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EDITORIAL

403 Focus of the month

403. a service 403 was operated by Eastern National in 1971 from Canvey Island to London Kings Cross in the summer months only.

Eastern National 403 was a Bristol RELH. ECW C47F registered AVX963B, this was later transferred to Tillings Transport as 9402 in 1971. National Travel (SE) operated this coach from 1973.

Southend Transport are to move their depot in Southend to Short Street.

Bristol VRs operate on Canvey Island again as Thamesway use their deckers on service 28 at peak hours.

ROCHFORD MEETINGS Freight House 8pm.

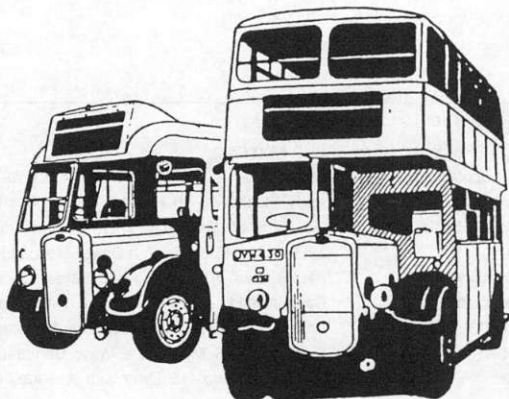
Tuesday December 9th Slide Show by Richard Delahoy 20 years ago:

The 1998 programme will be announced next month.

Contributions for this edition of Essex Bus News received with thanks from Essex C.C. Essex Buses (Eastern National & Thamesway) Southend Transport G Toon, R Dennis, P Ford, C Sigston, F Moncke.

Material for December EBN should be with Sub Editors by December 4th and Man. Editor by 8th December.

Members are reminded of the Essex County Council Bus Timetable service that is offered by the Group, details from Derek Stebbing 18, Lynmouth Avenue, Chelmsford Essex CM2 0TP. SAE please.



Eastern National

ALLOCATIONS

Period End 28.9.97.	2236 Reserve - D/L(D)
Period End 28.10.97.	3232 CR-Reserve

REPAINTS

7/97	2636/37/38/40/43/45/55 4018
8/97	2644/47/48 3103 4501
9/97	2641/42/46/49/50/51 3228
10/97	2652/53 4007/08

3103 has also been re-furbished at Marshalls in Cambridge. 3228 is a re-paint only.
2655 was an overall advert for Westwood & Clark.

SERVICES

- 21/A** Revised timetable introduced from 3.11.97.
- 23** Revised timetable introduced from 3.11.97.
- 30** Revised timetable introduced from 3.11.97.
- 34** Revised timetable introduced from 3.11.97.
- 34A** New service between Gt Notley and Kings Park, introduced from 3.11.97
- 35** Minor timetable revisions introduced from 3.11.97
- 51** The 0825 ex Galleywood on schooldays has been withdrawn.
- 58/A** Revised route and timetable introduced from 3.11.97.
- 59** Revised timetable introduced from 3.11.97.
- 63** 1630 ex Colchester., withdrawn with effect from 3.11.97.
- 66/A/B** Revised timetable, with some services under contract to ECC from 3.11.97.
- 66C** Service passed to Colchester BT, under contract to ECC from 3.11.97.
- 67/A** Revised timetable, with some services under contract to ECC from 3.11.97.
- 69** Service withdrawn after 30.10.97.
- 70/A** Minor timetable revisions introduced from 3.11.97.
- 71X** Service withdrawn after 30.10.97.
- 82/A** Revised timetable, with some services operated by Colchester BT, under contract to ECC from 3.11.97.
- 132** Revised route and timetable introduced from 3.11.97.
- 133** Revised route and timetable introduced from 3.11.97.
- 188** New service between Coggeshall and Colchester via Aldham and Earls Colne on Monday to Friday from 3.11.97.
- 301** Revised timetable introduced from 3.11.97.
- 333** Minor timetable revisions introduced from 3.11.97.

The above changes mean that service 59 is now operated from Chelmsford and 133 from Braintree, it is assumed that the vehicle requirement at Bishops Stortford will drop as a result,

INITIAL DISPOSALS

1867 (YEV 325S)	Hardwick, Carlton, for scrap 9/97.
2204 (C204 HJN)	Stephensons, Rochford, (dealer), 9/97.
2212 (C212 HJN)	Stephensons, Rochford, (dealer), 10/97.
2235 (C495 BHY)	Stephensons, Rochford, (dealer), 10/97.
2236 (C496 BHY)	Stephensons, Rochford, (dealer), 9/97.

