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November 2009 Issue 453 Front Cover Photo: 70002 stands in Stoke Gifford Yard on 11/11/09 undergoing crew training after arriving in the early hours of the day before from Newport Docks. [Jim Hockley]

FUTURE EVENTS

TRIP 438

JAVELIN SPECIAL

Saturday 23/01/10

A one day trip to Kent to see the new Class 395 Javelin Units in service.

Itinerary

Balfour Beatty, Ashford Crane Shops; South Eastern, Ramsgate Depot (view); South Eastern, Faversham Sidings (view); Ebbsfleet Junction Station (approx 3 hours).

Confirmed Bookings to Roy Morris by 19/12/09 please.

Permits: Balfour Beatty to be applied for.

Fares: Adult: Members; £33 Trip Members; £35 Deposit; £17
Child: Members; £8.25 Trip Members; £10.25 Deposit; £5

Times	Depart	Return
Nailsea & Backwell	06.30	21.30
Temple Meads	06.55	21.05
Parkway	07.15	20.45

Safety Equipment Required: Hi-Viz Jacket.

TRIP 439

DONCASTER FLYER

Saturday 20/02/10

A one day trip with approx 8 hours of free time to do as you please in the Town.

Itinerary

None.

Confirmed Bookings to Roy Morris by 30/01/10 please.

Permits: None.

Fares: Adult: Members; £29 Trip Members; £31 Deposit; £15
Child: Members; £7.25 Trip Members; £9.25 Deposit; £4

Times	Depart	Return
Nailsea & Backwell	06.30	21.30
Temple Meads	06.55	21.05
Parkway	07.15	20.45

Safety Equipment Required: Hi-Viz Jacket.

CHRISTMAS SOCIAL**Saturday 09/01/10**

This years Christmas Social will again be held at the Beaufort pub, Stoke Gifford, Bristol, commencing at 15:00. This is the same location as last year.

The pub is close to Bristol Parkway and is within sight of the approach road to the station.

The following is the Provisional Trip plan for early to mid 2010 and is subject to change

Note: No Trip to take place in March due to an early Easter period

TRIP 440 EASTER ANGLIA Friday-Monday 02-05/04/10

A four day trip to Essex, Suffolk & Norfolk.

Full details of Itinerary, Fares & Timings to follow soon

LONG MARSTON SPECIAL VISIT Saturday 10/04/10

Please Note; this is a non society event. However the Membership have been kindly invited to attend this annual special visit by the Officers of Phoenix Railtours. The cost of the visit will be £15 per head (no concessions) and is payable by cheque on the day. The visit will start at 10.15 hours prompt, all meeting at the main entrance on the B4632. To make a booking please send an email to Tony Croft on longmarston@cardiffandavonside.org.uk

TRIP 441 - Electrostar trip (First Capital Connect & Southern Class 377/5) - May

Date, Itinerary, Fares, Timings & Safety Equipment information to be arranged.

TRIP 442 - (New) Class 350 Trip - June

Date, Itinerary, Fares, Timings & Safety Equipment information to be arranged.

TRIP 443 - North West Plant Trip - July

Date, Itinerary, Fares, Timings & Safety Equipment information to be arranged.

TRIP 444 - Buckinghamshire - August

Date, Itinerary, Fares, Timings & Safety Equipment information to be arranged.

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 Martin Lear. If you live outside the areas served by these points but on route for a trip please contact Martin Lear 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). Members paying the full fare will have priority until the "book by" date, after that date the trips will be filled on a first come first served basis.
3. The discounts highlighted above for family members refer to travel costs only. Accommodation and Permits 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.

GENERAL SOCIETY INFORMATION

1. Members are reminded that where only one magazine is required, relatives living at the same address can become family members at the rate of £1 per head, per annum.
2. Do you know someone who would like to join the Society? Existing members can earn £2 for each new member introduced. This can be used against the fares of future Society trips.

SOCIETY WEB SITE

The society web site can be found at www.cardiffandavonside.org.uk

NOTES AND NEWS

Avonmouth

01/09 59205 worked the 6C63 stone empties from Westbury for the loaded return Irish stone service.

02/09 66089 ran 0C90 Newport ADJ - Avonmouth Chittening estate light for the return 6C97 trip.

16/09 66178 was in charge of the Newport - Avonmouth and return trip freight working.

22/09 66014 arrived in West Wharf at 12:50 with 6C63 empty stone wagons for loading, later returning as 6Z64 Avonmouth - Acton, this train being recorded as passing Keynsham at 17:58 and Swindon at 19:07.

23/09 66088 was on the 6C63 inward import stone empties.

24/09 Most unusually, a third stone service operated this being on consecutive days! 66037 arrived early afternoon on empty Hanson bogie hoppers for the return loaded service.

30/09 66031 arrived at 10:44 in the Bulk Handling terminal with the 6C90 trip freight ex. Newport ADJ with the specially converted container flat shunters wagon on the rear of the train.

A new freight-flow from the docks is rumoured for DBS, although further details are currently unknown.

Locos recorded on coal duty during the month have included:
66030/082/143/150/237.

Bristol Parkway, Pilning and Westerleigh

02/09 59203 passed Pilning around two hours late, during the afternoon on 6Z83 12:40 Machen - West Darayton ARC loaded stone. Earlier, FLHH 66509 had passed Parkway mid-morning on 6Z11 07:49 Reading - Moreton-on-Lugg stone empties.

03/09 37601 + 37604 passed Parkway early at 13:35 with the 6M67 14:02 Bridgwater - Crewe nuclear flasks.

Tonight's viewing, comprised of 66553 departing from the yard with coal empties for Portbury, 66596 arriving with empties and 66020 working the MoD Liner. Also seen was the NR HST with power cars 43013/062.

04/09 Signalling problems at Hullavington saw several First/GW HST services diverted via Bath, during part of the day. 31465 on a 1Q12 04:30 Eastleigh - Derby test working (formed with c/stock: 9481 + 977869 + 9701) passed Filton Abbey wood at 08:37 (9 minutes late), being later reported through Cheltenham at 09:15.

05/09 Back to back HST power cars 43041 + 43125 ran 0Z86 St. Phillips Marsh - Landore during the morning. 66549 later passed Parkway at 17:00

with stone empties to Pengam.

07/09 Freightliner locos seen this evening were 66522 and 66596 in the yard joined later 66520 with a rake of MGR empties. 66117 worked the MoD Liner and 66143 with a loaded Avonmouth - Didcot MGR service.

08/09 66598 worked the 6A21 Pengam - Theale stone empties.

09/09 66194 departed Parkway loop at 16:45 on the 6078 Margam - Dollands Moor export steel destined for France. DRS 66414 + 66428 earlier passed at 14:15 with the 6M67 Bridgwater - Crewe nuclear flasks.

10/09 Test unit 950001 returned North through Parkway at 12:08 following work in the West Country and later 66012 passed at 16:19 on the 6078 Dollands Moor export steel.

