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Noticeboard

Editors Bit

Here we are again don't the months seem to fly. After such a miserable summer finally a week of good weather was seen, coinciding with my holiday (lucky me). There has been a lot happening, East Lancs going into administration and then being bought almost immediately by the Darwen Group, part of the Tanfield Group owned by Roy Stansfield. The bus wars in Preston have attracted the attentions of the traffic commissioner after an egg throwing incident amongst others. The good news from the enthusiasts point of view is the number of new buses running around the area.

On the bad side for me is I am back into hospital next Monday, so please can items for the October magazine go to Jeff Hall who will cover for me. All that left to say is enjoy

David

Membership Details

Membership of the GB Bus Group is £13.00 per year. This gives a monthly magazine and 20% discount on all HB Publications Bus Books. Please make cheques and Postal Orders to GB Bus Group

Welcome to new members –

Anthony Allen (Warrington), Larry Calvert (Lancashire), Andrew Churchill (Oxon), Russell Evans (Vale of Glamorgan), P.J. Gardner (Stroud), Peter Gouldsbro (Co. Durham), Paul Lewis (Gwent), John Nobbin (Milton Keynes), Leonard Norrish (Plymouth), Michael O'Reilly (Ireland) Peter Rabone (Wolverhampton), Robert Smith (Sheffield)

Trip

Arthur Shelton, Sightings Editor, is hoping to run a coach trip using Nash's Coaches from **Birmingham to London** (for bus enthusiasts) on the 6th or 13th October. Cost per person is around **£13.00**, depart **07:00** return **20:00**.

To fill the coach (48 seater) wives, friends or relations are invited.. Enquiries to Arthur or Debbie Shelton at rovingart@aol.com or they can be telephoned on **0121 454 3147**

Postbus Fleet List

With this magazine you will find enclosed a 4 page insert for the Postbus Fleet of the UK. We wish to thank Robin Farmer of the Postbus Appreciation Society for supplying us with this list.

Contributions

Thanks go to contributors : The Kings Ferry, Lee Wardle, Arthur Shelton, Dave Stewart and LOTS, Tony Allen, Peter Newman at Ensign, Douglas King, Stagecoach in Wales, M&D and East Kent Bus Club, Southdown Enthusiasts Club and apologies to anyone whom we have inadvertently missed.

We look forward to receiving your valued contributions.

Magazine

The deadline for the October magazine is 25th September 2007. Please note to all Area reps send your copy to Jeff as I am not available, hence the slightly earlier date. Many thanks.

Fleet News

Arriva

Kent Thameside: With the new Enviro 200 now settled onto the 286 Darts 3283-3288 moved to Northfleet allowing older Darts there, 3135, 3143, 3155, 3603 and 3604 to be withdrawn and 3156 reallocate to Tunbridge Wells. Yet another TfL contract has been won 370 Romford-Lakeside (pvr 10). It will be operated by Arriva Southend from Grays garage replacing the current part commercially operated service.

London North: In a change of chassis provider 26 10.1m AD Enviro 400s have been ordered for route 102 out of Palmers Green in early 2008, a further 24 of the type are also due but no details of final depots are known as yet. Also for entry into service in early 2008 are 13 8.9m Enviro200 Darts for route 192 now operating out of Lea Valley. The last Olympians in the fleet have now passed to Ensign; L515, 517, 521, 551 and 554. A few problems have been encountered with the I bus fitment so the DLA moves mentioned last month have been delayed but should have occurred as you read this.

Arriva North East 25/07/07 - Arriva Durham County Leyland Olympian / ECW 7211 (C102CHM) is now in use at Peterlee. This should be there for the summer owing to the increased PVR caused by Moors-bus. **01/08/07 - Arriva Tees & District** have dispensed with all-white DAFs P127RWR, T793TWX from Redcar as expected, but only to Loftus! **05/08/07 - Arriva Tees & District** now have Scania OmniCity 4653 (NK05GXG) at Redcar, with Optare Prisma 3014 (N514XVN) going to

Durham. It can now be revealed that Redcar are to receive eight OmniCity, six ex Durham, two ex Stockton, (together with a trio of DAFs from Loftus) for the 63, while six Primsa will go to Durham for their share of the X1. There are also notes that Redcar have returned MPD 1701 (T701BCN) to Durham on the arrival back of accident-repaired 1722 (V722DNL). **05/08/07** - As part of the above **Arriva Scotland** –Plaxton Centro YJ07JSX is on loan here.

Arriva Teesside will receive DAF SB220GS / Plaxton 4051/4 (S351/4KHN) from Loftus in place of the two Scania off the X1. Also noted that Stockton now has Volvo B6 driver trainers 1002/3 (L220/32TKA). **11/08/07** - Tomorrow should see some interesting fleet movements at **Arriva North East**. As already mentioned Redcar are due to gain Scania OmniCity 4646/8/51/5/8 (NK05GWZ/XB/E/J/N) from Durham (joining 4653), sisters 4649/59 (NK05GXC/O) from Stockton and DAF SB220GS / Plaxton 4023/5/7 (R423/5/7RPY) from Loftus, with Optare Priskas 3001/3/6/7/16 (M301/3SAJ, N806/7XHN, N516XVN) going to Loftus and sisters 3002/4/5/8/12 (M302/4/5SAJ, N808XHN, N512XVN) join 3014 (N514XVN) at Durham. In turn Stockton gains DAF SB220GS / Plaxton 4051/4 (S351/4KHN) from Loftus. Additionally, with the end of the X21 Durham - Newcastle today, Durham loses MPDs 1707/9/10/73 (V707/9/10DNL, NK05GWU). 1773 goes to Blyth, displacing sister 1731 (V731DNL) to Jesmond (to finally provide the extra bus for the M55 since it was increased in frequency) and 1707/9/10 go to Peterlee, replacing Metroriders 2627/709/10 (P627FHN, R709/10MHN). **15/08/07** - **Arriva North East's** Redcar depot returned Scania OmniCity 4646 (NK05GWZ) to Durham in exchange for sister 4652 (NK05GXF). Wayne also reports that Blackpool Optare Metrorider 0584 (M924TYG) is now serving yet another seaside resort - Whitby! Reports that DAF SB220GS / Plaxton 4031 (R431RPY) has been repaired after fire damage and should return to the region shortly. **26/08/07** - Yesterday saw the final day of operation at **Stagecoach Darlington**. As of today vehicles are working for **Arriva North East**, though with "on hire" labels until such time as the services can be re-registered into Arriva's name. The vehicles transferred are Dennis Dart / Plaxton32173/748/59/70 (K582MGT, L748/59VNL, M770DRG) and Dennis Dart / Alexander 32301/3/5/615-7/34/7/8/56/8-61/709/17/29/35-41 (N301/3/5AMC, P615-7/34/7/8PGP, P456/8-61EEF, K709/17PCN, L729/35-41VNL). They are expected to receive numbers 1657-84 with Arriva, though not in the above order (more or less in age order, I understand). **26/08/07** - Yesterday was also the final day of use for **Arriva Tees & District's** Redcar Bus Station in that capacity. From today all services will stop on the High Street outside of the bus station. The bus-stopping area is expected to be redeveloped. **26/08/07** - Noted what appeared to be Volvo B6 / Plaxton 4537 (L235TKA) parked up at **Arriva Northumbria's** Ashington depot. This was transferred up to Scotland a few months ago. It is not known if this is a transfer back or just here for driver trainer conversion for Scotland. **28/08/07** - **Arriva Teesside** DAF SB120 / Wright 1909 (W312PPT) is back in use following lengthy accident repairs.

28/08/07 - The fleet numbers of the former **Stagecoach Darlington** vehicles now with **Arriva North East** can now be confirmed. Dennis Dart / Plaxton 32173/748/59/70 (K582MGT, L748/ 59VNL M770DRG) become 1657/82-4 and Dennis Dart / Alexander 32301/3/5/615-7/34/7/8/ 56/8-61/709/ 17/29/35-41 (N301/3/5AMC, P615-7/34/7/8PGP, P456/8-61EEF, K709/17PCN, L729/35-41VNL) become 1658-81. **29/08/07** - **Arriva Northumbria** have been using Dennis Trident / Alexander 7431 (W396RBB) at Ashington on the X33. Mark Williams reports that this is only a loan to cover for vehicles off the road for repair. **29/08/07** - **Arriva Durham County** vehicle involved in a rather nasty accident near Heighington last week was Optare Vecta 1547 (L547GHN). This has been officially written off and a replacement vehicle is expected at Bishop Auckland shortly. Danny Howard reports that reserve fleet Optare Metrorider 2709 (R709MHN) remains in use at Peterlee. Neil Wise reports that Darlington now have DAF SB220GS / Ikarus loan vehicle 0793 (T793TWX). **29/08/07** - Reports that the Blackpool Transport Optare Metroriders on loan to **Arriva Tees & District** were due to go back today (presumably including 595 which was working for Darlington), with reserve fleet Metrorider 2710 (R710MHN) expected at Redcar.

Arriva Midlands Confirming the registrations of 2114-6, they are L306/8/9HPP

The Shires: Quite a few disposals to record Volvo B6s 2106, 3108, 3109, 3111, 3242 and 3351 are now with Arriva Midlands North at Cannock, Varios 2181-4 are now with MK Metro whilst the following have been scrapped over the past couple of months 2235, 3126, 3814, 3855 and 4037

First

Berkshire: The three new coaches have re numbered to 20611-613 Four more Darts withdrawn at Slough with the arrival of the Citaros are DML41165-41168.

First Edinburgh – Ex Northampton Citybuses 38091, 38096 are still in use at Larbert, 38110 is still in service at Livingstone. Ex First West Yorkshire Dennis Dart 40604, 40606 have entered service at Livingstone. New vehicles 69254-69256 are in service at Lithlingow. Enviro LX400 demonstrator SK07DYB has been noted working on service X33 Edinburgh – Bathgate. Marshall bodied Dennis Darts 41357 and 41359 are now working off Livingstone garage. The full batch of profiles that are working off Livingstone are 20354, 20355, 20356, 20357, 20364. Plain white liveried Gemni's have been noted running along the A889 around Livingston, apparently they are supposed to be being allocated to Lithlingow.

First Glasgow – Ex Hutchinsons vehicles 65756, 65758 are in First Group livery.

