

# The Trident

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Chase Leyland National THX264S taken outside ASDA in Darlaston on October 24<sup>th</sup> 2005  
(Andrew Williams)

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# Noticeboard

Welcome to the first issue of *The Trident*. For those of you who are MWBS members your membership has automatically been transferred.

How did GB-BG come about? After much discussion there was a realisation that there weren't many Groups around that catered for the needs of the Bus Enthusiast who enjoys taking photographs and recording bus details as they go about their daily business.

By looking at the Contents Page opposite you can see the type of information we hope to bring to you, but like many Society Magazines we need your contributions to keep the content varied. These contributions should be made to the appropriate person, but if you are not sure please send them to Chris Morton. We are particularly interested in Sighting and Photographs from your own area.

Additionally GB-BG will realise some of its income from HB Publications on a Royalty Basis by providing information for HB's Fleet Books. If you feel you can help in this area please contact Chris Morton – by providing this information we can keep the operating costs of our group low and provide a value for money magazine.

Also in the future we hope to start operating trips to popular locations – if you feel you can help us in this area then please contact Maurice Brown.

Finally I look forward to receiving you as a member of the GB-Bus Group – if you feel there is anything we can do to improve our service to you please don't hesitate to contact me

*Jeff Hall* (Chairman)

## Membership Details

Membership of the GB Bus Group is £12 per year. This gives you a monthly magazine and 20% discount on all HB Publication Bus Books.

Please make all cheques and Postal Orders payable to C Morton

## Postbag

Please address all letters to Chris Morton

*Dear Editor*

*I wonder why several operators around the country, including the West Midlands do not have vehicles painted in a livery for their company, but continue to wear the liveries of the companies that they brought them from. How can passengers know what the company is if it is not in a livery with the company name on it.*

*R Pearson, Birmingham*

## Contributions

For this first edition of *Trident* we would like to give thanks to contributors Maurice Brown, Stephen Evans, John Gillespie, Mike Enstone, Chris Morton, Ken Pitt, David Sharpe, Andrew Williams, Jeff Hall and Martin Hall.

We look forward to receiving your valued contributions.

# News

## Fleet News

**Alec Head (Lutton)** - Fresh vehicle here is Volvo B6 with Marshall bodywork L658MFL. This vehicle was new to Cambus.

**Alpine (Llandudno)** - New Vehicle here noted on 04/11/05 is CX55DMO.

**Arriva Cymru (Llandudno)** - New vehicles are Optare Tempo X1200's with DP41F seating for Traws Cambria services, they all have rear fold down bicycle racks. They are : 2860 YJ55BKG, 2861 YJ55BKK, 2862 YJ55BKL, 2863 YJ55BKN, 2864 YJ55BKO, 2865 YJ55BKU, 2866 YJ55BKV. Leyland National 8190 BCW824V is transferred from Bolton to Speke. VDL SB120 2510 CX05AAF has returned to Service after major accident repairs.

**Arriva Kent Thameside** - Volvo B10 Citybus 7616 G616BPH has been sold to Fleetlink, Altrincham.

**Arriva Kent and Sussex** - Volvo B10M coach 2846 H846AHS has been transferred to Arriva the Shires and Essex, Dennis Dart 3181 P181LKL has been transferred to Arriva Southend.

**Arriva Midlands North (Leicester)** - Dennis Dart 2252 X252HBC has transferred to Swadlincote from Derby. Leyland Lynx 3105 G324NUM was noted working on service X38 Burton to Derby on 15/11/05. DAF 3205 P205RWR has been resprayed in to Arriva 'Interurban' livery for use on the X67 Coventry – Leicester – Loughborough service. Scania N113DRB 4191 M831SDA has returned to service after repairs to damage suffered in an engine fire.

**Arriva North West/ Liverpool/ Manchester (Liverpool)** - Alexander/ Dennis Enviro 300 Demonstrator SN54HXG is on loan to Bolton. Fresh respray is DAF SB220 with Alexander 300 bodywork is 2404 V404ENC.

**Bebb (Llantwit Fadre)** - Volvo B10M Y93HTX returns here again for work on a gained National Express routes. A Christmas Park and Ride service started in Newport from 19/11/05 it was operated by Optare Solo CE52UWS.

**Cardiff Bus (Cardiff)** - 242 has now entered service after being out of use, due to an accident when it was a few weeks old.

**Carousel Buses (High Wycombe)** - Fresh vehicle Dennis Dart SLF with Plaxton Pointer 2 bodywork is P479MLE it has an Orange light on roof. Leyland Olympians G530VBB, H563GKX are now fitted with an electronic destination blinds.

**Choice Travel (Wednesfield)** - Noted at Choice Travel's Depot at Planetary Road, Wednesfield on 09/11/05 :

The following were noted on the Pit

102, 105, 108, 109, 110,154. In the yard were : 114, 149 with Front grill missing

**Courtney Coaches (Bracknell)** - A new vehicle here is Optare Solo M850 RX55AOT.

**Damory Coaches (Blandford)** - Ex City of Oxford Volvo B10B N602FJO is now in full Damory Coaches blue livery, fleet number 5090. Ex City of Oxford Volvo B10B's N605FJO, N606FJO are here in City of Oxford Red, White and Blue livery.

**David Hoare (Chepstow)** - Another Scania here is ex Stagecoach Devon 20705 F705BAT.

**Dunn Line (Nottingham)** - New vehicles for National Express work are Volvo B12's with Plaxton Paragon bodywork 5514 FJ55XBC, 5515 FJ55XBD.

**Express Motors (Penygroes)** - New vehicle here is Neoplan Starliner CY55MRU.

**First in Bristol (Bristol)** - New vehicle Volvo B7TL's with WrightBus Gemini bodywork is 37002 WX55VHL, 37006 WV55VHP, 37007 WV55 VHR, 37009 WV55VHU. Fresh respray into the new livery is 41191 R191VLD.

#### **First Eastern Counties**

Removed from Great Yarmouth garage by PVS, Carlton on 07/11 was 30012 F142MBC. Removed from Great Yarmouth garage by PVS, Carlton on 08/11 was 30011 F141MBC.

**First Essex** - Transferred Chelmsford to Basildon 43729-43733 S729-733TWC. 46811 caught fire on 07/11/05, its future is uncertain.

