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NEW LOOK EASTERN NATIONAL. Mercedes 636 K636GVX in the latest livery at Chelmsford Bus Station on 20th June 1993.

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ESSEX BUS MEN HONOURED

Arthur Townsend, retired Managing Director & Chairman of City of Oxford Motor Services, and formerly Traffic Manager of Eastern National was awarded the M.B.E. in the Queens Birthday Honours List for his services to the bus industry. Also honoured was Donald MacGregor, Chairman of Heddingham & District Omnibuses who received the O.B.E. The Group would also like to add its own message of congratulation to these gentlemen.

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Paul Harvey.

On behalf of all members of the Group, I would take this opportunity to wish Paul all the very best on his appointment as Senior Officer, Community Transport, with Nottinghamshire County Council.

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MEETINGS.

O S Essex Branch Summer Meeting.

Tues 17th August Grey Green Details as last month.

Group Meetings

Members should refer to EBN350 for full details of meetings planned for Southend and Basildon.

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GROUP TOUR

Enthusiast Special

Enclosed with this newsheet is a booking form for East London Tour on Sunday 3rd October, visiting Capital Citybus at Dagenham and Northumberland Park, Grey Green Barking and Stamford Hill, County Bus Edmonton and Thamesway at Ponders End. Thamesway is subject to confirmation, the Capital Citybus Routemaster is the tour vehicle.

Bookings should be sent to Andy Meadows as soon as possible.

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L O T S . S Menzies. S Thompson. Thamesway. E.C.C. M Weyall.

All reports for the August magazine should be with sub editors by July 30th.

We are short of reports on Colchester B.C., any members in that area, who can spare a few minutes each month to write a report on C.B.C. please let the Man-Editor know, also any interesting photos of buses around Colchester for publishing in the mag..

New Vehicles

Further details of the new batch of Mercedes are now known

	Chassis	Body Number	Date of Delivery
631	008997	937MHV1510	18/05/93
632	009043	937MHV1509	19/05/93
633	009184	937MHV1515	20/05/93
634	009280	937MHV1511	18/05/93
635	009410	937MHV1512	19/05/93
636	009430	937MHV1514	07/06/93
637	009650	937MHV1513	07/06/93
638	009713	937MHV1516	07/06/93
639	007390	937MHV1517	08/06/93
640	009769	937MHV1518	08/06/93
641	011011	937MHV1520	10/06/93
642	011046	937MHV1521	16/06/93
643	011047	937MHV1519	16/06/93
644	011062	937MHV1523	15/06/93
645	011148	937MHV1524	10/06/93
646	011228	937MHV1522	15/06/93

Vehicles on Order

In addition to the ten Mercedes/Plaxton minibuses due in August, two Dennis Dart/Plaxton are due for delivery in October. They will have Diptac features and are for services 105/7 between Walton and Colchester, which is to be taken over under tender to ECC from Hedingham.

Allocations

6/93 0120 MN-BE; 200/2 MN-BE; 621/23-30 MN-BE; 631-46 NEW-CF;
703/5/20/21 MN-CF; 713/14/16-18 MN-BE; 1114/5 MN-CF;
1403/14/16/25 MN-CF; 1831/34 CF-POOL; 1833/72/74 CF-CR;
1844/50/51/55/70 1901/10/16 CF-CN; 1892 1921/23 MN-CR;
1917 CF-D/L(D); 1925/27/30-32/37-39 CN-D/L(D);
1926/29/33/35/36 CR-D/L(D); 3079/92/94 3112/27 MN-CF;
3128 MN-CR
7/93 1832 POOL-CF; 1833 CR-CF; 3127 CF-CR

Maldon outstation is allocated the following:-

2 Tiger/Alexander 4 Lynx 2 Bristol VR 1 Ford Transit

It is not intended to separate the Maldon allocation from Chelmsford, as unlike Bishops Stortford it is changed on an almost daily basis.

General

Further to EBN 350 the first Lynx in new livery was in fact 1408

and this was used at the official launch on June 14th.

The new livery was designed by Richard Cooper of Cooper Design Associates of Dursley, Glos. In addition to the detail given in EBN 350 the green/yellow stripes have been altered from 30 to 45 degrees to the horizontal and the yellow has been extended to roof level at the front. The new E logo stands for Eastern National, Essex, East Anglia etc.