HARRIS BUS

VEHICLES

Mercedes 0405/Optare demonstrator arrived on loan 19.9.97 and was still here on 31.10.97.

Ipswich vehicles have been on loan once again. Atlantean SDX 29R arrived on 27.9.97 and returned home on 6.10.97 to be replaced by G122 VDX a Dennis Falcon/East Lancs. Sister C106 SDX arrived in late October. Metrorider M215 EDX has also been noted in the yard, but this is thought not to have been used here.

Volvo Olympian P348 ROO came off second best in a duel with St Marys Lane railway bridge in Upminster and has returned to East Lancs for repair.

Further vehicles arrived on loan during early November. Details of the vehicles were not known as we went to press, but consist of 2 DAF/Ikarus and 2 Dart SLF/East Lancs. They are for use on the seasonal coach park shuttle.

SERVICES

- 71C** Revised timetable introduced from 2.11.97.
- 99** The 1645 from Broomfield Hospital was re-routed to serve Riverview Park from 3.11.97.
- 383** Minor timetable revisions introduced from 2.11.97.
- 384** Revised timetable introduced from 3.11.97.
- 385** Service withdrawn and replaced by revised 384 from 3.11.97.
- L1** Revised to operate Monday to Saturday from 3.11. to 19.12.97.
- L2** As service L1.

HEDINGHAM

SERVICES

- 89/A** Additional journeys at 0745 Sible Hedingham to Haverhill, returning at 1815 on Monday to Friday from 17.11.97.
- 107** Schooldays only, Bentfield Green to Bishops Stortford from 8.9.97.
- 119** Schooldays only, Rayne to Colchester from 27.10.97.

- 301** ECC tender journeys introduced between Bishops Stortford and Saffron Walden, to incorporate the service 307 from 3.11.97.
- 602** New service between Walton and Ipswich on first Saturday of the month.

OTHER OPERATORS - REST OF ESSEX

ADAMS BRENTWOOD Bedford/Duple PJI 6079 (TPJ 286S) is a recent addition.

A&J MINIBUS ROCHFORD Ford Transit G90 XFP is here, but on a taxi plate.

ADVANCE MINIBUSES HOCKLEY Mercedes L608D B906 RDX has been sold.

AMAYESING MINIBUSES GRAYS Ford Transit N342 OPN has been noted with this operator.

APT RAYLEIGH UJI 2347 (KUR 225V) a DAF/Plaxton has been acquired. Volvo/Van Hool AEF 268A has been sold.

BARKERBUS ROYDON To correct EBN 396/7, the Duple 425 here is confirmed as L347 MKU. Mercedes L608D/PMT B333 SDD has been acquired from Farnham Hire Services, Farnham and re-registered RJI 4576. This registration was previously carried by a Mercedes/Whitaker (new as KSG 947X) that has been re-registered and sold. Bedford VAS/Plaxton MIL 9757 (PBT 531P) has also been sold. Double deck Metroliner A253 TPO (A120 KBA) has been sold, while sister D683 YTN (D193 ESC) is reported to be going to Australia. Replacements are Setra OIB 3517 (C358 KGG) and Neoplan C791 PEM.

BERNARDS COACHES HARLOW Duple 425 C300 BYO is a recent addition.

BLUE DIAMOND HARLOW Freight Rover Sherpa D171 NON has been sold to Tigerways, Harlow.

BLUTE BRAINTREE Freight Rover B1 UTE has been re-registered D241 NUR (its original plate) and sold to Wivenhoe Cars.

BRENTWOOD COACHES Volvo/Caetano M577 JBC has been re-registered 610 KWC.

BRIANS MAYLANDSEA Bedford/Plaxton VNM 900S has been acquired from Ford, Althorne and registered 831 FUB. This was on a Fiat/Caetano that is now A121 YNP and unlicensed.

BROMLEY PRIVATE HIRE GT BROMLEY Talbot Express E773 LAS is a recent addition.

BUZZ HARLOW Mercedes/Reeve Burgess F71 SMC has been sold to Fargo, Rayne. Atlantean JPL 185K has passed to Stort Valley, Stansted.

C&M LAINDON Ford Transit M467 VMG is a recent addition.

CATTON HARLOW Is now based at Churchgate Street, Old Harlow.