**First Glasgow** – On November 23<sup>rd</sup> one of First Glasgow's Olympians (30097) was seen on the pavement underneath the bridge at Glasgow Central. With no other vehicles involved it looked as the bus driver had swerved to avoid something and ended up on the pavement, taking out a bin and some seats. See photograph below.



First Glasgow's 30097 beneath the bridge at Glasgow Central

**First Hampshire and Dorset (Southampton)** - Transfers are Dennis Dart 40623 M258VWW from Portswood to Hoeford, Leyland Lynx's 62681 K801CAN, 62682 K802CAN from Portswood to Hoeford.

**First Leeds( West Yorkshire)** - Former Black Prince Scania L113 with East Lancs bdywork 64808 P818AWT is in the new corporate livery, it was noted in service on 19/11/05.

**First Leicester (Leicester)** - Leyland Lynx's 62706, 62717, 62726 & 62729 G106/17/26/29HNP have gone to Rotherham for conversion to driver trainers. The remains of Leyland Lynx 62701 G101HNP has gone to PVS for scrap, it had been substantially stripped for spares, 62701 was the 1<sup>st</sup> of batch of 50 Leyland Lynx's new to Midland Red West.

**First Manchester (Oldham)** - New vehicles noted in service are Volvo B7RLE 66926 MX55FHA noted on 14/11/05. Volvo Citybuses, 30352 F795LSU, 30376 G691PNS have been transferred to First in Edinburgh. The following vehicles are fresh resprays : Dennis Dart SLF 40342 P307LND, Scania L94UB 60163 S110TNB, Mercedes-Benz 0405 60411 L505SKA. Dennis Dart's 40249 M105RRJ, 40402 R276SBA have been transferred Wigan from to Bolton, Optare Excel's 60141 R214SBA, 60151 R1LCB have been transferred from Bolton to Wigan.

**First PMT** - Fresh vehicle transfers in are Dennis Dart SLF's 40367 R241SBA, 40375 R249SBA, 40377 R251SBA, 40379 R253SBA, 40383 R257SBA, Scania L94UB 61142 S360MFP from First Manchester. Dennis Dart SLF 42726 T726REU transferred from First Somerset & Avon. Scania L94UB 60215 S560JSE has transferred to Crewe from Bolton (First Manchester). Dennis Lances 60103 P869MBF, 60104 P870MBF have transferred to First Essex Chelmsford Garage. DAF SB220 62430 M606RCP is now part of the Training fleet.

**First Somerset and Avon (Bridgwater)** - New vehicles are Volvo B7RLE with WrightBus Eclipse 66938 WX55TVZ, 66939 WX55TZA, 66945 WX55TZG, 66947 WX55TZJ, 66950 WX55TZM, 66952 WX55TZO, 66953 WX55TZR, 66954 WX55TZR, 66956 WX55TZR.

**First Wyvern (Worcester)** - Some of the early series Enviro's are starting to go to Alexander/ Dennis workshops at Bristol for rectification or warranty work noted down there have been : 67601, 67602, 67632. Enviro 67600 has a non digital indicator fitted, the lettering is less than 50% of full size, it can normally be found working on Redditch local service 51.

**Go North East** - A fresh vehicle here is X94FOR it is a Dennis Dart with Caetano bodywork, it is currently unallocated and has been given fleet number 8288.

**Heyfordian Travel(Oxfordshire)** - A fresh vehicle here is Volvo B10M-62 N728UVR, is has come from Shearings/ Wallace Arnold.

**Hulleys of Baslow (Derbyshire)** - Fresh MAN MCV Evolution noted in service 12/11/05 AE55EHL

**Kinchbus (Barrow on Soar)** - Leyland Titans 770 WYV51T, 771 WYV53T have been sold.

**Johnsons (Henley in Arden)** - A fresh vehicle here is Optare Excel P914SUM.

**Ludlows (Halesowen)** - A fresh vehicle here is Dennis Dart SLF Y433PBD it is normally on service 417 Hayley Green – Halesowen – Oldbury – West Bromwich.

**MK Metro (Milton Keynes)** - New vehicles are Optare Solo's 32 and 33.

**Newport Transport (Newport South Wales)** - Scania 16 S116TDW had suffered an engine fire, the extent of the damage is unknown.

**Norfolk Green** - A new vehicle here is Optare Solo MX55WCU and is carries fleet number 613.

**Owens of Oswestry (Oswestry)** - A fresh BMC Falcon in service here is BX04BVV it was noted working on Welshpool Town service on 22/11/05.

**Pullman (Swansea)** - A new vehicle here it is an Optare Solo M920SL YJ55BGX.

**Redby Bus and Coach (Tyne and Wear)** - Former Yorkshire Traction Leyland Olympian's with ECW bodywork is now here A653OCX, A657OCX, they came from Stephenson's (Tholthorpe).

**Riverside Coaches (Dawley, Telford)** - A fresh vehicle noted in use here is S949RBE it is a Mercedes with Autobus Classique bodywork.

**Rosendale** - Fresh vehicles here are MAN 14.220, MCV Evolution's 158 CU04AMX, 159 CU04AOP, 160 CU04AUV they were new to 2 Travel, Pentrechewyth, South Wales.

**Shearings/ Wallace Arnold (Wigan)** - Resprayed into New Shearings/ WA livery is Volvo B10M 202 W202JBN .

**South Lancs Transport** - Leyland Tiger with Duple bodywork 300 F61SMC has gone for scrap. Mercedes Urban Ranger's 32 N32EVT and L610OWB are out of use at the moment.

**Stagecoach East (Northampton)** - New vehicles are : 34771 KX55UDB, 34772 KX55UDD, 34773 KX55UDE they are allocated to Northampton. Here are the latest fleet changes Leyland Olympian 14005 ARP605X is delicensed, Volvo Olympians 16244 L244SDY, 16245 L245SDY, 16583 R583JVA, 16674 L674HNV are now delicensed from Bedford, 16671 L671HNV is now Bedford from delicensed, 16684 L684HNV is now delicensed from Northampton. Mercedes 709D 40377 L377JBD, 40380 L380JBD are now delicensed from Northampton. Volvo B10M 52373 P173KBD is now delicensed from Bedford.

**Stagecoach East Kent** - New vehicle is 18331 GX55DXL Alexander Dennis Trident, with Alexander bodywork. Sold is Mercedes-Benz 709D 40950 N950NAP which was written off in an accident. Major work is being done on "Heritage" 19946 MFN946F at Thanet Workshops including the fitting of new flooring etc.

