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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

HCVC YORKSHIRE SECTION The next meeting will be on Wednesday 9th July at 7.45pm in the Leeds Transport Sports and Social Club, Concordia Street. This will take the form of an auction of vintage commercial parts etc.

PSV CIRCLE The next Social Meeting will be on Thursday 3rd July in Meeting Room No 4, Bradford Central Library, Princes Way Bradford.

PRESS DAY for the July issue will be on Saturday 5th July and all items should be sent, to arrive on or before that date, to

				NEW VEHICLES				kg
1502	MNW	131V	Leyland	National 2	116L11/1R	06937	B52F	9120
1504	..	133V	Leyland	National 2	..	..	B52F	..
1733	LUA	716V	Bristol	VRTSL3/6LXB	3/?	ECW23907	H43/31FD	8968
1734	..	717V	..	..	3/2333	..23908	..	..
1735	..	718V	..	..	3/?	..23909	..	..
1736	..	719V	..	..	3/?	..23910	..	..
3738	LWU	466V	..	..	3/2330	..23890	..	9191
3739	..	467V	..	..	3/2331	..23891	..	..
3740	..	468V	..	..	3/2332	..23892	..	..
3741	..	469V	..	..	3/2336	..23893	..	..
3742	..	470V	..	..	3/2337	..23894	..	..
3743	..	471V	..	..	3/2338	..23895	..	..
3744	..	472V	..	..	3/2339	..23896	..	..

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1502 arrived in early May and 1504 by 13th May, both to Grove Park. Both have a white "West Yorkshire" across the back, below the back window and this improves the appearance of the rear. 1501/3, licensed last month, do not have this feature. The reason for the registration number being set to the nearside at the rear is to enable an advertisement to be carried on the engine cover and at least 1502/3 already carry one in this position (1502 and possibly 1503 for Croft and Blackburn Ltd). Some of 1501-4 now have grey painted wheels, having been delivered with them black. All four have the full chassis designation NL 11.6/L11 - 1R and have modified Leyland 680 engines (type E0680/2049) fitted with Friedmann pumps. They are not turbocharged unlike the earlier models. Several of the batch were used for driver training, in the case of 1504 without fleetname or fleetnumber transfers, before entering passenger service.

1733-6 arrived late in May to Grove Park and were prepared for service almost immediately.

3738/9 arrived about 29th April, 3744 on 2nd May, 3741/2 on 8th May and 3740/3 on 13th May. They comprise the entire 1979 order for

York-West Yorkshire and are leased for the Joint Committee rather than purchased. They are to the same design as 1727-36 and two points to mention are that they all have a new design of side/flasher unit at the front, and flasher lamp at the side, both have a more square design than previously, and that the grille referred to previously, above the driver externally, is for ventilation. On this month's vehicles this grille has a guttering fitted along the top edge. 3738-44, and probably 1733-6 as well, arrived without fleetnames, but with legal ownership and unladen weight. They also carried a small fleet number above the fuel filler on delivery, but no other fleet numbers. This was replaced by a large fleet number and large fleet numbers added at front and rear, before entry into service.

In issue 317 we reported that 1066-8, the Duple bodied Leopards, had names and logo on the side. A photograph of 1067 (now 2551) and another on delivery shows that it was finished with legal ownership, seating and unladen weight but no fleetnames, logo or fleet numbers which must have been added in the Central Works Body Shop before entry into service.

LOANED VEHICLES

Mansfield District VR's 139/41 were returned to their owners on 17th May and there are now no vehicles on loan. 139 had unladen weight 8745kg. It carried an offside advert for Mansfield and North Notts Chronicle's Advertiser and a lower rear advert for Sytner of Nottingham, BMW agents.