11/09 Parkway station was evacuated around 11:15 following a report of a man carrying a gun on a Paddington - South Wales HST, however the incident ended as a 'hoax' and all was back to normal by 12:15.

12/09 With the Bridgend - Margam, South Wales mainline closed for engineering work, the day's oil services, the 6B13 (6B47 return empties) Robeston - Westerleigh and 6A11 (6B33) Robeston - Theale were both cancelled. The 6V98 (6E41) Lindsey tanks were also cancelled on this date.

Some returning engineering trains to Westbury from the Bridgend work sites were: 6W01 (with 66017), 6W02 (66077) and 6W03 (66140). FLHH locos stabled at Parkway during the afternoon were: 66553 (with a rake of empty coal wagons), 66522 and 66595.

Also noted during the day was 59205 passed Pilning at 15:19 on the 6Z83 14:10 Machen - Acton loaded stone.

14/09 66519 took an empty MGR service to Portbury shortly after 19:15, 66595 remained at the head of another rake of empty MGR wagons for the duration. The 6B13 Robeston - Theale tanks with 60073 were capped due to the loco failing at Sarnau (between Whitland and Carmarthen). 66035 + 66060 assisted the train onwards to Margam arriving here 400 minutes late!

15/09 Freight train observations at Parkway during the day included:- 66011 with the 6B49 Llanwern - Swindon loaded steel (08:13) and 6B50 return service (down loop 15:32-15:52), 66014 on the 6L97 Port Talbot Grange sidings - Lea Interchange (Camden) stone (departing the up loop at 15:12), Fastline 66303 on the 4V09 Chaddeston - Portbury coal empties (15:43) and 66204 heading the 6B33 Theale - Robeston fuel tank empties (down loop departing at 16:19).

17/09 66124 arrived at Parkway at 16:46 with the 6V77 13:22 (ThO) Cliffe Vale - St. Blazey china clay empties, being later noted departing Temple Meads at 19:34. Earlier, 66553 passed Parkway at 16:19 heading for Chipping Sodbury to run-round with 4V22 09:15 Fiddler's Ferry - Stoke Gifford coal empties. The loco and train later departed at 16:44 onwards to Portbury.

Also recorded at 16:57 was 31105 propelling a test train through Parkway towards Temple Meads formed 9714 (driving van), 999606, 72631. 66519 again recorded leaving the yard for Portbury with MGR empties, being replaced by 66595 which arrived with empties and taken off a stabled on the far side. (Was still on site Friday & Saturday), also present was 66553.

Two other workings during the evening were 66051 ADJ - Wembley "Enterprise" service and 66089 with the MoD Liner.

18/09 66020 passed Parkway at 18:16 on the 6X52 Portbury - Tyne

yard/Mossend loaded cars and vans.

19/09 Locos stabled at Parkway for the week-end period were:- 66522, 66523 and 66595. 60035 ran 0B33 Margam - Theale light-engine, West Wales tank traffic being again cancelled for the day, with PW work again being carried out between Bridgend and Margam, two returning departures were at 12:00 and 14:00 both this time to Oxford Hinksey yard not Westbury. On the freight side:- 66192 was on a 6Z35 Moreton - on - Lugg - Acton loaded stone passing during the early afternoon, whilst later 59202 headed a 6Z83 14:10 Machen - Acton stone.

21/09 66011 (not 60035) return empty fuel tanks as 6Z33 06:26 Theale - Robeston passing Parkway at 08:50, the loco later returning on the 6078 Dollands Moor export steel, being reported through Severn Tunnel junction at 16:06 and Swindon at 17:24. 66563 worked the empties to Portbury shortly after 19:15, replacement empty MGRs, were worked in by 66595, which was again removed and stabled, taking the place of 66602. Also seen tonight was the ADJ - Wembley "Enterprise" service behind 66178 and 66139 passed through on the MoD Liner.

23/09 66037 passed Patchway at 14:15 on a 6Z41 13:30 Newport ADJ - Barton Hill rail-head treatment train 'transit' move (with wagons 642020 + 642034), routed into the depot by the North end mainline connection. At the same passing time of 14:15 over at Parkway, 37604 + 37603 headed North on the 6M67 Bridgwater - Crewe nuclear flasks.

24/09: 66595 worked the MGR empties to Portbury this evening, the replacements arriving behind 66519 later on. 66178 worked the ADJ - Wembley "Enterprise" service and 66087 appeared with the MoD Liner.

26/09 DBS livered 66152 worked back into South Wales on the 6V78 Dolland's Moor - Margam, steel empties and later ran 0Z66 12:00 Newport ADJ - St. Blazey with 66153, new livery 66152 being needed for filming work in Cornwall on china clay traffic. Another sighting for the day was 60091 on the 6Z35 12:52 Moreton-on-Lugg - Acton stone empties.

27/09 66518, 66563 and 66605 were all stabled in Stoke Gifford sidings.

28/09: Portbury coal empties were taken forward by 66510 with 66518 arriving with the next set of empty MGR wagons. 66088 worked the ADJ - Wembley "Enterprise" service followed later by 66103 with the MoD Liner.

29/09 66420 + 66427 passed Parkway at 13:45 on the 6M67 Bridgwater - Crewe nuclear flasks.

Bristol Temple Meads, Barton Hill and Kingsland Road

01/09 67001 replaced Royal 67005 on the First/GW loco and coaches 'hire' service. 31105 was stabled on the former Bath Road depot stub with a test train during the morning, whilst later 66149 arrived in Temple Meads at 13:21 with the 6V62 Eastleigh - Plymouth Tavistock yard depot fuel, this being prior to the St. Phillips Marsh delivery move. Also recorded was a 6Z21 09:55 Doncaster Decoy yard - Taunton Fairwater concrete sleeper train during the afternoon with 66585, being recorded through Worle (Weston-super-Mare) at 17:08, 123 minutes late. Also blue livered 66623 worked a 6Z21 14:45 Theale - Pengam empty stone via Day's curve, being booked via East depot loop (16:53-18:14) and recorded at Severn Tunnel Junction at 19:05.

A BBC film crew using Temple Meads as an interview location were on hand to record an interesting (and dangerous!) trespass incident involving a person who was believed to be evading a £5:00 ticket surcharge, ride a

mountain bike off the end of platform 4 and out of view under the Bath Road A4 road over bridge! A chasing police officer returned with only the person's base-ball cap, the bike later being found abandoned by a fence in the Pylle Hill area!

02/09 GBRf 66728 was on a further 5V66 Kilmarnock (Barclays) - Laira stock move formed with c/stock: 6338 + 40801 + 6330. The return working was 5Z70 13:05 Laira - Old Oak Common via Westbury (originally coded 0M66 as a light-engine, but it was assumed the barrier vans were to be also moved), the following day.