CEDRIC WIVENHOE A further Bristol VR/ECW here is BKE 835T.

CHARIOTS CORRINGHAM Renault Master C782 BWY has been acquired.

CHELMSFORD CAB Further Omnis acquired are G622 EDC and H994 DKL. Similar H224 BKM has now entered service, after some time in storage. Ford Transit Tourneo N375 EHJ is now in service in Stansted Airport Cars livery. As previously mentioned a large number of cars carry PSV discs, but unusual is Land Rover Discovery JG 7843. This may be the only Land Rover PSV in England! All services except 'The Loop' were withdrawn with effect from 17.9.97.

CI COACHLINES HIGHWOOD Volvo/Ikarus coaches F635 FDH, F881 VSJ and G720 ONX are now registered IUI 2733-35. DAF/Plaxton A268 NFX has been acquired and registered IUI 3589.

CLINTONA BRENTWOOD The Chelmsford area Easybus services were withdrawn with effect from 3.11.97. and replaced by service 97 between Temple Grove and North Springfield.

COACHSTOP SOUTHEND Bova R960 GUB is a new addition, named Jazz.

COLCHESTER COACHES Leyland Atlantean/Roe KPJ 268/89W have been acquired. Both were new to London Country.

ECABS DUNMOW Is another operator using PSV discs in cars. Here with a disc (but not an ECABS one) is Citroen Synergie P629 JVW.

FARGO RAYNE To correct previous magazines, the two Scania recently acquired are K555 KGM and K500 GSM. Mercedes 608D A862 UDM has been acquired. Transit H144 NVW now has Chelmsford taxibus lettering, but retains Fargo (Smiths) legal lettering.

FLAGFINDERS BRAINTREE Mercedes/Robin Hood DPO 567W is a recent addition.

GOLDEN BOY ROYDON Mercedes/Reeve Burgess J760 ONK has been re-registered YOI 7725. This was previously carried by a Tiger/Plaxton new as NDW 138X, which has been re-registered and sold. Leopard/Duple YOI 7374 (MNK 428V) was re-registered UJN 292V before being sold for scrap. Tiger/Plaxton YOI 7575 (A80 NHK) has also been sold. Tiger/Plaxton F777 GNA has been acquired.

HUNTER SOUTH OCKENDON A second Ford transit here is G808 FTW.

JACKSON BICKNACRE Neoplan G300 XAC has been re-registered MJI 1306.

KILO COACHES WICKFORD Freight Rover minibus F53 KPN is now with a local builder.

LC COACH TRAVEL SOUTHEND Bedford/Plaxton JKV 423V has been acquired from Cook, Southend.

M&E SHOEBOURNE Tiger/Berkhof HOI 7624 (JVW 157Y) has been sold to S&P, Rochford. Mercedes C964 GCV has been acquired from Stephensons ex **Essex Buses**.

MAJESTIC BUSES HARWICH Mercedes/Robin Hood APX 610V has been acquired.

NELSONS WICKFORD Service 46 was re-routed to serve South Green with effect from 3.11.97.

PAGECOACH FOBBERING Freight Rover Sherpa E547 WKN has been seen here, but thought to be in a dealer capacity only.

PIONEER CLACTON Talbot D326 MNC has been acquired.

S&M HADLEIGH Ford/Plaxton SPU 443W has been acquired, but is not in use at present. Fleetline TGX 820M has been sold.

SM TRAVEL HARLOW Fleetline/Park Royal KEH 976N (new as GOG 530N) has been acquired.

SANDGROVE THUNDERSLEY New here is R66 DON a VW Caravelle.

STEPHENSONS ROCHFORD A third Olympian coach has been acquired. It is **B694 BPU**, which was ex MTL, but was new to Eastern National.

STORT VALLEY STANSTED OWV 819 (E307 OMG) a Volvo/Plaxton has been acquired.

SUPREME SOUTHEND A second Olympian/Alexander is A320 GLV.

TRAVELRICH WEELEY Neoplan XIB 1420 has been re-registered 565 XEV.

WARDS ARLESFORD Freight Rover Sherpa D893 NHE is a recent addition.

WAYS BOREHAM Mercedes 711 K650 HNW is thought to have been sold.

WHEELS TAXIS CANVEY A new operator with DAF 400 K168 BBH.

STORT VALLEY

This operator recently moved into Essex, operating from Stort Hill Industrial Estate, Stansted. A maintenance facility for other operators is also provided here.

