

EDITORIAL

Publications List

A list of publications is included with this news sheet, this replaces the previous list issued in January 1972 and contains several additional items and also revised prices. Will members please note that E.P.25 is not yet available. A new edition of E.P.1 will be issued in July as soon as certain imminent fleet changes have taken place. A new edition of E.P.7 will also be issued at the same time.

Photograph List

A list of additional photographs is included with this news sheet. Since our monochrome printer has had to raise his prices we have no alternative but to pass on this increase directly to members. Accordingly, the price of all black and white prints (to members) is increased to 8p each with immediate effect.

Southend Bus Rally, Sunday 1 June

At Southchurch Park, Liffan Way, Southend from about 0900 until about 1700, admission 10p. This event is organised by the Eastern National Preservation Group. Our own Group will have a stand at the rally (from ca. 1100) and all Group photographs and publications and many other items will be on sale. The Eastern National Company will be entering a vehicle and the Chief Engineer has promised that members should find the exhibit well worth studying. So please try to attend.

Visit to Eastern National Central Works, Chelmsford, Saturday 12 July

A visit to Central Works on the morning of the above date has been arranged by kind courtesy of the Chief Engineer. Full details will be given in the next news sheet.

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EASTERN NATIONAL OMNIBUS CO. LTD.

New Vehicles

3049	JN0190N	Bristol VRTSL6G	2/1039	E.C.W.	LD39/31FD	21188
3050	JN0191N	Bristol VRTSL6G	2/1040	E.C.W.	LD39/31FD	21189
3051	JN0192N	Bristol VRTSL6G	2/1041	E.C.W.	LD39/31FD	21190
Delivery dates:		3049 - 4.75	3051 - 4.75			
		3050 - 4.75				

These vehicles differ slightly from previous batches of Bristol VRT's in that they incorporate black window surrounds in place of the previous grey.

Delivery of the remainder of the 1974 order for Leyland Nationals is expected shortly. The vehicles involved are 1744-50 (JN0193-9N) which will have chassis numbers 002316-22.

Withdrawn Vehicles

4.75	345 (570 UVX)	1236 (858 ETW)	2445 (502 EEV)
	346 (571 UVX)	1239 (861 ETW)	2446 (503 EEV)
	348 (YBD 201)	1240 (862 ETW)	2447 (504 EEV)
	350 (573 UVX)	1242 (438 FEV)	2448 (505 EEV)
	386 (3 BXB)	1244 (1859 F)	2449 (32 ENO)
	1221 (567 CTW)	1245 (1860 F)	2450 (33 ENO)
	1222 (568 CTW)	1246 (1861 F)	2454 (433 FEV)
	1227 (966 DHK)	2014 (19 PVX)	2456 (435 FEV)
	1229 (29 ENO)	2015 (20 PVX)	2457 (436 FEV)
	1230 (30 ENO)	2016 (372 WPU)	2461 (323 GPU)
	1231 (31 ENO)	2436 (971 DHK)	2463 (325 GPU)
	1232 (854 ETW)	2437 (972 DHK)	2465 (267 GVW)
	1233 (855 ETW)	2440 (975 DHK)	2498 (1843 F)
	1235 (857 ETW)		

Rebuilt Vehicles10.73

1349 (209 YVX) to MW6G

This conversion was carried out some time ago utilising the engine from 347 (YBD 200), which has since remained engineless. 347 should still be regarded as an MW6G since it has not been converted to anything else (except to MWOG!). Our thanks to the two diligent members who brought the above omission to our attention.

5.75

2861 (RHK346D) to FLF6G

Allocations & Transfers

5.75 1345-DT, 1357-CR, 1523-CN, 1710-CF, 1740-BN, 1741-BN, 1742-BN, 1743-BN, 2379-CF, 2386-CF, 2491-CW(SE), 2496-CW(HH), 2507-CN, 2527-D/L(D), 2701-DT, 2784-SD, 2791-CN, 3048-D/L, 3049-D/L, 3050-D/L, 3051-D/L.

Later allocations: 3048 etc. - BN

The open toppers were used on an excursion to Brighton on the occasion of the H.C.V.C. rally on 4 May.

Service Revisions

The following revisions to services have recently been applied for :

- 32 To be withdrawn on Sundays.
- 35 To be withdrawn between Rettendon and Basildon, Monday service also to be withdrawn.
- 36 To be extended in South Woodham from Rail Station to Victoria Road.
- 40 To be withdrawn on Sundays.
- 71 Section of route between Kelvedon and Tiptree to be withdrawn. Saturday service also to be withdrawn.
- 82 Section of route between Fordham and Wormingford Aerodrome to be withdrawn.
- 143 New Service: LAINDON(Rail Station) via Hatterhill, Laindon Link, Staneway, The Knares, Nethermayne, Southernhay, Ghyllgrove, Whitmore Way, and Eastmayne to BASILDON(Paycocke Road).
- 144 To be withdrawn.
- 155 Revised route to be from Basildon(Bus Station) via Nethermayne, High Road, Fobbing, Lion Hill, Fobbing Road, Corringham, Giffords Cross Road, Springhouse Road, Gordon Road, The Sorells, Abbott Drive, Southend Road, King Street, Stanford-le-Hope and thence as authorised.
- 156 Revised route to be from Basildon(Bus Station) via Southernhay, Laindon Link, Great Knightleys, Markhams Chase, Leinster Road, St. Nicholas Lane and thence as authorised.
- 233 Revised route to be from Pitsea Broadway via High Road, Vange, and Nethermayne to Basildon(Bus Station).
- 237/8 New Services: WICKFORD(Rail Station) via Runwell, Turnpike Corner, Rettendon, South Hanningfield, Brock Hill and Church End Lane to WICKFORD(Rail Station). (To operate on Mondays and Saturdays only)
- 242 To be withdrawn.
- 243 Revised to operate between Laindon(Rail Station) and Basildon (Whitmore Way, Grimston Road) via Laindon Link, The Knares, Nethermayne, Southernhay, Ghyllgrove, and Whitmore Way. Certain journeys to operate to Vange(Bull).
- 244 Revised route to be as authorised to Basildon(Bus Station) thence Southernhay, Ghyllgrove, Whitmore Way, Lincoln Road, Broadmayne, Ashlyns, Pitsea Road, High Road and Station Lane to Pitsea(Rail Station).
- 250 To be withdrawn between Brentwood and Billericay.