03/09 37601 + 37604 passed Parson's street at 13:10 with the 6M67 Bridgwater - Crewe nuclear flasks and the NRMT HST set (with power cars 43013 + 43062) running as 1Z17 17:30 Derby - Taunton called at Temple Meads between 19:42-19:48, prior to later returning and being noted at Bath at 21:28, returning here for Swindon, again via Temple Meads (and Parkway) at 22:20.

04/09 The First/GW local DBS loco and stock 'hire' service was recorded as formed: 67016 + 6064 + 6117 + 6008 + 9508 + 67001, the first part of the diagram, the 5D04 Barton Hill - Taunton ECS being recorded passing Yatton at 06:04. Also during the morning, 142029 + 142063 were used to start the 1A12 07:38 Paignton - Paddington as far as Exeter, for an HST set to take over to run it's normal route via Bristol.

On the subject of 142 units, set 142064 was reported stabled on St. Phillips Marsh during the day.

In preparation for the following day's Summer Saturday First/GW 'relief' (which was to be Class 37 hauled!), 37401 ran 0Z37 11:25 Didcot - Barton Hill arriving around 13:00 and 37670 was 0Z20 15:01 Bescot - Barton Hill arriving during the evening.

05/09 With HST or DMU sets expected to be available for the 2010 First/GW passenger 'relief' service, what was billed as the the last ever Bristol - Weymouth loco-hauled passenger service (2072 09:09 Temple Meads - Weymouth and 2V67 16:58 return) was in the hands of 37670 (in DBS livery) + 37401(acting as train heat loco coupled inside 37670 both ways) with c/stock: 9494 + 6064 + 6117 + 6008 + 9508. The train, which was noted near Keynsham at 09:14 was carrying a 'Westbury Traincrews' headboard and was filled to standing capacity for most of it's journey with 234 passengers reported as getting off in Weymouth ! It must be remembered, that 37414 had previously worked the last Weymouth loco-hauled passenger train on 24/09/99 (see Magazine No.133 November 1999, page 8, 37407 being actually wrongly stated in this report for the day), carrying a 'Bristol - Weymouth line Class 37 finale headboard' with Carnforth based c/stock: 5569, 5487, 5478, 5491, 9448. It was also stated that the Class 67s were needed on a Plymouth train (?), however a Uk Raitour's 'Plymouth Navy Day's' Ocean liner special (1Z30 07:30 Paddington - Plymouth and 1Z31 18:05 return) routed both ways via Westbury did run, using 67003 + 'EWS silver' 67029 this being in place of expected DRS power.

Also recorded during the day were Arriva XC power cars 43366 + 43207 and coaches on the 1V45 07:00 Manchester - Newquay and 1M70 15:22 return which had been covered by a 'hire' National Express HST set during the summer.

06/09 The 'Torbay Express' (1Z27 09:15 Temple Meads - Kingswear and 1Z28 17:17 return) was in the hands of steam 6024 King Edward I and later 37670 + 37401 returned North as 0Z74 Barton Hill - Bescot light-engines

(noted passing Parkway at 14:25).

08/09 66599 departed Temple Meads at 16:47 on a 6Z21 Doncaster - Taunton sleeper train and another 5V66 12:10 Kilmarnock (Barclays) - Laira stock move with GBRf 66712, conveying a refurbished buffet coach 40803 appeared late evening. Again, the 66 with the two barrier vans returned via Westbury during the following day as 5F70 Laira - Old Oak Common.

09/09 66418 + 66428 departed Bridgwater at 13:03 on the 6M67 nuclear flasks to Crewe, whilst the 6Z83 Machen - Westbuey loaded stone, headed by 59204 passed Bath at 13:55.

10/09 66546 was on the 6Z21 Hope (Earles sidings) cement - Moorswater and 6M37 return empties.

11/09 Southbound departmental working seen this afternoon hauled by 66017 at 16:00.

12/09 A 0Y12 17:34 Bristol Kingsland Road - Westbury light loco move with 66510 + 66549 + 66599 arrived at Westbury at 17:15, 19 minutes before the booked departure time!

13/09 The day's 'Torbay Express' was cancelled, due to low bookings, but steam 60163 Tornado passed through the area on a high mileage 'Cathedrals Express' (1Z64 16:50 Exeter St. David's - Clapham junction, having arrived in Exeter as 1Z63 08:22 ex. Waterloo via Yeovil and the ex. LSWR route). A water stop took place at Weston-super-Mare station, the train later being reported through Flax Bourton at 18:34 (following the 18:16 Weston-super-Mare -Bristol TM First/GW local service) and Bath at 18:50. The c/stock formation in use was EH02 (Ex. OM02) being reported with loco support coach M14007 (maroon livery) as 5350, 4927, 5009, 1863, 3107, 3140, 3112, 3122 (all choc/cream), 1699 (blue), 3068, 3069 (both carmine and cream), 21272 (choc/cream).

A returning HOBC report for the morning was 66606 + 66623 top n'tailing a 6Y11 via Bristol to Taunton.

14/09 The evening 6C99 21:47 (MO) Newport ADJ - St. Blazey freight service with 66124 was noted conveying rail-head treatment (water cannon) wagons 642010 + 642045.

15/09 31105 and a test train (with driving van 9703) was again stabled on the former Bath Road depot spur during the morning. The train later worked an evening test train to Swindon Transfer yard.

16/09 66430 + 66433 passed Parson's Street at 13:12 on the 6M67 Bridgwater - Crewe nuclear flasks. A check on the day's Arriva XC HST diagrams found the following power cars and set formations in use: 43285 (XC01) 43366 1V46 06:32 York - Plymouth / 1S55 13:21 Plymouth - Edinburgh. 43301 (XC03) 43303 1V44 06:00 Leeds - Plymouth / 1S51 15:51 Plymouth - Glasgow Central. 43357 (XC04) 43378 1V54 06:32 Dundee - Plymouth (which was terminated, due to overhead line problems in the Berwick area) with 43304 (XC05) 43384 on the 1V50 06:08 Edinburgh Waverley - Plymouth also affected. The latter was in fact restarted as 1Z50 10:30 Derby - Plymouth, using a Voyager set, which is believed to have returned North on the 1E63 15:21 Plymouth - Leeds as booked.

17/09 Green livered 47812 returned a 6Z47 09:55 Plymouth Tavistock Junction - Rugby Overhead line depot departmental (formed ZWA DR76601, YDA DR92377 and KFA 93446) passing Taunton at 11:35 (right time), Uphill junction (Weston-super-Mare) 12:19 (3 late), Dr. Day's junction (Bristol) 13:05 (3 late) and Parkway 13:17 (4 early).