Operations are mainly London commuter and contract work plus private hire, the fleet consists of:-

JPL 185K	Leyland Atlantean	Park Royal	H43/29D	
SIB 7359	Leyland Leopard	Duple	C53F	new as NNW 112P
UWV 860R	Bedford YMT	Plaxton	C53F	new as RGS 88R
THX 285S	Leyland Fleetline	MCW	H44/24D	
N942 EWG	Dennis Javelin	Plaxton	C53F	
P421 JDT	Dennis Javelin	Plaxton	C51F	
P422 JDT	Dennis Javelin	Plaxton	C49FT	
P423 JDT	Dennis Javelin	Plaxton	C49FT	
P424 JDT	Dennis Javelin	Plaxton	C49FT	
P425 JDT	Dennis Javelin	Plaxton	C53F	
P426 JDT	Dennis Javelin	Plaxton	C53F	
P427 JDT	Dennis Javelin	Plaxton	C53F	
P428 JDT	Dennis Javelin	Plaxton	C49FT	
LRU 822	Dennis Javelin	Plaxton	C49FT	new as ????

ESSEX ODDS AND ENDS

Noted at Nationwide Seat Belts, Maldon in recent weeks are Metroliner M1425 (C425 BUV) and Brians, Maylandsea 831 FUB (ex VNM 900S).

Routemaster MFF 578 (WLT 329) is currently at Horsecroft Place, Harlow.

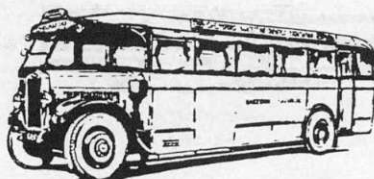
Non PSVs noted around the county are:-

LDV Convoy P112 MJN - Anglo European School, Ingatestone

Renault Master M288 UMM - Carlton Ave Gospel Hall Prittlewell

Ford transit H137 TEX - Prince of Wales PH South Ockendon

Omni H235 EKM - Firemans Relief Aid Canvey Island



EASTERN NATIONAL FLEET ALLOCATION OCTOBER 1997

BISHOPS STORTFORD	5 MB709, 5 Short Dart and 1 Lynx from CF, 1 MB709 from BE.
BRAINTREE	2242/44/47 2621/25-30/57-66 2808
CHELMSFORD	421-28 1001-06 1128-31 1401-03/07/08/13-16/25-29 1833/51 2601-20/22-24/2631-46/77 2802/12-16/23-30 3069/71/77/79 3083/84/92 3103/06/10/12 4013/14 4510/11 2217/30-33/37/40/43/48/52 2647-55/66 2817/19/21/22 3072 3219-22 4009
CLACTON	
COLCHESTER	1501-11 1850/99 1916/21/24 2670-76/78-81 2801/03-06/09-11 2818/20 3093/94 3101/27 3226-30/33 4010/12/15-18/21 4501/03/12
DUNMOW	1 single deck from CF. (normally Long Dart)
HARWICH	1512/13 2656/67/69/82 3076/78 3109 4007/08/19
MALDON	6 Long Dart, 2 Lynx, 1 MB709 plus 1 VR from CF.
RESERVE FLEET	3232
POOL VEHICLES	2383/84
D/L DISPOSAL	1007 1874 2229/35 3224/31
TRAINING	9014/18

The outstation allocations are the normal vehicle type, but can vary from time to time.

THAMESWAY FLEET ALLOCATION OCTOBER 1997

BASILDON	254/58 328/29/31-46/48/60-88 401-10 601-18 851-54 918-37/40 942/59-72 1112/14/15 1845/63/70/71 4003-05
BRENTWOOD	347/49-59
HADLEIGH	235 307-27/30 701-11 938/39/41/43-58 1400/04-06/09-12/17-24/30 1803/30/68/82/86/89/96 1907 3113 3225/34 230/31/33/34/45-48/50/51/53/55-57/59-61 301-06/89-98 414 800-11 901-17/73-87
PONDERS END	
RESERVE FLEET	252 413
D/L DISPOSAL	201/06
TRAINING	9016/17 9717/19

Despite appearing as Basildon allocated on the official allocation list, 401-10 are based at Ponders End.





NEW

Due to a mechanical problem, no further Mercedes Minibuses have been delivered and 414 has returned to Mercedes in Germany.

