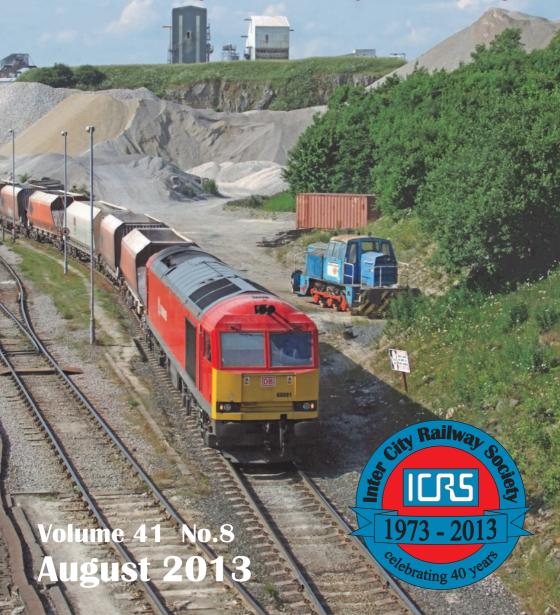


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Front Cover Photo:

On a hot, late afternoon, 60091 sets back into the sidings at Peak Forest with empty hoppers at 17.00, 6P60 from Hope Street, past RMC liveried Sentinel 0-6-0DM S10107. By 17.10, after detaching the hoppers, the 60 was stabled in the holding sidings with 66250 and 66184, 13th July 2013.

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Society Notice Board

Editor's Comments:

Our second event of our 40th Anniversary celebrations went off without a hitch and was well received, see Gresty Bridge Visit report on page 10....bring on Eastleigh.

With the railway scene both on Network and preserved metals as vibrant as ever there is so much to report it is pleasing that more members are sending in items for inclusion in **Tracks**. A big thank you to those regular contributors and newbie's, so keep the stuff coming. If you haven't contributed before, have a go, it's not that difficult especially if it's just a photo of operational interest. If you want to write an article, be it a day / week away at home or abroad just take a look at previous issues to see the style. Don't worry about grammar etc as I will add polish if needs be, I just need your original thoughts. Many members are keen to read articles on aspects of the railway, be they nostalgic or current. It is nice to read about other members experiences. The UK has a lot of railways and with the best will in the world, visiting is often restricted by money, time constraints or geography...I definitely understand the latter two issues!!

With my tenure as editor approaching 7 years (80 issues), it is sad to report on the worsening health of one of the Society's and GBBG's former stalwarts and second longest serving editor, Ken Pitt. He has been ill for some time but he has now been admitted to a care home in Kidderminster. He not only edited 69 issues in two stints between May 1999 – May 2002 and Oct 2003 – Jun 2006, but he was responsible for **Stock Changes** for many years, compiling devilish tricky quizzes and organising GBBG trips whilst I was Chairman. As with a few others over the years he was prepared to step into the breach to keep the Society ticking over in difficult times. The committee wish to pass on our regards and wish him well.

40th Anniversary Events:

Eastleigh Works, 7th September 2013:

Our finale event to celebrate our 40th Anniversary will be held at Eastleigh Works on the afternoon of Saturday 7th September 2013.

This will be a **Members only** event and will give you the chance to visit one of the busiest railway locations in the country. Exact details are still being finalised but already booked is access to 99% of the site with cab rides on 07007 and possibly another loco. There will be refreshments provided in the form of a hog roast. There may yet be other goodies.

The event will be free of charge to all Members but numbers will be limited so please email or write to Carl Watson to reserve your place as soon as possible. There has been a lot of interest with over 75 members wishing to attend, but there are still places available. You will need to make your own travel arrangements to the event. No parking will be allowed on site.

Our Sales Stand will be present where we will be releasing the long awaited **Ultimate Sighting File** (USF).

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New Members: (An excellent month with membership at its highest for 4 years)

Allan Cann (Newport), Bradley Carroll (Leeds), John Cole (Coventry), David Evans (Llangollen), Trevor Griffin (Southam), Keith Jarratt (Worcester), William Milsom (Rugeley), Mark Pyefinch (Long Eaton), Malcolm Riley (Shipley), Nicholas Smith (Leicester), Andrew Standing (Doncaster), Richard Starr (Huddersfield), Paul Thompson (Gloucester), Mark Watson (Hull), Alan Wolstencroft (Beverley), Michael Woodcock (Rotherham) - a warm welcome to you all.

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Members Area: Access requires a username and password. From the start of 2011 the username is now your 6 figure membership number and the password a random word provided by Trevor Roots. For new members this will be in the welcome email and following letter. For existing members, email a request to Mark Richards at website.manager@icrs.org.uk Please remember to include your ICRS membership number.

NB. The username / password is personal to you and should not be given to a non-member.

Flickr Photo Gallery: As previously stated, Mark Richards has established our photo gallery on **Flickr**, so please have a look <u>www.flickr.com/photos/intercity-railway-society</u>. However the success of this site relies on your support, so please send Mark your photos.

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. To join visit finance.groups.yahoo.com/group/intercityrailwaysociety/ or email intercityrailwaysociety-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Facebook: For those of you who've become part of the social networking revolution online, ICRS now has a Facebook page. Search for ICRS and request us to be your friend and you'll be connected to what we do. We acknowledge that not all of our members have computers but if you can and want to get in touch then please do so and we'll see where it takes us.

Magazine:

Submissions: 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. Good quality photographs are always welcome, either prints or preferably high res digital photographs via e-mail (**not compressed please**). Please include full contact details with any submissions, including your first name.

The latest date for articles / info for the September issue is Friday 23th August 2013 with delivery to members after Friday 6th September 2013

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Open Day News

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 the editor know.

DRS Open Day, Kingmoor Depot Carlisle, 10:00 to 16:00, Sat 17th Aug. 2013:

Tickets are available on the day - no pre-booking is required. As proceeds are to be donated to charity, a minimum donation of £5 will be levied at the gate. (Under 16s accompanied by paying adults will receive free entry)

Please note:

- For the safety and security of visitors, DRS reserve the right to delay entry in the event of overcrowding. (Due to the anticipated volume of visitors in the morning we recommend where possible a consideration be made to an afternoon visit to avoid any delayed entry).
- Limited disabled parking provisions allocated on a first come first served basis.
- No other parking onsite with restricted parking nearby on narrow roads, so please park sensibly to avoid annoying local residents or come by train & bus. Catch the 76 bus from the stop on English Street, 2 mins walk from Station and alight outside the Redfern Pub, which is approx 5 mins walk to the depot. The service is every 15min at 10, 25, 40 & 55mins past the hour.

DRS are running a charter, see poster on page 28, but if you will be able to see the empty stock leave Kingmoor if you are at the depot.

We will be there with our sales stand. Hopefully the weather will be much better than in 2011....ie no rain!!



Eastleigh Works Report

by Carl Watson

Locos: 31105 was back with a Test Train on the 23rd.

66741, the last in unbranded ex-Freightliner green (see **Traffic & Traction News**) has been repainted into GBRf livery.

Repairs to 66847 have been completed and it departed on the 26th.

01508 (MOD 428) is operational again after many years out of use (see photo below taken on the 26th July 2013).



57308, the last Thunderbird in Virgin livery, has been repainted in DRS Compass livery and named, though the name is covered up pending a ceremony at a later date (see photo below taken on the 19th July 2013).





57312 has been repaired and is now back in service (see photo below left taken on the 2nd July 2013).





66846 and 66849 arrived for refuelling on the 11th (see photo above right) and I finally got a photo of the namer!...unfortunately there is another one now, ed.

London Underground: All six of the 'C' Stock motors have now been processed and await scrapping. 5530 is the first to be scrapped, the rest will follow by the end of July. The next 'C' Stock deliveries are expected in September.

Units: Siemens have carried out radial arm modifications to 450079, 077, 092, 103 and 005. This program has now come to an end and 444035 arrived on 22nd for bogie swaps.

455826 was completed by Wabtec and departed to Selhurst behind 57306 on the 16th. It had arrived two weeks earlier behind 57301 having failed on its way to Eastleigh. Repairs will be carried out at Selhurst. 455837 arrived on the morning of the 17th under its own power.

Class 508s scrapped have been 508204, 508206 and 71498 from 508207. The two driving cars from 508207 are earmarked for conversion to Translator vehicles. Three more centre cars (71501 from 508208, 71514 from 508211 and 71515 from 508210) are ready for scrap and will follow the 'C' Stock once they are scrapped. 508202, 508203 and 508205 are undergoing component recovery.



awaiting their fate, (below left) 508203 + 508210, 26th July 2013, below (right) 508202, 19th July 2013





Coaching Stock: DRS BSO 9525 is now in DRS blue awaiting decals.

VSOE BSO 9502 has been repainted in VSOE Pullman livery and awaits decals.

Re-skinning of LMS Inspection Saloon DM 45029 has started (see photo right taken the 11th July 2013).

Wagons: FSAs/FTAs 608550, 607126/101, 608540 arrived for repair on the 8th behind 66594.

repair on the 8" behind 66594. The loco departing with repaired FSAs/FTAs 608552, 607125/064, 608547/224/223.



66505 arrived with FSAs/FTAs 608401, 607060/070, 608399/120/122 and KTA 97739 for repairs on the 15^{th} , departing with repaired FSAs 608502/505/492/334 and KTA 97740.

66594 was back on the $22^{\rm nd}$ with FSAs 608133/134/516/475 and KTAs 97765/73 for repair, departing with repaired FSAs/FTAs 608122/120/457, 607088, 608480/296/050 and KTA 97718.

photos by Carl Watson

Infrastructure News

Hatfield Colliery Landslip:

It is pleasing to report a sustained period of good weather has seen the track reinstated and services running again through the landslip area. Re-opened on 8th July with a reduced service, a full service should be in place by the time you read this.

