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COMPETITION PAGE.

The Competition in this magazine consists of 30 questions, about various aspects of Railways, mainly in the 1960's. The numbers in brackets are the number of marks for the question, and the two members with the highest scores will receive a voucher for 10/- towards a future tour. In the event of ties the names of those getting most marks will be drawn from a hat.

ALL entries MUST be sent on plain paper to the Publicity Officer, N.R. Capelle, 130, Brocklehurst Ave., MACCLESFIELD, Cheshire. to arrive no later than 15th. February, 1970. Please remember to enclose your name and address,

- 1). What was the first Brush 4 to be withdrawn and when was it withdrawn ? (2)
- 2). What was the second Brush 4 to be withdrawn, why was it withdrawn, what are the two dates concerned, and what was the other locomotive? (5)
- 3). What was the first Birmingham Type 3 to be withdrawn? and when? (2)
- 4). When was 2554 sent to the Isle of Wight? (1)
- 5). What are the names and numbers of the last two peak to be named? (2)
- 6). What was the first blue Brush '4' and when did it enter service? (2)
- 7). What was the name of the last named Deltic, and when did it receive this? (2)
- 8). What was the 1,000th main line locomotive built at Derby? (1)
- 9). When did Fort William get the shedcode 63B (1)
- 10). The first Gresley Streamliner to be withdrawn was destroyed in a wartime air raid at York. what was the second one to be withdrawn (B.R. No.) (2).
- 11). Which Jubilee locomotive was withdrawn after an accident near Altrincham in early 1964. (1).
- 12). When did the signal box at Clapham Junction partially Collapse? (1).
- 13). When did Oldham Central Station close? (1)
- 14). Place the following locomotives in the correct order of introduction:-
D1, D214, D2277, E5018, 92220 (4).
- 15). What happened to E5018? (1).
- 16). What Happened to E5019? (1).
- 17). When was 3509 transferred to Meldon Quarry Stock? (1).
- 18). Which warship has been driven by a member of the Royal Family (1)
- 19). What Date did D16 and ML come into being? (2)
- 20). What Date did ML Cease to exist? (2)
- 21). When did Selhurst become 75C? (1)
- 22). What Date did the last Atlantic Coast Express run? (1)
- 23). Where and when was the first 100 m.p.h. stretch of track sanctioned (3)
- 24). Which of the Sheffield Electrics were named before Jan. 1959? (4)
- 25). When was the "Night Limited" inaugurated? (1)
- 26). What was the date of the Hixon crash? (1)
- 27). What was the last A3 to be withdrawn bearing a yellow stripe? (1)
- 28). Which depot had the code 33A at the beginning of the 1960's (1)
- 29). What was the code of Bourneville when it closed? (1)
- 30). Which was the last english B.R. workshop to close? (1)

Most of these questions are concerned with events which happened in the 1960's. Where questions are asked about When? the answer required consists of the month and year, except where date is underlined. The total number of points are 50. This competition at first sight is hard, but just try to answer as many as possible. It is really quite easy.

REMEMBER. INFORMATION IS REQUIRED FOR OUR FILING SYSTEM. SEND YOU OBSERVATIONS TO E. J. HYDE SEE PAGE 4. IF YOU REQUIRE INFORMATION WRITE NOW. FULL DETAILS FROM E. J. HYDE, 33, BEEDON AVE, LITTLE LEVER, NR. BOLTON.....

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Notes From the Committee

May we begin with a rather belated Christmas Greeting to all members and say that they all had a very merry Christmas, and that they will have a prosperous New Year. We all look forward to seeing our members during the coming year.

We regret to have to announce that Mr. David Felton has recently been in hospital, and will be some time recovering. We all wish him a speedy recovery. This has regretably been one of the causes resulting in the lateness of this magazine.

You will notice from the tours programme that we are running a North West trip, the first one since the end of steam to be run by either society. As no other tour is planned at the moment visiting Carlisle, this is the only chance that you will have of visiting this depot. The Easter Tour this year is a Scottish Tour, and will cover all depots in Scotland (with the exception of Wick), and many of the stabling points. We also hope to visit a few depots in the North East.

During the next tour programme, we hope to run at least one tour to preserved railways, and industrial installations, with Steam Locomotives STEAM Enthusiasts- Watch out for Details - Any suggestions for tours of this nature should be sent to the General Secretary.

