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immaculate D5217 (25067) having just returned south from it's stay on the Weardale Railway was built in 1963 and was the first Cl.25 into preservation so has spent longer in the that state than it's working life, Battlefield Line, Shackerstone, 18 April 2009

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# **Society Notice Board**

#### **Editor's Comments:**

Interesting times in the political world but one by-product has been the promotion of Lord Adonis to Secretary of State for Transport, at last someone in the last few years that appreciates and supports the railways. Unfortunately he may only have less than a year to have an impact and that set against a background of savage cuts that will need to be made...sorry Labour says they are economy savings!! Interesting times in southeast commuter land as well, with the first domestic passenger service to use HS1 brought forward on a regular basis between Ashford and St Pancras Int. See Ian Feathers report on some really fast trains...lucky devil.

To round off Eastleigh 100 a complete definitive rolling stock list is included as promised, but I promise that should be the last word on the event. A report on Long Marston Open Day is also included where the weather was the complete opposite, especially on the Saturday, raining all day. The other community open day yet to come at DRS Carlisle Kingmoor on 11<sup>th</sup> July will be reported on next month as Mark Richards and I have got tickets via the lottery. If anyone else has, please let me know. I'm going down early and will be on Carlisle station all Friday afternoon.

With the open day reports, **Location 'Spot'Light** has made way again...sort of, but will return properly next month along with the first article in a new **Diary of a Spotter** series on early spotting memories by David Spencer. There are a couple of more fascinating articles by Jim Fitch under **Memoirs of a Railman** and several **All Our Yesterdays** articles waiting in the pipeline. Plenty of interesting reading I hope for many months to come. However please don't let that put you off sending articles in, the more the better.

#### **ICRS Website:**

Password Change: Remember the generic username/password used to access the Members' Area of the ICRS website has changed. Any member who has been using the Members' Area but has not as yet chosen their own username/password will not be able to access this part of the site. To request a username/password, just email Mark Richards (website.manager@icrs.org.uk) with your chosen username and password – each can be a maximum of ten characters with no spaces, together with your ICRS membership number. Confirmation will follow within 24-hours by e-mail that your chosen username and password have been set up.

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ICRS Yahoo Group: We have our own Yahoo Group, established in March 2004, open to members and non-members alike to post sightings and observations, share comments and debate about the current railway scene. Web address is: <a href="http://finance.groups.yahoo.com/group/intercityrailwaysociety/">http://finance.groups.yahoo.com/group/intercityrailwaysociety/</a> Please note also that more contributions from members would be appreciated, especially photos for the Fotopic site or news items. Event and exhibition details are always welcome as are details of railtours. Please email Mark Richards at (website.manager@icrs.org.uk)

#### **Publications:**

With all the Data Files the society is now publishing, we could do with more assistance with publications. We require members who are computer literate, an internet connection and familiar with MS Excel and Publisher.

If you have a few hours a month to spare and feel you would like to help the society, please contact **Maurice Brown** at **Publications** on **0121 624 8641** or email me at **publications@icrs.org.uk** 

## **Membership Matters:**

**Membership Rates:** 

Annual: £16.00 Five year rate: £75.00 (saving £5.00) Joint: (with GBBG saving £3.00): £26.00

**New Members:** The following new members have joined this month: P. Deans (East Sussex), Mark Hazell (Gloucester), Colin Hothersall (Cambridgeshire), K. Ireson (Lancaster), Peter Langford (London), G. Morse (Buxton), George Richardson (Co. Durham), Michael Robinson (Hertfordshire), Doug Stafford (Northumberland) - a warm welcome to you all.

**Credit Card Renewals:** Please note we are no longer offering renewals by credit card so please send a cheque or postal order. However you can renew by PayPal via the website.

When communicating with the society or renewing by PayPal on the website - would members please **include their membership numbers** as this helps with administration. Your number is clearly shown on the address label with your copy of **'Tracks'** each month. Thank you.

### **Magazine Submissions:**

Contributions to regular features should be sent to the appropriate officer. Any information / article on any railway related item will always be most welcome for inclusion in the magazine. Your travel stories / anecdotes about far flung parts of the railway network, past or present 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 if you have a PC, then a document on CD is a bonus or better still e-mail them to the appropriate official. Good quality photographs are always welcome for inclusion in the magazine, prints or preferably high resolution, not compressed, (3 million pixels minimum please) digital photographs via e-mail. Please include full contact details with any submissions.

The latest date for articles / info for the next magazine is <u>Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2009</u>. Items for **Out and About Sightings** should be sent in to **James Holloway** a few days earlier please.

### **Magazine Contributors:**

Thanks to RD Richardson, Neil Dix, Lawrie Williams, Ian Feather, Andrew Woodcock, Craig Johnson, Paul Bright, Ron Sansome, Mike Rumens, Alan Gilmour, Brian Derricote, Ian McAlpine, Derek Sneddon, Nigel Hoskins, Gordon Wharrie, John Barton, James Holloway, John Palin, Ray Smith, Martin Hall & Trevor Roots. We are sorry if anyone has been missed. All photos by Trevor Roots unless shown otherwise.

# **Railway Cuttings**

## Carluke: by Gordon Wharrie

Carluke Train Station is well on track to receiving national exposure as it features quite prominently in a new Virgin Trains TV advert centred around Ed, a 30-something regional sales manager. As the train flies through Carluke station, Ed's imagination sees his colleagues shouting words of encouragement from the platform, including Wendy from accounts going the extra mile by pulling open her blouse to reveal the words "Go Ed" written across her bust in red lipstick!

Virgin Trains sales and marketing director Sarah Copley said: "When filming at Carluke station, we wanted to create ads that were humorous but also thought provoking. We want people to enjoy train travel as part of the journey experience. Like Ed, a little imagination can turn an ordinary train journey into a real adventure. And just think if Wendy really was a regular at Carluke station..."

Featuring a mix of reality and imagination, the television ad follows Ed's journey as he transforms from a stressed executive to an unstoppable business tycoon, flying through the sky, creating a brilliant presentation as he goes. Ed, who is using Virgin's regular Pendolino train service to travel from Glasgow to Preston, is on a journey to make the presentation of his career.

And it's not just Wendy creating a stir in the new ad, another famous businessman, Virgin boss Sir Richard Branson, makes a split second appearance in an interesting cameo. Playing the role of a refuse collector at Virgin Trains' Scottish terminus in Glasgow, a scruffy looking Richard is heavily disguised with tattoos and missing teeth, as he drives a bin lorry across the station concourse. Branson told the Gazette: "Years ago I decided to bow out and let our companies tell their own product stories in their TV ads without my ugly mug detracting from their messages! But when Virgin Trains asked if I would support their first ad campaign to celebrate the fact that now Network Rail has finally delivered on the track upgrade, we can shout loud and proud about our increased frequency and speed, wi-fi on all trains, uninterrupted mobile phone connection and the fact that weekends are now back on the West Coast Mainline, I jumped at the chance! All of our staff at Virgin Trains have worked incredibly hard over the last decade to deliver great trains, amazing product offerings and fantastic customer service in the most difficult circumstances. The fact that they have never wavered in their belief that we would deliver on our promises is a great testament to them. I am so proud of all of our staff at Virgin Trains and if dressing up in disgustingly dirty clothes, having my teeth blacked and getting covered in tattoos was what it took to prove it, I was delighted to oblige!"

## **Traffic & Traction News**

## by John Barton

#### June 1

950001 the yellow NR sprinter passed through Manton junction at 09.28 thundering along to Ilford via Peterborough.

#### June 4

37038 not sounding well passed slowly through Cheddington at 20.50 with 66574 right behind on a liner.

Noted at Derby Litchurch Lane were new EMUs 378/001/002/006/009/011/017.

#### June 5

60011 working a Toton - Whitemoor engineers train hammered through Uffington and Barnack at 19.05.

321411 worked 5M21 Doncaster West Yard - Northampton the first of 10 to be painted into London midland Livery.

66730 hauled 378015 south through Watford Junction at 19.37.

#### June 8

66144+66101 worked the 6G45 Toton - Bescot through Burton-on-Trent at 16.32 heading towards Tamworth on the goods line. Earlier at 15.35 66146 worked the 6E08 Wolverhampton Steel Terminal – Immingham.

#### June 10

43384 with 43301 XC02 set on 1S55 Plymouth to Edinburgh Waverley arrived Derby at 18.42 about 60 minutes late. This service was diverted due to flooding in the Sheffield area.

66163 working 6G45 Toton - Bescot passed through Water Orton heading west (Sutton Park) at 18.13. Earlier at 17.32 66527 headed west with 6E05 Daw Mill - Drax FLT.

#### June 12

66037 delivered 350259 to Northampton at 10.58

The following DVTs were seen at Bescot 82145/48/50//38/20/13.

66715 headed west through Water Orton on 4M40 Washwood Heath - Wellingborough concrete sleepers at 15:37.

56312 passed through Carpenders Park at 13.44 heading south.

#### June 13

59206 travelled through Severn Tunnel Junction at 20.03 with 59205 dead on the rear working 1Z59 Carmarthen - ondon Paddington.

Arriving at Stafford at 07.21, 47760 & 37610 top & tailed 'The Statesman' 1Z56 Birmingham International - Carlisle

#### June 14

The following workings were noted through Carlisle: 37604+37609 on Kingmoor - Sellafield flasks, 37516 & 47760 top & tailing on Carlisle-Whitby rail tour, 47786 & 37610 top & tailing on return 'The Statesman' rail tour (see above)

#### June 15

37607+37218 were seen at Stafford hauling 1Q18 Derby RTC - Tyseley TMD.

37688+37087 thrashed through Rugby at 22.06 on 6K51 Willesden - Crewe flasks.

66011 dragged new unit 350260 northbound along the middle road through Northampton at 10.58.

#### June 16

Heading west through Derby were 66841+47237 at 21.03 with Derby - Cardiff Tidal scrap working and 66044+60040 at 23.32 with 3 x 950s on enterprise working.

#### June 18

See special report below on the launch of new high speed service using Cl.395 'Javelins'

New EMU 377509 with 377203 was seen heading northbound through Willesden low level at 22.15

60163 'Tornado' passed Thatcham on the up Berks & Hants at 20.55 running over 85 mins late.

60013 passed through Bishton at 19.04 on the 6B47 Westerleigh - Robeston empty MURCO bogie tanks.

#### June 20

Both 37401+37670 failed on the return leg of the Jorvik Fellsman, 66067 was sent to the rescue. 67026 & 67030 top & tailing through Bishton at 19.39 with the 1Z68 Kensington Olympia - Cardiff Central Northern Belle.

60096 on the 6B33 Theale to Margam empty MURCO bogie tanks, running bang on time after being held at Bristol Parkway and Pilning, passed through Magor on the main at 15.41.

66142+66126+66106 leading a long welded rail train passed through Willesden high level at 04.56

66568+86501 hauled a liner southbound passing Willesden chord at 04.04 towards Felixstowe.

#### June 22

350259 was in service today on the 11.07 Northampton – Euston.