London: Several former Orpington based tramlink Darts have been reallocated to Greenford, via a refurbishment, following the transfer of route 95 from Alperton, DML41362, 41365-41370 and 41372. Until the rest are done 41318, 41319, 41325, 41326 and 41401 have moved from Alperton. Now at Westbourne Park are TN32362, 32363, 32366 and 32369 ex Alperton. DMS41359 has been sold to First Edinburgh whilst DM41432 has been scrapped with fire damage. Three Uxbridge routes, 331(July), A10(August) and U10(May) have all been retained on tender all with new single decks pvr being 7, 5 and 2 respectively

Go Ahead

Blue Triangle: Darts LDP51, 56 and Olympian NV116 have been transferred from the main London fleet. PDL1 and PDL2 were transferred in mid August to help out with a vehicle shortage with TPL297 and TL907 being off the road due to external influences.

London: DAFs MD1-4, 6, 15-17 were all present at NW Bus & Coach (Blackburn) in mid August having been returned, along with the others of the batch, to Dawson Rentals. Volvo B9RL B9 and B7L VWL1 have both now been returned to Volvo. WV121, 123, 124 and 125v are now at Putney LDP41 and 52 now at Bexleyheath, ex Sutton with LDP62 and 81 out of store. PDL10 has been put back into passenger use.

Metrobus: 315 has departed to Hansons (Stourbridge) where it joins 316

Go North East 01/08/07 - By combination of the sightings I can provide an update on some of the movements at **Go North East**. The MPDs that have arrived at Percy Main, are 504-7 (X504-7WRG), allowing Optare Solos 450/65/6/9 (S250KNL, T465/6/9BCN), to be parked up awaiting onward movement. Volvo B10B / Alexander 4875 (N950TVK) has moved to Sunderland, while it should be noted that Spectra 3843 (K311FYG) remains at Percy Main. Volvo Olympian / Northern Counties 3833 (S833OFT) has returned to Percy Main re-roofed. Angel branding in double deck form has now started to be applied to the Volvo B7TLs. Ex Jayline Solos 480/1 (VU52UEF, MX03YDD) have both gained LED destinations in place of their rollers. **05/08/07** – Some useful information on goings on at **Go North East**. DAF SB220GS / Plaxton 4867/8 (S867/8ONL) have moved from Deptford to Stanley, joined by Volvo B10BLE / Alexander 4993 (S590KJF) from Gateshead. Washington has received Dennis Dart SLF / Plaxton 8289/92 (Y558KUX, T438EBD) from Winlaton. Deptford have received MPDs 502/3 (X502/3WNL) from Winlaton to replace Solos 452/3 (S252/3KNL). Angel branding has now been applied to just about all of the pink vehicles now. Volvo Olympian / Northern Counties 3811 (S811FVK) has been noted working for Winlaton, but may just be a loan. Six yellow Volvo Olympians are reported to be with Northumbria Coaches, though their intended use and duration of stay are not yet confirmed. Noted is former 4738 (G738RTY) for sale on eBay. **09/08/07** - Thanks to the several people who have reported that the **Go North East** Volvo Olympians transferred up to Ashington are 3899-902/4-6. The Go North East website shows a full list of recent movements, most of which have been previously noted here. Two new coaches have been delivered for the **Northumbria Coaches** coaching side (which would appear not to have been fully separated off as yet), one of which is Volvo B12B / Plaxton KX07HDN. **10/08/07** - Steven Hodgson has noted **Northumbria Coaches'** other new coach as NK07HFD, lettered up for David Urquhart work. **18/08/07** - **Go North East** have been trialling one of the "Red Arrows" Mercedes Citaros on the 58 this week. He also provides a photo of Optare

Spectra 3847 (K315FYG), now at Chester-le-Street, and making a relatively rare appearance in normal service. **22/08/07** – It was noted that after the trial spell on the 58, one of **Go North East's** Mercedes Citaros has been under trial on the 35 - another route that has seen a number of recent demonstrators, and one which it seems highly likely will get new vehicles in place of the DAF SB120s which currently have to deal with the heavy loadings on this route. **26/08/07 - Go North East** have repainted Volvo Olympian / Northern Counties 3833 (S833OFT) yellow (following roof repair) and Scania L94 / Wright 5219 black. Also noted, that Percy Main has been the subject of many unusual workings of late, owing to certain vehicles being under repair. A number of new weekend express services to the Metro Centre start next weekend. The X68 from Tynemouth is expected to use two spare R19 vehicles, information kindly supplied by Lee Wardle.

Go West Midlands

Coaches 30/2, 41-3/6-56 & 'deckers 904/7/29/30/43/61/3/4/80/1/4 have left the fleet. Arrivals are 509/10 P505/6RYM (Dart/Pointer 2 B32F) & 601/5 N601/5FJO (Volvo B10B-58/Plaxton Verde B49F). Allocation stickers are being applied to the windscreens. Noted so far are: T (Tividale) 109, 201-3/5/6/10-4, 332/3/9/42/4/5, 423/4/8/9/35/6/9/41/5/61/76/86-90/6/8/9, 601/3/5/22, 703/5 & R (Redditch) 401/3/20/6/37/57/9/70/1/91-4.

National Express

Travel London: Two Volvo B10Ls from TWM have arrived for driver training duties P512/514KOX.

Travel West Midlands

1507/8 are in use as trainers, retaining their 15xx numbers at present.

Lea Hall (LH) – Mercedes 0405 1565 has returned off loan

Perry Barr (PB) – Volvo B7's with Plaxton President bodywork 4044, 4053, 4054 4083, 4085, 4086, 4108, 4112, 4113, 4114 have been withdrawn, to be refurbished. Confirmed still in service 4076, 4110, 4111.

Walsall (WA) – Volvo B6's 573, 577, 638, 656 are branded for Beechdale service. Gas buses 1506, 1507, 1510, 1513 were seen in service on 11/08. Volvo B10L 1508 has taken up its new role as a driver trainer. Volvo B10L 1470 is has the new style branding for service 301.

West Bromwich (WA) – Fresh resprays are Mercedes 0405's 1531, 1537, they were formerly branded for service 404 Cradley Heath – Blackheath – West Bromwich – Walsall.

Wolverhampton, Park Lane (WN)- Fresh respray is 4176 which was also previously branded for service 559. The following vehicles were used on V festival shuttle buses, that were operated from Wolverhampton and Stafford Rail Stations: 2552, 2610, 2617, 2631, 2721, 2726, 2744, 2764, 2784, 2789, 2795, 2824, 2866, 2893, 2840, 2895, 2900, 2902, 2926, 3077, 3078, 3087, 3102, 3111, 3116, 3126, 4252, 4258, 4259, 4260, 4261,4315.

Stagecoach

Cambridgeshire: In Cambridge Most of the Park & Ride Enviro 400s are now in service, in blue for Trumpington are 19295 (AE07KYV), 19296 (AE07KYW), 19297 (AE07KYX) and 19298 (AE07KYY). 19299 (AE07KYZ) and 19300 (AE07KZA) are grey as spare for any route. In red for Madingley Rd - Newmarket Rd are 19301 (AE07KZB), 19302 (AE07KZC), 19303 (AE07KZD), 19304 (AE07KZF), 19305 (AE07KZG), 19306 (AE07KZH) and 19307 (AE07KZJ) Green Cowley Rd - Babraham Rd livery adorns the remaining batch 19308 (AE07KZK), 19309 (AE07KZL), 19310 (AE07KZM), 19311 (AE07KZN) 19312 (AE07KZO), 19313 (AE07KZP), 19314 (AE07KZR) and 19315 (AE07KZS) 19314 was still to enter service at the end of August. More Trident departures as a result of these arrivals were 17011 and 17055 leaving Cowley Rd on August 5th followed on the 11th by 17055 which went straight to H & D at Winchester for refurbishment prior to entering service in Devon. 17056, 17057 and 17058 followed with 17057 joining its class mate at H & D the other two moving to Exeter.

Stagecoach Devon There are rumours going around that the Stagecoach services operated from the Martock outstation in Somerset, are to be transferred to their subsidiary company, Cooks of Wellington, who have an outstation in Chard. **Vehicles Acquired in Exeter**

Dennis Tridents, registration numbers T650/2/6/8 KPU from Cambridge.

Vehicles Acquired in Torquay are Dennis Darts ex Hong Kong fn 32447/8/9/50 from Portsmouth.

East: Several Plaxton Interurbans are being up seated to 70 seats for use on school contract work noted so far at Bedford are 52155 (L155JNH), 52156 (L156JNH), 52371 (P171KBD) and 52373 (P173KBD). Re-allocated to Northampton are Olympians 14029, 14479 and 14708. Latest departures up to East Scotland were 16687 and 16689 being collected on August 25th.

Depots (BD) Bedford incl Biggleswade, Rushden
(CY) Corby
(KT) Kettering incl Desborough, Thrapston, Wellingborough
(NN) Northampton

Transfers:

(BD) 52155 52160 52162 52371

(NN) 52644

Scotland 16673 16678 16679

Warwicks 16538 16555

Disposals:

Sold 14472 14477 to A.Hardwick

Sold 52120

East Midlands: B10M 20278 has moved from Worksop to Hull with Dart 32713 moving in the opposite direction. The following vehicles have been sold of late 14339/43/60/61, 16477/79, 28637/39-46/48.