In the in house EN magazine Richard Cooper commented " This project has represented an excellent opportunity in the creation of a unique regional identity for Eastern National, which will without doubt have a profound impact on the competition. We believe that this identity will reflect the success that Eastern National is set to achieve as the leading bus company in Essex in the forthcoming years". (Sub-Editors note, I always knew they were better than Thamesway!).

It is reported that planning permission is being sought, for the construction of houses and flats on the site of Maldon depot. It is assumed that the outstation will have to be moved from its current site, the forecourt at the depot, if this is given.

Following the decision to re-open Braintree depot all major maintenance of Chelmsford based minibuses is being undertaken at Braintree. This is only a short term move, to allow Chelmsford to have space for work on its big bus allocation. However, when the current Chelmsford bus station is sold all minibus maintenance will return to Chelmsford and Braintree will revert to outstation status. The new Chelmsford depot when it opens will have sufficient space to undertake work on its own plus Braintree, Bishops Stortford and Maldon based vehicles.

Leyland Olympians are being fitted with Gardner 6LXB green engines as the old units fail. These are remanufactured units which are in line with the latest legislation on emissions. They are the only naturally aspirated engine under 200 bhp available in the UK to meet the new laws. The first unit has been fitted to 4021.

Drivers at Chelmsford depot introduced an overtime ban during the late part of June, as a result of changes in duties. This had been resolved by the end of the month. However, a number of schools services were affected and these were covered by other operators, including Harris Bus while the Sunday extra services to the County Show were operated by Nelsons.

Services

- 32 Further to EBN 350, re-routed in Writtle via The Green and Ongar Road from 21.6.93.
- 99 NEW SERVICE. See rear of EBN 350 for details.
- 106 Re-introduced for the summer period between Clacton and Harwich from 26.7.93. to 4.9.93. on Monday to Friday at 0825,1335,1635 ex Clacton, 0935,1445,1745 ex Harwich.
- 301 Extended to serve Tesco's in Saffron Walden from 5.7.93.
- 622 From 4.7.93. the 1800 and 2000 ex Braintree and 1905 ex Harlow were revised to run 10 minutes later.
- 651 Further to EBN 349, the EN service operated under contract to Suffolk CC on service 93, continues from Ipswich to Walberswick, under tender to SCC.

851 Additional journey from 27.7.93. to 26.9.93. at 0820 Summers to Town Station.

In addition the following summertime specials are to be operated:-

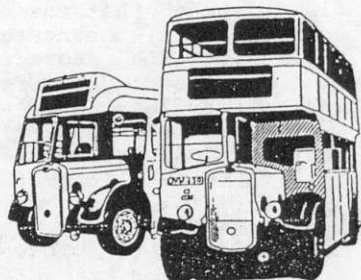
- X1 Harwich-Colchester-Witham-Basildon-Southend. Tuesdays Only from 20.7.93. to 17.8.93.
X2 Walton-Clacton-Colchester-Lowestoft-Yarmouth. Wednesdays Only from 21.7.93. to 18.8.93.
X3 Walton-Clacton-Colchester-Bury-Cambridge. 22.7, 5/19.8 Only
X4 Walton-Clacton-Colchester-Ipswich-Felixstowe. 29.7 and 12/26.8 Only.

Through tickets and connections are available on services 74 and 104 as required.

Repaints

All in new style livery:-

5/93 4019
6/93 1123 1408 1425
7/93 200 1401 4512



Publicity

Timetable booklets for:-

Harwich and Manningtree dated 30.5.93. Price 10p.
Clacton, Frinton and Walton dated 30.5.93. Price 20p.
Colchester District dated 30.5.93, Price 25p.
Maldon and District dated 20.6.93. Price 10p.
Chelmsford and District dated 20.6.93. Price 25p.

The Chelmsford and Maldon books are in a new style without a cover photo, but featuring diamonds, the new logo and fleetname and a Badger.

Leaflets for:-

Master Saver between Brightlingsea/Wivenhoe and Colchester.
Uncle 'ENry child rate photocard; Buses to Colchester Zoo.
Coast Card Travel Ticket for Clacton area; Job Seeker half rate bus pass; Buses to Tollgate and Sainsburys at Stanway.
Service 106 the Sunshine Coast Special dated 26.7.93.
Service 99/100/101 - Sunshine Coast Specials dated 30.5.93.

