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Front Cover Photo:

One of the pioneer production CI.43 HST power cars W43002 was repainted into original BR blue & yellow and given the original set number 253001, to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the introduction into service in 1976. It was also named 'Sir Kenneth Grange' in honour of the designer of the iconic nose and aerodynamics, Bristol St Philips Marsh Depot Open Day, 2nd May 2016 (Alex Raybould).

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SOCIETY NOTICE BOARD

Editor's Comments:

The month started out with the excellent Bristol St Philips Marsh Depot Open Day to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the introduction of the HST into service. Many members attended, sadly not myself or the Society. However I have had probably the most photos of a single event ever and hopefully I have at least managed to include one or more from everyone throughout **TRACKS** in different sections including the cover. Another popular photographic subject at the moment is 60103 *'Flying Scotsman'* which hopefully you accept is still newsworthy and interesting enough to cover its various activities around the country. Hopefully none of our members needed to trespass to see it !! With more Cl.68s in service these locos are now regularly appearing all over the place on various working and the first of the similarly designed Cl.88s is now on test in the Czech Republic before heading to the UK. What with all these new, converted, re-numbered locos and units and not many opportunities to get out ...my list of cops required is the worst it has been for years !! With the exception of the flying visit to Shildon for the AGM and accompanying marathon trip up and down the country, my trip down for our Eastleigh event, half way through the year, will be only my second railway outing since Sep 2015. I haven't even been to London since last June, no wonder I need so many new units. Seeing others getting out and their photos is getting depressing.

With several Galas coming one after the other throughout May and a batch of visiting locos roaming the UK like a bunch of nomads, there is inevitably some duplication though I have tried to even it out and use something from every contributor even if not the absolute best photo. Not easy when you have hundreds of photos and next to no time to first answer the email with subsequent follow-ups, then download, caption (as still many not helping), file, Photoshop, decide then edit in **TRACKS**...phew !! I have had queries as to why more text can't be included in **TRACKS**, but unless you send more articles I am struggling to write any myself. The days of getting ahead of myself are long gone. Please look back at the various series I started and requested help and chip in. There is plenty of railway material out there. All the articles previously printed are listed on our website so easy to see what has been covered. It's not that difficult with my help if needs be.

As can be seen below we have had another good month for new members and I believe Colin has a full understanding of the Membership Secretary role having also gone through the busiest renewal months of April and May. Please help with renewing on time. Hopefully without having to worry about membership queries I will have been able to chat with those of you who attended our Eastleigh event, to which I am off to as soon as I send this to the printers.

Membership Matters:

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Cartmell (Ellel), Keith Elliott (Thame), Benjamin Farrington (Forres), Paul Gasgoigne (Pleasley), Mike Harris (Dawlish), Robert Hart (Bournemouth), Martin Hill (Poole), Zach Kirby (Cullompton), Luke Lockton (Eastleigh), Brian Newton (Wakefield), Phil Quantock* (Manchester), Colin Rawlings (Southampton), Paul Shaw (Barnsley), Ian Smith (Rainhill), James Smith (Weymouth), David Treacher (Manchester), David Tuck (Bournemouth), Chris Waring (The Lizard) John Wright (Preston) - a warm welcome to you all.

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Cheque or Postal Order: Please make payable to ICRS and return your remittance with the form to: Colin Pottle (Membership Secretary) ICRS Membership Renewal, 166 Midland Road, Wellingborough, Northants NN8 1NG

PayPal: Pay by credit card or debit card via PayPal on the website. However this incurs a cost to the Society (currently £0.80 for £17.50, £0.74 for £16, £2.92 for £80.00 and £2.75 for £75.00). You do not need to have your own account, especially if underage but **PLEASE** read instructions on providing information on yourself if the applicant is not the PayPal account holder.

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

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TRACKS Magazine:

If you so request, the very latest issue of **TRACKS** will be emailed as a pdf when it goes off to the printers so you will get it '*hot off the press*' 10 days before you receive the printed version. That means you have the latest news, some within days of the event occurring. Please email the Editor, Trevor Roots at editor@intercityrailwaysociety.org to receive the latest issue by email in addition to the printed version. Similarly the last 11 months are also available by email, but only to members. With this member benefit comes responsibility, please do not share **TRACKS** with non-members unless you are attempting to get them to join.

Submissions:

Articles: Any information / article on any railway related item will be most welcome for inclusion in the magazine. Your visits, travel stories or anecdotes about any part of the railway network, past or present, home or abroad can give pleasure to others or inform of places to visit. This railway hobby of

ours is made all that more enjoyable by the sharing of information, knowledge and experiences. Neatly hand written submissions are perfectly acceptable, but ideally a typed document is preferable. Better still, if you have a PC and internet connection then send an email.

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

The latest date for articles / info for the **July 2016** issue is **Monday 27th June 2016**
with delivery to members after **Friday 5th July 2016**
please check the **TRACKS** page on the website for date of posting from the printers

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Website / Social Media:

The new re-designed website was launched on the 17th May 2014 allowing access to previous issues of **TRACKS** from Dec 2006 to date with new pages added listing articles appearing in these issues. However the last 12 months issues (on a rolling basis) are only available to members as pdfs on request from the Editor (see **TRACKS Magazine** above). If you have any queries or suggestions please email Trevor Roots at website@intercityrailwaysociety.org

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

ICRS Yahoo News Group: We have our own Yahoo News Group, established in March 2004, open to members and non-members alike to post sightings and observations, share comments and debate the current railway scene. To join visit groups.yahoo.com/group/intercityrailwaysociety/ or email Steve Revill at intercityrailwaysociety-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

EVENTS

OPEN DAYS

DRS Crewe Open Day, Saturday 23rd July 2016: Advance notice of this years event. Tickets will be on sale through the DRS website <http://www.directrailservices.com> though you can buy them on the day at the gate. We will be there with our sales stand.

Longsight Traincare Centre, 2017 (TBC): It may be a long way off but Longsight Traincare Centre will be celebrating its 175th Anniversary in 2017. Provisionally planned for the weekend 14-16th July. Details TBC.

EASTLEIGH WORKS REPORT

by **Norman Smith** & photos by **Carl Watson**

for the period up to 30th May 2016

Locos:

37219 t&t DBSO 9702 left with a NR test train to Hither Green on the 2nd.

66747 took barrier set T5 ADB975974/978 to Peterborough on the 4th.

66743 arrived for a repaint into Royal Scotsman livery on the 6th departing for Doncaster Roberts Road on 30th (see **LIVERIES**).

66424 in new DRS livery left for Willesden Brent on the 11th (see photo right).

37175 t&t 37254 were on and off, site with a NR test train between the 9th and the 12th.



58008 was shunted inside for the power unit to be lifted out on the 9th (see photo above), returning to the scrap yard on the 10th and scrapped by Raxstar by the 12th. Both cabs, the power unit and one bogie have been saved for re-use as well as many other components.

37421 t&t DBSO 9708 were on and off site with a NR test train on the 13th.

66848 brought in 37175 t&t 37254 and NR test train on the 13th. They had failed at Staines en-route to Tonbridge West Yard. 66848 then left to stable alongside Eastleigh Station.

66769 returned Barrier Set T7, 64664/64707 from Peterborough on the 16th. The same consist left for Doncaster Works Wagon Shops on the 20th.

73963 + 73965 arrived from Tonbridge West Yard to collect the NR test train and take it to Woking Up Yard on the 17th.

66744 arrived for an Exam on the 23rd. It left the same day then returned the following day with 66750, which had failed.

37175 + 37254 left for Barrow Hill Roundhouse on the 25th.

57007 in new DRS livery moved to Willesden Brent on the 25th (see photo right).





66433 arrived for a repaint with 47810 + 47818 from Crewe Coal Sidings on the 11th (see photo below). 47810 was moved straight inside for work to begin returning it to service (see photo left taken on the 16th now minus nameplate).

70802 left with Rail Data Surveying Gear fitted to one end on the 25th.



57309 has been repainted in DRS blue in preparation for the new DRS livery to be applied in early June.

50026 was shunted into the workshop on 24th to have replacement fire bottles lifted in preparation for our event on the 4th June and its planned summer activities on the gala circuit.

Work continues returning Arlington 08567 to use and also repairs to Alstom 08611 and 08617 (see photo below taken on the 23rd, 08567 left and 08611 in grey primer right behind 08617).



Colas locos on and off site during the month were: 66846/847/848/850, 70802/806.

Units: Siemens Units receiving modifications were: 444016/026, 450110/112/543.

OTP:

MPV DR98927, 709319001-2/002-0, DR98977 arrived at the Works from Effingham Jct on the 13th.

Speno RPS 32-2 Rail Grinder DR79221-226 left for Romford on the 16th.
DR75501 arrived for an engine swap on 8th departing on the 16th (see photo right taken on the 9th).



Wagons:

Wagon Trips in/out during May were:

3/5	DBC in	80.4647.038-5, 87.4375.033-9/035-4	FL out	93414, 97700/740/755
5/5	FL in	93295	DBC out	80.4647.038-5, 87.4384.027-0
10/5	DBC in	80.2398.581-1	FL out	93295
	FL in	92642/651, 93476	DBC out	89001, 802398.528-2
17/5	DBC in	80.2398.555-5		
24/5	DBC in	89011, 80.2398.591-0/595-1/601-7/610-8		
	DBC out	80.2398.555-5/581-1, 87.4375.006-5/009-9/033-9		
26/5	FL in	92560, 97707, 97724	FL out	93476, 92651, 92642

MEET THE OFFICIALS

With the addition of new blood onto the Committee this is the first in a series introducing the ICRS officials to members. Though many members will have seen various officials at either AGMs or visits / sales stands you may not be aware of their lives beyond ICRS. Hopefully this will add to your membership experience and help you appreciate the volunteering work done on your behalf.

Louise Watson – Events Co-ordinator:

I would like to say my interest in trains began when I was a small child, but I can't. My interest in trains began when I met Carl. I think it was more of "if you can't beat 'em". In fact, I don't have much knowledge about locos and if I sometimes look like I know, please be assured that I probably don't.

But I don't mind sitting on the station at Cosham whilst Carl takes photos as long as I get a cup of tea and get my knitting out! I pretty much enjoy a cup of tea on a train being hauled by steam or diesel whereas, I'm not so keen on the tea on the South West Trains we have down here!

We are a family of 6 down here – 3 grown upish and 1 well on the way to being an adult. I am a freelance hairdresser and fit it in around all the other commitments I have. I enjoy sewing, knitting and cooking (especially the taste testing). Life is really busy for us at home, but we do enjoy a day out at Galas round the South and as long as I get a cup of tea on the train I'm happy!

I joined the society because I tagged along to the events with Carl and found I was pretty interested and thought maybe I could help with organising them. And I was hooked! I do hope to continue as a Member of the Society for some time yet, I enjoy meeting people and having a good chat over a cuppa although if the wine was to come out, now that's another story!



ST PHILIPS MARSH DEPOT OPEN DAY

*The Open Day at St Philips Marsh Depot, Bristol to celebrate the 40th anniversary of HSTs entering service was held on the 2nd May 2016 and was attended by several members. The main report is by Andrew Buckley. I have included photos, throughout **TRACKS** as appropriate by all who submitted them, but as you can imagine I had multiple choices.*

Stock on show was:

Locos: HSTs - 41001, W43002 in original BR Intercity 125 livery carrying the old set number 253001 'Sir Kenneth Grange' (named on the day), 43013, 43048 'TCB Miller', 43127 (inside depot), 43172 'Harry Patch – The Last Survivor of the Trenches', 43187, 43300 'Craigentinny 100 Years 1914-2014', 43423 'Valenta 1972 – 2010', D182, 47749 **Other Diesels** - 08663, 08822, 5580 (31162), D7017, 37884, D213 (40013) 'Andania', D182 (46045), 47749 'City of Truro' (named on the day), 50007 'Hercules', 50035 'Ark Royal, 50050 'Fearless', 56098 'Lost Boys 68-88', 57603 'Tintagel Castle' and 66757 'West Somerset Railway' **Steam Loco:** 4-6-0 46100 'Royal Scot'

Battery Locos: (for wheel lathe) SET LTD Remote Controlled Railcat - WN1079 (built 2009), NITEQ 2000E Remote Controlled Shunting Vehicle - 02-B188 (built 2002)

DMUs: 150247, 158798, 166214

Coaches: Mk1 4598 (ex 975403), 35317 (46100 support coach), Mk2 5636, Mk3 (prototype HST coaches) 10206, 11074, 12092, MK3 HST 41146/90

Wagons: (un-numbered) Vanfit (believed to be 200663), Lowmac (believed to be 061030 ex 904539)



above prototype HST 41001 reunited with one of the first production HSTs, W43002 re-painted into its 1976 livery (Chris W. Brown)

Andrew Buckley: Having arrived early and taken the opportunity to do a recce of the site perimeter and also partake of a speedy breakfast, it was very encouraging to join a queue, around twenty minutes before curtain up that stretched some 150 yards down the road. Indeed, by the end of the day, word of mouth suggested a number through the door well in excess of 4000.



left to right GWR 43172, Grand Central 43423, Network Rail 43013, Virgin Trains East Coast 43300, East Midlands Trains 43048, GWR 43187 and on the far right, GWR DMU 150247 (Chris W. Brown)

Along with some eight HST power cars, each resplendent in a different company or other unique livery, there were some fourteen diesel locos representing motive power in many cases seen on lines prior to the introduction of the HST. Other motive power included one steam loco, two remote controlled depot shunters, DMUS 150232 and 166214 (GWR livery), 158798 (Springboard Charity livery). The display was completed with assorted coaches and wagons.



Initial thoughts on entering the depot, apart from an appreciation of the crowds present, was that a clear and considerable thought had been given to the layout of the locos and power cars present. Sensibly the central, long stabling area of the site had been utilised for the main Locomotive and Power Car display but what also struck was the consideration given to access and photography. The bulk of the HST power cars were laid out in a very photogenic arc to the left of the display area and behind them adjacent and to the right of the entrance, were the other locomotives all nicely spaced apart from each other to allow a reasonable three quarter shot, or in the case of the '50's grouped together to give an early 1980s depot feel. All were also superficially, at least, in very good condition to the eye with many of the locos being in an ex-works state.



My initial trek around the depot took the best part of an hour and a half to complete, in part for the ground to cover but also because of the obvious wait for the shot you were looking for to materialise in consideration of the other people who were there. In the main I thought that this was generally good humoured although as the weather deteriorated one could understand a sense of exasperation creeping into the equation. The weather did however intervene with a solid two hours of relatively heavy rain which eventually cleared away around at 15.30. By that time the crowds seemed to have thinned and the light was considerably better with bright and directional sunlight. However, many of the HST Power Car cabs were by this time now hosting visitors and as such getting a clean shot was proving tricky.

The undoubted star of the show was HST power car W43002 which looked superb in the original Intercity 125 livery and brought back strong memories of my first sightings at the nearby Temple Meads station just a few weeks after they entered service those many years ago. The HST still retains the record for the fastest diesel in the world with a speed of 148mph and its longevity is indeed some testament to its success in service.