Depots (DR) Deacon Rd (GA) Gainsborough (GY) Grimsby
(HU) Hull (LI) Lincoln (LO) Louth
(MD) Mansfield (NE) Newark (SC) Scunthorpe
(SK) Skegness (CH) Chesterfield (WP) Worksop

Transfers:

(GA) 22417

(LI) 33222

(NE) 15954 23952

(U/A) 14339 14360 14361 15933 15941 15946 15980 16477 16479 26038 26054 26055 26637

26640 26642 26644 26645 26646 26647 26648 47991

East Scotland: In Fife: Two more Olympians transferred up from East are 16243 (L243SDY) and 16690 (P690JBD). With 16687 and 16689 being collected from Bedford on 24th August. Six PS bodied B10Ms are due to transfer south to Bedford in exchange for six L***HNV batch ONs

Stagecoach Hampshire Bus Basingstoke Depot received three new single deckers on the 9 July 2007 these being 36028 to 36030 registrations being GX07 HUV HUY HUZ also seen on 15th July at Alton a Stagecoach Hampshire Bus Winchester Depot 36023 registration GX07 HUJ until I can get to Winchester I would assume the buses in between have gone to Winchester

Stagecoach North East 23/07/07 - Stagecoach on Teesside now have Volvo B10B / Plaxton 21037 (L37HHN) in use as a driver trainer, replacing Lynx 29122 (F122HVK) which is now stored. The stored minibuses have now been removed, leaving just Olympians 14192/636 (H192WFR, C636LFT), Lynx II 29630 (K630YVN) and the unused ex GTL Dart. **05/08/07 - Stagecoach Darlington** are using Dennis Dart / Plaxton 32173 (K582MGT) in more mainstream service now that the 18 has passed to Compass Royston. This is a good point to note that there has been no report as yet as to whether the OFT will refer the Arriva take-over of Stagecoach Darlington to the MMC **18/08/07** - Steven Hodgson notes that **Stagecoach North East** has been fitting dot matrix screens to some of their K-SRH Darts, seemingly recycled from withdrawn minibuses. **22/08/07 - Stagecoach North East** driver training vehicle Volvo B10M / Plaxton 52178 (L578HSG) - one of the most recent ones to arrive, based at South Shields. **22/08/07** - The OFT, after something of a delay, have today announced that they have [cleared](#) the sale of **Stagecoach Darlington** to **Arriva North East**. It is not known what the timescales will be for full integration, but it is known that it is planned to repaint the Darlington fleet in a three month cycle. **26/08/07 - Stagecoach North East** Leyland Olympian / Northern Counties 14675 (H675BNL) is back in service at Stockton. Noted is the arrival of Enviro 400 19162 NK07HBO. This is presumably one of the two that will complete the current batch, before delivery of the next batch commences shortly. A number of contract and

related changes took place in Hartlepool with effect from today. These see services 516/7/24 pass to Veolia, Sunday service 3A to Arriva (Peterlee) and service 1 shortened to Middlesbrough Bus Station. Reports that the vehicle saving is expected to see Dennis Dart SLF / Alexander 33484 (R464SEF) move to Sunderland. Perhaps this may also see Dennis Dart / Alexander 32762 (L762ARG) actually take its place in reserve? Also noted that Leyland Lynx trainers 29601/16 (F601UVN, G616CEF) are now in reserve. Steven Hodgson (and others - thanks to you all) note that Volvo Olympian / Alexander 16725 (N725LTN) has donned an overall advert for Emirates in the style of a Routemaster. Somehow it doesn't look right! **26/08/07** - Yesterday saw the final day of operation at **Stagecoach Darlington**. As of today vehicles are working for **Arriva North East**, though with "on hire" labels until such time as the services can be re-registered into Arriva's name. The vehicles transferred are Dennis Dart / Plaxton 32173/748/59/70 (K582MGT, L748/59VNL, M770DRG) and Dennis Dart / Alexander 32301/3/5/615-7/34/7/8/56/8-61/709/17/29/35-41 (N301/3/5AMC, P615-7/34/7/8PGP, P456/8-61EEF, K709/17PCN, L729/35-41VNL). They are expected to receive numbers 1657-84 with Arriva, though not in the above order (more or less in age order, I understand). **28/08/07** - The fleet numbers of the former **Stagecoach Darlington** vehicles now with **Arriva North East** can now be confirmed. Dennis Dart / Plaxton 32173/748/59/70 (K582MGT, L748/59VNL, M770DRG) become 1657/82-4 and Dennis Dart / Alexander 32301/3/5/615-7/34/7/8/56/8-61/709/17/29/35-41 (N301/3/5AMC, P615-7/34/7/8PGP, P456/8-61EEF, K709/17PCN, L729/35-41VNL) become 1658-81. **29/08/07** - **Stagecoach Hartlepool** are expecting some further Leyland Olympians following school contract gains. These are expected to be Alexander bodied 14636 (C636LFT) from store at Stockton and Northern Counties bodied 14672/5 (H672/5BNL) from Sunderland and Stockton respectively.

North West In Lancashire: More Solos at Preston are 47481(PX07HBC), 47482 (PX07HBD), 47483 (PX07HBE) , 47484 (PX07HBF), 47485 (PX07HBG), 47486 (PX07HBH), 47487 (PX07HBJ), 47488 (PX07HBK) and 47489 (PX07HBL)

In Lancaster: Leyland Olympian 14196 arrived from Chorley on August 4th entering service a couple of days later when 10334 was taken up to Lillyhall for store. A chronic vehicle shortage with sometimes a quarter of the fleet with engineering has resulted in many Preston and Blackpool services being operated by Titans, something of a swansong during the school holidays.

South West: The last Dart from Winchester 34409 has gone to Barnstaple allowing 33804 to return to Exeter. Whilst the first three Tridents from Cambridge 17008-010 are now in service at Exmouth being joined by 17011 on the 57 service. Scania 15339, 15349 and 15350 have been re-allocated to Exeter. Withdrawals are Citybus 15204 and Olympian 14943. Darts 32084, 32438, 32439 and 32443 along with Olympians 16059 and 16069 are to move to Barnstaple releasing Leyland Olympians 14714, 14717, 14986-989 to Dawlish outstation for use to the 85/85A services.

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17007 Hants and Dorset for refurbishment -was pink livery
17008, 17009, 17010, 17011 Exmouth in service -blue livery
17036 Hants and Dorset for refurbishment -was beige livery
17037, 17038 Exeter being prepared for service -green livery
17050 Exmouth in service -green livery
17051 Exeter being prepared for service -red livery
17052 Exmouth in service -green livery
17053 Exmouth in service -beige livery
17055 Hants and Dorset for refurbishment -was red livery
17056 Exmouth in service -red livery

17057 Hants and Dorset for refurbishment -was red livery

17058 Exmouth in service -red livery

StrathTay: A network revision took place around Dundee and Arbroth resulting in the following fleet movements 13210 M-RES, 14608 D-M, 14680 F-M, 16809 D-B, 16814 D-A, 16929 D-A, 18506 B-D, 20321 B-F, 20329 F-D, 21020 F-D, 25814 A-RES, 25815 A-RES, 25817 A-RES, 25818 B-M, 42227 D-F, 42229 A-RES, 42231 A-RES, 42232 A-D, 42233 A-RES, 42234 A-RES, 42237 A-B, 42357 F-D, 47215 D-M, 47255 M-D, 47938 M-RES, 47939 M-RES, 47940 K-F, 47950 B-RES, 52228 D-B, 59071 M-RES, 59072 A-RES, 59079 F-RES,

For those not familiar with the area, the codes represent: A – Arbroath, B – Blairgowrie, D – Dundee, F – Forfar, K – Kirriemuir, M – Montrose.

Wales: Period 4 movements are 20370 Cwmbran – Reserve, 20392 Cwmbran – Brynmawr, 20709 Brynmawr – Reserve, 20405 Cwmbran – Reserve, 13619, 13623 Disposal – West Scotland

Warwickshire: Another open top Olympian now at Stratford is 16538 (P538EFL). B10M 20221 is now allocated to Leamington. Ensign vehicles on loan are now down to three, being 208, 219 and 252

Depots (LN) Leamington (SD) Stratford-U-A (NN) Nuneaton (RY) Rugby

Transfers:

(NN) 31355 34119

(RY) 31328

(U/A) 16538 16580 20225 31357

West: Plaxton 52245 has arrived from Western

Western: Interurban 52178 (L578HSG) has been transferred over to North East as a training bus. 52278 is now on Arran as its replacement. 52284 is now at Glasgow, in place of 52245 which has left the fleet. Artics 51093 and 51096 have been reallocated to Ardrossan. Several ex Hong Kong Olympians have been transferred in form around the country 13623 (H494LNA), 13644 (G278YRJ) at Cumnock. 13619, 13647 (H606LNA), 13650 (H627LNA) and 13651 (H603LNA) now at Ardrossan along with 13618 (H522FRP) transferred from Glasgow for use on additional school contracts gained recently. Solo 47362 is now at Kilmarnock for use on new local services 101/102/103 with Merc 40635 moving the other way to Ayr. Titan 10252 has been repainted into yellow schoolbus colours also at Kilmarnock, 10462 and 10473 have been placed into reserve.

The first 57 plates to be noted in this column are two Volvo B7R SJ57AAK, SJ57AAN branded for the X76 Kilmarnock – Glasgow fleetnumbers are not confirmed as we went to press, but should slot into the previous batch as 53297 and 53298 another three are expected.

Two new Optare Solos with MAN engines have just been delivered 47495 (SF07LBZ) and 47496 (SF07LBZ) B27F, late new is that they hadn't entered service by September 1st so have been re-reg'd as 47495 (SF57DRO) 47496 (SF57DNU).

Yorkshire:

Disposals:

Sold 15874 15878 15937 15947 15953 15957 15959 15963 15978 15984 15988 32192 32199
32491 32496

Transdev

Lancashire United: Former Blackburn Corpy Olympians 49 (B749GSC), 53 (B761GSC) and 76 (D236FYM) are now with Lords of Hull.

As of the 1st August Transdev through their Blazefield arm took over the operations and fleet of **Travelspeed (Northern Blue, Accrington Transport), Burnley**. The company for the time being will run independently with some vehicles from the Lancashire United/Burnley and Pendle fleets being also used. Keighley & District 221/22 L642/3OWY have arrived on permanent transfer. There are NO plans to add Transdev logos/identifiers or anything to the buses at this present time. Vehicles withdrawn so far are Metroriders 69/70/71 (N219VVO, N210/1LNU); Volvo Citybus 167 (H667GPF); Scania N113DRB 144 (F44YHB). More vehicles remain de-licensed/off the road pending a decision from on high.

London United: Several First Tridents have been loaned in to cover the dealy into service of the new Scania buses; TN32958/60/61/63/64/65/66

Veolia

Veolia North East

09/08/07 - Steven Hodgson reports that the latest two Optare Solos for **Veolia North East** are 0703/4 YJ07VRV/W.

29/08/07 - **Veolia North East** are using Optare Solo YJ55BHZ on the 516/7/24 in Hartlepool. This was previously with the Veolia operation in Wales.

Independents

London

Countryliner (Guildford): More acquisitions are a pair of MCV Evolution bodied Dart SLFs MRD9 (AE56MDK) and MRD10 (AE56MDO), they are both from Whitelaw's of Stonehouse and used on the Sussex operation.

East London Bus Group: The allocation of RMs used on the 15H are to move from Waterden Rd over to Bow from September 22nd.

Depots	(BK) Barking	(BW) Bow	(NS) Romford	
	(SD) Stratford	(T) Leyton	(U) Upton Park	
	(WA) Waterden Rd	(TB) Bromley	(TL) Catford	(PD) Plumstead

Transfers:

(BK) 17272 17273 17274 17275

(NS) 17139

(SD) 17239 34276

(TL) 17144

(U/A) 17157 17168 17169 17170

Ensignbus: News courtesy of Ross Newman at the company Optare Delta 606 has been sold to Alder Valley Travel. A couple of demonstrators have been trialled of late an Enviro 200, SN56AXJ, until September 5th with an Optare Versa to follow. In the words of Ross Expect an order for new buses for the local bus network shortly!