ALLOCATIONS 26.10.97

232 PD-Pool, 414 Pool-PD, 619 BN-EC.

REPAINTS

397, 1405, 1409, 1871.

DISPOSALS

203	C963 GCV	10.97 Hardwick(dlr), Carlton
225	D225 PPU	Stephenson(dlr), Rochford 9.97
226	D226 PPU	9.97 Stephenson(dlr), Rochford
619	N619 APU	10.97 Eastern Counties

COLCHESTER BOROUGH TRANSPORT

Volvo 61 (B861 XYR) came out of the paint shop on 14.10.97 and entered service the following day. Next into the paint shop was 55, coming out on 23.10.97. 56 (B856 XYR) arrived in Colchester on 23.10.97 and went straight into the paint shop.

Leyland National 26 (BVP 826V) was withdrawn on 1.10.97 and removed to Southend. 25 followed on 15.10.97, and 12 on 23.10.97.

Tiger 100 failed on a private hire at Dover on 17.10.97. CBT borrowed Southend Transport's 547 until 19.10.97, in exchange for National 19.

On 15.9.97 service 2/2A/2B was extended from North Station to Asda Superstore.

Atlantean 86 was returned from Ipswich on 2.10.97. Olympian 47 was at Duxford from 1 to 3.10.97.

On 5.10.97 three Olympians were used on a railway replacement service between Colchester and Witham. On 11.10.97 46 and 47 took part in a Capital Citybus contract between Leytonstone and Epping. The following day 46, 47 and 48 did Colchester to Witham, as did 43, 47 and 49 on 18.10.97. The same day 58, 354 and 355 covered Colchester to Sudbury. On 19.10.97 45, 47 and 49 ran between Colchester and Witham.

A ticket-roll promotion for PG Tips started on 20.10.97.

Southend Transport

Vehicles

Acquired..

12 (BVP 812V) & 25 (EON 825V)

Leyland National 2 NL116L11/1R B49F

Ex Colchester 10/97.

On Hire..

RMC 1453 (453 CLT)

AEC Routemaster 6RM Park Royal H32/25RD

From Leaside 10/97

The use of the RMC is unclear at the time of these notes being prepared but, it has been suggested that it will be used in the run up to Christmas and the New Year. Further details when available.

Stored..

10 (BVP 810V) & 26 (EON 826V)

Currently being used for spares.

Subsequent Disposals;

LD 203 PIB 5144(UTD 203T) To scrap. Ex Brighton & Hove.

LD 219 SPN 669X To Blue Bus, Horwich. Ex Brighton & Hove.

RM 104 VYJ 542(WLT 797) To Double Deck Tours, Niagara Falls. reg BA4-845.

RM 108 61 CLT. To Search & Match Corporation, New York

VR 304 DWY 146T In use with Beeston, Hadleigh suffolk.

VR 381 BUH 233V As Above.

VR 401 LHG 440T To Howard, Halstead. Ex Beeston, (Dealer Stock.)

Repaints;

LN 12 & 25 Into Dart style fleet livery, with blue roof.

ON 282 (MUH 285X) Livery has been amended to be the same as ON 265.

Other News;

ON 904/5 (F 574/5 SMG) have full rear end vinyl adverts for Essex FM, including contrivision over the rear windows.

Former Fleetline Registrations have been noted on cars.

Reg No. JTD 388P on a S.T staff car.

JTD 391P on a Taxi in Castle Point operated by Wheels.



ARRIVA

Passenger Services

NEW OPPORTUNITIES

In the past half century, but particularly this decade, the Cowie Group has developed strongly to become one of the UK's top 200 companies - a market leader in bus operations and distribution, company car management and motor retailing. However, it has become apparent that the name of the Group, although respected and well-known, could limit its opportunities for future growth.

Whilst our business strategy begins to focus on mainland Europe, our name will not travel well into other languages and cultures. Derived from our motor retailing activities, the existing logo does not stretch to becoming a convincing national bus brand. In addition, the company values, objectives and management style have progressed beyond the current name. Through our successful acquisition record, we now have a complex and potentially confusing brand structure with no less than 140 separate brands and sub-brands. Although some of these names and identities have their own illustrious histories, their maintenance is time-consuming and expensive. As the company develops as a total transport solutions supplier, it has become necessary to unite all our operations in an understandable, cohesive and cost-efficient brand structure. The Board of Directors advocate that we take now the opportunity to launch a new, single, corporate-wide identity with which we will move forward with confidence into the future.