- 252 To be withdrawn.
- 254/5 Revised route to be from Basildon(Bus Station) via Laindon Link and Hatterhill and thence as authorised.
- 260 Revised terminals to be Warley(Eagle Way) and Stondon Massey(Tipps Cross). Certain journeys to operate via Western Road, Brentwood and be numbered 267. Period of operation to be Weekdays only.
- 261 Revised terminals to be Little Warley(Greyhound) and Blackmore(The Green), journeys operating between Brentwood and Ongar direct via A128 to be withdrawn. Service to operate via Kings Road, High Street and Ongar Road, Brentwood.
- 262 Service to operate through to Snenfield(Rail Station) daily.
- 264 To be extended from Brentwood(White Horse) to Warley(Eagle Way) via High Street, Kings Road, Warley Hill and The Drive.
- 265 To be extended from Brentwood(Rail Station) to Brentwood(Woodman Road) via Avenue Road, and Headley Chase.
- 266 Revised terminals to be Brentwood(Rail Station) and Ongar(Two Brewers). Revised route to be as authorised to Stondon Massey thence Mill Lane, Chelmsford Road, A113 and High Street, Ongar. Service to operate via Kings Road, High Street and Ongar Road, Brentwood.

Additional notes to NS133 concerning the following service :

- 154 To operate between Grays(Bus Station) and Chelmsford(Bus Station) via Perry Street and Homesteads. Revised route for Perry Street deviation to be as present service 152 to Billericay, thence via Perry Street, Charity Farm Chase and Radford Way to join former 152 route at Stock Rd.

General

1601 (BN0102B) has had a reflective registration number plate fitted at the front.

The former Coach Station at Seaway, Southend was demolished and removed during March and April.

It is thought that the open-top services at Southend will this year be operated by Eastern National. In recent years the vehicles have been loaned to Southend Transport and they have operated the complete service. This year could see a return to the former joint operation once again.

COLCHESTER TRANSPORT

New Vehicles

55	JHK495N	Leyland AN68/1R	7404696	E.C.W.	H43/31F	21472
56	JHK496N	Leyland AN68/1R	7404697	E.C.W.	H43/31F	21469
57	JHK497N	Leyland AN68/1R	7405020	E.C.W.	H43/31F	21467
58	JHK498N	Leyland AN68/1R	7405021	E.C.W.	H43/31F	21470
59	JHK499N	Leyland AN68/1R	7405022	E.C.W.	H43/31F	21468
60	JHK500N	Leyland AN68/1R	7405023	E.C.W.	H43/31F	21471

Delivery dates: 55 - 3.75 57 - 2.75 59 - 3.75
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These vehicles have the latest style of E.C.W. bodywork with a body peak at the front and rear. The vehicles are in the tuscan red and cream livery (which it has been decided to retain in preference to the revised livery - see NS126) and have plain black numerals with the unladen weight in Kg. The vehicles have a red roof, a red band above the windows and a red skirt whilst the remainder is cream. The crest is situated in the cream area below the top deck windows in the first panel, with the fleetname COLCHESTER beneath. These vehicles were converted to fully automatic transmission at Self Changing Gears Ltd., Coventry before entering service.

Re-numbered Vehicles

3.75 55 (681 HEV) to 5 60(682 HEV) to 2

These vehicles were re-numbered since their former numbers were required for the

new vehicles. These two A.E.C. Regent V's have been re-numbered frequently in the past two years. 681 HEV has now carried fleet numbers 15, 55 and 5 whilst 682 HEV has been numbered 16, 23, 60 and 2, all since 1973.

General

An application has been made for revised fares in accordance with the scale shown below :

<u>Mileage</u>	<u>Fare</u>	<u>Mileage</u>	<u>Fare</u>
up to 0.5	3p	3.0	14p
1.0	5p	3.5	16p
1.5	8p	4.5	18p
2.0	10p	6.0	20p
2.5	12p	each additional 1.5	2p

SOUTHEND TRANSPORT

General

The revised livery applied to open top Leyland PD3/6 311 (PHJ 950) is as described below. The vehicle has a blue band just above the windows which extends entirely around the windows; this replaces the former narrow blue band nearer the top of the bodywork. The remainder of the vehicle is in cream, which appears to be a richer shade than was used previously.

A new timetable has recently been issued. It is dated 18 May 1975 until further notice and is priced at 9p.

DON'T FORGET

- June 1 - Southend Bus Rally
- July 12 - Central Works Visit