

EDITORIALJanuary news sheet

We must apologise for the poor quality of the duplicating of the January news sheet. This was due to an excessively greasy stencil which was only discovered at the time of printing. It was considered that members would prefer the news sheet as published rather than wait for it to be prepared again, hence it was dispatched as printed. In order that members may have a perfect copy for reference this news sheet has now been re-printed and a copy is enclosed with this months news sheet. Once again our apologies for any inconvenience caused.

Book available from the Group

The following book is available from the Secretary, price 28p (post free):

"Bus Operation in East Anglia - The Private Sector", by P. F. Clark.
The Omnibus Society, 1971.

This publication lists all services operated by independent operators in the Eastern Traffic Area as at May 1971.

EASTERN NATIONAL OMNIBUS CO. LTD.

New Vehicles NIL

Withdrawn Vehicles NIL

Vehicles on Order

We are now able to give further details of the vehicles on order for 1972 (see NS93 for original details):

The 5 Bristol VRT's will be numbered 3024 - 3028.

The 4 Bristol express vehicles will be delivered to Tillings Travel (N.B.C.) Ltd. (see Tillings notes for details)

The 18 Leyland Nationals will be fitted with B53F bodywork and will be numbered in the Leyland series following on after the two Tiger Cubs and will therefore become 1002 - 1019. The first of these vehicles is expected in May 1972.

Allocations & Transfers

2.72 432-D/L, 433-D/L, 1344-BN, 1353-MN, 1354-BN, 1358-SD, 1359-HH, 1362-CR, 1513-HH, 1537-BN, 1542-D/L, 1543-D/L, 1544-D/L, 2457-D/L, 2498-BN, 2530-BD, 2533-SD, 2535-HH, 2811-CF, 2822-MN, 2835-SD, 2837-HH.

Following the withdrawal of 2380 (WNO 478) last month there is now no vehicle allocated for driver tuition duties.

Service Revisions

The following revisions to services have recently been applied for:

123 Terminals to be Clacton (Bus Station) and Manningtree. Section from Manningtree to Ipswich to be withdrawn.

299/300 The circular service to be discontinued. Service to be numbered 300 only and to operate as follows:
BISHOPS STORTFORD (Station Road) - BISHOPS STORTFORD (Beldhams Lane, Dimsdale Crescent) via South Street, Bridge Street, Hockerhill Street, Dunmow Road, Haymeads Lane, Linkside Road and Beldhams Lane.

305/6 To be withdrawn on Saturday.

307 To be extended from Clavering to Bishops Stortford over service 305 on Saturday. Service to operate as:
BISHOPS STORTFORD (Station Road) - SAFFRON WALDEN (Castle Street) via Manuden, Clavering, Wicken Bonhunt, Arkesden, and Audley End.

308 Service to be withdrawn.

317 Journeys operated via Burton End and Tye Green to be re-numbered 318.

Service Vehicles

<u>Withdrawn Vehicle</u>	1.72	YHK965F	Ford Transit Van
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General

The Bristol VRT's allocated to Basildon (3020-3, OWC293-6K) are operated on service 26 (Basildon - Upminster - Romford).

An application for increased fares has recently been made. Details of the proposed fares are as follows:

<u>Mileage</u>	<u>Fare</u>	<u>Mileage</u>	<u>Fare</u>
up to 0.7	2p	8.0	17p
1.2	3p	9.0	18p
1.7	5p	10.0	19p
2.2	6p	11.0	20p
2.7	7p	12.0	22p
3.2	8p	then at 1p per 0.5 mile to	
3.7	9p	20.0	30p
4.0	10p	21.0	32p
then at 1p per 0.5 mile to		then at 1p per 1.0 mile to	
7.0	16p	60.0	71p

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

Vehicles on Order

The 4 Bristol express vehicles on order for 1972 (see NS93 and Eastern National notes) are to be delivered to Tillings Travel. The vehicles will be:

9439 - 9442 Bristol RELH6G E.C.W. C42F

Allocations & Transfers

2.72 9351-WG, 9415-PLu, 9416-PL, 9417-PLu, 9418-PLu, 9419-PL, 9421-PLu.

COLCHESTER CORPORATION

Vehicles on Loan

Following a shortage of vehicles a number of Leyland PD3's have recently been on loan from Southend Corporation. Details known of vehicles which are/have been on loan are as follows:

333(CJN433C)	14.1.72	- by 8.2.72
337(CJN437C)	by 8.2.72	- current at time of writing
339(CJN439C)	6.1.72	- 13.1.72
346(MHJ346F)	6.1.72	- current at time of writing

345(MHJ345F) has not been on loan (correction to NS95). When observed in early January no "on hire" stickers were carried but presumably they are now so carried.

General

An application for increased fares has recently been applied for, details are as follows:

<u>No. of stages</u>	<u>Fare</u> (present fare in brackets)
1 to 5	unchanged (2p, 3p, 4p, 5p)
6 and 7	7p (6p)
8 and 9	8p (6p or 7p)
10 to 12	9p (7p)
13 and above	10p (8p)

SOUTHEND CORPORATION

Vehicles on Loan

A number of Leyland PD3's have recently been loaned to Colchester Corporation. (see Colchester Corporation notes for details)

Service Revisions

The following service revision has recently been introduced:

790 This express service from Canvey (Leigh Beck) to Rochford (Rail Station) has now become a limited stop service and has been re-numbered 404.

General

An application for increased fares has recently been made. This is identical to the Eastern National application above up to 20.0 miles for 30p. (see Eastern National notes)