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HARROGATE MEETING A final reminder that this will be on Saturday 25th November at 6.30pm at Moss Grange, 9 Regent Parade, Harrogate and that the Company's Traffic Manager, [redacted] has kindly agreed to give us a talk.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

PSY Circle The next Social Meeting will be on Thursday 7th December from 7pm in Meeting Room No 2, Bradford Central Library Princes Way, Bradford.

HCVC Yorkshire Section The next meeting will be on Wednesday 20th December (note the date) at 7.45pm in the Metro Leeds Sports and Social Club, Concordia Street, Leeds (off Swinegate). At this meeting [redacted] will give an epidiascope show.

PRESS DAY for the December issue will be on Saturday 2nd December and all items should be sent, to arrive on or before that date, to [redacted].

1. FLEET CHANGES

NEW VEHICLES

| | |
|--|--------------|
| 1001 DNW 839T Leyland National 10351B/1R 05606 | B44E 8158kg |
| 1002 DNW 840T Leyland National 10351B/1R 05607 | B44F 8188kg |
| 1003 DNW 841T Leyland National 10351B/1R 05610 | B44F 8158kg |
| 1490 DNW 836T Leyland National 11351A/1R 05653 | B52F 9020kg |
| 2335 DNW 837T Leyland PSU3E4F 7803345 Plaxton 7811LCM033 | C49F 9246kg |
| 2557 DWY 659T Leyland PSU3E4R ? Plaxton ? | DP49F 9159kg |
| - DUM 254T Ford Grandda General Manager New 10/78 | |

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1001/3 were delivered on 3rd October and the other new vehicles also arrived during October.

1001-3 are the first Series B Nationals for the Company, and were delivered as B44F + 16 standees, but they have entered service as just 44 seaters.

2335/557 are the first of the 1978 order for Leopard/Plaxtons. It is understood that there are two coaches and 8 dual purpose vehicles in this order. It will be noted that the numbers for these vehicles take account of the forthcoming renumbering of coaches/dual purpose vehicles as outlined last month although it appears that the dual purpose RELL6G'S(1333-44) are not to be renumbered.

Leaner bus 4058 does not carry an unladen weight. The bodies of 2335/557 are of Plaxton Supreme Type (2557 Supreme Express).

RENUMBERING

November 1978:- 1035 to 2305 (remains in National White)

It may be of value to recap on the renumbering position so far, which apart from 1035 (above) has so far only affected the "dual purpose" classified vehicles:-

| | | | |
|-------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------------------|
| 2501 AWR401B | formerly 1001 | (2513 YWY513G | currently 1024) |
| 2502 LWT369D | " | 1007 | (2514 YYG217G " 1025) |
| 2503 AWR405B | " | 1005 | 2515 YWY514G formerly 1026 |
| 2504-6 PWR858-60E | " | 1015-7 | 2516 YYG218G " 1027 |
| 2507 TWX144F | " | 1018 | 2517/8 YYG540/1G " 1028/9 |
| 2508 TWX766F | " | 1019 | |
| 2509-11 TWX145-7F | " | 1020-2 | |
| 2512 TWX653F | " | 1023 | |

ALLOCATIONS AND TRANSFERS

| | from Leeds | To | Keighley | |
|---------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------|
| 4047 | | | | 1.10.78 |
| 1081 | Harrogate | | (Delicensed) | 31.10.78 |
| 1227 | C.R.W. Spare | " | " | " |
| 1228/33 | Harrogate | " | " | " |
| 1229 | York | " | " | " |
| 1232 | Ilkley | " | " | " |
| 1484 | Otley | " | " | " |
| 3176 | (Delicensed) | York | | 1.11.78 |
| 1001/2 | (New) | Harrogate | | " |
| 1003 | " | Malton | | " |
| 1490 | " | Otley | | " |
| 2335 | " | Keighley | | " |
| 2557 | " | York | | " |
| 1209 | Malton | C.R.W. Spare | | " |
| 1244 | Keighley | Ilkley | | " |
| 1467 | Leeds | Harrogate | | " |
| 1469 | Harrogate | Bradford | | " |
| 1473 | Bradford | Leeds | | " |

Notes:- 1. 3176 had been delicensed since 30/9/77 and had been carrying out towing duties at York on trade plates. It may still be being used for towing. This is the first time since 30/9/76 that all six of the York LH's have been licensed.

