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2021 Book News



Welcome to our 2021 Book News. As we come towards the end of a very strange year we hope that you've managed to get this far relatively unscathed. It's been a very challenging time for us all and we're just relieved that, so far, we're mostly all in one piece.

While we were closed over lockdown, Mark took on the challenge of digitalising some of Venture's back catalogue producing over 20 downloadable books of some of our most popular titles. Thanks to the kind donations of our customers we managed to raise over £3000 for The Christie which was then matched pound for pound by a very good friend taking the total to almost £7000. There is still time to donate and download these books, just click on the downloads page on our website for the full list.

We're still operating with reduced numbers in the building at any one time. We've re-organised our schedules for packers and office staff to enable us to get orders out as fast as we can, but we're also relying on carriers and suppliers. Many of the publishers whose titles we stock are small societies or one-man operations so please be aware of the longer lead times when placing orders for Christmas presents.

The last posting dates for Christmas are listed on page 63 along with all the updates in light of the current Covid situation and also the impending Brexit deadline. In particular, please note the change to our order and payment processing which was introduced on 1st July 2020.

The shop is still closed and there is no date to re-open at the time of printing but we are still running our mail order service as normal. Please address all your correspondence to us at the FREEPOST address below. No stamp is required and no further address details are needed as this invalidates the Freepost service, which will certainly delay your letter and may even mean we don't receive it.

FREEPOST MDS BOOK SALES

We've obviously not been able to get out with the sales stand at all this year and, at present, we have no dates to advertise for 2021 but as soon as we have any news we will update our website.

The office will close for Christmas on 23rd December and will re-open in the new year.

Thank you for your continued support, please stay safe, and we look forward to hearing from you.

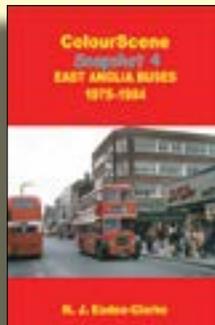
Lou, Kerry & the team MDS Book Sales

Cover image: In the yard of Bickers of Coddensham stand Bristol SC4LK WAH875 with ECW body new to Eastern Counties as their LS875 in 1957 and former London Transport GSs 56 (MXX356) and 60 (MXX360) which are Guy Specials with B26F bodies by Eastern Coachworks. 27 August 1975. (**Eadon-Clarke**)
This picture is taken from our forthcoming book 'ColourScene Snapshot 4- East Anglia Buses 1975-1984', due December 2020. More information overleaf.

FORTHCOMING

COLOURSCENE SNAPSHOT 4- EAST ANGLIA BUSES 1975-1984

The accepted definition of East Anglia is that it covers Suffolk, Norfolk and Cambridgeshire, however the Author has included the northern part of Essex principally the areas around Chelmsford, Braintree and Colchester where he spent summer holidays between 1975 and 1984. He depicts a wide range of buses and coaches ranging from Eastern Counties and municipalities, established coach operators and owner-operators with a few museum views and visits to the ECW factory. The smaller operators served the larger towns on market day supplemented by schoolwork. East Anglia is relatively flat so many fleets consisted of Bedfords or Fords for stage services; some second-hand double-deckers for school-work and coaches for day trips. As a result, the selected photographs depict a wide range of vehicles from this most interesting period in a region of England often overlooked by photographers and historians alike. This fourth book in the author's ColourScene Snapshot series follows the style from DTS Publishing.



VP472 AVAILABLE DECEMBER 2020 £23.95

SUPER PRESTIGE 43 MERTHYR TYDFIL

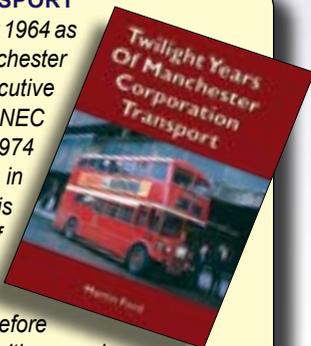
Michael Yelton completes his study of Welsh Municipal operators with his seventh book, this time on Merthyr Tydfil. Unlike other smaller South Wales municipalities, explored in previous volumes, Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council started running buses while there were still trams in the town which were owned and operated by an outside private company. The trams already ran on the two most lucrative routes when the Council began running buses and it took 15 years before the local authority was able to purchase the tramway undertaking and to replace the trams with buses. This 154 page book includes a full fleet list and is well illustrated throughout with both black & white and colour photographs and maps to help bring this story to life.

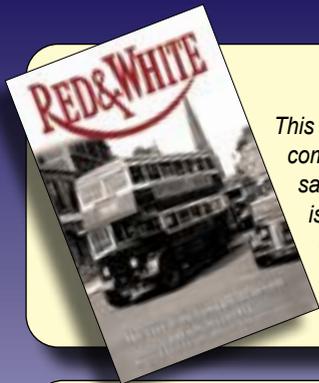
VP492 £20 IN STOCK NOW

THE TWILIGHT YEARS OF MANCHESTER CORPORATION TRANSPORT

Martin Ford joined Manchester Corporation Transport Department in August 1964 as a junior clerk in the Claims Department, rising up through the ranks as Manchester Corporation Transport passed to SELNEC Passenger Transport Executive in November 1969, and remaining in that same department when SELNEC transferred to Greater Manchester Passenger Transport Executive in 1974 and then to GM Buses Limited to become Litigation Manager by the time in new moved to a similar role at MANWEB in 1990, then going on to form his own accident investigation company dealing with bus accidents on behalf of various clients, but principally for the in-house insurers of Stagecoach. This fascinating insight into Manchester Corporation Transport Department during its final years reveals some of the interesting inner most workings before they are forever lost in the passing years of change. Illustrated throughout with memories of Martin's time in Manchester and showing a number of behind the scenes incidents.

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THE COMPANY, ITS SERVICES AND VEHICLES TO 1953

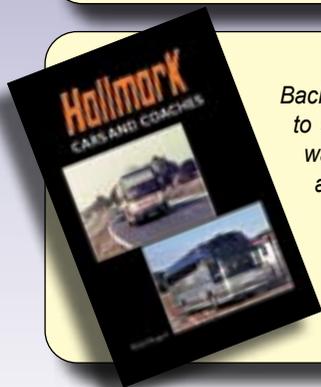
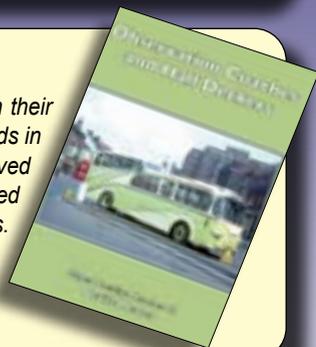
This book tells the first part of the history of this fascinating family-owned company. The book covers Red & White from its creation right up to its sale to the British Transport Commission (BTC) in 1950. This publication is profusely illustrated with hundreds of pictures of vehicles, tickets and timetables etc. A4 hardback.

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OBSERVATION COACHES & HALF-DECKERS

In this book, Neville Mercer tells the story of observation coaches from their origins in North America to the ones which were found on the British roads in the middle years of the 20th century. The few companies which were involved in their manufacture are described in detail, as well as the firms who produced the most familiar examples which served the London stations and airports. This 190 page volume is illustrated with around 300 pictures, including some very rare vehicles.

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HALLMARK COACHES

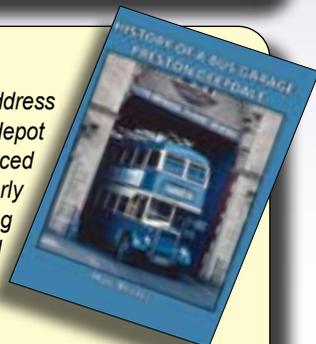
Back in 1968 Eric Atkinson teamed up with local businessman John Barnett to start a chauffeur-car company for transporting airline crews. Atkinson wanted his young son, Mark, to be referenced in the company name and as they were aiming for a quality service "Hallmark" became the obvious identity for the new operation. It was eventually to become one of the most highly regarded brands in luxury coach travel. This book tells the fascinating story of this coach company. A4 softback, illustrated in both colour and black & white.

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PRESTON DEEPDALE - HISTORY OF A BUS GARAGE

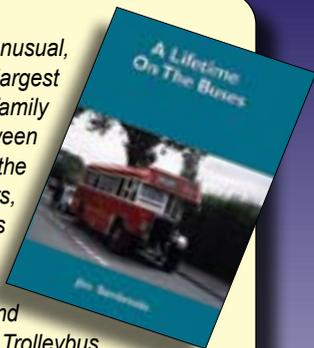
Regular Venture author Mike Rhodes explores the history of this famous address and this book is the result of a more than 50 years fascination with the depot and its operations. Originally a horse tram operation, Preston commenced electric tram services from the newly built Deepdale premises in the early 1900s, and the depot housed all the facilities the tramway needed including the power station, along with the workshops and car sheds. Later converted to motor bus operation, the garage remains in use today and is the hub of the city's Rotala operation.

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A LIFETIME ON THE BUSES

Covering almost half a century, this is the story of one man's, slightly unusual, career in the transport industry. From working in the home counties with the largest bus operator in the country, to employment with one of the legendary family Independent operators in Yorkshire, the narrative traces the contrast between large and small in the bus industry, at the same time following in parallel the development of two major enthusiasts' organisations over the last 40 years, namely the Doncaster Omnibus & Light Rail Society and the British Trolleybus Society. A native of Sunderland, Jim Sambrooks moved to Hertfordshire aged 16 before commencing a career with London Transport. A subsequent move to Doncaster found him employed by a number of local operators, and allowed him to assist, alongside his paid work, in the development of The Trolleybus Museum at Sandtoft, where he can still be found, in retirement, keeping the wheels turning. 92 pages, softback.

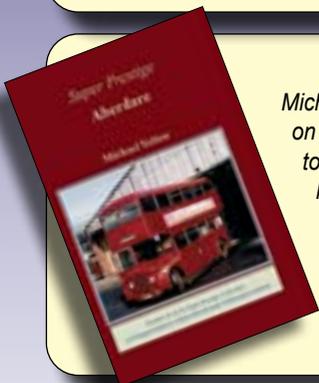


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PRESTIGE SERIES 42 ABERDARE

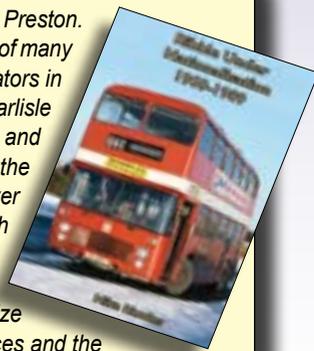
Michael Yelton continues his study of Welsh municipal operators with this book on Aberdare. It covers the trams and trolleybuses of the early years through to the motor bus days. Aberdare has been little written about, although there has been some interest in the unusual early trolleybus operation, but nothing so far put forward on that system has been compiled after access to all the many relevant records, until now. Like other Welsh municipalities, the services revolved around the shifts of the local coal mines. The story ends with the local government reorganisation in 1974.