Initial Disposals

1747 (HAR 487N) Hardwick for scrap, 5/93.
3204 (LBD 840P) Brokern for spares and remains scrapped, 5/93.

The Leyland National 2s remain at Clacton, except 1925 now at Basildon, despite suggestions that they are destined for South Wales Transport. A number were loaned to Badgerline in connection with the annual Pilton Pop Festival, but these have now returned.

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SUBSEQUENT DISPOSALS

- 1113 (HHJ374Y) Re-numbered 181 by Brewer, Port Talbot, 4/93. Repainted 4/93 into red and white livery with thin yellow stripe and Badger emblem on rear nearside.
- 1116 (HHJ374Y) Brewer, Port Talbot, 182, 4/93, ex South Wales, 169, also repainted as per 1113.
- 1118 (HHJ379Y) Re-numbered 183 by Brewer, Port Talbot, 4/93. Repainted as per 1113.
- 1122 (A6910HJ) Re-numbered 184 by Brewer, Port Talbot, 4/93. Repainted as per 1113.
- 1124 (A6930HJ) Brewer, Port Talbot, 185, 4/93, ex South Wales, 170, also repainted as per 1113.
- 1126 (A6960HJ) Brewer, Port Talbot, 186, 4/93, ex South Wales, 171, also repainted as per 1113.
- 1404 (VHK177L) Went to Northern Bus Co., Anston, 4/92 (correction 929 CVJ) EBN341).
- 1653 (KCG610L) Still with Ludlow, Halesowen, 3/93.
(NAT222A)
- 1702 (WNO551L) as per 1653.
(NAT555A)
- 1703 (WNO552L) Now reported that was only on loan to Rotherham & District, from East Midland, from 2/91 to 3/91. (correction EBN335) as per 1653.
- 1707 (WNO556L)
- 1732 (HWC 83N) Re-registered PJI4084, by 4/93, by Beeston, Long Melford.
- 1734 (HWC 85N) as per 1703.
- 1749 (JNO198N) Was withdrawn by Solent Blue Line, 430, 10/92. (correction EBN347)
- 1750 (JNO199N) Essex Fire & Rescue Service (N-PSV), 2/93.
- 1778 (PEV690R) Passed to Wessex, Bristol, 4/93. (correction EBN350)
- 1811 (VNO734S) Hardwick (breaker), Carlton, 2/93.
- 1827 (VNO729S) Withdrawn from service fleet of Brewer, Port Talbot, 717, 4/93. Transferred to service fleet, 4/93, and in use as temporary immobile office at Bridgend, 4/93.
- 1883 (BNO673T) Crown (dealer), Bristol, 3/93. (T)
- 1905 (DAR127T) as 1883.
- 3034 (NPU981M) Loaned to I.W. & E. Williams, Deiniolen, 1/93 - 3/93, by Jones, Bontnewydd.
- 3060 (LJN655P) Maldon Majorettes (N-PSV), 3/93. (T)
- 3097 (UAR587W) Re-numbered 947 by Brewer, Port Talbot, 4/93.
- 3098 (UAR588W) Re-numbered 948 by Brewer, Port Talbot, 4/93.
- 3108 (UAR598W) Re-numbered 949 by Brewer, Port Talbot, 4/93.
- 3129 (XHK234X) Re-numbered 946 by Brewer, Port Talbot, 4/93.
- 3216 (FRP907T) JBS, Belford, 3/93, ex Crown (dealer), Bristol. (T)
But, also reported as :
Hand, Horsley, 4/93, ex. Thamesway. This vehicle actually came via Western National, hence presume it is in error, for another vehicle. Clarification appreciated.



Aquired Vehicles

It is understood that a number of ex Western National Mercedes 608D have been aquired at Brentwood. Would members in the Brentwood area please advise the sub editor.

Repaints

Noted repainted in fleet livery are 1847 and 517.

General

Ford Transit 719 has been noted with white fleetnumber plates. Mercedes 808 doesnot have a Badger symbol on the vehicle. Brentwoods Mercedes 303 has had its radio roof pod and LT advertising all removed. Thamesway vehicles noted at Southend Bus Rally were 316, 517, 910, 1822 and AJN 825. Eastern National Leyland National 2 MHJ 721V (1925) has been noted at both Hadleigh and Basildon depots late June.