D9009 is being prepared at Barrow Hill for a visit to the Nene Valley Railway. The Deltic is expected to move by rail early next week.

#### June 23

66101 working 1Z90 London Euston - Aberystwyth charter departed from Birmingham International 09.24, 90019 come off train and went light engine to Bescot.

47826 & 47804 top & tailing passed Cossington at 07.46

LMS no 46115 'Scots Guardsman' passed Castleford at 16.48 with a rake of empty Mk1s forming 5Z62 Scarborough to Carnforth.

### 'Javelin' Speed Record: by lan Feather

Courtesy of South Eastern, I was privileged to be invited along with other railway enthusiasts from Ashford, to sample the launch of their new flagship high speed service on 18<sup>th</sup> June 2009 using their new Cl.395 Hitachi 'Javelin' EMUs. The run was from along HS1 from St Pancras International to Ashford International and return.

After a reception and introduction by Mike Gibson, SE General Manager, we boarded our units 395002/006 (395002 leading) on platform 13. Departure was at 13.45 and we were informed that the journey would take approx. 37 mins. The passenger list comprised of local MPs, Councillors, stakeholders and other interested parties.

After leaving St Pancras Int. we dropped down into a tunnel for 8 mins under East London passing Stratford International under construction. Briefly surfacing to pass under the northern approaches of the Dartford Bridge we passed an up Eurostar before entering another tunnel under the River Thames into Kent. Empty Ebbsfleet flew by and as the green fields of Kent unfolded we approached the Medway Bridge dropping rapidly into the valley and rising to the contours of the North Downs. After several short tunnels the line followed the M20 down to Ashford.



We pulled into platform 5 at 14.13 well ahead of schedule. The journey was very smooth and comfortable with seating similar to Cl.375s and above all very quite. The general conversation on board was it's fast but at a price and will commuters cough up for a premium service or will they prefer the present slower services to existing termini at Charing Cross, Waterloo and Victoria.



interior of standard class



395006 +395002 Scharfenberg coupling

On the return journey we were informed that the down run had been completed in 28 mins and 40 secs covering the 55.4 miles at an average speed of 117.1 mph, with a max of 143mph on some sections. The steeply graded sections were achieved at 130mph. This transpires is a new British Railway Speed Record for a domestic service between two stations and confirmed by the Railway Performance Society who were on board. An earlier press trip the same day had only managed the journey in 29 mins and 26 secs.

A normal day return from Ashford to Charing Cross costs £22.20, the extra cost to travel by 'Javelin' on HS1 will be £4.40 more at £26.60. A limited service will operate earlier than planned from 29<sup>th</sup> June between Ashford, Ebbsfleet and St Pancras Int using the fleet of Cl.395 'Javelins' already delivered. Of the 29 x 6 car sets ordered, 18 are currently on acceptance / driver training trials at Ashford and Ramsgate.

# **Out and About Sightings**

## by James Holloway

# Ron Sansome: 29<sup>th</sup> April:

#### Paddington:

43003/022/027/034/139/154/162/164/165/170 43172/175, 165028/104, 332001/003/005/007 332014, 360204

Fenchurch Street: 357005/023/043/202

**Bromley:** 357204 **East Ham Depot:** 

357001/002/017/039/211/213/214/216/217/222

357223/225

#### Barking 12.10-13.43:

66046/426/524/585, 67028, 90042, 150123 150128/131, 357004/013/016/022/025/031/033 357044/046/204/207/210/220/221/228

#### Stratford 14.30-15.30:

66539, 90001/005/011/012, 313102/06, 315806 31512-14/16/18/21/24/25/27/37/39, 321319/328 321334/336/352/359/365/448, 360103/05/07/11 360115/16/19/21, DVTs 82102/18/21/43

#### London Bridge 16.00-17.50:

171723/729/802-804/806, 319002/216/217/220 319369/430-432/439/446/455-457/459/460 375310/601/607/610/-/612/615/617/619/623 375625/626/705/714/801/802/813/814/818/820 375821/824/825/827-829/901-903/905/908-910 375913/915/917/920/921/923-927, 376001-04 376006-13/15-23/25-27/29/32-36, 377101/108 377111/127-129/135/146/154/160/210/305/309 377310/313/401/415/424/425/430/431/433/441 377450/459/460/466/468/471, 455801/02/04-06 455808/10-12/16/25-29/31/33/39/43/46, 456001 456002/07/10/21/23, 465001-004/006/007/010 465012-015/017/020-022/024/025/028-031/035 465037-039/042/043-045/047/049/050/152/153 465155/156/159/161/164/165/167/169/170/172 465178/181/184/185/187-196/236-241/243/247 465248-250/901/906/908/910/919/922/929/930 466005-07/11/22-23/26/29/31/36/40/41/43

#### Waterloo 18.15-19.00:

159004/10/14/20/22/25, 444005/12/16/23/27/35 444036, 450003/004/021/023/025/027/034/036 450041/072/074/075/089/093/098/101/102/106 450109/112/118/123/545/547/548/554/559/563 450566/568, 455702/04/11/713/24/27/34/39/40 455742/50, 455848/860/64/72/73, 455919 458006/08/14/27/30

#### **Docklands Light Railway:**

#### Fenchurch St-Limehouse-Stratford:

02/04/07/12/15/16/24/26-31/36/40-42/45/47 48/52/56/59/60/63/65/70/71/74/77/79/80/83 87/88/90/95-97/99/106/113/123

#### 23<sup>rd</sup> May:

#### Southampton Station 7.30-8.30:

66050, 150248, 158883/886, 220003, 377103 377106, 444005/011/012/019/023/024/030/036 444038, 450027/106

#### **Southampton Maritime:**

08575/745/624, 66501/535/538/573/575/591 66592/601/955

#### Eastleigh Station 8.50-12.00:

35028 *'Clan Line'*, 08482/804, 37069/602 66005/008/043/081/142/587, 158885/886 444001/04-06/08/12/15/18/20/24/27/29/31/32 444035/36/38/39/41/44/45, 450036/094/104 **29**<sup>th</sup> **May:** 

#### Northampton 8.35-17.56:

57307, 66111/149/418/516/536/540/550/580 66587/589/590/706/728/954, 90041/44/45/48 92005/07/22/26/30, 321410/12/17/18/19/21/22 321424/29/31/33/36, 325001/02/12, 350105/06 350108/11/15/21/23/24/29, 350231-233/35/36 350239/41-44/48/49/51/54/56

66008 arrived hauling 350257 & barrier wagons 100032/200442/873/210396, 70 4913 018-5/83 70 4913/002-9

## Northampton Depot:

350110/122/240/252

#### Mike Rumens:

#### 22<sup>nd</sup> Mav:

#### Nuneaton 15.30-16.40:

66411/413/537/587/703/722, 90044, 92019 153371, 170111/112/523/637, 221105/108/113 221115/116, 350103/115, 390008/14/15/17/30 390032/36/40/45/53

#### 23rd Mav:

#### **Birmingham International:**

158840, 221129, 321436, 323205, 350128 390021

Coventry: 220025, 350254, DR77323

Leamington Spa: 150007

Banbury: 165002/026, DR73920

Oxford: 165024, 166221, 221124, DR73911

**Didcot:** 66237

**Reading West:** 66599, DR73935

**Reading Station:** 43129/150/169, 220029 **Reading Depot:** 165110/132, DR73905

**Basingstoke:** 450031/37/86 **Eastleigh Yard:** 08432, 66081 **Southampton 09.43-09.55:** 

377413, 444041/44/45, 450005/35/94

#### Eastleigh Station 10.10-11.25:

35028 'Clan Line' with 17096+35469+3097+3149+1692+3140+5040+4902+1813+4998+5008+5292+66005. "The Wessexman" 37602+37069 with 5419+4984+4960+4973+4905+4994+1861+3148+3143+3136 66008/043, 158885/86, 220011, 221125 444002/05/06/10/22/24/29/31/33/39/42/43

#### Eastleigh Station 13.45-14.10:

66102/145, 444016/18

70013 'Oliver Cromwell'+9392+17019+99318+ 99722+99127+99128+99125+99316

#### Southampton 14.36-17.15:

66501, 158751/764/798/853/883/885/886/951 158953/955/957, 220007/021, 221135, 377103 377163/451/465/471, 444001/03/05/11/12/015 444019/20/22/24/29/30/32/35/38/41/44 450027/032/085/106

En route back to Birmingham International: 66599, 43130/133, 165110/19/35, 166218/20/21 390019/36, 444036/45, 450003/005/102 29<sup>th</sup> May:

#### Birmingham NS 14.40-16.00:

153333, 158827/041, 170104/106/109/512 170632-634, 220002/05/08/09, 221106/25/29 221133, 321426/33/36, 323201/07/08/10/11/14 323218/22/40/42, 350101/104/108/129/251 390005/17/20/30/45

1<sup>st</sup> June:

**Nuneaton:** 66024 **Birmingham NS:** 

158831/833, 170111/506, 220007, 221122/25 323212/18/43, 350101/11, 390035

11<sup>th</sup> June:

#### Nuneaton 14.55-16.45:

66304/420/517/571/585/594/702/724, 90042 90043, 92030, 153334, 170111/115/516/518 170523, 221111/13/14/16/18, 350105/11 350249/53, 390005/10/12/15/30/31/35/40/42 390043/47/48/50/51

#### **Alan Gilmour:**

#### 16<sup>th</sup> June:

#### Long Buckby:

09.45 66574 4M86 Felixstowe-Lawley St F/L 10.00 66532 4O86 Crewe-Thamesport F/L

## **Daventry Freight Terminal:**

10.10 08742, 66433/535

Rugby: 57305 stabled

11.00 66567 4L93 Lawley St-Felixstowe F/L 11.42 66427 4M34 Coatbridge-Daventry I/M

11.59 90044 4L75 Crewe-Felixstowe F/L

12.20 66193 6A51 Coventry-Wembley

12.29 66433 4S44 Daventry-Coatbridge I/M

12.38 90019 11G18 Euston-Birmingham

13.55 66576 4M94 Felixstowe-Lawley St F/L

14.03 90019 1B50 Birmingham-Euston

14.22 90043 4M54 Tilbury-Crewe F/L

14.25 92031 4H17 Wembley-Trafford Park I/M

15.00 66067 6H50 Willesden-Tunstead cement

15.23 66537 4M58 Southampton-Crewe F/L

15.40 66571 4L90 Ditton-Felixstowe F/L

15.42 43014/062 1Q28 Etches Park-Euston

15.50 66724 4M26 Felixstowe-Hams Hall I/M

15.50 92019 4O10 Trafford Park-Southampton

15.55 90016 4M81 Felixstowe-Garston F/L

16.00 66706 4L22 Hams Hall-Felixstowe I/M

16.25 66575 4L68 Lawley St-Felixstowe F/L

16.35 90019 1G30 Euston-Birmingham

#### **Daventry Freight Terminal:**

16.50 66414/535

#### Long Buckby:

17.30 90045 4M28 Felixstowe-Crewe F/L

#### **Brian Derricote:**

#### 18<sup>th</sup> June:

Sandwell & Dudley-Birmingham-Tamworth: 08805, 31233, 43207/285/304/321/384, 47739 47749, 60085, 66043/055/065/074/102/116/139 66168/192/302/305/418/422/501/525/539/549 66557/578/594/611/625/954, 86609/28, 90041 90042/44, 92009/22, 170101/104/108/115 170518-20/23, 221120, 321409, 350105/12/20 350240/252/255/257, DR73909/921