4-6-0 46100
(Roger Thomas)



My only minor niggle would be that as part of this celebration there was not more of a focus on the Mk3 coach which in many peoples' eyes is the best rolling stock to run on BR metals. That said this was a superb day out and one that I thoroughly enjoyed.



above W43002 (Andrew Buckley)
right 47749 (Jeremy Frost)



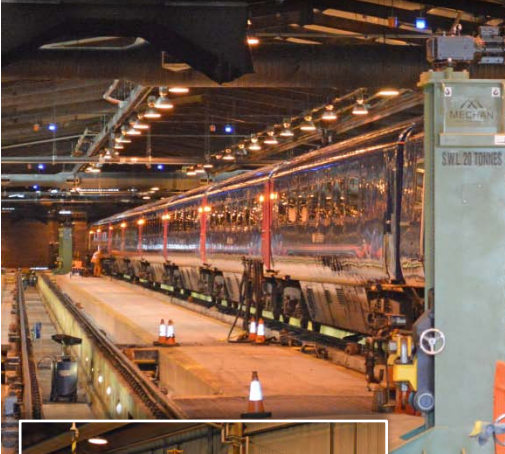
above left
08663 (Bruce Bayliss)

above
08822 (Keith Gomm)



left
66757 & 5580
(Malcolm Wallace)

The two coaches on site 5636 (see photo right by Malcolm Wallace) & 4598 are used by all GWR train crew undertaking train evacuation training, As Malcolm says "I have done this and let's hope I never have to put it into practice".



43127 in the HST servicing shed with *above left* SET LTD Remote Controlled Railcat - WN1079 and *bottom left* NITEQ 2000E Remote Controlled Shunting Vehicle - 02-B188 (all Neil Dix)



above ZRA 200663
left internal user lowmac 061030 (904539) (all Neil Dix)

INFRASTRUCTURE NEWS

Norton Bridge Improvements (WCML): (photos by Roger Thomas, all 3rd May 2016)

Continuing illustrating the Norton Bridge improvements from the May 2016 issue here are further photos of the new track, please refer to the layout description in the previous article.

right Searchlight Jct looking north from the new Searchlight Lane bridge with the double track bearing right towards the flyover and Stone and the single track chord to the left

below the new double track diversion with a XC Voyager heading south for Little Bridgeford Jct to join the WCML, taken from Searchlight Lane bridge with Searchlight Jct in the back ground



left looking South on one of the three new bridges on the B5026, 390117 heads north on the single track chord towards the WCML, Searchlight Jct can just be seen top righthand of photo

right & below taken from Meece Road bridge west of its Jct with the B5026

right looking south towards the flyover with 350112 heading for Crewe via Stone

below, looking north towards Stone with the single track east chord, the remains of the original line to the WCML, heading right from the new Yarnfield Jct,

where the double tracks bend to the left under a new footbridge



Cardiff Central Station:

Work started in June 2014 to improve access and capacity at Cardiff Central. There are two entrances both below track level, the main concourse at the northern side from Central Square and the southern entrance off Tresillian Way where a new two storey entrance and booking hall has now been created. See photos below taken by Roger Thomas on the 10th May 2016.



In addition a new platform 8 on the northern side is being created and is seen below on the same date prior to completion and the laying of track. In conjunction with the works to the railway station, Central Square, which housed the bus station and closed in 2015, is being totally revamped with new buildings and a new transport interchange, the later about to start in June 2016.



PRESERVATION NEWS

Telford Steam Railway (TSR): Infrastructure work has progressed with the platform at Horsehay & Dawley being extended and the southern section beyond the Bridge Road cleared. A northern terminus has been created beyond Heath Hill Tunnel, which carries Dawley Road, at Lawley Village with a single platform and pagoda style shelter. A footpath leads from Dawley Road past the new station entrance to West Centre Way. Access to the station site across Lawley Common from Martingale Way, from where the previous photo was taken, is no longer possible as the station is fenced off, which we only found out after trekking through a quagmire !!

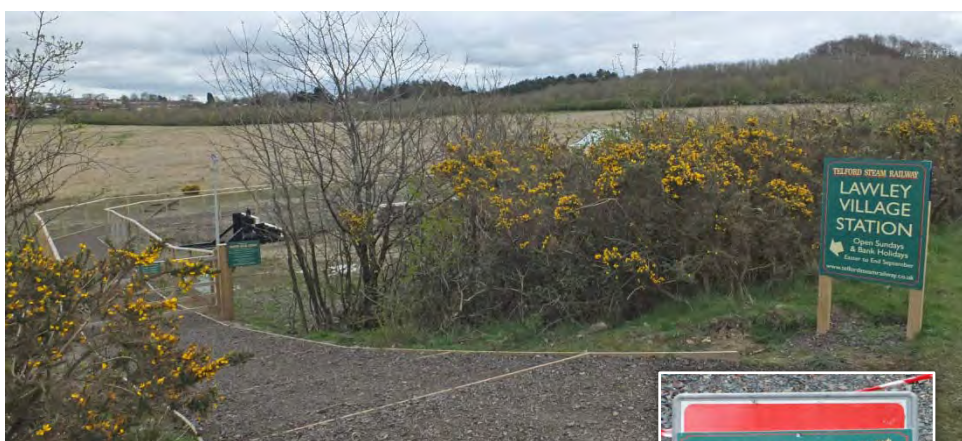


Horsehay & Dawley
extension and
platform clearance
showing base for a shelter
before 27th April 2014
current 18th April 2016





Lawley Village above before 27th April 2014, note tunnel above wagons, below current 18th April 2016



An extension south from Horsehay & Dawley to the former site of at Doseley Halt (as shown on the plaque requesting financial and volunteer help).is the next target. Track exists as far as Cheshire Cheese Bridge which carries Doseley Road (South). Further ambitious expansion south is planned eventually to Buildwas PS site via Ironbridge Gorge, but requires major work. More on the TSR in a future article explaining their route and showing their main station and stock yards at Spring Village.



TRAFFIC & TRACTION NEWS

April 30

66747 t&t 73119 + 73109 departed Eastleigh at 18.07 with the return Pines Express to London Waterloo via Bournemouth (photo below by Andrew Buckley)



With the Malvern Hills beyond, 50007 + 50050 + 47749 passed Churchdown at 10.23 en route to St Philips Marsh Depot Open Day from Washwood Heath (photo below by Terry Lea)



May 1

66556 t&t 66590 passed Ipswich at 10.58 on 6Y07 08.15 Ely North Junction - Parkeston HOBK running 64 minutes late. This train is normally operated by FLHH 66s whereas both these are allocated to intermodal pools (photo below by Keith Partlow)



May 3

57603 passed Swindon at 11.53 on 0Z42 Bristol St Philips Marsh - Old Oak Common (photo opposite top by Colin Pidgeon)



43002 in service for the first time since repainting passed Swindon at 15.20 on 3D57 Bristol St Philips Marsh - Paddington (photo below by Colin Pidgeon)



66571 passed Swindon at 12.05 on 4L32 Bristol - London Gateway Freightliner (photo below by Colin Pidgeon)



60074 passed Burton-on-Trent at 12.17 on Kingsbury Oil Sidings - Humber Oil Refinery (photo below by Peter Davis)



66101 passed Burton-on-Trent at 11.22 on Burton-on-Trent West Yard - Felixstowe South (photo below by Peter Davis)



60059 passed Burton-on-Trent at 11.27 on Lindsey Oil Refinery - Kingsbury Oil Sidings (photo below by Peter Davis)



May 4

20205 + 20142 were seen passing Basingstoke at 12.45 (photo below by Paul Sumpter)



66757 + D213 + D182 + 50007 + 5580 passed Tilehurst at 15.00 on their way from Bristol St Philips Marsh Open Day - Swanage Gala (see photo at end). The convoy was later seen passing Wareham in the hands of 66748.

May 5

68011 t&t 57003 passed Walsall at 15.54 on 11.58 Bridgwater - Crewe flasks (photo opposite top by David Williams)



66850 + 70805 + 70806 + 70802 passed Walsall at 15.49 on Westbury - Bescot (photo below by David Williams)



Seen outside Wabtec, Kilmarnock Andrew Barclay 0-4-0DH [482] was seen at 07.48 (photo below by Iain Gardiner)



May 6

90016 was seen climbing Belstead Bank, Ipswich at 11.22 hauling a totally empty 4M88 09.32 Felixstowe North - Crewe Basford Hall (photo below by Keith Partlow)



55007 + 26038 passed Scremerston to the south of Berwick-upon-Tweed at 12.51 on 0255 light engine move from Bo'ness - Grosmont NYMR (photo opposite top by Gareth Patterson)



D1015 masquerading as D1058 'Western Nobleman' passed through Northampton at 11.15 heading south to London in preparation for its charter run the following day
66735 passed St Peters Metro station, Sunderland at 15.03 on Tyne Coal Yard Terminal - Drax AES (photo below by Peter Davis)



May 7

A very claggy D1015 passed through Bradford Abbas just east of Yeovil Junction station at 19.31 with the return 1Z53 Okehampton - London Waterloo (photo below by Andrew Buckley)



May 9

59101 passed Kensington Olympia at 12.47 on Acton TC - Crawley Foster Yeoman (photo below by David Berg)



May 10

56087 + 60087 passed Spittal railway crossing, Berwick-upon-Tweed at 15.06 on 6Z26 Seaham Harbour - Oxwellmains LaFarge Cement (see photo at end)
Tampor DR 77904 + Ballast Regulator DR 73113 were seen at Berwick Station Sidings at 13.10 (photo below by Gareth Patterson)



May 11

MPV DR 98008 was seen at Berwick Station Sidings at 18.00 (photo below by Gareth Patterson)



There are now 3 shunters at Polmadie, following 08764 & 08954 the third to arrive 08451 was captured at 18.23 (photo below by Iain Gardiner)



60076 was seen at Edinburgh at 20.05 on 16.52 Aberdeen Craiginchies - Oxwellmains Lafarge Cements (photo below by Iain Gardiner)



Two test trains were together seen at Glasgow Central at 23.00, 37608 was in platform 10 on 137J 18.01 Mossend - Mossend whilst in platform 2 was 97301 on 386Q 21.52 Mossend - Mossend (photo below by Iain Gardiner). They departed at 23.06 and 22.59 respectively



May 12

70808 + 70801 paused at Leamington Spa at 13.50 (photo below by Graham Stockton)



57302 was seen stabled on Polmadie at 18.04 (photo below by Iain Gardiner)



66726 + 66849, 73212 + 73213 + 66737 were seen stabled by Eastleigh station at 12.12, just to show how far some locos travel, 66737 was a fortnight later in the north of Scotland on the Royal Scotsman (see photo at end)

May 13

66099 passed Wellingborough at 09.40 on 6D32 Elstow - Mountsorrel with new 81.70.6957.xxx-x hoppers (photo below by Colin Pottle)



56081 was seen approaching Wellingborough at 10.07 on 0Z07 Leicester LIP round trip via Bedford (photo below by Colin Pottle)



May 15

34046 'Braunton' recently returned from overhaul is now masquerading as 34052 'Lord Dowding' and was seen passing Streatham Common with a Clapham Jct - Southampton Central football special for Southampton v Crystal Palace (photo below by Charles Baldwin)



47580 passed Spittal, Berwick-upon-Tweed at 16.00 on 0245 light engine move from York - Bo'ness Junction Exchange Siding (photo below by Gareth Patterson with Holy Island in the background)



May 16

66425 (substituting for failed 47830) + GWR HST set LA16 was seen passing Walsall at 15.21 on St Philips Marsh – Kilmarnock (photo below top by David Williams)



57312 was seen at Bletchley at 10.44 with an excursion to London, having stopped en route to allow some of the passengers to visit Bletchley Park, home of WW2 Code Breaking (photo below by Chris Emary). Note the return of the cast cabside numberplate on the number 2 end.



Failed 86628 + 86627 were seen stabled at Carstairs at 14.28, having been dumped there for 2 days (photo below by Iain Gardiner)



May 17

66750 passed Swindon at 13.04 on 6M40 Westbury - Stud Farm, Swindon (photo below by Colin Pidgeon)



May 19

66103 was seen in Carlisle bay platform 6 awaiting the road back to Mossend Yard at 12.10 (photo below by Alan Brooks)



May 20

66720 passed Stafford at 16.59 (photo below by Andrew Turnidge)



May 21

60103 '*Flying Scotsman*' was seen at Reading on Paddington – Salisbury via Newbury at 09.33 (photo below by Connor Bolger)



68016 t&t 68017 were seen at Swindon on 1227 Paddington - Carmarthen Northern Belle charter at 08.45 (photo below by Colin Pidgeon)



May 23

68004 + 37422 + 90003 plus two Mk3s climbed Belstead Bank, Ipswich on 10.04 Norwich Crown Point - Wolverton at 12.10 running 69 minutes late due to a fatality between Colchester and Manningtree. The 37 and 90 were destined for Crewe (photo below by Keith Partlow)



May 24

60100 passed Barnetby at 14.45 on 10.35 Kingsbury Oil Sidings - Humber Oil Refinery service empty iron ore tipplers with the location looking somewhat barren now without semaphores (see photo at end)

66772 + 66718 passed Westerfield on 4M02 17.34 Felixstowe North - Hams Hall at 18.00. 66718 must have failed at Felixstowe as 66772 was stabled in Ipswich Yard at 11.00 (photo opposite top by Keith Partlow)



60096 was seen at Wrexham General on Carlisle - Chirk waiting for the road at 17.00. The service ran 2 hours early during week commencing 23rd May (photo below by Martin Evans)



May 25

68004 + DVT 82114 passed Grange Park at 12.33 on Gordon Hill with Norwich Crown Point - Bounds Green Depot, running 44 minutes early (photo below by David Berg)



May 26

66043 passed Stourbridge Jct at 16.45 on 6V06 Handsworth - Newport docks scrap train (photo opposite top by Paul Clifton)



May 27

66727 passed Whittlesey at 16.06 on 4Z79 Selby - Felixstowe (see photo at end)

68017 the first Cl.68 to work into Devon and Cornwall arrived in Exeter on the previous night for driver training duties (see photo below by Chris Hatch stabled at Exeter St David's adjacent to platform 1 at 07.20). It then worked to Penzance and back, as was seen on the return passing Totnes at 16.16 on 0Z69 14.27 Penzance - Exeter Riverside running 44mins early (photo below by Malcolm Wallace)



Having caused delays during the morning with several services 143603 was eventually removed from service, the 2T10 09.23 Exmouth - Paignton at Exeter St David's with the service cancelled including the back working. The unit was shunted out and dumped on the depot pending fitters

attention, where it was seen at 12.31 (photo below by Matt Ryder, with permission)



66754 passed Walsall at 13.50 on Cliffe Hill Stud - Bescot up Engineers sidings (photo below by Peter Davis)



60163 'Tornado' t&t 67010 were seen at London Victoria on the Belmond British Pullman at 12.15 (photos below by Michael Hayman, a view not often seen from the end of platform 1)



66761 passed Whittlesey at 11.20 on 4H55 March Down Siding - Peterborough Maintenance Shed (photo below by Colin Pottle)



66737 t&t 66746 on the Belmond Royal Scotsman were seen approaching Keith at 20.28 for the overnight stop. 66737 is the third GBRf Cl.66 to accompany 66746 so far this season. It is also interesting that all the GBRf locos used this season are ex-DRS 66/4s with another, 66743 (see **LIVERIES**) on its way. The two maroon liveried locos also had other interim identities as 66/8s.