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RIBBLE UNDER NATIONALISATION

Ribble Motor Services was formed in 1919 with its headquarters based in Preston. During the 1920s and 1930s the company rapidly expanded with the takeover of many smaller operators. The Ribble family grew to be one of the largest bus operators in the country and at its peak its operating area stretched all the way from Carlisle in the north to Merseyside. In this book Mike Rhodes outlines the services and vehicles operated by Ribble, and its subsidiaries, following the formation of the National Bus Company on 1st January 1969 through to its eventual takeover by Stagecoach on 21st April 1989. Profusely illustrated the book looks at each of Ribble's geographical operating areas in turn and records how established route patterns were radically changed with the advent of minibuses in the post-deregulation era. Ribble was slimmed down to nearly half its original size when the Cumbria operations were taken over by Cumberland Motor Services and the Merseyside Operations passed to the North Western Road Car Company in 1986 making it easy pickings for one of the expanding operators to buy out, which is exactly what occurred and eventually Ribble was consigned to history.

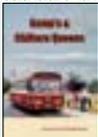


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VENTURE PUBLICATIONS

VP477 Kemp's & Chiltern Queens **£35.00 £20.00**

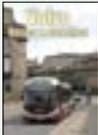
This book provides a comprehensive history of this fascinating operator based in rural South Oxfordshire. The book covers the bus operations of Kemps between 1929 and 1955 when they became Chiltern Queens Bus Services.



The company ran as Chiltern Queens until 2002 when the company came in to financial difficulties. It was at this point that Keith Horseman from Horseman Coaches Ltd got involved and took control of their affairs. The initial intention was to keep the Chiltern Queens name for a further two years but this was not meant to be. Written by Laurie James and John Whitehead, this large format hardback book has 176 pages with over 250 colour and black and white illustrations plus comprehensive fleet details, route maps, garage and staff details and much more.

VP475 Volvo Buses & Coaches **£34.00 £20.00**

Roger Carey takes an in-depth look at the development of Volvo's product range from the import of the first chassis in 1972, the Ailsa story, and through the various highs and lows to the contemporary Euro 6 range. Illustrated with almost 500 superb photographs covering customers from the smallest to the largest operators, this is definitely a book not to miss. A4 Case bound, 192 pages.



VP474 Stevensons of Uttoxeter **£34.00 £20.00**

Stevensons Bus Company was founded in August 1926, the first service operating on Saturday, 11th September between Uttoxeter and Burton-upon-Trent. The company slowly grew in size in and around that heartland, becoming Stevensons of Uttoxeter Ltd in 1971, until by the late 1970s there were over forty vehicles in the fleet. This publication has been written as a lasting tribute to a highly regarded and much-missed family company in order to celebrate the 90th anniversary of its founding, which occurred in August 2016.



VP458 Northern Coachbuilders **£30.00 £20.00**

This long-awaited history of NCB explains the connection with Ringtons Tea, and then recalls the meteoric rise and equally dramatic end of one of the best-known coachbuilders of the post-war years. The involvement of the company in wartime aircraft production, details of the passenger and commercial vehicle output and the origins of the Smiths Electric Vehicle Group are explained in this profusely illustrated book. There are short biographies of the principal players which enhance the work.



VP479 Last Years of the Rear Entrance Double-Decker Bus **£20.00 £10.00**

In this book Mike Rhodes takes a look at the last years of rear-entrance double-decker buses. With 183 pictures and detailed captions, this book explores the progression of rear-entrance double-decker buses right up until the 21st century. It covers the period from the late 1960s, when the last rear-entrance double-deckers entered service in this country. It thus encapsulates the significant changes in ownership in the bus industry which took place from this time and also as a result of the deregulation legislation which was introduced in 1986. It also looks at the use of these vehicles elsewhere in the world.



VP469 Transport for Edinburgh - Lothian Buses & Trams **£20.00 £10.00**

Lothian Buses are one of only a handful of UK bus operators which are still controlled by the Local Authority and are the principal provider of bus services in the historic city of Edinburgh and several of the immediate surrounding towns.



Having reverted to the more traditional madder and white livery in 2010 this modern bus fleet presents a fine sight to the visitor and enthusiast alike. Mike Rhodes looks at the present day bus fleet through a series of photographs which depict all of the routes operated by each of the three garages. Extensive captions accompany each picture and many include additional information about the districts and buildings portrayed. The book also includes a brief history of the growth of local transport in Edinburgh, starting with the Edinburgh Street Tramway Co. in 1871, through to the present day. The book concludes with chapters which illustrate the Night Services, Bus Tours and the Tramway.

VP454 West Coast Motors **£15.00 £10.00**

This book traces the development of the company from its origins in Campbelltown at the south end of the Kintyre peninsula, to its present day operations which cover an area north to Fort William and east to Glasgow. The book also includes the Citylink services, Glasgow Citybus and City Sightseeing Glasgow businesses. There is also a brief, illustrated description of previous services in what is now West Coast Motors territory. The story is complemented by over 200 photographs, most of which are in colour. 96 pages, A4 portrait with colour illustrations and behind the scenes information.



**VP449 Cumberland Motor Services 1912-2012 -
100 Years of Service****£15.00 £8.00**

Cumberland Motor Services was founded as Whitehaven Motor Services Company in 1912 and this publication has been prepared to celebrate its centenary. It does not attempt to be a history of the company as the known history, up to 1996, has been covered in the author's previous books, *British Bus Systems No 1 - Cumberland and Cumberland Motor Services 1921-1996*. It is therefore a pictorial review, mainly in colour, of its development over the past 100 years and includes many previously unpublished photographs of the company's vehicles and operations. There is also brief reference to the expansion of the company which took place in 1997 with the takeover of the North Lancashire area from Ribble.

**VP460 Steel Wheels & Rubber Tyres Vol 3****£20.00 £10.00**

Geoffrey Hilditch, General Manager at Halifax, received a rude awakening when he read he was to lose his job thanks to Barbara Castle. His subsequent time as Engineering Director at West Yorkshire PTE was difficult, throwing money into the unknown was alien to him, and his reign was short. Moving to Leicester should have put matters right but it seems he had moved out of the frying pan into the fire. This turbulent period of his career forms Part 3 of his fascinating autobiography.

**VP481 Steel Wheels & Rubber Tyres Vol 4****£20.00 £10.00**

This book sees the final instalment of the late Geoffrey Hilditch's autobiography. It follows the same layout and format as the third volume produced by Venture and focuses on the later part of his working life including time working in Whitehall, Aberdare, Drawlane Leicester and Oldham.

**VP472 With the Benefit of Hindsight****£20.00 £10.00**

Bob Hind spent over 40 years in the bus industry which he entered as a seasonal employee with Crosville before experiencing training with the company at both the smallest as well as the largest depots. A move between NBC companies subsequently found him employed by Midland Red before making the rather unusual transfer to its competitor Leicester City Transport. A return to Merseyside found him undertaking various senior management posts with Arriva, before his retirement with that organisation back in the Midlands. In this intriguing volume, he recounts his story from various aspects of his career and is well illustrated with pictures of both the people and vehicles with whom he worked.

**Super Prestige****VP441 ...23 Ind Buses in Shropshire****£16.95 £8.00**

Neville Mercer, who previously prepared the comprehensive study of *Independent Bus Operation in Staffordshire*, has now produced this companion volume covering the independent operators of Shropshire. Produced in the same operator by operator style it covers over 30 operators large and small from pioneering days up to de-regulation in 1986.

**VP467 ...35 Ind Bus Operators
in Western Yorkshire****£20.00 £5.00**

This volume in Neville Mercer's series on independent bus operators covers the western half of the old West Riding, providing historical accounts and extensive photographic coverage of more than 30 companies which ran stage carriage services before deregulation. The 192 page book, the largest in the series so far, takes the reader from the remote villages of the Yorkshire Dales (where operators such as Alderson, Bounty, Cowgill, Hodder, Laycock, and Pennine eked out a living on the narrow margins of profitability) to the mining towns of the southern West Riding (and independents which operated high frequency inter-urban routes in competition with much larger bus companies and municipal transport departments). Well-known names including Hanson of Huddersfield and Baddeley of Holmfirth feature alongside lesser known enterprises operating in the southern coalfields. If Yorkshire independents are of interest this is a book for you.

**VP468 ...36 Scottish Rebuilt Buses****£17.00 £5.00**

The end of WWII signalled a difficult period for bus operators. Many had struggled trying to maintain vehicles that were time expired. Parts were in short supply, maintenance had suffered and customary fleet replacement had all but ceased. Some utility bodies were already deteriorating, and older vehicles in some cases could have their lives extended by fitting new bodies to durable chassis or transferring bodies from other vehicles. Original bodies were rebuilt or modified by converting for OMO, or modernising to coach standard. There was an urgent requirement for new buses. Sometimes there was a mismatch between the production of a chassis and the availability of its body, and a suitable pre-war body was reconditioned and fitted as a temporary measure. The next 20 years saw imaginative conversions carried out as Scottish operators rebuilt and re-bodied buses in order to modernise their fleets.



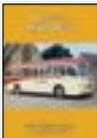
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VP476...37 Austins- Happy Days**£20.00 £10.00**

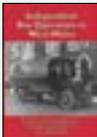
Geoff Smith has prepared this volume in Venture's Super Prestige format covering Austins - Happy Days of Woodseaves, Stafford. Another successful independent, they operated stage carriage services in the rural areas of the Staffordshire/Shropshire borders. The Happy Days coaching arm continued for many years after the end of stage carriage work. This book covers both sides of the business and is comprehensively illustrated in colour and black and white and includes full fleet details, and details of vehicle and operator acquisitions and disposals.

**VP478 ...38 Derbyshire Independents****£20.00 £10.00**

The latest volume in Neville Mercer's series covering independent bus operators takes a look at Derbyshire, and provides complete histories for more than 20 companies which were active in the county between 1950 and 1986. The operators range from small firms based in Peak District villages to the more substantial enterprises in the south and industrial north of the county which competed head-on with the likes of Midland General, Midland Red, and Trent. Well-known operators such as Booth & Fisher, Hulley of Baslow, and Silver Service find themselves alongside more obscure names including the Derby on a Friday operators which brought a flotilla of Bedford OBs to the county town on a weekly basis.

**VP483 ...39 West Wales Independents****£20.00 £10.00**

This is the second book from Venture written by Les Dickinson and it covers some of the independent bus companies that operate in west Wales. It follows the same Super Prestige format as his first book, Richard Brothers of Cardigan and has been written as a companion publication. This book will attempt to provide an insight to the operators on the coastal strip around Cardigan town and North Pembrokeshire, particularly Newport, Cilgerran and St Dogmaels from just before 1920 and up to more recent times. The second volume by Les Dickinson on buses in this region will be available later in 2019.

**VPL56 What's That New Mark****£2.75 £1.00**

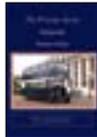
This book explains the new motor vehicle registration system which was brought in in 2001 in the UK. It includes a brief history of the old system and details of the new style registrations. This publication also contains tables that show to which offices the new codes are allocated.

**VP459 Manchester Metrolink Handbook****£9.95 £5.00**

This book describes the development and expansion of Manchester's pioneering light rail system from the initial phase converting the Bury and Altrincham railway lines through the various extensions that have taken place in recent years and looks forward to the airport line and second city crossings currently under construction.