## Paul Bright:

8<sup>th</sup> June:

Blackpool: 156482, 185115 Preston: 150137, 221101 Wigan: 150137, 156483 Warrington: 37401/670

Crewe: D1843, 40145, 47839/843/848, 66606

Wolverhampton: 390030

Coventry: 66505, 153334, 221139, 321421/33

350240/48/50, 390022/23/35

#### **Birmingham NS:**

153334, 158818/838, 170105/107/115/515/637 170639, 220010/20/28/32, 221133, 321415/33 323202/04-06/09/10/15/16/18/21/40, 390022-24 390030/39

#### 9<sup>th</sup> June:

#### **Coventry:**

66539/714, 90019/048, 153325, 321416/22/29 321430-431/434, 350102/104/130/245/247 390001/20/23/27/34/35/39/40/52

#### Rugby 9.30-13.30:

57309, 66009/027/426/434/559/594, 90019/43 221110/113/115, 321409/16/22/29/30, 350101 350108/114/115/130/241/243/245/247/248/250 390001/09/10/13/15/17/19/24/26/27/35/40/43-46 390051-53

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

#### **Coventry:**

90019, 221125, 321431, 350246, 390014

#### Kings Cross 10.00-14.30:

43065/080/238/290/295/305/308/310-313/317 43318/320, 91103-06/11/12/17/20-22/24/27/29 91132, 180110/11, 317337/39/43/45, 321405 365503/06/07/09/10/13-18/20/22/25/27/31/32 365537/39/40/41

#### Euston 15.30-16.30:

90019, 350102/104/109/115/126-128/239-241 350253/254/256, 313110/21, 321410/31 508302, 390003/10/24/25/32/44/45/47

#### Coventry-London-Coventry:

57302, 66142/192, 67006, 90042, 92009

#### 11<sup>th</sup> June:

#### Coventry:

66537/543, 67014, 153334, 220004/22, 221119 221122/37, 321416/17/22/31/33, 350108/239 350244/49, 390009/15/17/19/20/25/52

#### Leamington Spa:

66017/059, 67029, 165018/29/33/36/39, 168002 168113/215/219, 220011/20/21/26/31, 221119 221126/30/33

#### 12<sup>th</sup> June: Coventry:

67012, 90019, 153366, 220031, 221128, 321430/35, 350232/41, 390011/12/23/29/40/47

#### **Coventry-Blackpool:**

08810, 57313, 66048/104/127/147, 86424 170502/631, 175010, 221109, 323210, 350111 350256, 390025/34/37

#### Ian McAlpine:

5<sup>th</sup> June:

#### **Peterborough-Hooton**

08661/737/754/871, 43308/315/319, 66131/134 66138/201/505/598/612/701/706/713/719/722 67001, 91118, 142012/50/92, 144016, 150134 155347, 156420/88/89/91, 158817/844/866/908 170306/637, 180113, 185104/08/17/20/32/35/38 185140, 321901, 323229, 350115, 365537 507003/08/26, 508104/14/22/27/34/38

#### 7<sup>th</sup> June:

#### **Hamilton Square-Peterborough:**

43303, 66131/150/248/704/712/715, 67024 92001, 142009/12/26, 144004/07/11, 150138 156420, 158844, 185110/11/13/50, 321902 333016, 350243, 390017/20/30, 507025 508137

#### 11<sup>th</sup> June:

#### Peteborough-Derby and return:

08536/697/899, 31468/602, 43045/046/048/059 43066/076/083/123/285/321, 57006, 66009/048 66067/074/087/106/116/130/132/175/268/535 66579/605/701/706/720/721728/955, 67001 91103/18/28, 153310321355357381385 156404/05, 158780/866, 170102-104/106/113 170114/115/519/520/522, 220006/07, 221124 221132, 222001/004-008/010/015-018/023/104 317341/42

#### 19<sup>th</sup> June:

#### Peterborough-Lincoln:

66014/106/117/126/132/707/708/725/731, 67001, 73204, 153355, 156401

#### 20<sup>th</sup> June:

#### **Peterborough-Nottingham:**

66001/017/040/117/200/725/731, 67001, 73207 153313/79, 156401/08/13, 158813/847/852/863 170101/104, Trams: 201-203/205-212/214/215

#### **Derek Sneddon:**

## **Carmuirs West Jnct and Camelon Station:**

| 1 <sup>st</sup> May: | 66413/423 4H47 | 66426 4Z16 |
|----------------------|----------------|------------|
| 4 <sup>th</sup> May: | 66104 6N44     |            |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> May: |                |            |
| 66104 6S36           | 66113 6M34     | 66412 4M30 |
| 66105 6A30           | 66174 6D68     | 66413 4H47 |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> May: | 66419 4S49     | 66424 4H47 |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> May: | 66106 6A30     | 66201 6A31 |
| 66419 4H47           | 66113 6S36     | 66412 4A13 |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> May: | 66007 6N44     | 66420 4A13 |
| 66619 6A65           | 66412 4H47     |            |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> May: |                |            |
| 66412 4S49           | 66420 4H47     | 66424 4Z16 |

| 11 <sup>th</sup> May: | 66104 6N44     | 66418 4S43 |
|-----------------------|----------------|------------|
| 66429 4A13            | 66418 4M48     | 66420 4H47 |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> May: |                |            |
| 66025 6M34            | 66185 6A31     | 66418 4M48 |
| 66056 6D68            | 66185 6A30     | 66426 4M30 |
| 66104 6S36            | 66417 4A13     | 66429 4H47 |
| 13 <sup>th</sup> May: |                |            |
| 66417 4H47            | 66419 4A13     | 66603 6A65 |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> May: | 37676/516 1Z87 | Drem-      |
| Tainault              |                |            |
| 66056 6A30            | 66414 4M48     | 66422 4A13 |
| 66104 6D68            | 66419 4H47     | 66603 6A65 |
| 66128 6A31            |                |            |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> May: | 66035 6S36     | 66132 6N44 |
| 66422 4H47            | 66103 6D66     | 66418 4A13 |
| Falkirk:              |                |            |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> May:  |                |            |
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37401/670 1Z47 Glenrothes-Mallaig

#### **Nigel Hoskins:**

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| Gloucester.           |       |                         |        |        |
|-----------------------|-------|-------------------------|--------|--------|
| 22nd May:             | 60065 | /096 6E41               |        |        |
| 66034 6V05            | 66013 | 6V92                    | 60065  | 6B13   |
| 23 <sup>rd</sup> May: | 66177 | 6Z43                    |        |        |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> May: |       |                         |        |        |
| 60040 6E41            | 66116 | 6V36                    | 66622  | 4V46   |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> May: |       |                         |        |        |
| 66186 6E41            | 60074 | 6B13                    | 66515  | 4V46   |
| 27 <sup>th</sup> May: | 66186 | 6E41                    | 60074  | 6B13   |
| 66024 6E35            | 66002 | 6V36                    | 66046  | 6M41   |
| 66138 6V92            | 66110 | 6V07                    | 47237  | 6Z56   |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> May: |       | /304 6M67               |        |        |
| 66149 6V19            | 60040 |                         | 66142  | 6B36   |
| 66138 6E35            | 60074 |                         | 66170  |        |
| 66046 6M81            | 66116 |                         |        |        |
| 29 <sup>th</sup> May: |       |                         |        |        |
| 660256V05             | 60040 | 6F41                    | 60074  | 6B13   |
| 66085 6E35            | 66116 |                         | 66046  |        |
| 30 <sup>th</sup> May: |       |                         |        | 0.0_   |
| 66018 6Z85            | 66024 | 6F35                    | 66199  | 6V35   |
| 66116 6V36            | 60074 |                         | 00100  | 0.00   |
| 60163 Tornado 5       |       |                         | cester |        |
| 31 <sup>st</sup> May: | 66056 |                         | 66031  | 6M30   |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> June: | 66237 |                         | 66178  |        |
| 66170 6V81            | 66547 |                         | 60085  |        |
| 66047 6E47            | 66178 |                         | 60074  |        |
| 66027 6E09            | 66250 |                         | 66193  |        |
| 66127 6V36            | 66031 |                         | 66046  |        |
| 66080 6V07            | 66250 |                         | 000+0  | 0 0 32 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> June: | 60085 |                         | 60074  | 6B13   |
| 66170 6V35            | 66027 |                         | 66034  |        |
| 66046 6V92            | 66012 |                         | 66020  |        |
| 66117 6X52            | 66250 |                         | 00020  | ULZU   |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> June: | 60085 |                         | 66051  | 61/181 |
| 60074 6B13            | 66027 |                         | 66024  |        |
| 66002 6V92            | 66547 |                         | 00024  | OLSS   |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> June: | 00541 | 4730                    |        |        |
| 60085 6E41            | 66009 | 6\/74                   | 60074  | 6D12   |
| 66178 6E35            | 66206 |                         | 66237  |        |
| 66080 6M41            |       | 010112<br>/73006/500    |        |        |
| 66170 6V92            |       | /73006/500<br>/37609 6M |        | 33     |
| 00170 6792            | 20304 | 1719 609 1C             | 07     |        |