We are desperately in need of more members, so please do all that you can to persuade your friends to join, and if you go spotting anywhere try to get any other enthusiast that you see to join. Membership Forms and information sheets can be obtained from the Publicity Officer.

Publications available from the Sales Officer include the following:- Allocation Lists (2/6d). Locomotive books (2/6d). Both correct to appx. 1st Nov.) Preserved Locomotive Lists (3/-) - over 200 entries- Locomotives of Peckett and Sons (4/-) - Steam Locomotives - If you have any good ideas for future publications, contact the Sales Officer.

The information service, initiated before formation of the society, is now almost complete, after some two years work by a handful of members. You can now obtain information about where those elusive locomotives that you need have been seen since 1st. January, 1968. Perhaps now you will be able to find them. All diesel and Electric Locomotives are now listed, with the exception of the 8XXX and 12XXX/15XXX Series, and it is hoped that these will be available in the very near future. For further details please contact E. J. Hyde, 33, Beeton Ave., LITTLE LEVER, Nr. Bolton, Lancs. or any committee member. Don't forget to enclose a S.A.E. when writing. We still need more information for these files, in order to keep this working. If you go anywhere make a note of the number, place, and date (along with any other details (e.g. headcode)). This information should be sent to Eric Hyde.

Items of Rail News should be sent to the Publicity Officer by 1st. March, 1970, for inclusion in the next Magazine.

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NOTICES

STAMPED ADDRESSED ENVELOPES - These MUST be enclosed with all correspondence to all Society Officials. No. S.A.E. No Reply.

POSTAL ORDERS/CHEQUES = These MUST be made payable to the Northern Counties Transport Society, and NOT to individuals. ALL P.O's and Cheques must be crossed A/C Payee only., but if you do not know how to fill in a postal order leave it Blank. If any postal orders are refused by the bank, a person will automatically lose his place.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS - These should be notified to the Membership Secretary, W.R. Hendry, Esq., 209. Warrington Road, Glazebury, Near Warrington, as soon as possible.

MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS - These should be quoted on all correspondence to officers.

BOOKINGS FOR TOURS - All bookings MUST be sent on the enclosed applications form to the BOOKINGS SECRETARY. No other official can accept bookings.

If you have paid a deposit towards a tour the balance MUST be paid 7 days before the tour. Bookings by Telephone CANNOT be accepted.

ATTENDANCE ON TOURS - If a member fails to appear for a tour for which he has booked, he will only have his money refunded if someone else can be found to take his place, or if medical evidence is produced. If for any reason you find that you are unable to attend a tour at the last minute, please ring the General Secretary. If by any chance you think that you might be a few minutes late for a tour, by bus or train running late etc., please ring the General Secretary's home with anticipated time of arrival at meeting Place. Please remember that the coaches will depart from picking up places at times stated prompt, and will not wait for late arrivers, unless the above has been followed. Please give yourself plenty of time to get to your joining point.

PICKING UP PLACES These are listed on Page Number 7. Members can also be picked up at other points on the route by prior arrangement with the Bookings Secretary. However, all departure times from Picking up points are not stated.

If Burnley and Colne are advertised, coach also picks up in Brierfield and Nelson. If Bolton and Manchester are advertised then the coach will pick up at Farnworth, Moses Gate, Kearsley, Pendlebury & Swinton, and Pendleton.

If Manchester & Sheffield are stated coach will also pick up at Ashton, Hyde, Tintwistle, etc. but once again these points MUST be by prior arrangement.

ADVERTS:- Any type of advert can be included in this magazine, at a very reasonable cost (Special Rate to Members). Remember that this magazine has a circulation of nearly 1,000. For further details please contact the General Secretary.

Any articles or rail News should be sent to the Publicity Officer by the 1st. March, 1970. Remember the success of this magazine depends on you. The rail News section is only reduced in this magazine because of lack of news sent in.

Photographs in this magazine:-

ALLOCATIONS. Members wishing to receive the Motive Power alterations as received from B.R. can be sent direct to you every month. These are usually up to two months more up to date than the national periodicals. e.g. Southern Region in this magazine are correct to 4th. January, 1970 and were received by January 10th. The cost of this service to members is only 10/- per annum. For details write to B.J. Towey, 25, Calder Crescent, WHITEFIELD, Manchester. M25 6LH. Please enclose a S.A.E.