Metroline: The SEL class of Scania/East Lancs Olympus finally entered service on July 23rd, so far these have been noted in London, although not all are yet in service, so it is likely the remaining examples, along with the odd one below may gain 57 registrations.

SEL739 LK07AZV SEL745 LK07BAU SEL751 LK07BBU SEL757 LK07BCO

SEL740 LK07AZW SEL746 LK07BBE SEL752 LK07BBV SEL758 LK07BCU

SEL741 LK07AZX SEL747 LK07BBF SEL753 LK07BBX SEL761 LK07BCY

SEL743 LK07BAA SEL748 LK07BBJ SEL754 LK07BBZ SEL762 LK07BCZ

SEL744 LK07BAO SEL749 LK07BBN SEL755 LK07BCE

Now the new Enviro 200s are in service Darts DMS1-9 and 12 have been sold to Ensignbus along with AV2, 3 and 23

Midlands

A Line (Smethwick) Another fresh Dennis Dart here is K557NHC.

A2Z Travel Dart SLF/Marshall Capital B27F acquisitions are R699/701-8MEW.

Central Connect Further deliveries are BX07AOS (Plaxton Primo) & YX07JJO (DAF SB120/Plaxton Centro B42F).. Dennis Dart S81XDOX had been resprayed into full Central Connect livery, fresh vehicles in are Dennis Dart MPD's T469HNN, V388SVV, KP51SXX.

Fastline Coaches (Walsall) - Former Dunn Line Scania K114EB 5111 YL51ZTU is in use here.

Golden Line / A-Line Buses Have J520/51GCD, K557/73NHC, K586/7ODY – All Alexander Dash bodied Darts.

Hansons (Lye, Nr Stourbridge, West Mids) – Fresh vehicles in are Dennis Dart, Plaxton Mini Pointer's T315SMV, T316SMV they were new to Metrobus (Orpington as 315, 316 respectively, also fresh in is Transbus Enviro 300 KW02DRZ which was new to Truronian (Cornwall).

Johnsons, Henley Two Optare Tempo's have arrived, YJ07EHG/H.

Midland Rider – 2 More ex Ulsterbus Dennis Darts with Wright Handybus bodywork have been acquired they are CAZ6602, CAZ6619, former Petes Travel Dennis Dart J620JCU has been withdrawn after suffering flood damage.

Red Rose (Aylesbury): It has been discovered that Darts OV07FKH and OV07FKJ have been incorrectly registered since new and should in fact be OU07 which they now carry.

Silverline (Solihull) - New vehicles in here YN07LFL, YN07LFY.

Solus Coaches (Tamworth) - A fresh vehicle noted here is Scania L94IB with Van Hool bodywork SN51GBO, this was new to Renton, Kirknewton in 2001.

West Midlands Special Needs Transport t/a Ring and Ride (Birmingham) – New vehicles have started to enter service so far seen are : 0702 FJ07UNW, 0704 FJ07UNB allocated to Windsor Street, 0717 FJ07UOC allocated to Wednesbury, 0719 FJ07UOE allocated to Bloxwich, 0727 FJ07RZZ allocated to Coventry.

North East

Budget Buses, South Shields

01/08/07 - A new operator in South Shields is **Budget Buses**, working services 500 and 501. Their "Bus" is in fact a taxi with magnetic service signage added. Thanks to Steven Hodgson for the information.

Classic Coaches, Annfield Plain, Stanley, Co Durham

08/08/07 - Volvo B10M / Plaxton S6CLA has been sold to Volvo Coach Sales and sister 656CCE has been sold to Scania UK

Jayline, Horden

02/06/07 – Please note under **Go North East** of this operator recent events.

JSB Travel Durham

11/08/07 - New at **JSB, Coundon** is Optare Solo SB07 JSB. This replaces the Plaxton Primo in the Fleet, MX07BXZ after problems with this vehicle

Lee's of Durham

11/08/07 - A recent acquisition by **Lees, Durham** is Volvo B10M / Jonkheere 891HUM. It wears an orange livery, suggesting that it has come from either Harry Shaw or Dodsworths.

15/08/07 - Confirmation that **Lee's, Durham** 891HUM is indeed ex Dodsworths.

Leven Valley

15/08/07 - **Leven Valley, Middlesbrough** has taken delivery of another pair of Optare Solos. These two are registered T9/10BHN and are expected to be numbered 9/10 and carry the names Caedmon and St Cuthbert, though the order of the naming is not yet known. Leven Valley must surely now have one of the most modern fleets in the region - and certainly one of the best presented.

19/08/07 - **Leven Valley's** new Optare Solos. T9BHN is in fact St Caedmon and T10BHN, which has yet to enter service, is St Cuthbert. These, are to see off Mercedes 709 / LCB, 76 "Endeavour" (P776BJU), and Mercedes 711 / LCB 58 "William Wallace" (N458RNR).

M&D Travel, Thornaby

11/08/07 - **M&D Travel, Thornaby** have added Bova Futura LUI 6890 to stock.

26/08/07 - A quick correction - the **M&D Travel** Bova referred to previously is in fact LUI 9950.

Munro's of Jedburgh

01/08/07 - An interesting visitor to Newcastle on **Munro's of Jedburgh** service 131 this week was DAF SB220GS / Ikarus T794TWX - ironically the twin sister of one of the DAFs on loan to Arriva at Loftus! Thanks to Lee Wardle for this snippet

Northumbria Coaches, Ashington

Please refer under **Go North East** for information for this operator.

Perrymans, Berwick

05/06/07 - **Perrymans, Berwick** have new Mercedes Vario / Plaxton Cheetah YN07OPA. It differs from previous examples by having different seats, air conditioning and an automatic gearbox.

25/06/07 - **Perrymans, Berwick** have yet another new Optare Solo! This one is MX07NTU, making a total of ten Solos in stock.

Redby Travel – Sunderland

15/08/07 - Noted that **Redby, Sunderland** have surprisingly been using their open-top Metrobus GYE533W on services 9 and 99.

Tees Valley, Teesside

01/08/07 - **Tees Valley, Eaglescliffe** is selling long-serving (by their standards!) Bristol VR, with ECW VDV117S on [eBay](#).

Weardale Stanhope

01/08/07 - A further Neoplan N316 noted by an anonymous correspondent with **Weardale, Stanhope** is YN56BGV, which is employed on David Urquhart tour work.

15/08/07 - Steven Hodgson has noted new Mercedes Vario / Plaxton Cheetah YN07VBG with **Weardale, Stanhope**. Reports that older sister NK06FKF has been sold to an operator in Ireland, while Scania / Irizar YN06CCF are also sold.

North West

Bennetts of Warrington: Noted at the depot in mid August was JSU506 still in Greyhound colours along with Metrobus D925NDA.

Blackpool Transport: The Olympians purchased from Transdev are OFS684Y, A703YFS, A704YFS, A719YFS, A720YFS, Y721YFS and D367JJD Fleetnumbers are expected to be 411-417

Halton Transport: Enviro 200 demonstrator SN56AXJ has been in use of late

Manchester Airport: Mercedes Benz demonstrator BU53ZVV has seen use on staff shuttles recently.

Prestonbus: Several buses have been hired in during August Dart/MCV's 230 (PL06TFZ), 231 (PL06TGE), Scania Omnicity 232 (YN07LFU), Dennis Dart/Pointer 2s 233 (T417MNH) 234 (S310TMB), Volvo B7RLE/Wright Eclipse 235 (BX07AZJ) and Enviro 200 236 (SN56AYB)

South Lancs Travel: Quite a bit of fleet news to catch up on here former acquired form Henderson (Hamilton) is Solo M950 YN04LWZ re-reg'd on arrival as K70SLT. Northern Wright Handybus Darts J627, 635 and 638KCU have been sold. Also leaving the fleet are Dart SLFs 8 (MM51YCB ex M88SLT) and 9 (MM51XVB ex M99SLT). M88SLT now sitting on X882OBA with X883OBA now M99SLT. A second hand Volvo B7TL is due shortly along with 2 more Solos from Henderson

Warrington BoroughTransport: The missing regs for the Darts are 67 (DK07FWH), 68 (DK07FWJ) and 77 (DK07FWL).

Scotland

Fishers Tours (Aberdeen) – A fresh vehicle here is Volvo B12 with Plaxton Paragon bodywork FT03CDS.

Goosecroft Coaches – A fresh vehicle here is Mercedes709D with Plaxton bodywork P216JKL.

Irvings of Law – A fresh vehicle noted here is Volvo B10M with Plaxton Premiere bodywork is P11RVN.

McKindless – Former Roadcar Volvo B6 N324JTL is in service here.

Mitchels of Plean - Correction to last months magazine vehicle FN06AFK seen operating around Falkirk, should have said seen operating around Stirling.

Munro (Jedburgh): Currently for sale are MPDs T549HNH and SK51AYC along with 10.7M Dart S200CBC

South West

New

Bakers Dolphin – **WA07KYB** fleet No. 67 Volvo B12BT Van Hool C79F

L'Anson Westbury Wilts (Chandlers)

FT07 CCT Volvo 9700 Prestige plus C46FT (first triaxle Prestige Plus in the country)

WA53 FDM has gone in part exchange

In

Aston West Pennard

HF53 GVK Ayats A2E C53FT ex Sea View, Poole

Durbin Patchway (South Gloucester Bus & Coach)

YJ03 PGX/PGY/PGZ/PKK/PNN DAF/Van Hool T9 in National Express Airport livery ex Go West Midlands. The two Scania/Van Hool's reported last month were only loans and have gone.

Flights-Hallmark, Patchway

Back from Birmingham are Olympian R368 DJN and Dart V899 DNB.

More second hand Dennis Dart/Plaxton's to arrive are Y972 GPN, Y482 TSU, SN04 EFJ and SN04 EGD.

Thamesdown, Swindon

A batch of ex Lothian Olympian/Alexander's have arrived to replace the ex Bournemouth Daimler Fleetlines.

301 – L954 MSC, 302 – L957 MSC, 303 – L966 MSC, 304 – L967 MSC, 305 – L968 MSC, 306 – L980 MSC

ACL Travel, Hewish – RLZ7378 (M201DRG) Dennis Lance has had engine problems, so **RLZ7361** Mercedes Benz RB has been substituting on the 01 to Bristol.