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| <b>5<sup>th</sup> June:</b><br>66041 6V36 | 60074 6B13                   | 66141 6700               |
| 60085 6M41                                | 66027 6M81                   | 66841 0780               |
| 67008 0V66                                | 43014/062 1Z20               |                          |
| 66085/206 6M98                            |                              | ,<br>001/080 6E35        |
|   | 01/670 6E30 Pres             |                          |
| 66116 6M60                                | 66047 6E35                   |                          |
| 66027 6V36                                | 60085 6E41                   |                          |
| 66109 6W05                                | 66841 6Z67 Tid               |                          |
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| 7 <sup>th</sup> June:                     |                              |                          |
| 66027 6E30                                | 66057 6M30                   | 66104 6M75               |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> June:                     |                              |                          |
| 66173 6E35                                | 60040 6E41                   | 66510 4V46               |
| 66130 6M41                                | 60074 6B13                   | 66130 6M81               |
| 66082 6B36                                | 66116 6V92                   | 66044 6V36               |
| 66560 4V56                                | 66077 6E10                   | 66164 6E20               |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> June:                     |                              |                          |
| 66041 6E35                                | 66035 6X52                   |                          |
| 57005 6V67                                | 66077 6E10                   |                          |
| 66164 6E20                                | 66044 6V36                   | 60074 6B13               |
| 66508 4V46                                | 66141 6M41                   | 66051 6V92               |
| 66168 6A36                                | 57006/47145 02               |                          |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> June:                    | 66031 6V36                   | 66173 6E77               |
|   | V52 Kidderminste             | er-W.S.R.                |
| 11 <sup>th</sup> June:                    | 00440 01/00                  | E7000 0E04               |
| 66175 6E35<br>66068 6Z71                  | 66116 6V36                   | 57006 6E94<br>66046 6E09 |
| 66172 6Z42                                | 66085 6V61<br>43014/062 1Z23 |                          |
| 37612/605 6M67                            |                              |                          |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> June:                    | 66046 6V36                   | 66116 6E35               |
| 66182 6E09                                | 66607 6M37                   | 00110 0233               |
| 13 <sup>th</sup> June:                    | 00007 010137                 |                          |
| 66199 6E50                                | 66182 6V36                   | 66199 6V35               |
| 66021 6V49                                | 66130 6E35                   | 66185 6E41               |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> June:                    | 66841/47237 62               |                          |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> June:                    |                              |                          |
| 60074 6B13                                | 66082 6B36                   | 66066 6V69               |
| 66199 6V06                                | 66510 4V57                   | 66200 6V81               |
| 60085 6E41                                | 66090 6V92                   | 66021 6V07               |
| 66065 6M41                                | 66165 6V36                   | 66044 6E20               |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> June:                    | 60085 6E41                   | 66563 4V46               |
| 66136 6M41                                | 66165 6V36                   | 60013 6B13               |
| 66090 6V92                                | 66529 4V59                   | 66053 6X52               |
| 66058 6E10                                | 66508 6M37                   | 66199 6V06               |
| 60006/66046 6\                            | /68 66021/141/60             | )074 6E20                |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> June:                    | 66186 6Z94                   | 66841 0Z60               |
| 60074 6B13                                | 60085 6E41                   | 66075 6B36               |
| 66098 6M81                                | 66065 6V92                   | 57006 6V95               |
| 18 <sup>th</sup> June:                    | 55555 5 V 02                 | 3.0000000                |
| 66002 6V92                                | 60013 6B13                   | 60085 6E41               |
| 66065 6E09                                | 66098 6M81                   | 66146 6B36               |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> June:                    | 60085 6E41                   | 66596 4V46               |
| 66098 6V36                                | 66061 6V92                   | 66548 6M37               |
| 66841 6V67                                | 67026/030 1Z53               |                          |
| 20 <sup>th</sup> June:                    | 66118 6V75                   | 66061 6V36               |
| 66165 6E35                                | 66046 6V35                   | 66200 6V68               |
| 66043 6Z87                                | 66181/081 6E41               |                          |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> June:                    |                              |                          |
| 66044 6M30                                | 66118 6E30                   | 57006 6V95               |
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Trevor Roots: 21<sup>st</sup> May:

Bank 11.57: DLR: 65+70 Shadwell DLR 12.05-12.25:

357009/12/27/33/45

DLR: 05/09/11/14/22/23/24/30/33/41/42/46/47 52/60/62/64/72/73/80/84/97/102/115/121/123



c2c 357012 passing DLR 97+33 with the 'Gherkin' behind, Shadwell, 21 May 2009

LimehouseDLR: DLR: 06/13/78/94

Westferry DLR: DLR: 25/92

**Poplar DLR 12.35-12.50:** DLR: 01/03/06/07/13 14/16/22/17/28/31/32/35/38/44/45/49/51/54/66

67/73/74/77/80/83/87/91/96/98/116



DLR 31+66 Poplar, 21 May 2009

**Poplar DLR Depot:** DLR:15/55/58/81/117

All Saints DLR: DLR: 02/53 Devons Road DLR: DLR: 28/49 Bow Church DLR: DLR: 03/74 Pudding Mill Lane DLR: DLR: 32/38

315825, 321340

## **Preservation News**

## Middleton Railway Diesel Gala, 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> June 2009: by Neil Dix

There were a number of locos in service: The highlight being the only visit of D2578 away from it's private home base at the Moreton Business Park and home locos 7051 'John Alcock' 0-6-0 LMS DM shunter, 138C 0-4-0 diesel shunter converted from a Sentinel steam loco, D2999 0-4-0 DE Brush/Beyer Peacock, RDB 998901 4wh DM Drewry overhead line inspection unit, 'Austin No.1' 0-4-0 DM Peckett.



7051 'John Alcock'



138C 0-4-0



a rare chance to see visiting D2578



D2999+RDB 998901 in RTC livery

# **Keighley & Worth Valley Railway Diesel Gala, 5<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> June 2009:** by **Neil Dix** The highlights of the traction weekend were visiting locos from:

Boness & Kinneil Railway: 37025 'Inverness TMD', 47643, DRS: 57007, 37682 visiting Deltic 55022 'Royal Scots Grey' also put on a good show



55022 'Royal Scots Grey', Keighley



37025 'Inverness TMD' Oxenhope (all photos by Neil Dix)

# Lincolnshire Sightings by John Palin

| 20/5              |        | 1/6              |                 | 4/6 cont         |        |
|-------------------|--------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|--------|
| 13.40 66176 4R41  | EG-IM  | 06.25 66122 6B05 | 5 IM-WB         | 13.45 37607 0Z37 | LN-DY  |
| 14.58 66625 0G76  | WR-DR  | 08.45 66063 6M5  |                 | 13.47 66303 6Z15 | IM-IB  |
| 15.07 66051 6E82  | CW-LR  | 11.25 66553 0G7  | 6 DR-WB         | 14.02 66625 6E54 | KY-HR  |
| 18.37 66213 6M24  | LR-KY  | 11.45 66723 4R4  | 1 EG-IM         | 10/6             |        |
| 20.17 66149 6E38  | CB-LR  | 13.33 66553 0G7  | 6 WB-DR         | 13.42 66076 4R17 | WB-IM  |
| 22.50 66230 6V70  | LR-CB  | 13.35 66122 4R17 | 7 WB-IM         | 14.25 66617 0G76 | WB-DR  |
| 21/5              |        | 14.00 66625 6E54 | 4 KY-HR         | 14.30 66621 6E54 | KY-HR  |
| 14.00 66625 6E54  | KY-HR  | 2/6              |                 | 15.28 66841 4Z72 | WB-TY  |
| 14.45 66555 0G76  | DR-WR  | 05.15 66051 6M5  | 1 HR-BW         | 17.33 66729 6C42 | IM-EG  |
| 14.47 66118 6E11  | RU-IM  | 06.35 66122 6B05 | 5 IM-WB         | 18.37 66250 6M24 | LR-KY  |
| 15.07 66116 6E82  | CW-LR  | 07.40 66148 6F09 | M-CM            | 20.40 66083 6E38 | CB-LR  |
| 17.32 66094 6E41  | WL-LR  | 08.22 66048 6E46 | 6 KY-LR         | 21.31 66181 6E55 | TH-LR  |
| 17.36 66716 6E42  | IM-EG  | 08.34 66302 4Z15 | 5 CH-IM         | 23.44 66625 6E68 | KY-HR  |
| 18.38 66213 6M24  | LR-KY  | 11.30 66520 0G7  | 6 DR-WB         | 11/6             |        |
| 20.34 66230 6E38  | CB-LR  | 11.45 66723 4R4° | 1 EG-IM         | 14.04 66617 6E54 | KY-HR  |
| 22.40 66063 6V84  | LR-TH  | 13.15 66520 0G7  | 6 DR-WB         | 15.07 66128 6E82 | CW-LR  |
| 22.42 66031 6E81  | CW-LR  | 13.42 66122 4R17 | 7 WB-IM         | 15.25 66303 6Z15 | IM-IB  |
| 22.57 66118 6M86  | IM-RU  | 13.58 66302 6Z15 | 5 IM-IB         | 17.37 60040 6E41 | WL-LR  |
| 23.15 66094 6V70  | LR-CB  | 3/6              |                 | 17.52 66181 6D34 | WB-LR  |
| 23.46 66606 6E68  | KY-HR  | 06.00 66180 6B05 | 5 IM-WB         | 18.34 66172 6Z42 | LN-CF  |
| 23.47 60096 6V98  | LR-CB  | 08.25 66048 6E46 | 6 KY-LR         | 20.32 66128 6M24 | LR-KY  |
| 22/5              |        | 08.43 66175 6M5  | 7 LR-KY         | 20.55 66146 6E38 | CB-LR  |
| 14.07 66625 6E54  | KY-HR  | 08.46 66707 4Z15 | 5 CH-IM         | 22.35 60085 6E81 | CW-LR  |
| 17.38 66154 6E82  | CW-LR  | 09.22 66841 4Z72 | 2 WB-TY         | 12/6             |        |
| 18.30 60065+60096 | 6E41   | 11.27 66621 0G7  | 6 DR-WB         | 14.08 66625 6E54 | KY-HR  |
|                   | WL-LR  | 12.15 66723 4R4° | 1 EG-IM         | 16.15 66729 6C42 | IM-EG  |
| 18.40 66046 6M24  | LR-KY  | 14.10 66625 6E54 | 4 KY-HR         | 18.37 66128 6M24 | LR-KY  |
| 20.02 66230 6E59  | KY-LR  | 14.11 66621 0G7  | 6 WB-DR         | 20.53 66181 6E38 | CB-LR  |
| 20.40 66094 6E38  | CB-LR  | 4/6              |                 | 22.10 66250 6E55 | TH-LR  |
| 21.05 66063 6E55  | TH-LR  | 05.44 66122 6B05 |                 | 22.35 66027 6E27 | BW-HR  |
| 22.45 66031 6V70  | LR-CB  | 08.24 66303 4Z15 |                 | 13/6             |        |
| 22.55 66206 6E27  | BW-HR  | 08.50 66048 6E46 |                 | 13.50 66109 6M86 | IM-RU  |
| 23.02 66118 6E11  | RU-IM  | 11.30 66621 0G7  |                 | 14.30 66181 6E82 | CW-LR  |
| 23.40 66606 6E68  | KY-HR  | 11.44 66723 4R4  |                 | 15.36 66146 6V70 | LR-CB  |
| 23/5              | _      | 13.00 66621 0G7  |                 | 15.37 66185 6E41 | WL-LR  |
| 18.39 66047 6Z43  | LN-BS  | 13.37 37607 0Z37 |                 | 19.30 66083 6E59 | KY-LR  |
| 19.40 66206 6E59  | KY-LR  | 13.40 66122 4R1  | 7 WB-IM         | 19.40 66136 6E38 | CB-LR  |
| Location Codes:   |        |                  |                 |                  |        |
| AW Aberthaw       | FB Fa  | gborough         | LY Lindsey      | SN Spond         | on     |
| BH Bedworth       | EU Ea  |                  | NC Norwich      | TO Toton         | 011    |
| CK Colnbrook      | FN Fo  |                  | NT Newport      | WB West E        | Burton |
| CM Cottam         |        | aley Mills       | PB Peterborough |                  |        |
| CW Colwick        | HR Hu  | •                | RE Ratcliffe    | WH Weste         |        |
| CY Corby          |        | mingham          | RP Rugeley PS   | WJ Watfor        | •      |
| DP Didcot PS      | KN Ke  | •                | RY Rugby        | WN Weltor        |        |
| DR Doncaster      |        | ngsbury          | SA Swansea      | WP Works         |        |
| DX Drax           | LN Lin |                  | SB Swinderby    | ,,,,,            | •      |
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# Location 'Spot'light...or not !! by Trevor Roots

Following articles on accessible locations I thought I would throw in a shorter article with information on an extant but inaccessible depot, if only to help those who might think of visiting it. Hither Green (code HG, formerly 73C) is one of the last remaining depots in the southeast still extant and where you might see occasional locomotives stabled eg. EWS Cl.66s / 67s & DRS 37s (3 x Cl.09s 09010/12/18 are currently stored) Past its former glory, it is now only an EWS servicing point and civil engineers yard. Freight services from various companies do however pass through the adjacent Hither Green Station so is worth a visit particularly for photography. Passenger services are operated by South Eastern Trains.