Hitchin Flyover by Malcolm Castell:

As a follow up to last month's notes, I understand that the 3 trains scheduled to use the flyover Monday to Friday are the 11.52,12.52 and 13.52 trains from Moorgate to Letchworth Garden City calling at all stations via Hertford North on the way including Finsbury Park (xx.04), Hertford North (xx.39), Stevenage (xx.51 and Hitchin (xx.57). I tested the accuracy of the information by travelling on the 12.52 (catching it at Hitchin at 13.57) on the 24th July and it did use the new flyover. My son then caught the same train the following day but (to his disappointment) it used the old route. I am afraid it looks like a case of pot luck especially if anyone travels a long distance to try it out.

I also believe that the odd Kings Cross to Cambridge/Kings Lynn 'fast' service has also used the loop to (I assume) avoid conflict with late running up services.

Borders Railway (Waverley Route) by Trevor Roots:

With work now in full swing particularly on major structural projects south of Edinburgh, here is another photo of the works, showing the proposed new Newtongrange Station site. As can be seen on the 22nd July 2013, viewed looking south from the A7, the trackbed is being reclaimed from industrial use with the station site to the left foreground. The pit wheel of Lady Victoria Colliery (Scottish National Mining Museum) can be seen towering over the track in the left distance. Newbattle Viaduct is about ½ mile north in the opposite direction (behind camera).



ICRS Visit to DRS Gresty Bridge, Crewe

Well the weather could not have been better. though a bit hot, for our visit to the DRS depot at Gresty Bridge, Crewe. Superbly organised by 'el Presidente', Simon, we were all instructed to gather at the south end of platform 1 on Crewe Station by 11.45. As can be seen with 5 mins to go, a group of 9 likely lads had obeyed the instruction and were being shown something of interest by Simon...either that or he was cleaning out an ear!! As is obvious. I along with other miscreants were on platform 3 as it was better for photography...that's my excuse and it did mean I got shots of the 4 loco light engine convov (see Traffic & Traction), the Voyager valences (see Stock Changes) and 158825 (see **Liveries**). After the two platform parties merged Simon allocated car transport and we headed off to Gresty Bridge.





After being briefed by John Humphries, the Regional Operations Delivery Manager for the Midlands & South, we were escorted informally around the depot where we were able to photograph the 23 locos + 1 DVT present. These were: 20301/02/05, 37069/194/261/405/605/609/610/611//682/688, 47790/802/810/832/841/853, 57008/010/012, 66432 and DVT 82101. Inside the depot were 20301, 37069, 47790, 47810 & 66432 with the remainder outside which, discounting the 57 conversions, looked like a BR depot in the 70s with blue liveried 20s, 37s & 47s, very nostalgic. Both Northern Belle liveried 47s were on site.

Of interest was the construction of the maintenance and office building under construction for the forthcoming Vossloh Cl.68s.



There was no question of being rushed around and our visit lasted about an 70 mins. Our guide was obviously pleased with the behaviour of the group as he was more than happy to answer questions and invited us back. He particularly pointed out we could return when the first Vosslohs arrive.





With 47853 'Rail Express' leading a line of 37s (37682/610/688/405/611) and 47832 behind, 23 of the ensemble posed for a group shot, not all as I believe a couple had already departed. A motley bunch you'll agree, could have looked worse but I was behind the camera! After leaving DRS, most then headed to Crewe Heritage Centre. With lack of space I will include an article next month. All in all a worthwhile visit and one we look set to repeat. Thanks are due to DRS, John Humphries and Simon.



The Great Gathering

Several members visited the NRM, York to see the first of three 'Great Gathering' events where all 6 surviving Gresley 4-6-0 A4s were brought together to celebrate the 75th anniversary of 'Mallard' breaking the steam speed record. The following account is from Carl Watson, with photos by Carl and James Holloway who gueued twice to get in!!

I was fortunate that my wife decided, for my birthday, to buy us tickets for a weekend away which included coach travel, hotel, evening meal and a visit to the NRM on Sunday 14th July to see the six surviving A4s. It also included a stop off at Haworth on the Keighley and Worth Valley Railway on the Saturday afternoon. I have no particular affinity to the LNER (I'm a Great Western man!) or the A4s but the chance to see the six A4s together and to visit the NRM for the first time since the original Railfest in June 2004 was too good to be true. Just prior to the trip the feedback from others attending was that the event was very busy and there were lengthy queues to get in. With this in mind it was obvious that it wouldn't be possible to get perfect photos of the A4s due to the crowds.

On arrival just before 10am on the Sunday we were met with a queue of a couple of hundred people all waiting for the NRM to open at 10am which it duly did and within 10 minutes we were all inside so the queues weren't as bad as we'd feared. Unfortunately the crowds inside were huge and the whole place was as busy as we'd expected. People were able to walk around all six A4, touch them, inspect the rivets and visit the cabs on a couple of them. All to the good as not everyone wants the same experience when visiting such an event. It was impressive seeing the locos fanned out round the turntable in the Great Hall:

60007 'SIR NIGEL GRESLEY' in BR Express Passenger Blue, 60008 'DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER' and 60009 'UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA' in BR Green, 4464 'BITTERN', 4468 'MALLARD' and 4489 'DOMINION OF CANADA' all in LNER Garter Blue.

There were two elevated areas that gave views over the turntable, the footbridge which was behind the locos (see photo below with 60009 in the foreground) and the balcony area containing the library, which was glazed alongside the turntable so not possible to get photos from. This meant that any photos had to be taken from ground level and the crowds made this virtually impossible.





Having spent quite some time in the Great Hall looking at the A4s we decided to visit the rest of the museum and the viewing gallery overlooking York station. Everywhere was busy as you'd expect with such a major event taking place. The Station Hall is always well worth seeing as the displays of the Royal Train vehicles and other typical station scenes are always interesting. 87001 was also in there with a Blue Pullman liveried Mk2 (one of the ex-Fragonset ones I presume). This had a display of on train catering through the BR years. It was also possible to visit the outside areas and see some of the stored stock that's not really on display but is visible. I was particularly keen to see the 2-HAP Class 414 no 4308 and this was there along with a driving car from 4-VEP 3545, no. 76875.



Verdict: It's easy to criticise, especially with the NRM and its Management having received so much criticism for the Flying Scotsman fiasco and the recent Railfest but I think they deserve a pat on the

back for even thinking of doing something like this, let alone actually pulling it off. The number of visitors to the NRM during the event has clearly been huge and, despite entry being free, the spin off sales from catering and gift shop and visitor donations must have brought in much needed funds. The accountants, as always, will have the final say on whether or not it was a financial success but just for the sheer number of people who visited it must be considered a real success. After all, as a publicly subsidised museum, it can't be expected to make a profit otherwise there would be no need for the subsidy. In these days of tightening the public purse I do think there will come a time for charging for museums such as this but I hope that common sense prevails and they don't go straight from free to similar costs to other private attractions such as Beaulieu or Portsmouth Historic Dockyard. Both of these are excellent places but the cost to get in makes a family day out a luxury rather than a regular occurrence.

In general, the NRM is well worth a visit, even when there isn't a major event on. However, I do feel that the often raised criticism that the NRM has a huge steam bias is true. On my visit, most of the diesel fleet was tucked away in corners or hidden away altogether. Examples of this are D6700, 55002 and 09017 which were just visible through a window in the access door to the Great Hall. 55002, having been recently mainline certified, surely deserved to be a little more prominent? D200 was on display in the Depot tent but had a replica Liverpool & Manchester Railway carriage pushed right up to its buffers despite there being 30 yards of empty track that the carriage could have sat on without being so close to the loco.

As I said, easy to criticise but I think there is plenty that the NRM could do to make sure it's existing exhibits are displayed to the best advantage whether they be steam, diesel or electric.

Preservation News

In another preservation / operational swap, D8110 from the South Devon Railway is to enter Harry Needles (HNRC) fleet, to be replaced by 37275 currently undergoing work at Barrow Hill including the replacement of bufferbeam cowlings as seen in the photo below taken on the 14th July 2013.



Traffic & Traction News

by John Barton

July 1

66155 working 4C93 Aberthaw - Cwmbargoed with 21 empty HTA's headed northbound through Llanbradach at 07.19.

66066 headed north past Cambridge at 04.34 with 6G11 23.53 Harringay - Toton north yard engineers train

July 2

66119 working 6C91 Cwmbargoed DP - Aberthaw with 21 loaded HTA's headed southbound through Llanbradach at 06.17. 59102 crawled through Reading west at 10.34 with a Merehead - Acton working sounding dead with no power.

July 3

67021 departed Stirling at 04.53 working 1S25 London Euston – Inverness sleepers.

July 4

66086 with 3 Royal coaches passed Walsall on a Wolverton - Toton working at 11.31.

66541 headed northbound through Rugby at 13.26 with the Felixstowe - Lawley Street modal. 56312 + 86228 + 86242 + 86701 + 86702 passed northbound through Milton Keynes Central at 15.59 with 0Z86 Willesden to Barrow Hill (photo below by Mark Richards).



The Floyd 86/2s were bound for export to Hungary whilst the 86/7s were for storage at BH (see photo of 86701 below).



July 5

37423 worked into Doncaster at 09.39 with 0Z37 York - Hatfield and Stainforth for signal testing.

July 6

92044 t&t 92010 on 1Z92 07.09 Doncaster - Glasgow GBRF staff charter arrived at Glasgow Central platform 11 at 12.23. The photos below taken by Derek Sneddon shows 92044 on arrival and 92010 ready to take the charter ecs to Polmadie.





66145 was seen heading north through Eastleigh at 14.50 (photo below by David Elliott).



66213 + 66054 + 66057 with further Cl.66s & a Cl.60 in the background (East Yard) was seen heading south through Eastleigh at 13.47 (photo below by David Elliott).



66232 t&t 66004 on 6W34 Westbury -Ystrad Mynach via Margam with mixed engineers passed through Llanbradach at 23.52.