**Prestige Series****VP471 ...41 Pontypridd****£10.00 £5.00**

The Pontypridd Urban District Council transport undertaking was much better known than many of the other small municipal operators in the South Wales valleys, even though most of its routes were short and local. Commencing with horse trams in 1882, electric trams and later trolleybuses were also operated as well as the motor buses. This book provides an overview of the development of the system and is supported by a wide selection of illustrations, a trolleybus and motor bus fleet list and maps and route details.

**VP482 Here Comes The Eden****£10.00 £5.00**

This book celebrates 90 years of Eden Bus Services. Mention that name to anyone above a certain age in Bishop Auckland, and thoughts turn to immaculately presented red and ivory buses, crewed by cheery staff operating a reliable and punctual bus service, in all weathers. Indeed, it is often said, 'The Eden always got through!' Though The Eden was sold to North East Bus (the parent company of United) in 1995, and the name faded away under the corporate image of Arriva, the name 'The Eden' was rescued by Graeme Scarlett, a Sildon businessman who drove for The Eden in the 1970s. Consequently, Eden buses still ply the streets of Bishop Auckland as though nothing happened, and even running out of the garage established in West Auckland, by the Summerson Brothers in the 1930s. This book records the history of this plucky little independent bus operator.

**VP462 UK & Ireland Tram & Light Rail****Systems 3rd Edition****£6.00 £3.00**

This third edition covers the systems of Blackpool, DLR, Edinburgh, LUAS, Metrolink, Midland Metro, NET, Supertram, Tramlink and Tyne & Wear Metro. Fully updated to July 2014, it is illustrated in colour throughout. This 64 page packet book is the ideal companion for your tramway visits or just for reference.

**VP463 Trolleybus Museum at Sandtoft****Fleet Handbook 2nd Edition****£8.00 £5.00**

This volume describes the rolling stock at the Trolleybus Museum at Sandtoft, utilising a one vehicle per page layout and containing a resume of each exhibit. A brief history of the remarkable growth of the Museum site from 1969 to the present day is also included, making this an essential pocket book for anyone visiting the Museum. 80 pages, softback, with over 80 colour photos.

**VP464 Crich Tramcar****Rollingstock Book 2nd Edition****£9.00 £5.00**

This new edition is a fully illustrated all-colour pocket book that describes the National Tramway Museum fleet on a one car per page basis. A mixture of vintage and modern pictures selected for their quality make this quite literally a little gem. Edited by long-standing TMS members John Senior and Ian Stewart.



BUS & TROLLEYBUS BOOKS

AMBERLEY PUBLISHING

A7568 Bedford Buses & Coaches £14.99 Feb

Until production ceased in 1986, Bedford buses and coaches were a familiar sight on roads across the world. From the ubiquitous Bedford OB and the distinctive six-wheeled Bedford VAL right up to the final model, the air-suspended turbocharged Venturer, the advertising slogan 'You see them everywhere' was perfectly suited to the company. Covering the period from 1960 until the end of production, this book gives an overview of the majority of models produced during this period including the SB, VAM, VAL and Y types. Containing a brief description of each chassis type and 180 photographs, most in colour and all with informative captions, it showcases the products of the Dunstable factory in their operating heyday.



A0474 Bus Company Service Vehicles £14.99 Feb

In the days before privatisation, many bus companies adapted old buses for a variety of specialist uses as service vehicles. Using the skills and ingenuity of their workshops, buses might become, among other things, stores vans, tree loppers or uniform stores. Trolleybuses may have been converted to tower wagons to maintain the overhead wires. Some bus operators converted old buses to towing lorries. Others preferred ex-military trucks such as the AEC Matador. These came with somewhat austere cabs. Buses would also be adapted to serve as information offices or publicity buses, promoting such things as holiday tours or special ticket offers. Since privatisation, such practices have died out for a variety of reasons. Expensive, in-house workshops have largely been closed. Furthermore, the modern low-floor rear-engine buses are probably less suited to such conversions. Companies will use the services of specialist commercial bus and truck rescue services rather than retaining their own towing vehicles.



A9948 Buses in Greater Manchester in the 1990s £14.99 Dec

Like many of the conurbations across Britain, the Greater Manchester region in the 1990s offered a fascinating mixture of buses from operators both, large and small, new and established. The deregulation of the bus industry that began in October 1986 created a lively if sometimes chaotic environment. Operators came and went; some were rather spectacular in their demise. As the 1990s progressed there was gradual consolidation, as increasing areas of operation came under the control of the emerging larger groups - the likes of First, Stagecoach and Arriva. In this book, Howard Wilde reflects on some of the choice moments of this eventful decade, with a wide selection of photographs from Manchester and the numerous surrounding towns to show a period that was fascinating for the enthusiast, if not always beneficial for the passenger.



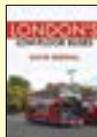
A9950 Buses of North Staffordshire £14.99 Jan

When the words Buses of North Staffordshire are used most people will think of PMT, and later First running through the urban areas of Stoke-on-Trent, with additional vehicles from a few medium sized family-owned operators thrown in for good measure. Our journey, however, taken over the last 50 or so years will also feature the vehicles of the many smaller rural operators. Schools services and works contracts have always been an important part of the bus scene, and many of the vehicles featured will have been mainly used for providing such services. Some of the operators featured are well-known names, with lengthy histories, others will be less familiar, and in some cases short lived too. The traditional independents, Berresfords, Stevensons, Turners etc have all gone now, but in their place are new operators, new ideas, and still a wealth of interesting vehicles to cope with the ever-changing demands of a still shrinking market.



A0119 London Low-Floor Buses £14.99 Nov

The low-floor bus was first introduced to the streets of London in 1994 with a fleet of sixty single-decks entering services with London Buses Limited, passing quickly to the new privatised operators. These vehicles were not that popular, and no further examples arrived into London until 1996 in the form of the Dennis Dart SLF. It was almost another two years before the first low-floor double-deckers entered service in the capital. The early 2000s saw low-floor buses flood the capital, mainly of the DAF and Dennis variety, with a smaller number of Volvos entering service. The second generation of low-floor vehicles were introduced to the capital in 2006 in the form of the Enviro range produced by Alexander Dennis Limited. The Enviro 200 and 400 models were taken into stock by many London operators, but some chose other models. With 180 wonderful photographs, David Beddall has produced a fascinating tribute to this part of London's bus history.



A9952 Municipal Transport in Lancashire

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In 1959 there were twenty-seven Corporation Transport systems in the Red Rose County. These were significantly reduced in 1969 with the creation of the Passenger Transport Executives in Manchester and Liverpool and further reduced in 1974 following the reorganisation of local government, when boundaries were changed and new administrative boroughs created. All but two of the remaining systems were privatised during the 1990s, following the deregulation of bus services in 1986. Rossendale clung on to its own transport organisation until 2018 when it too was bought out by Transdev, leaving just Blackpool Transport as the only council-owned operator within the redrawn county boundary. This book picks up the story following local government reorganisation in 1974 and uses a comprehensive selection of photographs to depict the closing years of all of Lancashire's Corporation Transport systems.



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A9954 North Western Buses**£14.99 Oct**

The North Western Road Car Company is just a fading memory now, but for almost 50 years its red and cream buses served a broad sweep of England's North West from the Cheshire plain to the Pennines. It was known as a friendly company, familiar as a commuter bus in Stockport, or market-day transport in rural Peak Forest, or as a fast express coach to London. Eventually, through no fault of its own, the company found itself in the wrong place at the wrong time and was dismembered to satisfy bureaucrats poring over a map. The name was revived briefly in the 1980s but today the only buses with the proud name 'North Western' on their sides are to be found in museums. This book isn't a history of the company - it's a taste of the days when a North Western timetable could be found in every home in its territory. Paul Williams has collected a unique set of photos taken between the 1950s and the 1970s from the collection of the Museum of Transport, Greater Manchester.

**A0826 Shuttle Buses- Fleet History 1990-2020£14.99 Oct**

Shuttle Buses, based in Kilwinning, Ayrshire, celebrates thirty years in business in 2020. During that time, it has grown from running two Ford Transit minibuses to a modern fleet of fifty-five buses and coaches operating throughout south-west Scotland. Over 150 vehicles have been operated over three decades and twenty manufacturers have been represented in the fleet. Traditional suppliers like ADL, Leyland, Mercedes, Optare, Scania and Volvo are joined by less common buses from Bedford, Carind, Fiat, KingLong and Talbot, in what must be one of the most diverse fleets operated in the UK in recent times. Almost every vehicle ever owned is pictured in this collection, at work and in less frequently photographed situations. Written by the co-founder and managing director, the informative captions give an operator's perspective of each type, detailing mistakes that have been made over the years and the company's many success stories.

**A8169 Southampton City Transport Buses£14.99 Feb**

With a wealth of rare and previously unseen images, Southampton Corporation Transport Buses illustrates the development of mainly diesel-powered buses operated by Southampton Corporation Transport and its successors since the early years of the twentieth century until recent times. As well as covering the vehicle types used, the photographs included here attempt to show as much background around the buses as possible to give a fuller portrait of this interesting city and its history. Written by a long-time member of the Southampton & District Transport Heritage Trust and making use of the group's superb archive, the images presented here give the reader a wonderfully evocative insight into the history of transport in the city.

**A9968 Southern National Omnibus Co £14.99 Jan**

Nowhere had the nineteenth-century rivalry between competing railways companies had a more marked effect on the much later motor-omnibus industry than in the South West of England. Criss-crossing and, in some cases, almost parallel lines, laid or acquired by the GWR and London & South Western Railway, created territorial allegiances that are remembered to this day. In the 1920s, the railway companies' operating terrain formed the basis for the establishment of two offshoots from the National Omnibus & Transport Co Ltd. It was a time when the railway companies involved bought their way into the omnibus industry. The resultant Western National and Southern National omnibus companies shared a common address in Exeter but had different railway company directors on their boards. This book begins by outlining the founding of the National Omnibus & Transport Co together with the express service and Royal Blue subsidiaries' operations. It then focuses on the history of the Southern National company's operations.

**A9639 The Buses of East Scotland £14.99 Oct**

The exact definition of East Scotland can be difficult to define due to its wide geographical areas, but for the purpose of this book bus services covered are from a wide range of destinations including Aberdeen, Dundee, Edinburgh, Perth, Fife, the Borders and the Lothians. Not only do large well-known operators such as Stagecoach, First and National Express serve the communities here, but so do companies such as Borders Buses (part of the Craig of Campbeltown West Coast Motors Group), Lothian Buses, Lothian Country Buses, East Coast Buses, Moffat and Williamson, Rennie, Prentice, Eves, Ratho Coaches and Edinburgh Coachlines. In this book, Richard Walter illustrates the scenic and contrasting areas that these buses operate in. The bus remains an essential lifeline in many of the smaller towns and vehicles change and adapt as necessary.

**BRITISH BUS PUBLISHING****BBSG7 British Bus Handbook Smaller Groups****7th Edition 2020 £19.25 Oct**

This book is part of a series that details the fleets of certain bus and express coach operators throughout Britain. The operators included here are more of those who provide tendered and commercial services. They are the groups which have not featured in their own dedicated volume.

