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**Front Cover Photo November 2012 Issue 489:**

66846 passes Narroways Hill Junction on 30/08/12 with 6Z53 Teigngrace to Carlisle.

**[Richard Giles]**

## FUTURE EVENTS

<b>Trip 471</b>	<b>Midlands Plant</b>	<b>Saturday 17/11/12</b>
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**Itinerary:**

NDS, Dudley; Sandwell & Dudley NR Depot; Network Rail, Walsall Training Centre; A.P.Webb, Stafford; Railability Ltd, Stafford; Stafford NR Depot; Quattro Brownhills Depot; NDS, Chasewater Training Centre; Lichfield Trent Valley Station; Torrent Trackside, Lichfield; Nuneaton NR Depot; Nuneaton Station; Keltbray Depot, Rugby; Colas Depot, Rugby; Morgan Sindall Depot, Rugby; Rugby North Yard area; Leamington Spa Station; Mill Lane, Dorridge

**Book by date** - 03/11/12      **Fares** - £34.00, Trip Members = £36.00

**Safety Equipment** - Hi-Viz vest and safety shoes.

**Timings (from Bristol area)** - **Depart** 0630 **Return** 2100 approx

<b>Trip 472</b>	<b>London Flyer</b>	<b>Saturday 15/12/12</b>
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**Itinerary:**    Approx 11 hours to do as you wish in the Capital

**Book by date** - 01/12/12      **Fares** - £30.00, Trip Members = £32.00

**Timings (from Bristol area)** - **Depart** 0630 **Return** 2000 approx

Please use the trip bookings form or send an email to the Bookings Secretary if you wish to participate on any of the above trips

## IMPORTANT - BOOKINGS

Trip bookings will now only be accepted on a Trip Booking Form. Completed Trip Booking Forms should be returned to the Bookings Secretary prior to the Book-By Date. To secure participation on a trip it is the responsibility of the individual to ensure that their completed Trip Booking Form is submitted in advance of the Book-By Date. Booking requests received on a Trip Booking Form after the Book-By Date will be filled on a first come first served basis regardless of whether they are a member or non-member.

Please also note that any "provisional" booking which has not been confirmed by a Trip Booking Form will not secure participation on the trip and will not be chased by the Bookings Secretary after the Book-By Date has passed.

Forms should be submitted either on a trip, or by post Roy Morris, or by downloading from the Society web site [Cardiffandavonside.org.uk](http://Cardiffandavonside.org.uk) and e-mailing the completed form to: [bookings@Cardiffandavonside.org.uk](mailto:bookings@Cardiffandavonside.org.uk)

## GENERAL TRIP INFORMATION

1. Although trip timings and costs advertised are based on Bristol area departures, fuel/train fare to an advertised departure point from Cardiff and Newport will be paid by the Society upon agreement with the Events Organiser. If you live outside the areas served by these points but on route for a trip please contact Roy Morris to arrange a pick up point that is mutually convenient.
2. The fare structure is as follows:  
ADULT - FULL FARE.  
CHILD - QUARTER FARE.  
TRIP MEMBER - AS ABOVE + £2.  
A child is a person who has not yet reached their seventeenth birthday and is still in full time education. People who are not Society members or family members will have their fares increased by the trip-member rate (£2 per day).
3. The discounts highlighted above for family members refer to travel costs only. Accommodation, and permits / admission fees will be charged at cost price.
4. Members who wish to go on a trip must contact Roy Morris prior to the book by date to confirm that they still intend to go on the trip.
5. Where a trip is organised with an itinerary to a specific area, it may sometimes be possible to drop off a member en route. This is known as the Trip Flyer option. Availability and exact duration of stay will be at the discretion of the Events Organiser. The fare for this option will be negotiable, depending on the drop off point and seat availability.
6. For members living outside the normal pick up/drop off areas it may be possible to be picked up en route. This is known as the Trip Hiker option. Fares and availability are at the discretion of the Events Organiser.
7. The Society mobile **07510 224197** will be switched on throughout the duration of society trips. Please do not use it outside these times for time critical communications as voice mails and texts may not be picked up immediately.
8. Participants who confirm their booking on a Trip Booking Form prior to the "book by" date will have priority regardless of whether they are a member or non-member. Booking requests received on a Trip Booking Form after the "book by" date will be filled on a first come first served basis regardless of whether they are a member or non-member.

## Society Yahoo! News Group

There is now a Yahoo! news group available which you can subscribe to allow you to get e-mail alerts for any workings or reports posted by other group members. We can also use this to provide any updates on any society event. To join you can use the link on the home page or send an e-mail to [Cardiffandavonside-suscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:Cardiffandavonside-suscribe@yahoogroups.com) the more members who join and contribute will help all members of the society.

## NOTES & NEWS for this month

### **Bristol Parkway, Stoke Gifford, Pilning and Westerleigh**

**19/09** Signalling problems between Bristol Parkway and Westerleigh junction saw Arriva / XC diversions via Newport and Chepstow during the morning with up to 60 minute delays on some services. The 6Z52 1035 Gloucester New Yard - Teigngrace empty log carriers being also affected, with 56094 making it's West of England Class debut on this train for Colas. With the problem sorted just after noon, 56094 was eventually reported through Standish junction at 1241 (117 late), Charfield 1255 (99 late), Filton Abbeywood 1317 (101 late), Bristol West junction 1327 (78 late), Uphill junction 1347 (75 late), Exeter St.Davids 1501 (41 late) and Dawlish (passing here wrong line) 1521 (26 late),

**20/09** The recently introduced DBS flow - 4011 (WThFO) Didcot - Onllwyn Washery was noted during the early afternoon conveying loaded coal behind 66061. This working is believed to be for the movement of either stock piled or contaminated coal as Didcot Power station, opened in 1970 is listed for closure in March 2013 (along with Fawley Power station, Southampton) due to EU regulations. 66139 worked this train during the following day, with 66031 being recorded on this working first on 07/09/12.

Return Colas 6Z53 1441 Teigngrace - Chirk loaded logs departed at 1346 (55 early) behind 56094 and was later reported: Dawlish 1538 (2 late), Exeter St. Davids 1552 (4 late), Taunton 1624 (2 late), Bridgwater 1636 (2 late), Parsons Street 1720 (9 late), Filton Abbeywood 1744 (1 late), Magor 1811 and Cwmbran 1855. During the morning the Class 56 had run 0Z56 0920 Newton Abbot - Exeter St. Davids stabling point, departing 8 minutes early from a fuel stop returning at 1043 (53 early) back at Newton Abbot. A single loaded log carrier has been reported in the Taunton Fairwater yard head shunt this being the defective wagon that was removed from the heavily delayed train on 13/09 (see the October 2012 Magazine). Another freight report for the day was 37259 + 37607 passing Parkway at 1320 on 6M67 Bridgwater - Crewe Coal sidings nuclear flasks. This pairing had made a rare class debut on the 4V38 Daventry - Wentloog TESCOs container train two day's earlier in place of the usual Class 66.

60007 powered the afternoon 6B33 Theale - Robeston empty fuel bogie tanks and 66142 was reported through Pilning during the early evening on an additional 6Z39 Newport ADJ - St.Blazey freight formed of 18 china clay wagons.

**22/09** The 0012 Margam - Westbury light loco convoy ran for a second consecutive Saturday being noted passing Filton Abbeywood at 1248 formed: 66134 + 66106 + 66047 + 66020 + 66007.

At 1615 Stoke Gifford downside held nine locos: 66413 66520 66527 66538 66543 66550 66557 66601 66605.

Afternoon ex. Power station coal empty arrivals were in the hands of: 66520 (4V06) from Ratcliffe, 66550 (4V46) from Rugeley and 66413 (4V22) from Fiddler's Ferry.

The 1304 Cardiff Tidal sidings - Dagenham scrap metal empties was worked by 66618 on this date and has now been recoded back to 6L33 in place of the short lived 6L81 which the train had used.

Some evening engineering train reports (and booked Sunday return workings) were: 66134 - 6W01 1944 Westbury - Margam Moors junction (1100 Bridgend - Westbury return) and 66065 top n'tailing 66088 - 6W02 2014 Westbury -

Pyle (1200 Bridgend - Westbury)

**23/09** A late evening 0V14 Westbury - Margam return loco convoy was reported formed: 66053 + 66007 + 66134 + 66206 + 66065.

**25/09** 66527 was again stabled in the yard. The following Quattro R/Rs were stabled in the car park at approx 11 30: 255 PW 160 940004 - 3, 256 PW 160 940005 - 0, 332 PW 130 ES 940307 - 0, 347 PW 150 ES 940308 - 8

**27/09** Over at Westerleigh, 66150 + 60071 were a late arrival noted passing Yate at 0717 on the 6V98 loaded fuel tanks from Lindsey, whilst later in the afternoon 60007 passed Parkway on the 6B33 Theale - Robeston empty fuel tanks. The return morning 4051 Wentloog - Southampton loaded containers were retimed to depart at 1329 and re-coded 4Z51 - 66418 provided the hauling power. 66622 was a light loco move during the morning from Exeter off a new 6V14 2238 (Mon) Cliffe Hill Stud Farm Tarmac - Exeter Riverside (0826) virtual quarry stone. The return is 6M40 1034 Exeter (Riverside) - Stud Farm Tarmac (via Castle Cary 1137) and replaces a to/from Westbury working for the time being. The light engine move is normally booked to Taunton Fairwater for a loco swap.

**29/09** The 0X12 Margam - Westbury / Eastleigh light loco convoy was reported a runner formed: 66201 + 66047 + 66019 + 66116 + 66097 + 66087 + 66115 + 66199. At 1300, DBS locos 66102 (7W31 0258 Westbury yard - Westerleigh junction, formed with a crane and Falcon JNAs), 66137 (6W30 0135 Oxford Hinksey yard - Yate) and 66145 were all reported in the Wickwar area on engineering train duty. With the line closed north of Yate the 6E41 Westerleigh - Lindsey fuel tank empties were retimed to leave at 1013 and diverted using 60079 and 60099 in a top n' tail formation, being reported passing Westerleigh junction at 1049 (1 late) and East Usk at 1221 prior to a reverse at Newport ADJ, 60099 then taking the train forward solo via Chepstow and Gloucester.