2. 1469 returns to its original depot after only 1 months absence.

3. 1467 makes its first move since new.

4. This month sees the virtual elimination of the old type RELL6G's. Of the 33, only 1206/9/10/20 (all central repair works), and 1231 and dual doorway 1223 (both Harrogate) remain in service. 1231 is likely to be withdrawn within the next two months but the remainder are likely to continue in service for longer.

5. 1081 was the last MW in the fleet and had been without many of its seats during the summer for conveying Spastics. The seats were stored inside Grove Park.

6. 1484 was the vehicle severely damaged in the fatal accident at Ben Rhydding on 10/10/78.

STORED VEHICLES

HARROGATE On 27th October, new vehicles 1002/3, 1490, 2335 and 2557 were all inside Grove Park. Also inside were 1218/21; at the side were 1014, 1214 and 1448 and at the back 1219/22/4/5, 4026 and 1081

KEIGHLEY Inside the depot on 27th October were 1086 and 1773.

LEEDS A correction to last month's note is 1215 was stored inside the garage in sale livery and with fleetnames painted out in green. It has since left along with 1009 (see below).

YORK The out of use towing lorry, 4032, is now in the field.

WITHDRAWALS

31st October:1978:- 1081, 1227/8/9/30/3, 1484 and 1773 all to Held in Reserve.

SALES AND DISPOSALS

28th October 1978:- 1009 and 1215 both to NBC Eastern Region Cannibalisation Centre, Bracebridge Heath, Lincoln.

FLEET TOTAL

| | <u>WY</u> | <u>YWY</u> | <u>1.11.78.</u> | <u>1.11.77</u> |
|--------------|-----------|------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Licensed:- | 440 | 86 | 526 | 524 |
| Delicensed:- | 5 | - | 5 | 10 |
| | 445 | 86 | 531* | 534 |

* The Fleet Total excludes 1081, 1227/8/9/30/3, 1484 and 1773.

(Note the 5 delicensed vehicles are 1014, 1151, 1232, 1807/8).

2. VEHICLES NOTES

OVERHAULES

October 1978:- 1358/9, 1107

HEAVY DOCKS

October 1978:- 3818/36

REPAINTS

? 1978:- 1274

October 1978:- 1279, 2508-12

November 1978:- 1035 (to 2305)

SALE LIVERY

August 1978 1215

CERTIFICATES OF FITNESS

1223-6/9/82; 1320 - 8/9/83; 1348/50-21/7/83; 1349-6/9/83; 1351-11/8/83; 1352-15/9/83; 1353-28/10/83; 1354/5-13/10/83; 1356,1104-1/12/83; 1357-7/12/83; 1359-15/12/83; 1360-28/2/84; 1361-22/2/84; 1328/30-8/7/83; 3329-13/7/83; 3810-22/11/82; 3319-25/7/82; 3820-15/11/82; 3821-16/11/82; 1826-4/10/82; 1827-20/6/82; 3838-16/5/82, 1001-29/9/85; 1002/3-30/9/85; 2335-16/10/85.

UNLADEN WEIGHTS

1358/9 - 7658 kgs, 3818-7905kg; 3836-7941kg; 1107-7517kg; 1279-7684kg; 1353 retains an unladen weight of 7-10-3 after overhaul(see issue 328).

LIVERY CHANGES

New logo:- 1358/9, 1107, 1279, 2508-12, 1274

Dual Purpose Livery:- 2508-12

GENERAL NEWS

1253 now has a painted front number plate.

1701,1991/4 have recently had their OMO equipment modified.

2517 was licensed for one man operation on 26/6/78.

ADVERTISEMENT NEWS

New side adverts include "We've got the books with the looks" (Wendy Knitting Woods); "Go our Way, we're going yours"(National Express) and, on 5 YVR's "Wigfalls colour television rental" A new PVC advert on York VR's is for Hunter and Smallpage, the return of an old customer. A change of design is the Littlewoods pools advert is "be the first $\frac{1}{4}$ millionaire with Littlewoods" 3797 is the only YDX with a side advert "Bring a little warmth into your hearth with a Real Fire". A new rear side advert is for "G. Loverplan central heating oil suppliers, Elvængton."