CAPITAL TRANSPORT PUBLISHING**CA450 Young Routemasters****£19.95 Oct**

This new album records the first uses of the RMs delivered up to the last RM in 1965. It covers the prototypes, the RMs used on trolleybus replacement routes, the entry into service of the RMCs and the first few years of RT family replacement all those conversions using newly delivered buses. Detailed captions accompany 160 black & white photos.



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GVVT3 Over the Sea to Skye £19.95 Oct

This book tells the story of Britain's longest stage carriage bus route, now operated by Citylink as service 916, a six-hour marathon journey from Glasgow to Uig on the Isle of Skye. Cleverly conceived and expertly written by Donald Booth, he recounts the history of the service and some of his experiences driving many of the vehicles illustrated along the route. Donald's interest in the Uig service stems from family connections with Skye. In 'Over the sea to Skye' he takes the reader along the route which passes through some of Scotland's most spectacular scenery on its 225 mile journey. He explains in detail how it has grown from a one day a week operation operated by small independents in the 1950s and 1960s, through the Scottish Bus Group years and up to the 7 days a week operation with multiple daily journeys, operated by Scottish Citylink from the 80s to the present.



It boasts some spectacular scenery and regularly appears in lists of the world's best walks. So this is not just a book about public transport, it is also a travellers' guide to things to see and do along the length of the Coast Path. The photographs of buses date from the 1920s through to the 2010s and feature over twenty-five different operators. There are brief notes on the way in which the Coast Path connects these places and the availability of modern-day bus services between them, and should any further encouragement be needed to plan a visit to the area, scenic views of some of the most beautiful locations are also included.

MALVERN HOUSE PUBLICATIONS

MH164 British Bus & Coach Builders Album £5.95 Nov

In this publication we look at firms whose principal work was to fit bus or coach bodies to chassis made by other firms. There have been many dozens, probably hundreds, of such UK companies, so we do not claim that this is a complete survey of all British coachbuilders. We have, however, tried to include the more important or more interesting firms. The main factor for inclusion here is that bodywork was produced on a commercial basis for sale to someone else. Not included here (in most cases) are bodies made by companies which were primarily chassis manufacturers (Leyland, Dennis, Guy etc). If, however, a chassis manufacturer such as Crossley frequently built bodies on chassis from other manufacturers, they are mentioned here. Mostly excluded are those firms which just built one or two bodies, or which only modified or refurbished old bus bodywork. This is such a large subject that we have divided it over two volumes; in these pages we cover coachbuilders based in England.



SILVER LINK

S4559 Buses & Coaches of Walter Alexander & Sons 1955-1956 £25.00 Oct

Walter Alexander was for many years the largest bus company in Scotland. The operations were divided into three areas - Southern, Fife and Northern. The Southern area was substantially that developed by the Alexander company. In Fife it was the General Motor Carrying Company Limited of Kirkcaldy and Wemyss & District Tramways Company Limited. In Kirkcaldy Corporation tramcars were replaced by Alexander buses on May 15, 1931. In Dunfermline Simpson's & Forrester's Limited was absorbed on April 1, 1938. The Northern area came into Alexander hands from 1930 with the takeover of services operated by the Scottish General Omnibus Group, Northern General Services of Arbroath and the bus services of the London & North Eastern Railway Company in Aberdeen. In 1949 Scottish Motor Traction services around Dundee were transferred to Alexander, and in 1950 James Sutherland of Peterhead followed. This book covers all three areas with views taken in 1955 and 1956.



PEN & SWORD

P5541 Buses Along The South West Coast Path From Minehead to Poole £25.00 Nov

When one thinks of public transport in the south west over the years, two names tend to dominate: Western National and Devon General. But as this book with a difference shows, there was much more to it. Whilst it features buses past and present from a variety of operators large and small, it does so by following the route of one of the most well-known walks in England. The South West Coast Path stretches for 630 miles from Minehead in Somerset, through Devon and Cornwall along the north coast to Land's End, and back along the south coast to Poole harbour in Dorset.



STEVE KNIGHT MEDIA

SKM52 Stagecoach East Fleet Handbook 2020 £6.50 Oct

Stagecoach East operates from depots in Bedford, Fenstanton, Cambridge and Peterborough. Investment in 2019/20 has seen 12 tri-axle double decks and six Volvo saloons join the fleet. The company has faced challenges in returning services to normal post-COVID 'lockdown' as it works to ensure it buses and coaches are COVID-secure. This means that it may be some months before all required vehicle types are returned to service. As a result, we have taken the decision to delay the publication of this Fleet handbook until October 2020. The book will detail all vehicles in the fleet along with extensive information on liveries and branding as well as depot allocations.



VERNON MORGAN

VM456 Rees & Williams and West Wales Motors Tycroes (Ammanford) £22.50 Jan

The book explores the history of Rees Williams and West Wales Motors. The author, Vernon Morgan, uses beautiful photographs to show this companies' development as they work alongside the beautiful Welsh landscape.

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WOOLYBUS**WB410 2020 FirstGroup Fleet Book £18.00 Oct**

This book is currently up to date to the end of March 2020 (before Covid-19 restrictions took place), and contains fleet lists, with allocations, for each of the subsidiary bus companies in the FirstGroup UK Bus operation. As well as the buses, it has fleet lists for Great Western Railway (including Heathrow Connect), Hull Trains, TransPennine Express and Croydon Tramlink. Due to the current coronavirus outbreak in the UK, and the restrictions imposed along with the heavy bus service reductions across the country, Woolybus has suspended the release of this title until things return to some degree of normality after the coronavirus restrictions have been lifted. A5 softback with over 120 colour photographs.

**TRAMS/LIGHT RAIL BOOKS****PEN & SWORD****P0904 Blackpool Streamlined Trams £25.00 Oct**

In the early 1930s the tramcar in Blackpool was at a crossroads; the system needed investment in both new track and new trams whilst there was a serious threat that the 'town' routes might have been converted to bus operation. The appointment of Walter Luff as the new general manager was, however, to prove a turning point. Working closely with English Electric, based in nearby Preston, Luff developed a series of streamlined trams - both single-deck and double-deck - that were to revolutionise the town's tramway. By the end of 1930s, the corporation had acquired more than 100 new trams - the majority built by English Electric but with 20 coming from Brush - that ensured the survival not only of the key route along the Promenade to Fleetwood but also of the bulk of the 'town' routes. Over the next 70 years these trams were to form the cornerstone of the Blackpool system. This book examines the history of Blackpool's streamlined trams of the 1930s from development through to preservation.

**P0908 The London 'E/1' Tram £25.00 Nov**

Probably the single most numerous of tramcar constructed for operation on Britain's first-generation electric tramways, the London County Council's 'E/1' class had an operational history that stretched for almost 50 years. The first were produced towards the end of the first decade of the 20th century and the last were withdrawn with the conclusion of 'Operation Tramway' - the final conversion of the once great London tramway system - in July 1952. Over the years, more than 1,000 were built for operation by the LCC with similar cars being constructed for a number of the council operated systems in the capital prior to the creation of the LPTB in July 1933. The last batch - effectively rebuilds of



single-deck cars that had once operated through the Kingsway Subway prior to its modernisation - not completed until the early 1930s. During the 1920s the LCC cars had undergone a Pullmanisation programme and, during the following decade, a number underwent the LPTB's Rehabilitation scheme. Moreover, with the removal of the restriction on the use of enclosed lower-deck vestibules, many others were converted to fully enclosed during that decade. Although withdrawals commenced in the 1930s, as the tram system north of the river was converted to trolleybus operation, and others were lost as a result of enemy action during the war, a sizeable number survived to the system's final days. This book examines the history of this important class from development through to preservation.

ROBERT SCHWANDL PUBLISHING**MET63 Tram Atlas Northern Europe 2nd Ed £20.00 Jan**

This illustrated atlas presents all tram and trolleybus operations in Northern Europe, from Bergen in Norway to Vilnius in Lithuania. For each city there is a detailed network map in the form of a track plan, for some with a special city centre map, with all stops, single-track routes, loops, depots, etc. All current vehicles are represented in colour photos.

**MET64 U-Bahn, S-Bahn & Tram in Hamburg £20.00 Nov**

In the northern German metropolis, the Hochbahn operates the second largest underground network in the country. In addition, as in Berlin, there is a S-Bahn network operated by Deutsche Bahn and equipped with a side busbar. Trams have not been running in the Hanseatic city since 1978, but we take a look back at this mode of transport. In this book you will find everything you need to know about the history of the Hamburg U-Bahn and S-Bahn as well as the AKN, which operates diesel-electric suburban trains in the north of Hamburg. Numerous, mostly coloured photographs give a good impression of the once large tram network.

**RAILWAY BOOKS****AMBERLEY PUBLISHING****A9966 East Anglia and the East Coast Railways - The Late 1940s - Late 1960s £14.99 Nov**

The 1950s and 1960s was a time of profound cultural and technological transformation. With images and vivid recollections, we journey back to post-war East Anglia and the East Coast Main Line with many locations changed beyond recognition. In the 1950s, railway pride and optimism overcame staff shortages, returning locomotives to pre-war performance and introducing modern BR standard classes. By the 1960s, fiscal efficiency and the dawning diesel era turned pride to neglect of steam. Heroic workhorses were lost to scrap. As the mood turned to melancholy, just a few of these great workhorses became pets - polished, loved, and cared



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for by dedicated railway workers and a growing band of enthusiastic volunteers. People, machines and landscapes are crystalized on film for future generations; reawakening memories for those who lived through this time of change and offering a fascinating insight for those who are too young to have been trackside during this intriguing period of railway history.

**A8071 East London Railways-
From Docklands to Crossrail** £14.99 Dec

Britain's railways in the early 1970s looked to be in terminal decline. The Beeching cuts of the 1960s had slashed much of the network, but still lines were closing and underinvestment left much of the rest in a sorry state. Since then, there has been privatisation and transformation (although whether these are cause and effect are debatable) to a situation now where passenger travel is booming. Nowhere has change been more pronounced than in East London. The redevelopment of the former docks into Docklands led to the construction of the Docklands Light Railway in the late 1980s, and the rejuvenation of other lines. The Millennium Dome celebrations and the award of the Olympic Games to Stratford each justified investment in new lines and facilities. But most of all, London's growing population has required transport, and particularly rail investment, to keep the city moving. This book charts the changes to East London's railways from the 1970s to the opening of Crossrail.



A0191 English Electric Diesel Locomotives £14.99 Nov

English Electric built their first diesel loco in 1936 and, before the company closed in 1968, built thousands of diesel and electric locos that saw service all over the world. They were among the companies chosen by BR to build prototype diesel locos for the Modernisation Scheme of 1955, which would see the replacement of steam traction by diesels and electrics. Locomotives were built to suit a wide variety of duties, some remaining in everyday service fifty years later. This book of mostly unpublished colour photographs from the collection of George Woods shows them in service all over the BR system from 1966 to 2019 working a wide variety of trains, both passenger and freight, in the great variety of liveries they wore both during their BR service and in later years under private ownership.



