

# WEST YORKSHIRE

## INFORMATION SERVICE

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### 1. FLEET CHANGES

SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY EVENT  
SAT 25th NOVEMBER - FULL  
DETAILS ON PAGE 4 !!

#### Allocations and Transfers.

Vehicle	From	To	Date
YSG 121	YORK	(delicensed)	30/9/61
SG 156	HARROGATE	"	"
SB 2, 11	BRADFORD	"	"
SB 3	KEIGHLEY	"	"
SE 5, 6, 10, 12	LEEDS	"	"
SB 8	HARROGATE	"	"
SUG 28	HARROGATE	"	"
SUG 29	YORK	"	"
SUG 60-63	LEEDS	"	"
EUG 64	HARROGATE	"	"
EUG 65, 66	BRADFORD	"	"
EUG 67	YORK	"	"
EUG 68	KEIGHLEY	"	"
EUG 80	SKIPTON	"	"
CP 1	YORK	"	"
CUG 1	YORK	"	"
CUG 5, 11	BRADFORD	"	"
CUG 7, 8	LEEDS	"	"
CUG 25, 26	HARROGATE	"	"
DG 12	LEEDS	"	"
DB 51	LEEDS	"	"
YDB 78	YORK	"	"
DX 6	YORK	"	"
DX 8	BRADFORD	"	"
DX 9, 51	LEEDS	"	"
YSG 130	(delicensed)	to YORK	1/10/61
YDG 87	"	to YORK	"
SEW 15	from KEIGHLEY	to LEEDS	"
SUG 21, 22, 37, 38	" YORK	to LEEDS	"
DEW 12, 24	" BRADFORD	to LEEDS	"
DX 56	" YORK	to HARROGATE	"

Notes (a) All vehicles are relicensed at their former depots.

#### Stored Vehicles.

DG 14 left HARROGATE during July.  
SG 133, 151 and SB 1, 4, 7, 9 had left LEEDS by 22nd September.  
DG 9 has been used as a mobile office at the Saville Street departure point, Leeds, during the Summer months.

#### Fleet Total.

	C	SD	DD	1/10/61	1/10/60
Licensed :	28	173	270	471	462
Unlicensed :	8	30	16	54	81
	<u>36</u>	<u>203</u>	<u>286</u>	<u>525</u>	<u>543</u>

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### 2. VEHICLE NOTES

#### Livery Changes.

September 1961 :	SUG 62	Cream	to	Red
	SUG 17, 29	Red & Cream	to	Red
October 1961 :	SUG 61	Cream	to	Red
	SUG 19	Red & Cream	to	Red

SUG 60 appears to have been painted Red and Cream (i.e. with Cream waistband) in January 1961 and the new Red Livery in July 1961. Confirmation of this point is required.

2. VEHICLE NOTES (Continued)

Livery Changes (Cont)

SUG 29 was delicensed for overhaul shortly after repainting.

General News.

It has been pointed out that DBW 31 has always had Cream rubber window surrounds. This vehicle was repainted in September and the livery was again altered, there being still less Cream and more Red.  
DX 5, 7, 9 have been fitted with flashing trafficators at their recent overhauls. Fleet number plates were removed from YDG 87, YDB 79 (rear), YDB 80 (front), and replaced by transfers at their last overhaul. According to our records, the following vehicles still retain fleet number plates:- YSG 123, SGL 1, 2, KSG 19, SUG 10, CUG 5, KDG 26, KDB 26, YDB 78 (rear only).  
CUG 10, 12 have had rear reversing lights fitted.  
SBW 20 (not SBW 2 as reported in the August Issue) was re-upholstered with L.T.E.-type moquette on overhaul.  
YSG 122/26/30 all had side indicators removed and the panel sheeted over on overhaul.

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3. SERVICE ALTERATIONS

Stage Carriage Services.

Services 59 & 61 BRADFORD - BAILDON (Towngate) (See Issue No.123).

From 18th September two additional journeys, at 6.20pm and 8.40pm, have been extended to Belmont Avenue, to cater for night school traffic. Stick-on labels are used on vehicles, although some older "curtains" have the correct exposures.