Other freight reports for the day were: 60007 on the 6B33 Theale - Robeston fuel tank empties and 66413 with 6V60 1006 Angerstein Wharf - Cardiff Pengam empty stone wagons.

At 1650 Stoke Gifford sidings held: 66522 66541 66558 66602 with 70015 arriving on 4V46 coal empties from Rugeley PS. 66622 was also noted in the yard during the day.

**30/09** At 1030 Stoke Gifford downside contained: 66413 66541 66558 and 70015 at the head of coal empties. Arrivals later in the day were: 66522 at 1405 as 0Y27 ex. Newton Abbot Hackney yard (off a 6Y27 rail train from Radley) and 66622 + 66601 + 66602 at 1446 as a 0Y14 light loco move from Westbury

**01/10** At 1655 Stoke Gifford downside held: 66413 66522 66557 66601 and 70015 shunting 4F53 coal empties from Uskmouth PS.

**02/10** 70020 made its debut on the 4V50 and return 4051 Wentloog - Southampton container services the same loco working this train until the 05/10 and reappearing on 16/10.

A woman's body was spotted on the track by a driver in the Westerleigh junction area, closing the line for BT Police investigations, resulting in a number of diversions with First/GW services running via Box and Bath and Arriva XC services through the Severn Tunnel and via Chepstow following a reverse in Newport. 221131 on the 1V46 0707 Manchester Piccadilly - Bristol TM was turned back and noted passing Cam & Dursley at 1204 to run via Gloucester and Chepstow. The following down services 220010 (1V47 0807 Manchester Piccadilly - Paignton) and 220030 (1V48 0644 Newcastle - Plymouth) both ran to Newport for a reverse direct from Gloucester. Road



bus connections were operating between Patchway and Parkway for diverted First/GW HST services and a half hourly shuttle ran between Parkway and Temple Meads with further road buses running to Cam & Dursley. Services were reported as back to normal by 1420.

**03/10** The 6B72 2136 Avonmouth - Aberthaw loaded coal service was failed on the down line in the Severn Tunnel with the loco switched off due to excess smoke and fumes entering the cab. Bi-directional working was introduced late into the evening prior to the movement of the failed freight train onwards by a rescue loco.

**05/10** At 1230, Stoke Gifford 'downside' held: 66413 66522 and 66622. Later in the early evening 66046 worked the 6042 Halewood - Southampton Eastern dock loaded Range Rovers.

**06/10** The 0X12 1244 Margam - Westbury (0012 - Margam) light loco move was routed via Bath and formed: 66024 + 66039 + 66087 + 66096 + 66201, the latter two having being added at Newport ADJ and only three going onto Eastleigh. Later, 60007 passed Parkway at 1443 with the 6B33 Theale - Margam empty fuel tanks. 66413 66622 and 66522 were stabled in Stoke Gifford Yard at 0825. At 1630 Stoke Gifford sidings contained: 66414 66514 66522 66588 66622 66952. 66414 + 66588 had both arrived as a 0C30 light loco move from Bristol Railport at 1133 for week end stabling.

**07/10** An engineering train report was 66162 at Yate with the 7W38 1000 Westerleigh - Westbury yard having arrived in the area the previous evening as 1944 Bescot engineers sidings - Yate (2320). The Westerleigh - Standish junction mainline was again closed over this date for track work. A late evening return loco convoy, 0V14 Westbury - Margam was reported formed: 66162 + 66024 + 66039 + 66087 + 66102 + 66114 + 66186.

**10/10** At 1500 Stoke Gifford downside held: 66585 66601 66606 66618 and 66619.

**11/10** 66552 was stabled in the yard. 37259 led 37604 passed Bristol Parkway at 1248 with 6M67 Bridgwater - Crewe CLS flask

**12/10** 66098 replaced the regular class 60 on the 6V98/6E41 Lindsey tanks, the 1141 return being noted passing Yate at 1152. Two test train were also recorded - 950001 passing Westerleigh junction at 1041 on a 2Q08 Didcot - Didcot run via Severn Tunnel junction and the NRMT HST formed with power cars 43013 + 43014 working 1Z20 Old Oak Common - Derby RTC (via Swansea) passing Yate at 1210 and Cheltenham at 1237 (1 late). The two workings had apparently passed at Pilning with 950001 held in the down loop.

**13/10** A 30 minute spell at Patchway produced: a 'full house!' 0X12 1106 Margam - Westbury light loco move formed: 66185 + 66007 + 66099 + 66121 + 66093 + 66113 + 66046 + 66132 + 66034 + 66013 (at 1416), 60049 (in EWS livery) on 6B33 1212 Theale - Margam empty fuel tanks (1419), 66024 up light-engine as 0032 to Dolland's Moor (1419) and 66618 with 6L33 1304 Cardiff Tidal - Dagenham docks empty scrap wagons (1429). The 0X12 move was later reported as passing Twerton near Bath at 1445. At Stoke Gifford at 1445 the following were present: 66418 66511 66548 66587 and 66621. 70004 (alloy 4Z15/6Z15 Portbury - Crewe loaded coal). An evening report and still popular for photographing, Jubilee power car 43186 was noted departing Parkway at 2002 with 43171 on the First/GW 1L92 1823 Swansea - Paddington service.

**15/10** Test unit 950001 was back in the area as 2Q08 1135 Derby RTC - Bristol TM passing Yate close to time at 1628. The set was booked to continue at 1807 to Cardiff Riverside (0244) via a number of South Wales

Valley lines.

**16/10** Fuel tank train activity through Parkway recorded: 66199 on a 6V96 1348 East Usk - Didcot PS train of 10 TEAs and 60049 which arrived in the down loop at 1607 with 6B33 Theale - Robeston empties. 56311 allocated 6Z16 0604 Port Talbot (Grange sidings) - Acton, passed through the area on a revised schedule (due Acton at 2325), passing Cardiff Pengam 1904, Parkway 2024 and Swindon 2120 (-). 66585 passed Bristol Parkway at 1525 to run around at Chipping Sodbury with 4F56 Uskmouth - Stoke Gifford

**17/10** Following a gap of a week, and having powered the loaded logs from Baglan Bay - Chirk the previous day, 56094 worked back through the area as 6Z52 0813 Chirk Kronospan - Teigngrace log empties. Departing Chirk at 0817 (4 late) the train was reported passing Severn Tunnel junction at 1136 (6 early), arriving Pilning loop at 1147 (-) and departing at 1236 (3 early), departing Temple Meads at 1304 (4 late), passing Bridgwater at 1348 (9 early) and Taunton at 1407 (2 early).

Other reports for the day included: the 3S59 Barton Hill water cannon passing Pilning at 1115 towards Bristol from South Wales top n'tailed with 66027 + 66126 and 31285 propelling a 3Z13 0934 Tyseley - Bristol Kingsland Road (1759) test train (formed with dept c/stock: 72630 999606 9701) passing Worcester Shrub Hill at 1120 (2 late), Cheltenham 1620 (10 early) and Yate 1647 (26 early). The working had made an out and back run over the Cotswold Line en route reversing at Oxford C.S. (booked 1306-1348). At 1600 Stoke Gifford sidings held only: 66602 and 70014.

**18/10** 66133 was noted departing Westerleigh at 1127 with the 6E41 empty fuel tanks for Lindsey, a second Class 66 to power this train during the month

### **Westerleigh Murco**

The following have been recorded during the review period:

60049/054/063/071/079/091/099

66098/133

### **Bristol Temple Meads, Barton Hill and Kingsland Road**

The review period started with the report that the National Station Improvements Programme (NSIP) £500,000 allocated work had been completed with the installation of two more self service ticket machines bringing the number to 13, along with work on the station retail outlets and in the toilets. The NSIP scheme which is Network Rail backed has provided £150 million nationwide for station work. News across the tracks from platform 12 and the old Bath Road depot site is that a new £80 million, 12,000 seat concert hall could be opened here by 2016. The latest site plans reveal housing and retail outlets also in the area with a new £6 million connecting river bridge from Cattle Market Road which forms a link for the Temple Quarter Enterprise Zone. In the meantime seven poly tunnels are to be erected as well as flower beds created on the site by the charity firm Severn Projects which will become a 'urban farm' during the interim 2 year period. A £52,000 grant from the current landowner the Government backed Homes and Community Agency will also be provided and it is hoped to produce organic salad for sale to local businesses. Two new jobs will be created for people recovering from drug or alcohol addiction.

**19/09** 67022 arrived with 1V80 0944 Victoria - Bath (via Andover) VSOE



ecs and 1092 return from Bath, some passengers alighting and later being picked up at Westbury for a day visit to Longleat. The c/stock formation was reported as: 99545, Lucille, Ibis, Gwen, Cygnus, Minerva, Phoenix, Perseus, Vera, Audrey, Zena, 6313. On the freight side: 66031 was in charge of the 6C49 empty and return 6B49 1718 Exeter (Alphington Road) - Cardiff Tidal loaded scrap service formed of 18 MBA wagons.

**21/09** 08516 31602 and 47812 were all visible on Barton Hill with 31106 over at Kingsland Road on a test train, during the morning. A not previously reported departure from Barton Hill was overhauled blue/grey Chiltern Railways coach 12119 during the morning of 14/09 by 31602.

**22/09** 43176 + 43003 arrived at St .Phillips Marsh during the early afternoon on a 0Z74 back to back power car move from Laira, 43176 later returning to Plymouth in the company of 43056.

**24/09** The new week began with a month's rainfall over night! By morning, flooding and line closures followed, with the Bristol - Taunton line closed at Flax Bourton (near the road over bridge) and at Uphill junction where a water build up caused a track circuit failure and between Westerleigh junction - Hullavington at Chipping Sodbury and at Patchway tunnel around 0830. There were train cancellations, Arriva XC services being diverted via Westbury from the Bristol Taunton mainline where also the road bus substitutions were in trouble with road flooding at Backwell on the main A370 Weston-super-Mare road.