May 28

57605 was seen waiting to depart Plymouth at 13.04 with the GWR summer Saturdays only 2E75 13.35 to Exeter St David's. Stock: 10225 + 10219 + 12161 + 17163 (photo below by Malcolm Wallace)



60103 'Flying Scotsman' was seen approaching Dilton Marsh (photo below by Andrew Buckley) at 11.15 on 1Z60 Paddington – Salisbury then later passing Romsey on the inbound element of the circular Salisbury - Salisbury via Southampton at 16:38



May 29

47832 + 47854 passed Carmyle on 5Z35 Gourrock - Bo'ness Exchange Sidings (photo opposite top by Iain Gardiner)



News from Norfolk by Stuart Moore:

37419 + 37422 ran light from Norwich to Crewe via the East Midlands on the 2nd May.



However two days later 37422 was back with Mk2 BFK 17159. The BFK had been sent to replace BSO 9525 which failed after the railtour. By the 4th 37425 had replaced 37419 on the short set. However, because of the failed BSO the set was not used all that week. The short set was reintroduced to service with 17159 on the 6th May. However, by the 9th 37425 had been swapped out for 37422 which ran the short set with 37405 until the 20th May. On the 21st May 37419 replaced 37422. This was the first of the 'summer Saturday' trains between Norwich and Great Yarmouth. Oh how things have changed over the years!



37405 t&t 37419 Strumpshaw, 21st May

Also spotted on the 9th May, 66148 was on the Tunstead to Norwich stones. On the 11th further stone traffic was noted with 66614 on the Tunstead - Trowse and 66069 on the Tunstead to Norwich.



Stone trains are still a regular feature around Norwich and this is likely to continue for some time with the new Northern Distributor Road being constructed. Other stone traffic spotted was 66004 on the Tunstead to Norwich on the 18th May 2016 and 66601 on the Tunstead to Trowse on 21st May

Track renewal has been undertaken in Norwich yard with two of the sidings been re-laid between the 23rd & 27th May. 66230 was noted in the work area on a short set of Network Rail ballast wagons on 23rd May. The new ballast was unloaded and the spoil loaded. The 66 took the waste back to Whitemoor (where it had come from) the following morning.



37602 (DRS) and 37608 (Europhoenix) were used on the 1Q99 from Cambridge to Cambridge on the 26th May but only got as far as Norwich before the set was failed. The set has stayed in Norwich since. 37025 and 37219 were sent to Ely on the 27th to carry out part of the unfinished 1Q99 duty before running back to Derby.

On the 27th May WCR 57313 & 57316 arrived from Carnforth before operating the following day's NENTA tour to Newcastle.

Other notable sightings included 156415 on the EMT Liverpool - Norwich - Liverpool on the 12th May, 321361 + 321445 operated the 14.00 Norwich to Liverpool St on the 18th May. Also on the 18th and at the same time as the above 321's being in Norwich, test bed EMU 321448 was in Platform 5 on a traction motor test run from Colchester yard.



looking somewhat barren now without semaphores, 60100 passes Barnetby, 23rd May 2016 (Mike Brook)



RAIL TOUR NEWS

60103 'Flying Scotsman': During the course of 60103 with 47760 in support, working 1Z44 Steam Dreams York – Edinburgh Waverley and the return south on 1Z72 The Cathedrals Express from Edinburgh Waverley – York, several members captured it along its route and layover at Bo'ness.

60103 t&t 47760 passing Spittal, Berwick-upon-Tweed at 19.20 on 1Z44 Steam Dreams York – Edinburgh Waverley

14th May 2016 (Gareth Patterson)

between duties 60103 visited Bo'ness from 10.00 until 17.00 a charge was made of £5.00 (under 16s were free) to view 60103

seen at 16.45, 47760 was being shunted out with its support coach ready to leave after 17.00, 16th May 2016 (Derek Sneddon)



left departing Edinburgh Waverley, platform 11 with ecs at 17.44, 15th May 2016 (Iain Gardiner)

below passing Spittal, Berwick-upon-Tweed at 10.10, 17th May 2016 (Gareth Patterson)



OUT & ABOUT

by James Holloway

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

Michael Hayman:

27th April:

Paddington:

43012/015/025/033/078/098/132/183, 66772

Acton:

46100 'Royal Scot', 57316, 66105/107/177/198/588

Reading: 43079/187/188, 66036

Swindon: 43138/149/159/161

Bristol Parkway: 43125/167, 66548/957

Newport: 43009/181/177/183, 66139/140/175

20th May:

Paddington:

60103 'Flying Scotsman', 47580, 68016/17

Dennis Dey:

15th April:

Three Bridges: 700103/107/111-113

Crawley Yard: 59101, 66188/738

St Pancras:

373005/006/009/010/015/016/209/210/217/218

373223/224/231/232, 374007/08/15/16

22nd April:

Three Bridges: 700002/103/108/110/112

Crawley Yard: 66063/107

London Victoria: 387207/210

29th April:

Three Bridges: 700002/103/106/107/109/111-113

London Victoria: 387207/219

Clapham Junction: 66739/848

Crawley Yard: 66094

6th May:

Three Bridges: 700103/108/109/112-114

Crawley Yard: 66024

Purley: 66198

St Pancras:

373001-004/007/008/017/018, 374005-08/15-18

East Croydon: 59001, 700109

Nigel Hoskins:

6th May:

Stafford:

12.13 66531 4Z22 CB-DV

12.43 DR73116+77906 West Ealing-Stafford

13.11 66113 6O42 HO-SO

13.21 70002 4Z44 DV-CB

13.23 90018/20 4M25 MN-DV

Betley Road:

13.55 90044 4L90 Trafford Park-Felixstowe

Crewe:

14.19 66122 6V11 Dowlow-TH

14.21 90035+325002 5J00CE-WR

Acton Bridge:

16.42 66148 6F86 PF-WR

16.52 90049 4M63 Felixstowe-Ditton

16.55 92043 6L48 Garston-Dagenham Dock

17.07 90035+325002 1A91 WR-WN

17.17 66426 6K05 CL-CE

17.22 66587 4F71 CE-Garston

17.34 66075 6M66 SO-Garston

17.47 66098 6M48 SO-HO

18.03 70018 0L60 CE-Garston

19.10 66415 4M28 SO-Ditton

19.16 325014/16/13 1S96 WN-Shieldmuir

19.18 90049 4L71 Ditton-Felixstowe

Crewe:

20.09 325005/11/03 1A97 WR-WN

20.32 66513 6Y93 CE-Stone

70002 DV-CE

7th May:

Crewe:

10.28 70010 4O29 CE-SO

10.31 66716 4M21 Felixstowe-Trafford Park

12.01 66623/618 6X04 CE-Milford & Brockton

12.46 90045 4L96 CE-Ipswich

66503 4O29+4L96 CE-Alsager

14.32 66618/623 6X04 CE-Milford & Brockton

14.52 68013 0K69 WB-CE

14.55 66131 6O42 HO-SO

15.32 66098 6M48 SO-HO

16.00 66558 4M87 Felixstowe-CE

16.08 92043 6L48 Garston-Dagenham Dock

Kidsgrove:

16.42 90049 4M93 Felixstowe-CE

17.58 70016 4M67 Felixstowe-CE

Rugeley TV:

18.55 66623/618 6X04 CE-Milford & Brockton

Tamworth High Level:

19.28 60074 6M00 Humber-KY

Geoff Hope:

26th March:

Roberts Road, Doncaster:

66160/723/769/775

Doncaster Station 08.00-14.30:

08571/724, 43013/062/206/208/239/300/302

43307-310/312/314-317/320/367/423/465/467/468

43480/484, 66017/091/503, 67021, 70013, 91106

91108/13/14/17/20/21/24/25/30/32, 142016/50/52

142062/93/95, 144007/09/15, 150204, 153381

158816/842/850/853/861/909, 170303/308

180101/05/07/10, 185103/09/20/32/38/43, 220003

220006/09/13/26/31, 221122/25/37, 222010

322481/83, DVTs 82201/05/08/15/16/18/23/26-28

cs 977984+975814+977993-977995

20th April:**Leeds 08.40-13.20:**

43239/274/303/321, 60100, 66531/716, 91106/11
 91115/21/24/27/29-31, 142017/34/50/55/78/79/88
 142089, 144002-05/07-10/14/15/20-22
 150116-118/140/142/204/224/269/271/273/276
 153307/15/59/78, 155341/43-46, 158753-759/792
 158794/797/815-817/842-845/846/853/861/902
 158905-908/910, 185101/04/05/09-13/16/18/20-22
 185124-26/28-31/33-35/37-39/42/43/45-47/50
 220004/11/20, 221121/23/29/34/40/41, 321901
 321903, 322482/84/85, 333001-03/05-08/10-12
 333014-16, DVTs 82201/04-06/10/14/15/17/28/30

Manchester Piccadilly 14.15-17.15:

66561/591/701, 67002, 142001/03/04/11/12/21/30
 142031/43/46/48/54/58, 150103/111/112/135/141
 150143/144/149/150/205/211/218/223/225/228
 150268/270/277/280, 156421/423/424/427/441
 156444/455/461/471/479/489, 158770/773/785
 158812/846/847/852/856/857/862, 170303/306
 175003/103/106/107/109/112, 185101/03/04/07
 185109-11/15-17/20/21/25/26/30-34/37/39/42/45
 185146/49, 220010/12/14/26, 221119/28/35
 319366/371/383, 323223-227/229/230/232-234
 323236-239, 350401-403/405, 390002/010/039
 390044/046/114/131/138/141/151, DVT 82307
 cs 12177/178/183/184

23rd April:

Roberts Road, Doncaster: 66774/775/778

Doncaster Station 08.00-13.30:

08571/724/853, 43049/208/239/251/257/274/290
 43300/308/312/313/317/318/320/423/465/467/468
 56087/113, 66069/089/156/508/566/591/707/758
 67003, 91102/04/06-09/11/13-15/17-22/24/26
 91130-32, 142017/18/25/26/56/67/96, 144001/12
 153302, 158787/791/842/845/848/853/905
 170306/308, 185103/20/32/36/39/41, 180105/07
 180110-14, 220007/09/17/21/25/27/29/30, 221135
 221138, 222011, 321414, 321902, 322484
 DVTs 82201-03/06-08/10/12-15/18/19/22-26/28
 82230/31, DR75401

27th April:**Cornbrook, Manchester 07.25-09.00:**

142033/61, 150117, 156461/483, 158784/846/847
 158862/864-866/889, 185101/07/21/38/45

Manchester Victoria 10.50-12.35:

142025/31/68, 150110/114/119/133/146/220/271
 155341, 156420/459/481, 158754/755/759/844
 158850/903, 185126/27/34, DR73922

Manchester Piccadilly 13.10-16.50:

66188/567/572/701, 67002, 142001/04/11/12/36
 142039-42/46/48/52/53/55/56, 150103/112/117
 150135-137/139/140/142/143/145/146/149/203
 150205/218/222/225/268/270/272/277/284
 156423/425/429/452/460/466/468/471/475
 158770/773/780/806/808/812/847/852/854/857
 158866/889, 170303/306/307, 175007/102-104
 175106/107, 185103/05/07/10-12/14/16/18/22/24
 185126/29/36/38/39/41/43/45-47/49-51, 220011/22
 220025/27/33, 221124/35/39, 319362/364/366/371
 323223-233/236/238/239, 350402/04/406-408
 390001/008/011/013/016/045/046/114/117/122

390127/135/155, DVT 82308, cs 12177/78/83/84

30th April:**Manchester Piccadilly 10.05-14.15:**

66542/603/701/747, 70002/04, 87002, 142004/07
 142009/20/30/37/39/42/45/49/53/57/70, 150112
 150116/132/133/136/138/139/142/143/145/148
 150149/204/214/222/227, 156423/427/428/460
 156464/466/468/489/491, 158777/780/783/785
 158788/799/813/846/852/854/866, 170303/307
 175002/011/101/103-107/111/114, 185103/04/07
 185111/12/14/15/17-27/31-33/35-38/40/41/44
 185146-51, 220008/19/31, 221122/31, 319366
 319371/375/382, 323223-29/32/34-36, 350402
 350405/408/409, 390002/005/009/046/112/121
 390123/124/131/132/135/148/154/156

4th May:**Leeds 08.50-13.20:**

37025/421, 43304/366, 66091/701, 91103/05-07
 91111/15/18/25/29/32, 142017-19/24/32/34/45/47
 142078/91/94/95, 144001-03/06/09/10/12/14-16/18
 144022, 150115/116/119/149/203/210/224/228/271
 150273/277, 153304/16/24/30/51/78, 155341-43/45
 158753/755/757-759/784/787/790/795/817/842
 158850/853/855/861/901-903/906/908/909, 185102
 185104/05/07-09/11-13/16-20/23-26/28/33/34
 185138-41/43/45/46/48/49/51, 220021/23/27/29
 221121/30-32/35, 322481/83/84, 333001-03/05-08
 333010-16, DVTs 82203/04/06/07/09/14/20/24/27
 cs 72612+72639+977974+6260

Manchester Piccadilly 14.15-17.00:

66516/547/556/716, 142001/05/07/28/30/37-40/44
 142048/57/58/60, 150110-112/114/118/136-139
 150141/145/148/150/206/207/214/218/220
 150235-237/276, 156420/425/427/452/460/464
 156466/471/475/489/491, 158773/777/783/799
 158810/812/813/863/865/889, 170303/307
 175008/102/105/107/115, 185102/04/06/09-11/13
 185116/20/24/26/31-33/35/36/39/42/43/46/48/49
 220004/18/25/34, 221120/28/33, 319371/380/383
 319386, 323223-25/28-36/38/39, 350408-410
 390009/020/039/047/103/104/107/126/127/135

11th May:**Huyton, Liverpool 07.45-10.35:**

150277, 175108, 185117/20/24/40/50, 319361-368
 319371/375-377/380/382/383

Manchester Victoria 13.10-16.45:

142001/34/44/61, 150103/112/114/116/132/135
 150138-140/204/218/224-226/276, 153363
 155343, 156424/427/489, 158755/756/759/910
 185104/10

Manchester Piccadilly 13.10-16.45:

66131/542/716, 67002, 86622/638, 142005/11/28
 142037/41/42/48/52/53/56-58, 150111/118/119
 150313/137/142/143/145-147/149/150/203/207
 150211/223/224/228/270/271/284, 156410/420
 150427/428/438/440/455/459/471/475/482/483
 156490/491, 158770/773/777/788/799/806/810
 158813/857/865/866, 170306-308, 175102
 175104-106/114/116, 185101/03/05-09/11-15/19
 185123/25/29/31/32/34/35/45/46/49-51, 220001/09
 220016/23/34, 221130/33/35, 319361/376/378/383
 323223/26-29/31-39, 350403/407/408/410, 390011

