AV	21.56 66050 6V66	SC-MG	11.09 70004 4V09	RG-SG
26 <sup>th</sup> February	_	3 <sup>rd</sup> March		11.12 66720 6M25	WY-SF
11.12 66716 6M25 WY-S		01.01 60001 6V49	TS-MG	11.13 60019 6B13	RN-WH
12.21 60015 6E41	WH-LY	08.36 66197 6M81	MG-RO	11.47 66527 4M18	FR-WW

6 <sup>th</sup> March (cont)		11 <sup>th</sup> March (cont)		15 <sup>th</sup> March (cont)	
12.01 66187 6V05	RO-MG	11.16 60019 6B13	RN-WH	19.11 66198 6E68	MG-SC
12.17 60011 6E41	WH-LY	12.17 60015 6E41	WH=LY	19.58 66128 6E30	MG-HL
12.38 43013/14 1Z20	OO-DY	12.41 66199 6V05	RO-MG	17 <sup>th</sup> March	
12.58 66110 6V67	SC-MG	13.16 66952 4M18	FR-WW	06.15 66074 6M90	AV-CI
7 <sup>th</sup> March		13.55 20305/308 6M63	BR-CE	08.58 66085 6M81	MG-RO
07.27 66131/171/076/097	7 0X98	14.13 37602/609 6M56	BE-CE	10.02 66749 6V80	WE-PY
	AD-BS	14.50 70003 4V47	RG-SG	11.01 66302 4V38	DV-WG
08.54 31465 3Z63	BL-DY	12 <sup>th</sup> March		11.05 70011 4V09	RG-SG
09.57 4965 1Z75	TY-CF	08.27 66199 6M81	MG-RO	11.15 60066 6B13	RN-WH
12.55 66055 6E66	MG-SC	11.03 70004 4V09	RG-SG	11.54 66185 4E66	AW-MF
15.17 66041 6M39	PY-RC	11.04 66429 4V38	DV-WG	12.02 66004 6V05	RO-MG
15.50 66429 4V38	DV-WG	11.14 60019 6B13	RN-WH	12.41 60063 6E41	WH-LY
17.59 4965 1Z76	CF-TY	11.17 66758 6M25	WY-SF	13.08 66076 6E68	MG-SC
8 <sup>th</sup> March		12.18 60100 6E41	WH-LY	14.02 20305/308 6M56	BE-CE
17.05 66034 6E47	MG-MD	12.49 66145 6V05	RO-MG	14.19 66093 6V92	CY-MG
17.58 66429 4M36	WG-DV	13.01 66093 6E66	MG-SC	15.54 66085 6V07	RO-MG
19.45 66713 6V83	PB-MO	13.02 66175 6V37	TO-MO	18.17 70006 4V47	RG-SG
20.01 66110 6E30	MG-HL	13.30 20308/305 6M56	BE-CE	19.29 66092/097 6V69	BS-AD
22.23 66087 6E93	LL-SC	14.47 70003 4V47	RG-SG	20.16 66198 6E30	MG-HL
9 <sup>th</sup> March		15.08 66085 6V92	CY-MG	DR98008 3Z05	RY-BL
14.59 70809 4V13	GL-AV	15.55 60066 6M41	MG-RO	18 <sup>th</sup> March	
15.07 66085 6V92	CY-MG	15.57 66199 6V07	RO-MG	04.36 66004 6M03	RN-BD
15.58 66037 6M41	MG-CY	13 <sup>th</sup> March		08.30 66169 6M81	MG-RO
18.17 66187 6V35	BS-AV	08.36 66066 6M81	MG-RO	10.48 66434 4V38	DV-WG
20.03 56312 6Z35	CT-SN	09.12 66198 6M96	MG-CY	11.13 60019 6B13	RN-WH
21.59 66181 6V66	SC-MG	09.42 31285 0Z31	CF-DY	12.04 60017 6B35	WH-RN
23.22 66093 6V97	BN-CT	10.58 66304 4V38	DV-WG	12.07 66051 6V05	RO-MG
10 <sup>th</sup> March		11.10 70004 4V09	RG-SG	13.16 57012/004 6M63	BR-CE
08.00 37602/609 6V73	CE-BE	11.52 66952 4M18	FR-WW	17.53 70006 4V47	RG-SG
09.09 66765 6V80 Hex	thorpe-PY	12.08 66199 6V05	RO-MG	18.17 66182 6V35	BS-AV
10.56 66303 4V38	DV-WG	12.19 60100 6E41	WH-LY	19 <sup>th</sup> March	
11.06 60019 6B13	RN-WH	20.56 66952 4V18	WW-FR	08.31 66168 6M81	MG-RO
11.49 60015 6E41	WH-LY	21.43 66551/956 6X04	FR-WW	10.48 66427 4V38	DV-WG
12.02 66132 6V05	RO-MG	14 <sup>th</sup> March		11.02 70011 4V09	RG-SG
12.07 66181/025 4E66	MG-SC	10.03 70004 4V09	RG-SG	11.11 60019 6B13	RN-WH
13.46 31601 0Z31	DY-BT	11.16 60019 6B13	RN-WH	11.16 66004 6E68	MG-SC
14.25 70809 4V13	GL-PY	14.32 56312 6Z35	CT-CH	12.00 37610/612 6M56	BE-CE
15.02 66061 6V92	CY-MG	14.55 70003 4V46	RG-SG	12.21 60100 6E41	WH-LY
11 <sup>th</sup> March		20.07 66198 6V93	CY-MG	12.26 66169 6V05	RO-MG
08.28 66093 6M81	MG-RO	15 <sup>th</sup> March		13.05 66050 6V37	TO-MO
10.09 70004 4V09	RG-SG	11.32 66303 4V38	DV-WG	14.30 70809 4V13	GL-AV
10.55 66427 4V38	DV-WG	17.37 66169/137/064 0Z1	5BS-MG	14.59 66137 6V92	CY-MG
11.15 66716 6M25	WY-SF	17.58 66303 4M36	WG-DV		