66004 t&t 66232 on 6W34 Westbury -Ystrad Mynach via Margam with 12 Falcon, 2 Bass, 4 Osprey headed southbound through Llanbradach at 02.15 after crossing over to down main at Ystrad Mynach. There was a hot box on one of the wagons with a strong smell of burning.

60039 was seen heading light engine through the low level lines at Warrington at 06.50 (photo below by Roger Thomas).



July 7

60163 'Tornado', running around 15 mins late due to over-running engineering works in the Grantham Area was seen in Carlton on Trent loop at 11.58.

July 8

66035 was seen heading northbound through Rugby at 08.09 with the empty box wagons from Ripple Lane - Peak Forest.

July 9

67005 + 67006 replaced the booked 60163 on the London - Swanage tour during a ban on steam due to hot weather, the train arrived in Swanage at 15.30 and left at 17.50, this was a later departure owing to not having to run via Andover on the return journey.

July 10

56301, still in ex-Fastline livery was seen stabled at York (photo below by Mark Richards).



The 07.40 Salisbury - Exeter St David's had 158884 in place of the normal Cl.159.

Stoneblower 80206 departed Exeter St David's towards Newton Abbott at 09.45 but was back by 16.00.

150123 working from Exmouth - Paignton was held at Exeter St David's as fitters looked underneath the unit, but it left twelve minutes later at 10.07. The unit was still working later, but still with air noise coming from underneath.

July 11

66014 worked 6C92 from Cwmbargoed DP - Aberthaw with 21 loaded HTA's southbound through Heath Jnct, Cardiff at 11.18.

57006 on the Royal Scotsman was seen heading south through York (photo below by James Holloway).



60054 was seen heading east through Cardiff at 11.45 (photo below by Mike Rumens).



67001 was seen on the rear of Holyhead – Cardiff service at 18.26 (Photo below by Mike Rumens).



July 12

66741 was seen approaching Eastleigh at 14.44 on its way to be repainted in the Works (photo below by David Elliott).



July 13

90046 + 86612 + 90044 + 86605 performed a shunting move at Crewe, standing between platforms 11 and 12 for 15 mins awaiting a path back to Basford Hall Yard. The photo below (bottom of page) shows the convoy heading to the station at 11.27.



A visit to Fairwater Yard produced DR76501 & DR76711 and an unusual visitor in the shape of Colas Rail liveried 47727 'Rebecca'.

313053 + 313042 arrived at Royston at 05.33 with the 'staff train'.

July 14

66035 t&t 66701 passed Dalston Kingsland at 09.40 RT on Grays - Whitemoor working.

July 15

A visit to Kingsland Road Bristol at 12.30 produced the following: DR 73912, DR 73905, DR 80211, DR 80206, DR 79263 + DR 79273 66001 was seen heading north through Eastleigh at 17.40 on cars (photo below by David Elliott).



July 16

34046 'Braunton' passed Manchester Victoria at 08.09 with 57315 in tow on their way to Carnforth.

July 17

66232 working from Bescot - Shap Summit with ex-RMC wagons on the 6Z80 headed northbound through Bolton le Sands at 07.29.

July 18

70017 + 70001 + 70019 were seen heading south light engine through Eastleigh at 14.46 (photo below by David Elliott).



July 19

86637 + 86610 stormed north through Stevenage Old Town at 21.08 with diverted Tilbury - Coatbridge liner.

66168 was seen heading southbound through Rugby at 16.41 with the unit 45 modal from Hams Hall - Dollands Moor.

July 20

A recent repaint after resurrection, 37402 was seen arriving at Crewe at 10.54 (photo below by Neil Dix).



56311 passed Whitacre Jnct. at 19.36 heading for Washwood Heath.

66186 departed Bescot at 19.20 on a Bescot - Cricklewood south Junction engineers train.

July 21

A busy scene at Southampton Maritime was witnessed with 08530, 08575, 08785, 66505, 66517, 66518, 66538, 66543, 66572, 66589, 66594, 70016 & 70017 whilst inside the depot was 66571 (photo below by Neil Dix).



66602 + 66548 t&t 66549 dead on the rear arrived into Rugby at 20.58 and departed southbound at 21.23 with a massive rake of loaded sleeper slabs, loaded mixed box wagons, track machines and a few seacows towards the rear from Crewe Basford Hall - Willesden Euroterminal.

July 22

67009 + 377604 passed Walsall at 23.12 on a Derby - Bescot new unit move.

66035 working the 6Z77 Cwmbargoed DP - Margam with 18 loaded HTA's headed southbound through Llanbradach at 21.27.

July 23

66951 working 4F97 passed through Bolton le Sands at 08.01 running late on Fiddlers Ferry - Carlisle Yard empty coal hoppers.

July 24

92029 + 67029 + 325011 dead in tow headed northbound through Rugby at 20.53 from Willesden PRDC - Crewe IEMD.

July 25

59102 powered passed Petts Wood Junction at 05.17 on an Acton - Allington working.

Ex-ATW 57314 + 57315 recently re-liveried in WCR maroon passed Bletchley working 0Z57 Crewe - Southall at 17.55 (photo below by Mark Richards).



47245 hauling 70013 'Oliver Cromwell' and 34067 'Tangmere' plus support coaches were seen heading northbound through Milton Keynes Central. At Crewe 34067 was detached from this convoy and continued as 5Z42 to Carnforth with 57601, whilst 47245 went through from Crewe Bury as 5Z43 with 70013 (photo below by Mark Richards).



July 26

Super power at Walsall saw 70011 t&t 66507 with one solitary JNA 29366 pass southbound through the station at 17.22 (photo below by Mike Rumens).



Days Out

Helston Railway by Neil Dix:

Mention standard gauge preserved railways in the south west of England and you will probably think of the Bodmin & Wenford, Paignton & Dartmouth and South Devon Railways. There is however another preserved line even further south west and that is the Helston Railway. Originally opened in 1887, passenger trains ceased 75 years later in 1962 followed by freight traffic 2 years after that. All was not lost however as in 2002 the Helston Railway Preservation Society was formed and in 2005 work commenced on clearing the trackbed.

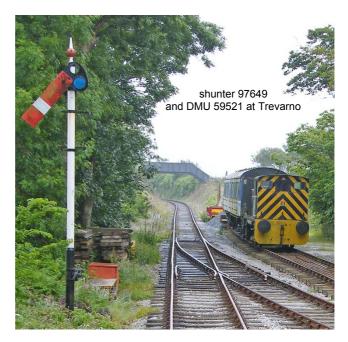
Passenger trains have only been operating here since the end of 2011 and already there is one mile of line. Until last October the operating base was Trevarno Station located in the grounds of Trevarno Estate Gardens. However following the sale of the estate, access to the railway is now via Trevarno Farm. I visited the railway on the 4th July and the first thing you come across as you make your way down from the car park is a temporary platform called Prospidnick Halt. Other than some small plant, the Helston Railway stock list consists of just seven items.



There are two industrial 0-4-0DM shunters, three DMU carriages, one General Utility Van (GUV) and a brake van. Five of these items were at Prospidnick Halt as I arrived. First, there was the class 103 Park Royal DMU 50413 + 56169, which is in use as a buffet and seating area. Next to them was ex-BR GUV 94148, currently in use as a well stocked shop and ticket office. Finally, at the end of the platform was the mainstay of passenger operation, an ex-BR brake van 954673 with motive power being provided by Ruston & Hornsby shunter, 11520 (works 395305) (see photo right).



On the outbound journey the brake van is pushed by the locomotive and so if you stand on the front veranda of the brake van you get an excellent view of the line ahead. The first thing of note after leaving Prospidnick Halt is the old operating base of Trevarno Station The remaining two items of stock were located in a siding just south of here (see photo right). They were class 117 DMU 59521 along with a second Ruston & Hornsby shunter, this time painted in BR blue and carrying 97649 fictitious number (works 327974). From here the line continues south until it comes to an abrupt end just short of where a new platform is to be constructed at Truthall Halt (see photo below).





Travelling in a brake van is certainly enjoyable and is a contrast to what is offered on most other heritage railways in the area. Normally, great views can be had as you travel the line, however on my visit a persistent mist meant visibility was, at times, down to just a few hundred yards

Overall the Helston Railway is a friendly little line and one that is well worth a visit. Bearing in mind the short time they have been going, they have made great progress and I believe the long term aim of reopening up to three miles of the branch line is more than achievable in the forthcoming years.

photos by Neil Dix

Railtour News

Hooton – Helsby, 150 years of Railway Celebration Tour by Roger Thomas:

On the 6th July to celebrate the 150 years of railway between Hooton and Helsby, Northern Rail, Merseyrail. ATW and various volunteer groups operated a special train with a pair of Northern 156s 156425 + 156423. Tickets were priced £10 for the day which include a free ticket for those interested in visiting the Ellesmere Port Boat Museum. The train departed Liverpool Lime Street with 156425 leading at 09.42 and worked via Warrington Bank Quay arriving at Hooton at 11.09 with a return to Helsby departing Hooton at 11.37 and returning from Hooton at 13.07 via Helsby and the Halton Curve, arriving back at Liverpool Lime street 14.07. The curve only sees one train a week on summer Saturday mornings.