18/09 A signalling failure between Bristol and Newport saw numerous operating changes into the evening. 67001 and 67016 top n'tailed the

15:30 Cardiff - Portsmouth Harbour service (calling additionally at Severn Tunnel junction) as far as Bristol in place of a unit, whilst 158951 was on the 2C79 14:00 Cardiff - Taunton First/GW loco hauled working onwards from Temple Meads at 14:59 (6 late). Also the 12:22 and 13:22 Portsmouth - Cardiff Central services were both terminated at Temple Meads and at Parkway the 14:15 and 15:15 Paddington - Cardiff First/GW HST services were both terminated. The 15:55, 16:55 and 17:55 Cardiff - Paddington First/GW HST were all started from Parkway along with the 16:30 Cardiff - Portsmouth which started from Temple Meads.

20/09 Steam 6024 King Edward I was again on the day's 1Z27/1Z28 'Torbay Express' whilst 66585 + 66598 top n'tailed a return North Somerset junction - Taunton Fairwater 6Y33 departmental. 66510 and 66562 were stabled in Kingsland Road sidings at 15:00.

21/09 The NR Radio test train 3 was back in the area being top n'tailed with 37607 + 37608 (with c/stock : 1256, 5981, 977997, 9481) running as 1Z12 08:30 Derby - Kingsland Road.

22/09 West Coast 47787 arrived in Temple Meads early at 13:15 on a 2Z01 09:15 Tyseley - Bristol saloon (999506), returning as 2Z02 14:05 Temple Meads - Tyseley leaving at 13:43 running both ways via Bath. The NR Radio test train 3 with DRS locos 37607 + 37608 worked 1Z13 08:30 Kingsland Road - Kingsland Road, making several trips via Pilning and Parkway, to south Wales during the day and an evening return to the west-end of Temple Meads for stabling.

An afternoon train failure on the Weston-super-Mare loop saw this section of line closed, passengers being advised 30 minutes after the original announcement to catch an Arriva XC service to Taunton for a road bus service back to Weston. An additional stop at Worle, on the outskirts of Weston would have been a more simpler alternative?

23/09 The Radio tests train 3 departed the area as 1Z14 08:19 Temple Meads - Derby top n'tailed by the same two DRS locos, again with a complex diagram being noted at Yate at 08:53 (prior to a reverse) and onwards to Newport (reverse) before heading back into Temple Meads through Filton Abbeywood at 10:38. The train then ran to Severn Tunnel Junction for a reverse, to Gloucester where another reverse took place, Severn Tunnel junction for a further reverse, Lydney, Gloucester and on to Derby. Another DRS working during the day with 37604 + 37603 was noted passing Worle at 13:31 on the 6M67 Bridgwater - Crewe flasks. Also 67020 brought in the VSOE via Bath during the afternoon from London and 66620 was on the 6Z21/6M37 Moorswater cement. Blue livered 31106 arrived during the early evening on a 4Z10 Derby RTC - Kingsland Road test train (formed 72631 + 999606 + 9714) being routed via Worcester - Oxford - Worcester - Bromsgrove - Yate and noted through Parkway at 16:58 to Temple Meads (via Bristol West).

24/09 31106 returned North on a 4Z10 11:03 Kingsland Road - Derby RTC, via Bath (noted 11:31), Castle Cary 13:16 (and 16:45 here on the return) via Weymouth arriving at 15:25 and leaving at 15:34 (31 early). DRS 37607 arrived at 15:59 on a OZ37 Derby - Temple Meads route learner and 67017 was reported to have replaced 67001 on the First/GW loco hauled DBS 'hire' service from this date.

25/09 37607 continued South as an OZ37 Bristol - Weymouth light-engine move, returning as 13:30 Weymouth - Derby. Earlier, during the early hours, the 1A40 Penzance - Paddington First/GW sleeper service, headed by 57604 was reported as failed at Bridgwater being assisted forward by

FLHH 66614 to Bristol.

26/09 Following the previous day's failure, the First/GW sleeper services were worked by 'hire' 57308 (1C99) and 57601 (1A40), the former being noted at Taunton at 02:04 and the latter here at 02:33. 60011 ran 0B33 07:00 Theale - Newport ADJ light passing Bristol East at 12:53 (10 early) and Patchway at 12:44 (2 early). The morning 6M60 00:30 Plymouth Tavistock yard - Bescot freight was worked by 66066.

27/09 Steam 6024 King Edward I brought the 2009 'Torbay Express' season to a close, two proposed 'Xmas Torbay Express' trips on 12th and 13th December being both announced as cancelled. Also recorded during the day were 153305 + 153373 + 150233 + 150263 on the First/GW 15:07 (Sun) Penzance - Temple Meads service. The 1A12 13:00 Temple Meads - Paddington First/GW HST left 12 minutes late due to the GWML being closed near West Drayton following a fire and passenger evacuation on unit 165109 working the 1D29 11:42 Paddington - Oxford service.

28/09 57308 worked the 1A40 Penzance - Paddington First/GW sleeper service. Making only its second mainline preservation appearance in Bristol, steam loco 4953 Pitchford Hall with 5029 Nunney Castle passed Ashley Hill at 15:37 running as a 5Z69 09:45 Tyseley - Bishop's Lydeard (WSR) locos and support coach W35461 move, via Oxford and Swindon. The working departed Temple Meads early (being booked here from 16:27-17:49), arriving around 2 hours early on the planned 19:15 arrival time on the West Somerset Railway !

Earlier, steam 6024 King Edward I had run 5Z29 12:?? Barton Hill - Bishop's Lydeard with coaches: W35333 (loco support) and 4946, 5008, 4996 (previously in use on the 'Torbay Express'), passing Worle at 12:22, both workings being in readiness for the Autumn Mixed Traffic Gala on the preserved line. Also during the day, 66204 arrived 0Z97 light-engine from Eastleigh to return the rest of the 'Torbay Express' stock as 5Z97 to Eastleigh via Bath. 66116 was on the evening 6C99 21:47 Newport ADJ - St. Blazey freight service.

29/09 The 1C99 Paddington - Penzance First/GW sleeper service was again headed by 57308.

30/09 57308 returned the 1A40 Paddington - Penzance First/GW sleeper service west. 31285 was stabled on the Bath Road spur with a test working whilst 67016 and 67017 ended the month working the First/GW loco-hauled DBS 'hire' service. 66598 was on a 6Y27 23:52 (Tues) Westbury - Parsons Street CWR train, routed via a run-round in Taunton and 66420 + 66427 departed Bridgwater at 12:37 on the 6M67 nuclear flasks to Crewe. The following DRS Class 66/4s have now worked this train since their first appearance at Bridgwater on this service in early 2004:

66401/402/404/405/407/408/409/410/416/418/419/420/422/423/425/426/427
66428/430/433/434.

Cardiff Central

04/09 66194 + 66104 passed Central station at 09:07 on the 6B13 Robeston - Westerleigh loaded fuel tanks in place of the normal single Class 60.

Gloucester

04/09 66075 worked the 6A36 Ashchurch (Army) - Didcot MoD trip.