### **Location Codes:**

AB	Aberdeen Achnasheen	BI	Burntisland	CL CM	Carlisle Chalmerston		Derby		Grange Sidings Gleneagles
AC		BL	Bristol				Earles Sidings Edinburgh		
AD	Alexander Dock	BN	Beeston	CN		ED		GY	Grimsby
	Jnct		Bo'ness	CP	Chepstow	EE	Elderslie		Hayes
ΑE	Attercliffe	BP	Bath	CQ	Croft Quarry		Eastleigh	HD	Handsworth
ΑF	Ashford	BR	Bridgwater	CR	Cadder	EL	Elgin	HF	Hereford
AΗ	Ashchurch	BS	Bescot	CS	Cheltenham	EU	Euston	HH	Holyhead
ΑJ	Awre Junction	BT	Barton Hill	CT	Cardiff Tidal	ES	Earlseat	HL	Hartlepool
AL	Alston	BU	Burton	CU	Cumbernauld	ΕV	Evesham	HO	Halewood
ΑN	Acton	BW	Barrow Hill	CV	Cliff Vale	EX	Exeter	HR	Harwich
AP	Appleford	ΒZ	St Blazey	CW	Cwmbargoed	FB	Ferrybridge	HS	Hunslet
AR	Abercynon	BY	Barry		Corby	FF	Fiddlers Ferry	HT	Hastings
ΑT	Abbotswood Jnct	CA	Calvert	DC	Dyce	FG	Fishguard	HU	Hunterston
ΑV	Avonmouth	CB	Coatbridge	DL	Dalmeny	FO	Forres	HV	Haverfordwest
ΑW	Aberthaw	CD	Charfield	DM	Dollands Moor	FR	Fairwater	HW	Heywood Jnct
ΑY	Ayr	CE	Crewe	DR	Doncaster	FΥ	Falkland Yard	HY	Hinksey
BA	Blair Atholl	CF	Cardiff	DS	Dalston	GC	Glasgow Central	ΙB	Ironbridge
BD	Bedworth	CH	Chaddesden	DT	Didcot	GE	Georgemas Jnct	IM	Immingham
BE	Berkeley	CI	Clitheroe	DU	Dundee	GL	Gloucester	IS	Inverness
BH	Brierley Hill	CK	Chirk	DV	Daventry	GM	Grangemouth	JM	Jersey Marine

KΒ	Kittybrewster	MC	Machen	OY	Oxley	RV	Ravenstruther	TJ	Tuffley Jnct
KC	Kirkcaldy	MD	Middlesbrough	PΑ	Paisley	RY	Rugby	ΤK	Tavistock Jnct
KK	Kilmarnock	ME	Montrose	PB	Peterborough	SA	Saltley	TL	Tilbury
KL	Kyle of Lochalsh	MF	Milford	PC	Port Clarence	SB	Stourbridge	TN	Taunton
KM	Kemble	MG	Margam	PF	Peak Forest	SC	Scunthorpe	TO	Toton
KN	King's Norton	MH	Millerhill	PG	Pengham	SD	Standish Jnct	TR	Trishington
KS	Kingsland Road	ML	Motherwell	PH	Perth	SF	Stud Farm	TS	Tees Yard
ΚT	Kennethmont	MN	Mossend	PL	Polmont	SG	Stoke Gifford	TU	Tunstead
ΚY	Kingsbury	MO	Moreton	PM	St Philips Marsh	SH	Slough	TY	Tyseley
LA	Laira	MS	Maesteg	PΝ	Paddington	SI	Sinfin	VA	Victoria
LB	Ladybank	MΤ	Mountsorrel	PO	Polmadie	SJ	Severn Tun. Jnct	WB	Wembley
LC	Lincoln	MV	Manchester Vic	PR	Preston	SK	Shirebrook	WE	West Burton
LD	Lydney	MW	Moorswater	PΤ	Paignton	SN	Stockton	WG	Wentloog
LG	Lairg	NA	Nairn	PW	Prestwick	SO	Southampton	WH	Westerleigh
LH	Leith	NE	Neath	PY	Portbury	SP	Spetchley	WI	Whitemoor
LI	Linlithgow	NG	Nottingham	PΖ	Penzance	SR	Stourton		Wemyss
LK	Lackenby	NH	Newton Heath	RA	Redcar	SS	Swansea	WP	Worksop
LL	Llanwern	NJ	Norton Jnct	RC	Ratcliffe	ST	Stirling	WR	Warrington
LM	Long Marston	NL	Newtonhill	RD	Reading	SV	Stevenage		Worcester
LN	Laurencekirk	NT	Newport	RE	Redmire	SW	Swindon	WV	Wolverhampton
LO	Longsight	NV	Neville Hill	RG	Rugeley	SY	Shipley	WW	Washwood Heath
LR	Leicester	NW	Nantwich	RI	Riccarton	TD	Tyne Dock	WY	Westbury
LS	Leeds	OB	Oban	RM	Rotherham	TE	Trostre	ΥK	York
LT	Longannet	ON	Onllwyn	RN	Robeston	TF	Tremorfa	ΥT	Yate
LW	Linkswood	00	Old Oak Common	RO	Round Oak	TG	Teigngrace		
LY	Lindsey	OX	Oxwellmains	RR	Rowley Regis	TH	Theale		