3942 has a lower rear version of the "Hunters and Smallpage" advert. New lower rear adverts are "Don't drink and drive", and "Go our Way, we're going yours".
The rear advert for the North Yorkshire Moors Railway has ceased, as has the side advert (painted) on Malton/York RELL/LH's for Wilkinson's Garage, Easingwold.
The inside advert for "Southwest Clipper" has ceased but a new interior advert is a mini version of the "Go our way, we're going yours" theme which also appears in lower rear variety.
3930/3986 have lost their "United Friendly Assurance Co." inside adverts after a long run.
There is an inside version of the Wendy Knitting wools advert.
A new side advert is for Marlborough cigarettes, who sponsor James Hunt.

3. SERVICE CHANGES

The following applications have been made:

S776 BW25/933 704 KEIGHLEY-THWAITES BROW

Daily: To retime the 2250 Keighley-Thwaites Brow-Keighley to 2248

S.777 BW190/136 Y6 Chapelfields-Elm Park Way

Mon-Fri: To start the 0658 Viking Road to Elm Park Way from Chapelfields at 0654

S.778 BW190/41 Y20 Wigginton-Acomb

To operate a one way terminal loop at Wigginton via Walmer Carr.

S.779 BW25/39 71 Skipton-Buckden

Winter Suns Only: To introduce the following additional journeys
1000 Grassington to Skipton
1710 Skipton to Grassington

EXCURSIONS AND TOURS

T109 BW25/444 from Grassington (Bus Station)

To introduce the following additional tours:-

- | | |
|--|-------|
| 15. Peak District Tour (Day) | £2.70 |
| 16. Crich Tramway Museum (Day) | £2.70 |
| 17. Lancaster Potters (Half Day) | £2.00 |
| 18. Sheffield (Sports, Shopping, Entertainment) (Day or Half Day) | £1.85 |
| 19. Spalding Bulb Fields (Day) | £3.60 |

T110 BW25/40 from Low Harrogate

To amend the title of Windermere Tour to read Windermere and Levens Hall.

4. OPERATING NOTES

BRADFORD On 14/10, 1153 (M loan B) was on Bradford-Scarborough (43) On 1/11, 1046/52 (B) were noted on the A64 (M) heading towards York at 0535 without passengers. At about 0900 the same morning they were seen, again without passengers, near Bramham Cross Roads heading towards Leeds! 1784(B) was unusual on 670 at Lunchtime on 18/10.

HARROGATE On 24/10, 1341(L loan W) was on Harrogate-Tadcaster (78).

LEEDS 1163 (I loan L after changeover) worked the 2145 Wetherby (739) on 2/11. Noted on 1805 Leeds-York (43) have been 2504(L) on 2/10 (still numbered 1015) and 1178 (L) on 27/10. 1229(YK loan L) was on the 0715 Leeds-York on 12/10 and 1341 (L loan YK) worked Leeds-Tadcaster (43) on 7/10. On 6/10, 2501(L) was on Leeds-Wetherby (739) and on 7/10, 2503(L) was on Leeds-Knaresborough (740). On 26/10, 2515 worked Leeds-Tadcaster 742).

MALTON Malton have used the following vehicles on Leeds-Scarborough during October:- 1209/68, 1334/5/8/9, 1403(M); 1296/8, 1313/56/71/96, 1481 (YK) and 1274, 1369(L) and 1292(W). 1209 was used on 20/10, 1292 on 2/10, 1274 on 3/10 and 1369 on 21/10. A visit on 2/10 found

1153 in the garage, 1155 on Harrogate-Scarborough (84), 1267 on 92, 1313/39 on 94, 1292/356/481 on Leeds-Scarborough (43) and 1268 on Leeds-Malton (43A).

OTLEY On its first day in service, 1/11, 1490 (O) was out early being noted on the White Cross-Otley Road at 0510.