**A0239 Exploring Devon & Cornwall's
Branch Lines** £14.99 Oct

The two most westerly counties in England remain hugely popular for travellers looking for a break in the UK. Perhaps less well known is the fact that, against all the odds when faced by the Beeching Axe, a number of popular destinations can still be reached by today's railway. From Barnstaple to Gunnislake, Exmouth to Falmouth, John Jackson explores the variety of lines and stations that remain on the railway map in the counties of Devon and Cornwall. With much of the area's industry now consigned to history, there is little remaining freight



traffic in the area. The main exception is the flow of Cornish China Clay for export that is still carried by rail and centred on the area around Par and St Blazey. The author has spent countless hours chasing these somewhat elusive workings in recent years. From rolling countryside to seaside views, these two counties have it all.

A7370 Freightliner Locomotives £14.99 Nov

Dating back to 1965, Freightliner is still going strong today, a great success for rail freight. It started life moving shipping containers from ports to inland terminals, where specialised cranes were used to tranship from rail to road. These trains serve no fewer than nineteen intermodal terminals across the UK. With the privatisation of British Rail in 1996, Freightliner's assets were transferred to a new company called Freightliner 1995 Ltd, in readiness for sale. Then in 1999 Freightliner set up the Heavyhaul side of the business as a direct competitor to the bulk rail freight company English Welsh & Scottish Railway (EWS). Today there are major maintenance depots at Crewe Basford Hall, and Leeds Midland Road, while the main marshalling yard and stabling point is at Crewe Cheshire. With a stunning collection of full-colour photography taken around the country, Dave Smith offers up a fantastic pictorial tribute to this icon of Britain's railways.



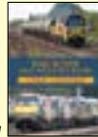
A9738 Preserved Rlys of Eastern England £14.99 Nov

Among the many lines that branch all around the East of England, there are some that can be seen diverging from stations that are never used by the train operating companies. These lines head to hidden gems within the East of England known as preserved railways. These provide their own different views and panoramas across the East, and with their range of classics steam and diesel locomotives are a mecca for the railway enthusiast. In this book there are seven preserved railways that can be found in the East of England, all of which vary in different length and different trains. Perfect for both local visitors and those from further afield considering a trip, this is an affectionate tribute to an important part of our national heritage.



A9016 Rail Rover- East Midlands Rover £14.99 Jan

In this book, the author takes full advantage of the diversity on offer as a regular user of this rail ticket. It offers the choice of three of the country's main lines stretching north to south across the ticket's boundaries (West Coast, Midland and East Coast) and a wide variety of other railway lines in between. With Milton Keynes at its southern edge and north to Sheffield and Doncaster, from Staffordshire on the West Coast Main Line eastwards to Lincolnshire and South Humberside, it is an area rich in contrasts. The rover user is spoilt for choice of passenger train operators. Express services are provided by Virgin's Pendolinos and LNER's Class 91s and, soon, state of the art Azumas, among others. These are



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complemented by a wide variety of both diesel and electric local services ensuring every day's journey is different. The area is also one of the busiest for observing the country's freight train movements, with many of the country's acknowledged freight hotspots falling in this rover ticket's area.

A9918 Railways of the Chilterns £14.99 Jan

The Chilterns consist of a band of chalk hills to the north-west of London stretching from Oxfordshire to Hertfordshire. It so happened that these hills were directly on the routes of five major companies' routes to the North and Midlands. These were: the Great Northern, the Midland, the London & North Western, the Great Central and the Great Western. As well as the main lines there was a large number of branches, now nearly all closed. To complete the picture, to the north of the Chilterns was the Oxford to Cambridge transversal route, part of which remains open, and part of which is being actively restored. This book relates the story of these lines and their branches, through their construction and operation, the closures of the 1960s, to the situation today. Illustrated throughout with historic and modern photographs, maps, diagrams and timetables.



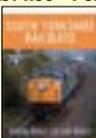
A9197 Second Generation Scottish DMUs £14.99 Dec

Second Generation DMUs in Scotland covers the modern diesel multiple units introduced by BR from 1981. It encompasses locations from Aberdeen in the north to virtually the whole of Scotland and also to Carlisle just over the border. This book covers units from the experimental Class 140s, introduced in 1981, right up to and including Class 185s still in use with TransPenine Express. Possibly the best unit introduced to Scotland are the Class 156 units based at Corkehill Depot in Glasgow. These units can be found working from Newcastle to Mallaig. The new generation of DMU fleets can go faster and travel further and have generated a huge following. Here, Colin J. Howat combines previously unseen historical black and white photography with modern digital examples to tell their story.



A9828 South Yorkshire Railways £14.99 Feb

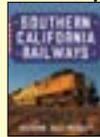
Coal and iron making first brought railways to what is now called South Yorkshire. The industrial towns of Sheffield, Rotherham, Barnsley and Doncaster attracted the Victorian pioneers, who built a myriad of often competing lines to the collieries and factories. The carriage of people was almost an afterthought, but once there was demand, the passenger routes followed, linking the growing centres of population and connecting major cities in adjoining counties and further afield. Perhaps most historically of all, the immense challenge of piercing the Pennines at Woodhead was met with the construction of the Great Central's line from Sheffield to Manchester, later famously electrified and then closed. This photographic collection presents a selection of images, across this diverse county, from the 1970s to the present day, from



the dying days of the pits to the era of the internet-enabled trains of the 21st century. Many of these pictures feature infrastructure and locations that have long since disappeared.

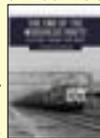
A9631 Southern California Railways £14.99 Sept

Southern California Railways looks at the operations of some of the many railroads that serve the southern half of the Golden State. Including the passenger operations of Amtrak, Metrolink and San Diego Coaster and the freight operations of the Union Pacific and BNSF Railway as well as some short line operators. The book shows some of the huge variety of trains and locomotives that ply their trade in the area. The book focuses on the area south of San Luis Obispo and Bakersfield, including Los Angeles and San Diego, as well as the Mojave Desert and Salton Sea and includes 180 stunning images documenting the railway scene.



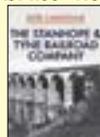
A9042 The End of the Woodhead Route £14.99 Oct

In *The Woodhead Route: A History*, transport historian Stephen Heginbotham takes a fresh look at the famous and much mourned route. Perhaps the most keenly missed stretch of track in the entire country, the possibility of the route being reopened remains an ever present issue when the state of the nation's railways are discussed. Utilising a superb selection of previously unpublished photographs from the camera of Ian Blackburn, the true story behind this iconic part of the British landscape is told.



A9766 The Stanhope & Tyne Railroad Co £14.99 Nov

Opened in 1834, the Stanhope & Tyne Railroad Company's line ran from the limestone district of Weardale, via the collieries of North West Durham to the mouth of the River Tyne at South Shields. This extraordinary railway used horses, steam locomotives, stationary engines and gravity-worked inclines to transport lime, limestone and coal. The company soon found itself in financial trouble, and its downfall almost bankrupted Robert Stephenson, who was consulting engineer for the company. Change of ownership saw the line become profitable, one half being run by the newly formed Pontop & South Shields Railway Company, the other by the Stockton & Darlington Railway Company, with the two halves later coming under the ownership of the North Eastern Railway and later the London & North Eastern Railway and then British Railways. The story of this remarkable line and its varied ways of working are told here, accompanied by images of the route, the locomotives, equipment and men who ran it.



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CAPITAL TRANSPORT PUBLISHING

CA452 London's Disused Railway Stations- South East £25.00 Nov

The second in Jim Connor's new series of hardback books on London's disused railway stations covers South East London. Closed stations built by the London Chatham & Dover Railway, the South Eastern Railway and the London Brighton & South Coast Railway are all included in well-researched text and copious illustrations.



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CR982 British Rlys in Unseen Colour 1960£20.00 Oct

The images in these pages range across the country and reflect many aspects of the steam railway and its infrastructure in 1960. Across the seasons, we have views depicting idyllic rural branch lines, main line expresses, labouring, lengthy, loose coupled goods and mineral trains, shed and station scenes, which combine to paint a picture of the actuality of the railways all those years ago.



CR975 British Railways

Mark 1 & Mark 2 Coaching Stock £35.00 Oct

From the early 1960s development work took place on replacements for the Mk1s. The result was the Mark 2 launched in 1964. Built over the next decade, the MK2s were constructed in several variants up to the Mark 2F, each offering improvements based on the same basic body shell. As with the Mark 1 coaches, the Mark 2s are now largely withdrawn, although a handful remain in main-line service. This is a fully revised and updated edition of Hugh Longworth's classic work on BR Mk1 and Mk2 coaches. Continued research has brought to light much additional information, particularly from the 1960s. The content has been completely reviewed for this new edition and all known errors corrected. Updated to December 2019, colour photos have been added and all the diagrams have been redrawn to a higher standard.



CR972 British Railways

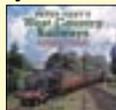
Steam Locomotive Allocations £35.00 Oct

This is a new and revised edition of a book which contains a remarkable amount of information on the steam era on British Railways. A companion volume to Hugh Longworth's British Railways Steam Locomotives 1948-1968, this book provides a locomotive-by-locomotive allocation record during the period from 1948 to 1968. Each locomotive is listed with its number, name, full reallocation listings and withdrawal dates. Shed names and shed code changes are shown, coloured graphics are used throughout to highlight the different regions and a map shows the location of the depots. Although primarily designed as a work of reference with detailed data tables throughout, the book also contains a range of illustrations portraying typical examples of some of the locomotive classes featured.



CR962 Peter Gray's West Country Railways£25.00Nov

The name of Peter Gray will need little introduction to lovers of railways in the West Country. The compiler of several colour albums all of which are sought after and long out of print, Peter's vast collection of colour material is now in the hands of the Great Western Trust at Didcot who have made available the images to produce what might well be described as a tribute album to this master of railway photography. The photos, dating back to the 1950s, cover lines in the counties of Somerset, Devon and Cornwall and span the period from the steam era through the years of transition to the complete dieselisation of the railways. The images in the book feature subjects ranging from tank engines on long closed branch lines to Warships and Westerns on expresses and half-forgotten services such as the MotoRail trains.



CR968 Robinson Eight-Coupled Locos £25.00 Oct

Starting in 1902 with three 0-8-0s for the Great Central Railway, J G Robinson's heavy freight locomotive fleet grew rapidly as part of General Manager Sam Fay's strategy to rescue the company from financial difficulties. At Grouping, the GCR passed on 241 well-built, powerful and efficient eight-coupled locomotives to the newly formed London & North Eastern Railway. In a parallel development, the Robinson 2-8-0 was adopted in 1917 as a standard type for the Railway Operating Division of the Royal Engineers. More than 500 were constructed by several manufacturers, over 300 being sent across the Channel to support the British forces in France. This work surveys a large, complex locomotive family that saw service on four continents between 1902 and the early 1970s. It covers the signature 2-8-0s, the original 0-8-0s, the unusual 0-8-4Ts, the 2-8-2T derivatives, Fay's exploration of ten-coupled power, the sad story of the 'might-have-been' Garratt, plus the various modifications and rebuildings.