NEW NAME

The new corporate identity includes a new name and a new symbol to be used throughout the organisation. And, as a total transport solutions supplier, it is important that the new brand must have relevance to all our operations. It is proposed that the new name of the company will be:

ARRIVA

ARRIVA (pronounced areeva) is derived from the verb 'to arrive', which is the ultimate deliverable of any transport service provider. The name gives a promise and a reassurance to our customers - whether they are bus users depending on our service arriving and conveying them efficiently to their destination, or corporate decision makers requiring our company 'to arrive' at the solution to their complex transport needs. ARRIVA is attractive and approachable compared to the previous group name. And, with women accounting for more than half of our new car buyers, over a third of fleet decision makers and the majority of bus users, it is right that the new, customer-friendly brand should possess a more feminine style and value as well as reflecting a dynamic, modern, innovative and progressive approach to business. ARRIVA is a British company but it is important that we have a corporate identity which is acceptable to other cultures. ARRIVA is a word derived from several Latin-based European languages and has been tested thoroughly for its meaning in several cultures, so it will transfer easily and positively across borders. ARRIVA is alphabetically favoured, which can be a bonus when the company is listed alongside competitors in advertising or telephone directories, timetables, industry guides or as part of a bidding process.

NEW SYMBOL

The name is accompanied by a distinctive 'wheels within wheels' symbol which seeks to combine visually the key element of transport operator, motor retailer and provider of sophisticated solutions. The typeface is also unique to our company, designed to have the characteristics of strength and integrity with innovation and style.

NEW BRAND STRUCTURE

ARRIVA Passenger Services

The prospect of a single, high-quality national bus brand is an exciting one. It will provide our bus operations with a higher profile and greater flexibility whilst giving us a fresh voice in the industry to help change the perception of bus travel for the better. Within London, London Transport stipulates that buses retain red as the dominant colour. This means that there will be a different ARRIVA bus livery within London and a single, related livery operating outside London. Nevertheless, it will be discernible that all bus operations are part of the ARRIVA passenger services division.

ARRIVA Automotive Solutions

Our company car and vehicle contract hire and fleet management operations, together with our national fleet sales operations, will be encapsulated by ARRIVA automotive solutions. The previous name Interleasing was, according to market research, too narrow a definition to embrace the breadth of products and services delivered by this division. The word automotive was chosen for its international recognition and the term solutions to reflect our role as a management consultant, providing a flexible and total response to the requirements of our corporate clients.

ARRIVA Motor Retailing

For our motor retailing operations ARRIVA serves to support and introduce the manufacturer's brand rather than compete with it and will also inject a fresh 'just arrived' quality to the used vehicle stock. The ARRIVA vehicle rental outlets and liveried commercial vehicles will help to reinforce awareness of the new identity.

ARRIVA Bus and Coach

Previously, our bus and coach distribution division, Hughes DAF, was linked too closely with one bus and coach chassis manufacturer, despite having broadened considerably the range of products it offers to the marketplace. The new name will reflect the size and significance of the division as part of a major group.

NEW VALUES

Market research into the acceptability of the new brand within our target markets has been extremely positive. The ARRIVA name is welcomed by bus passengers, who liked the symbol and said that ARRIVA was "almost a guarantee of efficiency". Fleet decision makers reacted very favourably to the new, modern approach which will differentiate the company positively from the competition.

As part of a further consultation exercise, a sample of shareholders have given a very positive response and employees becoming aware of the new identity agree that the new design is cleaner, more distinct, up-to-date and innovative.

ARRIVA, being an international brand, will aid our future development into other European countries. Just as importantly, however, our company must also be without borders within. The single brand will help promote strong co-operation between business activities to enable the Group to achieve our strategy to provide integrated and total transport solutions to meet the needs of corporate clients and enable the company to play a full and proactive part in the development of a new transport infrastructure for Britain.

Although there remain a number of distinct operations, the brand ARRIVA will link all employees as part of a cohesive corporate structure.

EASTERN NATIONAL

The PSV Circle Eastern National fleet history and the book 'The Years Between' both state that Leyland TD1,2791 TM3843 had a Leyland L48ROS body, Photographic evidence shows this vehicle in Luton Depot with enclosed staircase, a rather crude rebuild, Does anybody know anything about this?