A vintage bus service was in operation in the afternoon between Helsby and Ellesmere Port. A miniature narrow gauge Steam Engine was seen on display at the Helsby station celebrations. Souvenirs of the day were available at Hooton station. There were various other celebrations at Stations along the line to. It was a great little tour and an enjoyable day in fine and sunny weather.







photos by Roger Thomas

Preservation Photo Spot

due to the hot weather the Mid Hants Railway imposed a steam ban, which resulted in DEMU 1125 (60124 + 60824) taking charge of services , 21^{st} July 2013 (Neil Dix)



Out & About

by James Holloway

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

Mike Rumens:

25th June:

Nuneaton 13.58-14.40:

66041/188, 90049, 153356, 170101/398, 221116 221118, 350124, 390005/013/044/047, DR73923 26th June:

Nuneaton 14.12-14.50:

66012/188, 90048, 153354, 156419, 170106/522 221116, 350242, 390040/117/125/137

27th June:

Nuneaton 13.50-15.20:

66061/148/161/562/701, 70003, 90049, 153371 170102/104/520/521/639, 221103, 350104/108 350112. 390005/008/010/049/119/122/126/138 390156/157

28th June:

Coventry:

66207/537. 350106/108/112/115/117/235/256 390047/115/121/127/141, DR73109

Leamington Spa 15.43-18.20:

66414/416/556/567, 67012/13, 165010, 168002 168004/107/109/112/215/216/218, 172103 220005/07/11/17/21/22/33, 221122/26/30/36/38 Chiltern Sets: 12616/604/617-619/10274/82303 12610/613-615/602/10273/82301

1st July:

Nuneaton 14.12-14.40:

66023, 153365, 170102, 350111, 390101/117/122 390156

2nd July:

Nuneaton: 66421, 170110, 350116 Leicester: 43047, 170106, 222008/20 East Midlands Parkway: 66250, 222021/23

Derby RTC: 37602, 86902

Derby:

56091, 153313, 170109/519, 222011, DR73109 DR73113/73908/75405

Sheffield:

144002, 158797/810/816/851/854/903, 220001/07 220016, 221121/31, 222103

Doncaster 09.10-17.52:

37402. 43206/238/251/257/296/302/305/306 43308-312/314-316/318-320/329/357/367/423/465 43467/484, 56091, 60091, 66003/018/034/082/084 66090/091/104/107/134/135/142/143/520/526/527 66531/550/555/562/585/588/707/709/713/727/746 67026. 91101-03/05-07/09-13/15-22/24-28/30/31 142053/63/71/89, 144001/04/07/08/13, 153321/32 153385, 158790/816/817/851/860/872/901 170303/5. 180101/07/09/11/13/14. 185101/15/18 220002/09/11/12/16/17/26, 221119/21/28/29 321901. 322482/4. DVTs 82200-03/05/06/08-20 82222/24/28/31, DR75301/98905/98955

Burton-on Trent:

08389, 09014, 47375, 56007/65/81, 73117 Atherstone: 70017, 350121

4th July:

Nuneaton 14.10-14.27: 66068, 153356, 170523

5th July:

Nuneaton 18.12-19.30:

57007/11, 66167/565/590/620, 70019, 90020 153354, 170105/106/111/636, 221101/17/18/42 350126. 390002/009/011/043/050/117/127/135 390136/152/154

James Holloway:

2nd July:

EMR Handsworth 10.00: 66718

Wolverhampton Steel Terminal 10.17: 66037 Stafford 11.00-15.43:

66031/055/434/542/701/717/956. 70005/13 86610/14, 90047/48, 220004/06/13/14/18/20/28/33 221102/07/08/10/11/14/16/17/22/30/33-35/38/43 350102/108/113-115/120/121/126/128/242/249 350253/257/262. 390001/006/009-011/020/046 390049/107/112/117/118/123/124/128/130 390135-138/148/156/157

Bob Eastwood:

2nd July:

Monk Fryston:

09.51 66527 York-Engine Shed Junction L/E

10.23 66034 Drax-Milford coal

10.24 66557 Hull-Burton coal

10.30 66137 Knottingley-Milford

10.33 DR75301 Doncaster and return

10.46 66505 Stourton-Wilton F/L

11.06 66098 Knottingley-Milford coal

11.30 66098 Milford-Knottinglev L/E

11.37 66711 Tyne-Drax coal

11.57 66137 Milford-Hunterston coal

12.05 66034 Milford-Knottingley L/E

12.14 66548 Redcar-Ferrybridge coal

12.20 66737 Cottam-North Blyth coal

12.23 66142 Drax-Milford coal

12.26 66131 York-Engine Shed Junction L/E

9th July:

Monk Fryston:

08.56 66749 Drax-Tyne biomass

09.18 66557 Cottam-York coal

09.20 66554 Ferrybridge-York coal

09.27 66091 Drax-Redcar coal

09 33 66744 York-Leeds coal

10.02 66230 Milford-Cottam coal

10.11 66519 Hull-West Burton coal

10.33 66512 Hunterston-Immingham coal

10.47 66592 Stourton-Wilton F/L

10.52 66618 Hunterston-Drax coal

11.33 66731 Tyne-Drax coal

11.54 66555 Drax-Immingham

12.07 09201 Knottingley-Milford 2 coal wagons

12.15 66729 Ferrybridge-Tyne coal

12.21 66617 Redcar-Ferrybridge coal

12.29 66713 Immingham-Eggborough coal

12.31 66597 Doncaster-Redcar coal 12.33 66152 Redcar-Rylstone coal

12.37 66142 Cottam-North Blyth coal

16th July:

Monk Fryston:

08.45 66735 Drax-Tyne coal

08.50 66561 Leeds-York L/E

09 01 DR77801 Doncaster & return

09.28 66143 Eggborough-Redcar coal

09.41 66512 northbound L/E

09.44 66525 Drax-Immingham coal

10.10 66060 Drax-Immingham coal

10.24 66545 Hull-Rugeley coal

10.44 66162 Drax-Immingham coal

11.07 66566 Stourton-Wilton F/L

11.17 66550 Doncaster-Redcar coal 11.20 47760+45231 Scarborough Spa Express

11.25 66718 Sudforth Lane-Tyne biomass

11.34 66546 Drax-Butterwell coal

12.10 66619 Sudforth Lane-Immingham coal

12.13 DR77801 Doncaster & return

12.20 66529 towards Leeds cement

12.22 66597 Redcar-Ferrybridge coal

12.31 66729 southbound coal 12.34 66737 Drax-Doncaster

12.36 66131 Redcar-Rylstone

12.38 66074 northbound L/E

23rd July:

Monk Fryston:

13.37 66197 Tees Dock-Aldwarke steel

14.06 66009 Knottingley-Milford L/E

14.20 66711 Tyne-Eggborough coal

14.35 66187 Redcar-Drax coal

15.33 66536 Drax-Hull coal

15.58 66746 Tyne-West Burton coal

16.07 66722 Eggborough-York coal 16.43 66060 Butterwell- Drax coal

16.45 66076 northbound ballast

16.47 66206 Drax-Milford gypsum

16.53 66728 Tyne-Drax coal

17.00 66162 Drax-Tyne coal

Michael Havman:

10th July:

King's Cross: 47805/832/841, 67020 Peterborough: 47237, 57006, 66131/514

Derby:

08417, 57003, 60079, 66143, 73101, 86901/2

97304. DVT 82124

Leicester: 66107/557/606/705

Bedford: 66539 17th July:

London Victoria: 73107/201, 395019

Steve Frver:

5th July:

Oxenholme: 66230, 390155

Lancaster: 158902, 221116, DR73904/14

Preston: 150144/206. 158859

Warrington:

66018/050. 158818/32. DR79201/909/910/921

86247, 323238, 350259, DR73116/77906

Wolverhampton:

60059, 170505, 350123

Birmingham Moor Street:

168214. 172220/222/342

Birmingham New Street:

170501, 221102, 350231/250, 390118

11th July:

Oxenholme: 390153. DR73110/915 Lancaster: 221110/17, DR73910 Warrington: 66181/213

Crewe: 47847, 90046, 153321, 323238

Birmingham New Street:

43321/78, 153356, 158824/28, 170516/631/633

220016, 323210, 350115/129/248

Geoff Hone:

1st June:

Peak Forest 16.40-16.50: 66141/200 4th June:

Manchester Piccadilly 18.30-20.25:

66501/516. 90045. 142003/04/13/24/31/54/60-62 150112/134/146/148/215/226/272/275/276 156423/29/40, 158783/788/806/834/847/856/865 158866, 170305/6/8, 175006/011/101/106/114 185102/06/09/12/13/16/23/24/26-28/32/35/37/38 185141/42/46/47, 220015/21, 221129/35, 323224 323225-28/30/32-35/38/39. 390006/011/046/050 390104/125/152

8th June:

Doncaster 08.45-16.30:

08669/853, 43206/208/238/239/251/257/274/290 43295/296/299/300/302/306-310/312-314/317-319 43423/465/468/484, 47853, 60039/91, 66003/006 66027/066/138/161/167/171/187/519/523/530/544 66550/551/572/587/604/702/707/713/721/728 67024. 91101-03/05/06/08-13/15-21/24-26/28-32 142028/87/93. 144007/08/10/12. 150270. 153310 153311/58/83, 158787/791/817/843/859/902 170306/9, 185129/47/49, 180109-14, 220001/05 220009/12/25-27/31/32, 221137/41, 321902 DR73946. DVTs 82200/01/03-12/14-17/20/22 82225-31

10th June:

Manchester Piccadilly 18.00-20.25:

66416/537, 90046, 142012/36/38/39/42/43/45/47 142057/58/62. 150103/115/133/141/143/147/203 150207, 156421/24/52/61/72/87, 158773/777/785 158788/799/857/862, 170302/5/7, 175001/005 175007/011/102/114, 185102/03/05/07/08/11/14 185117/20-22/24/34/36-40/44-49/51, 220011/14 220023/34, 221127, 323223-26/28/29/31-35/37/39 390006/011/046/049/050/103/107/122/156

13th June:

Barnetby 07.30-15.40:

60017/19/40/92/99, 66012/041/074/081/096/097 66102/120/127/154/181/183/187/201/232/523/525 66526/530/545/546/550/596/617/730/732, 153311 153357/81, 185116/19/41

153357/81, 185116/19/41 **20**th **June**:

Barnetby 07.45-17.05:

60015/17/20/40/92, 66035/060/076/087/089 66095-097/102/112/130/136/138/140/152/194/232 66510/513/515/530/553/554/623/719/743, 153308 153313/74, 185102/41

23rd June:

Leeds Midland Road 16.00-16.20:

66502/512/513/520/531/532/544/545/556/562/613 66614/952, 70003/07/15/17

24th June:

Manchester Piccadilly 18.25-19.25:

70009, 86604/27, 142014/54, 150103/140/147/150 150204/211/226/228/273, 156452/59/71, 158773 158810/813/827/862, 175003/005/011, 185104/05 185115/19/21/24/33/36/38/43/45/46/50, 220009/33 221135, 323224/27/31-33/35/37/38, 390005/013 390124/125

27th June:

Barnetby 07.30-16.00:

60019/40/92/99, 66006/018/025/067/069/085/092 66109/110/116/140/144/171/197/206/512/514/519 66520/530/545/553/585/595/716/956, 153313/19 153379, 185107/41

Martin Evans:

23rd July:

Derby:

20107/142/189/311/314/901/905/906, 66527 158865/866, 156498, 170107, 220013, 222004

David Earl:

8th July:

3 Day East Midlands Rover:

Kettering:

43043/046/047/059/073/082, 222013/020/021

Leicester:

66749, 70002, 170107/109, 222007/012

Peterborough 11.15-11.55:

20142/311/314, 43277/314/468/484, 66053/134 66139/703, 67020, 91105/11/21/30, 153374 158799/865, 170206, 180112, 317338, DVTs 82203

82218/22/25/28

Doncaster 12.45-13.40:

08669/853, 43208/239/296/300/305/319, 56312 66006/074/127/132, 67016/20, 142025, 144010 150110, 158794/905-907, 170306, 180110 220023/27, 321903, DVTs 82205/29

Sheffield 14.18-15.47:

66714, 142017/25/53/89, 144002/20, 153332 158770/777/787/791/845/854/858, 170398 185112, 220034, 221133/41, 222003/018/020

Derby:

08417/899, 31233/465, 37603, 66749, 86901/902 222014 10th July:

Kettering: 43058/075, 222007/014

Wellingborough: 66705 Bedford 09.50-11.55:

43045/064/066/083, 66120, 150109, 319004/010 319012/214/215/219/423/426/434/437/441/443 319451, 377507/508/511/512/522, 222009/014 222016/018/023

Bletchley 11.40-12.40:

66543/954, 86614/622, 153375, 221128, 350105 350106/112/120/128/234/235/251/257/264/266 377203, 390013/020/114/121/123/128/131 390135-137

Northampton 13.05-13.16: 66302,

350111/242/247

Daventry: 37682, 66505, 86614/22

Rugby 13.35-13.42: 92011, 350125, 390011

Nuneaton 13.55-15.23:

66023/055/504/557/723, 153371, 170103/105/107 170108/112/114/522, 350101/112, 390040/104 390125/130/134/137/155

Leicester 15.55-16.58:

43064/066/073/082, 66055/197, 156497, 170114 222003/005/011/014/018/021/022

12th July:

Kettering: 66604, 222012/020/022

Leicester: 66008, 170102, 156470, 222018/021

Derby

08899, 31459/465, 43013/014, 66058/066, 86901 86902, 153302/19/21/55/74/81/83, 156403/05 170110/113/398/522/637/639, 220006/15/24/25 220027/32, 221128/32/37, 222003/006/014/01 222/023/024. DVT 82124

Mountsorrel: 66134

Ian McAlpine:

22nd June:

Peterborough:

43208/296, 66054/714/720/723/732/733, 91130

170271, DVT 82209

Doncaster: 08669/724, 60019, 66076, 67005 **Leeds:** 150210, 170305, 333006/15/16, DVT 82228

Newton Heath: 150110/116/139/225 Manchester Oxford Road:

158788/858, 185103/16, 390125 **24**th **June**:

Ely: 08202/598, 66128, 170270, 317886

25th June:

Peterborough: 67705, 321410/18

Biggleswade: 66044 Hadley Wood: 66147 Hornsey: 66746 Marylebone:

67015, 165002/05/10/13/18/19/21/24 168002/004/214/217, 172101-4, DVT 82301

Wembley-Princes Risborough:

165001/22/23/33, 168216

Aylesbury:

121020/34, 165003/17/20/21/38, 977873

Liverpool St-Stratford:

315832/35/39/43/45/53, 317504/669, 321355 321421/426/431/433, 360112, 379005/21 St Pancras: 37 3002/008/019/232

26th June:

Peterborough: 66703, 170205/518

Oakham: 66097

Leicester: 66149 222014

Beeston: 60092, 66165, 153326/57, 222013

08899, 31106/233/459, 43052/075/207/366 57012, 66545, 86901/2, 153311, 156411 170111/114, 221124, 222004/104, DVTs 9701

9708/14

Derby:

Crewe: 09204, 66302, 150260, 153355, 175003/112 221103/18, 323237, 325005, 350109/113/117 390020/047/118/119/121/124/127/131/134

27th June:

Whittlesea: 66200, 158806, 170203/521

March: 66714, 158813

Elv: 66118/149/250, 156409, 170204, 365501

lpswich:

66420/538/542/565/567/593/704/722/725. 70001 70019, 86501, 90001/04-07/09/12/13/44/48 153306/14, 170271/272, 360101/18/21

Cambridge:

170201. 317509/649/882. 379014/15/28

28th June: Hornsev: 66746 Finsbury Park: 66116 King's Cross: 67024/26, 91115

Victoria-Hither Green:

67020/28, 375308/601/602/606/613/622/703 375804/806/824/914/917, 376014-17/20 377435, 455821/842, 456006, 465002/011/032 465041/042/157/169/175/188/238/246/904/910 465916/927. 466010/18

New Cross-Charing Cross:

375609/613/702/703/712/917, 376002/03/36 377420/502, 378230, 465035/037/161/189/245

465247/249/925

Fenchurch Street-Upminster:

172003. 315802/18/48. 357006/008/010/014/019 357026/027/034/040/201/203/205/209/213

357215-217/227

St Pancras: 37 3009/010/209/215-218, 395015/18

29th June:

Peterborough: 91106, DVT 82214

Holme: 4464 'Bittern' Biggleswade: 66091

King's Cross: 66015, 91113, 180114, DVT 82208

St Pancras:

37 3005/017/018/107/231/232, 395010/14/17/21

Woolwich Arsenal-Cannon Street:

319443. 376006/16/17. 465003/004/022/023/153 465156/158/159/168/173/184/240/247, 466004

New Cross-London Bridge:

375701/810, 377408, 465004/019/020/022-024 465027/029/048/156/158/159/173/241/249

New Cross Gate-East Croydon:

319446/456, 377414/420/444/456/472/503/514

378136/207. 442402/17 Clapham Junction:

378150/217, 444026/34, 455721/865, 456016

458003/06/10/24 Richmond-Stratford:

378206/29/32 5th July:

Peterborough:

20142/189/311/314, 43465/467, 66152/705/709

66/719/721. 170398 Leicester: 20142 Hams Hall: 08873 Washwood Heath: 08588 Lawlev Street: 66420/590/592 6th July:

Hereford-Birmingham New Street:

170504/507-509, 221105, 323210, 350106/127

350233, 390121

Rugby: 57302, 350110, 390103/119/124/132/138 Northampton: 66161, 350242/249/252/258

Daventry: 08823, 66302/424/425 7th July:

Hereford-Birmingham New Street:

43285/304, 165121, 166203, 170397/631, 172219

172335, 390134

Lawley Street: 66565/954 Washwood Heath: 08588/762 Leicester: 66549 170112/518

Peterborough: 20142/189/311/314, 66098/197

12th July:

Peterborough: 66002, 170201, 365521/22/30

Finsbury Park: 66514 St Neots: 66724/740

King's Cross: 67020, 321403/5 Seven Sisters-Liverpool Street:

315808/10/14/18-20/22/25/31/36/47/48/53/54/58 317504/510/512/651/652/653/666/882/886 321356/432/438/447. 379009/12/25/26/29

Stratford-Richmond:

66567, 321427, 378206/210/225/231/232/234/255 378256, 450543/567

Clapham Junction-Highbury & Islington: 66201, 159021, 378135/137/144-146/149/151/152

378154/206/228/234/257

13th July: Peterborough:

20142/189/311/314. 66008/176/703/713

08417/899, 31106, 66537, 153374, 158777

170111, 220007, 222016/102/104, DVTs 9701/14

47847, 86605/12, 90016/44, 150241/78, 153374 158825, 175007/111, 323229/32, 350115/122/128

350232/259, 390008/122/154 Loughborough: 66079 Mountsorrel: 66120/535, 222010

19th July:

Peterborough: 91109/30. DVTs 82204/29

King's Cross: 43423/467, 67020

Victoria: 377438/444/457/462, 442406/11, 456012

Brighton:

171722, 313202/207/212/213/216, 319449

377152/437/466/522, 442401/20

Hove -Chichester:

313205/208/219. 377137/143/157/435

20th July:

Chichester-Portslade:

313207, 377160/201/403/411/413/416

Brighton:

171722, 313202/204/207/212/213/216 319435/458, 377111/122/301/305/314/325/408 377441/458, 442415/17/20

Ashford International:

171721, 37 3108, 375606/612/624/701/714/803 375821/920/921/927, 377511, 395003/05/07/12

395018/24/27, 465154/914

Hove-Fareham:

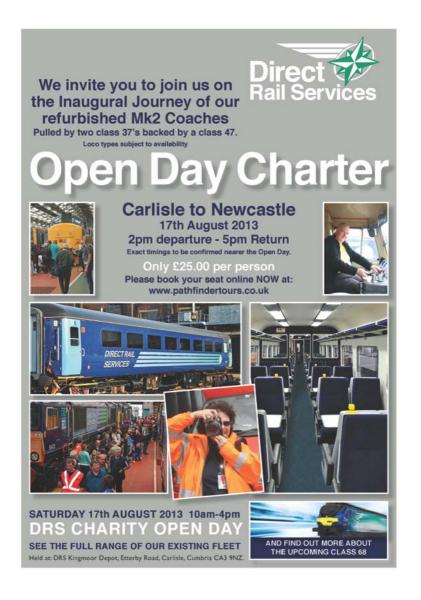
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377427, 442410/12, 450023/071 **Eastleigh:** 08947, 73141, 444045