47245 worked the final West Coast 5Z35 1034 Kingsland Road - Southall ex steam railtour ecs (having brought the inward ecs into Bristol on 22/09) and 31602 departed Barton Hill as a 0Z31 light engine move to Yeovil junction for a 5Z31 1346 stored stock move to Okehampton (1711) via Castle Cary and Westbury (loco run round). The coaches for movement, which had been on site for a long store period in the Clifton Maybank sidings (which forms part of the preservation centre were): 6181, 6002, 5920, 9492, 3354, 3425, 3402. The train, having left the first three coaches for use on the Dartmoor Railway was then booked to depart as 1944 to Taunton, but was noted leaving Exeter early around 1940.

**25/09** Having arrived earlier on a 3Z06 Derby RTC - Bristol test train, 31106 was noted stabled with c/stock: 6263, 62384, 9701 in the bay platform at Temple Meads. A 5Z31 1030 Taunton - Barrow Hill train of stored coaching stock, destined for preservation on the Wheardale Railway was cancelled due to the failure of 31602 at Taunton. The train's c/stock was reported as: 9492 (First/GW lined green), 3354, 3425, 3402 (all in former Virgin red). 47812 was rumoured to be the rescue loco, but eventually worked the 5Z47 1335 Temple Meads - Eastleigh depot 'Torbay Express' stock ecs passing Keynsham at 1416. This working was initially booked to leave at 1138 from Bristol following a 5Z46 1101 move off Barton Hill depot. 158957 was noted working as a two car set during the day.

**26/09** 56094 put in a second appearance on the Teigngrace logs, the train running as 6Z52 0833 Baglan Bay - Teigngrace (1613). The loco had in fact failed during the previous day on Chirk - Baglan Bay empties south of Hereford being rescued by 66527 off the 6Z61 Portbury - Fiddler's Ferry loaded coal. Both workings were then trapped by flooding! Further problems on the day saw 6Z52 depart late being reported passing: Cardiff Central 1133 (66 late), Filton Abbeywood 1219 (43 late), Parsons Street 1236 (25 late), Exeter 1425 (5 late), Teignmouth 1439 (20 late) and arriving Teigngrace at 1615 (2 late). It was interesting to note how the train recovered time by leaving out a number of booked loop stops. Other

reports for the day were: plain blue 66414 on 4L31 0903 Bristol West Railport - Felixstowe North container terminal and 37194 + 37667 paired on the 6M67 Bridgwater - Crewe Coal sidings nuclear flasks passing Filton at 1320 having departed Bridgwater at 1225.

**27/09** 56094 having run light and arrived Laira depot at 1001 for fuel was declared a failure on the Heathfield branch later in the day whilst working the 6Z53 1441 log train to Chirk. The loco suffered a power problem. A revived failure from two days earlier, 31602 continued the 5Z31 stored coach move onwards from Taunton with a new destination of Chaddesden (Derby), being reported as passing Bridgwater at 1516 and Temple Meads at 1554.

**28/09** 66550 arrived at Lawrence Hill at 1711 with 6V87 Crawley - Barrow Road stone empties having earlier passed Swindon at 1550 (5 late). 158958 was reported as operating as a two car set when noted at Lawrence Hill at 1743 assumed to be working 2E26 1508 Weymouth - Gloucester First/GW service.

**29/09** First/GW hosted the 2012 Community Rail Event at Temple Meads with various rail partnership schemes throughout the country represented with stalls set up in the station. 150266 + 153380 were used on a series of shuttle services over the Portbury branch (as far Royal Portbury dock, the line's current terminus) and the Henbury loop (between Filton and Hallen Marsh) two local freight only lines which are expected to be re-opened for passengers by 2018 as part of the City Council's 'Bristol Metro' transport scheme which has been provided with the necessary funding by the Government for the new GW Franchise operator to run once this has been decided. Numerous station re-openings are planned to take place as part of the scheme.

The day's workings were: 2Z50 0905 Bristol TM - Portbury and return, 2Z51 1108 Temple Meads - Temple Meads (via Filton - Avonmouth - Clifton Down), 2Z52 1209 Temple Meads - Temple Meads (via Portbury reverse - Temple Meads - Filton - Avonmouth - Clifton Down) and 2Z54 1608 Temple Meads - Portbury and return. The 2Z52 working which was noted passing Pill at 1237 was reported in trouble in the loop at Portbury one of the units having scraped the dock gate! The return was then noted returning through Pill at 1302, Henbury at 1350 and near Sea Mills at 1435 (having lost its booked path to local Severn Beach line services) being booked through Clifton Down at 1351. Track bashers were also disappointed with the working as the train on the return from Portbury used platform 3 instead of the expected 'up through' line! Both the 2Z52 and 2Z54 workings were strengthened with the addition of 150238 (the Class 153 unit, which was the first over the Portbury line, being sandwiched in between), the 2Z52 passing Hallen Marsh at 1533 (2 late) and the 2Z53 arriving Portbury loop at 1633 (3 early) and later Ashton junction signal 337 from 1706 - 1709.

Despite the trains having been advertised as 'sold out' not long after being advertised on the Fist/GW website in August a number of empty seats were observed on some workings later in the day. Also it was noticed Freightliner had provided the freight line pilot man for the day instead of DBS, who covered a similarly routed special in November 2011.

**01/10** 66143 working 6Z66 Acton - Margam four water cannon wagons via the Berks & Hants route dropped off 642027 + 642046 at Barton Hill and took 642033 + 642035 onwards for use at Margam. The 2012 water cannon / rail head treatment train duties were scheduled to commence from 04/10 using top n'tail Class 66 locos. Another freight report for the day was 59004 on

the 6C83 Machen - Westbury loaded stone being reported through Bath around 1420.

**02/10** Stabled in the 'old parcels bay' throughout the day at Temple Meads was structural gauging train formed of departmental stock: 9708, 460000, 975081, 975280, 99666 with loco 31285. 31601 returned two barrier vans to Plymouth as 5Z31 1356 Washwood Heath - Laira passing Barnet Green at 1447 (16 late), Gloucester yard junction 1550 (26 late), Yate 1611 (17 late), Bristol West 1655 (25 late), Worle junction 1708 (5 late), Taunton 1729 (2 late) and Exeter St. Davids 1755 (1 early). This move would suggest that the second class catering coach conversion rail moves had been completed.

**03/10** The special Jubilee livery HST power car 43186 was back in the area having spent several months out of service at Laira depot. The power car paired with 43025 (and intermediate coaches LA07) worked First/GW 1C10 1030 Paddington - Bristol TM and 1A18 1300 return. 31601 returned north light-engine following the previous day's barrier coach move as 0Z31 1207 Laira - Washwood Heath being reported passing Taunton at 1257 (48 early), Bridgwater 1306 (52 early) and departing Yatton loop on a straight through run at 1329. On arrival in Bristol the loco collected 47812 from Barton Hill and was reported as in the Birmingham area around 1800.

**04/10** 66126 and 66027 were present on Barton Hill depot for water cannon duty. West Coast 47826 + 47854 were an early evening arrival in Bristol top n'tailing 5Z46 1010 Carnfoth Steam town - Kingsland Road ecs for a 'Jacobite Statesman' railtour from Swindon to Scotland during the following day, the c/stock formation being recorded as: 17080, Apollo (3231), Sovereign (3188), 1659, Grassmere (548), Rydal Water (550), 1211, Ennerdale Water (552), Bassenthwaite (549), 5991. Bus substitutions were brought in for early evening services between Keynsham and Bath following the discovery of a body on the track near Oldfield Park.

**05/10** The West Coast train's ecs ran 5Z47 0415 Kingsland Road - Swindon for the 'Jacobite Statesman' 1Z47 0545 Swindon - Fort William (2104). The day's Arriva XC HST power car and intermediate coach allocations were as follows: 43285 XC01 43384 - 1V50 0606 Edinburgh Waverley - Plymouth / 1E63 1523 Plymouth - Leeds, 43207 XC02 43321 - 1V54 0632 Dundee - Plymouth / 1E73 1723 Plymouth - Leeds, 43366 XC03 43301 - 1V44 0600 Leeds - Plymouth / 1S51 1223 Plymouth - Glasgow Central, 43357 XC04 43373 - 1V64 1306 (FO) Edinburgh Waverley - Plymouth.

**08/10** Having returned to Temple Meads as 1Z48 0930 Fort William - Bristol (0021) in the early hours top n'tailed with West Coast 47854 + 47826 the ecs was returned north as 5Z48 1104 Temple Meads - Carnforth Steam town via the Severn Tunnel and the Marches.

Later, 66621 was noted reversing the 6V87 ex. Crawley empty stone wagons on to the Barrow Road branch at 1744, delaying the 1E63 1523 Plymouth - Leeds Arriva XC service, formed with HST set XC04 and power cars 43357 + 43378 which was held at a signal near Lawrence Hill station.

**09/10** The Bristol (3S59) water cannon was reported in action for the first time in 2012 with locos 66027 + 66126 returning to Barton Hill depot during the early afternoon. LM green 150109 was present on Barton Hill having passed Parkway at 1047 during the previous day on a empty working from Tyseley. 37601 (31233 being de-allox) worked a 3Z18 1542 Derby RTC - Bristol Kingsland Road (2331) test train formed with dept c/stock: 6262, 999650, 9702. The working was reported as passing Yate at 1830 and Parkway

at 1843, and was believed to have later included a Swindon visit in the itinerary.

**10/10** 37601 departed Temple Meads at 1903 (7 early) with the return 3Z71 test train to Tyseley. Earlier, 66552 was reported at Barrow Road with stone empties at 1735.

**11/10** Having not run during the previous week, the 6M67 1402 Bridgwater - Crewe Coal sidings operated with 37259 + 37604, departing at 1141 (151 early) with a single FNA wagon 550048 and departing Temple Meads at 1235 (144 early), passing Filton Abbeywood at 1245 (149 early), Parkway 1248 (150 early), Yate 1254 (151 early) and Gloucester 1319 (156 early). Also reported was the 3S59 Barton Hill water cannon being noted departing Temple Meads at 1203 heading south presumably for a reverse at Weston-super-Mare.