Sunday, 4th. January, 1970.SOUTH WALES.Tour No. 70/143W

Motive Power Depots to be visited include:- 82A Bristol Bath Road, 85A Worcester, 85B Gloucester, 86A Cardiff Canton, 86B Newport Ebbw Jn. 86E Severn Tunnel Jn. 87B Margam, 87E Landore. Also Barry Island and Valley Stabling points. The coach will depart on Saturday Evening as follows:-

Cost will be £2-10-0d	Macclesfield at 18.00 due back at 21.45
Minimum Deposit 15/-	Stockport at 18.25 due back at 21.15
	Manchester at 19.00 due back at 21.00
	Altrincham at 19.25 due back at 20.45

Sunday, 11th January, 1970Crewe Works.Tour Number 22C.

Visit to Crewe Locomotive works only. Meet at Victoria Ave. entrance at 12.20 or 14.20. Book in advance (Fee 1/6d). PLEASE STATE WHICH PARTY WHEN BOOKING

Sunday, 18th. January, 1970.NORTH MIDLANDSTour No. 23M

Motive Power Depots to be visited include:- 16A Toton, 16B Colwick, 16E Kirkby 16F Burton, 16G Westhouses, Also Derby Works. The Coach will depart on Sunday Morning as follows:-

Cost from Burnley & Colne £1-10-0d	Colne at 07.00 due back at 22.00
Cost will be £1- 5-0d	Burnley at 07.15 due back at 21.45
Minimum Deposit 10/-	Bury at 08.00 due back at 21.15
	Bolton at 08.15 PICKING UP ONLY
	Manchester at 08.45 due back at 21.00
	Macclesfield at 09.30 PICKING UP ONLY

Sunday, 1st. February, 1970.NORTH WEST.Tour No. 24U

Motive Power Depots to be visited include:- 8A Edge Hill, 8E Northwich, 8F Springs Brach, 8J Allerton, 9A Longsight, 9C Reddish, 10D Lostock Hall, 12A Carlisle, 12C Barrow, 12D Workington. The Coach will depart Saturday night:-

Cost will be £2-10-0d	Macclesfield at 20.00 due back at 21.45
Minimum Deposit 15/-	Manchester at 21.00 due back at 21.00
	Bury at 21.20 PICKING UP ONLY
	Burnley at 22.00 PICKING UP ONLY
	Nelson at 22.10 PICKING UP ONLY

Sunday, 8th February, 1970.CREWE WORKSTour No. 25C

Visit to Crewe Works only. Meet at Victoria Ave entrance at 12.20 or 14.20 Book in advance (Fee 1/6d) PLEASE STATE WHICH PARTY WHEN BOOKING.

Sunday, 22nd. February, 1970.SWINDON & BRISTOLTour No. 26V

Motive Power Depots to be visited include:- 1E Bletchley, 81D Reading, 82A Bristol Bath Road, 70D Eastleigh etc. Also Swindon Works. The Coach will pick up Saturday Evening as follows:-

Cost will be £2-10-0d	Macclesfield at 18.00 due back at 21.45
Minimum Deposit 15/-	Stockport at 18.30 due back at 21.15
	Manchester at 19.00 due back at 21.00
	Altrincham at 19.25 due back at 20.35

TOURS PROGRAMME (Ctd).

Sunday, 1st, March, 1970

CREWE WORKS ONLY.

Tour No. 27C

Visit to Crewe Locomotives Works only. Meet Victoria Ave., at 12.20 or 14.20. Bookin advance (Fee 1/6d). PLEASE STATE WHICH PARTY WHEN BOOKING.

Sunday, 15th. March, 1970.

LONDON.

Tour No. 28L

Motive Power Depots to be visited include:- 30A Stratford, 34D Hitchin, 34G Finsbury Park, 1A Willesden, 14A Cricklewood, 70B Feltham, 73C Hither Green, 75C Selhurst, 75D Stewarts Lane, 81A Old Oak Common, etc. Coach will depart Saturday Evening as follows:-

	Macclesfield	at 18.00	due back at 21.45
Cost will be £2-10-0d	Stockport	at 18.25	due back at 21.15
Minimum Deposit 15/-	Manchester	at 19.00	due back at 21.00
	Sheffield	at 20.30	due back at 19.30

Saturday, Sunday, and Monday, 28-30 March, 1970.