Country Bus, Newton Abbott, have acquired a MB 810 bus, registration number P706 PWC **Trathens Plymouth**, have received several new double deck coaches, some have 07 year plates and some have cherished plates. One of these is KSK 981 registered in 08 07.

Wales

Tanat Valley: Two former Chesterbus Olympians now here are F209/210JMB.

Clynnog & Trefor: Bristol VRs WGT351T and WGT367T have both been sold for scrap along with Metrorider H175RBO.

Company News

Southdown PSV Vehicle News. Thanks to Steve Swain

- Daf President T139 AUA is currently on hire to Anglian Coaches, Beccles on behalf of Scania UK.
- Dart East Lancs P353 EAU / Dart Plaxtons V387/V388 SVV all sold to Rotala PLC for use in Birmingham I think.
- In partnership with Wealden PSV we have been successful in purchasing a large batch of Volvo Olympian Alexander's from Dublin Bus they are now starting to drift into the UK there has been a delay due to the new deckers not being ready for Dublin. 6 of the Volvos have been sold to Heddingham Omnibuses.
- Scania N94 East Lancs Omnidekka SN04 CPE is in stock awaiting sale this is an unusual bus as it is a convertible open top, currently the roof is on, it takes half a day to remove the roof & fit the safety rails.
- Dart Caetano's T421/T432 LGP both here awaiting sale - 421 may be used operationally once the Schools go back as an Engineering spare.
- Dart Plaxtons P285/P287 MLD ex Far East Travel here awaiting sale.
- Deckers into sales stock are Olympian ECW D255 FYM ex Flights. Olympian N Counties G508/G509 SFT ex Rotala. LUI 9693/9694/9695 Dennis Dominators East Lancs (ex Weavaway) that have 80 seats + seat belts.

- We are completely changing our website the new site should be ready by the end of the month at www.southdownpsv.co.uk

The Arriva takeover of Stagecoach operations in Darlington has been cleared by the OFT and operations transferred on Sunday August 26th, Arriva is to move its 65 bus operation up to the Stagecoach depot Faverdale, vacating its town centre garage. Also from that date each company's rover tickets will be valid on the others buses pending integration of the two networks,

British Citybus Ltd The parent company of East Lancashire Coachbuilders entered administration on August 17th, Its assets, with that of sister company North West Bus and Coach Repairs have been acquired by a new company, The Darwen Group, whose principal shareholder Roy Stanley is

chairman of the Tanfield Group which owns Smiths Electric Vehicles amongst others. All 360 employees have been told jobs are safe, but a new management team is being put in place.

Transdev has expanded further in Lancashire following its acquisition of the Travelspeed Group encompassing Northern Blue and Accrington Transport with a fleet of some sixty vehicles. Both operations will for the time being operate as separate units.

Megabus.com have announced that from October 1st following an agreement with TfL services will be making use of Victoria Coach Station using a set of adjacent stands for departures, and tickets will be available for purchase from the VCS ticket office. New services are also being added.

National Express Group operations in Surrey based on the Byfleet depot are being rebranded as Travel Surrey from September 1st, with an official unveiling at Thorpe Park on the 4th with newly refurbished vehicles in 426/446 branding.

Arriva Midlands are revising its services in former Midland Red North area refurbishing 66 vehicles that make up the West Midlands fleet and rebranding the revised network as Chase Linx.

National Express (Bus Datafile no. 12)

General

The news that Megabus is to move its London base to Victoria Coach Station, combined with changes of certain Trains franchises, is likely to lead to changes on some NX routes in the winter. In the meantime, one operator has come & another gone, details below.

Arriva the Shires

New to NX work, Arriva operate service MK1 (Milton Keynes – Canary wharf) which commenced on 30 July using Scania K340EB4/Caetano Levante C49FTL FJ07TKA. From 20 August, they took over service 455 from First Coaches, which has a requirement for a further 3 Coaches.

Bebb (Veolia Birmingham)

Former National Express owned Operations NXL26/7 entered service at Birmingham during August, leaving NXL28/9/32 with National Express.

Dunn-Line, Nottingham

T39CNN (Volvo B10M-62/Plaxton Excalibur C49FT) has returned to service after being on loan at Bebb. Former Parks of Hamilton SJ04KFA (Volvo B12M/Jonckheere Mistral 50, previously registered LSK876) has been on loan from Volvo Coach Sales, Nottingham. It is all over white, with a small 'National Express operated by Veolia Transport' sticker on the front.

Go Wilts & Dorset

T217REL was noted on the 17th, now carrying fleet number 9217.

Haytons, Burnage

From 20 August, have taken over the two diagrams on route 060 previously operated by Swans Travel. This brings two further Scania K340EB4/Caetano Levante C49FTL to the company.

National Express owned Operations.

Confirmed Tri-axle Scania K340EB6/Caetano Levante C61FTL so far are SC3-15, FJ07DVH/L/K/M/N/O/P/R, FN07BYV/W/X/Z/ZA.

Parks, Hamilton

SF07ORZ/SA-G (Volvo B12B(T)/Berkhof Axial 100 CH65/18DTL) are with this company. SF07OSG is the only one confirmed in National Express livery, 'ORZ is reported but unconfirmed. These mainly see use on Trathens duties.

Swans Travel

Ceased their NX duties on route 060 after 19 August.

Ensignbus (dealer)

From Arriva London: L515/7/20/21/38/51/54.

From Metroline: DMS1/2/3/4/5/6/7/8/9/12 AV2/3/23/29/35.

From East Yorkshire: Olympians E848/9/50/3/4/5DPN N597BRH Atlanteans VFT 189T AVK 177V

From Stagecoach E Midlands: Scania's J273/5/6/7/8/9/81/2/4/6UWO Olympians K360/1DWJ Metrobuses POG514/80Y NOA438X.

From Stagecoach Devon: Olympian A543HAC Volvo D10M's F304/8MYJ.

From Lothian Buses: Olympians J836/7/8/9TSC L956/72/82MSC.

From Brighton and Hove: Scania N759OAP.
From A2Z Travel: Olympian C611LFT.
From EMI Records: RML2542.
From Bear Buses: Olympian G648EVV.
From Hitmania: RML2361/2570
From Waltham Forest College: DMS(the original)1988.
VEHICLES OUT.
RT3775: The Bluebell Railway, Kent.
RM1348: The Car Company, East Grinstead.
RML2542 and RML2570: South East Coachworks, Faversham.
RML2744: Auto-Paaske, Copenhagen, Denmark.
L152: S and M, Benfleet, Essex.
L538: MASH Direct, Comber, Co Down, N Ireland.
L547: Halifax Joint Committee.
AV23: Chambers, Bures, Suffolk.
DMS1/2/3/12: A2Z Travel, Walsall.
Olympian BPF131Y: Ctherine Best, St Martin, Guernsey.
Olympian A71GEE: Thames Valley Police Firearms Unit.
Olympians E501LFL E159OMD C611LFT and Metrobus NOA432X: McKindless, Wishaw.
Olympians E848/9/50/3/4/5DPN: Shamrock Coaches, Bournemouth.
Olympians F510/1NJE and Darts R706/8MEW: Carousel Buses, High Wycombe.
Olympian F512NJE: Generation Travel, Guisborough, Cleveland.
Olympian G516VBB: Liverpool City Coaches.
Olympian J838TSC: Heddingham Omnibuses, Essex.
Olympians L213/4/7TWM and L201SKD: Dunn-Line, Nottingham.
Olympians L205/7SKD: Geldards Coaches, Leeds.
Olympian L971MSC: Peoples Bus, Liverpool.
Olympian R369DJN: Banbury and District Community Bus Project.
Olympians R920WOE and R944YOV: Finch's Coaches, Wigan.
Dublin Olympian 91-D-1073 now H718PVW with Billy Davies Coaches, Glasgow.
Dublin Olympians 91-D-10105 and 91-D-10109 now H721PVW and J820CEV with Trustline, Herts.
Dublin Olympians 91-D-10106/8 now J830/29CEV with Halifax Joint Committee.
Dublin Olympian 92-D-144 now J803CEV with Cambridge City Council.
Dublin Olympians 92-D-150/2 93-D-10173: Dunn-Line, Nottingham (UK Reg TBA)
Dublin Olympians 93-D-10169, 91-D-10120 and 92-D-143 now L905SNO, J828CEV and J823CEV
93-D-10162 now L899SNO 92-D-145 (Reg no's TBA) with Dunn-Line, Nottingham.
Dublin Olympian 91-D-10125: Philip McGuire, Dublin for preservation.
Metrobus B58WUL: Scenic Suncruisers, Scarborough.
Dominator F76TFU: Golden Eagle Coaches, Glasgow.
Scania H243LOM: NIBS, Wickford, Essex.
Scania N759OAP: Hunters Coaches, Leeds.
Iveco L957JGS: South East Coachworks, Faversham.
Merc 709 N977NAP: Crown PSV, Benfleet, Essex.
Merc 709 N353AVV, Olympians R919WOE S135RLH: Herberts Coaches, Shefford, Beds.
Dart R177VLA, M1103 and B6 L243CCK: PVS for scrap.
Delta J207VHN: PVS for scrap.
DAF M763RCP: Geldards Coaches, Leeds.

Preservation News

Preservation News & Events

Events:

Truckfest: 15/16th Sept - North West (25th Anniversary year) Haydock Park Racecourse
Introduction to Preservation: 15/16th Sept – Alton Road Paddocks (off B3046 Farleigh Road)
Amberley Working Museum: 16th Sept – Amberley Bus Show
FEF Showbus International: 16th Sept – Duxford, Cambs
West Country Historic Bus: 16th Sept – Westpoint Showground, Clyst St Marys
Trolleybus Museum: 22/23rd Sept – Sandtoft
Museum of Transport: 6/7th Oct – Manchester
Transport Museum: 7th Oct – Ipswich, 11th come and ride on our buses event
Wirral Bus & Tram Show: 7th Oct – Birkenhead free bus rides around the local area
South Yorkshire Transport Museum Special Open Day: 14th Oct – Rotherham (new venue)
Isle of Wight Bus Museum Running Day: 14th Oct – Newport, Isle of Wight
Oxford bus Museum Rally: 14th Oct – Oxford
Buses Birthday Bash at the Transport Museum: 14th Oct – Birmingham
Vintage Vehicle Trust Open Day: 14th Oct – Bridgeton Bus Garage, Forsnuek Street, Glasgow
3rd Yorkshire Dales Vintage Bus Running Day: 14th Oct – Skipton/Bolton Abbey
End of Season Transport Gala: 14th Oct – Nottingham Transport Heritage Centre, Ruddington
Museum of Transport: 20/21st Oct – Manchester PD2 day
Aston Manor Transport Museum, Birmingham Standard 30th Anniv. 21st Oct – Birmingham
Tramway Museum, Starlight Halloween: 27th Oct – Critch
North West Museum of Transport, Nocturnal Running Day: 28th Oct – St Helens
Lancastrian Trust Open Day: 28th Oct – Blackpool

Sometimes the above rallies can be cancelled at short notice – so please check before hand, as you do not want a wasted journey

Rossendale Transport - Bus Depot Open Day & Bus Rally, Saturday 28th July 2007 - Alan Hayward

The Open Day and Bus Rally were set up to celebrate the 100 years of municipally owned public transport in the Rossendale area.