390043-045/118/130/132/134/135/138/141/154
DVT 82308, cs 12183+12184=12178+12177

18th May:

Southport 09.00-09.43 & 15.55:

142012/37/55, 150220/270/271, 507001/05/10/11

507013/14/16/17/19/20/25/29/31/32, 508117

Kirkdale Depot:

507018, 508130/136/140

Hamilton Square 10.55-12.15:

507002/04/06/09/12/15/23/24/27/30/33, 508103

508110/111/123/127/128/131

Birkenhead North:

507021, 508104/108/122/134

Sandhills 13.30-15.15:

507003/05/07/08/10/11/17/26/28/31/32, 508114

508117/120/125/126/138/139

21st May:

Doncaster, Roberts Road:

66711/774/778

Doncaster Station 08.00-13.10:

08571/724, 43239/274/277/296/300/305-307/310

43313/319/320/367/423/465/467/468/480/484

66174/305/501/531/533/701/754, 67003, 91101-06

91108/10/12/14/16-19/21/25/26/28/31/32, 142016

142043/55/64/66/68/87, 144001/03/05, 153308

158787/791/816/843/844/845/851/859/904

170306/307, 180105/07/10/11/13/14, 185102/21

185131/33/34/43, 220003/04/10/13/20/24/29

221130/38, 222007, 321902, 322482, DR73924

DVTs 82200-02/05/08/10-16/18-20/22-24/26-28

25th May:

Cornbrook, Manchester 08.30-10.00:

66114, 150211, 156403/452/464/466/489, 158780

158788/799/806/857/866, 185105/21

Manchester Victoria 11.05-12.50:

66016, 150117/224, 155343, 156483, 158753/758

158759/792/860, 185116/22/45

Manchester Piccadilly 14.30-17.00:

66716/954, 67002, 70008, 142003/05/11/12/29

142051-54/56/60/61/91, 150103/111/114/115/117

150133/137/140/145/148-150/214/225/228/272

150274/276, 156403/421/424/428/438/460/466

156468/471/486/491, 158770/780/785/799/810

158812/824/863/865, 175101/104/107/114/116

185105/07/08/112/13/17/18/21/25/28/29/32/41

185142/44/46/47/49/50, 220008/10/29, 221122

221136/39, 319361/369/377/378, 323223/25-34

323236-39/ 350403/408/410, 390010/020/039

390044/047/117/129/137/157, DVT 82038

cs 12184+12183+12185+12177

Mike Brook:

17th May:

Water Orton 04.00-19.50:

37602/608, 43304/384, 57310, 60059, 66004/035

66039/056/066/078/096/097/101/102/106/152/164

66197/304/531/540/541/565/571/587/590/591/601

66602/622/706/711/737, 68025, 70007/809, 97304

170101/103-106/108/109/112-117/397/398

170518-522/636-639, 220002/06/09/17/20-22

220027-29/33, 221124/26/33/35/38/39



66711 (07.06) 19.39 Gascoigne Wood Sidings
GBRf - Portbury Coal Terminal



66066 (07.23) 02.39 Southampton Western Docks
Berth 109 - Burton O W Yard Maurice H



97304 (14.18) 13.42 Derby RTC - Bescot Up
Engineers Sidings



66622 (15.41)



68025 in service (15.47) 14.40 Bescot Up
Engineers Sidings - Toton North Yard

18th May:

Nuneaton 08.00-19.10:

31452, 50008, 66020/043/094/101/120/121/160
66194/434/505/531/538/540/542/567/569/571/572
66591/716/728/737/750/751/848/955, 68001
70003/013/019/020/809, 86610/612/632, 90016/36
90040/46, 92033, DR73108



90040 (not illustrated since its re-livery into DB red
in Dec 2015) + 90036 (13.51)
06.07 Mossend Euroterminal - DRIFT



325014 (18.08) 16.22 Willesden - Shieldmuir

23rd May:

Barnetby 09.00-15.30:

60001/047/059/074/100, 66059/096/154, 153357
153374/81, 170306/307, 185101/28/31/33/42/43



60001 (09.42) Nabs Crossing, 04.14 Kingsbury Oil
Sidings - Humber Oil Refinery



66096 (13.19) Brocklesby Jct, 07.44 Scunthorpe
BSC (CHP) - Immingham Bulk Terminal



60047 (13.26) 08.55 Ribble Rail - Lindsey Oil Ref



170306 + 170307 (15.27) Barnetby
the four remaining 170/3s are to transfer to CR from
TPE in early July to become 168/3s

Bruce Bayliss

12th May Heart of Wessex day ranger:

Castle Cary 09.00: 43028/041/086/134

Westbury 10.00:

66172/187/601, 70802, 150101/124/128/263/296

150926, 153373/82, 158958, 159002

Swindon 11.45:

43004/020/025/036/037/056/087/127/153/180/198

66165/570, 70006, 150120, DR80205

Bristol Parkway:

66512/550/601, 43035/053, 150239, 222020

Bristol Temple Meads:

43144/183/192, 150246/249, 153318/33, 158959

Trowbridge: 153370, 158958, 159010

Westbury 14.50:

43135/141, 150263/265, 153382, 158955, 159001

Castle Cary 17.10: 150244

Yeovil Pen Mill: 158766, 159011

Weymouth 1710: 444012/32,

Castle Cary 18.40: 43005/152

Scott Aitken:

30th April:

Slateford 08.15:

380102, DR73915/98911/98961, ADB 965217/219

ADB 968500/201

Haymarket 08.20 & 13.50-14.35:

158717/721, 170412/414/452/474, 220011

334003/13/15/26/29/32/35/36, 380111

Edinburgh Waverley 08.30-09.25:

67016, 90047, 91115, 156439, 158701/708/709

158718/731-733/739/740/869, 170393/407/473

220025/27, 380102/105, 334001/33, DVT 82214

Carstairs 09.45: DR79261/271

Motherwell 10.10-10.28 & 12.00-12.29:

68003/05/19, 320301/306/317/412, 380019

Whifflet 10.35-10.55 & 12.30:

318250/56/70, 320301/308/311/315/317/318

334004

Mossend Yard 11.05:

08632, 66044/507/555/565/736, 67010/30, 86607

86612/622/628/637/638, 92010/38, 318261/67

325007/09/12/16

Rutherglen 11.25: DR73932-934/941, DRP78217

Polmadie 11.35:

08764, 221106, 390006/03/18, 334020, DRB78123

Coatbridge Sunnyside 13.00-13.10:

334001/06/15/17/23/29

1st May:

Edinburgh Waverley 23.40:

67030, 73966, 90046/47, 156508, 380102

2nd May:

Newcastle 01.00: 67018

York 02.30: 09017, D9009, 150271, 158851

Doncaster 03.10: 47703, 158859, 322481

Peterborough 04.15: 66755

Wembley Yard 05.30-05.50:

90036/46, 86401, 377707, 378211/220/224/226

378227/257

Willesden 05.55:

D3671, 66506/508/513/531/591, 172005, 378205

378207/222, DR73929/930, DR98008

Derek Everson:

29th April:

Basingstoke 10.40-12.45:

66047/170/186/504/540/543/554/590, 70801/10



70801 + 70810 (10.41) Basingstoke



66554 + KRA 97117 (10.55) Basingstoke

4th May:

Eastleigh 07.00-19.00:

60007, 66053/075/093/098/106/109/131/136/175

66176/192/512/554/558/567/594/710/730/747/748

66757/846-848, 70006-008/010/013/014/805/809

70810, 73212/13

66757 brought 5580 + D213 + D182 + 50035 and

66748 took them on to Swanage with 20142/205
working down to Swanage on their own

Malcolm Wallace:

3rd May:

Totnes: 43086/134

Taunton: 153372, 66957

Castle Cary: 66416/551

Westbury:

43042/092, 60007, 66019/107/849, 70801/802/804
70806/808, 150239, 153329/33, 158950/961

Salisbury: 158883-885/887, 159018/101

Romsey: 158884/890

Eastleigh 09.18-14.20:

59104 7V16	66501 4O90	66591 4M55
66018 4O39	66534 4O18	66592 4O50
66136 4M52	66538 4O70	70007 4O70
66192 4O43	66567 4M61	70805 6M50

158884/885/890, 220001/15/18/21/23/29, 221119
221128/33/36, 444002/04-07/09/11/13-16/18/23-28
444030/32-35/37/38/40-43, 450004/015/019/021
450029/031/081/088/101/104/109/110/124/544
450551/563/567, 455916



66591 (09.21) Eastleigh



455916 (11.47) Eastleigh



66592 (11.25) Eastleigh

Stabling Point: 66748/848, 73212/213

Yard: 66095/132/747

Depot: 08810

Works: 59003, 444031, 508211, DR98924

Southampton: 66093

Millbrook: 70007

Maritime:

08531, 66501/534/543/592, 70006/014/017/019

Tiverton Parkway: 43122/156

Exeter St David's: 143603, 158886

Starcross: 143611/20

Dawlish Warren: 150232

Teignmouth: 43023/186, 150128

Mike Rumens:

21st April:

Nuneaton: 66167

25th April:

Nuneaton 09.13-09.30/13.54-14.40:

66082/118/563, 70005/808, 153366, 170398

221108/42, 350123, 390010/013/112/118/131/141

27th April:

Nuneaton 14.00-14.20:

70802, 153365, 170103, 221102, 390040/107

28th April:

Nuneaton 13.27-14.30:

37518, 47760, 66098/415/418/426, 70802, 90024

90029/44, 153365, 170115/398/637, 221106/14

350377, 390009/047/119/123/124/127/141/155

DR80303

29th April:

Nuneaton: 153334, 170105, 350120

Whitacre Junction: 66120

Lawley Street: 66517

Birmingham New Street:

170102/112/115/512/521/523, 220013, 350254

323206/07/09/17/19/20

University: 170514

King's Norton: DR98910/60

Lydney: 66140

Newport: 66096/120

Alexandra Dock Junction: 60067, 66168/182

Cardiff:

43004/009/018/033/098/128/130/136/174/194

66512/564, 142010/73/75/77/80, 143602/06/09/14

150123/129/229/236/252/254/258/260/282/285

153312/23/69/80/82, 158822/841/890/950/951/953

170104/523, 175107/115

Margam: 66106

Baglan: 70806

Port Talbot: 66154, DR73920

Swansea: 150284, 153303, 175102/105/111

2nd May:

Nuneaton 13.40-14.40/15.50-16.25:

66125/188, 70805, 153354, 170102/114/115/519

350245/371/377, 390001/008/046/049/050/112

390117/123/125/129/141/154

3rd May:

Nuneaton 13.40-14.30:

20142/205, 66043/170, 70805, 153375, 170105

170116, 350124, 390044/112/130, DR73936

4th May:

Nuneaton 13.45-14.40:

66106/194, 70804, 170102/107/523, 350122/375
390010/049/112/121/125/126/128, DR73936
DR80208

5th May:**Nuneaton 09.31-09.55/13.50-15.05:**

66138/174/591/850, 70016/802/805/806, 90049
153375, 170115/116/397/521, 350103/122/369
390042/048/103/115/117/127/130/141

9th May:**Birmingham New Street:**

220003, 221105, 323206, 350104/107/232/233
390009

10th May:**Nuneaton 13.55-14.42:**

66175/194/521, 70802, 90029/39, 153364, 170115
170397, 221101/15, 350115/120, 390005/010/050
390103, DR77002/73923

11th May:**Nuneaton 13.56-14.45:**

66055/099/504/540, 70802/805/809, 90029/39/45
153366, 170115/116/519/637/638, 350111/124
350369, 390011/044/050/117/119/122/125/127
DR73923

Ian McAlpine:**29th April:****Peterborough:**

66006/061/561/749/755/761, 91120, DVT 82224
DR75303

Northallerton: DR73946**1st May:****Darlington:** 91117, DVT 82223**6th May:****Peterborough:** 91106, DVT 82204**King's Cross:** 67024**Waterloo:**

159014/020/103/106, 458518/535/536

Vauxhall: 458522**Queenstown Road:** 458531**Wimbledon:** 458519**Weybridge:** 458520**Woking:** 59002, DR75411/98220**Basingstoke:** 66554**Salisbury:** 158880/882, 159015/021**Gillingham:** 159013**Yeovil Junction:** 159103**Axminster:** 159012**Pinhoe:** 159102**Exeter St David's:** 158885**7th May:****Exeter St David's:**

43009/018/304/366, 143611/20, 150120/124/130
150221, 159009/010/016/103/106

Starcross: 150120**Newton Abbot:** 143612, 150127/221, 220020**Paignton:** 220011**Laira:** 08641, 70803**Dawlish Warren:** 143619**Crediton:** 143612/17, 150130**Eggesford:** 150265**Topsham:** 150127/249**8th May:****Exeter St David's:** 159007/009**Axminster:** 159005, DR73938**Sherborne:** 159014/108**Tisbury:** 159003**Salisbury:** 159003/006/010/018/106**Basingstoke:** 159011/015**Woking:** 458511/518, DR79200**Clapham Junction:** 377426, 458504**Vauxhall:** 458522**Waterloo:** 159022, 456014/19**King's Cross:** 67003, 321407**13th May:****Peterborough:**

43306/367, 66097/110/614/728/729/738/772

Doncaster: DR75401**14th May:****Darlington:** 185148**York:** 09017, 47798, 373308**Leeds:** 150204, 185139**Huddersfield:** 155345, 185115**15th May:****Darlington:** 91104, DVT 82202**Doncaster:** 66162/775**20th May:****Peterborough:**

37116, 66122/158/707/710/721/730/772, 91132

DVT 82210, DBSO 9701**Doncaster:** 66059/305/533, 67003, DR77802**Leeds:** 185105**Manchester Victoria:** 319369, Trams 3059/070**Liverpool Lime Street:** 507021**Birkenhead Central:** 507002**Hooton:** 507009/24/27, 508111**Little Sutton:** 507027**Chester:** 175113, 508131**22nd May:****Hooton:** 507010/28**Bromborough Rake:** 508103**Rock Ferry:** 507002**Hamilton Square:** 507024**Liverpool Lime Street:** 150132, 185132/50**Edge Hill:** 66715**York:** 91128, DVT 82220**Peterborough:** 66762

FRANCHISE NEWS

All three portions of the Caledonian Sleeper north of the border ran with Cl.73/9s in charge for the first time during late May.

PRESERVATION GALAS

North York Moors Rly 'Scottish Branch' Gala, May 2016 by Colin James;

I made a trip to the North Yorks Moor Railway for the second Friday of their 6 Day, two weekend Scottish Branch line event. Originally set to be the Spring Steam Gala, the non availability of the Keighley based coal tank and Didcot based 2-6-2T 4144, meant a change of plans.