# 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 <sup>th</sup> February	_	24 <sup>th</sup> February (cont)		4 <sup>th</sup> March	
05.45 66427 4H47	MN-IS	13.00 66427 4A13	GM-AB	05.10 66512 6H51	OX-IS
08.30 66622 6A65	OX-AB	13.30 66067 6S36	DS-GM	05.45 66301 4H47	MN-IS
17 <sup>th</sup> February	OX-AD	25 <sup>th</sup> February	D3-GIVI	10.05 66082 6G25	MN-ES
05.10 66619 6H51	OX-IS	05.45 66303 4H47	MN-IS	13.30 66097 6S36	DS-GM
05.45 66434 4H47	MN-IS	08.30 66615 6A65	OX-AB	5 <sup>th</sup> March	D3-GW
06.55 56113 6R46	GM-PW	10.05 66066 6G25	MN-ES	05.45 66301 4H47	MN-IS
18 <sup>th</sup> February	GIVI-F VV	13.00 66427 4A13	GM-AB	06.30 66114 6A32	MN-AB
05.45 66430 4H47	MN-IS	13.30 66200 6S36	DS-GM	08.30 66615 6A65	OX-AB
08.30 66619 6A65	OX-AB	26 <sup>th</sup> February	D3-GW	09.20 66102 6E69	GE-HL
10.05 66137 6G25	MN-ES	05.10 66615 6H51	OX-IS	13.00 66305 4A13	GE-HL GM-AB
13.00 66432 4A13	GM-AB	05.45 66303 4H47	MN-IS	13.30 66080 6S36	DS-GM
13.30 66192 6S36	DS-GM	09.00 37608/607 6S99	CL-GE	6 <sup>th</sup> March	D3-GW
19 <sup>th</sup> February	D3-GW	10.05 66192 6A32	MN-AB	05.45 66431 4H47	MN-IS
05.10 66619 6H51	OX-IS	13.00 66427 4A13	GM-AB	10.05 66221 6G25	MN-ES
05.45 66430 4H47	MN-IS	27 <sup>th</sup> February	OW-AD	13.00 66305 4A13	GM-AB
06.30 66114 6A32	MN-AB	05.45 66303 4H47	MN-IS	7 <sup>th</sup> March	OW-AD
13.30 66066 6S36	DS-GM	10.05 66172 6G25	MN-ES	05.45 66431 4H47	MN-IS
20 <sup>th</sup> February	DO-OW	13.00 66427 4A13	GM-AB	09.20 66107 6E69	GE-HL
05.45 66430 4H47	MN-IS	13.30 66200 6S36	DS-GM	10.05 66080 6A32	MN-AB
21 <sup>SJ</sup> February	10114 10	28 <sup>th</sup> February	DO OW	11.20 66067 4M30	GM-DV
05.45 68006 4H47	MN-IS	05.45 66301 4H47	MN-IS	13.00 66305 4A13	GM-AB
10.05 66200 6A32	MN-AB	10.05 66172 6A32	MN-AB	13.30 66082/186 6S36	DS-GM
13.00 66422 4A13	GM-AB	11.20 66067 4M30	GM-DV	8 <sup>th</sup> March	20 0
22 <sup>nd</sup> February	OIII / LD	13.00 68004 4A13	GM-AB	13.00 66305 4A13	GM-AB
13.00 66422 4A13	GM-AB	2 <sup>nd</sup> March	· · · · · · ·	9 <sup>th</sup> March	· · · · · · ·
23 <sup>rd</sup> February	· · · · · · ·	05.45 66301 4H47	MN-IS	05.45 66301 4H47	MN-IS
05.45 66425 4H47	MN-IS	13.00 68004 4A13	GM-AB	08.30 66622 6A65	OX-AB
08.30 66615 6A65	OX-AB	3 <sup>rd</sup> March		12.24 57314/315 1Z72	
24 <sup>th</sup> February		05.45 66301 4H47	MN-IS		riemore-EU
05.45 66425 4H47	MN-IS	08.30 66512 6A65	OX-AB	13.00 66305 4A13	GM-AB
06.55 56113 6R46	GM-PW			14.20 66068 6D61	RI-GM
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10 <sup>th</sup> March		11 <sup>th</sup> March (cont)		13 <sup>th</sup> March (cont)	
05.45 66301 4H47	MN-IS	13.30 66108 6S36	DS-GM	06.55 56113 6R46	GM-PW
06.55 56113 6R46	GM-PW	21.00 56113 6M65	GM-SI	13.00 66301 4A13	GM-AB
13.00 66305 4A13	GM-AB	12 <sup>th</sup> March		14 <sup>th</sup> March	
13.30 66250 6S36	DS-GM	05.45 66434 4H47	MN-IS	05.45 66427 4H47	MN-IS
11 <sup>th</sup> March		09.00 37608/667 6S99	CL-GE	10.05 66111 6A32	MN-AB
05.45 66305 4H47	MN-IS	13.00 66301 4A13	GM-AB	11.20 66186 4M30	GM-DV
08.30 66615 6A65	OX-AB	13.30 66108 6S36	DS-GM	13.00 66301 4A13	GM-AB
10.05 66076 6G25	MN-ES	13 <sup>th</sup> March		13.30 66126 6S36	DS-GM
13.00 66301 4A13	GM-AB	05.45 66434 4H47	MN-IS		
13.15 47746/851 5Z75	CN-BO	06.30 66192 6A31	MN-AB		

## **INFRASTRUCTURE NEWS**

#### Miscellaneous:

The Leamington Spa to Banbury line re-opened on the 12<sup>th</sup> March having been closed since the 31<sup>st</sup> January to a massive landslip at Harbury.