BRADFORD - YEADON (Leeds/Bradford Airport)

This service was withdrawn as from 1st October.

Excursions and Tours.

The following additional excursions have recently been authorised:-

From BRADFORD.

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| <u>Full Day</u>             | 25. Cambridge: 26. Dudley Zoo: 27. Hadrian's Wall:<br>28. Leamington Spa: 29. Derby and Tutbury Castle:<br>30. Walney Island: 31. Worcester:                                                                                         |
| <u>Half Day</u>             | 32. Market Weighton and Knaresborough: 33. Adlington Hall:                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <u>Afternoon or Evening</u> | 34. Lancashire Borders: 35. Rishworth Moor and Nont Sarah's:<br>36. Bishopthorpe: 37. Isle of Skye: 38. Stanbury and<br>Laneshaw Bridge: 39. Hebden Bridge: 40. Wetherby and<br>Aberford: 41. Barby: 42. Denby Dale: 43. Wentbridge. |

All may be operated throughout the year.

From LEEDS (Vicar Lane Bus Station.)

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| 24. Liverpool (Football and Races only): | 25. New Brighton: 26. Harewood and<br>Ilkley (Half day or Evening): 27. Bronte Country (Half day). |
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All except 24 to operate throughout the year.

An application to operate similar excursions from the Municipal Bus Station was later withdrawn.

From SHIPLEY.

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| 23. Denby Dale: 24. Isle of Skye and Stanedge: 25. Nont Sarah's and Moselden<br>Height: 26. Rishworth Moor: 27. Soyland Moor: 28. Hollingworth Lake:<br>29. Lancashire Moors: 30. Lotherdale Moor: 31. Blubberhouses and Knaresborough:<br>32. Hampthwaite: 33. Ridding Park and Knaresborough: 34. Aldborough and<br>Knaresborough: 35. Wetherby and Knaresborough: 36. Aberford and Ferrybridge:<br>37. Wentbridge: 38. Barley. Period of Operation: Afternoons or Evenings throughout<br>the year. |
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4. OPERATING DETAILS.

Bradford

EUG 66, 71 have been noted on what are usually double-decker turns on 53 (Bradford - Otley).

Harrogate

DBW 8 was an unusual performer on 11 (Bilton - Woodlands) recently. This route also had SUG 54 on 9th September and DX 63, 65 on a Sunday working during September.

York.

DX 112, 113 have been used mainly on 74 (Harrogate - York - Scarborough). On 1st October DX 33 worked as far as York on the 7.5pm 46 (Leeds - Hull) displaying 'HULL ROAD' on the front indicator - a reminder of some years ago when this display was quite often seen on single deckers on this duty. When it arrived in York DX 33 exchanged duties with SUG 9 (H) which had been on a York double-decker duty on 74 (York - Harrogate).

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5. SOLD STOCK NEWS.

BWT 807

(ex Y.1019, Bristol G05G, Sold Fleet Car (Sales) Ltd., (dealer) 12/60) Derelict in a car park by a Gloucester cafe - 6/61, but had moved by end of month.

BWY 992

(ex DG 14, Bristol K5G, Sold Fleet Car (Sales) Ltd., (dealer) 7/61)

CWX 673

(ex DG 28, Bristol K5G, Sold Fleet Car (Sales) Ltd., (dealer) 7/61)

CWX 674

(ex DG 29, Bristol K5G, Sold Fleet Car (Sales) Ltd., (dealer) 7/61)

CWX 680

(ex DG 35, Bristol K5G, Sold Fleet Car (Sales) Ltd., (dealer) 7/61)

All these vehicles are now being operated by Esso Petroleum Ltd., Fawley. Noted 7/61.

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6. OTHER INFORMATION

DX 1

As was reported briefly last month, DX 1 was withdrawn on 31st August. It was the second prototype (the first went to the "Bristol" company) of the now famous 'Lodekka' type. The introduction of the 'Lodekka' was a notable development in double decker design - the production of a vehicle of low bridge height but with normal seating arrangements upstairs.