76101 (76079), 80007 (80072) southbound
towards Goathland at 11.43, on 11.24 Grosmont
– Pickering service, Darnholme, 13th May 2016

Already scheduled to visit the railway for the steam gala, Llangollen based BR Std 4MT 2-6-4T 80072 did make the journey and it was subsequently joined by Deltic 55022 (masquerading still as 55007 'Pinza') and 26038 'Tom Clift' from Bo'ness & Kinneil Railway. The home fleet engines working were D7628, 37264, Stanier Black 5 4-6-0 45428, BR Std 4MT 2-6-0 76079 & LNER Q6 0-8-0 63395 with DMU 101685.



44783 (45428) southbound at 13.48 on 13.44
Grosmont – Pickering Pullman lunch dining train,
Esk Valley 13th May 2016

Opting for a Scottish theme allowed the organizers to re-number the steam engines for the event. On the Friday of my visit, 80072 ran as 80007 (It ran as 80126 on the first weekend), 45428 ran as 44783 (also carried 44970 during the event) & 76079 ran as 76101 (also carried 76001 during the event).



26038 + D7628

southbound passing Grosmont MPD at 14:42

on 1T13 14.00 Whitby – Goathland service, 13th May 2016

Unfortunately not in service on the Friday, 55007 (55022) did work services over the preserved line and on the Whitby – Battersby section of the Esk Valley line during the event. The basic timetable on the preserved line was approximately an hourly service, with some Grosmont – Goathland shuttles worked by the DMU, with a goods van B775340 attached (see photo right). D7628 worked the 3 Grosmont – Whitby services, top and tailed by 76101 (76079) on 2 of them.



37264 northbound towards Grosmont at 11.08 on 09.48 from Pickering, Darnholme, 13th May 2016

For the general service pattern 4 rakes of carriages (3 rakes of 5 & 6 Mk1 coaches & 1 rake of 6 LNER teak coaches) were in use, with the Dining train (a set of 7 Mk1 & Pullman carriages) running at lunchtime.

The timetable was relaxed enough to cover any delays that happened and loadings were good for a Friday and the chillier, damper weather conditions.

Concentrating on the north end of the line, other engines seen around Grosmont MPD were:

Yard Shunter: 12139 (Cl.11 look alike)

Various stages of repair, overhaul or

restoration: B1 4-6-0 61264, Bulleid WC 4-6-2 34101 'Hartland', S15 825, Schools 4-4-0 926 'Repton', BR Std 4MT 2-6-4T 80135, BR Std 4MT 2-6-4T 80136 (recent arrival to the line for overhaul completion), Stanier Black 5 4-6-0 44806, K1 2-6-0 62005, Lambton tank No.29, D2207, D5032

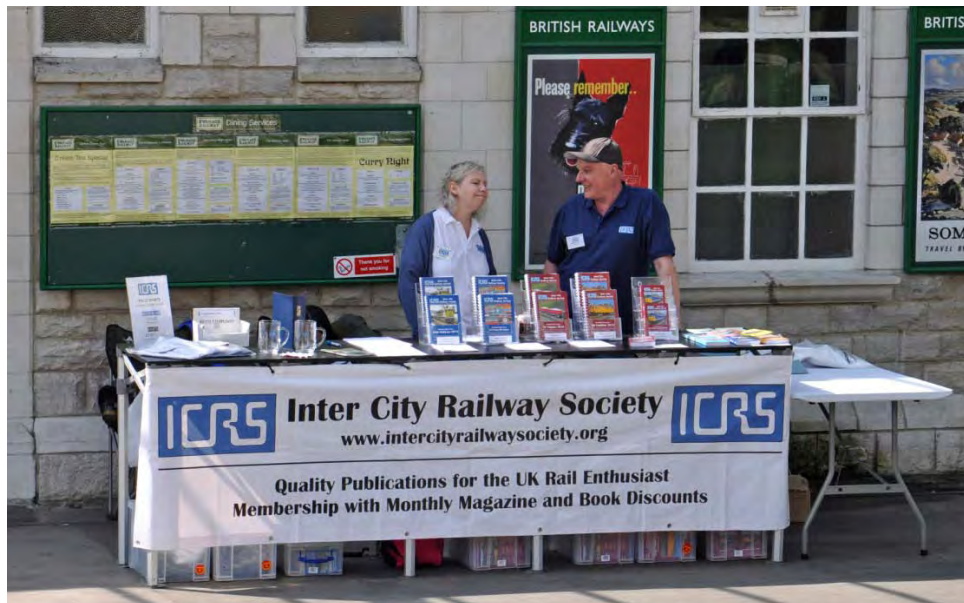
Out of service, pending repairs or restoration: BR Std 4MT 4-6-0 75029, K4 61994 'The Great Marquess' (see photo above at Grosmont Deviation shed), Austerlitz 3672 'Dame Vera Lynn', Lambton tank No.5, S15 830, 28xx 3814



Swanage Railway (SWR) Diesel Gala, 5-8th May 2016:

As well as our sales stand, various members attended this Gala over the 4 days with reports (amended to suit) and photos as shown.

Resident locos: BR Std 2-6-4T 80104, 08436, D3591 (08476), D6515 (33012) 'Lt Jenny Lewis RN', 33111 & 33201. Visiting locomotives: 20142, 20205, 5580 (33162), D213 (40013) 'Andania', D832 'Onslaught', D182 (46045) & 50035 'Ark Royal'. 66748 which had brought a number of the visiting engines to the line was stabled in the carriage sidings at Swanage.



Lou and Colin in a quiet moment between trains, 8th May 2016 (Carl Watson)

Carl Watson: The Preview Day on Thursday 5th May once again celebrated the ever popular Waterloo-Exeter route (62) with, D6515, D832 and 50035 all in action during the day. This is always the quietest of the four days but there were still a good number of visitors and we did reasonable business on the sales stand.

The Gala proper kicked off on Friday with the full list of visiting and home locos taking part. Throughout the weekend timings were broadly kept to and any slippage quickly caught up. 50035 did fail on the Friday evening with a fuel leak and had to be rescued by D6515 which arrived back at Swanage sporting code 62....Class 33 fans were quick to point out that this was a regular feature on route 62! 50035 was repaired and back in use the following morning.



above D213 + D182 approaching the B3351 New Road Bridge above the Corfe Castle NT car park at 16.47 on the 16.45 Norden – Swanage service, 7th May 2016 (Colin James)

D213, for me (and Lou!) was the star of the show, looking immaculate in BR green. It performed its first passenger runs since BR days and it was the first appearance of a Cl.40 at Swanage. D832 was a very close second for me and represented the first visit of a Warship to Swanage. D182 in its 'chromatic' blue livery was not liked by all but certainly made a striking sight and prompted much discussion! 20142 and 20205 looked and sounded superb and generally worked as a pair, although 20205 was air brake only so had to be marshalled on the front of every train with 20142 providing the braking. This led to some interesting runs with the 20s coupled cab to cab with bonnet leading out of Swanage!



right cab to cab 20142 + 20205 (08.47) Corfe Castle, 8th May 2016 (Colin James)



above normal bonnet to bonnet, 20142 + 20205 Norden, (09.43) 6th May 2016 (Paul Sumpter)

It was easy to overlook the Cl.31 as it wasn't anywhere near as headline grabbing as some of the other locos but, for me, it was exactly how I remember them on parcels trains through Chippenham and on the Pompey-Cardiff trains...work stained and a little tired looking but getting the job done. A trio of Cl.33s from the home fleet, one of each sub class, provided some interesting combinations. 33111 only ran on the Saturday and Sunday as it was fresh out of repaint.



left D3591 t&t 08436 & brake vans returning southbound to Norden from Frome (15.44) 8th May 2016 (Colin James)

The railway's two Cl.08s performed brake van rides at Norden on the Sunday, departing from Swanage with plenty of willing punters first thing in the morning. They then did runs between Norden and the River Frome (near the mainline connection) all day and returned similarly loaded in the evening. On the other days 08436 could be seen shunting around Swanage station.

The weather throughout the four days was excellent with rain overnight on the Saturday which threatened to linger into Sunday but cleared up by the time trains started running. Other than that, at Swanage at least, it was wall to wall sunshine. The annual Swanage Railway Diesel Gala is quite rightly getting a name for being an excellent, well run gala and this year was the best yet with record numbers over the four days. The organisers and many willing volunteers deserve a very well earned pat on the back.

This was the second year of ICRS co-sponsoring the Diesel Gala programme which helped to raise our profile and we did brisk sales across the four days on the sales stand at Swanage station. We met many Members and even signed up some new ones. Obviously, the weather helped greatly in bringing record numbers and the very impressive line-up was a big draw with two major firsts for the line. Lou and I manned the sales stand for the four days with help from our Membership Secretary, Colin Pottle, on Saturday afternoon and Sunday which gave us some much needed rest. Thanks Colin. Thanks also to all our Members who stopped to buy books, to renew their membership or just to chat.



above 5580 t&t 33111 + D6515 approaching the B3351 New Road Bridge above the Corfe Castle NT car park at 16.01 on the 16.00 Norden – Swanage service, 7th May 2016 (Colin James)

Colin James: I made a trip to the Swanage Railway for days 3 & 4 of their Diesel Gala. Both days were full of bright sunshine, hot in the sheltered areas away from the strong breeze. A good selection of locos were in use for the event. The Purbeck Mineral & Mining Museum next to Norden station was open, with demonstration runs taking place over their narrow gauge track. A beer festival was held in the yard area at Corfe Castle, with trade stands at Swanage station.

A typically intense and well observed timetable was in operation, using three rakes of mixed BR Mk1 and SR coaching stock. Two rakes of 5 coaches were on the all stations services, with 1 rake of 4 coaches on the limited stop service running out of the bay platform at Swanage. On the Saturday, 33201 was employed on driver experience runs on the northern extension from Norden. On Sunday the 08s, top and tailing two Queen Mary brake vans, were in use on the northern extension.

right D832 departs Swanage with
2N14 13.00 for Norden, 6th May
2016 (Andrew Buckley)

Andrew Buckley:

In the run up to this year's Swanage weekend I read somewhere of it being described as the 'Glastonbury of Diesel Galas', that made me stop and think. The line-up this year included a number of firsts. The first visit of a Cl.46, the first time a



Warship has ever operated on this line, the first run for Cl.40 D213 since being withdrawn some thirty years ago and for that matter only the second time that I can think of a 40 ever having been on Dorset metals. This was also the first Diesel Gala that had seen Driver Experience on the northern section of the line from Norden Gates up to the River Frome Viaduct close to the NR boundary.

Friday and Saturday saw me on the line in time for kick off, with Friday starting at Corfe for the arrival of the five locomotive cavalcade from Swanage and Saturday seeing me taking in the scene at HQ itself with an array of locomotives ticking over that would surely have delighted any rail enthusiast, regardless of the year. Sunday saw a later start and a lineside position up on Corfe Common and a little further up the line by the second level crossing south of Corfe for as long as the sun would allow at those points. The level crossing in particular is a favourite location for me on the line. The locomotives working the down services really open up as they climb away from Corfe and at this point you get to see and hear the power being applied, a real assault on the senses and absolutely fabulous.



above 33111 is detached from D6515 and 33201 as it powers out of the sidings at Corfe Castle and heads towards its day's duties on the Driver Experience north of Norden. The remaining 33's worked the stock ecs to Norden and then worked their first passenger duty of the day the 09.15 to Swanage, 6th May 2016 (Andrew Buckley)

left D6515 + 33111 traverse the common between Harman's and Corfe Castle at 15.38 on 2N20 from Swanage, 7th May 2016 (Andrew Buckley)

In common with previous years' a three train intensive timetable with a fast train departing either end of the line every one and a half hours was in operation. Harman's Cross, which must surely be in contention for most idyllic setting of a preserved station, saw these fast services operating through the down mainline in each direction and more generally this meant that there was a move somewhere on the line every twenty minutes.

right D182 between duties (11.37) Swanage, 8th May 2016 (Colin Pottle)





above the general scene at Swanage prior to the first passenger working of the day with *left to right* 50035, + D213 + 5580, 33201, 20205 + 20142, D832 & 08436 on view (08.34) 7th May 2016 (Andrew Buckley)

right 50035 opens up after leaving Corfe Castle with the delayed 10.06 for Swanage (10.18) 6th May 2016 (Andrew Buckley)

below worth another view of a bonnet leading 20, this time 20205 with 20142 crossing the B3351 New Road Bridge above the Corfe Castle NT car park on the 16.45 Swanage to Norden Corfe Castle (17.18) 5th May 2016 (Colin James)



So back to that Glastonbury comment. For me as a music lover Glastonbury represents something fantastic in the midsummer calendar, with a definite something for everyone feel to it, enhanced by a convivial 'good to be alive' aura surrounding the whole event, regardless of the weather. Standing trackside as the 40 opened up and powered past or indeed just listening to it idling at a station stop, or watching the Warship accelerating away from Swanage with that distinctive engine note or seeing the clag erupt from the 'Chromatic' Peak, or being transported back to... Yeah, I reckon that whoever made that comment, they knew what they were on about !

Nene Valley Railway (NVR) Industrials Gala, 23rd-24th Apr 2016 by Neil Dix:

Over the weekend of April 23rd & 24th April the Nene Valley Railway held an Industrial Locomotives event. Undoubtedly the star of the show was the recently rediscovered Hunslet 0-6-0ST [1589]



'Newstead' (see photo left) The locomotive had been presumed scrapped by many preservationists but instead had been purchased by an enthusiast who had kept it in a shed near to where he lived. It was only after he passed away that whereabouts of this locomotive was uncovered. An overhaul is required before it can be returned to full working order.

Visiting locos in action over the weekend also included Hunslet 0-6-0ST WD 75008 [2857] 'Swiftsure' (East Lancs Rly) and Hudswell Clarke [1700] 0-6-0ST 'Wissington' (Yaxham Station Yard).

Resident diesels in use included CI.14 D9520 and Rolls Royce 0-6-0DH DL83 [10271] in London Transport Livery. Whilst not as well attended as some of their events, it was still well worth visiting. The weather was dry throughout and all in all it was a very enjoyable day out.



above right 0-6-0T WD 75008 [2857]

above D9520]

below DL83 [10271]



above 0-6-0T [1700]

Didcot Rly Centre (DRC) Diesel Gala, 23rd-24th May 2016 by Paul Sumpster:

I decided to get down for the opening of the Gala and was 3rd through the gate, which enabled me to get some great shots without any interlopers. Didcot always produces an excellent day out with a variety of locos. Unfortunately they were a few short due to unknown circumstances, which in fairness to them they reduced the entrance fee. Visiting locos were 56098 (UKRL) D182 (MRB) 33035 (BH) and D2120 (FHR) all running with 66118 and 08742 on static display. Home locos in action were D9516, 604 and DL16.



D2120 + DL16 on a demonstration freight,
23rd May 2016



above D9516 on the northern line with
below 33035, D182 & 56098 lined up
outside the steam shed

The layout of the centre is excellent with two demonstration lines to travel on, albeit both short, but at least you can get some haulage. The smaller line to the south of the site had the shunters working and the line alongside the main Oxford – Paddington avoiding line had the larger locos. Gas turbine 18000 was positioned on the turntable.



I was only there for the morning and they had D9516 on the first run up the short line and then attempted to add 56098 but had problems with breaking compatibilities, so the 56 had to be removed, a little later they paired 33035 and 56098 which I took the chance to ride behind before I left.

