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EDITORIAL

October News Sheet

Will members please note that the October news sheet should have been numbered 103 and not 102.

Ilford Meeting, Tuesday December 12

At 7 Farley Drive commencing at 1930. Free refreshments will be provided.

EASTERN NATIONAL OMNIBUS CO. LTD.

New Vehicles

1548	WNO537L	Bristol RELL6G	3/1823	E.C.W.	B53F	19245
1549	WNO538L	Bristol RELL6G	3/1824	E.C.W.	B53F	19246
1550	WNO539L	Bristol RELL6G	3/1825	E.C.W.	B53F	19247
1551	WNO540L	Bristol RELL6G	3/1826	E.C.W.	B53F	19248
1552	WNO541L	Bristol RELL6G	3/1827	E.C.W.	B53F	19249
1553	WNO542L	Bristol RELL6G	3/1828	E.C.W.	B53F	19250
1554	WNO543L	Bristol RELL6G	3/1829	E.C.W.	B53F	19251

Delivery dates: 1548 - 10.72, 1549 - 11.72, 1550 - 10.72, 1551 - 11.72, 1552 - 11.72, 1553 - 11.72, 1554 - 11.72

1548/50 at least are in the old green and cream livery with traditional fleetnames on the side panels.

The Bristol VRT's are now expected in December and January. Delivery of the Leyland Nationals has once again been deferred. They are not now expected before January 1973.

Vehicles on Order

We give details below of the Eastern National vehicle order for 1973 :

6 Bristol RELH coaches with Plaxton bodywork

15 Bristol VRT double deckers

18 Leyland National saloons

Rebuilt Vehicles

1.72 2494(1839 F) to LD5G

There are now no Bristol engined LD's in the fleet.

Allocations & Transfers

11.72 310-D/L, 344-CN, 345-CN, 346-BN, 348-D/L, 349-D/L, 367-BE, 393-D/L, 407-D/L, 408-D/L, 409-D/L, 410-SD, 428-D/L, 430-D/L, 1000-D/L(D), 1001-D/L(D), 1221-D/L, 1548-CF, 1550-CF, 1612-BN, 2433-D/L, 2510-BE, 2717-BD, 2926-D/L, 3018-WG.

It will be noted that 1000/1 (YAL 368/9) are now for disposal.

2510(236 LNO) the Bristol LDL6G, which has always previously been allocated to Brentwood, is to be used for driver tuition duties at Braintree.

Service Vehicles

0846(GBE 846) the publicity vehicle was painted white with 'National' symbols in 10.72. The painted over blind panel now displays 'Holidays 1973'.

Service Revisions

The following revisions to services have recently been applied for :

9 Certain journeys to be extended on Weekday evenings from Eastwoodbury, Vickers Road to the Southend Historical Aircraft Museum, Cherry Orchard Lane.
(A cognate application has been made by Southend Corporation).

87 Certain journeys to be extended on Weekdays from Dedham to Stratford St. Mary. Journeys to operate via Dedham Mill or via Wake Lane.

101 On the return route, Station Road and Rosemary Lane to be deleted.

331/2 Revised route in Great Bardfield to be direct via Crown Street not The Vine.

333 Certain journeys to operate via Hay Lane instead of via Bartram Avenue on Schooldays.

General

2898(WVX525F) the Bristol FLF6G which was recently converted to O.M.O. has been observed operating on service 400. The C-B-C heating system has been removed and a periscope has been fitted. Further details will follow.

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

Vehicles on Order

We give details below of the Tillings Travel vehicle order for 1973 :

4 Bristol RELH coaches with Plaxton bodywork.

Acquired Vehicles

8735 CD	Leyland L2T	611974	Harrington	C28F	2552	new	1961
8741 CD	Leyland L2T	612217	Harrington	C28F	2596		1962
8742 CD	Leyland L2T	612216	Harrington	C28F	2597		1962

Acquired in 10.72 ex. Southdown Motor Services Ltd., Brighton, Sussex nos. 1735/41/2.

All the acquired Southdown coaches are at present in store at the side of Prittlewell garage, they are still in Southdown livery.

Allocations & Transfers

11.72 9351-PL, 9358-D/L, 9362-D/L, 9363-D/L, 9389-D/L, 9390-D/L, 9391-D/L, 9392-D/L, 9402-D/L, 9403-D/L, 9404-D/L, 9405-D/L, 9406-D/L, 9413-D/L, 9414-D/L, 9415-D/L, 9416-D/L, 9417-D/L, 9418-D/L, 9419-D/L, 9420-D/L, 9421-D/L, 9423-D/L, 9424-D/L, 9427-D/L, 9437-D/L, 9438-D/L, 9603-D/L.

General

9351/6/61/3 (YBD 202, 10 DLY, 00 9549, NWC 14) are now in white 'National' livery with Eastern National fleetname in cream. They incorporate the two "N's" symbol on the boot and have the red and blue 'National' fleetname between the wheels, there being insufficient space behind the rear wheels.

SOUTHEND CORPORATION

New Vehicles

374	GHJ374L	Daimler CRL6-33	66674	N.C.M.E.	H49/31D + 18	7343
380	GHJ380L	Daimler CRL6-33	66680	N.C.M.E.	H49/31D + 18	7341
382	GHJ382L	Daimler CRL6-33	66682	N.C.M.E.	H49/31D + 18	7340
385	GHJ385L	Daimler CRL6-33	66685	N.C.M.E.	H49/31D + 18	7342

Delivery dates: 374 - 11.72 382 - 10.72
380 - 11.72 385 - 11.72

Withdrawn Vehicles

10.72 306 (OHJ 76) 211 (FYS 678) 213 (FYS 686) 317 (SJN 636) 318 (SJN 637)

These withdrawals include the last of the Leyland Royal Tiger Worldmasters and the last of the A.E.C. Bridgemasters, and indeed, the last A.E.C.'s in the fleet. For the first time since 1945 there are no secondhand vehicles in the fleet. 306 (OHJ 76) has been in use as a training vehicle since 8.72 and has now been replaced by 316 (PHJ 955).

Service Vehicles

The chassis number of the recently acquired A.E.C. Matador breakdown vehicle (JXW 122) is 08536972.

General

Please note that the correct chassis designation of the new Daimler Fleetlines is CRL6-33.

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