

EDITORIAL

South Essex Coach Tour, Sunday, February, 27th.

A booking form for this tour is included with the news sheet. Please reserve seats as early as possible.

Annual General Meeting, Saturday, January, 22nd.

At 7, Cambridge Drive, Seven Kings commencing at 1430.

Fleet Number Plates

Following the Tillings renumbering the Chief Engineer has kindly agreed to allow members to purchase some of the old fleet number plates for souvenirs. The plates available are those in the T5xx, T14xx, and T16xx series at 2/6d. per set. All enquiries should be addressed to the Secretary, before January 31st.

EASTERN NATIONAL OMNIBUS CO. LTD.New Vehicles

2852	OVX296D	Bristol	FLF6G	231.019	E.C.W.	LD38/32FD	15576	8.4.2.
2853	OVX297D	Bristol	FLF6G	231.020	E.C.W.	LD38/32FD	15577	
Delivery dates:		2852	7.1.66	2853	7.1.66			

These vehicles have 1965 chassis and bodies.

2852 has an inverted T type destination indicator at the rear and no upper cream band. It differs from 2826 in having no mouldings for this upper band.

Acquired Vehicles

318	SLA 763	Bristol	LS6B	119.105	E.C.W.	C34F	9953	New 1957
385	2 BXB	Bristol	MW6G	184.027	E.C.W.	C34F	12219	New 1961
386	3 BXB	Bristol	MW6G	184.028	E.C.W.	C34F	12220	New 1961

ex. Tillings Transport T.312/9/20 on 11.1.66.

318 is an example of an acquired vehicle being given a number carried by a previous vehicle in the fleet under the same numbering system. i.e. one number being used for two different vehicles, and as far as can be recalled this is the first time Eastern National have ever done so.

Seating Changes/Rebuilt Vehicles

By 1.66 403-6 are now C42F
2378/81 are now POT33/28R

Allocations & Transfers

1.66 324-D/L, 335-D/L, 348-D/L, 1208-D/L, 1209-D/L, 1210-D/L, 1211-D/L, 1212-D/L, 1213-D/L, 1214-D/L, 1215-D/L, 1216-D/L, 1217-D/L, 1218-D/L, 1219-D/L, 1220-D/L, 1223-D/L, 1225-BN, 1226-BN, 1232-BN, 1233-BN, 1234-BN, 1236-BN, 1237-D/L, 1239-BN, 1242-BN, 1243-BN, 1244-BD, 1245-BD, 1300-BD, 1310-MN, 1314-MN, 1315-CN, 1345-CR, 1346-SD, 1347-MN, 1350-MN, 1352-SD, 1353-BS, 1354-CN, 1360-MN, 1404-BE, 1407-BD, 1427-HH, 1428-HH, 2222-D/L, 2330-CF, 2364-SD, 2383-D/L, 2387-D/L, 2464-MN, 2488-SD, 2535-SD, 2780-CR, 2789-BS, 2816-HD, 2852 (by observation)-KN.

9.1.66 2701-BN, 2703-BN.

Service Revisions

Owing to the large number of service revisions which have occurred recently a new edition of the Company timetable appeared on December, 12th. This is still priced at 1/6d. but differs from earlier issues in several ways. The front cover has a new design, the old large "E N" letters being replaced by a drawing of the front of a Bristol Lodekke, the front cover also incorporates a different fleet name and emblem. Throughout the timetable the old Railway Station notation of level crossing gates has been replaced by the new British Rail sign of two arrows, to bring the timetable into line with other B.E.T. and T.H.C. timetables. The other innovations in the booklet is the inclusion of the timetables of adjoining operators (e.g. Eastern Counties) and also certain independents (e.g. Biss Bros., Heddingham & District) to give complete transport facilities. The route maps at the end of the booklet have been completely revised. The main service route map is of a new design and incorporates services of adjoining major operators (e.g. London Transport, Eastern Counties) and also of independent operators in and near the Companies area (e.g. Osbornes, Jennings, etc.). On the reverse side of the map are street plans showing bus services in Basildon, Chelmsford and Harwich, and also a Southend Co-ordination area map.