Southampton:

158880/888/955/961, 220034, 377309/473

444020/38/44, 450007/089



Stirlingshire Sightings by Derek Sneddon

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

16 th June 25 th June (cont) 5 th July (cont)	
09.00 66605 6Y80	GM-EE
13.00 66421 4A13 GM-AB 13.00 66434 4A13 GM-AB 07.40 66103 6G25	FY-ES
16.25 60163 1Z64 13.30 66103 6S36 DS-GM 13.00 66304 4A13	GM-AB
ED & return to ED 26 th June 6 th July	CIVITAD
17 th June 05.45 66426 4H47 MN-IS 05.45 66301 4H47	MN-IS
05.45 66304 4H47 MN-IS 07.40 66008 6G25 FY-ES 10.05 66100/114 6A32	MN-AB
08.30 66615 6A65 OX-AB 08.30 66850 6L82 GM-LW 11.20 66428 4M16	GM-DV
14.27 66103 6D61 Riccarton-GM 08.30 66616 6A65 OX-AB 13.30 66113 6S36	DS-GM
18 th June 13.00 66434 4A13 GM-AB 20.53 66616 6Y80	MN-SI
05.45 66426 4H47 MN-IS 13.30 66103 6S36 DS-GM 7th July	WII V OI
07.40 66850 6R46 GM-PW 18.40 47501/826 1Z43 13.00 66302 4A13	GM-AB
11.20 37606 4N66 GM-ML Aviemore-YK 8th July	OW 71B
13.00 66428 4A13 GM-AB 27 th June 08.30 66616 6A65	OX-AB
13.30 66108 6S36 DS-GM 05.10 66616 6H51 OX-IS 13.00 66426 4A13	GM-AB
19 th June 05.45 66301 4H47 MN-IS 9 th July	OW 71B
05.45 66426 4H47 MN-IS 06.30 66107 6A32 MN-AB 05.45 66301 4H47	MN-IS
07.00 66428 4R75 GM-EE 13.00 66434 4A13 GM-AB 07.00 66426 4R75	GM-EE
07.35 66850 6L82 GM-LW 28 th June 07.40 66850 6R46	GM-PW
07.40 66187 6G25 FY-ES 13.00 66432 4A13 GM-AB 11.20 66304 4N66	GM-ML
08.30 66605 6A65 OX-AB 13.30 66103 6S36 DS-GM 13.30 66112 6S36	DS-GM
13.00 66424 4A13 GM-AB 29 th June 23.15 37604 3Q45	MN-AB
13.30 66108 6S36 DS-GM 05.45 66301 4H47 MN-IS 10 th July	WII V / LB
20 th June 10.05 66135 6A32 MN-AB 07.40 66850 6L82	GM-LW
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05.45 66426 4H47 MN-IS 13.30 66103 6S36 DS-GM 13.00 66422 4A13	GM-AB
06.30 66105 6A32 MN-AB 20.53 66616 6Y80 MN-SI 13.30 66112 6S36	DS-GM
13.00 66303 4A13 GM-AB 1 st July 11 th July	DO OW
21 st June 05.45 66302 4H47 MN-IS 05.10 66622 6H51	OX-AB
05.45 66426 4H47 MN-IS 08.30 66616 6A65 OX-AB 05.45 66303 4H47	MN-IS
07.00 66302 4R75 GM-EE 08.55 37516/47237 1H88 06.30 66113 6A32	MN-AB
07.40 47739 6R46 GM-PW Wemyss-ED 07.00 66422 4R75	GM-EE
07.40 66158 6G25 FY-ES 13.00 66422 4A13 GM-AB 13.00 66421 4A13	GM-AB
13.30 66100 6S36 DS-GM 2 nd July 12 th July	OW 71B
21.50 66107 6K25 MN-BI 07.00 66422 4R75 GM-EE 05.45 66303 4H47	MN-IS
22nd June 07.40 66850 6R46 GM-PW 07.00 66422 4R75	GM-EE
05.45 66426 4H47 MN-IS 11.20 66424 4N66 GM-ML 07.40 66198 6G25	FY-ES
10.05 66104 6A32 MN-AB 13.00 66425 4A13 GM-AB 13.00 66424 4A13	GM-AB
13.00 66431 4A13 GM-AB 13.30 66106 6S36 DS-GM 13.30 66102 6S36	DS-GM
13.30 66100 6S36 DS-GM 23.40 66100/14 6K10 13 th July	20 0
20.53 66622 6Y80 MN-SI Clachnaharry-MN 05.45 66303 4H47	MN-IS
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24 th June 07.40 66850 6L82 GM-LW 13.00 66426 4A13	GM-AB
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07.00 66424 4R75 GM-EE 05.45 66301 4H47 MN-IS	

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).

22 nd June		27 th J	une			3 rd Jul	ly (cont)	
66526 4V56	RG-SG		57008/9 6M6	3	BR-CE		66097 6M87	AV-RC
66415 6Y13	WY-AH		66424 4V38		DV-WG		66952 4V61	RG-SG
60063 6B13	RN-WH		66957 4V47		RG-SG		66187 4V70	RC-PY
66094 6V02	HL-LL		66090 6V92		CY-MG		66065 6V92	CY-MG
66141 6V06	HD-CT		66093 6V05		RO-MG		60017 6E41	WH-LY
66540 4V64	CE-WG		66136 4V14		TO-AV		66957 4V47	RG-SG
66039 6V75 Dee	Marsh-MG		66194 6M41		MG-RO	4 th Jul	y	
66526 6M55	PY-RG		66199 6V07		RO-MG		37688/610/609/605	
23 rd June			60063 6B13		RN-WH		6M67	BR-CE
66155 6E47		28 th J					66074 6M87	PY-RC
	esborough		66031 6O42		HO-SO		66054 6V05	RO-MG
66718 6E12	CF-LY		60054 6V05		RO-MG		66156 6V92	CY-MG
66617 6V82	TU-WY		66426 4V38		DV-WG		66213 6M41	MG-RO
66137/074/111/			60019 6E41		WH-LY	4h	66957 4V06	RG-SG
168/199 0F85	BS-MG		60063 6B13		RN-WH	5 th Jul		
66148 5Z84	BL-CE		66111 6M96		MG-CY		66001 6M81	MG-RO
66601/619 6Y11	AH-FR	aath .	66193 6M58		NT-WV		60062 6M96	MG-CY
66428 4V38 24th June	DV-WG	29 th J					60054 6B13	RN-WH
	DMOT	18.51	66415 4F57		outh-SG		66302 4V38	DV-WG
66020 6V81	RM-CT		60063 6B13		RN-WH	15.03	66054 6V92	CY-MG
66526 4V57	RG-SG	30 th J	66155 6V02		HL-LL		66118 6Z36	LM-DT
66031 6M87 66097 6M88	AV-RC AV-RC		66432 4V38		DV-WG		66206 4V70 66957 4V06	TO-AV RG-SG
66182 6M41	MG-RO	_	66141 6E47		DV-WG		66055 6O42	HO-SO
66957 4V06	RG-SG	17.17		Middlo	sborough	6 th Jul	00000 0042	110-30
37609/20303 6M63		20.00	66199 6E30		MG-HL		66138/012 6X33	
66093 6V07	RO-MG		66738 6E12		CF-LY	00.20		Heath Jnct
66546 4V47	RG-SG	20.54	66620 6V82		TU-WY	11 02	60054 6B13	RN-WH
66137 6V92	CY-MG		66601 6Y27			11.02	66047 4V83	TO-AV
60063 6B13	RN-WH			D-Hack	ney Yard		47812 0Z47	BS-BT
66428 4V38	DV-WG	1 st Jul			,		66081 6V02	HL-LL
66097 4V70	TO-PY		66124 6M41		MG-RO	7 th Jul	V	
25 th June			66846 0Z66	East	Usk-		66125 6E47	
66708 6V88	BN-NT	WW					MG-Middle	esborough
66001 6M41	MG-RO	20.10	66017 6E30		MG-HL	19.34	47739 0Z56	WW-CF
66020 6V06	HD-CT	20.20	66421 4M36	,	WG-DV	19.55	66426 4M36	WG-DV
66617 4V57	RG-SG	20.22	66067 6V55		BD-RN		66601/613 6Y11	AL-FR
37218/605 6M56	BE-CE		66718 6Z31		CT-HD		66607 6Y12	AT-WY
66428 4V38	DV-WG		66613 6Z26		RY-FR		66619/518 6Y13	AL-WY
66957 4V47	RG-SG		66956 4V47		RG-SG		66604 6V82	TU-WY
66074 6V05	RO-MG		37425/20303		-	8 th Jul		
66097 4V14	TO-AV		66001 6V92		CY-MG		66604 6M58	WY-TU
66074 6V05	RO-MG	nd -	66187 6M69		AV-RC		73115/77903 6U13	
66124 6B36	DT-AH	2 nd Ju					66014 6V05	RO-MG
26 th June			66151 6V92		CY-MG		66424 4V38	DV-WG
66415 4V61	RG-SG	20.15	66124 6E30		MG-HL	15.08	66156 6V92	CY-MG
60063 6B13	RN-WH		66598 4V61		RG-SG		66149 6M41	LL-RO
66199 6M41	MG-RO		66704 6E12		CF-LY		66027 6E30	MG-HL
66007 6M87	PY-RC		66957 4V47		RG-SG		20303/37609 6M56	
66957 4V47	RG-SG	3 rd Ju	66081 6M41		MG-RO		66186 4V70	RC-AV
66304 4V38 66127 6V55	DV-WG BD-RN		66422 4V38		DV-WG		70013 4V06 66952 4V47	RG-SG RG-SG
66136 4V14	TO-AV		66054 6V05		RO-MG	9 th Jul	00932 4V41	NG-3G
66193 6V05	RO-MG		66093 6M41		LL-RO		66601/619 6Y11	AJ-FR
66194 6V92	CY-MG	10.07	66151 6E30		MG-HL	U T . 18	67029 6A36	AJ-FK AH-DT
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9 th Ju	ıly (cont)		12 th J	uly (cont)			16 th J	uly		
	66148 4V83	TO-PY		66552 4V06		RG-SG		66520 4V06		RG-SG
	66302 4V38	DV-WG		66012 6V92		CY-MG		66956 4V47		RG-SG
	60017 6E41	WH-LY		66001 6O42		HO-SO		60010 6V05		RO-MG
	66607 4V47	RG-SG		66607 4V47		RG-SG		60010/17 6E4	1	WH-LY
	66084 6M41	MG-RO		47812 0Z29		BT-TY		20302/305 6N	156	BE-CE
10 th ւ	luly		13 th J	uly				66148 6M41		MG-RO
	66193/111 6W55		11.03	60063 6B13		RN-WH		66206 6V92		CY-MG
		Kemble-HY	14.00	66125 6V75	Dee N	//arsh-MG		67006 6B36		DT-AH
	60054 6M81	MG-RO		66116 6W31	BS	S-Kemble		66428 4V38		DV-WG
	66601/603 6Y11	AJ-FR		66552 4V06		RG-SG		66708 4V94		IB-PY
	60017 6E41	WH-LY		66156 6V06		HD-CT	17 th J	uly		
	60063 6B13	RN-WH		66175 6W98		WY-AT		66520 4V06		RG-SG
	66126 4V70	RC-PY	14 th J					66956 4V47		RG-SG
	66149 6V05	RO-MG	11.30	66175 6W98		AH-WY		66434 4M36		WG-DV
	37688/610 6M56	BE-CE		66604 6V82		TU-WY		57007/10 6M6	67	BR-CE
	66187 6V92	CY-MG		66031 0T18		BS-MG		60062 6V05		RO-MG
	66156 6M41	MG-RO		66145 6E47			23 rd J			
11 th 、					-Middle	esborough		66151 6Z94	AV-	Clitheroe
	66607 4V47	RG-SG		66424 4V38		DV-WG	-	60054 6B13		RN-WH
	60063 6B13	RN-WH		66552/621 6	/13	GL-WY		66431 4V38		DV-WG
	66428 4V38	DV-WG		66607 6y12		GL-WY		66184 6V05		RO-MG
	66012 6V92	CY-MG	41-	66601/613 6	/11	SD-FR		56094 0Z56		WW-PG
	66125 6M41	MG-RO	15 th J					20303/37194	6M56	BE-CE
	66952 4V06	RG-SG		66204 6M81		MG-RO		60092 6E41		WH-LY
	66187 6V06	HD-CT	10.55	60063 6B13		RN-WH		66116 6V92		CY-MG
	66145 6E30	MG-HL		66431 4V38		DV-WG		66148 6V07		RO-MG
	60054 6M81	MG-RO		66206 6V92		CY-MG		66176 6V06		HD-CT
12 th 、				66238 4V04		TO-AV	19.30	66115 6V69		BS-NT
	60062 6V05	RO-MG		66086 6M87		AV-RC				
	60017 6E41	WH-LY		66520 4V06		RG-SG				