WETHERBY Observations between 07:0 and 0735 here on 30/10 found 2512 (K loan L) on Knaresborough (740), 1342 (L loan W) on Kirk Deighton (739), 1283 (W) left for Boston Spa to work 0735 to Harrogate (78), 3172 arrived from York (79) and 1154 (L loan W) departed northwards, indicators set to "14/Knaresborough". Services 79/79A now load outside the bus station, the date of this change not being known.

YORK 1154 (M loan YK) was on Y1/8 on 13/10; on 16/10, 3331 was on Y2. 3175 worked the 1425 to Wetherby (79) on 17/10 in place of the normal 'YDX'. The 0755 to Wetherby (79A) on M-F is often worked by a 'YDX', 3816 being noted on 19/10. On 24/10, 4059(H) was on learner duties in York. On 2/10, 3173 was on Y2, 1292 on 43, 3986 on 79 and 3175 on Y9. The following day 1209 was on 84, 3174 on Y9, 1318 on 84 and 1292 on 43 to Tadcaster. On 4/10, 1334 was on 80, 1447 on 84 and 1229 on Y15. On 5/10, 1314 was on Y1, 3174 on Y19, 1335 on Y15 and 2501 on the 0955 to Leeds. On 6/10, 3020 was on Y21 and 1279 on the 0955 to Leeds. On 7/10 1288 was on 79 and on 10/10, 1209 was on Y13. On 11/10, 3175 was on Y19, 3450 on Scarborough (43), 3817 on 80 and 2503 on 1255 to Leeds. On 13/10, 3930 was on 79. On 16/10, 1481 was on Y19, 3458 on Y15 and 2518 on the 1255 to Leeds. On 17/10, 1314 was on Y13, 1313 on 82, 1165 on Y9 and 1289 on 84. On 18/10, 1370 was on Y13, 1271 on 84 and 1366 on 0955 to Leeds. On 19/10 1154 was on Y9, 1397 on Y13 and 1271 on 84 whilst the following day 1397 was on Y13 again, 1282 on 79 and 1361 on 84. On 23/10, 3460 was on Y21, 1347 on 84. 3430/57 on Y13 and 1273 on 1725 43A. On 24/10, 3794 was on 79, 1401 on Y13, and 1369 on the 1725 to Leeds (43A). On 25/10 1153 was on Y21, 1345 on Y2 and 1414 on the 0955 to Leeds. On 26/10, 1398 was on 84 3459 on Y2 and 1345 on 85. On 27/10, 1481 was on Y11 a double deck route; 1283 on 79 and 1414 on the 0955 to Leeds. On 29/10, 3328 was on Y19. On 30/10, 3460 was on Y13, 1370 on Y14 and 3818 on 80 and on the last day of the month, 1481 was on Y13. On 26/10 2506 was on Haxby-York, a double deck route and on 9/10, 1057 worked a Huntington-York duplicate on Y123. New vehicle 1003 was on 84 on its first day in service, 1/11, and in the evening worked a Hilliards Shoppers Special.

LONG DISTANCE 2508(B) worked the 1140 Bradford-Blackpool (282) on 30/10 (the last of the season) as a changeover for 2518(L) which worked the 1110 ex Wellington Street only as far as Bradford)

5. SOLD STOCK NEWS

2029/30YG (Ex 3730/1, FS6B sold Norths, Sherburn, 1/76)

To Double 2 Shirts, Wakefield 3/76.

Still running with Double 2, 10/78 both in sale livery with route numbers set to the inevitable "22".

144/5 CWR (Ex 3746/7, FS6B sold Norths, Sherburn, 3/77)

To Double 2 Shirts, Wakefield 4/77, 3/77 respectively. Both still running with Double 2 still in red/white, and also with route numbers set to "22".

2021 YG (Ex 1725, FS6B sold United A.S. 223,5/76)

Used as learner bus, renumbered 99, at Durham. This is apparently not in cream and red learner bus livery but remains in red/white bus livery.