Local services will finally use the Todmorden Curve from the May timetable, allowing direct running between Burnley and Manchester.

Two new stations for London Overground are proposed by TfL at Old Oak Common Lane and Hythe Road. Further consultation is to be undertaken but these are the preferred options.

The trackwork at the Hitachi Depot at Newton Aycliffe has been completed and the depot connected to the network.

#### **East Coastway Re-signalling:**

Further to the article in the issue, semaphore signalling is no more between Lewes and Hastings on the third rail East Coastway section of the Southern Region. Over the weekend of the 13-14<sup>th</sup> February control was switched to the Three Bridges ROC and six signal boxes were closed Berwick, Polegate, Eastbourne, Pevensey & Westham & Bexhill. One, Hampden Park has been demolished.



Built in 1888 it was a Type 2b LBSCR design with 24 levers from the 1930s.. It is hoped Mark Richards will give a more in depth analysis of the re-signalling in due course but here is a reminder of Hampden Park signal box used to look like from the footbridge (see photo above) on the 10<sup>th</sup> December 2013 and the scene now, taken on the 14<sup>th</sup> March 2015 with new signal on the left and missing box in the centre (see photo below).



#### **GWML Electrification:**

After delays, work is now progressing and this can be seen in the photo below 66541 approaching Purley cutting between Pangbourne and Tilehurst with the 11.00 Bristol – Tilbury liner passing newly erected masts on the 4<sup>th</sup> March 2015 (see photo right by Paul Sumpter)

Having not featured any of the new works around Reading here is the first photo by Derek Everson of the new Reading flyover looking west



and shows the first steam train to cross, 61306 'Mayflower' on the 1st March 2015 (see photo below).



## FRANCHISE / NR NEWS

Caledonian Sleeper (CS) and ScotRail: Following the East Coast handover reported last month, it's all change in Scotland with the former single franchise split into two. ScotRail is now in the hands of Abellio taking over from First Group who also lose the Caledonian Sleeper to Serco. Whilst there will not be much in the way of a livery change with ScotRail, the Saltire livery having been adopted by the Scottish Government, there is a new livery for the Sleeper services, see LIVERIES. Other stock changes or proposals have seen 70 new AT200 EMUs ordered for service in 2017/18, comprising 46 x 3 car and 24 x 2 car. The first 7 will be built in Japan with the rest built at Newton Aycliffe. The two ScotRail Fife Circle loco hauled services have been taken over by DRS CI.68s including ScotRail liveried 68006/007 and Mk2s in both ScotRail and DRS livery. It will be interesting to see what ScotRail do with the promised HST introduction.

**First Great Western (FGW):** FGW has been awarded an extension until April 2019 during which electrification should be completed and IEP CI.800 trains introduced from the summer of 2017.

**TransPennine Express (TPE):** Keolis / First Group who run TPE have been granted an extension until April 2016.

**Eurostar:** Not strictly a franchise but the UK now has no control in cross channel operations as the government has sold off its 40% stake in Eurostar yielding a total of £757 million.

**West Coast Railways:** Network Rail issued a suspension notice to West Coast Railways from the 3<sup>rd</sup> April, so no WCR trains will be running for the foreseeable future...apparently due to repeated safety issues and the SPAD involving 34067 '*Tangmere*' at Wotten Bassett.

### PRESERVATION NEWS

#### NRM York by Trevor Roots:

The Works / Storage Sidings: All the stock normally seen in the sidings to the left of the demonstration running line adjacent The Depot (big 'polytunnel' outside the Station Hall) has been moved to either side of The Depot or inside as with driving car 76875 from Cl.423 4VEP 3545 and



CI.414 2HAP 4308 (see photos left and below). The latter is being cosmetically restored in time for the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Network SouthEast in June 2016. Known as 'Project Commuter' the restoration is volunteer led with initial work being undertaken before the unit moves to Locomotion Shildon for roof and bodywork repairs. The internal fittings are being stored in the 4VEP. For further info refer to their website.

http://www.networksoutheast.net/ project-commuter

**Winston Churchill's Funeral Train:** To mark the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the death of Winston Churchill a special display, Winston Churchill's Final Journey' has been created in the Great Hall with part of the funeral train. It opened on the 30<sup>th</sup> January 2015 and will continue until the 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2015.

Having died on the 24<sup>th</sup> January 1965, he was given a state funeral on the 30<sup>th</sup> January. This involved his coffin being first transported up the River Thames by the MV 'Havengore' then transferred to a special funeral train at London

Waterloo. This comprised Bulleid BoB 4-6-2 34051 'Winston Churchill' + Pullman Parlour / Guard 208 + SR Luggage Van 2464 + Pullman Kitchen / Parlour 307 'Carina' + Pullman Kitchen / Parlour 246 'Lydia' + Pullman Parlour 301 'Perseus' + Pullman Parlour / Guard 'Isle of Thanet'. The train then



travelled to Handborough northwest of Oxford, the nearest station to Bladon where he was buried alongside his parents and other family members.