Service Revisions

- 2 Revised timetable to be introduced on 19th July
- 6 Service reduced to 3 journeys in each direction on Mon to Fri from 19th July
- 7 New service Southend to Rayleigh Mon to Sat commencing 19th July
- 7A New service Southend to Ashingdon Mon to Sat commencing 19th July
- 8 New service Southend to Rayleigh Mon to Sat commencing 19th July
- 15 Revised timetable to be introduced on 19th July
- 77/8 From 28th June service will be extended later in the evening
- 81/2 Revised timetable from 28th June
- 211/3 From 26th July three journeys will be extended to/from Cheshunt each day
- 250 Revised timetable to be introduced on 19th July
- 362 From 26th June will be extended beyond Little Heath to King George Hospital Goodmayes with an early evening service introduced.
- 462 New LT contract from 26th June Mon to Sat between Ilford High Road and Barkingside Fullwell Cross via Cranbrook Road, Beehive Lane, Eastern Avenue, Gants Hill Station, Woodford Avenue, Longwood Gardens Freemantle Road and Barkingside High Street using small Mercedes 608D's.

It is proposed that LT214 be extended from Parliament Hillfields via Highgate Road, Highgate West Hill, and South Grove to Highgate High Street, buses will return direct via Highgate West Hill. This extension should take effect Autumn 93.

Season tickets were all increased as from 7th June on Citysaver Services. Also introduced from 7th June are new Summer Sightseer fares Southend to London at £3 adult and £1 child day return travelling on journeys starting with 8-25am from Southend Mon to Fri, but not valid on journeys after 2-35pm or before 6-55 from Victoria Coach Station. These fares are valid all day on Saturdays.

Publicity

77/8 dated 28-6-93

81/2 dated 28-6-93

LT 362/462 dated 26-6-93

Spotlight on Southend

Now that Southend Transport has been brought by British Bus it appears that both companys have had head to head talks to discuss rationalising certain bus routes. Competition will still exist between both operators. Statements issue by both companies state the changes were sensible and in the interests of the travelling public. One wonders how long Thamesways new services 77A/8 will last as these are direct competition on Southend Transports tradition routes.

LATEST NEWS.

Acquired ex Western National 7/93

??? C696ECV Mercedes L608D Reebur DP19F ex WN 81 allocated to BD.

The new fleet number plates are now appearing on all Mercedes and Transits.

The Evening Echo reports that the following routes are to be revised.

20A Shoebury-Hullbridge.

25 Temple Sutton-Hadleigh.

27A Rayleigh-Shoebury.

29B Southchurch-Eastwood.

6 Southend-Ashingdon ,reduced service.

Essex Operators.



Fleet List. kindly supplied by Vantage.

6	A5990WC	Ford Trasit	Pormobile/Mellor	B16F	
8	F601DWB	Mercedes 609D	M/B Europa	DP20F	
10	H254SWA	Mercedes 814D	M/R Europa	DP25F	
11	C478TAY	Ford Transit	Pormobile	B16F	ex Midland Fox via Clinton.

Services operated. 6/93.

123 Matching Green Romford.

217 Blake Hall Ongar.

523 Romford Ongar

209 Lambourne End Loughton

364 Purfleet Grays

123,209,217,364 ECC contract routes.



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Heddingham Omnibuses

Vehicles

To correct EBN 348, the Bovas sold were L171/72/91. L173 remains in the fleet.

Two ex Trent VRs have joined the fleet one of which is L203 (BRC 839T). I can only assume that nobody has seen L202 as its details have not yet been reported.

Services

- 9 From 2.7.93. an additional service was introduced on Fridays at 0910 from Halstead, 1200 ex Sudbury.
- 14 This service and Viceroy's 34 extended to Tesco, Radwinter Road from 5.7.93.
- 17 Extended to Tesco, Radwinter Road from 5.7.93.
- 96 Journeys at 0705 ex Maldon and 0755 ex Burnham introduced from 21.6.93. to replace withdrawn EN services.

OTHER OPERATORS - REST OF ESSEX

AMOS BELCHAMP ST PAUL Bedford YRT CCF 648L has been sold. Ford Transit JAR 484Y has been added to the fleet.

