

EDITORIALSUBSCRIPTIONS 1972

This note was inadvertently omitted from last months news sheet, reminders have been included where necessary with this news sheet.

For certain members who joined the Group during the later part of the year this will be the last news sheet that you will receive under your present subscriptions. Those who wish to renew for a further year (60p per annum, second class, or 70p per annum, first class postage) should do so as soon as possible. Postal Orders should be 'crossed' and made payable to the Group. Bank Transfers (see NS94) may also be used. Receipts will not be issued unless specifically asked for, and only if a stamped addressed envelope is enclosed.

Vacations 1972

Will members please note that the Secretary will be on holiday from August 19th until September 10th and hence correspondence received during this period will be subject to delay. As a result of the above holiday an enlarged July/August news sheet has been issued which will be followed by an enlarged September news sheet a little later than usual.

New Publication

The following new publication is now available:

E.P.19 Eastern National Midland Area Fleet Allocation Price...8p
as at 1 July 1949.

The price does NOT include postage, orders may be sent with the next news sheet or with photograph orders at no extra postal cost. This publication, which also includes outstations, also gives the chassis types of the allocated vehicles.

Additional Photograph List

Detailed below are further additions to the Group Photograph List. These prints have been produced from negatives kindly loaned by the Company, the Group wish to thank the Company for making these available. The prints have been produced to our usual specification (as detailed in Publication E.C.7A) and are priced at 5p each (postage EXTRA).

Ref.No.	Reg.No.	Operator	Chassis Make & Type	View	Note
SPH 4	DU 5861	Hutley, Coggeshall	Daimler	NF	a
SPM 3	LH 9097	Mersca Island Trans.Co.	Solid Tyred D/D	NF	
SPM 4	VW 6756	Moore, Kelvedon	G.M.C. T40E	OF	
SPM 5	EV 2510	Moore, Kelvedon	Gilford 1680T	NF	
SPS 2	HJ 28	Southend Corporation	Tilling Stevens P.E.	OF	
SPS 3	HJ 33	Southend Corporation	Straker Squire	NF	b
SPW 6	HJ 84	Westcliff-on-Sea	Daimler Charabanc	NF	b

Notes

a - predecessor of Moore, Kelvedon (View ca. 1920)
b - not best quality

EASTERN NATIONAL OMNIBUS CO. LTD.New Vehicles

The Leyland Nationals on order will be numbered 1002 - 1019, the first of these vehicles is not now expected until September.

Withdrawn Vehicles

6.72 2400 (XVX 19) 2402 (XVX 27)
 2401 (XVX 26) 2404 (XVX 21)

2400 (XVX 19) has been acquired for preservation by the Eastern National (Basildon) Bristol Preservation Group.

Allocations & Transfers

7.72 1332-BD, 2379-CN, 2382-CN, 2405-BD, 2406-CR, 2418-CN, 2421-CN, 2457-CN,
 2495-CF, 2522-CN.

8.72 310-KN, 1315-BN, 1326-BD, 1352-BN, 2405-D/L, 2418-D/L, 2419-D/L, 2420-D/L,
 2421-D/L, 2423-D/L, 2424-D/L, 2455-MN, 2490-CN, 2507-SD, 2512-CN, 2515-CN,
 2788-CN.

General

The ex-Alexander (Midland) Bristol VRT's (3005-19, SMS 1-15H) are all to be painted into standard Eastern National green bus livery. 3002(CPU981G) has also been painted into green bus livery, it was previously cream and green.

A new livery was introduced for all double dockers during July. The top cream band has been discontinued and the fleetname has been re-positioned in the lower cream band. Several vehicles have now appeared in this revised livery including 2708 (88 TVX) and 2752 (JWC 712).

An application has been made by United Counties to vary the London terminal of its express service 200 from Rushden. This service, which at present terminates at Pancras Road, is to be diverted to terminate in the Eastern National Coach Station, at Kings Cross.

TILLINGS TRAVEL (N.B.C.) LTD.

New Vehicles

The express vehicles on order are expected to be fitted with the new style E.C.W. body and to be delivered in the new National white livery.

Allocations & Transfers

7.72 9603-PL, 9604-PL, 9606-PL.

8.72 NIL

COLCHESTER CORPORATION

New Vehicles

The order for three N.C.M.E. bodies was cancelled earlier in the year.

