



Pullman Car Services

Coupé News

“The Quality of Service is Remembered Long After The Price is Forgotten”

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Editorial:

Welcome to Coupé News No: 29.
Your free newsletter of Pullman related news and material.

My thanks to those readers who have supplied material included within this edition.

All I ask of you for the time I spend in production is for you to forward on, either by e-mail or printing a copy, to any one you may know who will be interested.

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If you have any material for inclusion in No.30, please forward by July 25th.
Coupé News No.30 will be published on August 1st.

Editorial Address:

Have you missed a copy of Coupé News, or changing your e-mail address, or wish to be removed from the mailing list. Please e-mail to the address below with your request, it's as simple as that.

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PULLMAN OF THE MONTH.

This is the first of what I hope will be a regular feature with your help. If you have a Pullman Photograph you would like to share with fellow readers all you have to do is forward to me in jpg, also some detail on content will be of benefit also.



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What is believed to be an ECS for the Hull portion of the "Yorkshire Pullman" enroute to Hull Station to commence the "up" working.

ED: Unless you know otherwise?

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Look Back at Pullman:

1925.

July 2nd.

Stockton & Darlington Railway Centenary Celebrations.
Cavalcade of Locomotives, coaches and wagons from Stockton to Darlington.
HRH the Duke and Duchess of York present at the stands erected lineside to the west of the present day Urray Nook level crossing.
Southern Railways Train (exhibit cavalcade number 52)
King Arthur No.449 "Sir TORRE" hauling a rake of Maunsell coaches with Pullman Car "LYDIA" (later CIWL No.55).

July 2nd to 18th Exhibition.

The S&DR Centenary exhibition was held at the Faverdale Works at Darlington.
Pullman Car NIOBE(I) (later CIWL No.56) was on display.

Ed: Has any one any knowledge that could lead to a photograph/s of either car at the centenary. If so please contact me.

July 2nd.

The "Harrogate Pullman" service is extended to Edinburgh.

July 12th.

The "Sheffield Pullman" service is extended and re-routed via Retford, Sheffield to Manchester and also renamed the "Sheffield & Manchester" Pullman.
The service was unsuccessful and terminated in September 1925.

1950.

July 6th.

"Royal Train". Conveying HRH Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother to Cranbrook.
Train consisted of corridor third brake, corridor composite Pullman Car MALAGA, corridor composite & corridor third brake.

July 12th.

The Devon Belle stock used on an excursion Waterloo – Salisbury and Winchester.

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July 26th.

The Devon Belle stock used on an excursion Victoria – Canterbury and Dover.

July 31st.

The Ocean Liner Terminal at Southampton Docks opens.

1955.

July 27th.

Britannia Class No.70004 “William Shakespeare” noted hauling the down working of the “Golden Arrow”.

July 25th.

The “Bournemouth Belle” is stopped at Winchester to allow members of a Royal Party to use the train on the occasion of a Royal Visit.

1960.

July 4th.

Inaugural service day of the all new Blue Pullman sets on the “Midland Pullman” service.

1975.

July 2nd.

The “Hull Pullman” Pullman car formation consists of cars STORK & RUBY(II).

July 5th.

Ex Brighton Belle Motor Brake Parlour car No.88 arrives at the Stour Valley Railway. The car is owned by Trueman Brewery.

July.

Noted working on London – Norwich services ex-Pullman cars now refurbished to First opens 349, 350, 351, 352 & 353.

July & August.

CAR No.335 noted within the formation of the York – Inverness Motorail service.

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1995.

July 20th.

At Liverpool Lime Street Station. 47785 is named "THE STATESMAN" by the late Sir John Mills and Fiona Castle (Widow of Roy Castle).

This being prior to the departure of the "Tour of Hope 2" which commences at Liverpool and calls at Blackpool, Carlisle, Edinburgh, Newcastle, York, Derby, Cardiff, Bristol, Bournemouth, Brighton and ending at London Victoria on July 23rd after clocking up 2,000 miles.

The train formation consists of five "Statesman" ex-1966 Mk2 Pullman cars, N.Dodson's LMS Club Saloon and Waterman Railways Mk1 Sleeper No.2834. At Brighton two VSO-E Pullman cars are added to the formation cars AUDREY and PHOENIX.

Ed: I purchased a copy of the video of this unique event in 1995 entitled - "The 1995 TOUR OF HOPE" for the Roy Castle Cause for Hope Foundation. Produced by Railfilms with a running time of 50 minutes. If you ever come across a copy, I can recommend you purchase it.

Attendants Service:

The following requests for help in relation to historical data have been received and are now posted in the hope that a fellow reader may be able to help.

Unless otherwise stated, please reply to the editorial address.

Table 1.

Hello Terry,

I have just been through the website Coupe News as I am interested in information about East Coast Pullmans.

To be precise I am trying to create in model form the Yorkshire, Tees Tyne and Queen of Scots Pullmans. at around the 1962/3 period.