Tour No. 29S

GRAND EASTER TOUR

This Tour will visit all motive power depots in Scotland (Apart from Wick) and a few depots in the North East. Two nights hotel accomodation will be provided. The Coach will depart on Friday Evening as follows:-

	Macclesfield	at 18.00	due back at 21.45
Cost will be £7-15-0d	Manchester	at 19.00	due back at 21.00
Minimum Deposit £2-10-0d	Bolton	at 19.30	PICKING UP ONLY
	Chorley	at 20.00	PICKING UP ONLY

ALL bookings for this tour MUST be received not later than Saturday, 7th. March, 1970.

COACH PICKING UP AND MEETING POINTS

- MANCHESTER - Victoria Station (Adjacent to No. 19 Bus Stop)
- Altrincham - Railway Station Forecourt
- Bolton - Trinity Street Station Forecourt
- Brierfield - X43 Bus Stop (Manchester)
- BURNLEY, - Central Bus Station
- BURY - Art Cinema (Bingo Hall), Knowsley Street.
- Colne - in front of Railway Station
- Farnworth - Black Horse Hotel
- Kearsley - Moss Rose Hotel
- Hyde - Opposite Market Place (A57)
- MACCLESFIELD - Railway Station
- Nelson - Nelson Centre (in front of Transport Offices)
- SHEFFIELD - Midland Station Forecourt
- SWINTON - Windmill Hotel (corner Station Road).
- STOCKPORT - Foot of Station Approach (Wellington St. S.)
(all tours picking up in Macclesfield & Manchester.

Members can also be picked up at other points on the direct route of the coach by prior arrangement with the bookings secretary.

Suggestions for Future Tours will be most welcome, and should be sent direct to the tours Planner, W.J. Frisby, 60, Kings Road, Fairfield, BUXTON, Derbys.

MOTIVE POWER ALTERATIONS

The Following Motive Power alterations took place in the period ending as follows:-
L.M.R. 29th. November, 1969. E.R. 25th. October, 1969. Sc.R. 29th, November, 1969.
S.R. 29th November, 1969, W.R. 1st. November, 1969. see late additions below