CR899 Southern Way Issue No 52 £14.95 Oct

The Southern Way is a journal of record for all those interested in the history and heritage of the Southern Railway, its constituent companies and the Southern Region of British Railways. Edited by Kevin Robertson, whose extensive knowledge of all things SR and whose many publications on the railways of the south of England are well known to SR enthusiasts, each volume contains a series of authoritative articles on an always interesting range of topics, copiously illustrated with a wealth of photographs.



CR970 Southern Way Special Issue 17 £16.95 Nov

This is the story of the Southern Railway conversions, the installations required, details of the engines converted to oil burning and how this was done and the duties they performed. This in-depth study of those days reveals much new information for the first time. Heavily illustrated throughout and including details of locomotive duty rosters and accounts from railwaymen involved in the episode, this is fascinating account of a short-lived but ultimately unsuccessful experiment.



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13T Wooden-Boodied Minerals £25.00 Oct**

British Railways was created in 1948.

Whilst much has been published on BR locomotives and passenger stock, accurate and detailed coverage of the large inventory of vehicles used to convey the huge volumes of goods traffic carried by the railways at that time, is less readily available. This new series sets out to provide that information. This volume focuses on the coal wagons built to the Railway Clearing House specification dating from 1923. The wagons built under this were originally rated at 12-ton capacity though this was uprated to 13 tons at the outbreak of WWII. In this volume the vehicles built for the 'Big Four' companies are covered in detail as are those delivered to Private Owners with their numerous complex door variations, which also came into the inventory of the newly formed BR.

**CR966 The Class 33s: A sixty Year History £25.00 Oct**

This new book, the first detailed history of the class for 30 years, tells the story of these popular and successful locomotives from inception, through their design and operations to withdrawal from service. It draws on original source material from a number of archives and sheds new light on many aspects of these locomotives over their 60 years of service. The story is illustrated throughout with many photographs, almost all of which are published for the first time. Each photograph is accompanied by a detailed caption drawing the reader to particular points of interest such as technical equipment or detail differences. This is a welcome reappraisal of a long lived and respected class which will be of interest to modern traction enthusiasts and those modelling the post steam era on BR.

**CROWOOD PRESS LTD****CW745 History of the Bakerloo Line £20.00 Oct**

The Bakerloo Line is the dull brown line on the iconic map of London's Underground. Its nondescript appearance belies its history which encompasses fraud in the boardroom and drama in the courtroom. This history covers the line's beginning through to its development and operation, looking at the impact of two World Wars.

**CW737 Severn Tunnel Junction £20.00 Oct**

The Severn Tunnel Junction was the largest freight marshalling yard on the Western Region of British Railways, once stretching for over two miles along the Welsh bank of the River Severn. At its height it was a goods yard, junction, station and loco depot, but it was an important railway community and small town as well. With more than 150 photographs this book describes the beginnings of the yard within the wider historical context and discusses the expansion of the site and the impact of the two World Wars. It documents the methods of working at



the junction and recalls the locos, freight and passenger trains that travelled the lines. Finally, the people who worked and lived there are remembered.

CW711 The Architecture and Legacy of British Railway Buildings 1820 to Present £25.00 Oct

Railway buildings have always had a fascinating character all of their own, despite many no longer being in operational railway service. This book tells the story of how these buildings evolved alongside the development of the railway in Great Britain and examines how architects over the years have responded to the operational, social and cultural influences that define their work. Written for those with a keen interest in architecture and the railway, as well as those new to the subject, *The Architecture and Legacy of British Railway Buildings* provides a unique insight into the production of railway architecture, both in the context of railway management and the significant periods of ownership, and the swings in national mood for railway-based transportation. As well as tracing its history, the authors take time to consider the legacy these buildings have left behind and the impact of heritage on a continually forward-looking industry.

**GREAT NORTHERN BOOKS****GN199 Gresley's A4s £27.50 Oct**

In the mid-1930s, eminent locomotive engineer Sir Nigel Gresley produced plans for the A4 Class Pacifics, which were specially built to work a new high-speed express, the 'Silver Jubilee'. From the start, the class caused a sensation and immediately secured the admiration of the general public. Photographs of every locomotive in the LNER and BR periods are included. Over a dozen A4s feature in a chapter dedicated to the 1946 renumbering. The A4s are shown at major centres on the East Coast Main Line, such as King's Cross station, Peterborough, Grantham, Doncaster, York, Darlington, Newcastle and Edinburgh Waverley. Also, images taken during the twilight years in Scotland are included. The surviving engines are seen at several locations in the country - Aberdeen, Glasgow and Perth. Some class members have been photographed at sheds when being serviced, or under repair at workshops.

**GN126 Gresley's B17s £22.50 Oct**

Gresley's B17s explores the career of the class from its introduction in 1928 to withdrawal in 1960. Designed by the LNER's world-renowned Chief Mechanical Engineer Sir Nigel Gresley, the engines were predominantly employed in East Anglia - an area for which the class was especially produced - and on the ex- Great Central Railway routes. The book captures the vast majority of the 73 class members at work, with over 180 superb colour and black and white images. Some of the places included are: Liverpool Street station; Stratford; Romford; Parkston; Ipswich; Norwich; Yarmouth; Neasden; Leicester;



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Nottingham; Sheffield; Manchester; Doncaster. Split into three sections, Gresley's B17s are illustrated in the LNER period, the immediate post-war era, with Thompson renumbering, and through to BR ownership. The photographs are accompanied by well-researched and informative captions. All 73 B17s ended their life in the scrapyards but two attempts are currently underway to produce new locomotives to the design.

GRESLEY BOOKS

GB819 Brunel's Big Railway Creation of the Great Western Railway £14.99 Jan

Engineering genius Isambard Kingdom Brunel's Great Western Railway was not only bigger, wider and faster than any other of its day, but linked London to New York via his great steamships from Bristol. His unique broad gauge 'super railway' also connected Paddington to Plymouth and Penzance, and for decades was one of the wonders of the world. More than two centuries on, many of his historic structures along the route have been given listed building protection so future generations can admire and enjoy them. This book looks at the history of the railway from London to Bristol and Brunel's Great Western legacy that was to lead the company to even dizzy heights.



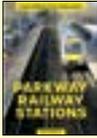
GB821 Mallard - The Story of Britain's Most Magnificent Locomotive £14.99 Feb

On July 3, 1938, LNER A4 streamlined Pacific No. 4468 Mallard reached 126mph, setting a world steam speed record that has never been broken. It was the zenith of not only a great decade in which glamorous express trains competed to see which could travel from London to Scotland in the fastest time, but also the steam age itself. Author Robin Jones tells the story not only of LNER chief mechanical engineer Sir Nigel Gresley's Pacifics and Mallard's international headline-grabbing feat, but also that of the five other A4s still with us - including the 'Mission Impossible' repatriation of Dwight D Eisenhower and Dominion of Canada and their cosmetic restoration in their 'home' country - to make the 'Great Gathering', one of the biggest and most successful events in the history of railway preservation, a dream come true.



GB844 Parkway Railway Stations £12.99 Jan

Parkway railway stations are found scattered all over England and Wales and play an important role in Britain's railway network with their emphasis on the 'park and ride' model of keeping cars out of our town centres and off our motorways - demonstrating that it really is quicker and easier by train. Bristol Parkway, opened in 1972, was the first of this new breed and is now the busiest of all Parkway railway stations having doubled in size since it first opened. Since then another 20 have opened, some as newly built stations, some at existing stations. Author Mark Chatterton has visited them all and in this unique book profiles each one, focusing on its location, its facilities and its history.



HISTORY PRESS

H9437 The Tube Mapper Project £20.00 Oct

The Underground is the backbone of the city of London, a part of our identity. It's a network of shared experiences and visual memories. The Tube Mapper project deliberately captures moments of subconscious recognition and overlooked interests, showcasing images that can be seen near or at every Underground, Overground and DLR station in London. Photographer Luke Agbaimoni gave up city-scape night photography after the birth of his first child, but creating Tube Mapper allowed him to continue being creative, fitting photography around his new lifestyle, and adding stations on his daily commute. His memorable photographs include themes of symmetry, reflections, tunnels and escalators, waiting and lines of light, and reveals the London every commuter knows in a unique, vibrant and arresting style.



LIGHTMOOR PRESS

BD878 British Railways The First 25 Years Volume 10 - Mid Wales & the Cambrian Coast £22.50 Oct

This is the tenth in a series of books depicting the first 25 years of British Railways, and which will eventually cover the whole of the UK. This volume covers the lines in mid-Wales, from Oswestry out to the Cambrian Coast.



MIDDLETON PRESS

M5647 Leeds to Selby and Goole Docks £18.95 Oct

The route has been recently described as Yorkshire's First Main Line in a new RCTS book title. Herein are some fascinating views in the later photographic era. There are maps and details of the features which brought such prosperity to Leeds and its district. The links with maritime traffic are unexpected.



OPC

OP687 Liverpool to Manchester Rly Atlas £30.00 Oct

Joe Brown's credentials as a highly rated railway cartographer were established with his superb London Rail Atlas, the fifth edition of which has just been published. He now turns his attention to one of the most interesting and complex railway landscapes outside the capital, that around the Liverpool to Manchester axis. To emphasis the scope and complexity of this undertaking, this new atlas will have more map pages than the London Rail Atlas. The content embraces much more than the railways of the two cities in the title; it covers most of the historic county of Lancashire and other areas outside of this. In addition to lines and locations within the current boundaries of Merseyside and Greater Manchester, the book extends to include places such as Blackpool, Fleetwood, Preston, Blackburn, Burnley, Colne, Chorley, Warrington, Chester, Northwich and Buxton. As well as the railway network to the railways, the atlas will also map the many tramway systems which once flourished in the area.



OP688 The Blue Pullman Story

Revisited & Expanded Edition £40.00 Oct

Since the original publication in 2005, a considerable amount of new material has been unearthed. This is all included in this revised and updated edition of the definitive history of these fascinating trains, which spans from their inception in the 1955 Modernisation Plan, through to their final demise in the scrap yards of South Wales two decades later. The development of the Blue Pullmans involved political and management decisions, the trials and tribulations of the actual design and the sometimes difficult involvement of outside design consultants, before their eventual entry into service on the London Midland and Western Regions. It was never a completely settled service. Staffing and labour relations issues, mechanical problems and an eventual concentration of all the sets on the Western Region put too many special trains in one place, whilst at the same time the Pullman brand and the willingness of the travelling public to pay supplementary fares to travel on them was finding less favour.

**PEN & SWORD****P6192 Boat Trains - The English Channel and Ocean Liner Specials**

£35.00 Oct

In many ways this title featuring the evolution of cross-channel boat trains and the many dedicated services responsible for moving international passengers to and from trans-Atlantic steamers, is an extension of luxury railway travel. But that's not the full story as it encapsulates more than 125 years of independent and organised tourism development. At the end of the nineteenth century, faster and more stable twin-screw vessels replaced cross-channel paddlers resulting in a significant expansion in the numbers of day excursionists and short-stay visitors heading to Belgium, France and the Channel Islands. Continental Europe, as it had done since the end of the Napoleonic Wars beckoned, introducing ideas of modern-day mass tourism. Numerous liners bestriding the globe were British domiciled. Major ports became hives of commercial activity involving moving freight and mail, as well as transporting all manner of travellers.

