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EDITORIAL

South Essex Coach Tour, April 4th, 1965.

A booking form for this tour is included with this months news sheet. Please reserve seats quickly in view of the close proximity of the tour.

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EASTERN NATIONAL OMNIBUS CO.LTD.

New Vehicles

2826 JHK461C Bristol FLF6G 224.135 E.C.W. LD38/32FD 14935 8.4.3.  
Delivery date: 5.3.65

Notes: 2826 has 1964 chassis and 1965 body.

The body numbers of 2816-9(delivered in 12/64) should read 14583-6 and not as quoted in news sheet 12.

Withdrawn Vehicles

2.65 1128(340,SHK 515) 1137(349, TNO 671).  
1134(346,EJN 635) 1138(350, TNO 672)

Allocations & Transfers

Omitted from 2/65 list: 321-D/L.

2/65 300-BN, 335-CF, 343-SD, 368-D/L, 369-D/L, 370-D/L, 371-D/L, 372-D/L  
373-D/L, 374-D/L, 375-D/L, 376-D/L, 377-D/L, 378-D/L, 379-D/L  
380-D/L, 1126-BN, 1146-D/L, 1228-BE, 1238-CR, 1312-CN, 1327-CN,  
1420-D/L, 2119-BN, 2226-HH, 2603-SD, 2604-SD, 2605-D/L, 2607-D/L

Delicensed Vehicles

The Chief Engineer has kindly supplied an allocation of delicensed vehicles.  
The list was correct at 24/2/65 but certain vehicles have since been subsequently transferred..

Brentwood : 348/53  
Chelmsford : 335/6/63, 2219  
Clacton : 308/9/11/2/5/6/8/9/28/40/1/4/6/7/50/9/60/7, 400, 503/4  
1428/33/4, 2101/5/10/2/3.  
Colchester : 1226, 2247  
Central Works : 354, 406.  
Canvey : 300/3/4/6/7/32, 501, 1210, 2102-4/8/9/11.  
Halstead : 2243.  
Kelvedon : 100, 342/5/58, 1432.  
Mildon : 1131.  
Prittlewell : 321/6/9/31/78.  
Silver End : 324/30/56, 2209.  
Southend : 302/23/7/33/43/9/55/7/61/2/79/80, 404, 500/2/5, 1135, 1430  
1606, 2100, 2603/4.  
Wood Green : 310

Diverted Order

1435-7 in full Eastern National livery, carrying fleet numbers as shown, and registered JHK 459-61C were delivered to the Bristol Omnibus Co. and entered service in 2/65 numbered 2025-7 registered BHW 93-5C. 1438 is similarly to follow. The registrations reserved for these vehicles (JHK 459-62C) have been transferred to FLF's numbered 2824-7

Vehicle Orders

There are NO single deck buses or coaches on order for 1965. The main reason for this being that the Company have a surplus of this type of vehicle at the present. The single deck fleet has been steadily reduced over the last few months as the figures below show:-

|                |   |           |           |              |
|----------------|---|-----------|-----------|--------------|
| September 1964 | : | 168 -S/D, | 119-Coach | Total....287 |
| December 1964  | : | 168-S/D,  | 113-Coach | Total....281 |
| March 1965     | : | 160-S/D,  | 114-Coach | Total....274 |

For this reason the diverted order mentioned above occurred.

Contract Vehicles

Following the withdrawal of the Bristol LWL coaches, a Bristol LS coach is now operating on contract work. The vehicle in question is 300, operating from Basildon and this is the first time that a vehicle of this type has been assigned to contract work.

Service Vehicles

|      |         |                 |             |      |
|------|---------|-----------------|-------------|------|
| New: | KEV856C | Austin Mini Van | AAV7-693730 | 3/65 |
|      | KEV857C | Austin Mini Van | AAV7-688882 | 3/65 |

Route Workings

The Companies express services have been almost completely revised for the coming season and the alterations are set out below:-

|      |                              |                                                                                                    |
|------|------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| X10B | Kings Cross - Canvey Island  | New service.                                                                                       |
| X15  | Chelmsford - West Mersea     | To start from Kings Cross.                                                                         |
| X21  | Southend - Eastbourne        | Withdrawn, covered by X23                                                                          |
| X23  | Southend - Eastbourne        | Some journeys operate via Wrotham and Hailsham to replace X21.                                     |
| X26  | Southend - Bournemouth       | Alternative route via Dartford tunnel.                                                             |
| X28  | Southend - Cambridge         | Some journeys to operate via Basildon.                                                             |
| X29  | Southend - Derby             | Eastern National to operate the route for the first time with a round trip from Southend to Derby. |
| X33  | Hastings - Walton-on-Naze    | To start from Eastbourne.                                                                          |
| X34  | Ramsgate - Clacton           | Some journeys to operate via Wickford and Maldon.                                                  |
| X35  | Tunbridge Wells - Basildon   | New service joint with Maidstone & District.                                                       |
| X40  | Tilbury - Gt. Yarmouth       | To start from Gillingham, joint with Maidstone & District.                                         |
| X41  | Tilbury - Walton-on-Naze     | Some journeys to operate via Chelmsford.                                                           |
| X44  | Basildon - Harwich           | To start from Tilbury.                                                                             |
| X45  | Sudbury - Basildon           | New service                                                                                        |
| X51  | Bishops Stortford - Southend | New service, joint with Biss Bros.                                                                 |
| X52  | Harlow - Felixstowe          | To operate via Halstead and Sudbury.                                                               |

Fares

The recent application for an increase of fares on stage carriage services has been refused and so the current fares will remain in use.

TILLINGS TRANSPORT LTD

Fleet changes 3/65

Allocation of delicensed vehicles:

NIL

Canvey : T503

Prittlewell: T315/25

Southend : T314/26

SOUTHEND CORPORATIONNew Vehicles

|     |         |         |       |         |        |         |
|-----|---------|---------|-------|---------|--------|---------|
| 335 | CJN435C | Leyland | PD3/6 | L.23728 | Massey | H38/32R |
| 337 | CJN437C | Leyland | PD3/6 |         | Massey | H38/32R |
| 338 | CJN438C | Leyland | PD3/6 |         | Massey | H38/32R |

INDEPENDENTSHedingham & District

L.35 is MRR 304 and is ex. East Midland R 304. Also acquired recently and numbered L36/7 are two Bristol LWL coaches with E.C.W. FC37F bodywork formerly operated by the Bristol Omnibus Co. and registered in the OHY 99-series.

Audawn Coaches, CorringhamVehicles Withdrawn

ONO 537/8, the two Guy double deckers acquired from Eastern National last year have been sold to Pools Auto Spares of Highwood near Chelmsford.

REGISTRATION NOTES

Latest marks noted in mid March were:-

Essex : LEV-C

Ipswich : BPV25C(m/c etc)

BPV300C(Cars etc)

Southend: DHJ500C