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### HARROGATE MEETING - Saturday, 29th March 1958 :

A very interesting evening was spent when [REDACTED], Chief Engineer of the West Yorkshire Road Car Co.Ltd., spoke to quite a large meeting on "Recent Bristol Vehicle Developments". [REDACTED] described very fully the development of the Bristol "Lodekka", Bristol LS chassis, and also the Bristol SC chassis, the talk being made all the more interesting by an excellent selection of slides.

Our sincere thanks go to Mr. Smith for giving us such an excellent talk, and also to the Company for providing the accommodation at East Parade, Harrogate. (JBP)

### DENNIS "ACE" TOUR - Sunday, 27th April 1958 :

This proved to be a very popular tour indeed, and attracted a total of 39 members and friends. SUG 12, driven by [REDACTED] of Leeds Depot, was used to convey the party from Leeds to Slaiburn via Bradford and Skipton.

At Slaiburn, on arrival at the Garage of [REDACTED], of Hodder Motor Services, our two vintage buses were waiting. These were AWT 592, a Dennis "Ace" which now carries the body (E.C.W. 20 seat) ex-West Yorkshire "Ace" No.611, this number still being in position inside the bus; and ATF 852, an East Lancs. bodied Thorneycroft seating 21, and owned by Bounty, of Slaiburn. These two veterans, driven by their respective owners, [REDACTED] of Hodder Motor Services on the "Ace" and [REDACTED], of Bounty, on the Thorneycroft, then took our party for a 24 mile tour of extremely hilly country, where it was easy to see why such small vehicles were popular in that area owing to the narrow lanes. This tour took us through Whitewell to Clitheroe, where [REDACTED] other garage was visited. Here the party changed vehicles to enable everyone to travel on each, before returning to Slaiburn via Waddington Fell.

After a short tea break in Slaiburn, SUG 12 brought the party back to Leeds, making short visits to the Ribble Garage at Skipton, and the West Yorkshire Depots at Skipton and Ilkley, on the way.

Our thanks go to all who helped to make this tour such a great success. (JBP)

### PRESS DAY AND BULLETIN ITEMS :

Until further notice all items for inclusion in the Bulletin should be sent to [REDACTED] and not [REDACTED].

Press Day will henceforth be the first Tuesday in each month, unless otherwise stated. The choice of Tuesday should enable depot correspondents to prepare their notes during the weekend rather than in the week.

All members are asked to take note of the revised arrangements, and to see that their notes &c arrive on time.

### THE OMNIBUS SOCIETY, NORTH WESTERN & YORKSHIRE BRANCH :

Sunday, 15th June - Study Tour of Doncaster Area Independents in unique Foden two-stroke double-decker. Depart Wakefield Bus Station at 1.15 p.m.

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PRESS DAY FOR THE JUNE ISSUE - TUESDAY, 10th JUNE  
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### 1. STOCK CHANGES.

#### New Vehicles

EUG 61	TWT 114	Bristol LS5G	119179	E.C.W.	9893	S 41	F8	6-12-3
EUG 62	TWT 115	Bristol LS5G	119194	E.C.W.	9894	S 41	F8	6-12-3
EUG 63	TWT 116	Bristol LS5G	119195	E.C.W.	9895	S 41	F8	6-12-3
EUG 65	TWT 118	Bristol LS5G	119198	E.C.W.	9898	S 41	F8	6-13-1
EUG 66	TWT 119	Bristol LS5G	119200	E.C.W.	9900	S 41	F8	6-12-3
EUG 67	TWT 120	Bristol LS5G	119197	E.C.W.	9897	S 41	F8	6-12-2
EUG 68	TWT 121	Bristol LS5G	119199	E.C.W.	9899	S 41	F8	6-13-1
DX 67	TWY 609	Bristol LD6B	134238	E.C.W.	9594	LD 33/27	RDS	7-14-2
DX 68	TWY 610	Bristol LD6B	134239	E.C.W.	9595	LD 33/27	RDS	7-15-1

(EUG 61/63/67 were delivered during December and stored at Pateley Bridge)