**Stagecoach Fife** - New vehicles here are Optare Solo's 47228 SP55CXG ,47229 SP55CXH, they were noted parked at Dunfermline garage on 12/11/05. Fresh transfers in are Volvo B10M's 52474 R174DNH, 52477 R177DNH from Stagecoach South East. Volvo B10M 52666 X676NSE has been resprayed in to Citylink livery.

**Stagecoach Manchester (Manchester)** - A new vehicle here is Alexander/ Dennis Dart 34474 PX55EFD. Volvo B10M-55 20848 P848GND has transferred to Stagecoach Merseyside.

**Stagecoach Merseyside (Liverpool)** - Volvo B10M-55 20848 P848GND has transferred from Stockport, Stagecoach Manchester.

**Stagecoach in Oxfordshire (Oxford)** - Former Oxford Tube MAN 24.35's 50046 T46BBW, 50047 T47BBW, 50058 T58BBW have returned of loan, and are now at Walkergate garage (Stagecoach Busways) for Megabus work.

**Stagecoach London (London)** - Dennis Trident 17750 LX03BTE allocated to Bow suffered major accident damage on 22/11/05.

**Stagecoach in Warwickshire (Rugby)** - Megabus Leyland Olympian 13630 is now allocated to Leamington.

**Sussex Bus** - A fresh vehicle noted here is Enviro 57651 YH54HGF.

**TM Travel (Chesterfield)** - Fresh vehicles here are Volvo B10B's M664KHP and N779DRH they have both come from Nottingham Transport they were both originally demonstrators

**Travellers Choice/ Shaw (Carnforth)** - New vehicle for National Express is Volvo B12 P055OWY.

**Travel West Midlands (Birmingham) - Acocks Green (AG)** - Vehicles VOR are Volvo B7L's 4070 V470MOA with body corrosion, 4656 BX54XRA with major front RTA damage. Volvo B6 525 P525EJW has not been seen in service for several months. Metrobus 3000 F300XOF has suffered front RTA damage and is likely to return to service.

**Birmingham Central (BC)** - Metrobus 2811 B811AOP has been on loan here from YW, it was on service 45 on Evening peak on 24/11/05.

**Bordesley (BY)** - Noted on service 66 on 14/11/05 was Mercedes 0405 1655 T655FOB this has been working of Lea Hall garage for several months. Mercedes 0405's 1518 R518XOB and 1522 R522XOB were both noted working on service 66 on 28/11/05.

**Miller Street (XS)** - A fresh vehicle here is Metrobus 3093 F93XOF from WA. Noted in the scrap line at Miller Street on 26/11/05 were the following : Leyland Lynx : 1110, Metrobuses : 2585 2669 2759 2822, Leyland Lynx's : 9061 9076.

**Perry Barr (PB)** - Ex Travel London Optare Solo 3234 S234EWU noted working on service 636 on 23/11/05. 4697 YN55PXB Scania Demonstrator, noted on 22/11/05.

**Walsall (WA)** - Withdrawn and transferred to Miller Street is Metrobus 3093.

**West Bromwich (WB)** - Fresh respray is Mercedes 0405 1594 S594VUK noted on service 451 on 17/11/05. Dennis Dart 3605 W605WMJ was noted working on service 74 in Birmingham City Centre on 08/11/05.

**Wolverhampton (WN)** - Fresh respays are Optare Solo 296 T296UOX, and Volvo B10B 1340 N340WOH. Freshly branded for service 126 are Transbus Tridents 4582 and 4584. On loan here to cover for vehicles on Chrsitams Park and Ride are Metrobuses 2763 A763WVP, 2862 B862DOM from Store, 3013 F313XOF, 3032 F32XOF, 3096 F96XOF from PB.

**Yardley Wood (YW)** - Freshly branded for service 50 are Dennis Tridents 4368 BV52OAE, 4374 BV52OAM, 4390 BV52OBH, 4392 BV52OBK.

**UK North (Gorton, Manchester)** - Fresh vehicle's here are Volvo Olympian's with Alexander R bodywork R941YOV fleet number 224, and R942YOV fleet number 225. East Lancs Pyoneer bodied Volvo Olympians 220 R367DJN, 221 R369DJN have LED destination displays, they have come from Anglian, Beccles.

**West Midlands Special Needs Transport (Birmingham) t/a Ring and Ride** - New vehicles are Volkswagen LT46's 0504 BX05UBL allocated to Wolverhampton, 0516 BX05UBG allocated to Kings Norton, 0517 BX05UBN allocated to Kings Norton.

**Yorkshire Traction (Barnsley)** - The remains of Optare Metrorider 359 N207VRC has been removed for scrap by Hardwick (Carlton). Volvo Olympian 610 N534LHG was noted in service working of Barnsley garage on 28/11/05. Dennis Dart with Wright Handybus bodywork 415 K415EWA is at Barnsley for a full respray. Metrobus 722 NOA440X allocated to Doncaster has been respayed in to all over red livery with white band.

**Z and S International (Milton Kynes)** - A fresh vehicle here is S455LGN it is a Mercedes-Benz 0814 Vario with Plaxton Beaver 2 bodywork.

**Zaks Bus and Coach (Great Barr, Birmingham)** - This operator has taken over the Birmingham Coach Company name for coaching activities for which Volvo B10M's N443PYS, N527PYS have been obtained.

N443PYS now has reg number KBZ1410. Leyland Tiger KBZ1410 is now withdrawn, the plate now being on one of the recently acquired Volvo B10M's.