**P7228 Britain's Railways in WWII**

£25.00 Nov

The outbreak of the Second World War had an enormous effect on the railway system in Britain. The railway system no longer consisted of the hundreds of companies of the past, but the 'Big Four' still needed to learn how to work together and forget their differences for the war effort. The logistics of the mass evacuation of children, and transporting thousands of troops during the evacuation of Dunkirk and the preparations for D-Day, for instance, were unprecedented. At the same time, they had to cope with the new and constant threat of aerial bombing that military advances brought to the Second World



War. The railway system, and the men and women who ran it, effectively served as another branch of the military during the conflict. This book is a fascinating account of the important role that the railways played in the war effort. It brings to light the often forgotten stories of the brave and hard-working men and women who went to work on the railways and put their lives on the line.

P7017 British Industrial Steam Locomotives - A Pictorial History

£25.00 Sept

The first steam locomotives used on any British railway, worked in industry. The use of new and second hand former main line locomotives, was once a widespread aspect of the railways of Britain. This volume covers many of the once numerous manufacturers who constructed steam locomotives for industry and contractors from the 19th to the mid-20th centuries. David Mather has spent many years researching and collecting photographs across Britain, of most of the different locomotive types that once worked in industry. This book is designed to be both a record of these various manufacturers and a useful guide to those researching and modelling industrial steam.

**P6046 British Steam Locomotives Before Preservation - A Study of Before & After**

£25.00 Oct

British Steam Locomotives Before Preservation, covers the history in pictorial form of steam locomotives that are now preserved as part of the national collection. It includes those which can be found in private collections and the ones which adorn the various heritage railways operating throughout Britain. The book looks at each subject both in its working life and during its subsequent preservation. The pictorial content covers a wide swathe of Britain during the years before the heritage locomotives, were earmarked for preservation.

**P7625 Class 66**

£30.00 Oct

This changing market has encouraged both existing and new operators to base operations on a reliable locomotive fleet which has been met by the Class 66 design. The expansion of the locomotive's operating area has been recorded within the book through a regional analysis noting both the freight services operated within the region and the companies providing them. This also notes changes of operators, both by exchange of locomotives and exchange of hauler as contracts are re-negotiated at regular intervals. Fred Kerr's book seeks to show, as of October 2019, the range of services that have been operated by class members, including the occasional passenger services despite the locomotives not being fitted with any heat generating equipment.



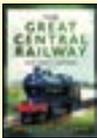
P5498 George and Robert Stephenson- Pioneer Inventors & Engineers £25.00 Oct

This is a new biography of two great British engineering pioneers, who did much to develop the world we now live in. George and Robert Stephenson were at the forefront of early railways and were at the cutting edge of modern engineering history. Industrial historian Anthony Burton looks into these two giants of the late Georgian and early Victorian age, who were responsible for the development of much of the early railway map in both Britain and other parts of the world. The work examines the lives of the two men and their ability to overcome some of the most pressing engineering problems of their time. This is a new work, with newly researched material published here for the first time, which take a fresh look at both pioneering engineers and their achievements.



P7789 Great Central Railway £40.00 Nov

For generations of railway enthusiasts and more latterly for social historians, the life and times of the former Great Central Railway and in particular its extension towards London in the 1890s and closure seventy years later, have generated considerable interest and controversy. Although many books have been written about the Railway, the majority in recent times have concentrated upon providing a photographic record and a nostalgic look in retrospect to what was generally perceived as happier times for the route. While retaining a strong railway theme throughout, the book identifies the role played by successive governments, the electricity and coal industries and the effect of social change that, together resulted in a case for closure. The content of the book replaces much supposition with fact and places on record what really happened. The final part of the book acknowledges the fine work over half a century of volunteers dedicated to saving a section of the line in Leicestershire.



P3985 Great Western King Class 4-6-0s- From Construction to Withdrawal £30.00 Oct

Built by Collett in 1927 after pressure to restore the GWR's pre-eminence in motive power and cope with increasing traffic post-war to the Devon and Cornwall holiday resorts, the thirty Kings were the final development of the Churchward Stars and the 1923 Castles and remained on top-link main line duty until their final replacement by the 'Western' class 52 diesel hydraulics in 1962. The book includes an insight into the thinking of some of Collett's senior staff at the end of the 1930s and the eventual transformation in the latter years with redraughting and double chimneys. As well as describing their design and construction, the book covers comprehensively their operation and performance backed up by many recorded logs on all main GW/WR routes over which they were permitted. The author had close experience of the class when working at Old Oak Common between 1957 and 1962 and includes a chapter of his experiences with them including many footplate trips.



P8369 Isambard Kingdom Brunel £16.99 Oct

Isambard Kingdom Brunel. Three names. Three people in one. There was Brunel the great engineer, who would habitually throw out the rule book of tradition and established practice, and start again with a blank sheet of paper, taking the technology of the day to its limits. Then there was Brunel the visionary, who knew that transport technology had the power to change the world, and that he had the ability to deliver those changes. Finally, there was Brunel the artist, who rarely saw technology as just functional, and strove to entwine the fruits of the Industrial Revolution with the elegance and grace of the neo-classical painter. His bridges, tunnels and railway infrastructure have entered a third century of regular use, and the beauty of their design and structure has rarely been equalled. The 1830s to the 1850s saw an explosion of technical excellence, and it was Brunel who lit the blue touch paper. He did not always get it right first time, and it was left to others to reap the fruits of his many labours.



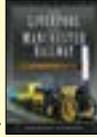
P6981 L&SWR Drummond Passenger & Mixed Traffic Loco Classes- Survey & Overview £35.00 Oct

Dugald Drummond had a long career in locomotive and railway engineering, starting in Scotland, he worked and also held high office on the Highland, London Brighton & South Coast Railway, North British and Caledonian Railways, before arriving on the London & South Western Railway in the mid-1890s. He was quite unlike William Adams his predecessor, who was well-liked by the staff of the L & SWR, Drummond was a martinet and rough by comparison, who was at times hard to reason with. As a result of his stubborn nature, he died early after an accident that scalded his feet, having refused to have proper treatment. His locomotives were a mixed proposition of good, bad and indifferent, his 4-4-0 tender and 0-4-4 tank classes being very good, however his 4-6-0 tender locomotives were another proposition, proving to be a disappointment. Many of his 4-4-0 tender and 0-4-4 tank locomotives, the T9 and M7 classes, lasted until the early 1960s on British Railways and examples are preserved in the National Collection.



P9912 Liverpool and Manchester Railway£25.00 Oct

Much has been written about the Liverpool & Manchester Railway, especially how it came into being and the Rainhill Trials, but very little has been said about what happened after the grand opening on 15 September 1825. Drawing on years of research, and practical experience of working with the replica of Stephenson's Planet, this book shows how the Liverpool & Manchester Railway worked in its day-to-day operations, including passenger and goods working, timetabling, signalling and when things went wrong. Chapters will describe what it was like to work and travel on the railway, and will study the evolution of passenger accommodation, working and safety

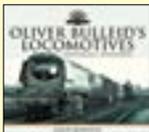


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practices. Finally the book looks at how the Liverpool & Manchester fits into the wider picture, how its operational practices, rules and regulations, became the basis of national practices in 1841.

P4923 Oliver Bulleid's Locomotives £30.00 Oct

This book guides the reader in the quest to understand what motivated Mr Bulleid in his work as a senior engineer and manager, and tries, with as little bias as is reasonable, to make sense of some of the more controversial aspects of his activities. For example, why did OVB not pursue the ideal of a 2-8-2 for the Southern Railway? How did the 'Leader' project go so much out of control? What role did Bulleid play in the massive dieselisation programme in Ireland when he was CME there? How did the 0-6-6-0T turf-burning steam locomotive fit in with Ireland's traction policy, or did it? And why did ninety of his steam locomotives and ninety-four of 'his' diesels have to be rebuilt to make them either more economical or more reliable? These are fundamental questions to which the book provides the reader with answers based on the author's experiences or on those of people who knew Bulleid. OVB's undoubted successes are illustrated in words and photographs.



P4038 Railways of Oxford-

A Transport Hub that Links Britain £25.00 Oct

This is a history of the railways of Oxford, looking at the operations and development of services, from the opening of the Oxford Railway by the Great Western on 12 June 1844 through to the present day. This volume covers the development of the railway locally, including the London and North Western 'Buckinghamshire Railway' from Bletchley, together with the five local branch lines. The opening of the Great Western/Great Central joint line from Culworth Junction to Banbury Junction in August 1900 resulted in the growth of inter-regional cross-country services passing through Oxford. The advent of the Second World War saw the construction of a new junction at Oxford North, giving for the first time a direct link from the Great Western to the London Midland & Scottish Railway branch to Bletchley and beyond. The opening of these two new junctions saw a considerable increase in both passenger and freight traffic, which resulted in Oxford becoming a major railway centre.



P3599 Sheffield Main Line Services £30.00 Oct

A volume of a new and exciting series illustrating one of the country's best loved railway companies in the days of steam. It consists of maps, charts, timetables and photographs are used to give the reader a sense of a journey in time along the various lines that the GCR controlled. One main theme is passenger traffic via Penistone, down to Sheffield and east to Retford. The movement of coal is another of the dominant themes in South Yorkshire centred on Wath marshalling yard, wagons went west, up the notorious Worsborough incline to Penistone and then



via the Woodhead tunnel, Mottram Yard to Godley on their journey en-route for Liverpool and Manchester. Another stream of wagons was east passing, the mecca for all GC enthusiast, Mexborough, and onto the Doncaster avoiding line then east to cross the River Trent at Keadby. Lines from the 'Coal Capital' of South Yorkshire, Barnsley to Sheffield, Wakefield and Penistone are looked at.

P4481 The Minor Railways of East Anglia- Development, Demise & Destiny £25.00 Oct

Norfolk, Suffolk and Essex are considered to be very different separate and independent areas by their inhabitants. When the author worked in Suffolk he explained that he came from Cambridge which he believed was the front door of East Anglia, an elderly Suffolk man to whom he was speaking, paused for a while and then said, with unarguable finality, here in Suffolk if Cambridge exists at all, it is a back door and rarely used. The minor railways illustrated in this book were once busy transport links and made vital contributions to the social and business heritage of the area they served. By the 1950s and 60s, when the author explored them, they were rarely used, so needed to be recorded and their stories told before they were forgotten entirely. To bring this book up to date, the final section is called Destiny because some of the track beds have survived as restored heritage railways, footpaths and cycleways and one route as a busy busway.

