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EDITORIAL

SUBSCRIPTIONS 1975

Will the members with the numbers listed below please note that they are at present on a subscription rate which does not cover dispatch of the news sheet on a monthly basis. If any of these members wishes to secure monthly dispatch then please send the supplement detailed last month, the closing date for receipt of these will be 15 March. Numbers marked * refer to members with old rate first class subscriptions these may be converted to new rate monthly second class subscriptions if the Secretary is informed to this effect.

3, 45, 57, 83, 85, 107, 133, 134, 136, 137, 139, 140, 157, 159*, 181, 182, 183, 200, 203, 212, 223, 227, 228*, 229*, 231*, 235.

Photograph Service

Will members please note that the cost of black & white photographs has been increased to 7p. At the same time a new price of 8p (to non-members) has been introduced. In view of this two tier pricing system members should ensure that they have their membership cards with them when purchasing photographs at rallies, exhibitions etc. to secure the lower privilege price.

National Travel (South East) Ltd.

Information on the Anglian division of National Travel (South East) will now be published in the 'Southend Busman', if you wish to be included in the circulation of this publication please contact the Secretary or Peter Snell. A complete fleet list including chassis numbers and an allocation is available from :

A. W. Meadows Esq., 33 Bosworth Road, Eastwood, Leigh-on-Sea, Essex. SS9 5AA
(Price ... 14p, post free)

Colour photograph service

A colour print/duplicate slide service to members individual requirements is now additionally offered by Richard Delahoy. Subjects mainly include Eastern National in the Southend area, unusual workings of Southend Transport, including hirings also local independents and vehicles of the Eastern National Preservation Group. The cost is 22p per item (postage extra), there is no minimum order but small orders may be subject to delay. Please address all enquiries direct to : (S.A.E. please)

58, Eastbourne Grove, Westcliff-on-Sea, Essex. SS0 0QF

Southend area Coach Tour - Advance notice

The date for this tour will be Sunday April 27. Full details and booking forms will be sent with the March news sheet.

EASTERN NATIONAL OMNIBUS 66. LTD.

New Vehicles

NIL

Withdrawn Vehicles

NIL

Re-built/Re-seated Vehicles

1.75

1604(BN0105B) to B49F (O.M.O.)

Bus seats from withdrawn Bristol LS's and LD's have been used. 1600(BN0101B) is at present being similarly treated.

Allocations & Transfers

2.75

1228-D/L(D), 1243-D/L(D), 1313-D/L(D), 1314-D/L(D), 1318-D/L(D), 1319-D/L(D), 1357-D/L, 1412-CR, 1440-CN, 1450-MN, 1451-CN, 1454-D/L, 1722-MN, 1736-HH, 1738-CW(CF), 2491-CW(MN), 2787-SD, 2791-CF, 2794-CR,

2825-HH, 2832-HH, 3017-CF.

Allocation of vehicles delicensed for disposal (from members observation)

Basildon : 1225/32/6-8/43, 1313/4, 2440/98.
 Central Works : 1230/1.
 Canvey : 347/8/50, 1222, 2436/7/45-50/3/4/6/7/61/3/5.
 Maldon : 1221/33/5/40/2/4, 2014/6, 2480/3.
 Prittlewell : 345/6/86, 1227/9/45/6.
 Silver End : 1300, 2015/7.

Further allocations would be welcomed.

Service Vehicles

<u>Withdrawn Vehicle</u>	1.75	HFA 27E
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General

Owing to a shortage of saloons, Bristol LS's 1228/43 (967 DHK, 439 FEV) have re-entered service during February, 1228 being observed working service 236 at Basildon. Subsequently 1243 has now been taken out of service again.

1452 (2 BXB), the Bristol MW saloon which is at present on hire to Basildon Hospital has the legend 'SOUTH ESSEX HOSPITALS' in yellow capital letters transferred to the front nearside windows.

The playbus referred to last month is 2401 (XVX 26).

A new one-way traffic system was introduced in Billericay on Sunday 26 January, which has necessitated alteration to certain bus services in the area.

A new timetable for the North East area has been issued. It has a yellow cover and is dated 16 June 1974 (amended to include revisions up to 5 January 1975). The area covered by the timetable has been modified, it now includes the Halstead area but does not cover Witham which is now transferred to the Central area. Timetable supplements (dated January 1975) have also been produced for the other areas.

Increased fares were introduced from 23 February, details will follow next month.

SOUTHEND TRANSPORT

General

206/7 (2717/8 HJ) have recently repainted. They feature the present style fleetname/crest/legal lettering transfers on the (lower) blue panels, immediately behind the front wheels. All other single deckers have these transfers on the cream band, but on 206/7 this band is not sufficiently wide, hence the new position.

It is now anticipated that fareboxes could be introduced at the end of March.

EDITORIAL (Additional)

Our new Eastern National fleetbooks (pocket sized) with printed covers with an illustration and 16 page fleet list are in the course of preparation. We hope to make an announcement about these within the next two months. It is anticipated that the cost will be about 12p. Please do not order these until they are announced later. Normal style Eastern National fleet lists (Publication E.P.1) will also be available shortly.