239 52A; 240 52A; 270 52A; 273 52A; 319 D09; 320 D09; 345 52A; 805 84A;
806 84A; 833 81A; 851 83A; 852 wks; 854 wks; 855 wks; 857 83A; 862 83A;
865 83A; 1060 87E; 1064 87E; 1071 87E; 1108 55B; 1109 55B; 1110 55B; 1111 55B;
1501 34C; 1505 34C; 1506 34C; 1508 34C; 1510 55B; 1514 55B; 1517 55B; 1536 40B;
1539 40B; 1548 41A; 1562 30A; 1563 30A; 1564 40B; 1573 40B; 1577 40B; 1578 40B;
1580 40B; 1581 40B; 1596 82A; 1609 87E; 1615 87E; 1703 30A; 1704 30A; 1705 30A;
1706 30A; 1751 D05; 1752 87E; 1756 87E; 1766 41A; 1767 55B; 1803 D05; 1810 D05;
1811 D16; 1862 55A; 1863 55A; 1864 55A; 1865 55A; 1866 40B; 1867 40B; 1768 41A;
1874 40B; 1883 51L; 1884 51L; 1969 64B; 1970 64B; 1971 64B; 1972 64B; 1973 64B;
1983 41A; 1994 41A; 2025 40A; 2112 55A; 2178 wdn; 2186 wdn; 2237 wdn; 2249 30E;
2279 30E; 2285 wdn; 2317 wdn; 2333 wdn; 2370 32A; 2427 wdn; 3000 86A; 3001 30A;
3102 82C; 3106 2F; 3108 2F; 3112 2A; 3191 2F; 3192 8F; 3255 82A; 3268 86A;
3320 40B; 3333 41J; 3538 2F; 3547 64H; 3560 63A; 3584 5A; 3585 5A; 3634 31B;
3661 31A; 3733 67A; 3778 9A; 3866 15A; 3960 87B; 4070 40B; 4125 82A; 4128 87E;
4137 6J; 4138 2E; 4162 86B; 4170 86B; 4185 86A; 5000=55A; 5001=55A; 5012+D05;
5013=55A; 5019=55A; 5186 D01; 5224 D16; 5248 D16; 5249 D16; 5272 D02; 5292 D09;
5299 D10; 5370 65A; 5372 65A; 5373 65A; 5374 65A; 5375 65A; 5378 65A; 5379 65A;
5380 65A; 5386 65A; 5387 65A; 5389 65A; 5390 65A; 5532 31B; 5533 31B; 5534 31B;
5545 31B; 5560 31B; 5563 31B; 5564 31B; 5566 31B; 5569 31B; 5572 31B; 5579 31B;
5580 31B; 5616 31B; 5622 41A; 5653 31B; 5661 31B; 5662 31B; 5663 31B; 5664 31B;
5665 31B; 5666 31B; 5667 31B; 5682 31B; 5692 31B; 5694 31B; 5847 41A; 5901 DRC;
6330=84A; 6356 st; 6604 86A; 6605 86A; 6606 86A; 6607 86A; 6608 86A; 6700 31B;
6720 31B; 6721 31B; 6722 31B; 6730 55C; 6731 55C; 6732 55C; 6733 55C; 6734 55C;
6735 55C; 6736 55C; 6737 55C; 6738 55C; 6739 55C; 6740 55C; 6741 51L; 6748 55C;
6749 55C; 6781 41A; 6782 41A; 6783 41A; 6784 41A; 6788 41A; 6789 41A; 6790 41A;
6817 31B; 6835 55C; 6836 55C; 6857 65A; 6865 30A; 6938 31B; 6941 86A; 6943 86A;
7056 86A; 7538 D01; 7539 D01; 7563 D02; 7564 D02; 7577 D09; 7588 D16; 7589 D16;
7643 D02; 7646 D08; 7647 D16; 7648 D16; 8019 55B; 8030 55B; 8057 41A; 8070 D16;
8073 D16; 8074 66A; 8076 D16; 8077 66A; 8078 66A; 8079 66A; 8080 66A; 8083 D16;
8087 D16; 8088 D16; 8092 65A; 8099 D16; 8112 D16; 8113 D16; 8118 D16; 8121 D16;
8122 D16; 8134 D16; 8135 D16; 8310 41A; 8311 41A; 8312 41A; 8313 41A; 8314 41A;
8315 41A; 8322 64B; 8324 64B; 8503 66A; 8506 66A; 8507 64B; 8510 64B; 8516 66A;
8528 4B; 8529 64B; 8530 64B; 8531 66A; 8561 64B; 8563 64B; 8565 64B; 8579 64B;
12070 wdn; 12088 8F; 12112 wdn; E3055 wdn;

DRC Derby Research Centre (on loan).
During this period 2868 was reinstated from store, and later placed back in store.

LATE ADDITIONS W.R. to 6th December, 1969. S.R. to 21st. December, 1969.

841 st; 852 81A; 854 81A; 1068 84A; 1073 87E; 1583 86A; 1587 82A; 1594 86A;
2028 wdn; 2082 wdn; 2085 wdn; 2121 82C; 3102 2E; 3103 2E; 3196 81D; 3509 83A;
3517 84B; 3596 86B; 3972 81D; 4130 84A; 4166 81A; 4167 83A; 4173 86A; 4185 86B;
6356 wks;

FURTHER LATE ADDITIONS

S.R. to 4th. January, 1970. Add 2084 to 75C; 15218 withdrawn.

RAIL NEWS.

BESCOT Latest arrival at Bescot is 'Baby Deltic' 5908 en route for scrap. Also seen here was 3538, recently transferred from Grangemouth.

NOTTINGHAM DIVISION. This Division (D16) has continued to send the Class 27 Birmingham Type 2's to Scottish Region, and the position at the beginning of December was that only 7 remain on the L.M.R. These are 5371/6/7/81/4/5/8. Of these 5376, 5371 and 5384 were seen in Derby works on December 7th.

On the following Sunday (14th), 5381 was seen at Burton (16F). Nottingham Division is still receiving Class 20 English Electric Type 1's from Sc.R.

CARLISLE. Class 17 Clayton Type 1's reinstated recently include 8503/6 sent to 66A, and 8510/6/28/9/31 sent to 64B. Two weeks later however 8516 and 8531 were sent to 66A.

STEAM LOCOMOTIVES. On October, 6th, 1969, London Midland Region officially placed the three surviving Steam Locomotives into store at 6F. These are Vale of Rheidol Nos. 7, 8, 9.