As usual the steam shed had a large collection of steam locos on display. There are many excellent photo opportunities. There was also a beer festival as well in a converted coach called the Black Python and a great variety of hot food. The event should attract more visitors than it gets as DRC has easy access, by rail and car and great facilities.

Severn Valley Rly (SVR) Diesel Gala, 19th - 21st May 2016 by Andrew Buckley:

*Several members attended, what appears to a spectacular Diesel Gala, so photos are from several sources as shown (68025 is shown in **NEW STOCK**). The main report is by Andrew Buckley who had never visited the line before.*

Ordinarily this is a Gala Weekend that takes place in the Autumn and clashes for me with other things. The move this year to mid May was an opportunity too good to be missed and therefore as soon as I saw the dates and indeed the depth of motive power rostered I booked a room in nearby Stourbridge. The added bonus there being the Parry People Carrier conveying me from Junction to Town...*something I've yet to see, ed.*

And so, in common with pretty much every Gala Weekend I have attended, the weather forecast was at best mixed and in particular Saturday carried a real threat of being a washout. Standing at Kidderminster on the Friday morning the skies looked threatening, but piercing the gloom were the English Electric whistle and rumble of a pair of Cl.20s and the Torpedo boat throb of a Deltic ticking over. I can't remember the last time I heard that combination but I would have happily stood in pouring rain listening to them.



above 55019 on a positioning move, Kidderminster, (12.33) 21st May 2016 (Andrew Buckley)

Locos in action were, resident: D8059, D8188, 50035, D1015 'Western Champion' (masquerading as D1058 'Western Nobleman' & D1010 'Western Campaigner' on opposite sides). Visiting: 20142/205 (MRB), 5580 (GCN), 33035 (BH), 37716 (DRS), D182 (MRB), D1010 (WSR), D9002 'King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry' (NRM), 55019 'Royal Highland Fusilier' (DPS), 66763 'Severn Valley Railway' (GBRF) which was named at the event, 68015/025 (DRS), 73951/952 (NR)



**D8188 + D8059 depart Highley at 13.32
with the 12.54 to Bridgnorth, 20th May 2016 (Andrew Buckley)**

A quick look at the timetable decided my course of action with Deltic 55019 rostered on the 12.06 return working the first service for Bridgnorth. I therefore took the second working behind the resident D8059 + D8188 departing Kidderminster at 09.55. This would allow me time to have a look round Kidderminster itself and also give me an opportunity to quickly explore Bridgnorth before taking the Deltic back. As this was my first visit it would also afford me an opportunity to look for some vantage points from the train itself with a view to bailing from the 12.06 return.



50049 approaching Highley at 16.23 heading to Kidderminster, 21st May 2016 (Andrew Buckley)

Having made Bridgnorth and stopped for a 'nosebag' and a brief look around the rail environs there, I duly caught the 12.06 departure behind 55019 My destination was to be Highley and the Railway Museum on the Arley side with its picnic area and observation platform adjoining the museum itself.

On the journey back I was hanging out of the window thrilling to the sound of the Napier Deltic engine which seemed to be amplified in the relative stillness of the virtual amphitheatre that the surrounding landscape of mature trees and the stunning Severn Valley afforded. That section between Bridgnorth and Highley is, for me the most beautiful stretch on the line and the performance of the loco only enhanced it, what a noise!

left D1015 as D1010 Kidderminster, (19.59) 21st May 2016 (Andrew Buckley)



Highley proved to be a good choice. The picnic area afforded the most magnificent sweeping shots of the line particularly the down workings for Bridgnorth. Plus of course having a cafeteria and locomotive museum on tap also meant that there was something to do all the time. After a great few hours at Highley I made my way back to Kidderminster on a staggered route taking in haulage by Western D1015 running in two disguises and a surprise, the second Deltic D9002, both of which performed and sounded faultless.



two stored locos at opposite ends of the line,
above left 20177 at Kidderminster, above right D1013 Bridgnorth (Andrew Buckley)



above 20205 + 20142
Kidderminster, (19.51)
19th May 2016 (Matt Ryder)

Saturday would follow a similar pattern but with the added benefit of a wander around the newly opened Kidderminster Diesel Depot. At Swanage I had had the opportunity to talk to one of the owners of a Cl.50 who work out of 'Kiddy' and he told me that the benefits were incalculable. The simplest being, with a roof over your head, working in the dry but also and because of this, the time benefits were staggering as you no longer needed to spend time at either end of your work session removing and replacing body panels. Simple!



above 73952 + 33035 Kidderminster (14.38) 20th May 2016 (James Holloway)
below right 66763 Kidderminster, 20th May 2016 (Peter Davis)

So arriving at the depot it was great to see D1062 'Western Courier' along with Hymek D7029 inside but also an unnumbered and unnamed but ex-works 50031 'Hood' in Intercity livery and the NR 73s. Also present was 66763.

So how to sum up. In excess of fifteen locos in operation over the weekend with others on the line so big ticks for me in terms of locos working, particularly as I'm a big fan of Deltics and Westerns. Stunning countryside through which the line traverses, probably as beautiful as any preserved line I have visited and weather that intruded, but didn't overly affect.



right

50031 in its yet to be finished
Intercity livery, Kidderminster
Diesel Depot,
21st May 2016 (Andrew Buckley)

So continuing the musical metaphor, if indeed Swanage is Glastonbury (see earlier report), then this has to be Reading. I will be there again!



STIRLINGSHIRE SIGHTINGS

by Derek Sneddon

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

16th April		06.30 66044 6A32	MN-AB	7th May	
05.45 68018 4H47	MN-IS	28th April		05.45 68023 4H47	MN-IS
13.00 68019 4A13	GM-AB	05.45 68020 4H47	MN-IS	11.20 66103 4M30	GM-DV
18th April		08.30 60076 6A65	OX-AB	13.00 68022 4A13	GM-AB
05.45 68018 4H47	MN-IS	13.00 68022 4A13	GM-AB	14.07 66419 6K40	CL-NL
13.00 68017 4A13	GM-AB	29th April		8th May	
19th April		05.45 68018 4H47	MN-IS	13.00 68022 4A13	GM-AB
05.45 68018 4H47	MN-IS	06.30 66167 6A32	MN-AB	22.53 66510/98 6K41	
06.55 60095 6R46	GM-PW	06.55 60026 6R46	GM-PW		MN-Camperdown
10.20 66555 6Z68	AW-LT	30th April		9th May	
13.00 68017 4A13	GM-AB	05.45 68018 4H47	MN-IS	05.45 66422 4H47	MN-IS
13.30 60085 6S36	DS-GM	08.35 44871+47760 1Z71	ED-IS	08.30 60076 6A65	OX-AB
20th April		13.00 68022 4A13	GM-AB	13.00 68022 4A13	GM-AB
06.30 66103 6A32	MN-AB	13.30 60026 6S36	DS-GM	10th May	
08.30 60076 6A65	OX-AB	1st May		05.45 66422 4H47	MN-IS
13.00 68022 4A13	GM-AB	13.00 68022 4A13	GM-AB	06.55 56113 6R46	GM-PW
21st April		2nd May		13.00 68022 4A13	GM-AB
05.10 60076 6H51	OX-IS	05.45 68019 4H47	MN-IS	13.30 60095 6S36	DS-GM
05.45 68018 4H47	MN-IS	13.00 68022 4A13	GM-AB	11th May	
13.00 68022 4A13	GM-AB	3rd May		05.45 66422 4H47	MN-IS
22nd April		06.55 60026 6R46	GM-PW	08.30 60076 6A65	OX-AB
05.45 68020 4H47	MN-IS	08.30 60085 6A65	OX-AB	13.00 68019 4A13	GM-AB
06.30 66050 6A32	MN-AB	13.00 68022 4A13	GM-AB	12th May	
13.30 60026 6S36	DS-GM	13.30 60095 6S36	DS-GM	05.10 60026 6H51	OX-IS
23rd April		14.27 44871+47760 1Z57	IS-MN	05.45 66422 4H47	MN-IS
05.45 68020 4H47	MN-IS	4th May		06.30 66167 6A32	MN-AB
11.20 66044 4M30	GM-DV	05.10 60085 6H51	OX-IS	13.00 68019 4A13	GM-AB
13.00 68022 4A13	GM-AB	05.45 66430 4H47	MN-IS	13th May	
13.30 60095 6S36	DS-GM	13.00 68022 4A13	GM-AB	05.45 66422 4H47	MN-IS
25th April		13.30 60095 6S36	DS-GM	06.30 66012 6A32	MN-AB
05.45 68020 4H47	MN-IS	5th May		06.55 60085 6R46	GM-PW
08.30 60076 6A65	OX-AB	05.45 68020 4H47	MN-IS	13.00 68019 4A13	GM-AB
13.00 68022 4A13	GM-AB	08.30 60076 6A65	OX-AB	14th May	
26th April		13.00 68022 4A13	GM-AB	05.45 68002 4H47	MN-IS
05.45 68020 4H47	MN-IS	6th May		11.20 66230 4M30	GM-DV
08.50 37667/607 6S99	CL-GE	05.10 60076 6H51	OX-IS	13.00 68019 4A13	GM-AB
13.00 68022 4A13	GM-AB	05.45 68020 4H47	MN-IS	13.30 60065 6S36	DS-GM
27th April		06.30 66156 6A32	MN-AB	15th May	
05.10 60076 6H51	OX-IS	13.00 68022 4A13	GM-AB	13.00 68019 4A13	GM-AB
05.45 68020 4H47	MN-IS				

Location Codes:

AB Aberdeen	BA Blair Atholl	CB Coatbridge	CV Cliff Vale	EL Elgin
AC Achnasheen	BD Bedworth	CD Charfield	CW Cwmbargoed	EU Euston
AD Alexander Dock	BE Berkeley	CE Crewe	CY Corby	ES Earlsseat
Jnct	BH Brierley Hill	CF Cardiff	DC Dyce	EV Evesham
AE Attercliffe	BI Burntisland	CH Chaddesden	DL Dalmeny	EX Exeter
AF Ashford	BL Bristol	CI Clitheroe	DM Dollands Moor	FB Ferrybridge
AH Ashchurch	BN Beeston	CK Chirk	DR Doncaster	FF Fiddlers Ferry
AJ Awre Junction	BO Bo'ness	CL Carlisle	DS Dalston	FG Fishguard
AK Aldwarke	BP Bath	CM Chalmersston	DT Didcot	FO Forres
AL Alston	BR Bridgwater	CN Carnforth	DU Dundee	FR Fairwater
AN Acton	BS Bescot	CO Cottam	DV Davenport	FW Fort William
AP Appleford	BT Barton Hill	CP Chepstow	DW Dalwhinnie	FY Falkland Yard
AR Abercynon	BU Burton	CQ Croft Quarry	DY Derby	GC Glasgow Central
AT Abbotswood Jnct	BW Barrow Hill	CR Cadder	EA Earles Sidings	GE Georgemas Jnct
AV Avonmouth	BZ St Blazey	CS Cheltenham	ED Edinburgh	GL Gloucester
AW Aberthaw	BY Barry	CT Cardiff Tidal	EE Elderslie	GM Grangemouth
AY Ayr	CA Calvert	CU Cumbernauld	EH Eastleigh	GR Grange Sidings

GS	Gleneagles	LB	Ladybank	NE	Neath	RD	Reading	TE	Trostre
GW	Gascoigne Wood	LC	Lincoln	NG	Nottingham	RE	Redmile	TF	Tremorfa
GY	Grimsby	LD	Lydney	NH	Newton Heath	RG	Rugeley	TG	Teigngrace
HA	Hayes	LG	Lairg	NJ	Norton Jnct	RI	Riccarton	TH	Theale
HD	Handsworth	LH	Leith	NL	Newtonhill	RM	Rotherham	TJ	Tuffley Jnct
HF	Hereford	LI	Linlithgow	NT	Newport	RN	Robeston	TK	Tavistock Jnct
HH	Holyhead	LK	Lackenby	NV	Neville Hill	RO	Round Oak	TL	Tilbury
HL	Hartlepool	LL	Llanwern	NW	Nantwich	RR	Rowley Regis	TN	Taunton
HO	Halewood	LM	Long Marston	OB	Oban	RV	Ravenstruther	TO	Toton
HR	Harwich	LN	Laurencekirk	ON	Onllwyn	RY	Rugby	TR	Trishington
HS	Hunslet	LO	Longsight	OO	Old Oak Common	SA	Saltley	TS	Tees Yard
HT	Hastings	LR	Leicester	OX	Oxwellmains	SB	Stourbridge	TU	Tunstead
HU	Hunterston	LS	Leeds	OY	Oxley	SC	Scunthorpe	TY	Tyseley
HV	Haverfordwest	LT	Longannet	PA	Paisley	SD	Standish Jnct	VA	Victoria
HW	Heywood Jnct	LW	Linkswood	PB	Peterborough	SF	Stud Farm	WB	Wembley
HY	Hinksey	LY	Lindsey	PC	Port Clarence	SG	Stoke Gifford	WE	West Burton
IB	Ironbridge	MC	Machen	PF	Peak Forest	SH	Slough	WG	Wentloog
IM	Immingham	MD	Middlesbrough	PG	Pengham	SI	Sinfin	WH	Westerleigh
IS	Inverness	ME	Montrose	PH	Perth	SJ	Severn Tun. Jnct	WI	Whitemoor
JM	Jersey Marine	MF	Milford	PL	Polmont	SK	Shirebrook	WM	Wemyss
KB	Kittybrewster	MG	Margam	PM	St Philips Marsh	SN	Stockton	WN	Willesden
KC	Kirkcaldy	MH	Millerhill	PN	Paddington	SO	Southampton	WP	Workshop
KK	Kilmarnock	ML	Motherwell	PO	Polmadie	SP	Spetchley	WR	Warrington
KL	Kyle of Lochalsh	MN	Mossend	PR	Preston	SR	Stourton	WS	Worcester
KM	Kemble	MO	Moreton	PT	Paignton	SS	Swansea	WV	Wolverhampton
KN	King's Norton	MS	Maesteg	PW	Prestwick	ST	Stirling	WW	Washwood Heath
KS	Kingsland Road	MT	Mountsorrel	PY	Portbury	SV	Stevenage	WY	Westbury
KT	Kennethmont	MV	Manchester Vic	PZ	Penzance	SW	Swindon	YK	York
KY	Kingsbury	MW	Moorswater	RA	Redcar	SY	Shipley	YT	Yate
LA	Laira	NA	Nairn	RC	Ratcliffe	TD	Tyne Dock		

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).