## **HITHER GREEN (MPD)**

Location: OS Map Ref: TQ390 745 (station)

It is situated directly to the south of Hither Green station in the junction between the north Kent line via Sidcup / Dartford and the main line to the south coast via Grove Park. The station has four platforms, two on each line connected at the northern end. A freight only spur (Lee spur) between the two lines to the south gives access and creates a compact triangle containing the depot and yard.

#### **Station Access:**

**Rail:** Going south, frequent services from south London termini, ie. Charing Cross / Waterloo East / London Bridge. Going north from south coast, change at Orpington for stopping services.

**Road:** Hither Green station is situated 700m north of the A205 south circular road. Access to the main western entrance is via Springbank Road running north parallel with railway

#### **Depot Access / Views:**

**Rail:** A path leads from the south end of platform 4 (Grove Park line), but a locked gate prevents access. Hardly any view from the platform is possible. The only view is from passing trains but then buildings and track machines block a clear view of the centre of the triangle, where the stored locos are. Seeing stabled visiting locos, especially if carrying large numbers, is slightly easier but all you get is a quick partial glimpse.

**Road:** To the east of the station, Fernbrook Road runs parallel with the Sidcup line for 500m, at the junction with Manor Lane turn right to pass under both this line and the spur line. In between the junction is the depot access off and up to the right, which after about 100m ends in locked security gates. There is little to be seen from this access road even clambering up the steep bank to look through fence!! Continuing on down Manor Road for 500m will bring you to St Mildreds Road, the south circular, where turning right under the Grove Park line and right again leads into Springbank Road. Unfortunately the entire railway network is raised on embankments and the surrounding roads provide no view into the triangle from any point...except perhaps a residential upper floor window!!

This is what was seen in the early 1970s when visits were allowed and there was something to see:

#### 12<sup>th</sup> November 1972:

3042/092/097/666/928, 1100 6556/62/65/72/73/86/88/89/94 E6014/41

#### 4th March 1973:

3097/671/924/928 6556/60/62/6/69/77/78/82/86/90/92 65/94/97, E6008/10/21

## 3<sup>rd</sup> April 1976:

08378/653, 09010 (still there, but stored, 30 years later) 33034/043/044/053/056/059/061 33062/201/202/206/208/211 73109/14/29



now stored Fastline 56303, heading south through Hither Green on the north Kent line, 17 April 2007

# **Days Out**

## National Rail Strike, Wednesday 28th June 1989 by Trevor Roots:

I've often found that good spotting days are spontaneous affairs and chance events. Such was an occasion 20 years ago when accompanying my then wife on a business trip to Sheffield for 4 days. For over 10 years since 1977 my spotting activities had barely ticked over and apart from regular college / work related trips from Eastbourne to London, trips further afield were very limited. I therefore took the opportunity, by taking leave, to travel with my wife to old haunts around the country. As she worked, I went in search of the 'new' CI.56s & 58s, most of which I had yet to see and the re-numbered 37/6s based at Buxton. So it was that whilst in Sheffield a national rail strike was called on 28th June 1989 and I took the chance to jump in the car and visit as many sheds as I could in the area, knowing that there were still numerous locos to be seen on depots and stabling points, both locos and depots now largely gone. The following is what was seen:

#### Tinsley TMD (TI):

08210 / 244 / 436 'Beighton' / 492 'Barnetby' / 509 'Wath ETD' / 749 'Great Central' / 857 'Darnall' / 870 'Millhouses' / 879 'Earles' / 880 'Mexborough' / 919 'Cadeby', 20061 / 064 / 098 / 107 / 112 / 126, 31102 / 286 / 457, 37068 'Grainflow' / 251 / 285 / 357 / 378 / 668 'Leyburn' / 45103 'Griffon' / 45141 'Zephyr', 47099 / 124 / 130 / 205 / 218 / 231 'The Silcock Express' / 317 'Willesden Yard'

#### Tinsley secondary sorting sidings:

08141 'Manvers', 45007 / 012 / 033 'Srius' / 037 / 046 'Royal Fusilier' / 052 'Nimrod' / 106 / 107 / 110 'Medusa' / 113 'Athene' / 120 / 124 'Unicorn' / 128 / 134 'Neptune' / 140 'Mercury' / 145 'Scylla' / 150 'Vampire' / 97409 (45022) / 410 (45029) / 411 (45034) / 412 (45040) / 413 (45017) 'Amethyst', DB968024 (45017), 46009, 47093 / 104

#### Doncaster TMD (DR):

08224 / 285 / 285 / 418 / 420 / 459 / 510 / 562 'The Doncaster Postman' / 607 / 639 / 813 / 876, 31113 / 132 / 144 / 145 / 164 / 189 / 208 / 230 / 249 / 284 / 304 / 449, 37065 / 066, 46010, 47012 / 102 / 121 / 188 / 215 / 279 / 280 'Pedigree' / 332 / 342 / 352 / 822, 56083, 084 / 088 / 094 / 097 / 110, 156443

#### **Doncaster Yard:**

08514 / 595

#### **Knottingley SD (KY):**

08707, 56029 / 066 - 069 / 072 / 073 / 074 'Kellingley Colliery' / 075 'West Yorkshire Enterprise' / 076 / 077 / 079 / 082 / 087 / 089 / 091 / 095 'Harworth Colliery' / 096 / 098 / 100 / 102 - 104 / 107 / 109.

#### Healey Mills TMD (HM):

08706 / 776, 31185 / 221 / 223 / 282 / 431, 37212 / 422, 47285 / 292 / 438, 56047 / 090 / 092 / 105 / 106 / 120.

#### **Buxton TMD (BX):**

20137 / 178, 37197 / 676 – 678 / 680 – 687 / 688 'Great Rocks', 47425 'Holbeck' / 441 / 447 / 473 / 588 'Carlisle Currock'

#### **Buxton Station:**

20092 / 102, 37425 'Concrete Bob/Sir Robert Mcalpine', 150201 / 206 (3 car with 52222) / 223 / 231 / 233 / 241

#### Peak Forest Railway: (preserved)

3429, 25265

#### Shirebrook SD (SB):

20047 / 105, 56013 / 024, 58008 / 021 - 023 / 032 - 034 'Bassetlaw' / 036 / 044 / 045 / 048

#### **Barrow Hill SD (BH):**

20026 / 059 / 085 / 103 / 136 / 186, 56007 / 011 / 012 'Maltby Colliery' (named only 6 days previously) / 019, 58002 'Daw Mill Colliery' / 024 / 027 – 029 / 037 / 050 'Toton Traction Depot'

A worthwhile day out gaining entry to all locations with 209 locos seen in addition to the two at Peak Forest and only 7 DMUs. I managed to see all the 37/6s, the one missed at Buxton, 37679 being seen on Tinsley TMD on the way home 2 days later. Though Doncaster, Knottingley and Healey Mills are still in use to a lesser extent, Buxton and Shirebrook are long gone. I also never expected to revisit Barrow Hill, which at the time was reduced to a stabling point, looking desolate and run down and close to closure. It is now busier than it was 20 years ago. Unfortunately it was at Barrow Hill that my day out ended shorter than intended and quite comically as I managed to lock myself out of the car, keys still in ignition....quite common back before central locking.

Did any other members take advantage of the situation and visit depots on this day?

# **Open Days News**

by Trevor Roots

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

Nothing new, but the following are reports / stock lists from recent events. A report of the DRS Carlisle Kingmoor Open Day on 11 July will appear next month as I've been successful in the ticket lottery

# **Open Days Reports**

## Long Marston Open Weekend, 6th & 7th June 2009: by Martin Hall

Wet! Wet! Wet!, I went on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> and it rained from when I left my house until I returned but it was a good day out. The old MOD site is vast and I spent three to four hours wandering the site recording the stock locos, coaches and wagons and if you like wandering around elephant's grave yards or fossil hunting then this is the place for you. There was also a train from the Stratford & Broadway Railway to take you round the site. It looks like this will happen every year now so let's hope it does not rain next year, as I did not take very many photos.







Middlepeak Rlys Ltd 13/HO49 ex-Dutch Long Marston, 6 June 2009

**Rolling Stock on site:** (visiting locos underlined, not sure on working industrials) **Locomotives:** 

**Diesels:** 08345/517/668/728/736/813/827/869/928, 20016/032/057/072/088(2017)/081/115/215/902 20903/905, 31301/423/437/439, 37010/308/412/672/696/898, 47580/746/829, 50026/135, 56021, 57307, 66730

**Electrics**: 86205/12/17/18/<u>23</u>/26-35/42/45-47/51/53/58/60, 86401, 8704/09/11/13/14/17/18/21/23/25

87027/30-32

**Electro-Diesels**: <u>73006</u>/138

Industrial Diesels: 01512 'Conductor', 275, WD 70047 'Mulberry' 0-4-0DM Barclay, 503 Hunslet,

11230, 'Emma' 0-6-0, 'Rachael' 0-6-0, No.5, HO13/14/21 Sentinels, X7202 Sentinel

Industrial Steam: No.15 Barclay 0-6-0ST



01512 'Conductor' with visiting 73006 & 50026 behind, Long Marston, 6 June 2009



WD 70047 'Mulberry Long Marston, 6 June 2009



08345, Long Marston, 6 June 2009



08736, Long Marston, 6 June 2009

**DMUs:** Cl.117 – 117704, 51341/342/376/383, 59505

**EMUs:** trailers 70292/531, Pendolino crash trailers from 390033 – 69133/433/633/833, 68833

**DVTs:** 82108/10/11/16/22-25/28/29/31/37/40-42/44/47/49

#### Carriages:

Mk1s: 1211/1966/1971/3746/4614/4777/15849/21092/24918/25231/25637/35006/977351

Mk2s: 1252/3241/3312/3438/5136/5787/5789/5797/5815/5869/5876/5913/5925/5936/6013/6035/6124

6154/6160/6162/6170/6722/9500/9505/9509/9524

Mk3s - Hauled: 10201/05/26/31/33/40/53/59, 10647/681/701/727, 11005/06/11/26/42/52/58/97,