(EUG 62/65/66/68 were delivered during December and stored at Grove Park, Harrogate)

(DX 67/68 were delivered during February and stored at Grove Park, Harrogate)

1. STOCK CHANGES (Contd)

	<u>Delicensed</u>	
SG 140	-	30/4/58
KSGL 20	-	30/4/58
SGW 6	-	30/4/58
CUG 8	-	30/4/58
DG 6/37	-	30/4/58
YDG 81	-	30/4/58
DB 53	-	30/4/58
YDB 69	-	30/4/58
DEW 8/10/13/14	-	30/4/58
DX 14/36	-	30/4/58

	<u>Relicensed</u>	
SG 132	-	1/5/58
SGL 7	-	1/5/58
KSGL 21	-	1/5/58
CEW 1-3/6-12	-	1/5/58
CUG 14	-	1/5/58
DG 2/12/33	-	1/5/58
YDG 90	-	1/5/58
DEW 9	-	1/5/58
DX 24/33/37/58	-	1/5/58
CP 1	-	19/5/58
CB 3-6	-	19/5/58
CUG 5/6/8/11/12/20	-	19/5/58
EB 3/6-8	-	19/5/58
EG 3/5	-	19/5/58
EUG 19/29/37-45/48/51/53/55/56	-	19/5/58

Sales & Disposals

March 1958: KSP 3 - Smith Bros., Construction Ltd., Birmingham, 11.  
 March 1958: SG 17/32/35/55/64/66/72/74/76/83/85-87/93  
 - G. Groves (breaker), Merton Abbey, London, S.W.19.

Fleet Total - 1/5/58

The licensed fleet total for 1st May is 450, comprising 62 coaches, 125 single-deckers and 263 double-deckers.

• DEPOT CHANGES.

Allocations & Transfers

SG 140	from YORK	(delicensed)	
KSGL 20	" KEIGHLEY	(delicensed)	30/4/58
SGW 6	" YORK	(delicensed)	30/4/58
CUG 8	" KEIGHLEY	(delicensed)	30/4/58
DG 6	" HARROGATE	(delicensed)	30/4/58
DG 37	" BRADFORD	(delicensed)	30/4/58
YDG 81	" YORK	(delicensed)	30/4/58
DB 53	" LEEDS	(delicensed)	30/4/58
YDB 69	" YORK	(delicensed)	30/4/58
DEW 8	" YORK	(delicensed)	30/4/58
DEW 10	" BRADFORD	(delicensed)	30/4/58
DEW 13/14	" LEEDS	(delicensed)	30/4/58
DX 14/36	" YORK	(delicensed)	30/4/58
SG 132	(delicensed)	to YORK	30/4/58
SGL 7	(delicensed)	" YORK	1/5/58
KSGL 21	(delicensed)	" KEIGHLEY	1/5/58
CEW 1/2	(delicensed)	" YORK	1/5/58
CEW 3	(delicensed)	" KEIGHLEY	1/5/58
CEW 6-10	(delicensed)	" HARROGATE	1/5/58
CEW 11/12	(delicensed)	" LEEDS	1/5/58
CUG 14	(delicensed)	" KEIGHLEY	1/5/58
DG 2	(delicensed)	" HARROGATE	1/5/58
DG 12/33	(delicensed)	" LEEDS	1/5/58
YDG 90	(delicensed)	" YORK	1/5/58