Basically I need to find out what the formations were with some indication of car numbers...are you able to help or could you put me in touch with someone who could.

Many thanks for your time, Graham Hobbs.

Table 2.

Ian Jackson on behalf of a colleague not on the inter-net has requested if any member can help identify any Pullman cars that were attached to the what he believes to be the York to Inverness Motor-Rail train formation.

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Table 3.

I would appreciate the help of any reader with regard to the formation of the Yorkshire Pullman - Harrogate portion, in the years 1937 - 1939.

I refer to a reference I have within the 'Yeadon's Register of Named Trains on LNER Lines'.

This states that the Harrogate portion of Yorkshire Pullman ran from Harrogate, via York, to Doncaster, where it joined up with Hull and Halifax portions.

Apparently in years 1937 - 9, there was no Leeds portion as it was considered unnecessary because the 'West Riding Limited' served Leeds.

Also, there was the Queen of Scots.

Tom Kirtley.

Model Railway Exhibitions & News.

I have received a couple of requests from readers who will shortly be visiting the United States of America on vacation, for any recommended model railroad suppliers/shop in the west coast areas of the USA.

Los Angeles Area.

On my visit in 2002, I was taken by fellow Coupe News reader Ted Crevelling to

THE TRAIN STOP – 211 West Bonita – San Dimas – California – 91773.

The store is owned and managed by Paul and Susan Kirby (also Coupe News readers). The store is well laid out with working layouts and extensive stocks that Offer a selection of scales from “G” – “O” – “HO” & “N”.

Visit the web site for more details: -

www.trainstop.com

Can any reader recommend RR model shop in San Francisco?

SHEFFIELD RAILWAYANA AUCTIONS

Postal Auction Close Date June 20th.

Lots 619-658: SHARE CERTIFICATES AND EARLY RAILWAY PAPERWORK.

638 **PULLMAN CAR COMPANY** Share Certificate No. 176 for £137 of “Cumulative Redeemable Preference Stock” dated 1948. Brown printing, decorative border, large format, embossed seal, not cancelled. Tape repairs to folds. £18

Auction Realisation = £160

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Attendants Mail Box:

MB 1.

Hi Terry,

Just received and read Coupe News No 28 and found it the usual very good read.

Pity about the mix up with my name and Malcolm's name on page 5 (Table 4). I assume this was due the pressure of your problems with NTL, I don't think Malcolm and I will fall out with you or each other over it.

Regards Brian COLLINSON aka Wilkinson.

Ed: Apologies to both Brian and Malcolm for my error last month.

MB 2.

Terry

This was a great read - the photos certainly enhance the text.

Keep up the great work - time permitting

Ray Watson.

Ed: My time given to producing the newsletter is rewarded by comments received and knowing the knowledge is being shared with others like yourself Ray.

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Terry,

Thank you for the copy of your latest newsletter.

Regards, Chris.

Pantry Sales.

Peter Glover advises he has for sale a 'Kitmaster' six car Blue Pullman set. It is reasonably well made with Kitmaster power bogie fitted. Requires a little T.L.C. Offers of around £125.00 or there about, plus postage.

Will be well packed for postage.

Photo's could be supplied if required.

E-Mail for more information. pullmanrailways@ntlworld.com

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Devon Belle – Plymouth Portion Readers Query.

This is a request from me to Bevis Heap, who e-mailed me with a request for information with regard to the Plymouth portion of the Devon Belle.

Alas Bevis, I have lost your e-mail address to respond on the matter, I would appreciate you e-mailing me again, so I can close the request.

Tail Lamp:

Coupé News is only as good as the information received, and published within. So why not share your news / material / information with fellow Pullman connoisseurs.

Those readers of this newsletter that are also members of 'The Pullman Society' will have received in the last few days a copy of the Society newsletter "Pullman Circular" as produced by Society member Alan White.

Alan has picked up the mantle to keep the members advised in the same way I initially did back in 2003 with the first editions of Coupé News.

The difference being that after the first two editions of Coupé News it became apparent the readership had expanded beyond the Pullman Society membership. So as not to confuse the members and also any constraint within the Society Constitution, I decided to make all future editions of Coupé News non society related and open to as many readers as possible.

Today those same initial Pullman Society members receive a copy of Coupé News.

I am sure fellow Pullman Society members will join me in thanking Alan for his time and effort in production of the Circular No.1. Alan has advised me that No.2 will be published in September.

For details on membership of the Pullman Society contact: -

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Ladies Day at Royal Ascot brought the VSO-E British Pullman cars to York on June 16th. Just before its arrival, York station saw the arrival of the VSO-E Northern Belle from the Holgate direction.

So both VSO-E trains stood together whilst the passengers disembarked for special coaches laid on for them to travel to the race course.

Both trains departed north empty for Tyne Yard for stabling.

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T.Bye June 29th 2005.