12008/22/29/36/45/47/58/83/87/95, 12101/04/34/42/44/56/58/60/63

Mk3s - HSTs: 40402/03/16/19/34, 40723/32, 44065/85/89

Motorail: 96101/181/602-609

N/K: 97796, 99625

#### Wagons:

Ballast: 3451/3600-3849, Presflo Tanks: 10106/07/09/12/14/21/22/30/31/34, 10568/569, 74031/032 Aggregate: 14203/08/13/14/16-19/22/24-26/29/34/36/41/42/46/55/56/58/60/61/63/73/78/80/82/85/88/89 91/93/94/97-99, 14301/03/06/09/10/12/18/22/23/35/39/45-56/58/59/62/63/65-67/69-72/74/76/77/83 14434/45/46/55/56/65, 14714/21/26/28/40/41/49, 27003/13/14, Iron Ore Tipplers: 26565/575/578/582 596/597/604/608/610/615/619/626/634/641/646/651/652/654/660/666/672/677/678/699/701/714/735 815/823/838/843, Tanks: 51498/955-57/964/961/967, 55495/498/501/503/529/543/549, 63680/699 779/780/866/888/894, 70400-07, 78215/217/218/244/2349/268/270/273/274/276, 80564, 83178/197 284/596/660/930/932/937/940/942/943/944, 87135/164/171/188/191/462/484/516/566/569/577/583/590 670/672, Cont Flats: 92690, 93332/76, 603001/04/06/07/11-22/25/27-29/31-33/35/37/39/40-43 Refuse Flats: 95378-81/83/84/86-90, Nuclear Flasks: 95600/01/03-05, Ballast Hopper: 993610 ?: 28735

(all photos by Neil Dix)

## Eastleigh 100 - Rolling Stock on site:

As promised, the following is a definitive list of all rolling stock on site during the 3 day event including a more detailed list of all the traction briefly listed last month: (compiled by Trevor roots, Carl Watson & Mark Richards)

| Description  |  | Owner (Hevel Leasting status   |
|--|--|--|
| Description  |  | Owner / Usual Location - status  |
| Steam Locomotives: 35028 'Clan Line' 35005 'Canadian Pacific' 34070 'Manston' 34028 'Eddystone' 850 'Lord Nelson' 41312 30587 53 96 'Normandy'   |  | MNLPS / Stewarts Lane - visitor Mid Hants Rly (Watercress Line) - visitor Southern Locomotives Ltd / Swanage Rly - visitor Southern Locomotives Ltd / Swanage Rly - visitor National Collection (Watercress Line) - visitor Mid Hants Rly (Watercress Line) - visitor Bodmin & Wenford Rly - visitor Swanage Rly - visitor Bluebell Rly - visitor  |
| Diesel Locomotives: (** re-dedicated 07007 20110 20301 'Max Joule 1958-1999' 20305 'Gresty Bridge' 20309 20314 D7612 (25262/25901) 31108 33002 'Sea King' 33103 'Swordfish' D6515 (33012) 'Stan Symes' 37059 37308 37411/D6990 'Caerphilly Castle/ Castell Caerffili' 37422 'Cardiff Canton' 37516 | d)   | Knights Rail Services - resident Works shunter South Devon Rly - visitor DRS - stored / engine & bogie swap with 20309 DRS - stored / for repaint DRS - stored / engine & bogie swap with 20301 DRS - stored South Devon Rly - visitor Midland Railway Centre - visitor South Devon Rly - visitor Barrow Hill R'house / (currently at Swanage Rly) - visitor Swanage Rly - inside for overhaul DRS - stored / for repaint privately owned - inside / overhaul DB Schenker - stored (moved over from depot)  DB Schenker - inside / stored (moved over from depot) WCRC - visitor |
| 37608 37706 45060 'Sherwood Forester' 47580 'County of Essex' 47712 'Pride of Carlisle' 50026 'Indomitable' 50135 'Ark Royal' ** 55022 'Royal Scots Grey' 59001 'Yeoman Endeavour' 59103 'Village of Mells' 59206 'John F Yeoman Rail Pione 66730  | eer'   | DRS - stored / for repaint WCRC - visitor Barrow Hill Roundhouse - visitor Stratford 47 Group - visitor DRS - for engine repairs privately owned - visitor privately owned - visitor East Lancashire Rly - visitor Aggregate Industries - visitor Hanson - visitor DB Schenker - visitor GBRf - visitor  |
| Flectro-Diesels: (* named, ** re-dedie<br>73006<br>73109<br>73119 'Borough of Eastleigh' *<br>73136/E6043 'Perseverance'<br>73201 'Broadlands' **  | cated)   | Severn Valley Rly - visitor<br>SWT - visitor<br>Knights Rail Services - resident<br>Privately Owned - inside / for repairs<br>National Collection - visitor  |
| EMUs:<br>1497 'Freshwater'<br>1881<br>2415<br>3417<br>508301   | CI.421/7<br>CI.421/4<br>CI.442<br>CI.423/1<br>CI.508/3 | Knights Rail Services - resident main yard<br>Angel Trains - stored main yard<br>Bluebell Railway - stored main yard   |

Angel Trains - stored main yard

CI.508/3

508301

| 62207 (3536) | CI.423/1 | Knights Rail Services - Van Shop (behind Class 73s)  |
|--------------|----------|--|
| 62289 (1304) | CI.421/5 | Knights Rail Services - Van Shop (behind Class 73s)  |
| 70897 (3536) | CI.423/1 | Knights Rail Services - Van Shop (behind Class 73s)  |
| 70969 (1304) | CI.421/5 | Knights Rail Services - Van Shop (behind Class 73s)  |
| 76767 (1884) | CI.421/4 | Knights Rail Services - Van Shop (behind Class 73s)  |
| 76838 (1884) | CI.421/4 | Knights Rail Services - main yard (with Anglia Mk2s) |



still in NSE livery, Bruce Knight's EMU Cl.421 1881, 24 May 2009

## DMUs:

| 143611 | Cl.143 | FGW - in works / overhaul |
|--------|--------|---------------------------|
| 143619 | Cl.143 | FGW - in works / overhaul |

#### Carriages: (in order north to south)

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|-------------------------------------|------|---|
| 99035 Service Car 2 (35)            | WCRC | Queen of Scots luxury train (alongside Cosham line) |
| 99886 Service Car 1 (86)            | WCRC | Queen of Scots luxury train (alongside Cosham line) |
| GWR 9004 1st Saloon                 | WCRC | Queen of Scots luxury train (alongside Cosham line) |
| 99880 Dining Saloon 159             | WCRC | Queen of Scots luxury train (alongside Cosham line) |
| 99881 GNR 807 Family Saloon         | WCRC | Queen of Scots luxury train (alongside Cosham line) |
| 99052 GCR 41                        | WCRC | Queen of Scots luxury train (alongside Cosham line) |
|                                     |      |   |



17096 'Mercator' \$35464

MNLPS Swanage Rly



Queen of Scots carriages 99880 on left, 99035 above, 25 May 2009

support coach (with 35028) support coach

| 10237 | Ocean Liner Express | DRS | Mk3A RFM | (by 50135 & 73201) | to be refurbished |
|-------|---------------------|-----|----------|--------------------|-------------------|
| 11030 | Ocean Liner Express | DRS | MK3A FO  | (with 47712)       |                   |
| 11044 | Ocean Liner Express | DRS | MK3A FO  | (by 50135 & 73201) | to be refurbished |
| 11054 | Ocean Liner Express | DRS | MK3A FO  | (by 50135 & 73201) | to be refurbished |
| 17159 | Ocean Liner Express | DRS | Mk2D BFK | (by 50135 & 73201) | to be refurbished |
| 1657  | Ocean Liner Express | DRS | Mk1 RBR  | (by 50135 & 73201) | to be refurbished |



DRS Mk3 11030 in refurbished Ocean Liner Express livery 23 May 2009



DRS Mk2 17159 in ex-Stobart livery the removed vinyls can just be seen 23 May 2009

| 99710     | WCRC Mk1 SK       | (by 66730 on 25 <sup>th</sup> only)   |
|-----------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 99716     | WCRC Mk1 SK       | (by 66730 on 25 <sup>th</sup> only)   |
| 99721     | WCRC Mk1 SK       | (by 66730 on 25 <sup>th</sup> only)   |
| ADB975875 | EMU barrier coach | stored - main yard (by 50135 & 73201) |
| ADB975976 | EMU barrier coach | stored - inside (near Paint Tent)     |
| ADB975977 | EMU barrier coach | stored - inside (near Paint Tent)     |
| ADB977087 | EMU barrier coach | stored - main yard (by 50135 & 73201) |

#### Stored Mk2s - All HSBC Rail Owned:

| lored WKZS - All H | ISBC Rall U | wnea.     |   |
|--------------------|-------------|-----------|---|
| 1207               | Virgin      | Mk2f RFB  | stored - inside (near trade stands)             |
| 1221               | Intercity   | Mk2f RFB  | stored - inside (near trade stands)             |
| 5908               | Virgin      | Mk2f TSO  | stored - inside (near trade stands)             |
| 5933               | Virgin      | Mk2f TSO  | stored - front yard (alongside catering stalls) |
| 5940               | Virgin      | Mk2f TSO  | stored - inside (near trade stands)             |
| 5943               | Virgin      | Mk2f TSO  | stored - bottom yard (out of bounds)            |
| 5949               | Virgin      | Mk2f TSO  | stored - Van Shop (behind Cl.73s)               |
| 5957               | Virgin      | Mk2f TSO  | stored - Van Shop (behind Cl.73s)               |
| 5969               | Virgin      | Mk2f TSO  | stored - inside (near trade stands)             |
| 5977               | Virgin      | Mk2f TSO  | stored - Van Shop (behind Cl.73s)               |
| 5978               | Virgin      | Mk2f TSO  | stored - bottom yard (out of bounds)            |
| 5980               | Virgin      | Mk2f TSO  | stored - bottom yard (out of bounds)            |
| 6009               | Virgin      | Mk2f TSO  | stored - bottom yard (out of bounds)            |
| 6012               | Virgin      | Mk2f TSO  | stored - bottom yard (out of bounds)            |
| 6016               | Virgin      | Mk2f TSO  | stored - bottom yard (out of bounds)            |
| 6021               | Virgin      | Mk2f TSO  | stored - bottom yard (out of bounds)            |
| 6028               | Anglia      | Mk2f TSO  | stored - main yard (behind 1884 DTC)            |
| 6029               | Virgin      | Mk2f TSO  | stored - bottom yard (out of bounds)            |
| 6031               | Virgin      | Mk2f TSO  | stored - bottom yard (out of bounds)            |
| 6037               | Anglia      | Mk2f TSO  | stored - main yard (behind 1884 DTC)            |
| 6050               | Intercity   | Mk2f TSO  | stored - inside (near trade stands)             |
| 6101               | Virgin      | Mk2f TSO  | stored - inside (near trade stands)             |
| 6136               | Virgin      | Mk2f TSO  | stored - bottom yard (out of bounds)            |
| 6150               | Intercity   | Mk2f TSO  | stored - main yard (alongside Cl.50s)           |
| 6153               | Virgin      | Mk2f TSO  | stored - inside (near trade stands)             |
| 6175               | Virgin      | Mk2f TSO  | stored - bottom yard (out of bounds)            |
| 6179               | Virgin      | Mk2f TSO  | stored - front yard (alongside catering stalls) |
| 9704               | Anglia      | MK2f DBSO | stored - main yard (by 50135 & 73201)           |
|                    |             |           | 40  |

| 9705 | Anglia | MK2f DBSO | stored - inside (near Paint Tent)     |
|------|--------|-----------|---------------------------------------|
| 9707 | Anglia | MK2f DBSO | stored - inside (near Paint Tent)     |
| 9709 | Anglia | MK2f DBSO | stored - main yard (by 50135 & 73201) |
| 9710 | One    | MK2f DBSO | stored - inside (near Paint Tent)     |



ex-Anglia Mk1 DBSO 9709 with barrier vehicle ADB 977087 to the left, 23 May 2009



DTC 76838 one of the 2 remaining cars from set 1884 with ex-Anglia Mk2s 6028 & 6037 behind and Mk1 barrier vehicle ADB975875 to the left, 23 May 2009