BARKER ROYDON Bedford minibus NVX 148P was sold last year. A Bova has been acquired PWP 667Y.

BERNARDS Since the fleetlist in EBN 349, DWK 411T has been acquired from Tigerways.

BLACKWELL ABBESS RODING Bedford YLQ GPA 626V was sold last year. BOBS MINI COACHES WICKFORD A new Transit is J58 SDB.

BORDACOACH Now operates from Horndon Industrial Park. Vehicles acquired are Bedford/Plaxton OAR 100L and ex Thamesdown Fleetline OHR 190R which retains full Thamesdown livery including fleetnames! It is therefore possible to see vehicles in Thamesway, Thameside and Thamesdown livery in this area!

C&M LAINDON Van Hool 486 CLR was sold in early 1992.

CLINTONA BRENTWOOD Transit E63 BKM is a recent addition.

COLCHESTER COACHES DNK 431T a Ford/Duple has passed to Partridge, Hadleigh.

COOK WESTCLIFF Bedford YMT GRT 505V has been sold. The majority of vehicles are now operated from Purdeys Industrial Estate Rochford.

COUNTY COACHES BRENTWOOD Acquired vehicles are E712 GNH a DAF/Caetano now 2851 RU and F993 UME a Volvo/Van Hool now 3169 RU The former 3169 RU (new as BLJ 701Y) is now UJN 603Y.

CROUCH VALLEY WESTCLIFF This one minibus firm has ceased operating.

CRUSADER CLACTON A recent addition is D228 HMT a Van Hool TD 824 ex Westbus, Ashford.

CUNNINGHAM CORRINGHAM Leyland Swift/Elme H650 VHG went in part exchange for the new Scania.

DON DUNMOW AEH 227A a Leopard/Plaxton rebod and Mercedes mini VNA 725X have been sold.

ESSEX THAMESIDE Bedford VAS PKU 622R has been acquired.

FARGO RAYNE CIL 6000 (new as JVW 156Y) a Volvo/Berkhof was sold

during 1992. Leyland Swift/Reeve Burgess F723 SML has also been sold. The Tesco circular in Chelmsford was withdrawn from 18.6.93.

FLORIDA HALSTEAD Are operating JUN 199P a Ford R1014/Duple.

GALLANTS STANFORD The Stanford circular was withdrawn from 11.6.93.

GREENHAM BASILDON All vehicles except TFL 222S have been sold.

HALLS HENHAM This operator is now based in Old Mead Road. Recent fleet additions are Bedford/Plaxton YDO 519T and Ford/Plaxton LWY 90P. HBW 874N a Bedford YRT has been withdrawn.

HOPE BILLERICAY The only vehicle in the fleet is E429 KRN a Talbot Express.

IPSWICH BUSES Service 639 introduced on Tuesdays and Thursdays between Ipswich and Clacton with one journey each way from 27.7.93.

JACKSON BICKNACRE MJI 2376 a Bedford YNT/Plaxton has been sold.

MARINO Further to EBN 348, VNK 787N has indeed been sold.

M&E SOUTHEND Recent additions are HPH 715V a Volvo/Plaxton and Renault minibus D913 EHU.

MILLERBUS Service 313 (together with Viceroy's) re-routed to serve Tesco's, Radwinter Road.

PRESEIDENTIAL COACHWAYS SOUTHEND Are a new operator with ex Kemp POI 4905 a DAF/Plaxton and Ford A series KPP 653Y.

RELANCE BENFLEET Ford/Plaxton BLJ 706Y has been sold.

RIDGEON STANFORD LE HOPE Have sold Ford/Duple TND 103X.

S&M BENFLEET Yet another DMS has been acquired OJD 383R.

S&P ROCHFORD Leopard LVW 271P and Bedford/Van Hool HXI 3776 have been sold. YWW 360S a Leyland Leopard has been acquired.

SHANNON HARLOW Have sold Leopard/Plaxton KBH 840V to Golden Boy. SOUTHEND COACHES Appear to have ceased operating, MBT 674T a Ford/Plaxton is now with Cooks, Westcliff.

SUPREME SOUTHEND A further MAN/Jonckhree is K3 SUP. Another MAN/Jonckhree acquired is G169 RBD, this has been re-registered HSK 892. Ford/Plaxton LHK 644V has passed to BJS, Gt Wakering.