**12/10** What seems now to be a Barton Hill regular, DCR green 31601 worked a 5Z31 0930 refurbished 11029 Chiltern Trains ecs move (reported Swindon 1032) later returning as 5Z32 1315 Wembley LMD - Barton Hill with another coach for attention 12043. Over at Bristol Railport, 66503 failed with the 4L31 loaded service to Felixstowe the rescue loco being Heavy-haul 66552 departing late and delaying the following 4L32 1100 Tilbury service with 66418 which did not leave until 1220.

**13/10** A Saturday check for the Bristol based water cannon confirmed the morning diagram as that of last year being noted with 66027 + 66126 top n'tailing 3S59 Barton Hill - Barton Hill (via South Wales and Hereford) passing Newport at 0910, arriving Pilning up loop at 0944 (26 early) and departing 1036 (5 early), passing Henbury at 1052, Shirehampton 1145, Hewish level crossing (near Weston-super-Mare) at 1228 and returning here at 1254 for Bristol. Back in the City, at St. Phillips Marsh an out of use First/GW 08822 was noted stabled near the wheel lathe carrying the unofficial name John.

**16/10** 66126 + 66027 top n' tailing the 3S59 Bristol water cannon was noted passing Worle junction at 1234 on the return to Barton Hill from Weston-super-Mare. Temple Meads became the sixth location (following Reading and Oxford) to introduce pre register fold out bicycles for hire during the day. Organised by First/GW and Brompton Dock, part of the London based Brompton Cycle company, the bicycles will be allowed to be taken onto trains.

**18/10** A 0Z74 1033 Laira - Bristol St. Phillips Marsh stock move was formed with back to back HST power cars 43189 + 43036 (passing Bridgwater at 1205), 43036 then taking 43002 back as 0Z77 St. Phillips Marsh - Laira. later in the day.

Also 37423 + 37603 arrived in Bridgwater at 0724 on the 6V74 nuclear flasks from Crewe later returning north as 6M67 at 1210 and 31285 returned the previous day's test train arrival as 3Z14 0936 Kingsland Road - Derby RTC (2256) via Westbury, Castle Cary, Yeovil and Weymouth (booked reverse here from 1308 - 1351 for the return via Yeovil, Castle Cary, Westbury, Melksham, Swindon and Oxford). Also 56094 returned heading the 6Z53 1441 Teigngrace - Chirk Kronospan loaded logs being recorded passing Exeter at 1555 (7 late), Taunton 1627 (5 early), Bridgwater 1639 (5 early), Uphill Junction 1656 (8 early), Lawrence Hill 1736 (1 early) and Patchway 1747 (2 early).

## **Bristol West Railport**

The following have been recorded during the review period:

66414/416/418/502/503.

66538/543/552/566/568/572/587/588/590/594/956.

### **Avonmouth and the Severn Beach branch line**

**20/09** Freightliner continue to operate stone traffic from Avonmouth, alongside DBS although the workings are infrequent at present. On this date, 66557 worked 6C38 0716 Pengam - West Wharf stone empties for an early afternoon loaded return to Stoke Gifford.

A forthcoming engineering block for track work between Filton and Hallen Marsh is scheduled to take place over the following dates:

27/10-28/10 1500 (Sat) - 0600 (Mon), 03/11-05/11 1500 (Sat) - 0600 (Mon) both week ends for prep work, 10/11-12/11 1500 (Sat) - 0600 (Mon), 17/11-19/11 1500 (Sat) - 0600 (Mon) track relaying over both week ends, 24/11-26/11 1500 (Sat) - 0600 (Mon), 08/12 - 10/12 1500 (Sat) - 0600 (Mon), 15/12-16/12 1600 (Sat) - 0600 (Mon) tamping and welding over the three week ends.

Locos recorded on coal duty during the review period have included:

66005/021/031

66061/093/116/120/124/131/149/150/155/201/206

### **Portbury Branchline**

**31/07** September Magazine Correction (page 8), under Bristol area: 66546 + 66623 did not work the 6W61 (0443 Westbury - Parsons Street) during the following day, the train being in the hands of 66087 + 66115.

**16/08** Not previously recorded was 66011 which had arrived on the empty car carriers during the morning and then running light-engine to Newport ADJ for a 6Z51 1315 departure to Portbury formed of FCA container flats 610341 and 610342, an unusual wagon type for the line.

**27/09** A loco swap took place for the 6V51 Warrington car empties and return 6X52 loaded to Mossend, 66023 (6V51) and 66206 (6X52) being the locos involved.

**29/09** During the Bristol Community Rail day (see Bristol TM, Barton Hill and Kingsland Road notes & news) the 2Z52 1209 Bristol TM - Bristol TM service crossed 66520 on 4Z15 Ferrybridge - Portbury coal empties (for the 6Z15 1618 loaded service to Crewe Basford Hall Yard ) at Ashton junction.

**11/10** A second loco swap during the review period was known to have taken place on the 6V51 / 6X52 cars service, 66061 bringing in the morning train (which was reported part loaded at Temple Meads at 0845) and 66206 returning the evening working.

**12/10** A further move of container wagons took place via the 6V51 Warrington Arpley - Portbury Auto terminal empty car train with 66106. The return 6X52 mainly formed of loaded vans was noted approaching the dockgate at 1350, several hours early!

**13/10** 70004 was a Saturday afternoon arrival with 4Z15 coal empties from Stoke Gifford to form the 6Z15 1618 Portbury - Crewe Basford Hall yard loaded coal. The wagon set had arrived at Stoke Gifford at 1057 as 4Z11 0630 ex. Ratcliffe PS behind 66511 having been noted passing Yate at 1047 (12 late).

The six month track and drainage work was completed during September. It was interesting to note that the original 2001 branch rebuilding rail

access point on the Bristol side of Pill Tunnel was not available for use due to a land owner dispute so the old Pill coal yard was used instead for a storage area with offices. However, a short parcel of land here next to the road had been sold off by the Rail Property Board some years back and was in use to store a boat and caravan. It is known Network Rail had to make a payment to the owner (believed to be in excess of £1000) so access could be gained to the land needed at the rear of the site!

The former station access way from Chapel Lane at Pill, close to the former Ham Green station platform was also noted cleared as an emergency access route for Network Rail to the Bristol side of the tunnel.

The following have been recorded on coal duty: 66053/060/098/150/206/232. 66413/510/512/514/520/523/527/548/550/561/585/607/952. 70004/006/010/013/014/015.

Locos recorded on car duty have included: 66001/019/023/060/061/067/102. 66106/137/193/206/250.

### **Bristol area**

**21/09** 70007 passed Chipping Sodbury at 1339 with 4V50 Southampton - Wentloog.

**02/10** A noisy 31601 passed Brimsham (North Yate) at 1610 with 5Z31 Washwood Heath - Laira.

Owing to a fatality at Westerleigh Junction trains between Gloucester and Parkway were diverted today. HSTs were being diverted and calling at Patchway instead whilst Freightliners were routed via Dr. Days Junction. 70020 passed Abbey Wood at 1109 with the Wentloog - Southampton. A half hourly shuttle was set up between Patchway and Temple Meads and a rail replacement bus service was operating between Cam & Dursley, Parkway and Temple Meads

**04/10** 66514 passed Yate at 1536 with 4V47 Rugeley - Stoke Gifford

**10/10** 66552 was shunting with stone wagons at Bristol Barrow Road

**15/10** 66527 passed Wickwar at 1505 with 4V47 Rugeley - Stoke Gifford.

Network Rail 950001 passed Brimsham (North Yate) with 2Z08 Derby RTC - Bristol

### **Taunton**

**05/10** Quattro road/rail vehicle 446 940107-4 was noted in the old east yard

### **Bath**

**29/09** Noted going through Bath at about 1300 today were the following Class 66's in convoy on the 0X12 Margam - Eastleigh via Westbury to detach for engineering trains: 66201 (leading) + 66116 + 66047 + 66019 + 66097 + 66087 + 66115 + 66199

### **Gloucester area sightings**

**20/09** Gloucester 1128 4v38 Daventry - Wentloog 66428; Gloucester 1112 6b13 Robeston - Westerleigh 60079; Gloucester 2159 6v66 Scunthorpe - Margam 66141 + 66020; Gloucester Yard Jn 1314 6e41 Westerleigh - Lindsey 60091; Standish Jn 1613 4e68 Ratcliffe - Stoke Gifford 70002

**21/09** Standish Jn 1214 6e41 Westerleigh - Lindsey 60091; Standish Jn 1506 4v47 Rugeley - Stoke Gifford 66527; Standish Jn 1815 6042 Halewood -

Southampton Eastern Docks 66078; Gloucester 1100 4v38 Daventry - Wentloog 66303

**22/09** Gloucester 1307 6e66 Margam - Scunthorpe 66221; Gloucester Yard Jn 1145 4z15 0500 Ferrybridge - Portbury 66510; 1310 4v06 0830 Ratcliffe - Stoke Gifford 66520; 1459 4v46 1115 Rugeley - Stoke Gifford 66550

**23/09** 6y38 1015 Gloucester Barnwood Jn - Fairwater 66555 + 66622 via Chepstow; 6y39 1513 Gloucester Yard Jn - Westbury 66550 via Chepstow Gloucester Station 1505

**24/09** 6m36 Westbury Lafarge - Earles 66619 Standish Jn 1410; 4v38 Daventry - Wentloog 66303 Gloucester 1247; 6j86 Port Talbot - Rugby 73931 Gloucester 1142; 6e41 Westerleigh - Lindsey 60099 Standish Jn 1220