Derby. The 1956 built Hudswell Clarke shunter 2506 (Formerly 11145) is still in Derby works yard. The reasons for its continued stay here is still unknown. It was withdrawn over three years ago.

CLOSURES. On Sunday, 5th, January, 1970, the lines between Manchester and Sheffield (Via Woodhead) and between Macclesfield and Romiley will close.

Also due to close on the same date is the New Mills to Hayfield Line. Passenger Services between Manchester and Sheffield will now use the Hope Valley Route, and now go into Sheffield Midland Station. The last Sunday train from Manchester to Sheffield is now 21.45, later than previously.

WOODHEAD ELECTRICS Class 77 Electrics (E27XXX) have now all been sent to Holland and are running there in B.R. Livery and numbers at present.

The Class 76 Electrics will continue to work freight trains on the woodhead line after closure to passengers.

EASTERN REGION Latest locomotives fitted with air brakes include:-

Class 48:- 24; Class 40:- 273, 345, Class 47:- 1501/2/5/6/8/9/10/2/4/6/7,

Class 37:- 6719/24/56, 6828/68/94/7, 6911.

SOUTHERN REGION Latest locomotives fitted with air Brakes include Class 09 Nos:- 4108/11.

Western Region Latest locomotive reinstated is 6330, which was withdrawn over a year ago.

CARDIFF. Class 14 locomotives still remaining at Cardiff have now all been sold. A few still work B.R. trains (despite being withdrawn) in order to keep them in working order.

WHITEFIELD The New Railway Bridge at Besses over the new motorway and Bury Old Road was opened on November 10th. The first test train across was hauled by class 40 No. 294. The bridge has a span of 530 ft. and it will be 65 feet above motorway level.

D.M.U.'s Latest withdrawals of Diesel Multiple Units include the last of the Cavens batches between M51681 and M51720. Railcar No. M55019 has now been transferred to Departmental Stock.

Will anyone who has a list of allocations for D.M.U.'s for all regions except L.M.R. and W.R. Please contact B.J. Towey, 25, Calder Crescent, WHITEFIELD, Manchester. M25 6LH.

HS4000 'Kestral' This locomotive has been working East Coast Express Passenger trains over the past months, but was seen back on Shirebrook on December, 14th.

HULL AND NORWICH 30B Hull Dairycoates and 32A Norwich have both no longer any allocation of types 1 to 4. Their remaining allocation is now shunters only.

The majority of their former allocations have now moved to 55C or 41A for Hull, and to 31B for Norwich.

RAIL NEWS (continued)

WATERLOO. On Saturday Morning the station pilot here was 4108, but later in the day (27th. December, 1969) it had changed to 4100.

EAST COAST MAIN LINE. On Saturday, 27th. December, 1969. two Birmingham Type 3's were seen heading south on the East Coast Main line at New Southgate, North of Hornsey. The locomotives concerned were 6592 and 6558, Both were seen that evening at Hither Green Depot.

CHRISTMAS EXTRAS. On Sunday, 28th. December, 1969. there were several extras between Manchester and London. The 16.00hrs from London had two reliefs, one at 15.40 via Birmingham, and one at 15.50 direct.

CAMBRIDGE. Class 08 shunter No. 3610 was seen on Cambridge M.P.D. on December 27th. The depot foreman said that it had arrived on depot earlier in the day, after 31 consecutive days away from the depot, at various locations.

CHESTERTON on the same date Chesterton contained Class 03 shunters No.s 2004 and 2008. They were both in the engineers depot, which is about 1 mile north of Cambridge Shed.

MANCHESTER VICTORIA Seen here on December 6th. on a football excursion was Tinsley based Class 47 No. 1575.

WEST COUNTRY On the 22nd. November, 1969 the following were observed in the West Country:- Newton Abbott 16 locos including 9 Warships and Class 46 No. 154. Cullompton By-Pass:- Class 42 locomotives Numbers 867 and 832 were seen on the Golden Hind, both in ex-works condition.

NEWPORT on the same date a visitor at Newport Ebbw Junction was class 45 No. 60. a Leeds Holbeck based Peak.

DONCASTER. In a period of only 4 hours on Saturday, 3rd. January, 1970 at Doncaster no fewer than 9 Deltics were seen here including 9011 which left Works, and immediately worked a slow London bound train double-headed with 1103, which had brought the train into Doncaster oozing oil.

