

EDITORIAL

This is our 100th news sheet. The Secretary would like to thank all those members who have contributed to the news sheet in the past. Will all members please continue to send in their reports.

Ilford Meeting, Tuesday July 4

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

EASTERN NATIONAL OMNIBUS CO. LTD.New Vehicles

NIL

Withdrawn Vehicles

NIL

Allocations & Transfers

6.72 306-CR, 307-CN, 348-CN, 367-CN, 1321-HH, 1509-CF, 1513-D/L, 1545-CF, 1546-HH, 1547-SD, 1603-BN, 1612-WG, 2378-SD, 2379-SD, 2382-SD, 2383-SD, 2384-SD, 2386-SD, 2400-D/L, 2401-D/L, 2402-D/L, 2404-D/L, 2405-D/L, 2406-D/L, 2418-D/L, 2419-SD, 2420-SD, 2421-D/L, 2461-CR, 2466-D/L, 2470-D/L, 2507-BN, 2517-BN, 2803-CY, 2814-CY, 3008-BN.

Correction to allocation published in NS99:

Chelmsford : 2925-8 should read 2926-8. (2925 is at Canvey)

Service Revisions

A new timetable was published on 28 May 1972 and contains several service revisions which have been detailed in previous news sheets. The following list includes revisions which have been incorporated in the timetable but which have either not appeared in previous news sheets or for which only limited details have previously been given.

- 2 Withdrawn on Sunday.
- 3 Operates via Constable Way and Delaware Road, Shoeburyness instead of via Campfield Road and Caulfield Road.
- 3A Withdrawn on Sunday, replaced by new service 5A.
- 5 New Service: CANVEY - Tarpots - New Thundersley - Hadleigh - Leigh - Southend - Thorpe Bay - SHOEBURYNESSE. (Weekdays only)
- 5A New Service: CANVEY thence as service 5 to Leigh thence SOUTHEND (Pier Hill). (Sunday only)
- 7 Operates via Church Road, Shoebury instead of via Shoebury Common.
- 7A/B Extended to Shoeburyness (Cambridge).
- 7C Terminals of this new service are SOUTHEND (Kursaal) and LOWER HOCKLEY (Dome Caravan Site).
- 8 Curtailed at Thorpe Bay Corner.
- 8A Withdrawn between Hawkwell and Rayleigh.
- 9A Withdrawn.
- 23A Operates via Bridgewater Drive and Broomfield Avenue to Eastwood Rise, instead of via Arterial Road.
- 24A NOT withdrawn. Curtailed to operate LEIGH - Hadleigh - THUNDERSLEY (Woodmans Arms).
- 29A Operates via Eastwood Lane South, Chalkwell instead of via Wellington Avenue.
- 32A Withdrawn on Sunday.
- 57 Withdrawn, replaced by diversion of service 42.
- 69 Journeys to Frittlewell operate via Eastwood Lane South, Chalkwell instead of via Nelson Road.
- 89A Withdrawn.
- 401 To operate in the summer period only.

General

2721(802 WVV) one of the Bristol FLF's used in the "Stork Challenge" advertisement was repainted green again in 4.72 and has now returned to normal service.

3010(SMS 36H) a Bristol VRT acquired from Alexander (Midland) in 1971 has been painted in standard Eastern National green bus livery, including repainting of the cream advertisement panel, green. It has a cream band complete with black lining out. The vehicle retains its yellow reversible "Limited Stop" signs and also the S.B.G. shaped destination indicator. The only change in the repainting (apart from colour and the advertisement panels mentioned above) appears to be that the flap on the off-side which was originally designated "Main Switch" and was distinguished by a six-sided red figure has been replaced by a standard transfer stating "Master Switch" in common with 3020-3(OWC293-6K). The interior remains the same and still retains the maroon finish to the seating moquette as used by Alexander compared to the dark green finish normally employed by Eastern National. The vehicle has been noted on service 26. Recently 3009(SMS 35H) has been similarly treated and has been seen on service 11.

A new timetable was published on 28 May 1972. It is similar to that published last year, and has a yellow cover, the price remains at 10p. A new map of services is included, of a slightly modified design, it has been updated but does not include the changes recently introduced in the Southend area. Also included are new style town plans for Chelmsford, Basildon, Clacton and Harwich, the same town plan for Colchester as last year is included, this too has been updated.

COLCHESTER CORPORATION

New Vehicles

24	SWC 24K	Bristol RELL6L	3/1738	E.C.W.	B53F	19787
25	SWC 25K	Bristol RELL6L	3/1739	E.C.W.	B53F	19788
26	SWC 26K	Bristol RELL6L	3/1740	E.C.W.	B53F	19789
27	SWC 27K	Bristol RELL6L	3/1741	E.C.W.	B53F	19790
28	SWC 28K	Bristol RELL6L	3/1742	E.C.W.	B53F	19791

Delivery dates: 24 - 28: 5.72

It is interesting to note that the chassis numbers of these vehicles are intermediate between two Eastern National vehicles. 1545(SVW273K) has chassis number 3/1737 and 1546(SVW274K) has chassis number 3/1743.

The vehicles are in all cream livery with a maroon band, about one foot high, around the base of the vehicle. As usual with Colchester vehicles, they are fitted with clocks. The unladen weight is 7. 9. 2.

These are the first new single deckers to be purchased by the Corporation for over forty years and the first Bristol single deckers ever owned. (The last Bristol double decker was withdrawn in 1964).

Vehicles on Hire

No vehicles are now on loan from Southend Corporation. The last two vehicles to be on loan, 341/2(CJN441/2C), have been returned to Southend.

Service Revisions

The service to Stanway Zoo (see NS97) has been numbered 12. Accordingly, the previous service 12 has been re-numbered 12A.

General

1(TRJ 109) is being repainted into Colchester livery, 2/3(TRJ 102/3) are still in Salford City Transport livery.

SOUTHEND CORPORATION

Withdrawn Vehicles

4.72	309(OHJ 79)		
5.72	319(WHJ 430)	320(WHJ 431)	322(WHJ 433)

309 is now used by the Southend C.T. driving school and is no longer licensed as a P.S.V.

Loaned Vehicles

341/2(CJN 441/2C) have returned from Colchester. No vehicles are now on loan to Colchester C.T.

Service Revisions

See notes under Eastern National for details.