09/09 Advenza 66842 ran 0Z80 from the North, to Cardiff Tidal sidings through Gloucester light-engine during the afternoon.
15/09 66134 ran 0B36 Ashchurch - Didcot light-engine having brought in a morning MoD service.
22/09 66037 was on the 6A36 Ashchurch - Didcot MoD trip.
24/09 First/GW 158959 worked empty stock as 5Z71 Gloucester - Reading for wheel-turning.
29/09 Advenza 66842 was again recorded as a 0Z50 Cardiff - Gloucester light-engine, having been reported through Newport at 08:26.

Newport

01/09 With a pair of Class 66s working the 6B13 Robeston - Westerleigh loaded fuel tanks, there was a report of no working Class 60s in South Wales for the first time in many years.

04/09 The NRMT HST set (with power cars 43013 + 43062) worked 1Z20 Old Oak Common - Derby (via Swansea) passing west-bound at 08:18 and returning for the North via Bristol Parkway at 11:17.

07/09 66055 brought in 6Z71 Cliffe Vale - Newport ADJ a new Monday's-Only freight service, which conveys mainly empty china clay wagons destined for the West Country. The train is booked to collect additional, mainly departmental wagons (as required) from Bescot en-route.

09/09 60073 was on the overnight 6V19 Scunthorpe - Margam freight service.

14/09 66124 worked the 6G71 (6V69) Cliffe Vale - Newport ADJ (due 12:15), Monday's only freight.

16/09 60041 powered the 6M41 Margam - Round Oak steel coil service.

21/09 66066 was on the Monday's only 6G61 (6V69) Cliffe Vale - Newport ADJ freight.

24/09 Recently reinstated, blue-livered 60011 was on the 6V92 Corby - Margam steel empties.

29/09 60041 headed the 6V19 Scunthorpe - Margam freight.

Portbury Branchline

01/09 The Tyne yard/Mossend loaded/empty car service has began a steady increase in frequency in it's daily operation, some observations, with wagon consist for the beginning part of the month of the inward 6X51 01:58 Bescot - Portbury being as follows:- 66091 (01/09) + 5 IPAs . 66091 (03/09) + 4 PJA STVAs + 3 IPAs. 66014 (04/09) + 6 IPAs + 1 IFA.

14/09 Fastline restarted their coal operation from this date with a 6Z99 19:00 departure to Ratcliffe P.S. (being a TThO during this week). The inward empties were timed as 4V09 11:49 Chaddeston (Derby) - Portbury (due 16:12). The company also ran their 6M18 05:00 Ratcliffe departure on certain dates during the month.

29/09 NR undertook undergrowth clearance, trackside towards the end of the month, so two rare types of plant in the Avon Gorge area would be given more room and sunlight to develop. The *Hornugia petraea* and *Potentilla Neumanniana* are both present in this area, as well as the rare *Sorbus* tree species, the former two thrive only in limestone areas.

Locos recorded on coal duty during the month have included:- 66114/237.

66302/304/305/518/519/522/553/596.

Taunton

16/09 Green livered 47812, having run as 0Z47 09:38 Crewe C.S. - Westbury (via Oxford, Swindon and Melksham) with 47805 (needed in Kent to pair up with 47839 for 'hire' freight work) the previous day, hauled Fairwater resident 73133 as 0Z73 10:54 Fairwater yard - Plymouth Tavistock yard. The Class 73 is to be up-graded for mainline use, including the fitting of TPWS amongst other equipment.

30/09 The West of England RHTT commenced operations (see the September 2009 Magazine for the full diagram), using locos 66153 + 66116, with wagons 642010 + 642045.

Units seen during the month

150127/219/232/238/243/244/247/261/263/267/278/281

153329/370

158748/763/766

220002/005/006/009/010/012/014/016/020/022/023/024/030/031/034

221119/121/124/125/126/127/140/141

HST cross country Power Cars

43207/285/301/303/357/366/378

STOCK ALTERATIONS

Locomotives

Transfers

47810/813(GL)-BH, 58036 - France, 66584 - Poland

Stored

47237/828. 57005/006.

CE: 67007/013. **DC:** 09016. **TO:** 08466. 37669. 60004/013/019/074, 60091. 66005/023/063/074/092/095/111/113/128/147/149/151/154/156, 66163/164/. 67018. **WN:** 86401. **Longport:** 66843. **Old Dalby:** 47714

LNWR: 87004/013/014. **Willesden PRDC:** 66410/841/842/844.

Traffic

08752 -TO(MG), 20301 -KM, 60009/010/035/039/041/054. 66016/043/046, 66047/048/083/093/114/122/139/143/171/188/200 -TO, 67012/016/020 -CE.

Electric Multiple Units

Stored

321419/420 -ZG

Disposals

Booth: 8310 (72618 + 72709 + 72619)

Fire Service College (Moreton in Marsh) 69633/733 (390033)

New Stock

377507/517/520/521 -BF
378010/014/018/137 -WN

Coaching & NPCC Stock

Transfers

1657 -KM, 3424 -EH, 10237 -KM, 10588 -BH, 11013/019/030/033/044/046,
11054 -KM, 11065/071/083/089 -BH, 17159. 80042 -KM.
DBRH - DBS - RHTT DVT
82108/116/122/123/131/127/144

Stored

CE: 82138. **LA:** 40208/209/731/747. **ZB:** 11028. **Tyne Yd:** 94498

Disposals

Booth: 13125 (Battlefield)
Battlefield: 3229. 10202. Mid Norfolk: 977.390/595

Renumbered

42147 - 40116 -OO, 82151 - 82302 -CE, 72613 - 977997 -ZA

FREIGHT REVIEW

Well, here we go again for yet another review of the past month for me personally and some bits and bobs of general news concerning the freight scene. One of the things that has been noticed in my neck of the woods has been the replacement of the new continental-registered yellow boxes (31.70.5992.xxx series) with older NLU29xxx series vehicles which are back on the Westbury service to Mountsorrel. Actually it isn't all bad because in the said consist on Thursday 8th February were new vehicles 31.70.5892.010/021/002/012/032/003. Also there is a working of the monstrous "Octopus" train through Leicester at about 18.30 routing Whitemoor-Bedford. On the same Thursday, 8th October, the train, top and tailed by 66957 and 66952, consisted of the following vehicles: 92355/356/340/336/371/335/338/352/369/372/333/351/342/373/376/375/374/367/366/368/365/339/343/370/345/348/346/344/334/332/331/353/341/354/350/349/361/362/363/364, 76502, 92706! Magnificent sight! Just to round of a busy evening at Leicester we also had 66614 on the Lafarge bogie cement tanks, 66060 on the Colnbrook-Lindsey bogie tanks and 66522 and 66520 top and tailed on the following engineers' service: 29527/ 212/ 369/ 133/ 512/ 537/ 307/ 162/ 033/ 424/ 073/ 339/ 341/ 278/ 435/ 080/ 205/ 491, 503109/ 094.