#### Wagons:

| JNA 4400  | scrap wagon               | inside / overhaul |
|-----------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| JNA 4401  | scrap wagon               | inside / overhaul |
| ADB900929 | Works internal user wagon | inside            |

#### Misc:

| DR98305+DR98306 | Network Rail - Geismar VMT 860              | stored - main yard   |
|-----------------|---|----------------------|
| DR79264+DR79274 | Network Rail - Harsco RGH-20CS Rail Grinder | inside / overhaul    |
| DR98916+DR98966 | Network Rail - Windhoff MPV                 | inside / overhaul    |
| DR98917+DR98967 | Network Rail - Windhoff MPV                 | inside / overhaul    |
| ADRC96710       | Network Rail - Cowans Sheldon DH crane      | main yard (by 31108) |



NR Track Motor Cars DR98305+98306 25 May 2009



NR MPVs DR98916+98966 23 May 2009

## Locked away, out of sight (in Test Centre buildings at bottom end of site):

**01508 (MOD 428, RH 466617)** Ruston 0-6-0 LSSH Knights Rail Services - stored **2422** CI.442 Angel Trains – stored

#### Vehicles Disposed of the week before the event;

| 5944         | Mk2f TSO | sent to scrap merchant in Avonmouth |
|--------------|----------|-------------------------------------|
| 6174         | Mk2f TSO | sent to scrap merchant in Avonmouth |
| 76583 (1304) | CI.421/5 | sent to scrap merchant in Avonmouth |
| 76613 (1304) | Cl.421/5 | sent to scrap merchant in Avonmouth |

# **Railway Globetrotters**

by Ray Smith

#### **BELGIUM REVISITED - Part 2:**

On April 18<sup>th</sup> we set off on an 8 day tour of Belgium, Luxembourg, the Netherlands and setting foot in the Ruhr (Germany) and a bit of France. The journey was by car. This article will deal with the Belgian part of the trip to give an idea of what was seen and where. I will give details of the rest in subsequent articles, hence the missing days.

#### Saturday, April 18th 2009.

The first depot was Merelbeke, Gent. A depot that has never been a problem until now. As it was a Saturday the gate was locked and my talk on the intercom resulted in being told if we did not have a licence !!! we could not enter. We went to the station because there is a boarded crossing to the shed. This had a gateman, asleep on the ballast, but it was clear that this was no longer a spotter friendly shed. It may still be ok on a weekday. My only consolation was my penultimate CI.62xx No 6201 was standing alongside the station. A poor start!



CI.77s lined up Antwerpen Nord, 18 April 2009



preserved 5156 alongside a withdrawn example once seen all over Belgium, Antwerpen Nord 18 April 2009



preserved 5910 (old no. 201010) Antwerpen Nord 18 April 2009

We then drove to Antwerp(en) Nord. A shed I had not done. I googled it from the internet and we found it easily. What a sight as we approached. Apart from the shed building there were locomotives stabled in a large yard nearby. This time the boss was a friendly lady and permission was granted. There were other British enthusiasts there as well. There were 142 locomotives on shed. The lines had the locomotives stabled by class or similar features. The majority were CI.77xx that totalled 44. There were also 14 of the new CI.28xx electrics there. The only active shunter class was the 82xx, with an unidentified member painted in the same new livery as the 77xx but with no number. All of the 74xx were stored with only 7410 missing. The entire first series of CI.25xx were stored there apart from 2503 and the entire second series were also there. Strangely, 2513 appeared at Hasselt later on our tour.



withdrawn heavy duty shunter 7209 now preserved by SNCB Antwerpen Nord, 18 April 2009



Vossloh G2000s are appearing throughout Europe, here 5702 & 5704 Antwerpen Nord, 18 April 2009

Other lines included freight electrics of Cls.23xx and 26xx. There were 3 each from Cls.13xx and 20xx. The 20xx were primarily used between Brussels and Luxembourg. There were 3 Vossloh 57xx and an assortment of Cl.62xx. The diesel Cl.51xx, that are all withdrawn had 7 examples there. 8441, another withdrawn class of shunter was there as well and 7209, which was withdrawn on December 1<sup>st</sup> 1985 and classed as preserved although it looks as nothing has been done to it since withdrawal. The shed building was locked up, although we saw many through the windows. There was an unidentified preserved Nohab inside. This made up for the disappointment at Merelbeke.



2513 Hasselt Depot 23 April 2009



Cl.84xx shunters are all long withdrawn 8455, 8454 & 8433 stand in a yard close to Hasselt Depot, 23 April 2009

## Thursday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> 2009.

The next Belgian shed was Hasselt. Permission was granted. Quite a change from my last visit. This time the CI.51xx and 62xx now had only one example, 6291. Of the 27 class 41xx DMUs allocated there only 4133 and 4189 were on shed. There were some 3xx and 5xx EMUs, 10 CI.27xx and 2 CI.28xx electrics as well as 2513 that was on Antwerpen Nord last Saturday. Interestingly for me were 3 long withdrawn shunters, 8433/54/55.



the original 1802 with 1804 behind, now preserved at Kinkempois, 23 April 2009



forlorn 2502 once privileged with Paris-Brussels-Amsterdam services lies dumped at Kinkempois, 23 April 2009

Liege Kinkempois (known in Geordie as Kinkyplace). Once again permission was granted. Although a weekday, there were still 81 on shed. This shed serves the nearby yard. The once stronghold for the CI.55xx now only had 7 on shed. There were 11 CI.82xx shunters and 17 CI.77xxs. There were 3 of the remaining CI.15xxs now downgraded to local peak hour services. What a comedown from their original diagrams that were Paris-Brussels-Amsterdam. Dumped were 1802 and 1804 designated preserved. Classmate 1805 once held the Belgian speed record of 218kph. Also scattered about were a mixture of diesel classes and another 2 withdrawn CI.51s, Nos. 5142 and 5173.



5507 one of a class used for services to Luxembourg where the same locos are cl.18xx Kinkempois, 23 April 2009



still plenty of these little fellas about, B shunter 9146 Kinkempois, 23 April 2009



Angel Trains Cl.186 are leased to SNCB so carry a SNCB no. 2812 (186204)
Kinkempois, 23 April 2009



preserved B-2 DH DMU 4406 Stockem Depot, 24 April 2009

#### Friday, April 24th 2009.

Arlon station. Well worth a look. At weekends there will be around 20 electrics from classes 23 and 26. Today there were 2315/27/41/51/54/72 and 74.

A few minutes away is Stockem shed. This has to be one of the largest shed buildings I have visited. In steam days this depot could easily house in excess of 100 locomotives under cover. The building is still standing although half is locked up.



5212 Stockem Depot, 24 April 2009



A ghostly sight inside the locked part of Stockem Depot with 7341 & 9135 are on the left, 24 April 2009

Servicing is still carried out there with a few DMUs and EMUs getting attention. Inside the shed was preserved DMU 4406 and also in good condition 4510. Small shunter 9135 was also there. Outside were two lines of Cls.52s and 53s. A short scrap line contained DMUs 4408 and 4504, possibly donors for the two inside. Also there was the remaining third of 5214. Inside the old locked building were another 12 Cls.52xx and 53xx as well as 7341 and 9159 (I found a way in). This meant that all but 3 (5201, 5209 and 5303) of the classes 52 and 53 in the Inter-City Datafile were on shed.

Namur next and a look outside Salzines works. 2632, 5510, 5517 and 5530 were in the yard. Just a bit further out of town was Ronet depot. The building contained departmental wagons and coaches and outside were 17 assorted locomotives from Cls.13, 20, 23, 26, 62, 77 and 82. In the yard was a SNCF Vossloh 1615.

6215 Ronet (Namur) 24 April 2009



The last stop was Charleroi. On route we looked in at Chatelet and saw 7738, 7741, 7823 and 7381. The shed at Charleroi Sud is a new building and I had not been there before. If was clearly visible from a road overbridge and also was a locked gate complete with gateman. We failed to see much there and arriving were the 4 locomotives that we saw at Chatelet!

That was the last call in Belgium although I later found out that the shed at Monceau (I spelt that wrong in part 1) was still very much active.

Brussels Schaarbeck was not visited on this tour, but this shed is still active and a large selection of locomotives can be seen there.

Now to France for a couple of depots before heading home.

(all photos by Ray Smith)

# **European Days Out**

## Mercia Charters 'The Resurrection' 13th June 2009 by Andrew Woodcock:

Prior to the railtour date we knew that the proposed train loco 6041 had not completed re-certification and that Infrabel had decided that the Bascoup Branch was unfit far a passenger train. On the day the train was hauled by a well performing 5910 with assistance where required on reversals by 5311 (supposedly withdrawn). On the day time was lost at Monceau Formation and a points failure at Mariembourg. To keep to pathing this meant photographic stops were either omitted or reduced in duration. This also resulted that only a brief visit was possible to the CF3V museum at Triegnes. This was a pity as the facilities are excellent and on the day we were allowed access to the workshops as well. A must for a repeat visit. In deserted yards near Courcelles-Matte was dumped Cl.25 electric loco . 2512. On the CF3V the train was hauled from Mariembourg to Olloy by 6086 where 5120 piloted us to Triegnes. On our return the train loco was 7304 to Olloy, then piloted by ex SNCF 63149 to Mariembourg. At Olloy the service train passed us with DMU 4610. At Mariembourg on view were DMUs 4407, 4608 and 554.11(4611). At Triegnes in the station yard was an industrial loco painted up as SNCB 9008. In the museum at Triegnes was CFL DMU 201/211 and SNCB DMU 4616 plus an English build loco ex-Fina Hunslet 9096 of 1983. At La Louviere time was adequate to view all the contents of the store and photograph them. Inside were DMU 3-car 4006, single car 4505 and what looked like two trailers for DMUs. EMUs 002, 027, 039 and parcels unit 002, electric locos 2801, 101.012(2912), diesel loco 5917 and diesel shunter 8319 and also a small collection of home made early pw motorised trolleys.