Vehicles in attendance –

Commemorative Vehicles

S563DGX 1998 Volvo Olympian - Northern Counties bodywork (fleet number 23) – purchased in 2004

S564DGX 1998 Volvo Olympian – Northern Counties bodywork (fleet number 24) – purchased in 2004

F263YTJ 1989 Olympian built on earlier Leyland Olympian Chassis (fleet number 163)

P235VCK Volvo Olympian of Stagecoach in Lancashire (fleet number 16635)

L306PWR Early Volvo Olympian – now owned by First West Yorkshire

Preserved Rossendale Vehicles

DTJ58 1939 Leyland Tiger TS8 (fleet number 50)

MTB848 1950 Leyland Tiger PS2 with East Lancashire bodywork (fleet number 55)

466FTJ 1958 Leyland Tiger Cub (fleet number 58)

192OTB 1960 Leyland Titan PD2 (original fleet number was 14 renumbered at a later date to 44)

Later on this vehicle became a training bus

Preserved Buses Associated With Rossendale

TTD386H 1969 Leyland Titan PD3 (this vehicle was one of the last traditional front engined double deckers to enter service)

NCK338J 1971 Bristol RE with Eastern Counties bodywork (fleet number 338)

NNC855P AEC Reliance with Duple bodywork. This vehicle would have been on the regular X79 service and still operates on the seasonal service X64 today

SND460X Leyland Atlantean with Northern Counties Bodywork

RN8622 1939 Leyland Titan TD5 the vehicle was rebodied by Alexander in 1949

West Somerset Railway Steam Fayre and Vintage Bus Rally, Saturday 4th August 2007

- **Barry Harper**

The Steam Fayre was cancelled, but the following Vintage Buses were running from W.S.R. Railway Station to Taunton Bus & Rail Stations

DPV65D (Ipswich) AEC Neepsend, **LJH665** (Lee of Barnet) Dennis Duple, **GNU750** (Blue Bus Services) Daimler Willowbrook, **CCX777** (P.M.T. - Browns Tunstall) Daimler Duple Utility, **572CNW** (Huddersfield) Daimler Roe, **GNH258F** (Northampton) Daimler CVG6 Roe, **HJA965E** (Stockport) Leyland Neepsend, **KFM893** (Crosville) Bristol ECW

Also at W.S.R Rail Station – First Group Buses on services 4 & 28

66166, 66178, 66174, 66172, 66173, 66603, 46197, 66171 - Plus Stagecoach Cooks **KP512UFE**.

Spotted at Taunton Station **JFM572** (Crosville) AEC Regent ECW

Sunday 5th August 2007 visit to the Gloucester Steam and Vintage Extravaganza at Kemble Airfield.

Highlight of the show being a gathering of Bedford OB Coaches – Peter E. Weller

AJT 176, ATS 689, EAJ 679, LDV 483, KNN 314, LTA 904, LTA 750, ETL 221, KPW 986, KEL 94, JAB 867, MYB 33, MFM 39, GWV 101, FFX 458, LDF 833.

Other buses and coaches mainly preserved were:

536 JHU, 675 COD, 756 KFC, 924 AHY, 969 EHW, CVF 842, CVP 207, ETT 956, JDL 760, JXN 325, JVC 855, KDD 38, KHA 301, LHT 911, OHY 938, OVL 473, TWL 928, UDL 454, UHY 362, XEL 405, JC 9735, AAX 466A, BKG 713B, HHK 369B, BHU 92C, CUV 352C, FEL 75 ID, OWC 182D, OAX 9F, WHW 374H, YHT 802J, GHY 135K, XFU 484K, FDG 468L, JMW 168P, LTG 798P, NDP 31R, SDD 146R, PWS 492S, BJU 13T, XAN 43 IT, EWS 753W, GTX 761W, CLJ 413Y, CWR 512Y, A954 SAE, D5 CTB, E48 TYG, M580 RCP, MX56 ABO

Ashton Court Balloon Festival 9/12th August 2007 – Steve Jenner

JJD559D AEC Routemaster - *Now a Mobile Bar for Pimms No. 1*

B782FOG Leyland Olympian – *Now a First Direct Hospitality Bus*

H261MFX Dennis Dominator - *Advertising High School Musical*

Bristol Vintage Bus Group Open Day (Flowers Hill) and Rally (Park & Ride) 12th August 2007

- **Steve Jenner** (A similar report was also submitted by Ray Wilson)

LHT911 Bristol (Bristol), **GHT127** Bristol (Brighton & Hove), **LHY976** Bristol (Bristol)

JMA413L Bristol (North Western), **EWS748W** Bristol (Stroud Valleys), **A954SAE** Leyland (Bristol)

VDV1215 Bristol (Western National), **UHY384** Bristol (Bristol), **OHY938** Bristol (Bath Services)

NHU2 Bristol (Bristol), **969EHW** Bristol (Bath Services), **UHY360** Bristol (Bristol), **AFJ766T** Bristol

(Southern National), **OTA632G** Bristol (Royal Blue), **FHU59D** Bristol (Bristol),

MHU193 Bedford (Bristol), **675COD** Bristol (Western National), **MRL765** Austin (P.A. Davey, East

Hunts Hill), **889AAX** Leyland (Jones Aberbeeg), **EDW68D** Leyland (Newport Transport), **REU326S**

Bristol (Bristol) **LTG798P** Leyland (Rhymney Valley), **D5CTB** Leyland (Hong Kong Citibus),

KED546F Leyland (Warrington), **EWS751W** Bristol (Stagecoach Stroud), **DAE511K** Bristol

(Badgerline), **WHW374H** Bristol (Bristol), **KHW309E** Bristol (Cheltenham District), **PDW484**

Leyland (Newport Transport), **1RDV** AEC (Grey – Cars), **759MDV** Bristol (Royal Blue), **A680KDV**

Leyland (*Devon General*), **A747DWP** ? (*Tantivy Blue*), **DNY534V** Leyland (*Islwyn B.T.*), **KHA301** BMMO (*Midland Red*), **LAX101E** Bristol (*Red & White*), **OAX9F** Bristol (*Red & White*), **929AHY** Bristol (*Bristol*), **GEU371N** Leyland (*Bristol*), **CYD724C** AEC (*Hutchings, Cornelius*), **CLJ413Y** Bristol (*Bere Regis*), **OTT98** Bristol (*Royal Blue*), **536JHU** Bristol (*Bristol*), **NDP31R** Bristol (*Direct Communications*), **GOH357N** Leyland (*Midland Red*), **JMW168P** Bristol (*Thamesdown*), **KEL405** Bristol (*Hants & Dorset*) **OLG855** Foden (*Foden Motor Works Band*), **LEU269P** Bristol (*Bath Tours*), **LTA729** Bristol (*Royal Blue*), **XDL122L** Bristol (*NX Southern Vectis*), **625DDV** Bristol (*Royal Blue*), **KPM91E** Bristol (*Brighton & Hove*), **GHY135K** Bristol (*Cheltenham District*), **LTA772** Bristol (*Southern National*), **PWS492S** Leyland (*Badgerline*), **EWS753W** Bristol (*Badgerline*), **OTT43** Bristol (*Royal Blue*), **CCG704C** Bedford (*King Alfred*), **ETT956** Bristol (*Southern National*), **CVF842** Bristol (*Southern National*), **EMW284** Bristol (*Wilts & Dorset*), **LAE13** Leyland (*Bristol*), **AHU803** Bristol (*Bristol*), **YHY80** Bristol (*Under Restoration*), **GHT154** Bristol (*Bristol Tramways*), **924AHY** Bristol (*Bristol*), **AFM103G** Bristol (*Bristol Greyhound*), **363CLT** AEC (*London Transport*), **FTT704** Bristol (*Western National*), **JEH198K** Bristol (*Potteries*), **YHT802J** Bristol (*Bristol*), **BHU92C** Bristol (*Bristol Greyhound*), **WTH961T** Bristol (*Under Restoration*), **890ADV** AEC (*Grey Cars*), **154FCY** AEC (*South Wales*), **SWO986** Bristol (*Red & White*)

Other Vehicles Attending:

LFJ873W Bristol (*First Devon & Cornwall*), **NML657E** AEC (*Stagecoach North West*), **XAN431T** Bristol (*Simmons, Cromhall, Glos*), **OAE954M** Bristol (*A - Bus*), **J814NKK** Leyland (*A - Bus*), **R222AJP** DAF (*A - Bus*), **EWS739W** Bristol (*A - Bus*), **N585EKR** Mercedes Benz (*Henleys, Abertillery*), **MX56ABO** Optare (*Veolia Bebb Travel*), **AFJ697T** Bristol (*First Devon & Cornwall*), **RNE692W** Bedford (*Terry Jones (Vista) Yatton*)

During the Rally A - Bus ran one special service using VRT EWS739W to their Yards & Depots. The following were seen:

Kingsland Road Compound & Yard

P812REX, P811REX, D101GHY, N2ECT, SMK698F, K941OPX, R456KKX, M3ECT, G120HNP, F611RTC, H615YTC, G146HNP, F617RTC, DWF195V M201VWU, P31UR, RBO506Y, F623RTC, S111AJP, F854YJX, RBO508Y, BU54AJP, B899UAS, B893UAS, B360LSO, B896UAS, AP53BUS, XHK221X, M775XHW, B892UAS, XHK222X, P88ECT, E752YDY, D104GHY, D112GHY, J857FTC, P701PWC, SRJ756R, M248NNF, H914WYB, P815REX, P806REX, P705PWC, R482EDW, K873NEU, M256VWU, P702PWC, M254VWU, S415GUB, P693HND,

Freestone Road Depot – Yard next door locked (nobody had keys)

AP04BUS, V444AJP, S221LGA, K159PGO, P814REX, S333AJP (*Ex S520RWP*), AP03BUS, AP03BUZ, M860RNM, P811REX (*To be re registered*),
1x Dennis Javelin WS Ex MOD (No registration yet)