ALLOCATIONS AND TRANSFERS

	from Leeds	to CRW Spare (see note 3)	2
1804	new	Bradford (correction)	8.5.80
1501	..	Harrogate	14.5.80
1502	Ilkley	(delicensed)	31.5.80
1123	CRW Spare	..	..
1169	York	..	..
3171/2/3/4	Bradford	..	..
1257	Bradford	..	..
1273/4	CRW Spare	..	..
1275	Harrogate	..	..
1783	Bradford	..	..
3792/4/5/6	York	..	..
1504	New	Bradford	1.6.80
1733	..	Skipton	..
1734	..	Ilkley	..
1735/6	..	Bradford	..
3738/9/40/1/2/3/4	..	York	..
1124	Skipton	Harrogate	..
1271	CRW Spare	Leeds	..
1281	..	Ilkley	..
1485	Keighley	Skipton	..
1788	Bradford	CRW Spare	..
1938	Skipton	Keighley	..
2307	Leeds (Bus)	Leeds (Coach)	..
2309	Ilkley ..	Ilkley ..	..
2582	Harrogate ..	Harrogate (coach)	..
2585	..	Bradford ..	..
2587	Bradford ..	Bradford ..	..
1123	delicensed	Bradford	4.6.80
1396/7	York	Bradford	7.6.80
2560	Bradford (Bus)	..	..
2583	Harrogate ..	Harrogate ..	..
2584	York ..	York ..	..

NOTES:

1. 1123 was withdrawn for only 3 days but its reinstatement will be short lived, as its C of F expires on 4/7/80 so does that of 1121. (The stay of 1124 at Harrogate (the first RESL to be allocated there) will also be short due to C of F expiry on 11/7/80. Both 1123/4 make their first moves since acquisition.
2. The reclassifying of the coaches shown above is in connection with their allocation to duties for the summer season.
3. 1804L has been allocated to CRW Spare since at least April but has continued to work from Leeds.

STORE VEHICLES

Harrogate By 10th May 1258/66 were behind Grove Park but 1256 and 2509 had gone. 1266 has since also gone. 2512 was on the spare land opposite the Chassis Shop the same day. Barmford Atom 30 snowploughs 191 DWY (ex Bradford) and 192 DWY are both stored in Grove Park.

Leeds 1162 continues to occupy the yard; it has been there since early December 1979.

WITHDRAWALS

31st May 1980: 1123, 1169, 1257/73/4/5, 1783, 3792/4/5/6 all to Held for Disposal.

REINSTATEMENTS

4th June 1980: 1123 from Held for Disposal.

SALES AND DISPOSALS

16th April 1980: 1264) All to NBC Eastern Region Disposal Centre,
18th April 1980: 1267) Bracebridge Heath, Lincoln. All officially
25th April 1980: 2507) transferred 5/80; the dates shown are
26th April 1980: 1125) collection dates from WY premises. A number of
28th April 1980: 1268) these vehicles, including 1256/63/4/6 and 2509
6th May 1980: 2509) had been cannibalised by WY and some, 1263
8th May 1980: 1256) being one, were taken direct to Carlton, near
19th May 1980: 1266) Barnsley by PVS Ltd.
23rd May 1980: 1263)

2. VEHICLE NOTES

OVERHAULS

May 1980: 1413
June 1980: 1412

REPAINTS

May 1980: 1293, 1303/7/34, 1441, 3928/57, 2501/16/51, 2348

PAINT DATES

1706 - IP 6/78; 1713 - IP 12/78; 1728 - W1/80; 1734 - W5/80;
3738 - W4/80.

UNLADEN WEIGHTS

1902 - 8493 kg; 1421 - 9020 kg (ex 8.13.0).

TIVERY CHANGES

All Red - 1293. This has probably not been repainted by the Company.
Large Numbers - 1293, 1334, 1980, 3984. 1426 now has large front and rear numbers but a 1" number above the fuel filler.
New Logo - 1277, 1303, 1452, 1293

Following repaint, 1441 retains an "L" badge in the centre of the front panel and has a new logo affixed above this, just below the windscreen. It does not have extra white across the front. Further

to last month, 1155/69, 1371 retain white logo, though 1169 is now withdrawn and 1155 on Special Duties. 1371 has a small (1") fleet number above the fuel filler cap as on United vehicles.

Dual Purpose Livery: 2551 now has the white lowered to the moulding as on 2552 (see last Month). On repaint, 1334 had its white extended downwards to the bottom of the waistband.

GENERAL NEWS

A number of dual purpose vehicles have appeared recently with their depot allocation shown in the third licence holder. These allocation discs are by no means general and have not been extended to stage carriage vehicles; it is not known whether or not they are to become general Company policy. 4066 has been running with its CBC covers removed. 2512 has had its engine removed for use as a spare. 1177 has had its rear panel, which had a removable engine access panel, replaced with a single sheet which also lacks the beading fitted to the later LH'S. The white band has, however, been added to match the remainder of the vehicle.