23rd April		11.11 60091 6B13	RN-WH	22.13 41001/43013/048/300/423	
11.40 60091 6B13	RN-WH	11.23 66421 4V38	DV-WG		5Z43 Hotchley Hill-PM
12.28 66131/018 6W38	WY-AL	11.50 66059 6V05	RO-MG	2nd May	
13.42 70062 6C42	WY-AL	28th April		07.30 66174 6B71	CT-SW
24th April		05.42 66150 6M90	AV-CI	09.02 66768 6V80	GW-PY
10.20 66018 6W38	AL-WY	08.59 66553 4V89	YK-SG	10.51 66426 4V38	DV-WG
10.58 66131/70802 6C24	AL-WY	11.02 66421 4V38	DV-WG	19.42 37884/56098 0Z37	PM-LR
12.21 DR77901 6J88	WY-RY	11.11 60066 6B13	RN-WH	20.19 66118 6E30	MG-HL
18.50 66144 6V29	KY-CT	11.26 66059 6V05	RO-MG	3rd May	
20.05 66012 4Z35	AD-BS	12.53 37069/605 6M63	BR-CE	08.36 66078 6M81	MG-RO
25th April		29th April		11.07 66097 6V05	RO-MG
08.30 66140 6M81	MG-RO	00.30 66089 6M39	MO-Elstow	11.09 60091 6B13	RN-WH
10.50 66433 4V38	DV-WG	04.14 66097 6M03	RN-BD	14.02 66303 4V38	DV-WG
11.11 60039 6B13	RN-WH	05.55 66077 6M60	EX-BS	15.01 66238 6V92	CY-MG
11.43 60091 6V05	RO-MG	08.27 66106 6M81	MG-RO	19.08 66101 6V69	BS-AD
26th April		09.10 66128 6M96	MG-CY	4th May	
10.39 56098 6Z34	CT-LR	09.15 66722 6V80	GW-PY	10.54 66433 4V38	DV-WG
11.01 66128 6V05	RO-MG	10.50 66426 4V38	DV-WG	15.03 66097 6V92	CY-MG
13.59 37421/175 3Z05	DY-CF	11.01 66078 6V05	RO-MG	9th May	
19.33 66077 6V69	BS-AD	11.18 60066 6B13	RN-WH	09.52 98960/910 6Z10	BS-MG
20.06 66031 6Z44	AW-LY	30th April		11.12 60091 6B13	RN-WH
20.17 66171 6E30	MG-HL	04.01 66039 6D98	CT-HD	11th May	
20.21 66433 4M36	WG-DV	11.01 66078 6V05	RO-MG	09.54 66763 6V80	GW-PY
20.30 66144 6V65	SA-CT	11.38 60091 6B13	RN-WH	10.26 60091 0B13	MG-WH
27th April		1st May		10.52 66434 4V38	DV-WG
03.12 66749 6V00	PC-CF	11.14 66433 4V38	DV-WG	13.37 37609/603 1Q42	EX-CE
08.28 66075 6M81	MG-RO	11.20 37884/56098 0Z37	LR-BL		

18th May		09.12 66152 6M81	MG-RO	11.09 60091 6B13	RN-WH
03.55 66121 6M03	RN-BD	10.49 66304 4V38	DV-WG	11.27 66176 6V05	RO-MG
09.16 66005 6V05	RO-MG	11.01 66176 6V05	RO-MG	14.37 66094 6V92	CY-MG
13.14 37605/610 6M63	BR-CE	11.10 60066 6B13	RN-WH	20.49 66250 6V55	BD-RN
16.00 66152 6V07	RO-MG	21.15 66054 6E09	ON-IM	21st May	
20.12 66434 4M36	WG-DV	20th May		10.44 60039 6B13	RN-WH
20.49 66121 6V55	BD-RN	00.25 66061 6M39	MO-Radlett	11.15 66304 4V38	DV-WG
159106 5Z59		04.25 66766 6V00	PC-CF	22nd May	
Salisbury-Loughborough		05.50 66066 6M60	EX-BS	08.35 70804/66849 6C26	CS-WY
19th May		08.33 60066 6M81	MG-RO	16.57 70801 6C24	AL-WY
05.22 66197 6M90	AV-CI	11.04 66434 4V38	DV-WG	19.22 70809 6C25	CS-WY

LIGHT RAIL & METRO NEWS

Metrolink by Geoff Hope:

On the 30th April a member of the public slipped on the tracks close to Market Street stop bringing trams on the Piccadilly and Ashton services to a halt. Another power failure late morning on the 30th in St.Peter's Square disrupted services for just over an hour. On the 3rd May another incident occurred in Oldham involving tram 3076 and a van. Reports suggest the van had passed a red light, the driver fleeing from the scene. On the 10th May a car finished up with a dented bumper near St.Peter's Square. No injuries were reported in either incidents.

St.Peter's Square will close from the 26th June for nine weeks for completion of the fourteen month rebuild of the stop. From this date the Eccles / Media City line will also close for track replacement. Services to Media City will recommence at the beginning of August and to Eccles by the end of August to coincide with the opening of St.Peter's Square. The Cornbrook - Eccles section was laid in 2001 when the original Eccles service started. During closure of St.Peter's Square the following services will operate: Altrincham -



Deansgate Castlefield, East Didsbury - Deansgate Castlefield, Airport - Cornbrook, Media City - Deansgate Castlefield from the beginning of August, Bury - Ashton-under-Lyne, Bury - Ethiad Campus, Shaw & Crompton - Piccadilly, Rochdale - Exchange Square.

Trams 3001 (see photo above) & 3007 have both received Cadbury Crunchie advertising liveries, this is in addition to 3058 (see photo left) in Sainsbury's livery. Tram 3114 first day in service was on Wednesday 11th May. Tram 3115

arrived at Queens Road depot on the 7th May with 3116 expected on the 28th May.

Observations for Wednesday 25th May were as follows: (92 trams in service)

Cornbrook 08.30-10.00:

Bury-East Didsbury: 3005+3049, 3006+3033, 3010+3011, 3015+3038, 3021+3034, 3022+3025, 3024+3026, 3036+3053, 3043+3050, 3048+3059

Altrincham - Ethiad Campus: 3003+3008, 3009+3047, 3017+3040, 3018+3019, 3037+3052, 3041+3044, 3042+3054, 3051+3057.

Altrincham-Deansgate / Castlefield: 3002/3023/3027/3046/3056

Eccles/ Media City - Piccadilly: 3062+3082, 3063+3092, 3065+3077, 3067+3071, 3068+3099, 3069+3096, 3078+3095

Cornbrook-Manchester Airport: 3030/3061/3080/3083/3089/3091/3097/3100

Old Trafford Depot 10.05-10.15: 1020/1023/2001: 3004/3013/3014/3081

Queens Road Depot 10.45-11.00: 1027/1028: 3007/3020/3032/3039/3055/3113/3115

Victoria 11.05-12.50:

Bury-Piccadilly: 3001/3012/3028/3029/3031/3035/3058

Shaw & Crompton - Exchange Square: 3090/3098/3101/3103/3105-3107

Rochdale - Ashton: 3064/3070/3072/3075/3079/3085/3088/3093/3094/3102/3108/3109-3112.

Trams not seen: 3016/3045/3060/3066/3073/3074/3076/3084/3086/3087/3104/3114

The following observations by Bob Johnston were made between 15.00 - 18.00, mainly in Piccadilly Gardens:

20th May 2016: 02-24/26-29/31-45/47-49/51-57/59-65/67/68/70/71/73/77/78/81/82/86/87/89-95/98/99/101/102/106-111/113/114

21st May 2016: 02/03/05-11/14-21/24/26-28/31/3-39/40/42/45/47-54/56/57/59-63/65/67/68/70/71-73/77-79/81/82/86/90/91/94/98/99/102/103/106/109/112-114

22nd May 2016: 02/03/07-09/12-19/21/24/26-29/33-36/38-40/42,43-45/47/49-54/56/57/60/62/65/67/71/72/77,78,79/81-83/85/86/88/90/91/93/94/98/101/102-104/106/107/109/111-114

Not seen and believed to be in service:

01/25/30/46/58/66/69/74-76/80/

84/100/115

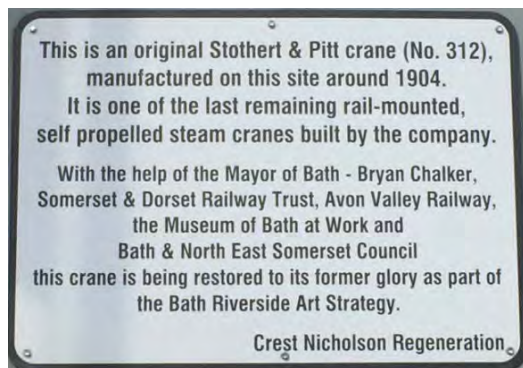
Midland Metro by Simon Sims:

Midland Metro tram 33 was seen undergoing driver training in Birmingham on the 25th May 2016 on the extension from Bull Street to Birmingham New Street. This was the first week of such training with a full service starting the May Bank Holiday weekend. The following photo shows the tram at the New Street stop at 11.46.



PRESERVATION OUTPOSTS

Martin Eden visited Bath on the 23rd April and found a plinthed steam crane opposite the Holiday Inn Express on the Lower Bristol Road next to a Sainsbury's petrol station and a new housing development on the site of the old Stothert & Pitt works. The plaque is self explanatory but in addition it remained working up until it failed a boiler test in 2007. It was moved there on the 12th June 2011 from the S&Ds base at Washford on the West Somerset Rly. Cosmetically painted, it is hoped eventually to restore it to working order.



DAYS OUT

Driver Experience on the South Devon Railway by Jeremy Frost:

On the 15th May 2016 I attended a diesel driver experience day on the South Devon Railway, the day started with the five participants and their guests meeting on the platform at Buckfastleigh station at 08.30. After a safety brief for the day we started off by looking round the yard & sheds at Buckfastleigh. Leaving the station, we went down towards the yard where we saw Devon Diesel Society's 50002 which is currently undergoing restoration outside the Private Locomotive Owners Group shed. Following on round from this we saw South Devon Diesels Tractions Fleet, Cl.37 6975, Cl.25s D7612 & 25191 and finally Cl.33 D6501. After walking round the station side of the yard we went into the locomotive workshop for South Devon Railway Engineering, outside the shed was BR Cl.09 D3721 which was sporting BR Green Livery with an added GWR Logo also outside the workshops was South Devon Railways Cl.122 DMU W55000. The day continued with a visit to Buckfastleigh signal box, where we could also see the preparation of 6975 ready for our train.

10.00 soon came round which was the departure time of the first of our five trains for the day, On the first trip of the day we also had 0-6-0PT 6412 attached to the front of the train due to modified signalling arrangements using only one token (see photo below). Upon arrival at Staverton loop 6412 was detached ready to return to Buckfastleigh for the first service train of the day.

right cab interior of 6975



At 13.45 we stopped at Totnes Littlehempston, where I was allowed to assist in the uncoupling & coupling up of the locomotive to the train, after this we stopped for lunch and a presentation of certificates from our host for the day. Just before departure after lunch we were lucky enough to see 43002 pass by on the mainline on 1A87 Penzance to Paddington.

The day was rounded off by bringing the last train into Buckfastleigh at 17.05, throughout the day we had plenty of photo opportunities along the line, and all participants had a great day with the locomotive crew from South Devon Diesel Traction and all of the volunteers on board the train from the South Devon Railway Association.

RAILWAY GLOBETROTTERS

Around the World in 40 Days by Ray Smith - Part 4:

All of the following photographs were taken at the Moscow Railway Museum at Rizhskiy Station. The class description is in English as Ray does not have a Cyrillic keyboard !

Day 12 – Wednesday 14th May, 2014 (cont):



above
Co-Co-Co-Co 2TE10M
2670, 14th May 2014

right Bo-Bo TE2 289,
14th May 2014

below
Co-Co TEP10 082,
14th May 2014



above
Electric Co-Co ChS4 023,
14th May 2014

below Electric Co-Co
VL22m 1442,
14th May 2014



4-8-2 P36 0097, 14th May 2014



Co-Co TEM2 1768, 14th May 2014



Electric Bo-Bo-Bo-Bo VL8 1232, 14th May 2014
right Co-Co-Co-Co 2M62 0500, 14th May 2014



Electric Bo-Bo-Bo-Bo VL80c 005, 14th May 2014



Electric Co-Co VL23 501, 14th May 2014



Co-Co TE3 7376, 14th May 2014



0-6-0 TGM1 2925, 14th May 2014



Bo-Bo TGM4 1676, 14th May 2014



0-6-0 TGM23 1026, 14th May 2014



2-10-0 P3393, 14th May 2014



0-10-0 EM725 12, 14th May 2014



Co-Co ChME3 5452, 14th May 2014



Bo-Bo ChME2 508, 14th May 2014

Day 13 – Thursday 15th May, 2014:

All of today was to be spent on the train. Travelling through Siberia we eventually stopped at Krasnojarsk. This gave me the chance to go up the platform and see what our haul was. It was Bo-Bo-Bo EP1 054. The rest of the day was spent on the train.

right Unit EP200 2, 14th May 2014

below Tram 3062, Novosibirsk, 14th May 2014

below right Co-Co TEM18Lm 408 shunting empty stock Novosibirsk, 14th May 2014





above plinthed 0-10-0 EM3 730 73, Ilanskaya, 15th May 2014



Bo-Bo-Bo-Bo EP1 061, Krasnojarsk, 15th May 2014



Bo-Bo-Bo-Bo EP1 032, Krasnojarsk, 15th May 2014



above between Ilanskaya and Irkutsk, from the train, I photographed this 3 section locomotive, it is a bad photo but the only example I have seen of this unidentified class, 15th May 2014



unit ED9M 1035, Irkutsk, 15th May 2014



tram 168, Irkutsk, 15th May 2014

Day 14 – Friday 16th May, 2014: Irkutsk, the Paris of Siberia. No railway activity. Quite a few trams and an overnight in a hotel.

photos by Ray Smith (to be cont)

FREIGHT MATTERS

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

Thanks to the following for information: Alex Ford, Nigel Vickers, Steve Wakerly

New / Added to TOPS: FWA Bogie Ecofret Triple Container Flat 'Shortliner'

81.70.4520.168-3 to 197-2 & 81.70.4521.020-5 to 034-6 for GBRf yet to be delivered

MWA Bogie Box 81.70.5891.001-6 to 064-4 for Freightliner, many already in UK

JGA Bogie Cement Tanks 81.70.7829.000-1 to 030-8 for Tarmac, party delivered

With so many new wagons I thought it helpful if I supplied the number ranges in the same format as **UK Wagons 2016** so you can incorporate with your book. Please note the code change for 81.70.5500.104 to 163 as **MMA** not **JNA** as reported last month. If you want a separate pdf of the following numbers please email me at editor@intercityrailwaysociety.org

81 70 4520 xxx-x

83 70 4520 168-3 to 197-2 are the outer vehicles of triple sets with centres 83 70 4521 020-5 to 034-6

FWA – Bogie Ecofret Triple Container Flat 'Shortliner'

built by Greenbrier, Poland, 2016 (yet to be delivered *)

168-3 *	172-5 *	176-6 *	180-8 *	184-0 *	188-1 *	192-3 *	195-6 *
169-1 *	173-3 *	177-4 *	181-6 *	185-7 *	189-9 *	193-1 *	196-4 *
170-9 *	174-1 *	178-2 *	182-4 *	186-5 *	190-7 *	194-9 *	197-2 *
171-7 *	175-8 *	179-0 *	183-2 *	187-3 *	191-5 *		