Cwmbargoed Road Run 8th July 2007 – Ray Wilson

GOU732 Tilling Stevens, **BHU92C** Bristol, **PWO87Y** Leopard, **LTG798P** Leopard, **JTH756P** National, **154FCY** Regent, **WTH961T** VRT, **DHW351W** VRT, **DNY534Y** Leopard, **LTX311** Leyland, **LAX101E** Bristol, **SDD146R** Leopard, **NCY626** Reliance, **TAX235** Lodekka, **SWO986** Bristol, **BKG713B** Renown, **L51CNY** Volvo (*In Red & White Livery*), **AE55EHO** Man (*Veolio*)

Plymouth Bus & Coach Rally at Plymouth Hoe 22nd July 2007 - Ray Wilson

314PFM Bristol, **MSJ499** Atlantean, **H262MFX** Dominator, **TTT171X** Atlantean, **VDV122S** VRT, **AFJ760T** VRT, **TOU74J** Reliance, **KTT42P**, Bristol, **TDV217J** Panther, **KJD413P** Bristol, **HTA844N** National, **SDD146R** Leopard, **KAD359V** Leopard, **NRL101F** Bedford, **BDV318L** Bristol, **336EDV** Bristol, **AFH186T** Leopard, **MCO358** Titan, **WA06JFV** Mercedes Benz, **VDV137S** VRT, **A686KDV** Olympian, **FDV803V** Leopard, **OTA632G** Bristol, **VDV141S** VRT, **AFJ706T** VRT, **LFJ873W** VRT, **KIW3766** DAF, **DAE511K** Bristol, **A680KDV** Olympian, **824KDV** Bristol, **JG9938** Tiger, **UUO198** Bedford, **VCD984** Bedford, **OTA290G** VRT, **STK131T** Atlantean, **DDR201C**

Atlantean, **C526FFJ** Transit, **JJD390D** RML, **JJD374D** RML, **PWS492** Leopard, **KGK529** Leyland, **M580RCF** DAF, HDV626E Bristol,

Vehicles Displayed by First Group

30001, 32515, 32759, 32763, 32767, 33411, 33417, 34710, 38847, 38873, 39901, 42477, 42495, 42969, 46420, 53007 68556

Gloucestershire Steam & Transport Extravaganza, Kemble Airfield, 5th August 2007

– **Ray Wilson**

CVP 207 Daimler, **ETT956** Bristol, **CVF842** Bristol, **JXN325** Regent, **KHA301** BMMO, **LHT911** Bristol, **JC9735** Guy, **TWL928** Regent, **JDL760** Bristol, **UHY362** Bristol, **UDL454** Bedford, **969EHW** Bristol, **756KFC** Reliance, **OVL473** Bristol, **675COD** Bristol, **536JHU** Bristol, **BKG713B** Renown, **HHK369B** Bedford, **CUV352C** RML, **FEL751D** Bristol, **OWC182D** Bristol, **OAX9F** Bristol, **WHW374H** Bristol, **YHT802J** Bristol, **XFU484K** Ford, **GHY135K** Bristol, **FDG468L** Reliance, **JMN168P** Bristol, **NDP31R** VRT, **BJU31T** Bedford, **GTX761W** Bristol, **EWS753W** VRT, **AAX466A** Tiger, **CLJ4137** Bristol, **A954SAE** Olympian, **D5CTB** Olympian, **E48TYG** DAF, **JYC855** Tiger, **KEL405** Bristol, **924AHY** Bristol, **LTG798P** Leopard, **PWS452S** Leopard, **XAN431T** VRT, **CWR512Y** Olympian, **M580RCP** DAF, **FFX458** Bedford

Bedford OB Gathering – Ray Wilson

AJT176, ATS689, LDV483, KNN319, LTA904, LTA750, ETL221, KPW986, KEL94, JAB867, MYB33, MFM39, GWV101, LDF833

Leighton-Buzzard Bus Rally, the following were sighted – Michael Hayman

RML 2508, 2586, 2544, 2334, 2412, 2573, 2515, 2376, 2740, 1174, 2391, 2464, 2393, 2394, **RM** 9, 835, 158, 506, 1069, 1033, 903, 848 **RMC** 1476 **RMA** 1 **RT** 2291, 4317, 527, **RF**469 527, 3496, 467, 1396, 3871 **RF** 457, **SLT** 59 **RCL** 2233 **RM** 1699

Observations

Rhyl 22 August:

Arriva Cymru depot: 846, 1119, 3975.

Bus Station. Arriva Cymru 831, 1118/28/33, 1265/88, 1342, 2300/49/52/3, 2644/8/51/2/4-6/8/61, 3976/7/9/84/7. G.H.A. M206SKE. Lloyd, Bagillt YJ54BTX.

Sea front: Challinor, Stoke PJI5628 (DAF/Van Hool T8), Coliseum, Southampton MFX778 (Neoplan N316), Voel, Dyserth B851AOP.

Worhs Motor Services, Enstone depot visit on 10th JULY 2007 Peter Weller

DCZ 2322, WJI 2322, 774 YPG, SKG 406Y, W5 WMS, Y4 WMS, TW53 WMS, all Volvo's CUD 220Y Leyland Olympian. WM55 BUS and LUD 606 Bedford SBG awaiting restoration all other vehicles were out on tour.

Alexander Dennis Factory, Falkirk Arthur Moore

10th July 2007

Dublin Bus

07-D-30001 07-D-30002 07-D-30004 07-D-30011

31st July 2007

Dublin Bus

07-D-30012 07-D-30015 07-D-30016 07-D-30018

Hackney Community Transport (ALX 200)

No plates on vehicle

Stagecoach Cambus

AE07KZD

AE07KZM

AE07KZN

7th August 2007

Dublin Bus

07-D-30019

07-D-30021

14th August 2007

Dublin Bus

07-D-30017

Stagecoach Cambus

AE07KZO

AE07KZS

Unplated Arriva livered ALX 200

21st August 2007

Arriva

GN57BOF

GN57BOH

GN57NOJ

1637 GN57HNX

1638 GN57BMY

Dublin Bus

07-D-30028

07-D-30029

Stagecoach Busways

19162 NK07HBO

19163 NK07HBP

28th August 2007

Arriva

1641 GN57BOH

1647 GN57BOJ

Blue Triangle

SM57DWJ

Dublin Bus

07-D-30031

07-D-30033

07-D-30036

07-D-30037

07-D-30038

07-D-30041

Stagecoach Manchester

MX07HNF

MX07HNG

MX07HNH

MX07HNJ

Stagecoach

SV57BFP

Demonstrator

SM57DWL

Unplated Headingham ALX200.

Garage Visits

PLEASE REMEMBER PERMISSION MUST BE OBTAINED BEFORE ENETERING ANY BUS GARAGE

Monday 6th August Conyongham Road (Dublin Bus) Anthony Walton

AV 41, 97, 98, 99, 101, 102, 103, 227, 290, 293, 294, 296, 305,
339, 351, 352, 353, 355, 356, 357, 358, 362, 394, 398, 399,
400, 401, 403, 404, 405, 406, 408, 409, 410, 411

AX 517, 520, 521, 524

RA 163, 227, 308, 311, 313, 312

RH 180

RV 310, 331, 336, 337, 338, 344, 346, 348, 349, 390, 391, 392, 393, 395, 396, 399, 469, 517,
518, 520, 610

Monday 6th August Donnybrook (Dublin Bus) Anthony Walton

AV 1, 71, 72, 73, 74, 77, 78, 79, 80, 82, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 131, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138,
150, 151, 203, 256, 257, 260, 261, 262, 323, 327, 329, 390, 392

AX 450, 451, 453, 457, 462, 463, 464, 467, 468, 526, 527, 528, 530, 531, 536, 538, 539, 540

ME 22

RA 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 261, 262, 263, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 326, 328, 330, 342, 485
 RH 2, 11, 21, 88
 RV 327, 329, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 458, 459, 460, 483, 486, 487, 490, 491, 493, 494, 496, 527, 569, 576, 577, 580, 581, 582, 583
 VL 2, 4, 5
 VT 4, 5, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20
 WV 8, 13, 14, 15, 16, 21
Wednesday 8th August Dundalk Garage (Bus Eireann) Anthony Walton
 AD 49, 52, 54, 57, 61, 62, 64, 70
 DWR 003, 007
 KCS 140, 183
 KR 22, 23, 25, 28, 29, 30, 34, 36, 37, 38, 39, 52, 45, 97, 141, 154, 158, 221, 222
 LS 74, 129
 OP 1, 6, 9, 12, 13, 18, 19, 20, 22, 28
 PD 7, 9
 PE 22
 PL 94, 98, 80, 91, 92, 97, 115
 SC 3
 SI 49, 101
 VA 7
 VC 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 17, 19
 VR 19, 20, 105, 108, 120
 VS 23, 24, 176, 284

Fleet Profile

The Kings Ferry

FLEET NO.	REGISTRATION	CHASSIS	CHASSIS NUMBER	BODY	SEATS
V.I.P.					
VIP-2	V2 PKF	Scania		Irizar PB	34
VIP-3	V1 PKF	Neoplan	WAG205162YSS29088	Starliner	32
VIP-4	V4 PKF	Scania	*0552081	Irizar PB	32
VIP-5	V5 PKF	Scania K114	YS2K6X20001846968	Irizar PB	34
VIP-6	YN05 HAE	Scania		Irizar PB	52
VIP-7	V11 PKF	Scania	YS2K6X20001849463	Irizar PB	35

LAND YACHTS

LY1	Y1 CHT	Mercedes	WDB6703742N109580	Medio	19
LY2	Y20 CHT	Mercedes	WDB6703742N103834	Medio	19
LY3	Y30 CHT	Mercedes	WDB6703742N103890	Medio	19
LY4	Y10 CHT	Optare	SAB21000000000431	Alero	12
LY5	Y50 CHT	Optare	SAB21000000000432	Alero	12