RW 985 (Ex SMG 60, LS5G sold Norths, Sherburn 9/71)

To Laycock, Barnoldswick, no. 95, 10/71 Pennine, Gargrave(not run) 8/72. Martin (dlr) Weaverham 1/73. Silcox, Pembroke Dock (no.126). - /73. Pioneer, Laughton 5/78.

in depot
5/11/78

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2010 YG (Ex 1714, FS6B sold Norths, Sherburn 1/76)
 Sold by Playspace, Marlborough Road, Bradford (Playgroup) to
 Bowling Back Lane Commercials, Bradford 4/78 and then to
 Dickinson and Shippery (breaker), Monk Bretton, 4/78.
 274 EWU (Ex 1750, FS6B sold Norths, Sherburn 3/77)
 To unknown breaker, Carlton, 4/78.
 9771 WU (Ex 1713, FS6B sold Norths, Sherburn 1/76)
 To unknown breaker, Carlton 5/78.
 700FWU (Ex 1142, MW6G sold Norths, Sherburn 1/76)
 To unknown breaker, Carlton 5/78.
 2024 YG (Ex 1733, FS6B sold Norths, Sherburn 1/76)
 To unknown breaker, Carlton, 7/78.
 799 CWU (Ex 1079 MW6G sold Hartwood Exports, Barnsley 9/77)
 To Lofty, Mickle Trafford, 3/78 (noted 7/78 as recorded in issue 329)

6. TEN YEARS AGO

The November 1968 issue ran to 8 pages. No vehicles had entered service and none had been withdrawn, but three of the four ex Ledgard London RLH'S had been sold to a dealer and DBW 24 had gone to F. Knowles at Oulton.
 The fleet total stood at 572, but only 501 of these were running, with 71 delicensed. This bears comparison with today, when the fleet is at 531 (a drop of 41) but of those 526 are running (an increase of 25).

It had been ascertained that ERG 7 had been modified to semi-automatic transmission in late March 1967.
 At Harrogate, SBW 19 had been displaying full blinds, but on another occasion "Service/West Yorkshire/8", and DX 65 had been to Scarborough on 84.
 KDB's had been appearing on Thwaites following service changes, having previously been restricted to Bracken Bank-Stockbridge. DW 3 had been on Leeds-Ilkley (34); DEW 5 on full day service, often on Leeds-Rawdon (33), DEW 20 on 32A including a stay at Ilkley and had even reached Keighley on 3rd October on 31, followed on the next duty by DGW5.

A large amount of Sold Stock News continued to appear, dealing with more ex Ledgard disposals. The bulletin ended with news of a fare increase, but fares of 3d, 4d, 6d, 8d, 10d and 1s were to be retained.

7. OTHER INFORMATION Study of 1470 There have been no reports of this vehicle during October.

OTHER BRISTOLS Double 2 Shirts at Wakefield, besides running 4 ex York-West Yorkshire Lodekks, also run two Bristol FLF's, one ex Bristol Omnibus (819 MHW) and one ex Western National (953 KOD?) Not exactly Bristols, but included here for interest is the news that West Riding have placed in service 3 Leyland Nationals recently, numbered 38-40 and with registrations CNX656-8T. It will be remembered that CWX 656-8 were Y368-70 (YDG 55-7).

Denys Fisher Toys, Thorp Arch; now have ex Western National 2311 (973 WAE), an RELH 6G/ECW coach new to Bristol Omnibus. This was previously with Double 2 Shirts, Wakefield (see issue 321). The ex Bristol Omnibus FSF6B owned by Pyne, Harrogate 712 JHY was sold earlier this year.

Again ex Bristol Omnibus, MW5G 870 RAE (no.2555) referred to in issue 319 as being used as a mobile diner for TV and film location, is owned by Barnes Caterers, Wakefield.

RECENT WITHDRAWALS The withdrawal of 1081 (801CWU) marks the end of another class of Bristol Chassis in West Yorkshire service. The first MW, EUG 70 (TWT 122) arrived At Harrogate almost exactly 21 years ago, and the model has been represented ever since, a total of 70 being owned. With the departure of the last one, the Gardner 6HLW engine is also extinct in the fleet, all the remaining Gardner engined saloons having 6HLX versions.