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Allocations & Transfers  
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DBW 9		(delicensed)	to	YORK	1/5/58
DX 24		(delicensed)	"	BRADFORD	1/5/58
DX 33/37/58		(delicensed)	"	YORK	1/5/58
DX 67/68		(new)	"	BRADFORD	1/5/58
DG 36	from	BRADFORD	"	LEEDS	1/5/58
CP 1		(delicensed)	"	YORK	19/5/58
CB 3/4		(delicensed)	"	HARROGATE	19/5/58
CB 5/6		(delicensed)	"	BRADFORD	19/5/58
CUG 5/6/11/12		(delicensed)	"	BRADFORD	19/5/58
CUG 8		(delicensed)	"	KEIGHLEY	19/5/58
CUG 20		(delicensed)	"	HARROGATE	19/5/58
EB 3		(delicensed)	"	BRADFORD	19/5/58
EB 6-8		(delicensed)	"	LEEDS	19/5/58
EG 3/5		(delicensed)	"	LEEDS	19/5/58
EUG 19		(delicensed)	"	YORK	19/5/58
EUG 29/48		(delicensed)	"	LEEDS	19/5/58
EUG 37-45		(delicensed)	"	BRADFORD	19/5/58
EUG 51/53/55/56		(delicensed)	"	HARROGATE	19/5/58
EUG 61-63/65-68		(new)	"	HARROGATE	19/5/58
CUG 9	"	HARROGATE	"	LEEDS	22/5/58
EUG 61-63	"	HARROGATE	"	LEEDS	22/5/58
EUG 67	"	HARROGATE	"	YORK	22/5/58
EUG 68	"	HARROGATE	"	SKIPTON	22/5/58

Notes:-

- (i) All vehicles are relicensed at their former depots except  
SG 132 (ex-Pateley Bridge), SGL 7 (ex-Keighley),  
DG 12/33 (ex-Bradford), DX 24 (ex-Keighley), DX 33 (ex-Ilkley),  
DX 37 (ex-Bradford) & DX 58 (ex-Harrogate).

Temporary Loans

DX 59	from	HARROGATE	to	YEADON	13/4/58	to	19/4/58
DX 56	from	HARROGATE	to	YORK	20/4/58	to	22/5/58
DX 57	"	HARROGATE	"	YORK	20/4/58	"	22/5/58
DX 59	"	HARROGATE	"	YORK	20/4/58	"	22/5/58
SUG 8	from	HARROGATE	to	LEEDS	4/5/58	to	22/5/58
SUG 9	"	HARROGATE	"	LEEDS	4/5/58	"	22/5/58

DX 2/5/14 and later DBW 1 were on loan to HARROGATE from YORK in exchange for DX 56/57/59.

EUG 15/33 were on loan to HARROGATE from LEEDS in exchange for SUG 8/9.

Movements of Delicensed Vehicles

- SG 17/32/35/86 had left ILKLEY by 2nd April.  
SG 55/66 had left YEADON by 18th April.  
SG 76 left BRADFORD during April.  
SG 83 left LEEDS during April.  
KDG 49 had arrived at ILKLEY by 27th April.  
SG 7/37 had been moved from BRADFORD to YEADON by 14th May.  
SG 37 had been moved from YEADON to LEEDS by 23rd May, where it was used as a mobile office at Saville Street during the Whitsuntide holiday period.  
SG 40 was used as the rest bus at York while 989 was being repainted.

4. VEHICLE NOTES.Overhauls

April 1958 : DX 24, DX 34, DX 37.

Repaints

April 1958 : SG 114, SGW 10, DGW 2, DX 13,  
YSG 125, YDB 90,  
989 (rest bus - York).

4. VEHICLE NOTES (Contd)

EUG 61 onwards have the Cave-Brown-Cave heating system.

DX 67/68 entered traffic without fleet numbers on the outside.

In some cases, coloured discs are being placed on the right hand side of the fleet number instead of the left; and at least one vehicle (DX 10) has had its rear disc placed underneath the fleet number! First of all DEW 31 was fitted with a coloured star, but this was later replaced by an appropriate coloured disc.

5. OPERATING DETAILS.

Bradford : DG 31 was seen in Shipley on 30th April on "learner" duties.

On Mondays to Fridays the X.67 service is operated by BRADFORD Depot (2 vehicles), but on Saturdays 1 car each is provided by BRADFORD and KEIGHLEY Depots. However, the vehicle used by KEIGHLEY is one of the Bradford vehicles fitted with the special blue intermediate blind. DX 21/29/31/55 were provided with these blinds initially, and operated the service until the 1st May when DX 67/68 were licensed. The first journey from Bradford - 7.20 a.m. on Monday, 21st April - was operated by DX 55. The Bradford vehicle loaned to Keighley is thought to be changed-over on the 6.45 p.m. Bradford-Skipton journey on Friday night, and returned in a similar manner on Sunday night. The Keighley vehicle changed-over on 2nd May was DB 46 which was used on Services 56/57 on Saturday, 3rd May.