The display features 34051, 2464 and 'Lydia'. Whilst 34051 has been at the NRM for some time as a static exhibit, it was moved to the Mid Hants Railway for repainting. Luggage Van 2464 was restored at Locomotion Shildon whilst 'Lydia' was prepared at Carnforth. 34051 was withdrawn on the 19<sup>th</sup> September 1965. Both *Lydia*' and 'Isle of Thanet' went to the USA as part of the Flying Scotsman tour in

1969 and eventually were repatriated in 2000 to Carnforth. 2464 was withdrawn in 1961 and prepared ready for anticipated use in 1962, being hidden in Stewarts Lane carriage shed. It also headed for the USA after the funeral and was located at Pacific Palms Resort in Los Angeles until repatriated in 2010

Swanage Railway. 'Perseus' is in use with the VSOE train. now NR registered as 99530, whilst 'Carina' is now at the Bluebell Railway. having moved from North York Moors Railway in 2012. It is unrestored and in blue / grey livery.

right
luggage van 2464,
compare with photo on
page 42 in
November issue
undergoing repair at
Locomotion Shildon

below Pullman car 246 'Lvdia'





**Mk1** 'Countess of York' Dining Car: Mk1 BG 81025 has been recently turned into a static dining car serving quality Afternoon Teas. It is located where the wheel used to be between the Station Hall and the Great Hall (turntable). Previously named 'Valiant' it has been re-named 'Countess of York' (as

reported last month) and repainted from brown & white into umber cream Pullman livery. The area has been paved and a raised covered seating area created in front of the raised coach. Compare the photo taken on the 8<sup>th</sup> August 2013 'Valiant' in the same position as the one 11<sup>th</sup> taken on the March 2015.





The Afternoon Tea menu at the time was:

Yorkshire blue cheese and red onion marmalade tart

Cucumber and cream cheese on malted bloomer

Home baked ham with watercress and tomato chutney on white bloomer

Coronation chicken on white bloomer

Homemade scone baked to a traditional Yorkshire recipe served with vanilla enhanced clotted cream and homemade jam

Selection of homemade fancies

Parkin crème brulee, Chocolate marquise, Fresh fruit tartlet, Earl grey tea loaf, Macaroon
£19.95 (children £14.50) £27.50 with champagne

#### Caledonian Railway by Trevor Roots:

Anyone who has ventured north to the Caledonian Railway between Brechin and Bridge of Don just to the west of Montrose and the mainline, will know that the stock was kept largely in the open around the stations at both ends of the short 4 mile line. Not having ventured over there on my travels since

2011, I was surprised to see that new sheds have been erected at Bridge of Don in the yard west of the road station and doubt bridge. No sorely needed and much better security it does however mean that the reasonable large collection of 11 ex-BR diesels. Cls.08/11/25/26 & 27 is now out of sight. One 08 D3059 is



usually kept at Brechin in the station and it was so on my visit on the 10<sup>th</sup> March 2015. One Cl.11, 12052 is in the adjacent goods shed / workshop with the rest at Bridge of Don.

above the recently erected stock sheds at Bridge of Don on the Caledonian Railway, 10<sup>th</sup> March 2015, compare with the similar view taken on the 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2011

with Cl. 25s 25083 + 25072 in the siding behind the wagon carrying sleepers



#### Miscellaneous:

Colne Valley Railway has been given notice to quit its Castle Hedingham site by 2016 as the owner wishes to develop it for other uses.

If you visit Wirksworth station on the Ecclesbourne Railway you will be greeted by testing of the OLE systems for the Midland Main Line with electrification masts being erected in the yard.

## LIGHT RAIL & METRO NEWS

**Metrolink:** the following information is kindly provided by Geoff Hope.

During the evening/early morning of the 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> March the Market Street stop was closed to install two temporary shelters until a larger single shelter can be installed during the second part of the refurbishment of the stop, to be completed in Spring 2015. During the first part of the modernisation of this stop the foundations were strengthened to support the new shelter to be installed in a similar style to the Deansgate / Castlefield stop.

Work is underway at St. Peters Square laying the foundations for new trackwork. When completed there will be a four track layout with two island platforms to accommodate the Second City Crossing.

3095 was observed on the airport line on the 19<sup>th</sup> March. 3096 was delivered to Queens Road Depot on the 14<sup>th</sup> March.

Observations - 24th March (11.10-12.40):

**Cornbrook:** 3002/009/010/011/016/023/038/052/054/055/057-059/063-065/067-070/072/073/075/076 079-088/090-092/094

Driver training: 3061.

Double trams on Bury-Altrincham service:

3006+3027, 3015+3060, 3017+3045, 3019+3053, 3022+3032, 3026+3039,:3028+3040, 3034+3048, 3035+3049, 3042+3046

Double trams on Rochdale-East Didsbury service:

3003+3033, 3005+3024, 3007+3025, 3030+3036, 3037+3047, 3062+3093, 3066+3089

Piccadilly Gardens-Victoria - Bury-Ethiad Campus service:

3004/012/013/031/043/050/051

Queens Road Depot (14.05-14.10): 1003/027/028, 3044/071 + 4 unidentified trams

Old Trafford Depot (14.30-14.40): 1020/023, 2001, 3029/041/056

Trams not seen or unidentified: 3001/008/014/018/020/021/074/077/078/095/096

#### Midland Metro:

Trams 35 and 36 arrived on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> March 2015 respectively. The original contract with CAF was for between 19 and 25 new trams and there will be another tram to come, this being no.37, but not due for awhile (not currently shown in **UK Combine**).