# Company News

## Yorkshire Traction

On December 15<sup>th</sup>, Stagecoach confirmed that they have purchased the Yorkshire Traction group. The full Press Release read:

Stagecoach Group plc ("Stagecoach") is pleased to announce that on 14 December 2005, it completed the acquisition of the entire share capital of Traction Group Limited ("Traction"). The principal vendors are Mr Frank Carter, (who prior to the acquisition was Chairman and Managing Director of Traction), two trusts in favour of members of Mr Frank Carter's family and a Traction employee share ownership trust. Traction is the sixth largest operator of bus services in the UK and is the largest operator that was still privately owned. Traction's operations are centred on South and West Yorkshire, Lincolnshire and Tayside. In its financial year ended 31 December 2004, Traction reported turnover of £56.6million, operating profit of £2.5 million and gross assets of £50.5million. The consideration paid for the shares was approximately £26.0million, which was satisfied by £21.5million in cash and the issue of 4,022,070 Stagecoach ordinary shares of 12/19th pence each. Stagecoach has assumed Traction's net debt of approximately £11.0million. The consolidated net debt of Stagecoach will therefore increase by approximately £32.5million as a result of the acquisition. Application has been made to the London Stock Exchange and UK Listing Authority for the admission to the Official List of the new ordinary shares and listing is expected to become effective on 16 December 2005. The new ordinary shares will rank pari passu with the existing ordinary shares. Brian Souter, Chief Executive of Stagecoach Group plc, commented: "The acquisition of Traction is consistent with our strategy for growth in our core UK and North American markets, and follows the acquisition of Glenvale Transport earlier this year. "Traction is the largest of the remaining privately-owned UK bus operators. We are excited by the prospects of acquiring Traction, and believe we can add value through innovation, investment and by applying Stagecoach's operational expertise. Stagecoach's investment in improved services and initiatives – including Kickstart, sector-leading telemarketing campaigns and online sales - is seeing large numbers of people return to the nation's buses and demonstrates our ability to deliver impressive growth." In the recently reported Stagecoach Group results for the six months ended 31 October 2005, revenue in the UK Bus division was up.

# Bus Observations

## Stephen and Gary Evans - Saturday October 29<sup>th</sup>

### West Bromwich Bus Station

#### Birmingham Coach Company/ Diamond Bus

Dennis Dart :	H125THE H128THE H131THE J605XHL J703EMX J6043MX J705EMX
Dennis Lance :	K312YJA K313YJA K321YJA K324YJA L211YAG
Dennis Dart :	M445BLC
Optare Excel :	P507OUG P509OUG
DAF SB120 :	YJ51EHD

#### Ludlows

Dennis Dart SLF :	P862PWW P863PWW P865PWW
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#### Peoples Express

Dennis Dart SL:	R87XNE T441EBD W901JNF W904JNF W905JNF X632AKW X634AKW X636AKW X637AKW X738AKW X639AKW X641AKW
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Mercedes 0405 1583 pictured on layover at West Bromwich Bus Station (Andrew Williams)

**Travel West Midlands**

- Mercedes-Benz 811D : 230 235 236
- Mercedes-Benz 814D : 241 242 244 247 249
- Optare Solo M850 : 276 278
- Volvo B6LE : 514 515 555 591 621 623 624 625 626 629 630 631 632 665  
666 667 668 669 670 671 672 673 674 675 676 677 678 679  
680 681 682 683
- Mercedes-Benz 0405N : 1525 1526 1527 1528 1531 1532 1534 1535 1536 1537 1538 1539 1556  
1560 1582 1584 1587 1588 1590 1592 1593 1594 1618 1619 1620 1626  
1627 1652 1658 1659 1680 1704 1705 1743
- MCW Metrobus DR102/27 : 2622 2696 2782 2786 2842 2878
- Dennis Dart SLF : 3601 3602 3605 3607
- Volvo B7TL : 4277 4293 4297 4298
- Dennis Trident 2 : 4312 4319 4320 4321 4322 4323 4325
- Transbus Trident 2 : 4553 4564 4568 4574 4584 4594

## Stephen and Gary Evans - Saturday November 5<sup>th</sup>

### Dudley Bus Station

#### Birmingham Coach Company/ Diamond Bus

Dennis Lance : K302YJA K320YJA K323YJA L211YAG  
Mercedes-Benz 709D : N771EWG  
Optare Excel : P509OUG

#### Central Buses

Dennis Dart : K570PDY  
Mercedes-Benz 709D : P418HNF

#### Hansons

Dennis Dart : J120HGF K449PGO

#### Travel West Midlands

Volvo B6-50 : 117 119  
Mercedes-Benz 0814D : 263 264 265 273 274  
Optare Solo M850 : 279 283 286 287 289 300 301 306  
Volvo B6LE : 501 507 509 510 511 520 538 544 545 533 585 589 597 598  
601 603 604 605 607 608 611 612 613 614 615 616 617 618  
619 620  
Optare Excel L1070 : 689 694 708 709 712  
Volvo B10B-58 : 1322 1333 1371 1372 1373 1374 1375 1377  
Volvo B10L : 1444 1445 1448 1451  
Mercedes-Benz 0405N : 1557 1558 1560 1580 1581 1583 1587 1590 1591 1618 1625 1626 1656  
1657 1686 1743  
MCW Metrobus DR102/27 : 2622 2661 2782 2790 2879 2910  
MCW Metrobus DR102/64 : 3047  
MCW Metrobus DR102/70 : 3067 3072 3114 3117  
Volvo B7TL : 4290 4297 4298  
Dennis Trident 2 : 4311 4312 4315 4318 4327  
Transbus Trident 2 : 4553 4555 4561 4565 4571 4572 4575 4576 4579 4583 4589 4590 4591  
4592 4593 4594 4603 4604 4607 4609

### Wolverhampton Bus Station

#### Arriva Midlands

Mercedes-Benz 0814 : 1148  
Mercedes-Benz 709D : 1386  
Dennis Dart : 2087  
Dennis Falcon : 3081 3082 3085  
Leyland Lynx : 3103  
DAF DE02 : 3718

#### Banga

Renault : E206GPV E596LBT  
Optare Metrorider : K168FYG  
Renault : J233JNR J553NGS  
Iveco : P126YTN

#### Choice/ D and G

Dennis Dart : 102 S781RNE, 104 T429EBD, 107 SL02GYE  
Optare Excel : 153 S3CLA  
Mercedes-Benz 811D : J202LRP