Anyway, I mentioned in last month's tome that I was heading to Barnetby on 17th September. Well, this I did - and had a wonderful day. Arriving at about 0800 and departing at 1830 I logged 52 freight movements (about one every eleven minutes)! Most were coal, and the ore was running at capacity, but these were interspersed with oil, steel, a couple on

enterprise workings and engineers'. I'm not going to list all I saw, but will pick out some of the highlights (to me anyway!). Firstly, GBRf 66722 with the following coal service:

33.70.6955.242/243/234/232/221/228/229/230/226/231/239/200/236/238/237/244/240/227/235/233/225. Then 66139 with the following oil service: 870234/ 276/ 312/ 200/ 317/ 254/ 339/ 309/ 315/ 303/ 296/ 278/ 341/ 330/ 208/ 337/ 213/ 323/ 240/ 255/ 273/ 321/ 274/ 308, 85963/ 49/ 64, 82209/ 12. Then the first of two strange Freightliner services, using the 369xxx aggregate hoppers on coal! Westbound was 66544 with the following consist: 369041/ 008/ 002/ 056/ 119/ 064/ 121/ 085/ 068/ 042/ 060/ 069. Then 66129 with another oil service: 870289/ 222/ 215/ 332/ 217/ 239/ 230/ 329/ 259/ 334/ 306/ 277/ 211/ 298/ 204/ 252/ 266/ 220/ 245/ 233, 85970/ 55/ 46, 82762. A small eastbound Enterprise working was then noted in the charge of 66035: 964035, 3073, 3068, 33.70.2795.335.

Another GBRf coal headed by 66723: 371032/013/100/031/097/090/103/098/093/104/105/042/112/109/114/113/108/035/106/111/096/102/024/039. Then the second of the "strange" Freightliner coal working lead by 66547 consisting of: 369036/ 031/ 050/ 035/ 027/ 058/ 026/ 059/ 089/ 021/ 118/ 051. Next up was the westbound Enterprise headed by 66139. Its consist being: 70061, 58264, 88032, 31.80.4667.081/ 068, 610225/ 226, 81.70.4908.144, 43.87.4333.050/ 034/ 031/ 015/ 0343/ 036. Another oil service, this time hauled by Freightliner 66616, with the following in tow: 88053/074/025/027/171/052/024/146/155/034/167/022/075/173/030/170/073/049/029/061/036/055/068/166/145/077/072/043, 871002/004 (these last two vehicles being two of a class of only six bogie tanks in Freightliner green livery). Noted next was 66078 with the following rake of MEAs (which I believe to be the coal service to the cement plant at Rugby): 391531/311/598/561/256/272/228/468/464/535/697/362/112/330/299/579/320/307/260/548/384/363/126/308/268/690/117/232/525/211/040/317/506. The final train of the day, and nice to see, was 60085 on the following rake of bogie fuel tanks: 870228/316/340/264/299/322/335/232/285/209/207/3367/201/236/246/319/270, 86935/48/57/38/36/55/34, 88158/ 164, 82752.

Well, that's about it. Interspersed into all the freight are the passenger services - an hourly Newark-Grimsby using East Midlands trains class 153s and the hourly Manchester Airport-Cleethorpes service using Trans-Pennine class 185s (although one of these services on the day I was there was worked by 170.309).

A pub serving food adjacent to the station and a chip shop 100 yards away, toilets at the bottom of the station drive and what more could you wish for! Great spot.

Hope I've not rambled on too much. Have fun and more in a month.

LOCAL FREIGHTLINER WORKINGS

4V50/4051 Southampton - Wentlooge containers

01/09 66502. 02/09 66590. 03/09 66588. 04/09 66580. 07/09 66575.
08/09 66570. 09/09 66504. 10/09 66548. 11/09 66535. 14/09 66536.
15/09 66542. 16/09 66548. 17/09 66502. 18/09 66580. 21/09 66956.
22/09 66579. 23/09 66575. 24/09 66559. 25/09 66532. 28/09 66541.
29/09 66579. 30/09 66591.

4V60 Calvert - Bristol Barrow road binliner

02/09 66598. 07/09 6549. 23/09 66518. 29/09 66519.

6M55 06:56 Portbury - Rugeley P.S. loaded coal.

01/09 66553. 02/09 66596. 03/09 66553. 04/09 66596.

6M04 10:50 Portbury - Rugeley P.S. loaded coal

01/09 66596. 04/09 66518. 17/09 66522.

LOCAL FASTLINE WORKINGS

6M18 05:00 Portbury - Ratcliffe P.S. loaded coal

22/09 66302. 28/09 66304. 29/09 66302. 30/09 66305.

4V09/6Z99 19:00 Portbury - Ratcliffe P.S. loaded coal

15/09 66303. 17/09 66304.

LOCAL DBS WORKINGS

6B13 Robeston - Westerleigh fuel oil

01/09 66163+66133. 02/09 60019. 03/09 60019. 04/09 66194+66104.
07-10/09 60013. 11/09 60073. 15-17/09 60035. 18/09 60041. 21/09 66127.
22-25/09 60054. 28-30/09 60054.

6E41 Westerleigh - Lindsey empty fuel tanks

02/09 60074. 04/09 60074. 10/09 60040. 11/09 60040. 14/09 66???.
15/09 60059. 17/09 60085. 18/09 60054. 19/09 60054. 22/09 60085.
26/09 60085. 28/09 60013.

6B49/6B50 Newport ADJ - Swindon steel

01/09 66250. 08/09 66131. 11/09 66204. 15/09 66011. 22/09 66166.
25/09 66143. 29/09 66015.

6B33 Theale - Robeston empty fuel tanks

01/09 66140. 03/09 66021. 05/09 60013. 10/09 60073. 15/09 66204.
17/09 60041. 22/09 60035. 24/09 60035. 29/09 60073.

6B83/6C83 (6B80/6C80 SO) Westbury - Machen - Westbury stone (TThSO)

02/09 59203*. 04/09 59201*. 05/09 66115. 09/09 59204* . 11/09 66200.
12/09 59205. 16/09 59204. 19/09 59202*. 23/09 59204. 25/09 66037.
26/09 59205.

Note: The return loaded has been confirmed as running 6Z83 Machen - West Drayton ARC on these dates. The working on 12/09 and 19/09 ran 6Z83 14:10 Machen - Acton whilst on 26/09 the 6Z80 was 12:39 Machen - Acton.

6V62 Eastleigh - Plymouth Tavistock yard fuel tanks (TO)

01/09 66149. 08/09 66139. 15/09 66125. 22/09 66167. 29/09 66093.

6B35 Hayes - Moreton-on-Lugg stone empties

02/09 66121. 04/09 66061. 23/09 66099. 25/09 66099. 29/09 66186.

6X52 Portbury - Tyne yard/Mossend loaded and empty car carriers

01/09 66091. 03/09 66091. 04/09 66014. 11/09 66109. 18/09 66020.
22/09 66156. 24/09 66126. 25/09 66097.