2348 on repaint was also fitted with curtains; not a normal West Yorkshire feature. It may be of interest to note that carpets were supplied for some if not all of the 2345-50 batch and these are fitted for special private hire duties only.

On recent repaint, 3957 had its rear number blinds painted over red, indicating repaint at Harrogate rather than Lincoln.

Most stage carriage vehicles now carry red "no smoking" stickers opposite the first 5 rows of seats.

A number of depots have recently had a purge on painting road wheels grey.

ADVERTISEMENT NEWS

The latest "Racing at Wetherby" target adverts have been for 7 May Evening, followed by 26 May.

New side adverts at York are for "Black and White Minstral Show" at the Futurist Theatre, Scarborough (on VR/DX's); "Charlie Williams Show" at the Spa Theatre, Bridlington (VR's); "Scarborough Building Society Bonds" (Leyland Nations); a new design for "Herbert Todd Electrical" offering Tiger servicing to colour TV's (3176); "Falmers Jeans" (general) and "Sandtex Weatherproof Exterior Paint" (RELL's).

1237 (YK) has received a lower rear advert for "Ainsty Factoring Co." builders merchants.

1003 has received an upper rear advert for "York Hire and Drive". 3330 retains its original painted lower rear advert for "Army and Navy Stores Overalls".

The side adverts "Don't Cheat on the Cheese" and "Cadburys Double Decker" both appear to have ceased.

New inside adverts are for "Express Services to the Coast", "Daily Express Service from York" featuring the Hop on a National Express theme; "Scarborough Building Society Bonds" (in York VR/DX's); "SSAFA Air Display, Church Fenton, 8 June" and "Fares Increase".

At least 1716 (O) and 3741 were in traffic by 9th June painted white between decks with a lime green band where the white band normally is, and a lime green area on the rear engine cover extending part way round the sides, with the rest of the vehicle still in red. No lettering is carried as yet, but it is understood (though not confirmed) that the advertiser is to be Barratt Homes.

3. SERVICE CHANGES

The following applications have been made:

S.938 BW25/949 65 Jenny Field - Oatlands

Mon-Fri (School terms only): to introduce an additional journey at 0825 Appleyards Garage to Granby High School.

S.939 BW 25/14 760 Leeds-Keighley

Mon-Fri (School terms only): to introduce an additional journey at 0710 Shipley to Keighley.

S.940 BW25/42 667 Bradford - Skipton

Daily: to revise timetable

S.941 BW25/116 674 Harrogate - Bradford

To revise timetable, faretable and route schedule

S.942 BW25/117 653/4 Harrogate-Bradford

To revise timetable

S.943 BW 25/155 659 Bradford-Baildon (Lucy Hall)

Suns: to withdraw the 1030 Bradford to Baildon

S.944 BW25/855 706 Fell Lane - Thwaites Village

Suns: to retime the 2235 Keighley - Thwaites Circular to 2220.

S. 945 BW 25/886 665 Bradford - Mytholmes (Ebor Lane)

To amend the terminal at Mytholmes (Ebor Lane) to be Haworth (Ebor Lane).

4. OPERATING NOTES Towards the end of May the three Lodakkas working from Leeds, 1804/13/5, were on some unusual duties. On 21st May 1813 worked on Bradford-Leeds(670) at least once, whilst the following day proved more interesting. 1804 worked the 1245 Leeds-Otley (735); this is part of Car 39, a VR duty, which does 0615 Leeds-Otley (736) then works on Otley/Ilkley at least for the morning, and has no school special duties. As far as is known 1804 had worked the whole of the morning duty and may indeed have completed a full day on it. The same day 1815 worked the morning part of Car 51, which includes a Boston Spa Comprehensive School Special (normal Lodekka duties) and was standing spare at Vicar Lane. It was then put onto Car 8, which in the morning works 0700 Leeds-Copmanthorpe (43A), followed by Toulston Lodge, Thorner and return to Leeds during School Terms Only. 1815 was put on after this part of the duty, however, to work the 1245 Leeds-Knaresborough and return. The duty also does the 1545 to Knaresborough and return but 1815 was replaced by 1290 (L) for this. 1813 was also in use on this day (the 22nd) on Car 48, and on the 21st 1804 had been on Car 49 and 1815 on Car 48 (School Specials). On Friday 23rd May, 1815 was put on Vicar Lane to work the 1225 Leeds-Bradford(670). On 7/5, the 1425 York-Wetherby (79) was worked by 3794. Virtually all DD workings on York-Wetherby, York-Thirsk and Toulston Lodge School Specials are nowadays worked by VR's. On Saturdays, when there is no York City Tour, 2584 is used on express to Blackpool or Cheltenham. It can only work one day duties (which precludes Glasgow, for instance) because it is then required for the City Tour on Sunday. The 1620 journey on Sundays on Harrogate. Pateley Bridge (24) seems to be a Skipton duty.