#### Peoples Express

Dennis Dart SLF : R529YRP

#### Travel West Midlands

Optare Solo M850 : 277 292 293

Optare Excel L960	:	401 407 411 413 414 415 416 418 419 420 421 422
Optare Excel L1070	:	684 686 688 689 690 691 693 694 696 697 698 699 701 705 706 707 708 710 711 712 713 715 717
Volvo B10B-58	:	1317 1319 1322 1324 1327 1328 1330 1331 1332 1333 1334 1335 1336 1337 1338 1342 1347 1379 1380 1387 1389 1391
MCW Metrobus DR102/64	:	3005 3007 3009 3012
MCW Metrobus DR102/70	:	3076 3078 3080 3083 3084 3089 3098 3100 3103 3108 3116
Dennis Trident 2	:	4165 4166 4168 4169 4170 4171 4172 4173 4174 4177 4178 4179 4312 4314 4315 4317 4321 4323 4325 4326 4327
Transbus Trident 2	:	4536 4538 4540 4541 4542 4544 4546 4549 4550 4551 4552 4555 4556 4557 4560 4561 4562 4564 4569 4570 4572 4573 4575 4577 4578 4579 4582 4583 4584 4586 4589 4590 4591 4592 4594 4596 4600 4602 4603 4604 4605 4606 4607 4609

## Stephen and Gary Evans Saturday November 11<sup>th</sup>

### Birmingham City Centre

#### Arriva Midlands North

Dennis Dart	:	2063
Scania L113CRL	:	3417

#### Birmingham Coach Company/ Diamond Bus

Leyland Olympian	:	G757UYT
Dennis Dart	:	H123THE
Dennis Lance	:	K308YJA L201YAG L202YAG L204YAG L207YAG L209YAG L211YAG
Dennis Dart	:	M445BLC
Optare Excel	:	P503OUG P506OUG P510OUG
DAF SB120	:	YJ51EKA YJ51EKB YJ51EKC YJ51EKG YD02PZL YD02PZN

#### Birmingham Motor Traction

Dennis Dart MPD	:	T546HNH
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#### Claribels

Optare Excel	:	V390KVY
DAF SB120	:	YD02RCX YJ54CEF YJ54CEN YJ55NZX

#### East West Travel

Optare Metroraider	:	H705UNW
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#### North Birmingham Busways

Volvo B10 Citybus	:	26
Dennis Dart SLF	:	46

#### Peoples Express

Volvo B10 Citybus	:	G113NGN G123NGN G850WGW
Mercedes_Benz Mini	:	P112HCH
Dennis Dart SLF	:	R438FTU R522YRP R527YRP S771RNE

#### Sunrise Travel

Dennis Dart	:	MUI1343 MUI1733
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#### Travel West Midlands

Leyland Lynx	:	1085 1168 1183 1231 1315
Volvo B10B-58	:	1357 1359 1363 1367 1370
Volvo B10L	:	1406 1417 1419 1474 1475 1477 1478
Mercedes-Benz 0405N	:	1518 1521 1526 1562 1566 1569 1572 1580 1615 1618 1619 1621 1622

		1623 1624 1628 1637 1644 1644 1645 1647 1648 1650 1651 1654 1661 1667 1690 1694 1695 1696 1698 1701
MCW Metrobus DR102/27 :		2529 2531 2555 2558 2561 2577 2596 2599 2610 2621 2646 2661 2680 2689 2697 2705 2725 2726 2730 2735 2746 2751 2758 2783 2785 2786 2787 2789 2790 2806 2835 2845 2860 2872 2893 2907 2909
MCW Metrobus GR133/1 :		2971
MCW Metrobus DR102/64 :		2976 2977 2989 3026 3090
DAF DB250 :		4004 4006 4010
Volvo B7TL :		4034 4044 4064 4067 4068 4069 4071 4073 4080 4083 4084 4087 4088 4089 4091 4092 4104 4105 4116
Dennis Trident 2 :		4144 4147 4148 4151 4154 4156 4160 4181 4185 4189 4195 4201 4202
Volvo B7TL :		4233 4234 4236 4238 4239 4246 4248 4254 4261 4264 4265 4266 4267 4268 4269 4270 4271 4276 4281 4284 4293 4294 4295 4298 4299 4301 4303
Dennis Trident 2 :		4322 4325 4329 4340 4343 4345 4356 4361 4363 4364 4366 4368 4373 4375 4377 4381 4382 4383 4385 4387 4392 4394
Transbus Trident 2 :		4425 4430 4431 4433 4437 4440 4444 4449 4450 4453 4457 4459 4463 4467 4474
Volvo B7TL Gemini :		4475 4477 4480 4482 4483 4485 4487 4488 4490 4494 4499 4501 4513 4516 4519 4525 4527 4529 4530 4531
Transbus Trident 2 :		4547 4577 4578 4580 4582 4586 4594 4600 4609
Dennis Trident 2 :		4612 4613 4615 4616 4618 4619 4620 4628 4630 4631 4633
Volvo B7TL Gemini :		4653 4654
Scania Omnicity N94UA :		6023 6025
Leyland Lynx :		9265

## **Coventry City Centre De Courcey Travel**

Leyland Lynx :	G180EOG
Dennis Dart :	S46BVC HV52WTC HV52WTD
MAN Evolution :	AE53EUW AE54MVX

## **Stagecoach in Warwickshire**

Volvo B10M-55 :	20207 20208 20221 20223 20224 20557 20558 20803 20804 20813 20821
Volvo B6LE :	31330 31334
Transbus Dart :	34492 34493 34404 34497 34499 34628

## **Travel West Midlands**

Optare Solo M850 :	281 311 318
Volvo B6LE :	582 584 586 587 592 593 662 663
Mercedes-Benz 0405N :	1540 1541 1542 1543 1544 1547 1549 1551 1553 1554 1555 1595 1596 1597 1598 1599 1600 1601 1602 1604 1605 1606 1607 1608 1609 1610 1611
MCW Metrobus DR102/27 :	2618 2685 2765 2769 2837 2840 2866 2868 2892 2894 2897
MCW Metrobus DR102/64 :	2982 2983 3019 3020 3036 3037 3053
MCW Metrobus DR102/70 :	3054 3055 3064 3073 3118
Dennis Trident 2 :	4203 4205 4207 4208 4209 4210 4211 4213 4214 4216 4217 4219 4220 4222 4397 4398 4399 4400 4401 4402 4404 4407 4410 4411 4413 4414 4415 4416 4417 4418 4420 4421 4424 4426
Volvo B7TL :	4415 4416 4417 4418 4420 4421 4424 4426
Volvo B7TL Gemini :	4687 4688 4689 4691 4692 4694 4696
Mercedes-Benz 0405GN :	6001 6003 6007 6008 6009
Mercedes-Benz 0530GN :	6013 6014 6015 6016 6017 6019