**25/09** 4v38 Daventry - Wentloog 66434 Gloucester 1155; 6e41 Westerleigh - Lindsey 60071 Standish Jn 1213; 4v57 Rugeley - Stoke Gifford 66413 Standish Jn 1908; 4v61 1415 Drax - Stoke Gifford 66520 Standish Jn 2115; 4z68 1200 Ratcliffe - Stoke Gifford 70010 Standish Jn 1611; 6e01 Cardiff Dock - Lindsey 66726 Gloucester 1958

**26/09** 6v74 0158 Crewe - Bridgwater 37194 + 37667 Standish Jn 0612 6m67 Standish Jn 1351; 6e86 1357 Avonmouth - Ferrybridge 66061 Standish Jn 1510; 6b13 Robeston - Westerleigh 60079 Gloucester 1115; 4v47 1115 Rugeley - Stoke Gifford 70010; 6z30 Handsworth - Tremorfa Works 66742 Gloucester 1836; 6v52 Wolverhampton Steel Term - Newport Docks 66142 Gloucester 2002

**27/09** 6e41 Westerleigh - Lindsey 66150 + 60071 Standish Jn 1413; 6b13 Robeston - Westerleigh 60079; 4v38 Daventry - Wentloog 66422

**28/09** 4v38 Daventry - Wentloog 66301; 6e41 Westerleigh - Lindsey 60063; 6b13 Robeston - Westerleigh 60079; 4v47 Rugeley - Stoke Gifford 66514

**29/09** Gloucester 0927 4z15 Ferrybridge - Portbury 66520; 1231 4v06 Ratcliffe - Stoke Gifford 66522; 1326 6e41 Westerleigh - Lindsey 60099

**30/09** 4v38 Daventry - Wentloog 66421 Gloucester 1140; 6y38 Gloucester Barnwood Jn - Fairwater 66555 + 66557 Gloucester Station 0933; 6w34 1100 Haresfield - Hinksey via Kemble 66193; 6w35 1200 Standish Jn - Bescot Downside 66085

**01/10** 6e41 Westerleigh - Lindsey 60054; 4v38 Daventry - Wentloog 66301; 4v47 Rugeley - Stoke Gifford 66522

**02/10** 6w99 Westbury Yard - Caldicot 66145 Gloucester 2233; 5z31 1135 Washwood Heath - Laria Tmd 31601 6348 + 6330 Standish Jn 1554; 6e41 Westerleigh - Lindsey 60054; 6v69 Bescot - Newport Ad Jn 66025 + 66096 Gloucester 1932; 6b13 Robeston - Westerleigh 60079 Gloucester 1057; 4v38 Daventry - Wentloog 66413 Gloucester 1205; 4v06 0620 Rugeley - Stoke Gifford 66413 Standish Jn 1246

**03/10** Gloucester 1158 4v38 Daventry - Wentloog 66301; 6e41 Westerleigh - Lindsey 60054; 4v06 0620 Rugeley - Stoke Gifford 66413; 4v68 1235 Basford Hall - Stoke Gifford 66514; 6y27 2030 Hackney - Gloucester Crossover 66557 Gloucester Station 2334

**04/10** 4v38 Daventry - Wentloog 66424 Gloucester 1057; 6b13 Robeston - Westerleigh 60079 Gloucester 1108; 6e41 Westerleigh - Lindsey 60054; 4v06 Rugeley - Stoke Gifford 66550; 6y38 0532 Abbotswood Jn - Fairwater 66615 + 66613

**05/10** 4v38 Daventry - Wentloog 66426 Gloucester 1200; 4v47 Rugeley - Stoke Gifford 66514; 6e41 Westerleigh - Lindsey 60099; 6042 Halewood - Southampton Eastern Docks 66046 Standish Jn 1727; 6b13 Robeston - Westerleigh 60079; 6z30 Handsworth - Newport Docks 66726 Standish Jn 1738

**06/10** 7w38 1944 Bescot Engineers Yard - Yate 66162; 4v06 Rugeley - Stoke Gifford 66952; 6e41 Westerleigh - Lindsey 60091; 4v46 Rugeley - Stoke



Gifford 66552

**07/10** 4v38 Daventry - Wentloog 66433

**08/10** 6e41 Westerleigh - Lindsey 60054; 0z56 Tidal - Chaddesden 56311 + 56312; 6m36 Westbury - Earles 66610; 4v47 Rugeley - Stoke Gifford 70004; 4v38 Daventry - Wentloog 66433 Gloucester 1122

**09/10** 6b13 Robeston - Westerleigh 60079 Gloucester 1127; 4v38 Daventry - Wentloog 66301 Gloucester 1050; 6e41 Westerleigh - Lindsey 60049; 5z67 Canton - Gloucester 67003 + 10249 + 12177 + 12178 + 82306 5z68 return; 6z47 Tidal - Rotherham 16 JRAS loaded slag 56303 + 47812 Gloucester 1458

**10/10** 4v83 0115 Ratcliffe - Portbury Gloucester 0915 66060 via Lydney; 4v38 Daventry - Wentloog 66426 Gloucester 1049; 6w56 0620 Awre Jn - Westbury 66221 Gloucester 0652; 4v47 1115 Rugeley - Stoke Gifford 70004 Haresfield Loop 1458-1509; 6e41 Westerleigh - Lindsey 60054; 6b13 Robeston - Westerleigh 60079 Gloucester 1114; 4z47 1151 Washwood Heath - Cardiff Canton 47727 96606 + 96602 + 96609 + 96608; 6z90 Cardiff Tidal - Stockton 66619 Gloucester 2237

**11/10** 4v38 Daventry - Wentloog 66426 Gloucester 1049; 6e41 Westerleigh - Lindsey 60091; 6b13 Robeston - Westerleigh 60079; 4v05 2020 Rugeley - Stoke Gifford 66561; 4v47 1115 Rugeley - Stoke Gifford 66531; 6v74 Crewe - Bridgwater 37604 + 37259

**12/10** 4v47 Rugeley - Stoke Gifford 66531; 6v05 Round Oak - Margam 60007 Gloucester 1208; 4v38 Daventry - Wentloog 66305 Gloucester 1131; 6042 Halewood - Southampton Eastern Docks 66250; 6e41 Westerleigh - Lindsey 66098; 6b13 Robeston - Westerleigh 60079 Gloucester 1100

**13/10** 4v46 Rugeley - Stoke Gifford 66619; 4v06 Rugeley - Stoke Gifford 66548; 4z11 Ratcliffe - Stoke Gifford 66511; 5z58 St Phillips Marsh - Tyseley 158958; 6u13 Fairwater - Horton Road Jn 77903 + 73115; 3s59 1st visit of the season to Gloucester arrived 0740 thro platform 2+1 into Barnwood Goods Loop returned 0756 on relief line 66126 + 66027

**14/10** 4v38 Daventry - Wentloog Gloucester 1140 66430; 6w35 0900 Yate - Westbury 66132 Gloucester 1057-1108; 6w36 1245 Yate - Hinksey 66046 Gloucester 1235; 6w38 1402 Bescot Engineers Yard - Yate 66089 Haresfield 1555; 6w37 1900 Yate - Bescot Downside Gloucester Yard Jn 1817 66013

**15/10** 4z42 0929 Rugeley - Stoke Gifford 66527; 6e41 Westerleigh - Lindsey 60091; 6m36 Westbury - Earles 66607; 6y11 1820 Fairwater - Stoke Works Jn 66615 + 66622; 4v38 Daventry - Wentloog 66303; 6b13 Robeston - Westerleigh 60079

**16/10** 4v38 Daventry - Wentloog 66427 Gloucester 1049; 6e01 Cardiff Dock - Lindsey 66737 Gloucester 2020; 6e41 Westerleigh - Lindsey 60063; 4v61 Rugeley - Stoke Gifford 66548; 6y11 Fairwater - Stoke Works Jn 66622 + 66615; 6b13 Robeston - Westerleigh 60079 Gloucester 1109; 6e66 Margam - Scunthorpe 66096 + 66155 Gloucester 1400

**17/10** 1z95 0845 London Victoria - Worcester Shrub Hill VSOE 67006; 0v69 Leeds Midland Road - Stoke Gifford 70014; 6e41 Westerleigh - Lindsey 60063; 3z13 Tyseley - Bristol Kingsland Road 31285 + 72630 + 999606 + 9701; 4v38 Daventry - Wentloog 66303; 6b13 Robeston - Westerleigh 60049

## Newport

**25/09** 66726 passed East Usk at 1830 with a train of tanks from Cardiff Docks

**26/09** 70013 passed East Usk at 0945 on 6Z61 Portbury to Fiddlers Ferry Power Station

**30/09** 66421 passed Newport at 1244 with 4V38 Daventry - Wentloog

**01/10** 66301 passed East Usk at 1342 with a late running 4V38 Tesco liner  
**02/10** 70020 making its first appearance in South Wales passed East Usk at 1007 heading east. This was the last of the class to be noted passing East Usk during 2012

**04/10** 66712 passed Newport at 1837 with 6E01 Cardiff Docks - Lindsey tanks

**05/10** 70020 passed East Usk for the fourth day in a row. After working 6F65 from Portbury 70015 passed East Usk with 4F52 Uskmouth to Newport Docks at 1140.

In a busy two minute period at 1832 66594 passed East Usk with 4050 Wentloog - Southampton and 70015 arrived in the yard to run around from Uskmouth with 4F57 to Stoke Gifford. 66726 passed East Usk at 1840 with Handsworth - Newport Docks loaded scrap

**06/10** 70015 was again on 6F65/4F56 duty and was running around the empties in East Usk yard at 1118. A five loco convey passed East Usk at 1310 heading for Eastleigh as 0012. 66024 + 66039 + 66087 came from Margam and 66096 + 66201 were picked up at Newport ADJ. 66602 passed East Usk at 1337 with a rake of mostly JXA wagons

**08/10** 47854 top and tailed with 47826 passed East Usk at 1135 heading north on 5Z48 BTM - Carnforth ECS. The stock was 5991, Bassenthwaite (549), Ennerdale Water (552), 1211, Rydal Water (550), Grasmere (548), 1659, Sovereign (3188), Apollo (3231), and 17080. 66433 with 4V38 Tesco Liner passed East Usk at 1210. 56311 hauled 56312 passed East Usk at 1358 on 0Z56 Cardiff - Washwood Heath

**09/10** 70014 passed East Usk at 0955 with 6Z61 Portbury to Fiddlers Ferry coal. 66594 passed East Usk at 1000 with 4051 Wentloog - Southampton. Two-tone green liveried D1916 (47812) hauled 56303 light engine passed East Usk at 1058 on the 0Z47 Washwood Heath - Cardiff Tidal, and they returned at 1330 with a train of slag from Tidal to Rotherham. 66301 passed East Usk with 4V38 Daventry - Wentloog at 1140.