Stirlingshire & Gloucestershire Sightings Location Codes:

J	Stirlingshire & Gloucestershire Signtings Location Codes.									
ΑE	3 Aberdeen	CE	Crewe	FG	Fishguard	LA	Laira	NV	Neville Hill	
ΑC	Achnasheen	CF	Cardiff	FO	Forres	LB	Ladybank	NW	Nantwich	
Αľ	Alexander Dock	CH	Chaddesden	FR	Fairwater	LC	Lincoln	OB	Oban	
	Jnct	CK	Chirk	FY	Falkland Yard	LD	Lydney	ON	Onllwyn	
ΑE	Attercliffe	CL	Carlisle	GC	Glasgow Central	LG	Lairg	00	Old Oak Common	
ΑF	Ashford	CM	Chalmerston	GE	Georgemas Jnct	LH	Leith	OX	Oxwellmains	
Αŀ	H Ashchurch	CN	Carnforth	GL	Gloucester	LI	Linlithgow	OY	Oxley	
A٠	Awre Junction	CP	Chepstow	GM	Grangemouth	LK	Lackenby	PA	Paisley	
ΑL	. Alston	CQ	Croft Quarry	GR	Grange Sidings	LL	Llanwern	PB	Peterborough	
1A	N Acton	CR	Cadder	GS	Gleneagles	LM	Long Marston	PC	Port Clarence	
ΑF	Appleford	CS	Cheltenham	GY	Grimsby	LN	Laurencekirk	PF	Peak Forest	
ΑF	R Abercynon	CT	Cardiff Tidal	HA	Hayes	LO	Longsight	PG	Pengham	
ΑT	Abbotswood Jnct	CU	Cumbernauld	HD	Handsworth	LS	Leeds	PH	Perth	
A١	/ Avonmouth	CV	Cliff Vale	HF	Hereford	LT	Longannet	PM	St Philips Marsh	
A۱	V Aberthaw	CY	Corby	HH	Holyhead	LW	Linkswood	PΝ	Paddington	
A١	′ Ayr	DC	Dyce	HL	Hartlepool	LY	Lindsey	PO	Polmadie	
BA	A Blair Atholl	DL	Dalmeny	HO	Halewood	MC	Machen	PR	Preston	
BI) Bedworth	DM	Dollands Moor	HR	Harwich	ME	Montrose	PT	Paignton	
BE	Berkeley	DR	Doncaster	HS	Hunslet	MF	Milford	PW	Prestwick	
Bŀ	H Brierley Hill	DS	Dalston	HT	Hastings	MG	Margam	PY	Portbury	
BI	Burntisland	DT	Didcot	HU	Hunterston	MH	Millerhill	PΖ	Penzance	
BL	. Bristol	DU	Dundee	HV	Haverfordwest	ML	Motherwell	RA	Redcar	
ΒN	N Beeston	DV	Daventry	HW	Heywood Jnct	MN	Mossend	RC	Ratcliffe	
BO	D Bo'ness	DY	Derby	HY	Hinksey	MO	Moreton	RD	Reading	
BF		EΑ	Earles Sidings	ΙB	Ironbridge	MS	Maesteg	RE	Redmire	
BF		ED	Edinburgh	IM	Immingham	MT	Mountsorrel	RG	Rugeley	
BS	S Bescot	EE	Elderslie	IS	Inverness	MV	Manchester Vic	RM	Rotherham	
B1	Barton Hill	EΗ	Eastleigh	JM	Jersey Marine	MW	Moorswater	RN	Robeston	
Вι	J Burton	EL	Elgin	KB	Kittybrewster	NA	Nairn	RO	Round Oak	
B۱	V Barrow Hill	EU	Euston	KC	Kirkcaldy	NE	Neath	RR	Rowley Regis	
BZ	Z St Blazey	ES	Earlseat	KK	Kilmarnock	NG	Nottingham	RV	Ravenstruther	
B١	' Barry	ΕV	Evesham	KL	Kyle of Lochalsh	NH	Newton Heath	RY	Rugby	
C	A Calvert	EX	Exeter	KN	Kennethmont	NJ	Norton Jnct	SA	Saltley	
CE	3 Coatbridge	FB	Ferrybridge	KS	Kingsland Road	NL	Newtonhill	SB	Stourbridge	
CI	Charfield	FF	Fiddlers Ferry	KY	Kingsbury	NT	Newport	SC	Scunthorpe	

SD	Standish Jnct	SR	Stourton	TF	Tremorfa	TS	Tees Yard	WR	Warrington
SG	Stoke Gifford	SS	Swansea	TG	Teigngrace	TU	Tunstead	WS	Worcester
SH	Slough	ST	Severn Tunnel Jnct	TH	Theale	ΤY	Tyseley	WV	Wolverhampton
SI	Stirling	SV	Stevenage	ΤK	Tavistock Jnct	VA	Victoria	WW	Washwood Heath
SK	Shirebrook	SW	Swindon	TL	Tilbury	WB	Wembley	WY	Westbury
SN	Stockton	SY	Shipley	TN	Taunton	WG	Wentloog	ΥK	York
SO	Southampton	TD	Tyne Dock	TO	Toton	WH	Westerleigh	ΥT	Yate
SP	Spetchley	TE	Trostre	TR	Trishington	WP	Worksop		

Freight Corner

WAGON UPDATES by Trevor Roots:

To allow members to keep their copy **UK Wagons** as up to date as possible, changes are provided via this spot every month. The book has been re-organised since 2012 to be more user friendly, especially relating to RIV wagons and incorporates stored wagons where known. As this latter attempt is anything but exhaustive we rely on member sightings to help. Please let Trevor know, contact details on page 2, if you have any amendments or wish pass on any other helpful wagon information.

Following the success of **UK Wagons 2013**, which sold out, a **Summer Edition** has being released which is even more user friendly, includes changes since the Jan 2013 issue and all the typos and annoying minor errors previously reported in **Tracks**....hopefully !! However as usual no sooner completed than amendments are needed:

Converted: GBRf Bogie Coal Hoppers to Covered Biomass Hoppers after addition of roof

IIA 37.70.6955.222-x to 230-x, 232-x to 234-x, 246-x to 242-x

Scrapped: LU Engineers Stock 20T Bogie Rail Wagons: RW491-494/499

FREIGHT NEWS

GBRf have started using Class 92s on 4L18 Trafford Park -Felixstowe service in the last month as with 92038 seen passing Bletchley on the 23rd July 2013 (photo by Mark Richards).



Light Rail, Metro & Tram News

South Yorkshire Supertram: Seven dual voltage (750V DC / 25 kV AC) tram-trains have been ordered from Vossloh. Starting in 2016 they will operate a 20 min service between Sheffield Cathedral, Rotherham and Parkgate. This is a pilot scheme to assess the feasibility of such vehicles in the UK.