# Andrew Williams – London November 16<sup>th</sup> 2005

## Central London

### Ambassador

FD54DGV FN52HRG FN52HRM

### Arriva Midlands

YK04BKF YJ54CGE

### Arriva Northumbria

NL52XZX

### Arriva Sightseeing

OA343 EMB767

### Arriva the Shires

4047 4050 4054 4359 4369

### Birmingham Coach Company

YP02AAX

### Bournemouth Transport

W383UEL HF53OBG HF53OBH HF54JUO HF54KXH

### Burtens

YN54DDJ YN54DDK YN54DDL YN54ZHM YN05VRU

### First Cymru

T64BHY

### First Devon and Cornwall

WK02UMA

### First Somerset and Avon

WV02EUT

### First Wessex

X193HFB X194HFB YN54NXM YN54NXR YN54NXX YN54NXZ  
YN54NYP

### Galloway European

V215EGV YJ54CKN

### Go Ahead London

LDP142 LDP143 LDP148 LDP157 LDP212 LDP214 LDP240 WV76  
WV79 WV95 WV122 WV138 WV139 WV142 WV143 WV151 WV157

### Megabus

13601 13604 13609 13611 13612 13627 13630 13636 13648 50130 50132 50135  
50138 50143 50148

### Bebb

Y93HTX CN04NFE CN54HFH CN05DZF CN05DZH

### Dunn Line

EDZ9139 W385PRC W386PRC NK51ORJ YR52VFA FD54DHO

### National Express Operations

P314CVE P222SAS R500SPK Y302HUA Y303HUA Y308HUA  
Y312HUA Y314HUA Y317HUA Y331HUA LK53KUY LK53KVA  
LK53KVO LK53KVR LK53KVT LK53KVU LK53KVV LK53KVV  
LK53KVZ LK53KWA LK53KWF LK53KXA

### Parks

HSK645 HSK646 HSK647

### Selwyns

YJ03PPY YJ53VDN YJ53VDO

### Stagecoach in Mansfield

KSU461

### Stagecoach in Peterborough

R120VFR S458BCE

**Stagecoach South Coast/ East Kent**

S901CCD      V906DPN      GU52WSX      GU52WSY      GU52WT      GU52WTD  
 GU52WTF      GU52WTJ

**Tellings Golden Miller**

KP51SYF      KP51UEV      KP51UEY      KP51UEZ      KU02YUF      LB52UYK

**Trathens**

YN51XML      YN51XMW

**Yeomans**

W634MKY      YP52CTV      YR52VEO

**Wilts and Dorset**

T218REL

**Yorkshire Traction**

YN05XBC      YN05XBD

**Jeff Hall – Edinburgh November 21<sup>st</sup> -24<sup>th</sup> 2005**

During November my wife and I visited Edinburgh staying at the Old Waverley Hotel on Princes Street. The Hotel Room was on the second floor and overlooked East Princes Street Gardens, with a bus stop right outside the window!

I have listed all vehicles seen in Edinburgh during this period the locations being Princes Street, a couple of visits to the Bus Station situated behind the St James Shopping Centre, a tour on one of the Tour Buses plus a trip out to Ocean Terminal. Additionally we visited Glasgow, which I will report on next month.

**Lothian**

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 976, 977, 978, 980, 981, 982, 983

Of the vehicles **noted** the liveries were:

Airport Shuttle	629-632, 662-665
Club Class	701-721
Edinburgh Tour Bus	312-314
Egg	282, 344, 433
Gyle - Ocean Terminal	106-130
Harlequin	57-80, 151- 163, 177-191, 291-297, 501-627, 635-661, 722-725
Ingleston Park & Ride	164-174
Museum of Scotland	175
Night Bus	51-55, 101-104
Red	366-371, 431
Route 26	667-700
Route 44	726-733
Trainer	TB320-321
Wine and Cream	201-281, 283-285, 336-340, 357-365, 4902-430, 432, 800-983
Westerhales - Musselbrugh	83-100

The ranges are from the list of sightings and not from the full fleet list



Citylink's ST52GZD and NFL881 await their next turns of duty from Edinburgh Bus Station to Dundee and Inverness respectively (Jeff Hall)

### **First Edinburgh**

23401, 30094, 30203, 30206, 30208, 30384, 31344, 31345, 31564, 31629, 31630, 31631, 31632, 31633, 31634, 31635, 31636, 31637, 31640, 31643, 31644, 31645, 31650, 31655, 31661, 31662, 31663, 31665, 31666, 31667, 31668, 31669, 31671, 31675, 31678, 31679, 31680, 31681, 31682, 31687, 31688, 31727, 31728, 31729, 31730, 31731, 31734, 31756, 32669, 32670, 32671, 32672, 32673, 32674, 32675, 32676, 32677, 32678, 32680, 32682, 32683, 36007, 36008, 36009, 36010, 36011, 36012, 36013, 36014, 36015,

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### **Citylink**

318DHR, AJX158, CTS917, JUI7632, K453MSL, NFL881, NSV621, NSV622, P20NJC, SG03ZBM, SG03ZEM, SG03ZJA, SG03ZJB, SG03ZJC, SG03ZJD, SP04HRM, ST52GZD, ST52GZE, T35DFC, T36DFC, T52BBW, T900WCM

### **Stagecoach (Standard Livery)**

16440, 20107, 20107, 20196, 20301, 20316, 20325, 20330, 20334, 20335, 20337, 20339, 22276, 23306, 32206, 32308, 47183, 52253, 52264, 52285, 52380, 52385, 52441, 52458, 52462, 52481