66514 worked 6F65 Uskmouth coal earlier this morning and then ran as 4F52 for loading at Newport Docks passing East Usk at 1130.

66561 passed East Usk with 6M04 Portbury - Rugeley coal at 1215.

66522 passed East Usk at 1450 with a rake of HIA hoppers heading west, and returned light engine at 1533 having taken the wagons to Pengam

**12/10** 70004 passed East Usk with 6F53 Newport Docks - Uskmouth coal at 1425, this then formed 4F57 empties to Stoke Gifford. This loco earlier worked 4C05/6F65/4F52 Stoke Gifford to Portbury to Uskmouth

**13/10** An impressive 10 locos on the Margam - Eastleigh today, passed East Usk at 1330. The convoy was 66186 + 66007 + 66099 + 66121 + 66093 + 66113 + 66046 + 66132 + 66034 + 66013

**17/10** 70099 arrived into Newport Docks this morning on the MV Sudkap. This was a demonstrator loco built in Turkey a few years back when GE thought they could break into the European market in the same way that GM did with the 66. Upon arrival one end of the loco was numbered DE37001 but this was renumbered on the dockside today. Hauled by 66561, 70099 passed through Newport at 1913 as 0Z25 to Craven Arms where it was due to pick up a cripple wagon, before carrying on to Crewe as 6Z25

**18/10** 70014 passed East Usk with 4F52 Uskmouth - Newport Docks at 1120. It had earlier worked 6F65 Portbury - Uskmouth

**19/10** 66602 dragged 70014 and 6F65 Portbury - Uskmouth into East Usk Yard at 1045 just over 4 hours late. 66602 then hauled 70014 passed East Usk at 1215 heading east, not sure where it ran around as they did not do it in

East Usk, possibly turned on Maindee Triangle. The loaded wagons had been left in the yard from where 66585 arrived at 1450 to take the train down the branch. The loco ran past first however, seemingly to pick up a shunter at Newport. Normally the driver does the run around uncoupling / coupling up. 66301 passed East Usk at 1300 heading to Wentloog with 4V38 Tesco liner.

## **Cardiff**

**04/10** 66424 and 66538 were noted at Wentloog FLT

**10/10** The first run of the MK III stock and DVT took place tonight with 67003 hauling 12177 12178 10249 82306 on the 1821 Cardiff to Holyhead via Wrexham with a reversal at Chester. If by keep the set in this order it means the end of westbound class 67 haulage along the North Wales coast being replaced by "pushage"!

There have been a number of stock renumberings for this service: 12176 was formerly 11064, 12177 was 11065, 12178 was 11071, 12179 was 11083, 12180 was 11084, 12181 was 11086, and 82306 was 82144

## **PRESERVATION & INDUSTRIAL MATTERS**

### **Bristol Area steam report**

**22/09** Pathfinder Tour's 'Solent Pacific' Worcester - Southampton and return was cancelled due to DBS staff industrial action linked to overtime working. The train was originally booked to be hauled by 34046 Braunton, then 70000 Britannia and latterly 4464 Bittern onwards and return to Bristol. However the Railway Touring Company 'Welshman' (1Z82 0635 Poole - Cardiff Central and 1Z83 1714 return) with 70000 Britannia, a West Coast operation was a runner being reported as passing: Trowbridge at 1027, Bath Oldfield Park 1100, Lawrence Hill 1115 ( - ), Patchway 1128 (6 late) and the return: Llanwern West junction 1737 (7 early) and Pilning 1814 (1 late). C/Stock in use was recorded as: 35465 (loco support), 99127, 99125, 99712, 99122, 99121, 99350, 1860, 4951, 99318, 99723. This trip was re dated from 29/09/12.

**23/09** The final 'Royal Duchy' (1Z34 0848 Bristol TM - Par and 1Z35 1745 return) of the 2012 Season was hauled by 34067 Tangmere. It remains to be seen whether this train will operate in 2013, as it was run this year by the Railway Touring Company to fill in for a shortened Bristol - Weymouth series of workings due to the Olympics being held in the seaside town and engineering work on part of the route.

**03/10** A Torbay Express Ltd 'Bath Spa Express' (Poole - Bristol TM and return) trip was cancelled.

**13/10** 34067 Tangmere worked a Railway Touring Company, West Coast operated 'Bath & Bristol', 1Z94 0944 Victoria - Bristol TM (1411) and 1Z95 1704 return (2112) outing which had been re-dated from 16/09/12. The inward working was noted near Bathampton junction at 1346 and passing Keynsham at 1715 on the return, having been watered at Winchfield and Salisbury on the inward and just Salisbury on the return.

**18/10** Ex. LNER J15 0-6-0 no.7654 (from the North Norfolk Railway) was noted undergoing light-engine testing and driver training on the Avon Valley Railway at Bitton. The loco had recently arrived and will see use on the forthcoming 'End of Season Gala' over 20th and 21st October. The

loco is expected to remain on the line until January 2013.

#### **Bodmin & Wenford Railway**

**29/09** First/GW provided 150263 for use over the line during the diesel gala, the unit running to and from the event as 5Z11 0824 Par Chapel siding - Bodmin exchange siding and 5Z12 1735 return.

#### **Gloucester & Warwickshire Railway**

The line re-opened during the middle of October following the completion of the £1 million repairs to the embankment at 'Chicken Curve' near Winchcombe, where a land slide had closed the line. Special through trains from Cheltenham Racecourse - Laverton were to operate at the end of October to mark the re-opening.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **Great Western Franchise**

The preferred bidder may now not be announced until December 2013 due to a flawed result awarding the West Coast route to First Group which had been successfully challenged by Sir Richard Branson director of the current operator Virgin Trains.

Three Government officials have been suspended as a result due to financial irregularities with the First Group bid. This could mean the planned Bristol area 'Metro' rail improvements may be delayed until a new operator has been announced.

#### **Water Cannon Locos**

The following locos were in position and allocated at the beginning of October:

St.Blazey (3S11/12/13) - 66011 + 66094. Bristol Barton Hill (3S59) - 66027 + 66126. Didcot (3J41/42) - 66084 + 66086. Margam (3S61) - 66039 + 66127. Other locos allocated in the DBS (WBSN) pool: 66001/017/019//119/138. 66201/232.

#### **Road Movements**

**04/10** Steam rail motor no. 93 - M5 junction 17 Cribbs Causeway (Bristol) en route Didcot - Bodmin & Wenford Railway (for a Rail motor w/e over 12-14/10) and for use under special arrangement over the Looe branch on Sunday's 4TH and 11th November as a special First/GW event.

Provisional departure times from Liskeard for the 40 minute out and back trip are at: 0830, 1030, 1230, 1430 and 1630 with no alighting allowed at Looe station. This vehicle is now 104 years old and cleared for mainline use!

#### **HST Second Class Coach Conversions**

**20/09** 42511 was reported as formed in Set OC51.

### **TRACK MACHINES & DEPARTMENTALS**

## Mar - Sept 2012

The following were noted on a number of visits working on the Portbury branchline during the six month track and drainage work programme:  
r/r machines (assumed - all Quattro Plant): 125 (940345-3), 275 (010087-3), 332, 428, (940377-3), 454, 458, 464, 465, 468 (940324-5), 505, 510, 515, 529, 530, 534 (911172-3), 537, 539, Multicar 780 (977007-2), Hydrex: 4260.  
trailers: 006, 111, 112, 208 (010613-5), 209 (010614-4), RT275 (010087-3), 567 (010217-1), 587 (010024-8), 588 (010025-3), 604.

**09/07** Yatton: Quattro Plant: 238 (940419-3), trailer: 010, personal carrier: (10242-4).

**22/07** Bristol, Barton Hill: snowploughs: ADB965209/231.

**22/08** South Devon Railway, Staverton (Preserved): DR73274. r/r excavator: P79JNB.

Totnes: Quattro Plant: 238 (940419-3), trailer 604 (011167-2).

**19/09** Yate - DR77903 passing at 1018 to Westerleigh.

**21/09** Swindon - DR73931 passing Swindon west bound at 1019.

**26/09** Yate - 255 PW160 (940004-3), 256 PW160 (940005-0), 332 PW130 (940307-1), 347 PW150 (940308-1), with an unidentified trailer.

**01/10** Newton Abbot: DR80206.

**04/10** Yate - Quattro rail r/railers: 246, 256, 347, 541. Exeter St.Davids: DR73935.

**10/10** Yate - Quattro rail r/railers: 256 (940005-1), trailer: 347 (010031-1).

Kingsland Road (Bristol): r/rail unidentified Landrover (a long term resident here).

**13/10** Westerleigh: DR73905.

**17/10** Avonmouth, St.Andrews Trading Estate: Torrent Trackside: 909167-7 ST. 08?

909146-1 ST 01 18 SB. 975006-8 DP 270/05. 011018-7 ST 03 37. 011247-2 ST 03 36.

018032-1 6 seater manrider trailer. Fire Station (St Andrews Road): r/r Renault: N842HFB.

## CARDIFF & AVONSIDE RAILWAY SOCIETY TRIP RECORD

In this third instalment, Society trips up to the end of 1999 are recorded. The next instalment will be included in next months Magazine.