81 70 4521 xxx-x

83 70 4521 020-5 to 034-6 are the centre vehicles of triple sets with outers 83 70 4520 168-3 to 197-2

FWA – Bogie Ecofret Triple Container Flat 'Shortliner'

built by Greenbrier, Poland, 2016 (yet to be delivered *)

020-5 *	022-1 *	024-7 *	026-2 *	028-8 *	030-4 *	032-0 *	034-6 *
021-3 *	023-9 *	025-4 *	027-0 *	029-6 *	031-2 *	033-8 *	

81 70 5500 xxx-x

JNA - Bogie Box

built by Astra Rail, Romania, 2016

054-8 (S)	057-1 (S)	060-5 (S)	063-9 (S)	066-2 (S)	068-8 (S)	070-4 (S)	072-0 (S)
055-5 (S)	058-9 (S)	061-3 (S)	064-7 (S)	067-0 (S)	069-6 (S)	071-2 (S)	073-8 (S)
056-3 (S)	059-7 (S)	062-1 (S)	065-4 (S)				

81 70 5500 xxx-x

MMA - Bogie Box

built by Astra Rail, Romania, 2016 (yet to be delivered *)

074-6	086-0*	098-5	109-0 *	120-7 *	131-4 *	142-1 *	153-8 *
075-3 *	087-8 *	099-3	110-8 *	121-5 *	132-2 *	143-9 *	154-6 *
076-1 *	088-6 *	100-9	111-6 *	122-3 *	133-0 *	144-7 *	155-3 *
077-9 *	089-4	101-7	112-4 *	123-1 *	134-8 *	145-4 *	156-1 *
078-7 *	090-2	102-5	113-2 *	124-9 *	135-5 *	146-2 *	157-9 *
079-5	091-0 *	103-3 *	114-0 *	125-6 *	136-3 *	147-0 *	158-7 *
080-3	092-8	104-1 *	115-7 *	126-4 *	137-1 *	148-8 *	159-5 *
081-1 *	093-6	105-8 *	116-5 *	127-2 *	138-9 *	149-6 *	160-3 *

082-9 *	094-4	106-6 *	117-3 *	128-0 *	139-7 *	150-4 *	161-1 *
083-7	095-1	107-4 *	118-1 *	129-8 *	140-5 *	151-2 *	162-9 *
084-5 *	096-9	108-2 *	119-9 *	130-6 *	141-3 *	152-0 *	163-7 *
085-2	097-7						

81 70 5500 xxx-x

JNA - Bogie Box

built by Astra Rail, Romania, 2016 (yet to be delivered *)

164-5 *							
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81 70 5891 xxx-x

MWA - Bogie Box

built by Astra Rail, Romania, 2016 (yet to be delivered *)

001-6	009-9 *	017-2	025-5 *	033-9 *	041-2 *	049-5 *	057-8 *
002-4	010-7 *	018-0	026-3	034-7 *	042-0 *	050-3 *	058-6 *
003-2	011-5	019-8	027-1	035-4 *	043-8 *	051-1 *	059-4 *
004-0 *	012-3	020-6 *	028-9 *	036-2	044-6	052-9	060-2 *
005-7	013-1 *	021-4 *	029-7 *	037-0 *	045-3	053-7 *	061-0 *
006-5 *	014-9 *	022-2	030-5 *	038-8	046-1 *	054-5 *	062-8 *
007-3 *	015-6 *	023-0 *	031-3	039-6 *	047-9	055-2 *	063-6 *
008-1	016-4	024-8 *	032-1	040-4 *	048-7 *	056-0	064-4 *

81 70 6957 xxx-x

HOA - Bogie Aggregate Hopper

built by Astra Rail, Romania, 2016

012-2	018-9	023-9	028-8	033-8	038-7	043-7	048-6
013-0	019-7	024-7	029-6	034-6	039-5	044-5	049-4
014-8	020-5	025-4	030-4	035-3	040-3	045-2	050-2
015-5	021-3	026-2	031-2	036-1	041-1	046-0	051-0
016-3	022-1	027-0	032-0	037-9	042-9	047-8	052-8
017-1							

81 70 7829 xxx-x

JGA – Bogie Cement Tank

built by Greenbrier, Poland, 2016 (yet to delivered *)

000-1	005-1 *	009-2	013-4	017-5 *	021-7 *	025-8 *	028-2 *
002-7	006-8	010-0	014-2 *	018-3 *	022-5 *	026-6 *	029-0 *
003-5	007-6	011-8 *	015-9 *	019-1 *	023-3 *	027-4 *	030-8 *
004-3	008-4	012-6	016-7 *	020-9 *	024-1 *		

Out of Store: 4417, 9824, 112003/19, 391131/1209/1230/1253/1292/1644/1654, 613010/17/18/31/35/36, 950208/414/903
70.4908.126-5/164-1/339-9, 80.4971.045-5/058-8, 70.6790.016-3/039-5/046-0/047-8/050-2

Converted / Re-coded: MXA Bogie Open Box

950010/0141/0349/0374/0517/0642/0814/0914/0933/0942/0963/0966/0973/0974/1017/1118/1152/1156/1159/1174/1177/1198 with RIV numbers 82.70.4703.143-6/139-4/161-8/146-9/158-4/154-3/157-6/145-1/152-7/156-8/140-2/147-7/162-6/150-1/142-8/149-3/153-5/141-0/144-4/138-6/151-9/155-0 respectively

Re-prefixed: JJA Bogie Autoballaster GERS to NR 12899/903/946/992/997

Removed from TOPS / For Scrap / Scrapped: 965073 (not suitable for MXA conversion), 43.87.4333.017-9 (from store at ZG, see photo below taken on the 27th May 2016 by Carl Watson)

FREIGHT NEWS

FLHH has won the contract from DBC to move coal from Tower, Cwmbargoed and Onllwyn to Aberthaw PS starting in March 2016.



DB liveried MBA 500144 Peak Forest (16.13) 8th May 2016 (Neil Dix)



SB Rail DR 73934 Rutherglen PW Yard (18.02) 12th May 2016 (Iain Gardiner)

STOCK CHANGES

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

Misc. News:

37254 made its debut for Colas Rail on the 25th April 2016.

37800 is the 2nd Cl.37 in Europhoenix livery for Rail Operations Group.

The first complete original Cl.373 Eurostar has been sent for scrap in France

New:

EMUs: (* on test)

387222* 387223* 700004*

Temporarily Reformed & Re-Numbered:

150938 150238 + 57219 from 150219

Transferred:

Locos: (* into preservation, # from preservation)

09026 BI to SPA* 20092 LM to BH

40106 BK to ELR 47810/818 LT to ZG

47812/848 BO to NRM

Names:

New: (* re-applied)

08822 Dave Mills

08993* Ashburnham
 43002 Sir Kenneth Grange
 47715* Haymarket
 47749 City of Truro
 66763 Severn Valley Railway
 66779 Evening Star
 390040 Virgin Radio Star
 507020* John Peel
 35006 Peninsular + Oriental S.N.Co*



66763 (Colin Pidgeon)



08822 (Neil Dix)



43002
 np
 (Andrew Buckley)
 plaque
 (Derek Everson)



47749 (Jeremy Frost)

Recent But Not Previously Illustrated:



68025 as reported in May 2016 (Terry Lea)

The following is an updated list of namings (following the first list in the April 2016 issue) that are new or have occurred since 2011 that we have not yet illustrated. Please note I only want photos of nameplates in focus, straight and centred side on. Photos recently supplied will be shown as and when space permits.

Missing Nameplate Photos: (* re-applied) (# supplied but not fully straight on or in focus)

Locos:

08499 Redlight
 08611 Longsight TMD (since removed)
 08993* Ashburnham
 20227 Ed Cluderay (temporary) #
 D5061 Ian Johnson
 D6508* Eastleigh
 47715* Haymarket
 60087 CLIC Sargent #
 66779 Evening Star #
 90019 Multimodal

EMUs:

3CEP 1198 Linda the Lymington Flyer
 390040 Virgin Radio Star
 395011 Katherine Grainger #
 507020* John Peel (cast yellow plate)
 507021* Red Rum (cast yellow plate)

Track Machines:

DR 73939 Pat Best
 DR 98923+98973 Chris Lemon

Coaches:

351 Sapphire



73951 as reported in Mar 2016 (Terry Lea)



73952 as reported in Mar 2016 (David Williams)



47830 as reported in Dec 2015 (David Doulton)



73963 as reported in Nov 2014 (Tony Blackburn)



73962 as reported in Sep 2014 (Bill Wilson)



50007 as reported in Apr 2014 (Bill Wilson)

Removed:

03179 Clive
 47749 Demelza
 365513 Hornsey Depot
 365514 Captain George Vancouver
 390040 Virgin Pathfinder

For Scrap:

EMR Kingsbury 08628, 08886

For Scrap:

CF Booths, Rotherham 67901/907
 Hiolle Industries, France 373207/208

right 458816 the last Cl.458/0
to be converted
(as reported in the April 2016 issue)
Waterloo (10.37) 25th May 2016
(David Doulton)



above 387223 + 387222
Northampton (11.30)
6th May 2016
(Graham Stockton)



above a clearer view of 68020
Edinburgh Waverley (09.06)
16th May 2016
(Iain Gardiner)

left 68025 Bewdley, SVR
visiting the Diesel Gala
(12.10) 19th May 2016
(Terry Lea)

With the last batch of GBRf Cl.66s mostly staying in store at Doncaster Roberts Road photos of the remaining locos 66773/74/76-78 not previously illustrated will be shown in the July issue as I needed to lose one more page !! 66775 & 66779 (covered) were shown in the March 2016 issue and 66779 (unveiled) is shown in this issue. This just leaves 66767 from the earlier batch yet to be illustrated.

LIVERIES

*This section will endeavour to show all new liveries / variations or those existing ones where not carried on the stock before. Liveries that become 'extinct' will also be covered. As with names, it may take a while after the livery application before a photo is sourced from members. New liveries may also be shown in other articles: 50031 in **PRESERVATION GALAS** 90040 in **TRAFFIC & TRACTION NEWS** and 57007, 66424/743 in **EASTLEIGH WORKS REPORT**.*



above former ScotRail 170423 on delivery, now in SR livery, Kensington Olympia (12.41)
9th May 2016 (David Doulton)



left normally based at the NRM York, 55002 has been returned from BR blue to two-tone green as seen at Kidderminster Town, SVR
21st May 2016 (David Williams)



above previously shown in the April 2014 issue here is a better view of test bed 321448 Ipswich on return 5F52 14.08 Norwich - Colchester (14.51) 25th May 2016 (Keith Partlow)



left 319380 Manchester Piccadilly (12.00)
7th May 2016 (David Doulton)



37884 with revised livery, the large EUROPHOENIX replaced by larger Rail Operations Group branding (Andrew Buckley)



above 166214 the first Cl.166 in GWR livery (Andrew Buckley)



right D182 (46045) in early BR chromatic blue (Malcolm Wallace)



above following application of the corporate VTEC livery here is the latest iteration of the special livery on 43300 (Andrew Buckley), all photos St Philips Marsh Depot Open Day, 2nd May 2016

the last Cl.66 66779 in BR Brunswick green and named 'Evening Star', NRM York, 27th May 2016 (Jon Easton)
it has already been promised to the nation once withdrawn from service



left the plaque reads "66779 built in Muncie Indiana USA December 2015 the last class 66 for British Railways GB Railfreight named at NRM York on 10th May 2016 by Billy Ainsworth Chief Executive Officer Progress Rail Services and Electro-Motive Diesel"



above ex-DRS 37608 with Europhoenix branding, Norwich Yard, 26th May 2016 (Stuart Moore)



left
66743 the
second GBRf
Cl.66 in Belmond
Royal Scotsman
livery,
27th May 2016
Eastleigh Works
(Carl Watson)

ICRS SALES

We have now published 10 books since 2009, 5 of which are in print and currently available, 2 are currently unavailable having sold out and 3 are no longer produced. All 2016 new editions (maroon covers) have been released. Those due to be released as new editions will be shown at the relevant time (see below).

Books can be ordered either:

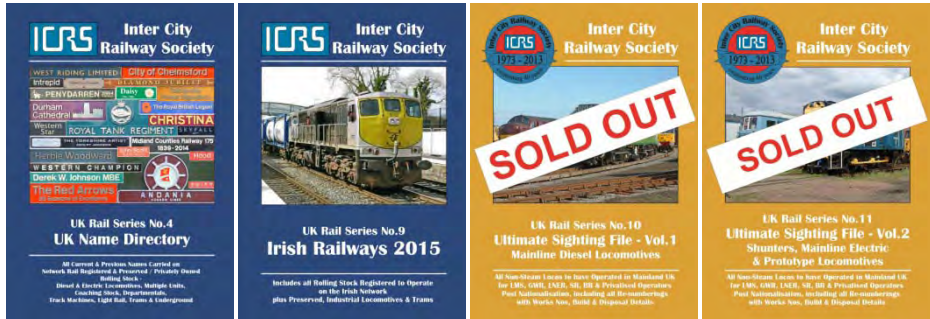
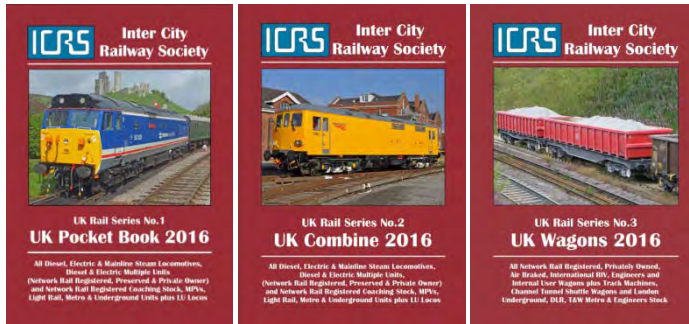
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All books, except **UKRS01 Pocket Book**, are A5 wire bound printed on 90gm paper with plastic coated covers allowing them to be laid flat.



BOOKS: (Members receive up to 30% discount on ICRS books)

		Prices	
		Member	Non Member
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	UKRS02A UK Combine 2016	£7.50	£10.50
	UKRS03 UK Wagons 2016	£12.00	£16.50
	UKRS04 UK Name Directory	£9.50	£13.50
	UKRS09 Irish Railways 2015	£10.50	£14.50
Others:	UKRS10 Ultimate Sighting File Vol.1 – Mainline Diesel Locos	£7.00	£9.50
	UKRS11 Ultimate Sighting File Vol.2 – Shunters, Mainline Electric & Prototype Locos		

SUNDRIES:

Pocket Book cover		£1.50	£2.50
TRACKS A5 Cordex binder (takes 12 issues @ 48 or 64 pages – 2014 onwards)	LARGE		£5.00
TRACKS A5 Cordex binder (takes 12 issues @ 32 or 40 pages – 2011-13)	MEDIUM		£5.00
White Polo Shirts SMALL / MEDIUM / LARGE / XL / XXL			£7.50
Navy Polo Shirts SMALL / MEDIUM / LARGE / XL / XXL			£12.50