**Megabus** LSK545

**Motivator** M161CCD, T39DJO

**National Express** HSK644

### **Independents**

**AAA Coaches** PF04SYJ

**Abbey Coaches** P55HMC

**Abbot Travel** 2767WF, T585DGD

**Charlie Irons** FJ53LZV

**Cockenzie Travel** ENZ9051

**Dial a Bus** V606ESX

**Don Prentice** B10DPC, B10MDP

**Fairline** EGB60T

**Gibsons** GA02VKH

**Hardings** MR04HCR, NR54HCR

**LA Travel** YX05DKK

**Liberton** P3BUS

**M W Nicholl** E396FRA, N1CCL

**Majestic Tour** ERM242, F358WSC

**McDades** SF55BKA

**McEwans** K788DAO, SA02YDB, SJ04MFV, V829GGA, W158WTA

**Mac's Tours** CUV241C, K118CSG, K121CSG

**Milligans** MIL3608, SA52CTF, SC02KVF

**Munro's** YJ03UMR

**Perryman's** W80CBC

**Rennies** BHZ9542

**Scotline Tours** SN54FNE, SN54GMV

**Skills** SIL7025

**Travel Greyhound** PYJ136

**Travellers Choice** PN03UCH, PN05AZC

**Truemans Travel** J20TRU

**Ulsterbus** DEZ4115, SCZ7110

**Young and Lee** YN05UUZ

# Westpoint Bus Rally, Clyst St Mary – Steve Jenner

## Sunday 18th September 2005 (Part 1)

Reg No.	Fleet No.	Make	Bodywork	Owner
1RDV		AEC Reliance	Harrington	Philip Platt, Exeter
100VRL		AEC Reliance	Harrington	Roger Thomas, Roche
274KTA	1224	Bristol SUL4A	ECW	Gerry Tormey, Gosport
338EDV	624	Bristol SUL4A	ECW	Cotswold PSV Group
497CLT	RMC 1497	AEC Routemaster	Park Royal	Carl Gale, Exeter
5981HP		Mercedes-Benz 0815D	Sitcar	Hookways, Meeth
625DDV	1410	Bristol MW6G	ECW	Peter Delaney, Twyford
645CJD		Volvo B10M	Jonckheere	C.J. Down, Mary Tavy
675OCV		Bedford SB3	Duple	Len Wright, Norwich
729MDV	2246	Bristol MW6G	ECW	Graham Thorogood, Briantspuddle
766MDV	2278	Bristol MW6G	ECW	Mr and Mrs Dennis Bodger, Fareham
837SUO	2351	Bristol RELH6G	ECW	Graham, Runcorn
8515CD		Volvo B10M	Jonckheere	C.J. Down, Mary Tavy
86GFJ	86	Leyland PD2A	Massey	Exeter City Council
931GTA		Leyland Atlantean	MCW	Warwick_Hulme, Yatton
A542HAC	14942	Leyland Olympian ONLXB	ECW	Stagecoach Devon
A927MDV	7	Ford Transit	Mellor	The West Country Historic Omnibus and Transport Trust
AFH186T	186	Leyland Leopard	Duple	David Fricker and R Powlesland, Exeter
AFJ706T	38706	Bristol VRT	ECW	First Devon and Cornwall
AFJ766T	1159	Bristol VRT	ECW	Partridge (Inner Circle Group) Saltash
AFJ770T	1163	Bristol VRT	ECW	Partridge (Inner Circle Group) Saltash
ATA563L	563	Bristol VRT	ECW	Terry Bennett, Sherborne
BDV318L	1318	Bristol LH	Marshall	Steve Cocks, Redruth
EDV502D	1420	Bristol MW	ECW	John Handford, Solihull
EFJ666	66	Leyland Tiger	Cravens	Colcin Shears, Chumleigh
FDV803V	3547	Leyland Leopard	Plaxton	C and H Billington, Maidenhead
HDV624E	2345	Bristol REL6G	ECW	C and H Billington, Maidenhead
HTT487	SR487	AEC Regal 1	Weymann	Ron Greet, Broadhempston
J825HMC	15325	Scania N113DRB	Alexander RH	Stagecoach Devon
JDZ2371	0999	Dennis Dart	Wright Handybus	Stagecoach Devon
JJD390D	RML 39390	AEC Routemaster	Park Royal	First Devon and Cornwall
K727UTT		Iveco 59.12	Mellor	Vista Coachways, Yatton
L929CTT	2246	Iveco 59.11	Mellor	The West Country Historic Omnibus and Transport Trust
L932CTT		Iveco 59.12	Mellor	Vista Coachways, Yatton
LDV847F	2375	Bristol REL6G	ECW	Chris Duffy, Cheshire

<b>Reg No.</b>	<b>Fleet No.</b>	<b>Make</b>	<b>Bodywork</b>	<b>Owner</b>
LFJ862W	1215	Bristol VRT	ECW	James Pratt, Exeter
LTA729	1250	Bristol LL6B	Duple	Colin and Helen Billington, Maidenhead
LTA906	1430	Bedford OB	Duple	Ron Greet, Broadhempston
LYF104	RTL 1163	Leyland LRT	Park Royal	Peter Cousens, Abbots Kerswell
MTT640	DL640	Leyland PD2	Leyland	Carmel Coaches, Northlew
NDV537G	537	Leyland Atlantean	MCW	Bob Follwell, Stableford
NIL4987		Volvo B10M	Plaxton	C.J. Down, Mary Tavy
NNC855P		AEC Reliance	Duple	Dave Haddock, Altrincham
OTA290G	90179	Bristol VRT	ECW	First Devon and Cornwall
OTA632G	1460	Bristol RELL6G	ECW	Mel Williams, Penzance
OTT43	2200	Bristol LS6G	ECW	Roger Burdett, Long Eaton
OTT98	1299	Bristol LS6G	ECW	The Dorset Transport Circle
P803XTA	52342	Volvo B10M-62	Plaxton	Stagecoach Devon
PHA505G		BMMO S22	BMMO	Bob Rowley, Bere Aston
SFJ904		Bedford SBG	Duple	Mark Withers, Henstridge
SN05EAM	42930	Dennis/ Alexander Dart SLF	Alexander Pointer 2	First Devon and Cornwall
TDV217J		Leyland Panther	Marshall	The West Country Historic Omnibus and Transport Trust
THO74J	74	AEC Reliance	Willowbrook	Roy Standish, Stamford
UWW3X	14281	Leyland Olympian ONLXB	Roe	Stagecoach Devon
VDV122S	1122	Bristol VRT	ECW	Partridge (Inner Circle Group) Saltash
VDV137S	937	Bristol VRT	ECW	The West Country Historic Omnibus and Transport Trust
VDV141S	38641	Bristol VRT	ECW	First Devon and Cornwall
VDV749		Bristol MW6G	ECW	Peter Wigley, Stourbridge
WA04FNZ	18112	Dennis/ Alexander Trident	Alexander ALX400	Stagecoach Devon
WA04TXW	47105	Optare Solo Slimline	Optare	Stagecoach Devon
WA04TYC	47110	Optare Solo Slimline	Optare	Stagecoach Devon
WJ55CRZ	32762	Dennis Trident		First Devon and Cornwall
XTA839	SN839	Albion Nimbus	Willowbrook	Fred Taylor, Polegate
Y169FEL	3169	DAF DE02	Optare	Go Ahead Wilts and Dorset

**If you have any Rally reports or Preservation News, please forward the information to  
Maurice Brown – details on Page 2**

# Bus Spotting Locations

Every month several different Bus Spotting locations will be listed. Feel free to contact me information on how to get to these locations - please ring Chris Morton on 0121 722 3007.