Bedford OB Duple C29F 3934 LPU624 (the Corgi model) was painted in reverse livery ie bus colours, was this delivered in this state-? any ideas.

The recent Group publication Chelmsford allocation 1945- 1948 has brought some interesting comments from Guild member Frank Moncke.

The following alterations should be noted.

2903/4/22/32	Grays
2980/3774/3887	Clacton
3596/3609/3782	Southend
3597/8/3724	Maldon
3613/3769	Halstead (3769 used on service B)
3763/3891	Colchester
3480/9/3888/9/92	Bedford
3620/3727	Luton

The Luton vehicles were regulars on service M Luton-Southend in 1946.

The above were officially allocated as above and were operating from Chelmsford on a temporary basis probably after major overhaul at Central Works.

3323/3542/3757 were destroyed in the 1943 garage bomb.

Regular Chelmsford residents not included.

2358 TW9354 Leyland PLSC3 ECOC B32R
3023/4 TM6301/2 AEC Regent Beadle L52R, East Lancs L56R
3684 EN0962 Bristol J05G ECOC NP31F
3959-61 MPU20-2 Bristol K6B ECW L55R
3983/7-91 MPU44/48-52 Leyland PD1 ECW L53R

Turning to the Bishops Stortford allocation, the following should be added.

3487 AVW465 Dennis Lancet ECOC DP32R
3510 AEV88 AEC Regal Beadle B32R
3520 AHK792 AEC Regal Beadle B32R
3544 BTW483 Dennis Lancet ECOC DP32R
3577 MV2272 AEC Regal Beadle B32R
3599 CTW195 Dennis Ace ECOC B20F

delete 3874 HHT459 Bristol L5G

DID YOU KNOW.

In Pound Lane North Benfleet at the junction with Burnt Mills Road, the bus stop still has an NBC Eastern National flag.*****

At Shenfield Station on the east bound stop an X99 plate, remember this was 'The Forester' to Basildon----- a short livedroute by London Transport.

EASTERN NATIONAL The PS Series.

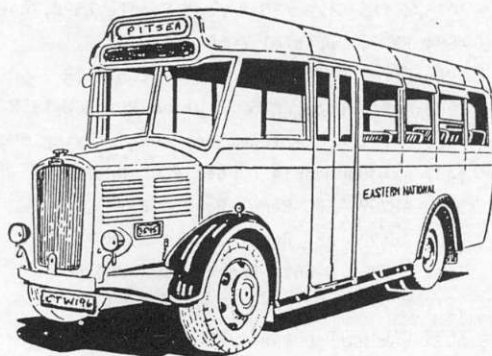
The post war Tiger, the PS was never purchased new by Eastern National and only appeared by acquisition. From Queens Park Coaches of Halton came Duple bodied KKK 408 numbered L128, it was later transferred to the United Counties Omnibus Co. only to be reacquired in 1956 and numbered 014.

From Hicks Brothers at Braintree, a Thurgood Bodied PS1/1 MEV174 was given fleet number 125.

The final PS1's came from the City Coach Company, Duple bodies were carried on LHK 413-5/LPU684-8 , City LS2-8, these were numbered 123-131 by Eastern National.

A solitary PS2 was from the City Coach Company, G7 NVX170 a Heaver bodied saloon that first appeared in service as a six wheeler, this was Eastern National 132.

Next Month the ROYAL TIGER, TIGER CUB. and Tiger TRC.





Standing in Chelsford Bus Station is Ex Eastern National 3225
AYG850S Bristol VR ECW now operated by Thamesway from Hadleigh
Depot. 3225 had worked service 33d from Southend General Hosp.

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TIMETABLE REPRODUCTION SERVICE

Would you like a copy of the timetable of the "Ortona" service that once served Thaxted ?

The Chairman has a very extensive collection of timetables. There is a complete set of post-war Eastern National and Westcliff-on-Sea. issues as well as a complete set of the Essex County Council publications since 1977. The pre-war selection of National and Eastern National is extensive but not quite complete.

Also included in the collection is an extensive array of independents timetables as well as local area guides. London Transport operations in Essex are well catered for as well as early L.N.E.R. and G.E.R. railway timetables and even some stagecoach guides.

Copies of the timetables can be produced by xerography for research purposes, souvenirs etc. Members interested in the service should contact the Chairman (S.A.E. please) for a copy of the Introductory Circular.