1.4	YX05 AVN	Mercedes 413 Cdi	R697475	Ferqui Soroco	16
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1.5	YX05 AVO	Mercedes 413 Cdi	R722054	Ferqui Soroco	16
1.6	YX05 AVP	Mercedes 413 Cdi	R767505	Ferqui Soroco	16
B3	GN07 FDE	Dennis	SFD321AR16GY10109	Alexander Dennis	38
B4	GN07 FDF	Dennis	SFD321AR16GY10110	Alexander Dennis	38
2.1	FN02 VBD	Iveco CC80 E18 MP	SBCA80D0002351688	Indcar Maxim II	29
2.2	FN02 VBE	Iveco CC80 E18 MP	SBCA80D0002351685	Indcar Maxim II	29
3.1	W558RYC	Daf	XL9AA16CGY8003352	Bova Futura	37
3.2	A18 TKF	Scania	1830999	Irizar	38
B8	YP52 CUU	Scania	1839392	Castrosua Carsa	34
4.8	GN51 WCA	Scania K124	1836428	Vanhool Alizee T9	49
4.15	A17 TKF	Scania L94 310BHP	1832736	Vanhool Alizee T9	49
4.16	A19 TKF	Scania L94 310BHP	1832733	Vanhool Alizee T9	49
4.17	A16 TKF	Scania L94 310BHP	1833550	Vanhool Alizee T9	49
4.19	H5 KFC	Scania L94	1835767	Vanhool Alizee T9	49
4.20	H6 KFC	Scania L94	1835738	Vanhool Alizee T9	49
4.21	A4 TKF	Setra 250 Special	VKK13400001015101	Setra	48
4.22	A6 TKF	Setra 250 Special	WKK13400001015090	Setra	48
4.23	K8KFC	Scania L94 IB 4x2	1836055	Irizar Century	49
4.24	A8 TKF	Scania L94 IB	1828852	Vanhool Alizee T9	49
4.25	H7 TKF	Scania L94 IB 310BHP	1832796	Vanhool Alizee T9	49
4.26	J6 TKF	Scania L94 IB 4x2	1836444	Irizar Century	49
4.32	YN07 DZH	Man	WMAR33ZZ56C007070	Noge Catalan Star 350	51
4.33	YN07 DZJ	Man	WMAR33ZZ56C006999	Noge Catalan Star 350	51
4.34	YN07 DZK	Man	WMAR33ZZ66C007000	Noge Catalan Star 350	51
4.35	YN07 ECE	Man	WMAR33ZZ46C006833	Noge Catalan Star 350	51
4.36	YN07 DZS	Man	WMAR33ZZ16C006790	Noge Catalan Star 350	51
4.37	YN07 DZT	Man	WMAR33ZZ96C006844	Noge Catalan Star 350	51
4.38	YN07 DZP	Man	WMAR33ZZ45C006393	Noge Catalan Star 350	51
4.39	YN07 DZR	Man	WMAR33ZZ36C006841	Noge Catalan Star 350	51
5.16	FJ53 KZF	Volvo B7R	YV3R6G71X3A005901	Sunsundegui	53
5.17	FD54 DHL	Volvo B7R	YV3R6G8104A010105	Sunsundegui	53
5.18	FD54 DHM	Volvo B7R	YV3R6G8124A010106	Sunsundegui	53
5.19	FJ05 ANV	Volvo B7R	YV3R6G8225A102813	Sunsundegui	53
5.20	FJ05 AOD	Volvo B7R	YV3R6G7275A102839	Sunsundegui	53
5.21	YN07 DZM	Man	WMAR33ZZ86C007001	Noge Catalan Star 350	53
5.22	YN07 DZO	Man	WMAR33ZZ06C006992	Noge Catalan Star 350	53
6.1	BV55 FPL	Setra S146 GTHD	WKK63213423100875	Setra	53
6.2	BV55 FPN	Setra S146 GTHD	WKK63213423100966	Setra	53
6.3	YN06 NYF	Scania K114 EB	Y52K4X20001853989	Berkhof Axial 50	53
6.4	YN06 NYG	Scania K114 EB	Y52K4X20001854031	Berkhof Axial 50	53
6.5	YN06 NYH	Scania K114 EB	Y52K4X20001854029	Berkhof Axial 50	53
6.6	YN07 KKC	Scania K380 EB6X2	1855653	Irizar Century	56
6.7	YN07 LKD	Scania K380 EB6X2		Irizar Century	56
7.1	GJ52 OMZ	Scania K114 EB6X2	1843458	Berkhof Axial 100	74
7.2	YR52 VFE	Scania K114 EB6X2	1843467	Berkhof Axial 100	74
7.3	GN03 TYB	Scania K114 EB6X2	1843375	Berkhof Axial 100	74
7.4	GJ52 MUV	Scania K114 EB6X2	1843328	Berkhof Axial 100	74
7.5	GJ02 JLL	Scania K114 EB6X2	1841754	Berkhof Axial 100	74

7.6	GJ02 LUZ	Scania K114 EB6X2	1841757	Berkhof Axial 100	74
B10	V4 BLU	Scania N113	1833210	East Lancs Citizen	78



4.13	A14 TKF	Mercedes Benz 0404	61813521092446	Hispano Vita	49
4.14	A15 TKF	Mercedes Benz 0404	61813521088737	Hispano Vita	49
4.30	H8 TKF	Mercedes 0404	WEB61813521092451	Hispano Vita	49
4.31	H3 KFC	Volvo B10M	YV31MA710YA052149	Berkhof Axial 50	49
473	H281 NRF	Volvo B10M	Y31MGD11LA023954	Plaxton	49
5.1	L8 KFC	Scania L94	1833515	Vanhool Alizee T9	53
5.10	M2 KFC	Volvo B10M	YV31MA714A053018	Berkhof Axial 50	53
5.11	K7 KFC	Volvo B10M	YV31MA714A052984	Berkhof Axial 50	53
5.12	L6 KFC	Volvo B10M	YV31MA7161A052985	Berkhof Axial 50	53
5.13	L7 KFC	Volvo B10M	YV31MA7161A053019	Berkhof Axial 50	53
5.6	K5 KFC	Volvo B10M 6.2	YV31MA711YA052161	Berkhof Axial 50	53
5.7	M8 KFC	Volvo B10M 6.2	YV31MA715YA052163	Berkhof Axial 50	53
5.9	WJI 3814	Setra S250	WKK13400001015088	Setra	53
7.8	H9 TKF	Scania K124 EB	YS4K6X20001834038	Berkhof Excellence 3000	72

All vehicles are in fleet livery of Yellow with large Green stripe and a crown design in green

S2, S3, S5, S6 & S7 which are Silver with large Green stripe and a large Green Crown

TC2	E75 DRM	Daf	265746	Training Vehicle	53
	KUC 958P	Daimler	68511	OPEN TOPPER	78

Fleet List - North Birmingham Busways Ltd.

No	Reg	Chassis type	Chassis no	Body type	Body no	Seating
1	Q142VOE	AEC Matador		?		TOW
2	Y2NBB	Dennis Trident	311BR1XGX20721	Plaxton	6840	H47/29F
3	Y3NBB	Dennis Dart SLF	322BR1YGW65110	Alexander ALX200	0034/2	B38F
6	H536LCX	DAF SB220LC550	325418	Optare	5062	B49F
9	V389KVY	Optare L1150	VN9430	Optare	9430	B45F
25	A725LNC	Leyland Atlantean AN68D/1R	8300995	Northern Counties	2571	H43/32F
26	F126PHM	Volvo Citybus B10M-50	18773	Alexander	RV35/2188/12	H47/37F
28	F128PHM	Volvo Citybus B10M-50	18775	Alexander	RV35/2188/14	H47/37F
33	F133PHM	Volvo Citybus B10M-50	18780	Alexander	RV35/2188/19	H47/37F
36	F346WSC	Leyland Olympian ONCL10/2RZ	ON411116	Alexander	RH62/5088/12	H51/34F
37	F347WSC	Leyland Olympian ONCL10/2RZ	ON411117	Alexander	RH62/5088/13	H51/34F
41	R401XFL	Dennis Dart SLF	322BR1VGW11134	Marshall	C39-088	B39F
45	P345OEW	Dennis Dart SLF	322BR1TGW10731	Marshall	C39-008	B39F
46	S496MCC	Dennis Dart SLF	322BR1VGW12047	Plaxton	9810.7HLB8625	B40F
47	A747NNA	Leyland Atlantean AN68D/1R	8301445	Northern Counties	2593	H43/32F
50	F350WSC	Leyland Olympian ONCL10/2RZ	ON111132	Alexander	RH62/5088/16	H51/30D
51	F351WSC	Leyland Olympian ONCL10/2RZ	ON111133	Alexander	RH62/5088/1	H51/30D
54	ANA564Y	Leyland Atlantean AN68D/1R	8200842	Northern Counties	2297	H43/32F
57	A657HNB	Leyland Atlantean AN68D/1R	8300504	Northern Counties	2448	H43/32F
66	URN166Y	Leyland Atlantean AN68D/1R	8200608	East Lancs	A3204	H50/36F
67	URN167Y	Leyland Atlantean AN68D/1R	8200621	East Lancs	A3205	H50/36F
71	A671HNB	Leyland Atlantean AN68D/1R	8300657	Northern Counties	2498	H43/32F
72	A702LNC	Leyland Atlantean AN68D/1R	8300736	Northern Counties	2542	H43/32F
73	V703LWT	Dennis Dart SLF	212BR1WGW13149	Alexander ALX200	9848/1	B31F
75	A705LNC	Leyland Atlantean AN68D/1R	8300740	Northern Counties	2551	H43/32F

77	A757NNA	Leyland Atlantean AN68D/1R	8400010	Northern Counties	2603	H43/32F
89	SHH389X	Leyland National NL116AL11/1R	07626	Leyland National		B52F
90	S490MCC	Dennis Dart SLF	322BR1WGW12663	Plaxton	9810.7HLB9824	B39F
93	A693HNB	Leyland Atlantean AN68D/1R	8300641	Northern Counties	2533	H43/32F
96	A696HNB	Leyland Atlantean AN68D/1R	8300655	Northern Counties	2536	H43/32F

Dear Mr Brown

RE FLEET UPDATE JULY 2007

54 ANA 564Y sold 14/06/07 to Stephen Holmes, Blackburn to be preserved in NBB livery

57 A657 HNB withdrawn 13/07/07 to reserve

The Company has been sold to the Rotalla group and Wood Lane premises will shortly be vacated with the operation moving the Central Connect premises in Nechells. It is anticipated that Atlanteans will be withdrawn on expiry of MOT and replaced by Olympians over the next few months. A current fleet list is enclosed. (see above)

I will be retiring shortly after a career of 44 years in the industry which started at Bournemouth Corporation Transport during the twilight years of their fine trolleybuses. I will no longer be contributing fleet news but will continue my interest in the industry by reading your collations.

Carry on the good work

Best Wishes

Dave Wall
Operations Director



Sim, Boot (CA) their new VDL Bova FHD13-340 (33003303) C49FT YJ07DWX taken at their Eskdale garage on 22nd August 2007

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