Tram 34 was seen on test on the 5<sup>th</sup> March at the Hawthorns (photo right by Graham Stockton).



## FREIGHT MATTERS

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

**UK Wagons 2015** has been released. It has been totally updated to include new stock and reflect the numerous scrapings with hundreds of additions and deletions. As mentioned last month there have been so many changes it was impossible to list them to update the 2014 book...best just buy the new book !!!

#### Errata:

The solitary wagon 14856 on page 10 should have build details: built by Procur 1979 - 80 It has been pointed out that OBA 110443 should be included in the **Internal User Wagons** section. It was seen at the Derby 175 event at Derby Etches Park.

Frustratingly gremlins struck and a section of RIV wagons were deleted in error, many apologies. The missing table is shown below. Anyone buying a book will get this included as a separate slip. If anyone who bought the book before we spotted the error wants a slip it can be emailed to print off or posted. For the former please email me Trevor Roots or to be posted contact Carl Watson:

## 33 68 4943 xxx-x

each wagon consists of two vehicles permanently coupled with the number carried on left-hand vehicle

#### **IKA - Bogie Megafret Container Flat**

built by Arbel Fauvet, France 1990 - 2004, converted 2004 - 05

059-8	064-8	069-7 (S)	074-7	079-6	084-6	089-5	094-5 (S)
060-6	065-5	070-5	075-4	080-4	085-3	090-3	095-2 (S)
061-4	066-3	071-3	076-2	081-2	086-1	091-1	096-0
062-2	067-1	072-1	077-0	082-0	087-9	092-9 (S)	097-8
063-0	068-9	073-9 (S)	078-8 (S)	083-8	088-7	093-7	099-4 (S)

#### **Amendments / Additions:**

#### Out of Store:

Thanks to Howard Craven and Mike Pinder for reporting seeing the following wagons out and about: 82771/772, 310322/579, 394584, 501261, 996252

33.80.4647.037-7, 87.70.4842.001-9/005-0/006-8/010-0/020-9, 81.70.4908.046-5/084-6/145-5

RIV Wagons in the UK: IWA 87.80.2797 001-0 to 006-9

Reinstated / Recoded: HTA 310552 converted back from CGA

New: ZZA Bogie De-icing Module Carriers YXA 99.7.9594.013-3/015-8/021-6



YXA 99.70.9594.021-6 Tonbridge West Yard, 19<sup>th</sup> March 2015

Converted: IFA Twin Bogie Container Flat to Car Carrier 33.87.4908.615-7/628-0

BDA to MXA 950231 using BDA underframe BLA to MVA 910164

Scrapped:100028, 400026/44, 460166/884 Optical Car (Structural Gauging Train) DC460000 KFA Bogie Timber Carrier 97106/109/112/138/151/161/170/171/216/229/236/266/276/309

#### **FREIGHT NEWS**

Freightliner have been sold to US based Genesee & Wyoming railroad company, the process though causing lost traffic, notably the Bardon Aggregates flow reported in January. To cope with this flow GBRf have taken over the green JGAs are are repainting them, hence the blue liveried JGA shown in last months issue.

Further **HOA**s and **JGA**s have been repainted into DBS red.

WH Davis has constructed three boxes of different sizes for DBS to create prototype wagons from redundant wagon underframes. The first two have been converted To MXA and MVA see above.

## 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**. Where possible photos of new nameplates will be included as and when a suitable photo is sourced from members.

92214

#### Misc. News:

800001 was unloaded at Southampton on the 12<sup>th</sup> March 2015, then moved to Old Dalby. GBRf have ordered 66773-777 from the USA. 379013 is being converted back from battery operation.

The first FGW HST TC converted from TFs, 46015 entered traffic on the 18<sup>th</sup> February 2015. LMTs 321411-417 are to move to ScotRail in September 2015.

The DRS CI.47 fleet is to be sold as now surplus to requirements.

New:

**EMUS:** (\* on test) 387127 80001

Re-formed & Re-Numbered:

following repair to fire damaged 60207: 220007 - 60307 60707 60207 60407 221135 - 60385 60785 60985 60885 60485

Re-Numbered / Converted:

#### Locos:

03128 to 03901 (new engine)

Coaches: (Mk3s)

11013 to 12182 41125 to 46010 41139 to 46011 41168 to 46014 41179 to 46015

Transferred: (\* yet to happen)

Locos:

37407 CHV to RVEL 37800 BH – LR 41000 GCN to NH 73001 DFR to ELR 86235 LM to LR

D2371 ROM to PDR

**EMUs:** (into preservation \*) 373308\* (driving car) TI - GCN

DMUs:

56182 CHV to NNR 56317 WRS to ALY

59719 MHR to DMR

Names: (see also PRESERVATION NEWS and

LIVERIES)
New:

08611 Longsight TMD

47746 Chris Fudge 29.7.70-22.6.10

67004 Cairn Gorm

357005 Southend – 2017 Alternative City

of Culture Central Star

#### Nameplates Recently Applied:



68001 York, 11<sup>th</sup> March 2015 (as reported in October 2014 issue)

Nameplates Applied Since 2012 Not Previously Illustrated:

# James D Rowlands

above 61707 below 64664 (508211) Eastleigh Works, 21<sup>st</sup> March 2015 (as reported in July 2014 issue)

## **Sir David Rowlands**

# **Blaydon Races**

91115 Doncaster 11<sup>th</sup> March 2015 (as reported in September 2012 issue with photo of loco in July 2012 issue)

## **IMechE Railway Division**

92032 Rugby 12<sup>th</sup> March 2015 (as reported in July 2012 issue)

# **Steve Purser**

08790 Eastleigh Works, 15<sup>th</sup> October 2014 (Carl Watson)

(as reported in December 2012 issue with photo of loco in November 2014 issue)

# Ian Brown CBE

378233 Willesden Jnct HL, 14<sup>th</sup> March 2015 the only Cl.378 so far named (as reported in July 2011 issue)

## **Ely Cathedral**

379011 Liverpool Street, 14<sup>th</sup> March 2015 (as reported in January 2012 issue)

#### Names Removed:

92214 Cock of the North

365537 Daniel Edwards (1974-2010

Cambridge Driver

456024 Sir Cosmo Bonsor

## Scrapped: DMU:

TJ Thompson, Stockton

Coaches: (Mk3s)

CF Booths, Rotherham 10540, 10554, 10647.

10701, 10710, 10727

51247

## CONVERTED STOCK



right
newly converted
Mk3 HST TC 46014
Laira Depot
31<sup>st</sup> March 2015
(Malcolm Hooper)



73964 GB Railreght

two more converted CI.73/9s on their way to Tonbridge from Brush, Loughborough

left 73964 'Jeanette' (ex 73204) Clapham Jnct, 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015 (Norman Smith)

right
73963 'Janice' (ex 73206)
Wellingborough,
18<sup>th</sup> March 2015
(Colin Pottle)

## **LIVERIES**

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

below ex-First Barbie liveried ScotRail 158713 with First decals removed and Abellio stickers on doors Huntly 4<sup>th</sup> April 2015



below HNRC 20121 still awaiting some repairs and numbers to be applied, Leeming Bar, WEN (Gordon Kirkby)





above ScotRail 170414 has been wrapped in a advertising livery for the Borders Railway with a continuous representative pictorial story showing scenes from the Forth Rail Bridge to the heart of the borders, above it is seen as far as you get from the Borders at Keith, 4<sup>th</sup> April 2014



yet more advertising liveries on Pendolinos, *above* 390151 Rugby, 17<sup>th</sup> March 2015 (Terry Lea) *below* 390155 in the rain, Stafford, 10<sup>th</sup> March 2015 (James Holloway)



right unveiled on the 5<sup>th</sup> March 2015, FGW 153325 ex-LMT now sports a new livery for citizenrail.org as seen on the 15.55 Newton Abbott – Plymouth service passing Laira Depot, 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2015 (Malcolm Hooper)

below 43146 coastal scenery, Swindon (Peter Trowbridge)



two HST power cars have been adorned with 'BUILDING A GREATER WEST' advertising livery depicting the coast & countryside

below 43144 countryside scenery, Plymouth (Malcolm Hooper)





left
D2134 now in black livery,
Milton of Crathes, Royal Deeside
Railway, 10<sup>th</sup> March 2015



above
92214 in BR lined green as
92220 and re-named
'Central Star',
Llangollen during the
Steam, Steel & Stars Gala,
6<sup>th</sup> March 2015
(Martin Evans)
nameplate photo taken
on shed
24<sup>th</sup> March 2015
(Trevor Roots)



*left* 60002 the 6<sup>th</sup> and latest Cl. 60 in Colas Rail Freight livery, Elford, 11<sup>th</sup> March 2015 (Roger Thomas)

## CALEDONIAN SLEEPER

The following photos illustrate the various locos re-liveried for the new Serco operated Caledonian Sleeper, 67004, 86101, 92018/23/33/38 just leaving 87002 not recorded...yet.





above 92038 in full livery but still retaining the Eurotunnel roundels and depot crest, had the honour of hauling the first Serco operated CS south, Glasgow Central, 31st March 2015 (lain Gardiner)

right 86101 in base livery Willesden Depot, 11<sup>th</sup> March 2015 (Derek Everson)





## VIRGIN TRAINS EAST COAST

Just before we went to the printers last month we managed to squeeze in a photo of 91124 in the new full Virgin Trains East Coast (VTEC) livery at the head of full liveried set BN03 with DVT 82219. Since then another set BN20 with 91105 and DVT 92200 has been turned out as seen on the front cover. Below are images of the remaining range of interim and full VTEC liveries applied to CI.43 HSTs, 91s, DVTs and Mk4 coaches, the latter currently only in the two full sets. Interim Virgin flashes have been applied indifferent ways over the majority East Coast livery with the mid level purple stripe and the previous two remaining HSTs (43208 & 43320) in National Express East Coast (NExEC) livery. Coaches in full livery are: BN03 12224/437/439/440/326, 10321, 11241/320/420 & BN20 12201/401/459/478/301. 10320. 11277/303/403



full DVT livery 82200 with 91105 King's Cross, 14th March 2015



full DVT livery 82219 with 91124 King's Cross, 14th March 2015



interim Cl.91 over EC livery 91114 York, 11th March 2015



interim DVT over EC livery 82227 King's Cross, 14th March 2015 flashes on both sides are handed so face back



interim HST over NExEC livery (left side) 43208 King's Cross, 14<sup>th</sup> March 2015 flashes are similar on both sides so one faces forward and one back



interim HST over NExEC livery (right side) 43320 Doncaster, 11th March 2015



above 43296 with interim HST over EC livery, King's Cross, 14<sup>th</sup> March 2015 flashes on both sides are handed so face back

The three photos below of Mk4 carriages show the different livery applications between TSOs and FOs with the dividing RSB showing the changeover in angle of the red. Note the FOs have two additional mid level double blue stripes. The changeover on the RSB allows the red to similarly sweep back on both Cl.91 and DVT. These carriages were in set BN20 with 91105 and 82200.