EUSTON During the weekend between Christmas and New Year a larger number of Electric locomotives than usual were seen at Euston, including the rather uncommon E3170.

HOLYHEAD. The only surviving Class 01 shunters 2954/5 now are housed in a little shed near the land end of the Breakwater. This is reached by a private road which starts near the end of the promenade. The track outside the depot at first sight looks as if it has been disused for several years, so if you are going there be very careful, or you will miss them. A visit earlier in the year failed to find any connection between this shed and its associated lines to the British Railways lines, although these locomotives are still owned by B.R. If any member knows anything about these locomotives, or where the lines connect please contact B.J. Towe, 25, Calder Crescent, WHITEFIELD, Manchester M25 6LH, as information is required by several members of the Society.

BEDFORD. The shunter which is stabled here has now changed from a Cricklewood based one to a Bletchley based shunter, 3228 was noticed here on two occasions recently.

ST. ROLLOX Unconfirmed reports have recently appeared to suggest that Leeds Holbeck Type 2's are being overhauled at St. Rollox Works, and not at any of the English Works. Our informant stated that on one occasion there were no fewer than 5 such locomotives on works.

MARYLEBONE The Diesel Multiple unit depot here has recently had locomotives on shed, usually a shunter from Willesden and a type 2.

CLASS 46 Further to our report of all locomotives of this class being on Crewe Locomotive Works, the first of the class No. 1702 was seen on the 3rd. January 1970 at Sheffield Midland. This Loco has not been renumbered as was reported, but it appears that it is now a standard Class 47, although no confirmation from Eastern Region.

LATE ANNOUNCEMENTS

On Monday, 22nd. December, 1969, a committee meeting was held, and the following points will be of interest to members.

Mr. D. Goldie was elected onto the committee, taking the place of Mr. B.J. Towey, as Sales Officer. Mr Towey is now taking a new position on the Committee, as Special Events Secretary. His main task will be the organisation of new activities, such as Signal Box Visits, Brake Van Trips, and also meetings for Members. Will any member who has ideas for visits outside the normal scope of the tours programmes please contact Mr. Towey. The first of these special visits should be announced in the next Magazine,

It was also decided that greater Member-participation was to be encouraged, so for the time being until full details are available, if you have any suggestions or criticisms, please send these to any committee member, or give them, in writing please, to any committee member on any visit. We wish however to stress that it is in your own interests to place your suggestions in writing, as no misinterpretation can then take place, and there is recorded evidence of your comments. Note that Complaints are welcomed, and may be made to any committee member, so you can choose who you think will be most likely to uphold your points.

A Full statement of policy is to be issued shortly.

Please note that as most of this magazine had been prepared before this meeting some alterations have had to be made. The following should be noted:-

- Page Number 4. Items of Rail-News for inclusion in the next edition of the Magazine should now be sent to B.J. Towey by 1st, March, 1970.
- Page Number 5. The above applies on this page also.
- Page Number 6. Tour No. 26V is now to Swindon, Bristol, and Eastleigh. It is hoped to include Southampton Docks as well, subject to permit.

The competition run by B.W.R.E. will be introduced again in the next magazine. Due to a settling down process of the new society this had to be left out of both this magazine, and the previous one. It has also resulted in the reduced size of both magazines, and it is anticipated that both these will revert in the next Edition. We hope that you will forgive the upheaval of the past two or three months, which we hope will have settled by the New Year.

For competition in this issue see page number 2.

RAIL NEWS (Concluded).

For Rail News we are indebted to M. Rose, B.J. Towey, D. Goldie, and several members whose names were not at hand as this magazine went to press.

CREWE WORKS. On 7th, December, 1969, all members of class 48 were seen on Crewe works (These were 1702-6). These are the Brush '4's fitted with the 2650 hp. Sulzer V engine.
MELDON QUARRY. The Locomotive working Meldon Quarry has of late been 3509, officially allocated to 84A. As can be seen from the re-allocations this locomotive has now been transferred to 83A, during November, and so it would appear that this locomotive is no longer working the quarry. Confirmation is not however at hand at the moment, as it is possible that the diagram has been changed.

SWINDON WORKS North British Type 2 (Class 22) No. 6356 has just been allocated to Swindon Works (To be allocated to a depot on release,). It would appear that the remaining members of the class have now had a reprieve, as no more were supposed to be going through works.