TOMS MINI COACHES SOUTHEND CLY 156Y a Mercedes and ex Midland Fox Transit B418 NJF are in the fleet.

VANTAGE Service 123 will be withdrawn from 31.7.93. A commercial service 523 a position run for 123 will also be withdrawn.

VICEROY SAFFRON WALDEN Bristol LHS/Plaxton GFM 663X has been acquired. Former LT GHM 818N has been sold, while Bedford VJF 472S and mini FKP 554P have been withdrawn.

WESTS A recent addition to the coach fleet is F972 HGE a Volvo/Plaxton ex Parks of Hamilton, now re-registered A16 BUS.

WHM HUTTON Have acquired E303 OMG a Volvo/Plaxton numbered 5 in the fleet.

WICKS BRAINTREE Bedford YMP YAJ 503Y has been re-registered SIB 8345.

WILKINSON WICKFORD Operate from Shot Farm, so far only HJP 493V a Ford/Duple ex P&M has been noted.

WINDMILL COPFORD Yet another Bova is K424 GHE.

Acquired

742 MSO 11W Leyland National 2 NL106L11/1R - 07268 - B44F new 1980 This arrived at DM June 19/20, has been repainted yellow, but is not in service at the time of writing. It is ex Bluebird Northern 589- new to Alexander (Northern) NPN 11 - to Strathtay Scottish, SN 10, 6/85, back to Northern 1987. Unlike the others, this bus still carries its original rego and has not been re-registered.

741 (KRS 541V) also went via Strathtay Scottish, as above.

KRS 534V is numbered 740 and entered service in late June.

738(KRS 538V) which was running in Stagecoach livery, has now been repainted yellow.

A summary of the fleet and rego numbers of the recently acquired Leyland Nationals is :

736 THX 176S	737 vacant	738 KRS 538V
739 KRS 539V	740 KRS 534V	741 KRS 541V
742 MSO 11W		

THX 288T has not yet entered service, still beeing in DM yard in as acquired condition.I assume that it will be numbered 737 eventually.

Rebuilt

285 (F285 NHJ) to H46/31F) 296 (JWF 496V) to H46/30F)
The conversion of 285 from dual door to single door was done at DM, most of the others have been sent away to be done.

Repaints

285 (F285 NHJ), 296 (JWF 496W) , 738/40 (KRS 538/34V), 742 (MSO 11W)

Of the Mk II Metrobuses, only 288/92/94 remain blue & dual door.

Of the Mk I Metrobuses, 275/95 to 298 are single door, while 276 to 278 and 299 are dual door - all are yellow.

General

166, the Olympian with the prototype MkII Palatine body by NCME, is currently spending a week on each of DM depots routes (at the time of writing)- Normally on the 296, it firstly spent a week on the 123, then a week on the 165/365, then the 248, after which it was due to move to the D6 and the 252. A very rare working was blue Metrobus 294 on the 296 on Thursday June 24th.

Southend Transport

Vehicles;



RM 113 (ALD 871B) has been fitted with an A.E.C engine.(ex Leyland)

RM 121 (CUV 256C) has become an additional driver training vehicle.

LN 712 (JTU 593T) has been withdrawn.

Subsequent Disposals;

LD 328 (OKY 83R) has been re registered IXI 7275 by Bagshawe, New Whittington 9/92.

LD 359 (LMA 59P) has been re registered PVO 624 by Silcox, Pembroke Dock.

LN 703 (UPE 204M) has passed to Poole, Chiselhurst. 2/93.

LN 708 (GHU 645N) has passed to Ludlow, Halesowen. 5/93.

Services;

There is to be a service revision commencing 29/8/93.

Further details when available.

Unusual Workings;

6/7/93 FL 915 on service 2. (17.35 ex Southend).

General;

RM 121 was displayed at North Weald bus rally on 27/6/93; and also at Holloway (London Northern) Depot open day on 3/7/93.

It also made an appearance at Burnham on 4/7/93.

British Bus finally took over and signed contracts on the afternoon of Thursday 24/6/93.



Operating the Southend Sea Front service this year under contract to Essex County Council is Stephenson's of Rochford, with tow ex Brighton and Hove Bristol VRT. TNJ 995S is seen here at the depot.

RSS/5/7/93