Service revisions incorporated in the timetable are as follows:-

Services withdrawn completely on the days stated are:
2/2D(Sun), 2C(Sat), 14/A/D(Sat), 30B(Sat), 50/B(Sun), 51(Sat), 110(Sun), 128(Sun).

Services completely withdrawn are:- 79,304,348.

- 14/A/D Romford -Halfway House section operates in east to west direction only.
- 15B Renumbered 15 Southend - West Horndon - Upminster.
15A Southend - Alma Factory - Romford.
- 38 In Maldon operates from Market Hill to Bus Station direct.
- 50 Withdrawn on Fridays between Terling and Braintree.
- 52 Withdrawn Sundays between Broomfield and Pleshey.
- 54 Extended from Danbury Common to Little Baddow on Weekdays to replace certain journeys on service 31A.
- 75 Withdrawn Sundays between West and East Mersea.
- 78/A Extended on Sundays to Brightlingsea (Regent Road)
- 87/A Operates Thursdays only between Dedham and East Bergholt (as 87A)
Other journeys replaced by Eastern Counties service 221.
- 245 Extended from Basildon Town Centre to Grimston Road.
- 301 Service via Littlebury withdrawn. Certain journeys diverted on Tuesdays and Saturdays via Widdington (replacing 304).
- 302 Withdrawn on Saturdays between Henham and Debden, and on Sundays to Stanstead (Park Road).
- 311 Renumbered according to route between Braintree and Halstead:-
310 Via Gosfield and Convent Hill
311 " Gosfield and Bocking Church Street
312 " Penny Pot and Bocking Church Street
313 " Penny Pot and Convent Hill
Certain express journeys have also been introduced between Braintree and Chelmsford, running non-stop over Chelmsford - Great Leighs section.
- 312/3/4 Renumbered 321/03/4 respectively.
- 335 Re-routed between Wickham Bishops and Great Totham and in Maldon to run from Market Hill to Bus Station via Cups Corner.
- 347 Withdrawn between Woodside Green and High Roding.
- 352 Renumbered 351 Great Bardfield - Witham via Panfield Lane
352 Great Bardfield - Witham via Bocking Church Street.

Christmas Mails

The following vehicles were also used for conveyance of Christmas mails
1221/2 at Basildon. 1216-20 at Southend.

Outstations

Silver End outstation closed operationally on December 12th. The premises are to be retained for vehicle storage.
Dunmow outstation has been transferred to the central area under the control of Chelmsford, as the vehicle now works service 33 to Chelmsford from Dunmow. This now leaves Braintree garage without an outstation.
The services maintained by Walton outstation are four double deckers on service 105, 107, 108, 109.

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Withdrawn Vehicles

T.312/9/20 (SLA 763, 2/3 BXB) to Eastern National O.C. 9/1/66. (q.v.)
T.312/was the last Bristol LS in the fleet.

General

The fleet was re-numbered on January 2nd to avoid duplication of fleet numbers with Eastern National.

T.313/4/21-4/6-30 are T.300-10

New vehicles not yet delivered, to become T.311-3(OWC181-33)

T.400 is T.440 T.502-5 are T.540-3

T.1400/1 are T.1480/1 T.1600-2 are T.1640-2

IPSWICH CORPORATION

The Transport Committee have approved the purchase of four A.E.C. Reliances with Massey B42D(Front and rear entrances).

REGISTRATION NOTES

The last marks noted for 1965 were NOO-C or NWC-C for Essex C.C. and DDX600C for Ipswich B.C. Details for Southend will follow.
Essex started 1966 with 000-D (but certain vehicles have been noted with OVX-D marks) which was still current in mid January. Ipswich commenced with DPV-D which had reached DPV50D(m/c etc and DPV200D(cars etc) by mid January.