## **Birmingham City Centre**

Corporation Street outside Square Peg Public House

AK Travel

Arriva Midlands North

Birmingham Motor Traction

Claribels

Diamond Bus

North Birmingham Busways

Star Bus Services

ST Buses

Sunrise Travel

Travel Express

Travel West Midlands

## **Leicester St Margarets Bus Station**

Arriva Midlands North

Arriva Fox County

Centrebus

First Leicester

Kinchbus

National Express (Various Operators)

P S Winson

Stagecoach in Northampton

West End Travel

Woods

## **Wolverhampton Bus Station**

Arriva Midlands North

Banga Travel

Choice Travel

National Express (Various Operators)

Travel Express

Travel West Midlands

## **Edinburgh Princes Street (Waverley Steps)**

City Link

First Glasgow

Lothian

Majestic Tours

Stagecoach Fife

## **Edinburgh Bus Station**

City Link – Motivator - Megabus

First Glasgow

National Express

Perryman's

Stagecoach Fife

# Fleet List

Each month we will feature a Fleet List from an Independent Bus Company

## Birmingham Coach Company

222UPD	Volvo B10M-62	Plaxton Expressliner	C44FT
BAZ7379	Leyland Tiger TRCTL11/3R	Plaxton Paramount 3500 II	C53F
SJI4559	Scania K112CRS	Jonckheere Jubilee P50	C49F
SJI4560	Scania K112CRB	Van Hool Alizee SH	C51FT
WIB5749	Scania K93CRB	Duple 320	C56F
H122THE	Dennis Dart 8.5SDL3003	Reeve Burgess	B28F
H123THE	Dennis Dart 8.5SDL3003	Reeve Burgess	B28F
H125THE	Dennis Dart 8.5SDL3003	Reeve Burgess	B28F
H126THE	Dennis Dart 8.5SDL3003	Reeve Burgess	B28F
H128THE	Dennis Dart 8.5SDL3003	Reeve Burgess	B28F
H129THE	Dennis Dart 8.5SDL3003	Reeve Burgess	B28F
H130THE	Dennis Dart 8.5SDL3003	Reeve Burgess	B28F
H131THE	Dennis Dart 8.5SDL3003	Reeve Burgess	B28F
J701EMX	Dennis Dart 9SDL3010	Plaxton Pointer	BC32F
J702EMX	Dennis Dart 9SDL3010	Plaxton Pointer	B32F
J703EMX	Dennis Dart 9SDL3010	Plaxton Pointer	B32F
J704EMX	Dennis Dart 9SDL3010	Plaxton Pointer	B32F
J705EMX	Dennis Dart 9SDL3010	Plaxton Pointer	B32F
J706EMX	Dennis Dart 9SDL3010	Plaxton Pointer	B32F
J707EMX	Dennis Dart 9SDL3010	Plaxton Pointer	B32F
J601XHL	Dennis Dart 9SDL3011	Plaxton Pointer	B34F
J603XHL	Dennis Dart 9SDL3011	Plaxton Pointer	TV
J604XHL	Dennis Dart 9SDL3011	Plaxton Pointer	B34F
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J606XHL	Dennis Dart 9SDL3011	Plaxton Pointer	B34F
J607XHL	Dennis Dart 9SDL3011	Plaxton Pointer	B34F
J610XHL	Dennis Dart 9SDL3011	Plaxton Pointer	B34F
K301YJA	Dennis Lance 11SDA3108	Northern Counties Paladin	B37D
K302YJA	Dennis Lance 11SDA3108	Northern Counties Paladin	B37D
K303YJA	Dennis Lance 11SDA3108	Northern Counties Paladin	B37D
K304YJA	Dennis Lance 11SDA3108	Northern Counties Paladin	B37D
K305YJA	Dennis Lance 11SDA3108	Northern Counties Paladin	B37D
K306YJA	Dennis Lance 11SDA3108	Northern Counties Paladin	B37D
K308YJA	Dennis Lance 11SDA3108	Northern Counties Paladin	B37D
K310YJA	Dennis Lance 11SDA3108	Northern Counties Paladin	B37D
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K318YJA	Dennis Lance 11SDA3108	Northern Counties Paladin	B37D
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K323YJA	Dennis Lance 11SDA3108	Northern Counties Paladin	B37D
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K325YJA	Dennis Lance 11SDA3108	Northern Counties Paladin	B37D
K327YJA	Dennis Lance 11SDA3108	Northern Counties Paladin	B37D
K328YJA	Dennis Lance 11SDA3108	Northern Counties Paladin	B37D
K330YJA	Dennis Lance 11SDA3108	Northern Counties Paladin	B37D
K331YJA	Dennis Lance 11SDA3108	Northern Counties Paladin	B37D
L104EPA	Volvo B6-50	Northern Counties Paladin	B40F
L942RJN	Dennis Lance 11SDA3108	Plaxton Verde	B46F
L201YAG	Dennis Lance 11SDA3108	Plaxton Verde	B46F
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## Tram and Light Rail News (Martin Hall)

**Birkenhead** - Liverpool **245** will transfer from Liverpool City Museum, with a possibility of it going to Taylor Street Depot.

**Croydon** - Car **2552** carries a new advert for *Grants*

**Douglas Horse Tram** - The system has seen a decline in passengers, from 108,000 in 1995 to 76,000 in 2005

**Mersey Tram** - They are still having serious problems with getting the money together for the tram system and no decision if the plans will ever go forward.

**Tyne & Wear Metro** -With hind-sight the new Sunderland extension would never have been built say the PTE as passenger numbers have been so small.

**West London Tram** -The plans have been put on hold as funding approval has been put back to next year.

**Edinburgh Tram** -The bill for the tram system will hit £714m. Nottingham's Bombardier tram mock up was on display in Edinburgh's Princess Street Garden in September.

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