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Express Coach Service

via Cambridge to LANCASHIRE & YORKSHIRE

26th May to 25th September, 1967

	Mon Thurs*	Sat Sun MR	Sat Sun EN	Fri Sat EN	Adult Fares to Cambridge DAILY	PR
SOUTHEND, Seaway E.N. Terminal	dep 0750	1300	14/-	22/6		
Southend, Airport	" 0800	1310				
Rayleigh, Weir	" 0810	1320	13/6	21/6		
Westcliff-on-Sea, Co-op, 515 London Road ..	"	0728				
Leigh-on-Sea, Elm Hotel	"	0734				
Hadleigh, Church	"	0741	14/-	22/6		
Hadleigh, E.N. Depot	"	0743				
South Benfleet, Tarpots Corner	"	0750				
Pitsea Broadway, Century Cinema	"	0755	13/6	21/6		
Basildon, Bus Station	"	0803				
Billericay, High Street, opposite Vere's	"	0813	13/-	21/-		
Galleywood, Eagle	"	0828				
Chelmsford, Bus Station	" 0838	0838	1348	12/-	20/-	
Dunmow, High Street	" 0906	0906	1416	8/6	14/6	
Thaxted, Town Street	" 0920	0920	1430	7/6	14/-	
Saffron Walden, De Barrs	" 0937	0937	1447	6/-	8/6	
CAMBRIDGE, Drummer Street	arr 1010	1010	1520			
Adult Fares ex Cambridge						
		Sats	Other Days			
		S	PR	S	PR	
CAMBRIDGE, Drummer Street	dep 1025	1025				
Market Harborough, Bus Stn., Northampton Rd.	" 1258	1258	14/-	24/-	12/-	23/-
LEICESTER, 'Midland Red' Southgate Street Coach Station ..	" 1411	1411	17/-	27/-	13/6	24/-
Loughborough, Bus Station	" 1441	1441	18/6	30/-	15/-	27/-
Leek, Bus Station	" 1614	1614	27/-	44/-	24/-	40/-
Macclesfield, Park Green	" 1640	1640	30/-	48/-	27/-	43/-
Stockport, War Memorial	" 1710	1710	31/-	49/-	28/-	45/-
MANCHESTER, L.M.S. Coach Stn., East St. ..	" 1744	1744	32/-	51/-	28/-	46/-
Oldham, Yellowway Coach Station, 3 Mumps	" 1809	1809	32/-	51/-	28/-	46/-
Rochdale, Yellowway Coach Stn., Weir Street ..	" 1831	1831	33/-	52/-	30/-	47/-
Bacup, St. James' Street	" 1850	1850	33/-	52/-	30/-	47/-
Rawtenstall, Queen's Square	" 1901	1901	33/-	52/-	30/-	47/-
Accrington, Opposite 1a Peel Street	" 1919	1919	33/-	52/-	30/-	47/-
Blackburn, Corporation Coach Station	" 1932	1932	33/-	52/-	30/-	47/-
Bolton, Moor Lane Bus Stn., (A.E. Hargreaves Kiosk) ..	" 1812	1812	32/-	51/-	29/-	48/-
Chorley, Bus Station	" 1854	1854	34/-	54/-	30/-	48/-
Preston, Ribble Coach Station	" 1914	1914	35/-	55/-	30/-	48/-
St. Annes, Fairhaven Hotel	" 1946	1946	36/-	59/-	32/-	51/-
BLACKPOOL, Squires Gate Airport (Forecourt)	" 1958	1958	36/-	59/-	32/-	51/-
BLACKPOOL, Yellowway Coach Station, Bloomfield Road ..	" 2004	2004	36/-	59/-	32/-	51/-
CAMBRIDGE, Drummer Street	dep	1550	-	-	-	-
Doncaster, Waterdale Coach Park	"	2010	19/6	34/-	16/6	29/-
Wakefield, Bus Station	"	2120	23/-	39/-	20/-	34/-
LEEDS, Wellington Street Bus Station	"	2150	25/-	39/-	22/-	34/-
Halifax, Harrison Road	"	2200	25/-	42/-	22/-	37/-
BRADFORD, Chester Street Bus Station	"	2220	25/-	42/-	22/-	37/-

* .6th July to 7th September only. S-Single. PR-Period Return. MR-Operated by
Midland Red. EN-Operated by Eastern National.
Children's Fares: Southend - Cambridge section 2/3 Adult.
Cambridge - Lancashire & Yorkshire 1/2 Adult.