<u>TRIP NUMBER</u>	<u>TRIP TITLE</u>	<u>DATE</u>
190	Birmingham and Cheshire	15th July, 1984
191	Crewe Works Special	15th July, 1984
192	North East Special	28/29th July, 1984
193	East Anglia	11/12th August, 1984
194	North West Special	26th August, 1984
195	York Works Open-Day Special	15th September, 1984
196	Humberside	23rd September, 1984
197	Doncaster Works Special	23rd September, 1984

198	Weald of Kent	27th October, 1984
199	North East	17/18th November, 1984
200	London Special	8/9th December, 1984
201	Midlands	2nd March, 1985
202	Transpennine	8/9th February, 1985
203	Liverpool and Manchester	10th March, 1985
204	Scottish	5-8th April, 1985
205	West Somerset Railway	19th May, 1985
206	Doncaster Works Special	23rd June, 1985
207	Canton and Cathays Open-Day	6th July, 1985
208	Crewe Works Special	28th July, 1985
209	Island Special	29th September, 1985
210	Doncaster Works Special	3rd November, 1985
211	London	7th December, 1985
212	Doncaster Works I	9th March, 1986
213	Wolverton Works I	29th March, 1986
214	Doncaster Works II	28th September, 1986
215	Lancashire and Cheshire	25/26th October, 1986
216	Wolverton Works II	29th November, 1986
217	Midlands	31st January, 1987
218	Litchurch Lane	15th July, 1987
219	Canton and Cathays	26th July, 1987
220	Pacemaker	12/13th September, 1987
221	Wolverton Works	26th September, 1987
222	Bitton	1st November, 1987
223	Manchester and York	24th July, 1988
224	Eastleigh Works Open-Day	17th September, 1988
225	London and Wolverton Works	1/2nd October, 1988
226	London	10th December, 1988
227	Hull and Keighley & Worth Valley	26th February, 1989
228	Ilford Open-Day	20th May, 1989
229	East Anglia	10/11th June, 1989

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230	Romney, Hythe & Dymchurch Railway	27th May, 1990
231	Crewe Works Open-Day	21st July, 1990
232	East Anglia	18/19th August, 1990
233	The Glasgow Flyer	20/21st October, 1990
234	South London	2nd December, 1990
235	South East England	27th January, 1991
236	West Midlands	24th March, 1991
237	London Day Out	27th April, 1991
238	Leeds City Stomp	25th May, 1991
239	Crewe Open-Day	12th October, 1991
240	Peterborough Station Stomp	26th October, 1991
241	Derby, Nottingham and Leicester	15th December, 1991

242	London Day Out	15th February, 1992
243	Balmoral Special	6th September, 1992
244	Leeds City Flyer	16th January, 1993
245	North Norfolk Special	14th February, 1993
246	Birmingham Flyer	27th February, 1993
247	Peterborough Flyer	13th March, 1993
248	Manchester Flyer	27th March, 1993
249	South London	17th April, 1993
250	Class '60' Limited	18th July, 1993
251	The London Flyer	21st August, 1993
252	Wolverton Works Open-Day	29th September, 1993
253	Salisbury Flyer	16th October, 1993
254	London Flyer	6th November, 1993
255	Networker Special	15th January, 1994
256	Toton Limited	27th February, 1994
257	Old Oak Common Open-Day	19th March, 1994
258	Birmingham Flyer	26th March, 1994
259	Exeter 150	2nd May, 1994
260	Worcester Open-Day	22nd May, 1994
261	Shropshire Special	12th June, 1994
262	Doncaster Works Open-Day	10th July, 1994
263	Sheffield Flyer	14th August, 1994
264	Crewe Rail Fair	21st August, 1994
265	Llangollen Special	4th September, 1994
266	Thornaby	8/9th October, 1994
267	London Flyer	5th November, 1994
268	Birmingham Flyer	3rd December, 1994
269	Manchester Flyer	28th January, 1995
270	Toton	19th March, 1995
271	Easter Edinburgh	14-17th April, 1995
272	Tremorfa Works	30th April, 1995
273	Blaenavon	13th May, 1995

<u>TRIP</u> <u>NUMBER</u>	<u>TRIP TITLE</u>	<u>DATE</u>
274	Preservation Requested	18th June, 1994
275	Isle of Wight	30th July, 1995
276	Crewe Rail Fare	27th August, 1995
277	Dollands Moor	23rd September, 1995
278	Humberside Aire	22nd October, 1995
279	Meandering Midlands	11th November, 1995
280	London	9th December, 1995
281	Wolverton Works	24th February, 1996
282	East Lancs and Manchester	16th March, 1996
283	South Easter	6/7th April, 1996
284	Up Along Lea	8th June, 1996
285	Sole Searching	13th July, 1996



286	Committee Meeting	21st July, 1996
287	Crewe Works Open-Day	17th August, 1996
288	Welsh Lakes/ Llyn Cymru	22nd September, 1996
289	The Bluebell Railway	20th October, 1996
290	Shropshire Loco Collection	23rd November, 1996
291	London	7th December, 1996
292	Birmingham	25th January, 1997
293	Networker Plus	15th February, 1997
294	North Easter	28-31st March, 1997
295	Crewe Electric Open-Day	13th May, 1997
296	Leicestershire	14th June, 1997
297	Armley Mills	27th July, 1997
298	Dollands Moor	16th August, 1997
299	Glorious Devon	13th September, 1997
300	The Blackpool Illuminator	18/19th October, 1997
301	The Centro	16th November, 1997
302	London Flyer	6th December, 1997
303	Manchester Flyer	17th January, 1998
304	York	15th February, 1998
305	North Cambridgeshire	21st March, 1998
306	Easter Anglia Part 1	10-12th April, 1998
307	London Special 1	16th May, 1998
308	Dollands Moor	20th June, 1998
309	Derbyshire Industrial	25th July, 1998
310	Toton Open-Day	29th August, 1998
311	North Devon	27th September, 1998
312	North Yorkshire Moors Weekend	24/25th October, 1998
313	London Special 2	5th December, 1998
314	Manchester Industrial	23rd January, 1999
315	Warwickshire	20th February, 1999
316	Lincolnshire	13th March, 1999
317	Easter Anglia Part 2	2-5th April, 1999

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318	Dollands Moor	15th May, 1999
319	Cambridgeshire	26th June, 1999
320	Route 66	25th July, 1999
321	Hampshire	22nd August, 1999
322	Derbyshire Industrial	25th September, 1999
323	South Yorkshire	23rd October, 1999
324	Dollands Moor Avoider	13th November, 1999
325	London Flyer	11th December, 1999

## TRIP REPORTS

22/09/12

ALAN KEEF OPEN DAY

R.MORRIS

### **West Midland Safari Park (pre-arranged visit)**

The party viewed SL 15/2/79 of 1979 "Safari Express" - this is the main locomotive that runs around the edge of the park.

Dotto/SL 365.3.91 of 1991 - this locomotive runs round on a circle (from an independant control box), around a kiddies play area (only very young children aged about 3 or 4 or thereabouts are allowed to ride on this train).

### **The Dell, Alveley**

3x UI GWR/BR Fruit 'D' Grounded Body.

### **The Saw Mill, Dudmaston**

2x UI GWR/BR Fruit 'D' Grounded Body.

Car Park next to the above:

UI GWR/BR Fruit 'D' Grounded Body (virtually buried in the undergrowth).

### **Severn Valley Railway, Bridgnorth**

D1062 of 1962 "Western Courier", 4566 of 1924, 7812 of 1939 "Erlestoke Manor", 43106 of 1951, D3586 of 1958 (assumed).

This was only a brief visit due to the fact there was a gala taking place and finding a parking space was a nightmare. D3586 is assumed as it wasn't carrying any ID and comparing it with pictures on UK Locos and other sites on the net.

### **Stourbridge Junction**

139002, 172332, 172340 & 172343.

The party was hoping to see some large plant at this location but nothing could be seen.

### **Gorsley Common**

SR 2543 Grounded SR CCT Body.

### **Alan Keef Ltd (Open Day)**

AK M002 of 1989 "Ivor", AK M003 of 1989, AK 30 of 1994 "Taffy", AK 2 of 1976 "Skippy", BLW 44699 of 1917 ("Tiger") - frame only, GB 3547 of 1948 - Dsm down to frame & wheels, HE 3905 of 2007 "Jennie", HE 9282 of 1988, HE 901 of 1906 ("Russell") - frame & wheels only, Krauss 5742 of 1921 - frame & wheels only, MR 5877 of 1935 ("Sir Toby") - to be new steam loco for Groudle Glen Railway, Isle of Man, MR 40SD502 of 1975 "Plant No.34", MR 8882 of 1944 "Digger", MR 7128 of 1936 - Dsm down to frame only on flat wagon, MR 8875 of 1944 - Dsm down to frame only dumped in bushes, RFSD L106 of 1989, TG 441 of 1908 ("Barber") - frame only, WB 2133 of 1924 ("Woto") - work in progress, Wbton No.2 of 2007 "Paddy", WR 1393 of 1939, SL 2140 of 2003 "Bayhurst" - 12" gauge Ruislip Lido Loco in for overhaul, LMS 194459 - Grounded van body.

### **Evesham Vale Light Railway**

BL 32 of 1923 "Count Louis", ESR 312 of 2003 "St.Egwin", L 21545 of 1955 "Sludge", Eddy Knowell 4wPMR of 2004, RH 452280 of 1960, SL of 1970 "Dougal".

**Private Owner, Private Location, Worcestershire**

UI Tunn of 1980, UI Tunn of 1980, MR 4709 of 1936 "Archer", LA Services  
4wPH of 2010 "Cliff".

**Bradshaws, Tewkesbury**

8 - Rexquote/Case 988P Superailer CGG 0232332 = 99709/940601-8, 65 -  
Rexquote/Thwaites 6 tonne Swivel Skip Dumper 1-92679 = 99709/943077-6, 84  
- Rexquote/Case 988P Superailer CGG 0231397 = 99709/940594-3.

**05/10/12**

**EASTLEIGH & MID-HANTS RAILWAY**

**R.MORRIS**

**Former East Yard, Taunton**

Quattro Plant 446 - Rexquote/Komatsu PW170 K30106 = 99709/940107-4.