The opportunity of seeing both WW1 and WWII commemorative liveried Cl.91s together was had on the 14<sup>th</sup> March 2015 at King's Cross, enabling the liveries and nameplates to be finally fully featured.





above not featured since The York Railfest in the July 2012 issue and then only the lefthand side was shown, here is the righthand side of 91110 'Battle of Britain Memorial Flight' together with the nameplate and crest not shown before

below the lefthand side of 91111 For the Fallen' was featured in the November 2014 issue so here is the righthand side







the nameplate has not been featured and many not realise that each side is different in that five regimental cap badges associated with the East coast are shown on each plate and are different on each side, making ten in total, the original five from 1914 are on the lefthand plate with the modern corresponding badges on the righthand plate: clockwise 1914: Honourable Artillery Co, Tyneside Scottish, The Royal Scots, 4<sup>th</sup> Royal Irish Dragoon Guards and centre The Green Howards (Alexandra Princess of Wales's Own Yorkshire Regiment)

## **NEW STOCK**



to further complete illustrating the 8 x 377/7s here is a one more not previously shown (377703/04 appeared in the July 2014 issue and 377701/02/05 in the January 2015 issue)

left 377707 Clapham Jnct





above left 66768 Purley cutting, 4th March 2015 (Paul Sumpter)

above right 66761 Chorlton 5<sup>th</sup> March 2015 (Roger Thomas)

above 66770 Wellingborough, 26<sup>th</sup> March 2015 (Colin Pottle)

continuing the illustration of the new GBRf Cl.66/7s, here are 4 more (just 66767/71/72 left to illustrate)

> right 66760 Doncaster, 11<sup>th</sup> March 2015





to further complete illustrating the 10 x 350/3s, here are views of another 3 of the remaining 5 not previously shown (350371 appeared in the July 2014 issue, 370370/375/376 in the February issue and 370368 in the March issue)

above 350369 Euston 14<sup>th</sup> March 2015 right 370372 Stafford 11<sup>th</sup> March 2015

(James Holloway)

right 350373 Crewe 28<sup>th</sup> March 2015 (Neil Dix)



left 387125 East Croydon, 14<sup>th</sup> March 2015

below

the new order 387115 and 377619 East Croydon, 14<sup>th</sup> March 2015





the centre cars from 378135 & 378150 feature parcel vinyls depicting the new cars being unwrapped above 38435 (378135) Canonbury, 14<sup>th</sup> March 2015 below 38450 (378150) Clapham Jnct, 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015 (Norman Smith)



## **ICRS SALES**

We have now published 10 books since 2009, 7 of which are in print and available or due for imminent release (see below). The latest to be released is **UKRS04 UK Name Directory**.

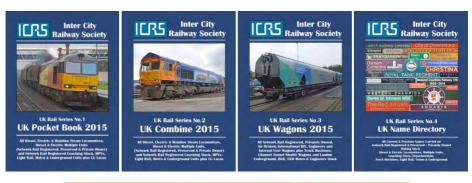
Books can be ordered either:

online via PayPal at www.intercityrailwaysociety.org

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All books, except **UKRS01 Pocket Book**, are A5 wire bound printed on 90gm paper with plastic coated covers allowing them to be laid flat.





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Titles:				Member	Non Member
New:			. et		
UKRS01	UK Pocket Book 2015	IN STOCK	(1 <sup>st</sup> Jan15)	£7.50	£10.50
UKRS02A	UK Combine 2015	IN STOCK	(1 <sup>st</sup> Jan15)	£12.00	£16.50
UKRS03	UK Wagons 2015	IN STOCK	(23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb15)	£9.50	£13.50
UKRS04	UK Name Directory	IN STOCK	(1 <sup>st</sup> Dec14)	£10.50	£14.50
Others:					
UKRS09	Irish Railways 2014		(1 <sup>st</sup> Apr14)	£6.50	£8.99
UKRS10	Ultimate Sighting File Vol.1 -		(27 <sup>th</sup> Sep13)	£10.00	£13.99
UKRS11	Ultimate Sighting File Vol.2 -	- Shunters, Mainline Electric &			
		Prototype Locos	(27 <sup>th</sup> Sep13)	£8.00	£10.99
SUNDRIES:					
Pocket Book	cover			£1.50	£2.50
TRACKS A5	£7.50	£9.99			
		es @ 32 or 40 pages – 2011-13		£7.50	£9.99
	e Polo Shirts SMALL / MEDIU		, IVILDIOIVI	£18.00	£25.00
INAVY & WITH	E FUIU SIIII IS SIVIALL / IVIEDIU	INI / LANGE / AL / AAL		210.00	223.00