SOUTHEND CORPORATION

Withdrawn Vehicles

5.72 210(FYS 677)^a 309(OHJ 79) a - see below
214(FYS 672)

309(OHJ 79) was only used by the Southend C.T. driving school for about two weeks, it was then withdrawn due to mechanical damage.

It is anticipated that the engine and gearbox from 214(FYS 672) will be transferred to 210(FYS 677) and the latter vehicle will eventually be returned to service.

Of the Worldmasters and Bridgemasters, 211/3 (FYS 678/86) and 317/8 (SJN 636/7) remain in service.

Service Vehicles

JXW 122, an A.E.C. Matador breakdown vehicle has been acquired. Further details would be welcomed.

General

Services 10/2/3 are now operated by Southend Corporation Daimler Fleetlines in place of former Eastern National saloons. In contrast, services 4/A/B are now operated by Eastern National saloons in place of former Southend C.T. double dockers. Due to a lack of appropriate indications on the destination blinds, the Eastern National vehicles initially operated showing "4B SERVICE".

INDEPENDENTS

Mott, Broomfield

The following item of news has not been previously published.

Application was made some time ago by this operator for two new express services. Although licenses were granted for the services, it is thought that they have not actually been operated to date. Details of the proposed services are:

GREAT WALTHAM (Fanners Green) - Broad Green - Chignall Smealy - Broomfield - CHELMSFORD (New Market)

LITTLE LEIGHS (Hornells Corner) - Littley Green - CHELMSFORD (New Market)

Both services are to operate on Tuesdays and Fridays only with one journey in each direction.

Platform One Services, Whitehaven, Cumberland

This operator has also applied for some new stage services in the south-west corner of Essex. The proposed services are as follows:

EPPING FOREST (Wake Arms) - Jacks Hill - Piercing Hill - Theydon Bois - Loughton Lane - Debden Lane - Church Hill Road - High Road - LOUGHTON (Station)
 ABRIDGE (Blue Boar) - Hoe Lane - Romford Road - Chigwell Row - Grange Hill - Tomswood Hill - BARKINGSIDE (Chequers)

Further details of any of the above services would be welcomed.

Premier Travel Ltd.

Acquired Vehicles

222	FWK129B	A.E.C. Reliance	2U3RA5422	Harrington	C51F
223	322 NJO	A.E.C. Bridgemaster	2B3RA153	Park Royal	H40/25FD
224	326 NJO	A.E.C. Bridgemaster	2B3RA157	Park Royal	H40/25FD
225	323 NJO	A.E.C. Bridgemaster	2B3RA154	Park Royal	H40/25FD
226	328 NJO	A.E.C. Bridgemaster	2B3RA159	Park Royal	H40/25FD
227	319 NJO	A.E.C. Bridgemaster	2B3RA150	Park Royal	H40/25FD
228	316 NJO	A.E.C. Bridgemaster	2B3RA147	Park Royal	H40/25FD
229	317 NJO	A.E.C. Bridgemaster	2B3RA148	Park Royal	H40/25FD
230	318 NJO	A.E.C. Bridgemaster	2B3RA149	Park Royal	H40/25FD

222 was originally owned by Villiant, London.

223-30 were ex. City of Oxford M.S. nos. 322/6/3/8/19/6-8 and were painted by City of Oxford. These new double deckers will replace all of the Leyland double deckers owned at present.

Two new 53-seat saloons are expected shortly.

General

Following the allocation published in our March issue (NS97) it should be mentioned that the former garage at Godmanchester is now closed, and the garage premises have been sold. However, the yard at the rear is still used as a vehicle disposal park, and the following vehicles were noted there recently:

142 (DCK 218), 159 (UDK 313), 166 (LUC 208), 177 (MLL 819), 178 (UDK 311), 179 (UDK 312).

Also noted at Godmanchester was 2524 WE, an A.E.C. Bridgemaster formerly Sheffield Transport no. 524, which has been purchased for spares.

With the closure of Godmanchester garage the stage carriage services operated in the Huntingdon area are now operated by the vehicle based at St. Neots.

Following the vehicle allocation published earlier (see NS 97) we give below the type of service operated by the vehicles at the time of the allocation. (We apologise for not publishing this earlier, this has been due to lack of space)

Utilisation of Premier Travel vehicles

Stage Carriage Services :	137-41/3-6/87/97-205	(19)
Contract and some stage :	155-7/71/2/90-4	(10)
Express, Excursions, Private Hire and Contracts :	169/70/80/1/5/6/8/9/95/6/206-21	(26)