DESTINATION BLINDS

(a) 31" Harrogate type SD/DP H 72 (also found in 41" form)
Private; School Special; ICI; St. George's Road; Bilton;
Cawthorpe Avenue; New Park; Bachelor Gardens; Knaresborough
(Aspin Lane)*; Knaresborough (Stockwell Estate)*; Knaresborough;
Cornwall Road; Pannal Ash; Pannal; Claro Road; Beckwithshaw;
Bus Station; Harlow Hill; Crossways; Knaresborough (Manor
Estate)*; Starbeck; Scriven; Brearton; Aldborough; Roecliffe;
Boroughbridge; Harrogate; Great Ouseburn; Farnham; Scolton;
Blubberhouses; Menwith Hill; Oatlands Woodlands*; Woodlands
Oatlands*; Birstwith; Markington; Middlesmoor; Patel Bridge;
Grassington; Harrogate; Leeds; Ripon; Penny Pot Lane; Bradford;
Otley; Ilkley; Tadcaster; Wetherby; Scarborough; York;
Sicklinghall; Boston Spa; Middlesbrough; Bridlington; Blackpool;
Morecambe. * on two lines.

(b) 31" Harrogate, no code, fitted to 1162 only
Private; School Special; ICI; Bilton Lane; Starbeck; St.
George's Road; Bus Station; Bachelor Gardens; Beckwithshaw;
Rossett Green; Cornwall Road; Burn Bridge; Pannal; Claro Road;
Harlow Hill; Knaresborough (Manor Estate)*; Knaresborough
(Stockwell Estate)*; Crossways; Harrogate; Boroughbridge;
Knaresborough; Scriven; Brearton; Aldborough; Great Ouseburn;
Scotton; Blubberhouses; Brafferton; Menwith Hill; Forest Moor;
Stonehouse Inn; Dene Park; Oatlands Woodlands*; Woodlands
Oatlands*; Bustwith; Pateley Bridge; Markington; Lofthouse;
Middlesmoor; Grassington; Penny Pot Lane; Leeds; Ripon;
Harrogate; Bradford; Otley; Skipton; Tadcaster; York; Woodfield;
Scarborough; Wetherby; Spofforth; Sicklinghall. * on two lines.

(c) 31" Harrogate, no code, new 1977 or 1978
Private; School Special; ICI; Claro Road; Cornwall Road;
Beckwithshaw; Starbeck; St. George's Road; Wedderburn Road;
Bilton; Oatlands/Woodlands; Dene Park; Woodlands/Oatlands;
White Blank; Penny Pot Lane; Bus Station; Pannal Ash; Pannal;
Crossways; Harlow Hill, Harlow Hill (via Valley Gardens)*;
Knaresborough; (Manor Estate)*; Knaresborough (Aspin Estate)*;
Knaresborough (Stockwell Estate)*; Knaresborough; Bachelor
Gardens; New Park; Skipton; Otley; Bradford-Ilkley; Ripon;
Leeds; Harrogate; Tadcaster; Wetherby; Boston Spa; Boroughbridge;
Farnham; Scotton Hospital; Brearton; Great Ouseburn; Markington;
Grassington (via Pateley Bridge)*; Menwith Hill; Blubberhouses;
Birstwith; Middlesmoor; Pateley Bridge; Harrogate; York; Thirsk;
Scarborough; Bridlington; Middlesbrough; Newcastle. * words in
brackets on two lines.

(d) 41" York type DD/Y 73
Private; School Special; Carriage Works; Cookes Works;
Rowntrees works; Rawcliffe; Terry's Works; Naburn Hospital;
Stockton-on-the-Forest; St. Leonards; Stonebow; Bur Dyke
Avenue; Cornlands Road; Tang Hall; Beckfield Lane; Burton Stone
Lane; Rougier Street; White Blank; Badger Hill; Chapel Fields;
Stockton Lane; Elmfield Avenue; South Bank; Fulford; York
Station; Broadway; Heslington; Clifton; Haxby; Bishopthorpe;
Wigginton; Woodthorpe; Haxby Road; New Earswich; Huntington
(New Lane); Huntington (North Moor); Dringhouses; Fox Wood Lane;
Strensall; Acomb Hotel; Tang Hall Lane; Tadcaster; York;
Wetherby; Harrogate; Pocklington; Thirsk; Scarborough; Leeds.