**Four Winds Nursey, Durley Light Railway, Durley Street (pre-auction  
viewing day)**

Hano 8310 of 1918 "Peter Madsen", HE 1842 of 1936 "Josephine", OK 20777 of  
1936.

**Jefferies Yard, Winters Hill, Durley**

UI 4wh Wagon (wooden underframe with corrugated sheeting around the top  
part - so making it difficult to ID the type (but I think it might be a  
box van)).

**Eastleigh Station & Yard**

60024 66137/145/250/533/537/571/591 70009/20 73208 "Kirsten"  
158884 220020 221125 444012/023/036/039/041 450012/022/091  
79221/222/223/224/225/226 98217 A&B.

**Wagons:**

29020/29052/29134/29181/93309/93456/93606/93607/93703/93710/93712/93715/  
93716/93730/93731/95523/95582/97719/97751/97752/97753/97756/97770/394003/  
394100/394183/394199/394250/394335/394339/394409/394571/394624/394638/  
394665/394688/394762/394795/394830/394966/394968/395063/395118/395213/  
395359/395391/396087/396098/605005/605022/605023/605025/606007/606009/  
606016/606102/606109/606110/606119/606137/606138/607032/607037/607048/  
607053/607092/608006/608019/608027/608028/608085/608153/608154/608181/  
608349/608353/608385/608498/609008/640335/640357/640358/640469/641047/  
643015/643016/643020/979501/4971009-1/4971036-4/4971040-6/4971059-6.

**Eastleigh Depot**

58008 Bruff B155 VRV.  
Wagon: 56254.

**Eastleigh Works**

07007 317732 455825 508206/302 98977 DB 977905.  
EMU Coaches: 62683/64649/68501/68504/71599/77055  
London Underground Stock:  
L130 (ex 3690)/3179/3213 (assumed)/3219/3313 (assumed)/3319/3373/  
4213/4219/4313 (assumed)/4319/5022/5023/5103/5118/5119/5188/5189/7281.  
Wagons: 78212 604025 70/0899089-3.

**Alton (Mainline)**

444010 450071 450107.

**Alton (Mid-Hants Railway)**

DS 58 - Crane      DS 414 - Crane      DS 1580 - Crane.

Coaches : 1807/3769/4423/21236.

Wagons: LMS 520771 - Box Van      GWR 96549 - Box Van Grounded Body.

**Four Marks & Medstead (Mid-Hants Railway)**

Wkm 10707 of 1974, Wkm 10839 of 1975, Wkm 7515 of 1956 - DsmT, 96502 - Crane, Readypower FR 503 - Rexquote/Komatsu PW130 K30368 = 99709/940162-9.

NPCCS: SECR 154 - PMV (carrying number S 1995).

Wagon: KDS 3149 - Warwell.

**Ropley (Mid-Hants Railway)**

E828 of 1928 "Harry E.Frith", 34016 of 1945 "Bodmin", 73096 of 1955, 50027 "Lion".

**LONDON VISITS****R.PERRY****21/08/12****Bristol Temple Meads Station**

66009 - heading towards Portbury on empty car train (08.47HR)

**Swindon**

66098 - stabled just west of station (09.39HR)

**Didcot**

08757 - in the yard (09.57HR)

66055 - down by the refueller (09.57HR)

66118 - stabled alongside station (09.57HR)

**Acton Yard**

59203 - on stabling point (10.39HR)

66165 - west end of yard (10.39HR)

66198 - east end of yard (10.39HR)

66200 - on stabling point (10.39HR)

66561 - on binliner facing west at east end of yard (10.39HR)

**Old Oak Common**

08483 - stabled next to main line (10.40HR)

57602 - stabled next to main line (10.40HR)

**Kings Cross**

67008 - on thunderbird duty (11.17HR)

**Liverpool Street Station**

90005 - on front of Norwich or Kings Lynn train (12.00HR)

**Didcot**

08757 - still in yard (21.25HR)

**18/09/12**

**Bristol T.M. Station**

66193 - empty car train to Portbury (08.46HR)  
2nd Class coach 42510

**Didcot**

08757 - down by the refueller (09.58HR)  
66108 - on front of empty cartics alongside station (09.58HR)

**Pangbourne**

66416 - moving eastwards on freightliner (10.03HR)

**Hayes**

59101 - facing east on aggregate train in construction material yard

**Acton Yard**

59005 - on stabling point (10.39HR)  
59202 - on stabling point (10.39HR)  
66039 - west end of yard (10.39HR)  
66186 - west end of yard (10.39HR)

**Old Oak Common**

08483 - alongside main line (10.40HR)  
08836 - alongside main line (10.40HR)

**Westbourne Park**

66715 - on front of crossrail spoil train facing west (10.43HR)

**Willesden (WN)**

D3671 - on front of depot (11.20HR)  
E3137 - on rear of depot (11.20HR)  
86101 - on front of depot (11.20HR)  
86401 - on front of depot (11.20HR)  
87002 - on front of depot (11.20HR)

**Willesden Junction**

59203 - off West London Line and around towards Acton (11.24HR)  
66536 - out of freightliner yard and onto West London Line (11.25HR)  
66077 - out of freight yard on lime & cement tank then reverse back in  
86609 - on front of freightliner northwards on main (11.28HR)  
86638 - behind 86609 on freightliner northwards on main (11.28HR)  
66561 - dit behind 86638 on freightliner northwards on main (11.28HR)  
59002 - over the top towards acton on stone hoppers (11.33HR)  
66069 - over the top eastwards on sleepers and rails (11.38HR)  
66250 - freightliner northwards on main line (11.46HR)  
90043 - freightliner southwards on main line (12.13HR)  
90049 - behind 90043 on freightliner southwards on main line (12.13HR)  
66955 - freightliner northwards on main line (12.35HR)  
66516 - over the top eastwards on freightliner (12.39HR)  
66568 - over the top eastwards on freightliner (12.42HR)

66053 - vtg's off West London Line around towards acton (12.52HR)  
66426 - freightliner around back of low level stat onto North London Line  
90046 - freightliner northwards on main line (13.14HR)  
59204 - jha's off West London Line around towards acton (13.24HR)  
66418 - freightliner southwards on main line (13.41HR)  
66729 - freightliner northwards on main line (13.46HR)  
66148 - eastwards on aggregate over far bridge next to Harlesden Station  
66056 - over the top eastwards on empty rail train (14.06HR)  
390130 in 11-car formation

#### **Euston Station**

57313 - moved down from Euston siding onto station and stabled (14.25HR)  
43013 - Measurement Train with 975984, 977994, 977993, 977984, 975814 and  
43014 stayed for about an hour on station.  
Pendolino's with extra 2 coaches added working into station between 14.30  
and 19.20HR were as follows-  
390107/112/114/117/118/119/124/125/126/128/136/141/148/151.  
All four new Pendolino's in evidence i.e. 390154/155/156/157).

#### **Paddington Station**

New 2nd Class coach 42505 present 20.15HR

#### **Didcot**

08757 - down by refueller (21.24HR).

### **25/09/12**

#### **Bristol T.M. Station**

31106 - in fishdock with 6263, 62384 and 9701  
Renumbered buffets 40713 and 40900

#### **Didcot**

08752 - in the yard (09.57HR)  
08757 - down by the refueler (09.57HR)  
66164 - stabled alongside station (09.57HR)

#### **Acton Yard**

66119 - east end of yard (10.35HR)  
66165 - east end of yard (10.35HR)  
66507 - On binliner west end of yard (10.35HR)  
66737 - stabled west end of yard (10.35HR)

#### **Westbourne Park**

66715 - on crossrail spoil train again (10.39HR)

#### **Paddington Station**

Renumbered buffets 40710/22/55 and 40806

#### **Aylesbury Station**

66507 - passing through northwards towards Calvert on binliner (12.43HR)  
W977873 (960014) 55020 (121020)

**Aylesbury (AY)**

0-6-ODM industrial shunter 'LESLEY'  
W55034 (121034) 977987/988/992 (960301)

**Marylebone**

New dmu's 172102/103/104

**Euston Station**

57307 - 'Lady Penelope' on thunderbird duty plat 12 (15.50HR)  
Renumbered Pendolino's 390112/119/128/130/141  
New Pendolino's 390155/157

**Kings Cross**

67019 - on thunderbird duty (16.12HR)  
43465 and 43423 Grand Central HST's with stock  
41203/41204/42404/42405/42406/40426.  
Renumbered buffets 40720/40/48/50  
HST Power Cars 43238/239/251/300/306/309/312/369  
(91101/106/108/119/125/132 also present between 16.00 to 17.30HR)

**Paddington Station**

Renumbered buffets 40107/108/111/204/743/747  
Second class coach conversions 42506/508/515]]].

**16/10/12****Didcot**

66051 - running eastwards towards Didcot on a pw train (09.55HR)  
66116 - running eastwards le back onto empty hta's (09.56HR)  
08752 - in the yard (09.57HR)  
66069 - on SP alongside station (09.57HR)  
66093 - on empty car train facing east alongside station (09.57HR)

**Cholsey**

66589 - freightliner eastwards (10.00HR)

**Hayes & Harlington**

66604 - on HOBC running eastwards (10.30HR)

**Acton Yard**

66043 - stabled in yard (10.33HR)  
66112 - stabled in yard (10.33HR)  
66183 - stabled in yard (10.33HR)  
66507 - on binliner facing west at west end of yard (10.33HR)

**Old Oak Common**

08836 - stabled alongside main line (10.34HR)  
57604 - stabled alongside main line (10.34HR)  
57605 - stabled alongside main line (10.34HR)

**Paddington**

Renumbered second class coach 42502/504      Buffets 40106/119/806



**Haywards Heath**

377502/507

**Preston Park**

377207/211/212

**Brighton**

313202/203/205/208/209/210/211/214/216/217/219/220

377503/505/506/508/514

**Euston**

390009/132

**Kings Cross Station**

67027 - on thunderbird duties (19.00HR)

43306/307 40750

82203/211/217

91109/20/25

**Paddington**

40107/113/204/713/716/755/802/903

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