Railway Globetrotters

A Week in Central Germany, 13-20th Oct 2012 by John Teasdale – Part 2:

16th October: Tuesday began with a keenly anticipated first visit to the VPS workshops at Salzgitter. Our guide gave us a very comprehensive tour and all expressed heartfelt thanks for the courtesy shown to us. The obligatory hard hats brought out some fetching sights in hairnets! Present here was a 1957 built articulated DMU that was once used by a predecessor company of VPS to transport workers to the nearby steelworks. It was subsequently sold to a Turin based company but had been out of use since 1992. Good fortune led to the management of VPS hearing of its imminent demise and they swiftly arranged a repurchase mid 2012. Our guide explained that its restoration will be a "fun" project!



Altmark Rail NOHAB Nr1149 Magdeburg, 16th October 2012

The works manager at Magdeburg Rothensee kindly found a volunteer guide for us (the "volunteer" had been digging out flangeways and seemed delighted to oblige) and this allowed a full walk around which was followed by a visit to the docks area where, amongst other locos, an Altmark Rail NOHAB was found and duly photographed. Some preserved stock belonging to a local preservation group was also seen. The next major visit was a long anticipated call at Stendal Works. We had heard of a different group being ejected for not following instructions but once our guide was satisfied with our behaviour, she allowed us to scramble



ex-DB V100 Stendal Works, 16th October 2012

through the growth encroaching on the stored locos to obtain the numbers.



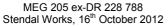
preserved ex-DB class 140 851 at Stendal Works. 16th October 2012

Amongst the construction work taking place inside was a partially completed hybrid loco destined for the Mitteldeutsche Eisenbahn. All in all an excellent visit.



More road works intervened on the route to Berlin so the decision was taken to head to Seddin and leave Wustermark yard for the following day. En route a brief call at Brandenburg allowed some FWB locos to be seen but it was not possible to look into the depot. Permission was given for an unaccompanied tour at Seddin but care was taken when walking around, especially given past experience with staff from the wagon workshops. Subsequently, a long delay on the motorway into Berlin meant darkness had long fallen when we wearily checked into the hotel at Lichtenberg. However, as Wallace said to Gromit "it was a grand day out lad!"







Arcelor V100 65 Stendal Works, 16th October 2012

17th October: Armed with day tickets, our first call the following day was to Wustermark yard to gather a few more class 442 units. Rows of inconveniently parked wagons prevented several unit numbers from being seen but a bonus was some new class 430's and two new Sadler built double deck units in ODEG colours. A bit of "S bahn bashing" followed before heading out to Schönefeld to try and find some freight traffic. This was quiet so we moved on to S bahn line 3 for a trip past Rummelsberg yard and depot, stopping at Friedrichshagen. Not only a busy route with a significant volume of freight to and from Poland, but a well stocked – and cheap – station buffet persuaded us to stay till evening. Some tram traffic can be seen here as well the station being the terminus of the Schöneicher Rüdersdorfer Strassenbahn. This is a narrow gauge tramway to a suburban town. A meal in the Italian near Lichtenberg station rounded off another busy day.

18th **October:** The two depots at Leipzig were the first calls on Thursday morning although, in view of the long day ahead, the Hbf was omitted in favour of heading straight to Halle. Despite me interrupting his meeting, the chef at Halle G happily found a guide for us but we were not so fortunate at the Regio depot where our request for a brief look around was met with a polite refusal. A surprisingly quiet Grosskorbetha followed where there was some passing traffic but little activity in the yard.

It was then time to head for Saalfeld No one could be found so a careful look around the almost empty depot was followed by visit to the nearby store where some 40 plus classes 232, 233 and 234 were present. En route to our overnight hotel in Meiningen, a call was made at Lichtenhain to see the isolated delightful line whose connection to main line services is via a funicular. All 3 of the former Berlin Sbahn based railcars were present and duly photographed.



19th October: 08.00 the following morning found us at the gates of Meiningen Works, ready for the much-anticipated visit. This did not disappoint. Some of the locos damaged in the Nürnberg museum fire were present as were several narrow gauge engines from the Molli, Harz and Johstadt lines. The 2-10-2T from the Harz had received new frames, cylinders and running gear as well as major boiler repairs, indicating the range of skills available in this fascinating works.



DB Museum VT 08503 Meiningen Works, 19th October 2012



Romanian built DR class 219 Erfurt depot, 19th October 2012

Before leaving Meiningen, a call was made at the small Sud-Thüringen Bahn depot near the Hbf where we were allowed a look around. Changes to the road network in and around Erfurt to accommodate the new high speed line created some difficulties in finding the depot, but our guide, himself a rail enthusiast, gave us a very full tour. The last working ex-Romanian built DR class 219 was amongst the stock on shed as was 183500 in Night Service colours and an immaculate CTL Logistiks ex Polish ST43. The ADAM depot at Eisenach was the final call of the day, where we were just in time to catch the workshop staff about to lock up. A preservation group uses accommodation at the former roundhouse and, with 51 1144 in steam, the fireman was persuaded to give us a tour of the by now deserted workshop and yard. Afterwards it was time to set off for the long journey to the Ibis hotel in Leverkusen.



ex-Polish ST43 R-013 252 019 Erfurt. 19th October 2012

20th October: The drive back the next morning was broken by a call to view the Hambachbahn, the line owned by RWE Power and used to transport the so-called "brown coal" from opencast mines to nearby power stations. The odd looking single ended locos have side extensions housing control desks as well as side mounted pantographs, used when taking wagons into the unloading bays. It was then time for a dash back to Calais, where a long delay at check in almost caused us to miss our booked ferry, the Previa being among the last few vehicles to board the 'Pride of Kent'.

All in all, another excellent German Trip.

photos by John Teasdale

Stock Changes

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

Misc News:

86424 is to be exported to Hungary as a source of spares for the other Cl.86s in the Europhoenix / Floyd stable.

VWC Voyagers are having new front valances / buffers fitted which moves the set number back and higher, as can be seen from the comparison between 221142 (former) and 221109 (amended) at Crewe on the 13th July 2013.



Locos Sent Abroad: (to France)

66247 Names:



as reported last month here are the nameplates from (above) 37521 & (right) 159006 (Mark Richards)

THE SEATON TRAMWAY Seaton - Colyford - Colyton

New:	
31270	Athena
37516	Loch Laidon
66850	David Maidment OBE
91114	Durham Cathedral
395025	Victoria Pendleton
395027	Hannah Cockcroft
395028	Laura Trott

395029 David Weir

Removed:

37214 Loch Laidon

320312 Sir William A Smith Founder

of the Boys' Brigade

Transfers:

Locos:

33046 BO to ELR (for spares)

73105 BAT to BO D7659 CS to WH 86701 / 86702 WN to BH 37422 KM - ZH

DMUs: 59515 WSR to YJ

Coaches:

EMUS Scrapped:

Eastleigh Works 508204, 508206 71498 (508207) Locos for Scrap:

CF Booth, Rotherham 37229



37229 Barrow Hill just 11 days before departing for Booths, 14th July 2013

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Liveries & Namings



formerly 40145 'East Lancashire Railway' in large loco blue is now resplendent in a more authentic coat of BR blue with the Pre TOPS number 345, Barrow Hill 14th July 2013



57009 'Lady Penelope' in a special anti cable theft livery, Crewe 13th July 2013



LMT 350110 has had vinyls applied, mainly to the two centre cars, promoting 'Project110' Crewe, 13th July 2013 (James Holloway)





ICRS Publications

Following on from the Summer Edition of the UK Combine 2013, a 2013 edition of Irish Railways and a Summer Edition of UK Wagons 2013 are both out and available, the Jan 2013 of the latter having sold out. The UK Pocket Book is selling well so if you haven't bought one yet remember it is packed with more info and is the best laid out version yet.

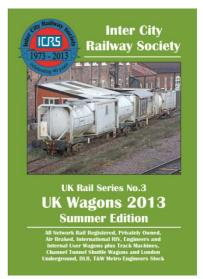
The other exciting news is that after 4 years, **Ultimate Sighting Files** (USF) is to be released in September at the Eastleigh Works event as part of our 40th Anniversary celebrations. It will be in two parts (see below) as opposed to the former three parts. The price to non-members at £24.98 in total will be similar to before but now members will only pay £18.00.

Of our other smaller books, **UK Name Directory** will not be updated until 2014. Due to poor sales none of the individual books, **UK Locomotives**, **Diesel Units** and **Electric Units** will be produced in 2013.

Books can be ordered online via PayPal at www.icrs.org.uk or by post from: Carl Watson, ICRS Publications,

14, Partridge Gardens, Waterlooville, Hampshire PO8 9XG (please make cheque / PO payable to ICRS).

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











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Book Titles: (all Members receive up to 27% discount on ICRS books)

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New: (2013 -	– green)		Pr	ice
UKRS01	UK Pocket Book 2013 (240 pages)	(updated to 1st Jan13)	£9.50	£7.00
UKRS02B	UK Combine Summer Edition 2013 (280 pages)	(updated to 15 th May13)	£15.99	£12.00
UKRS03B	UK Wagons Summer Edition 2013 (152 pages)	(updated to 1st Jul13)	£12.99	£9.50
UKRS09	Irish Railways 2013 (54 pages)	(updated to 1 st Jun13)	£8.99	£6.50
Current: (20	12 - red)			
UKRS04	UK Name Directory 2012 (172 pages)	(updated to 10 th Nov11)	£12.99	£9.50
In Preparation	on: (due Summer 2013)			
Ultimate S	ighting Files:			
UKRS10	USF Vol.1 – Mainline Diesel Locos (215 pages)	(updated to 1 st Jul13)	£13.99	£10.00
UKRS11	USF Vol.2 – Shunters, Mainline Electric Locos			
	& Prototypes (157 pages)	(updated to 1 st Jul13)	£10.99	£8.00
Proposed: (publication date to be confirmed)			
UKRS12	Ultimate Sighting Files – Diesel Units		TBC	TBC
UKRS13	Ultimate Sighting Files – Electric Units		TBC	TBC