## Other European Observations, Antwerp Berchem:

Latest Cl.28 seen in service is 2839. Two sets of Cl.186 locos on Amsterdam-Brussels Trains. Two European Rail Vossloh 2000's were seen on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> June or were they the same one twice as they seem to carry no number. On the evening of the 12<sup>th</sup> SNCF Cl.66 no. 6603 and Vossloh 2000 no. 1615 were seen. In the evening of the 13<sup>th</sup> 5910 was seen returning LE to Antwerp after its rail tour duties. On Sunday morning I was told that the 17.15 Brussels-Amsterdam was showing running 105 mins late. The stock was seen arriving from the wrong end of Brussels Midi behind two Cl.77 diesels so obviously something had gone badly wrong further north.

# **Wagon Corner**

## by Martin Hall

#### **WAGON NEWS:**

Freight services may be on the up as freight operator First GBRf signs two new contracts with Network Rail both to extend their existing contracts at Whitemoor.

Unfortunately DB Schenker may well loose services if the Corus Teesside Cast Products Plant at Redcar closes.

As a result of the decline in the coal products in the East Midlands, DB Schenker has mothballed the Old Bank and New Bank sidings at Toton in Nottinghamshire.

Advenza has started a new service of scrap metal from T.J.Thomson's yard in Stockton.

Fastline Freight has stopped running its intermodal services and stored its three locos 56301-3.

Deliveries of the new batch of 55 'Falcon' bogie box wagons 31.70.5892.001 – 055 have begun to arrive in the UK.

More new wagons on the scene are IIA coal hoppers 37.70.6955.140 - 159 from Poland and 37.70.6791.100 - 189 from WH Davis.

#### **WAGON REVIEW:**

#### HQA Autoballaster Hopper Wagon HQ001A/B/C/D/E/F

With the demise of most of the BR ballast hoppers like Dogfish, Catfish, Whale, Walrus and Sealion a new and faster vehicle was required. The HQA is a covered hopper, which is installed with eight remotely controlled doors allowing the ballast to be accurately placed on the track. The wagons usually run in rakes of five with a generator wagon to supply its own power. They were built between 2001 and 2006 by Wabtec, Doncaster.

#### **Number Series:**

| 380001 - 380038 | Code HQA-G | Outer Wagon        | 380101 - 380214 | Code HQA-H | Inner Wagon |
|-----------------|------------|--------------------|-----------------|------------|-------------|
| 380301 - 380338 | Code HQA-J | Outer Wagon with G | enerator        |            |             |
| 380401 - 380410 | Code HQA-F | Outer Wagon with G | enerator        |            |             |
| 380501 - 380510 | Code HQA-D | Outer Wagon        | 380601 - 380630 | Code HQA-E | Inner Wagon |
| 380701/706      | Code HQA-K | Outer Wagon with G | enerator        |            |             |
| 380702-4/7-9    | Code HQA-L | Inner Wagon        | 380705/710      | Code HQA-M | Outer Wagon |



HQAJ 380333 Toton Yard 1 April 2007

# **Light Rail and Metro News**

## by Martin Hall

**London:** Another tram scheme is scrapped because of financial savings as the Greenwich Waterfront Transit is mothballed even though it was to serve the 2012 Olympics.

**Nottingham:** Although the extensions were approved due the change of political power it is now doubtful were the money is going to come from.

**Blackpool:** An artist's impression of how the new Starr Gate Tram Depot will look has been released. The depot will also have facilities to maintain some 20 vehicles including 16 new trams to be built.

# **All Our Yesterdays**

## by Alan Gilmour

Thanks once again to Lawrie Williams of Dagenham for his contribution to this section of your magazine, this time covering a foray into Wales on 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> September 1958.

The trip was a Friday overnight / Saturday trip from Paddington via Carmarthen to Aberystwyth, returning to Paddington via Wrexham. Lawrie made this trip several times, on one occasion returning via Oswestry and Whitchurch to Crewe then the LNW main line to Euston. Of the trains used he has only one recorded, Castle 5001 *'Launceston Castl'e* hauling the 20.55 service from Paddington. He then continued after visiting Carmarthen shed on a train at about 06.00 – 06.30 to Aberystwyth, possibly behind Manor 4-6-0 7804 *'Baydon Manor'*. There followed shed visits, all without permits at Machynlleth, Oswestry and Cross Newydd. Being a BR employee, Lawrie used quarter rate privilege tickets with costs: Paddington to Carmarthen 11s 7½d, Carmarthen to Aberystwyth 2s 10½d, Aberystwyth to Machynlleth 1s 1½d, Machynlleth to Oswestry 2s 11d, Oswestry to Wrexham General 7d, and Wrexham to Paddington 9s 4d, a total of £1 8s 5½d ---- that's £1.42 in decimal money !!! At around this time Lawrie recalls that the basic weekly pay for a railway porter was about £7, and about a year later Agfa colour film cost about 15s, which does tend to put things into perspective.

#### **Paddington to Carmarthen:**

Collett 0-6-0PT 3621/3764/4674, Churchward 2-8-0 3853, Churchward 2-8-0T 4268, Hawksworth Modified Hall 4-6-0 6962 'Soughton Hall', Hawksworth 0-6-0PT 8453 BR Derby 3-car suburban DMU W50861/59034, BR 0-6-0 Shunter D3262/3267, D3423/3427

#### Carmarthen:

Collett 0-6-0 2200/2216/2273/2298, Collett Hall 4-6-0 4937 'Lanely Hall' 4958 'Priory Hall', Castle 5077 'Fairey Battle', Churchward 2-8-0T 5246, Churchward 2-6-0 5345/5357/5377, Churchward 2-6-2T 5549, Hall 5903 'Keele Hall' / 5937 'Stanford Hall' / 6935 'Browsholme Hall', Churchward 2-6-0 6333, Collett 2-8-2T 7213, Collett 0-6-0PT 7400/7401/7419/7425/7444, Collett Manor 4-6-0 7804 'Baydon Manor' / 7824 'Iford Manor' / 7826 'Longworth Manor', Collett 2-6-2T 8102, Collett 0-6-0PT 8777 WD 2-8-0 90179

#### Pencader:

Collett 0-6-0 2280, Collett 0-6-0PT 9632

#### Aberystwyth:

Collett 0-6-0 2217/2224/2244/2271/2272, Churchward 2-6-0 4377, Collett 0-6-0PT 7406/7417, Manor 7811 'Dunley Manor' / 7819 Hinton Manor / 7822 'Foxcote Manor'

Borth: Camping coach W9878W Glandyfi: Camping coach W9912W

#### **Dovey Junction:**

Collett 0-6-0 2237, Churchward 2-6-2T 5517 BR Std 2-6-0 78002

#### Machynlleth:

Hawksworth 0-6-0PT 1636, Collett 0-6-0 2210/2233/2255/2285, Churchward 2-6-0 4377/6371, Churchward 2-6-2T 4560/4564, 5556, Collett 0-4-2T 5809, Manor 7800 'Torquay Manor' / 7801 'Anthony Manor' / 7821 'Ditcheat Manor', Collett 4-4-0 9021 BR Std 2-6-0 78007

#### **Machynlleth to Oswestry:**

Hawksworth 0-6-0PT 1602, Collett 0-6-0PT 5422, Churchward 2-6-0 7329, Collett 0-6-0PT 7410, Manor 7827 'Lydham Manor'

#### Oswestry:

Collett 0-4-2T 1432, Hawksworth 0-6-0PT 1603/04, Collett 0-6-0 2202/19/39, 3200/01/02/08/09, Collett 0-6-0PT 3704/89, Churchward 2-6-2T 4595, Churchward 2-6-0 5386, Collett 0-6-0PT 5400, Manor 7807 'Compton Manor', Collett 0-6-0PT 7434, Collett 0-6-0PT 9681 (LMS) Ivatt 2-6-0 46503/46505/46507/46509/46512/46521/46522/46523

#### **Moat Lane:**

Collett 4-4-0 9017, Ivatt 2-6-0 46515, BR Std 2-6-0 78000

#### Welshpool:

Churchward 2-6-0 6378/6392

#### **Oswestry to Gobowen to Wrexham:**

Collett 2-6-2T 4110, Churchward 2-6-0 5318/6380, Collett 0-6-0PT 6404/7433/7440, Collett 0-6-2T 6694, BR Std 4-6-0 73013/73021/73024, BR Std 4-6-0 75005/75026

#### **Croes Newydd:**

Collett 0-4-2T 1465, Hawksworth 0-6-0PT 1635/1659/1660, Collett 0-6-0 2201/2251, Churchward 2-8-0 2878, Collett 0-6-0PT 4645/4683, Hall 4973 'Sweeney Hall', Castle 5036 'Lyonshall Castle', Collett 0-6-0PT 5416, Collett 0-4-2T 5810, Churchward 2-6-0 6311/6316/6325, 7313, Collett 0-6-2T 6611/6617/6632/6696, Collett 0-6-0PT 7403/7414/7431/7442/7443, Manor 7817 'Garsington Manor', Collett 0-6-0PT 8791/9768/9793

Ivatt 2-6-0 46507, BR Std 2-6-2T 82002, BR 2-10-0 92231

#### **Wrexham to Paddington:**

Churchward 2-8-0 2806, Collett 0-6-0PT 3760, Collett 2-6-2T 4158, Castle 5046 *'Earl Cawdor'*, Collett Grange 4-6-0 6807 *'Birchwood Grange'*, Collett 0-6-2T 6681, Hawksworth 0-6-0PT 9496 (LMS) Stanier 2-6-4T 42562, Stanier 4-6-0 44738/44872, BR Std 4-6-0 73024 BR 0-6-0 Shunter 13111, BR 3-Car Cross Country W50699/W59277, Gloucester RC&W 3-Car Suburban W51130, Derby 3-Car Suburban W59440

Not all the locos shown at certain points were necessarily on shed, some may well have been on passing trains, or shunting nearby sidings for instance. Noteworthy is that whilst diesel railcars and shunters were in evidence no main line diesels were seen.

Lawrie concludes that although this trip was some 50 years ago it does not seem so, and although dieselisation was coming he never thought it possible for steam to have finished on BR within 10 years.

# **Stock Changes**

by Trevor Roots (observations)

In order to compile as accurate and up to date list as possible, can members please pass on their observations, particularly name changes and multiple unit reformations to the editor, **Trevor Roots**.

Locos 'Exported' on hire: (to France) from store at EH

DB Schenker: 58005/07/09/11/18/26/33-35

**New Stock:** 

(EMUs) in service 350257 350258 350259 350260

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377509

**(EMUs)** on test at WN (more 378s at Derby) 378001 378005 378007 378011 378013 378015

## **Revised Liveries**



ScotRail 158786 (ex-SWT) in base blue livery (not previously recorded here) Edinburgh Waverley, 23 May 2009 Craig Johnson



recently refurbished EMT 158846 now in Stagecoach livery Leeds, 10 June 2009 Craig Johnson

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