DX 1, then No. 822, was first licensed on 25th March 1950 and after a period of six weeks operation with Brighton, Hove and District Omnibus Company (for details of its service there see June 1955 bulletin) it entered service at Harrogate on 9th June 1950. During 1951 it toured several 'Tilling' group companies and also appeared at the Festival Exhibition at South Bank. It then returned to Harrogate in October 1951, was transferred to Leeds in January 1952 and went back to Harrogate in October 1953, where it remained until withdrawal. Although it was used on many routes in its earlier years, it was more or less confined to Harrogate Town services in recent years.

DX 1 differed in external appearance from the later production 'Lodekka's' in a number of ways, perhaps the most obvious being the rather ugly "Square" radiator. It was the only 7'6" wide vehicle of the type and the only one not equipped with platform doors. Neither had it a rear indicator.

It is reported that various parts from DX 1 have been returned to Bristol, but further information as to its disposal or otherwise is required.

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PRESS DAY

Press day for the November Bulletin will be Tuesday, 31st October. Please send items to [redacted], [redacted], [redacted].

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GLASGOW HEX-PASH TRAM FUND.

This fund has been formed to raise money to preserve Glasgow Tram Number 22. A news sheet about the fund is obtainable from [redacted]. Minimum price 1/- post free.

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Saturday 18th November 1961.  
Leeds Tramway Historical Society.

Colour Slides of the story of tramcar preservation, at St. Clement's Church Hall, Chapeltown Road, Sheepscar, Leeds at 8pm. Admission Free - Silver Collection in aid of preservation funds. Buses 2/3 (Moortown) 32 (Carr Manor) from City Centre: 34, 35, 37, 69, 70 from Central Bus Station.

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Saturday 25th November 1961. W.Y.I.S. 10th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

We now have much pleasure in giving full details of the excellent programme which has been arranged for this important day, and wish to take this opportunity of recording our appreciation of the full and most generous co-operation received from the General Manager, [redacted], and his Officers in connection with these arrangements.

Members are particularly requested to take especial notice of the Booking Procedure specified, INCLUDING the closing date, and the courtesy of EARLY REPLIES will be appreciated both by the Service and the Company.

2.15 p.m. GROVE PARK DEPOT, Skipton Road, Harrogate.

The Bristol Vehicle Preservation Trust invite all W.Y.I.S. Members (including Junior Branch) and their Friends to the Handing-Over Ceremony of their Bristol 1926 2-ton Chassis No.0303 (Sanction 9) to Mr. John H. Scholes, Curator of Historical Relics, B.T.C., on indefinite loan to the Museum of British Transport, London S.W.4. This event will be held on "West Yorkshire" Premises by kind permission of the General Manager. After its conclusion at about

3.00 p.m. MEMBERS OF THE W.Y.I.S. will be the Guests of the Company for a Tour of the Revised HARROGATE local routes, starting from Grove Park, including calls at points of interest such as the Low Harrogate Tours Office, and terminating at the LOUNGE HALL before

4.30 p.m. The Installation of Mr. H.N. Tuff, General Manager of "West Yorkshire" as First President of the W.Y.I.S. followed by a short Presidential Address. This will take place at the Lounge Hall where it will be followed at

5.00 p.m. approximately by TFA, for which Members will again be Guests of the Company. On conclusion of the Meal shortly before

6.00 p.m. the programme will continue at the Lounge Hall with a short W.Y.I.S. Business Meeting, and conclude with a Film Show, also kindly arranged by the Company. The B.T.C. Films provisionally arranged include both travel and technical subjects, one being a new one concerning "West Yorkshire" and the whole programme is timed to end by shortly after 7.00 p.m.

It should be clearly understood that the events from 3 p.m. onwards are open to W.Y.I.S. Full Members only and it is regretted that it will not be possible for exceptions to be made. Notifications should be sent on the enclosed form to reach [redacted] (telephone, for Emergency Use ONLY, [redacted]) by FRIDAY 17th NOVEMBER at the latest, and preferably much sooner, so that adequate notice can be given to the Company. Late Advice will not be accepted - anyone prevented from attending after originally accepting, e.g. through illness, will please notify [redacted] accordingly, even if it is "on the day" the 'phone can be used.