6B24 Didcot - Wentlooge MoD stores

02/09 66066. 15/09 66053 18/09 66121. 21/09 66139.

6V77 Cliffe Vale - St. Blazey china clay empties (ThO)

03/09 66117. 17/09 66124. 24/07 66066.

6078 Margam - Dolland's Moor export steel

09/09 66194. 10/09 66012. 17/09 66077. 21/09 66011.

01/09 66192. 08/09 66097. 15/09 66014. 16/09 66060. 22/09 66122. **6V78**

Dolland's Moor - Margam export steel empties

24/09 66004. 26/09 66152.

PRESERVATION & INDUSTRIAL MATTERS

Yeovil Steam Centre, junction station (R.W.Giles) (05/09/09)

The site was closed, but Ex.BR 50050 was present outside the main shed undergoing a return to running order overhaul.

Also, an 0-4-0 loco underframe was present in the turntable area.

Visible in the distance, opposite the NR signal box in Maybank sidings, six 'stored' MkII's were visible, one carrying the First/GW green and grey, assumed to be 9492 and five in former Virgin Red colours.

'Official lists' have seven coaches (including 9492) listed here, the numbers being:

3354, 3402, 3425, 5920, 6002, and 6181.

DEPARTMENTALS & TRACK MACHINES

09/08 Dawlish Warren: Bradshaw r/r excavator: 35. support-trailer: 88.

30/08 Holcombe (near Teignmouth): Bradshaw r/r excavator: 47. support-trailers: 86, 88.

01/09 Weston-super-Mare: stone-blower: 80206. Quattro r/r excavator: 472.

05/09 Yeovil Pen Mill: Aspo5 r/r digger: EJZ4161 (104). support-trailers: ASPT02. ASPT08.

05/09 Yeovil Junction: DR73257.

13/09 Flax Bourton: Quattro r/r excavator: 410. support-trailer: 276.

25/09 Weston-super-Mare: DR77327.

MISCELLANEOUS

Road Movements

08/09 Two Class 47 cabs on a lorry heading westbound (since identified as one from 47767 in RES red and 47973 in IC livery) at M4 New Severn

Crossing toll booths, Magor area during the early afternoon.
16/09 Steam loco 4588, M5 Cullompton (Jcn 28) at 12:35.

TRIP REPORTS

TRIP 428

LONG MARSTON SPECIAL VISIT

07/03/09

Bradshaw Plant Hire, Tewkesbury (view) *

Road/Rail; 83 - Case 988 CGG0231310/01, 10 - Case CX135SR 0298/04, 44 - Thwaites 4-90246/95 (assumed), 65 - Thwaites 1-92679/97, 111 - Thwaites A3306/03, 39 - Case 988 CGG0232255/02, 8 - Case 988 CGG0232332/03, 12 - Case 988 CGG0232239/02. Trailers; 87 - Philmor 2038/00, 92 - Philmor 2097/01, 110 - Philmor 2231/03 (assumed), 109 - Philmor 2230/03 (assumed).

Long Marston Raceway, Long Marston Airfield *

Preserved EMU; 70346. Preserved Carriages: BR; ADE321047 (RFO 3), 13043, 15207, 15208, 24421, 24778, 975638 (BSK 34999), 975456 (BSK 35088).

Notes:

- 1) BR coaches 34644 + 81326 have now left the site for unknown location(s).
- 2) 2 x GWR Fruit D Grounded Bodies were not seen and therefore believed to have been scrapped on site since our last visit on 27/04/08.

St Modwen Properties Plc, Long Marston (visit)

Preserved Steam Locos; "Swanscombe No.4" - HL 3719/28, Industrial Diesel Locos; TNS104 - Robel 5627-10-AG35/83, 28 - HE 7279/72, 08345 "Russell" - Derby/58 (ex p.264), 08728 - Crewe/60 (ex p.264), "Fleetwood Loco Dept No.5" - HE 7161/70 (ex p.159), (08668) - Crewe/60 (carried D3492 In error, ex p.158), (08517) - Dar/58 (carried D3492 in error, ex p.158), "Emma" - HE 8902/78 (ex p.217), 63000316 "NCB Staffordshire Area No.3D - HE 7181/70 (ex p.159), X7202 "Kemira 2" - EEV D1233/68 (ex p.36), "Kylie" H013 - S 10137/62 (ex p.243), "Rachael" - HE 7003/71 (ex p.217), H021 - RR 10251/66 (ex p.243), "Susie" H014 - S 10119/62 (ex p.243), RRM22 - EEV D1231/67 (ex p.180), 08736 - Crewe/60 (ex p.264), "NCB N & D Division No.503" - HE 6614/65 (ex p.78), U/I Minilok 4wdH (ex p.356), Minilok 160/91 (ex p.356), 13 H049 - EE 2146/56 + VF D336/56 (ex p.246), HE 7276/72 (ex p.179). Preserved Diesel Locos; RH 235519/45 (assumed), "ROF Chorley 4" - JF 4220022/62, WD70047 "Mulberry" - AB 362/42. ARMY610 - S 10143/63 (ex p.92), BD 3732/77, 97653 - RH 431760/59 (frame only), RH 210481/41 Dsm, 20081 - EE 2987/61 + RSHD 8239/61 (ex DRS), 08928 - Dar/62 (ex p.56/7), 20016 - EE 2363/57 + VF D391/57 (ex DRS), D1171 - HC D1171/59 (ex p.91), ARMY 249 - VF 5258/45 + DC 2177/45 reb YEC L121/93, 20057 - EE 2963/61 + RSHD 8215/61 (ex DRS), 08827 - Derby/60 (ex p.56/157), 08813 - Derby/60 (ex EWS), 73138 - EE 3717/66 + EEV 377/66, 86401 - EE 3491/65 + EEV E337/65, 20215 - EE 3696/67 + EEV D1091/67 (ex DRS), 20032 - EE 2754/61 + RSHD 8064/59 (ex DRS), 20072 - EE 2978/61 + RSHD 8230/61 (ex DRS), 20902 - EE 2966/61 + RSHD 8218/61 (ex p.56), RR 10242/66, "Tango" - BD 3730/77, (20138) - EE 3609/66 + EEV D1008/66 (EX P.56), "Hippo" - EEV 5352/71, RR 10204/65, NBQ 27648/59, D2856 - YE 2856/61 (ex p.118), 47295 - Crewe/66 (Grounded, ex p.168), 20197 - EE 3678/67 + VF D1073/67 (ex p.41). Preserved DMUs; 51350 (new),