The Leeds Car which works the John Smiths brewery contract to Bramham, Aberford, Barwick etc, operates Baths Specials in Scholes during the late morning (to John Smeaton School).

It appears that the 0747 Tadcaster-Harrogate(78) and the 1155 Tadcaster-Harrogate(78) are not the same Wetherby duty (1381 and 2586 being noted on 15/5/80).

A Leeds double decker works the John Smith's contract from York in the morning arriving at Tadcaster about 0750.

Saloons still regularly work the 0900 Bradford-Scarborough (43).

5. UNUSUAL WORKINGS

- May 3rd - 2575 (H) on 1040 Leeds-Scarborough(43dup); 1702 (L) on 1815 Leeds-Scholes(747)
4th - 1280 (K loan I) on 1330 Ilkley-Leeds(733)
5th - 2574 (O) on 1040 Leeds-Scarborough(43 dup)
6th - 1367 (L) on John Smiths evening contract from Tadcaster to Aberford area in place of the usual coach or DP
15th - Mansfield District 139 on Keighley-Leeds(760) and 1240 Leeds-Keighley(760) 2 days before return
24th - 2584 (WK) on York-Cheltenham (223): 2572 (YK) in DP livery on York-Glasgow (232).
25th - 2572 (YK) in BP livery heading towards York in the evening showing "223".
29th - 1273 (CRW loan YK) on 1510 Harrogate-Scarborough (54) Although a large proportion of East Coastals are DP worked, this duty is almost invariably saloon worked (1237 on 5th June).
30th - 1421 (B loan L) on route 741.

6. SOLD STOCK NEWS

- DWU 679B (Ex 1780, FS6B sold Norths, Sherburn 6/79)
 To Freestyle Holidays, London W12 (not Freeway). This operator had moved to London W8 by 10/79.
7908 WY (Ex 1095, MW6G, sold Sykes, Barnsley 8/75).
 To J. Farren, Skipton. 6/76. At DoT Testing Station, Steeton, near Keighley, on 28/5/80 for C of F renewal. Mr. Farren was hoping to obtain a 2 year Certificate. The vehicle is now named "Clara" and apparently returns 19mpg.
TWY 603 (Ex 1661, LD6B sold Norths, Sherburn 2/73)
 To Ratby Engineering Co. Peckleton Common, Ratby, Leics 4/73. Norths (dealer), Sherburn by 2/80 (but seen in Bradford on Christmas Eve 1979 - see issue 346).
CWT 864 (Ex SG14, L5G sold Norths, Stourton 10/55)
 Body only to Bristow, Knedlington, E. Yorkshire 12/57. Still there 12/63, 5/65. Gone by 5/80, no doubt broken up.
SYG 499F (Ex 1263, REL6G sold NBC Disposal Centre 5/80)
 Collected by a lorry of PVS Ltd, Carlton, and taken direct to PVS yard on 23/5/80. It had been heavily cannibalised by WY.
SYG 848F (Ex 1264, REL6G sold NBC Disposal Centre 5/80)
 In the yard of PVS, Carlton, by 14/5/80. This had also been heavily cannibalised by WY and may well not have physically been to Lincoln.
TWX 144/5F (Ex 2507/9, REL6G sold NBC Disposal Centre 5/80)
 One of these two, possibly 2509, was also in the yard of PVS, Carlton, by 14/5/80. It had been heavily cannibalised by WY before sale and may also not have been to Lincoln.
GWV 111C (Ex 1787, FS6B sold Rollinson, Carlton, 2/80)
 Broken up by Rollinson by 5/80 (but probably earlier)
 ? (Ex 12xx RELL 6G)
 One of 1253/5/9/60/2/5-70 in sale livery and showing "364" was in the yard of T. Wigley, Breaker, Carlton on 14/5/80.