Harrogate : SUG 8/9 were employed for two weeks during April on the Harlow Hill (4/5) routes. They were also used on Forest Lane (18).

SG 101/05 were seen on "learner" duties during April.

Keighley : DG's have again been noted on Service 31 (Keighley-Leeds). DG 4 (K) was seen on Sunday, 13th April, and KDG 16 (K) on Saturday, 19th April.

Leeds : SG 149 was noted on "learner" duties on 14th & 21st April, and DG 15 on 1st & 2nd May. DX 56/57/59 commenced a week's operation on Service 32 (Leeds-Guiseley) as from Monday, 14th April. DX 56/57 were working from Leeds, and DX 59 from Yeadon.

SUG 8/9 commenced a week's operation on Leeds-Hull (46) as from Monday, 5th May.

Scarborough : DG 28 (YK) made its first recorded working for this depot on 4th May, arriving on the 5.8 p.m. ex-York (43). It was later replaced by DX 5.

YWY 'deckers, displaced by DX 56/57/59 (H loan YK), have been working from here. YDB 78/83 were both here from 28th April to 1st May. Others noted have been YDB 67/70/89.

York : DX 56/57/59 (H loan YK) were used on Services 15/5A/6 (Elmfield Avenue - Stuart Road Viking Road - Stockton Lane) on weekdays, and have worked to Leeds and Scarborough on Sundays. The YWY deckers displaced from these duties have worked mainly for MALTON and SCARBOROUGH. DX 59 returned to Harrogate for a few days during early May, and DX 58 (YK) replaced it on Y5/5A/6.

DEW 31 operated on Harrogate-Scarborough (74) for several days commencing 21st April, working on alternate days from YORK and MALTON depots. This is a regular Lodekka route, but DX 2/5/14 were on loan to Harrogate and DX 34/36 were both thought to be in Works. DEW 31 was observed on the 1.40 p.m. Huntington-York Station (Y12) on 28th April, and on the Thirsk (80) route on 1st & 7th May.

DG 28 has been in regular use as a "learner" but is pressed into service for the morning and evening peak periods. EUG 18 (YK) was in use as a "learner" on 24th & 25th April.

DG 1/28 & DB 22 have all worked on York-Leeds (43) quite frequently since DX 56/57/59 came on loan. DG 28 was due to work the 10.5 a.m. Leeds-Scarborough (43) on 26th April!

6. SERVICE CHANGES.

SERVICE 67 BRADFORD - KEIGHLEY - SKIPTON. (See also Issue 85)

The intermediate timings have recently been altered. 13 minutes are now given from Keighley to Bingley, 8 minutes from Bingley to Saltaire and 17 minutes from Saltaire to Bradford (formerly 14, 9 & 15 minutes respectively). The Bradford-Keighley timings remain unaltered at 15, 9 & 14 minutes.

The Saturday service has been altered from every 6 minutes (10 vehicles per hour) to every 7½ minutes (8 buses per hour plus two express cars).

SERVICE X67 BRADFORD - KEIGHLEY ("MINIMUM STOP SERVICE") (See also Issue 85)

This service - the application was dealt with in Issue 85 - commenced on Monday, 21st April 1958.

On Mondays to Fridays there are journeys at 7.20 a.m., 7.50 a.m., 8.20 a.m., 4.10 p.m., 4.40 p.m., 5.10 p.m. & 5.40 p.m. from Bradford, and at 7.50 a.m., 8.20 a.m., 8.50 a.m., 4.40 p.m. 5.10 p.m., 5.40 p.m. & 6.10 p.m. from Keighley.

On Saturdays the service operates half-hourly from 11.40 a.m. to 6.10 p.m.