51352, 51366 (Grounded, assumed), 51376, 51383 (new), 51408 (new), 51909, 56271, 59505. Preserved EMUs; 70292, 70531. Preserved Wickham Trolley; Wkm 7516/56 (ex p.94). Crane; CS 34358/83. Preserved Carriages: S&BR: GWR; 060907 (4777). SR; 1427 (Body Only). LMS; 3322 (84xx). BR; 1966, 1971, 4614, 15849, 21092, 24918, 25231, 25631, 35006. AVR: BR Mark 1; 3051, 3746, 3749, 25735, 34531. BR Mark 2; 14031. Unknown: GWR; 2943, 9006 (assumed), BR; 99625 (BSK 34693), 80665. Stored Locos; 2017 37 (20088), 20903, 31301/423/437/439, 37696/898, 47746/829, 56021, 86205/212/215/217/218/223/226/228/229/230/231/232/234/235/242 86245/246/247/251/258, 87004/009/011/013/014/017/018/020 87021/023/025/027/029/030/032/033. Stored HST Coaches; 40402/403/416/419/434/723/732, 44065/088/089. Stored Coaches; 1211/252, 3241/312 3374, 5787/789/797/815/876/925/936/981, 6124/154/160, 6722, 9500/505, 10201/222/226/231/233/240/250/253/259, 10596/647/681/701/710/727/731 11005/006/011/026/042/052/058 11097, 12008/022/029/036/045/047/058/083/087/095/101/104/134/142/144/156/158 12160/163/165, 17144/170. Stored DVTs; 82108/110/111/116/122 82123 (grounded)/124/125/128/129/131/137/140/141/142/144/147/149. Stored Motorail Vans; 96101/602/603/604/605/606/607/608/609. Stored Barrier Vehicles; 6356/357. Stored Departmental; 977996. Stored Railtrack Wagons:3600/601/602/603/604/605/606/607/608/609/610/611 3612/613/614/615 (assumed) /616/617/618/619/620/621/622/623/624/625/626 3627/628/629/630/631/632/633/634/635/636/637/638/639/640/641/642/643/644 3645/646/647/648/649/650/651/652/653/654/655/656/657/658/659/660/661/662 3663/664/665/666/667/668/669/670/671/672/673/674/675/676/677/678/679/680 3681/682/683/684/685/686/687/688/689/690/691/692/693/694/695/696/697/698 3699/700/701/702/703/704/705/706/707/708/709/710/711/712/713/714/715/716 3717/718/719/720/721/722/723/724/725/726/727/728/729/730/731/732/733/734 3735/736/737/738/739/740/741/742/743/744/745/746/747/748/749/750/751/752 3753/754/755/756/757/758/759/760/761/762/763/764/765/766/767/768/769/770 3771/772/773/774/775/776/777/778/779/780/781/782/783/784/785/786/787/788 3789/790/791/792/793/794/795/796/797/798/799/800/801/802/803/804/805/806 3807/808/809/810/811/812/813/814/815/816/817/818/819/820/821/822/823/824 3825/826/827/828/829/830/831/832/833/834/835/836/837/838/839/840/841/842 3843/844/845/846/3847/848/849.

Notes:

- 1) A HUGE thank you to Tony Croft for organising this superb visit, which was graced by around 20 CARS members.
- 2) All of Andrew Briddon's locos (listed on p.214) have now left the site.
- 3) RH 416213 (p.215) has now been scrapped.
- 4) Of the missing Stratford & Broadway locos; AB 2220 & P 1903 are at Chatham Dockyard and P 1555 has gone to Hope Farm in Kent.
- 5) S&BR SR CCT 1770 has now also gone to Chatham Dockyard.
- 6) It is believed that EEV D1202/67 has now gone to RMS Locotec, West Yorkshire.
- 7) 01553 (Derby/50) has gone on loan to Russell Ltd, Hillington.
- 8) GWR Fruit D 2336 has now gone to R.Hunt, Titley Junction Station, Herefordshire.
- 9) BR Coaches 3089 + 3991 + 99629 have now gone to the Avon Valley Railway at Bitton.
- 10) BR 3051 is due to go to Hardingham Station any time.

- 11) RSHN 7416/48 is now at ?? Loan/permanent??
- 12) HL 2800/09 is now at ?? Loan/permanent ??
- 13) BR 15849 and 24918 are recent arrivals from Glos-Warks Railway.

Spetchley Fruit Farm, White Ladies Aston *

Grounded Bodies: GWR; (3479) - Fruit D, U/I Fruit D, U/I Fruit D. BR; U/I Fruit D.

* = Not seen by the whole party.

HAMPSHIRE VISITS (R.W.Giles)

White Funnel Ferries, Hythe Pier railway (06/09/09)

4w electric loco, carrying No.2, in dark green livery worked the last Sunday service of the day just before 18:30.

The loco has since been identified as BD 16302/17. The second loco, BD 16307/17 was stabled outside the loco shed.

MoD Marchwood (view) (07/09/09)

MoD shunters: 01527 (274v/77). 01549 (298v/81). The latter loco carried the number 01349.

C/stock: an unidentified Mk II TSO (?), in a grey livery was also present.

Portsmouth Harbour station (view from the Spinnaker tower during a visit) (08/09/09)

Dmu set: 158956.

Emu sets: 377417/456. 444013/027/028. 450001/103/106.

Royal Naval dockyard (close to the HMS Victory): preserved freight wagons (on two isolated track sections): SR 76145 (10t open wagon). NE 630569 (10t van wagon). SNSO 217 (Internal user, open sided wagon).

Ryde, Isle of Wight (visit out & back via Hovertravel Ltd -Portsmouth - hovercraft GH2132 'Island Express'): Emu set: 126 + 226.

East Hayling Light Railway 2ft gauge. (09/09/09)

In use: S/O No.3 Jack (AK 23/1988), carrying a 'The Marketeer' headboard with c/stock: No.11 Lisa. No.14 Mavis. No.10 Marilyn (all bogie coaches).

Beachlands station and loco shed/workshops:

Diesel locos: (No.1 Alan B) (MR 7199/37) - under overhaul heavily stripped, to receive a new rebuilt Deutz engine. 4 Allistair (green livery) (RH 201970/40). 5 Edwin (yellow livery) (RH 7002-0967-5/67).

C/stock: No.12 Michelle (bogie coach). No.4 Sylvia (4 wheel coach) - stored .

Notes: Several freight wagons were in the station area including a restored guardsvan No.15.

Three other 4 wheel coaches have recently been sold from the line as follows No.6 Joanna to the Old Kiln Light Railway and No.5 Annabelle with No.7 Patricia, both to the Great Bush Railway.

A LB&SCR 'Brighton' Victorian coach restoration project is also underway away from the site. Amberley Railway Museum's, steam loco Wendy (WB 2091/19) was due to visit the railway over the 19/20th September for the line's second gala week-end of the year. This was to be the very first use of a steam loco on passenger trains over the line, although the loco has been used elsewhere on the island in the past.

Brockenhurst station (10/09/09)

Heritage emu set: 1497 (in use on Lymington branch services).
C/stock: (96111/93742) Country Lanes, Cycles shop and store.

A Few Hours at Nuneaton 18/09/2008 (11:10-19:00) R King

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