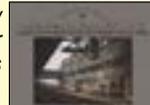


SILVER LINK

S4561 British Steam in Colour 1957 to 1975-

A Personal Journey £25.00 Feb

Graham Nicholas traces the journey of trainspotter and rail photographer Norman Harrop through the 1950s golden age of steam and beyond. The story begins during steam's Indian Summer from 1957-1960 when Norman captured the glory of the traditional steam railway in his colour slides. The winds of change were blowing from 1961 to 1964 as Norman recorded early production diesels and electrification schemes beginning to displace top link locos onto secondary workings. He regularly travelled to the four corners of the network, to the South West, Scotland and the North East, photographing the scenes he encountered along the way. During the period of 1965-1968 the frenetic urge to record the passing of the steam locomotive was gaining momentum. Despite the ever more depressing scenes, Norman stuck with it to create his own poignant record of the final run down of steam. The book concludes with the legendary 1975 Shildon cavalcade where Norman had a privileged view behind the scenes



S5301 The North Yorkshire Moors Railway & The Esk Valley Line P&P Vol 5 Hardback £35.00 Oct

The latest North Yorkshire Moors Railway volume of *British Railways Past and Present* covers the line from the Network Rail terminus at Whitby to the heritage railway from Grosmont to Pickering and on to Malton, as well as the Esk Valley line from Grosmont to Battersby and Middlesbrough. Once again, in true 'Past and Present' style, John Hunt presents a completely new selection of 'past' views that have been paired with their present-day equivalents to tell the unfolding story of one of Britain's most popular heritage lines. This limited edition contains 32 exclusive extra pages looking behind the scenes of the NYMR and featuring many of the people who operate it. It also comes with a hardback cover. Some staff and volunteers will be familiar to passengers who travel on the railway but there are many more who are not so visible. Without the dedication and enthusiasm of the whole team the railway would not be the success that it is today.



S5302 The North Yorkshire Moors Railway & The Esk Valley Line P&P Vol 5 softback £20.00 Sept

This is the soft back edition of the above book. Within its 128 pages, this publication explores the history and development of the line.

TRANSPORT TREASURY PUBLISHING

TTP03 Steam at Swindon RC Riley Archive 5£14.50Dec

This book, compiled by Andrew Malthouse, is as much a labour of love as an illustrated depiction of Swindon in the years 1938 through to 1964. Seen through the lens of the camera of RC 'Dick' Riley, Andrew Malthouse impresses us immediately with the breadth of knowledge of his subject, which includes examples of most GWR locomotive classes, including some from the absorbed companies, as well as a detailed plan of the works complex to orientate the various shops and locations. Finely detailed captions provide an insight that will leave even the most ardent GWR fans accruing even greater knowledge of their subject, whilst the same detail is given to the stock and running sheds, the signalling and even some of the more out of the way sidings that once made up what had once been the largest railway works in the country. This is No 5 in the series of albums using images from the R C Riley collection.



OTHER TRANSPORT BOOKS

AMBERLEY PUBLISHING

A0028 Britain's Road Tunnels £14.99 Dec

Many of us travel through a road tunnel every day without ever thinking about it. For the first time ever, tunnel expert Mark Chatterton has collated all the various road tunnels in Britain into one book. He first travelled through the Mersey Tunnel (as it was then known) as a child and from then on, he was hooked on tunnels. In the past ten years he has



travelled extensively all over Great Britain researching and photographing Britain's road tunnels for this book. *British Road Tunnels* looks at all of Britain's known road tunnels, from Attadale in north-west Scotland down to Samphire Hoe in Kent. It contains entries of over 200 different tunnels as well as around a hundred photographs with detailed information on each tunnel, including the location, length, date opened and history. Well-known tunnels like the Dartford Tunnel, the Clyde Tunnel and the Mersey Tunnel are all included.

A9346 VW Type 2 Transporter £14.99 Oct

In this book, VW expert Richard Copping covers the complete history of the first-generation VW Transporter or 'Camper', probably the most famous commercial and leisure van of all time. Beginning with the prototype vehicles produced in 1949, the author covers the development of the innovative but utilitarian Kombi and the more upmarket Micro Bus, followed by the De Luxe Micro Bus, the Ambulance and the Pick-Up. He covers the highlights of each vehicle and analyses the success of the range as a whole. The book covers the revamped model line from 1955. At this time, due to popular demand, Volkswagen authorised a whole series of coach-built variations on the Transporter theme with vehicles as diverse as mobile shops, refrigerated vans and police mobile offices. The author also covers the revised model introduced in 1963 and by the time German production ended in July 1967, over 1.8 million Split Screen, first generation Transporters had been built.



CAR BOOKS

AMBERLEY PUBLISHING

A0093 Austin & Rover Metro- The Full Story£14.99Nov

The author covers the development of the Metro from the initial rough sketches in 1975 as well as the engineering developments. He also describes the launch of the car and its reception by the media and the public. By 1985 the Metro had a facelift and two extra doors, making it more competitive with European rivals. The book also covers the rebranding process as the company was reorganised under the Rover badge. A revised Metro was fitted with a new K series engine. The author describes the launch of the turbo-charged MG Metros as well as the GTA and GTi versions. The Metro's circuit racing successes are also included. The author also reveals some of the design ideas for a Metro replacement that never made it to production. Including advice for both current and prospective Metro owners and what to look out for, this book is a gold mine of information about one of Britain's most significant car models.



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A009X MG Z Cars**£14.99 Oct**

The book explores the formation of the Phoenix Corporation, the holding company for the MG Rover Group, and the design and engineering initiatives that would make the MG Z cars more than just a clever re-branding exercise and produce cars with lasting appeal. The book describes the MG Z versions of the Rover 25, the Rover 45 and the Rover 75, providing insights into how each of the models was re-engineered to meet the demanding standards of the MG heritage. It also describes the fortunes of the Z cars in motorsport and in particular the British Touring Car Championship. The book reveals how, despite all these efforts, MG Rover eventually ran out of money bringing to an end the British-owned mass car industry. Complete with tips for owners and prospective buyers on what to look out for, this book is an essential guide to the MG Z cars.

**MH161Lincoln and Continental Album****£5.95 Oct**

Lincoln became part of Henry Ford's automotive empire in 1922, but its origins go back to a much earlier firm set up by Henry Ford in 1899, the Detroit Automobile Co, which collapsed in 1901. His financial investors relaunched the firm as the Henry Ford Co, but in 1902 Henry found different backers and left to set up another firm, the Ford Motor Co. In 1917 Leland left Cadillac to set up a company to produce Liberty aero engines. This was the Lincoln Motor Co, which turned to building cars after the Great War. When that firm failed in 1922, it was bought by Henry Ford, who put his son Edsel in charge. Large and expensive cars were produced in the 1920s and 1930s, but when that market weakened, Edsel produced the futuristic Lincoln-Zephyr and the Continental. This publication tells the story of this company.

**MALVERN HOUSE PUBLICATIONS****MH163De Dion and Others-****French 'D' Marques Album****£5.95 Oct**

While we were developing the Auto Review books on Delage and Delahaye, it became obvious just how many other important and interesting French vehicle marques began with the letter 'D'. No doubt this is partly a linguistic phenomenon, due to 'de' and 'du' appearing so often in the French language. It was apparent that French 'D' marques would make an interesting subject for an Auto Review publication, gathering into one place some important marques. The famous automotive pioneers De Dion were among the largest car makers by volume in the early years of the 20th century. Then there is Delaunay-Belleville, described as the 'best car in the world' in the Edwardian era, especially by French enthusiasts. We also include in these pages Darracq, De Dietrich, Decauville, DFP and many other interesting companies.

**MH160Isotta Fraschini, Itala,****Innocenti, Iso etc Album****£5.95 Oct**

As we surveyed car marques still to be covered, there were two classic Italian marques near the top of the list, Isotta Fraschini and Itala. Then we realised that a number of other important Italian marques also began with the letter 'I'. There was Iso and Innocenti, Intermeccanica, Italdesign, even Iveco... As we embarked on the task of fitting them all into one Auto Review volume, it was suggested to us that it would be impossible. But no, all these important names have found their way into these pages, along with some other stories as well.

**MH165Made in Switzerland****£5.95 Nov**

Few Swiss-made vehicles are known to enthusiasts in other countries, perhaps with the exception of the locally-built PTT post buses. Switzerland was fiercely independent, however, and often cut off from international markets due to its policy of neutrality in two world wars. This meant that there was demand for Swiss-made vehicles, which was served by many companies. In these pages we have the stories of the major Swiss bus and truck makers, Saurer, Berna and FBW, and car manufacturers which include Martini, Monteverdi and Sauber. Smaller firms produced exotica, such as Sbarro and Rinspeed, and there have been many top-class coachbuilders; Langenthal, Gangloff, Graber and others. In all, more than 75 Swiss marques are described in this publication.

**MH167Voisin Album****£5.95 Dec**

A famous pioneer aviator (along with his brother Charles, who died young), Gabriel turned to car manufacture after the Great War, when contracts for aircraft came to an end. With Noel, a friend from his days as a student of architecture, he designed stylish Art Deco Voisin cars, and the pair shared amorous adventures with Parisian ladies. Gabriel's profligate spending and lack of business acumen meant that he lost control of his company, then regained it, before WWII brought an end to the luxury car market. After the War Gabriel produced the spartan Biscooter, which found a home in the car-starved Spanish market. Voisin was not the only aviator to change direction and go on to produce cars, and their story and others are described in these pages.



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The third book in the new CarCraft series, Jaguar E-Type, frames the legend of what many call the world's most beautiful car design. Sir William Lyons and Malcolm Sayer carved automotive history with this car across its 1960s-1970s incarnations from roadster to coupé amid the fitting of Straight-Six, to V12 engines. With its new definition of sculptural styling, performance, handling and innovative style, the E-Type or XKE series in the USA, created a car of global impact that remains a great classic of all time. Here, experienced automotive writer, and industrial designer, Lance Cole pays tribute to the car in a detailed yet engaging commentary. New photography, the design story, and full coverage of the modelling options in synthetic materials and die cast metals, create a narrative of vital interest.



A9970 Trucks in Camera Bedford

£14.99 Feb

'You see then everywhere' was the slogan adopted by Bedford when advertising its commercial vehicles in the 1930s and it held true for many decades. The company set out to produce reliable vehicles at an economic price. Catering to the small trader with its 30cwt and 2 ton trucks, and 6cwt and 10/12cwt vans, the company was one of the leading manufacturers within its first 7 years. During the war Bedford produced more than 250,000 lorries for the armed forces. With a return to peacetime conditions, Bedford was able to produce new vehicles which it had been unable to launch during the war but regained market supremacy by 1947, when it produced its 500,000th truck. Bedford entered the market for heavier vehicles in 1950 and its 1 millionth truck was produced in 1958. Two years later the first of the TK range was announced and the concept of cab ahead of engine was introduced.



COMMERCIAL VEHICLE BOOKS

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ERF limited was formed in 1933 when Edwin Richard Foden founded the company with his son Dennis. Under the guidance of design engineer Ernest Sherratt, the best components available at the time were assembled to create vehicles that soon earned a reputation for good lorries capable of earning good revenue with reasonable running costs. This approach continued, more or less, until the end of the company and proved to be a very successful and lucrative business plan with a lot of development costs being borne by the component suppliers. Although much has been written in the past about the company this publication is a broad overview in a pictorial form to give an idea of the range and model types that spanned the years. The majority images included are previously unpublished and offer a wonderful pictorial tribute to this much-loved manufacturer.



AIRCRAFT BOOKS

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Often regarded as a quiet holiday county, in fact Dorset has many aviation connections. As early as 1908 Bleriot's were being built by Bournemouth businessmen, the Royal Navy undertook first landing on a warship at Weymouth in 1910, the Schneider Race was held at Bournemouth in 1913, Dorset was at the front line of the early days of the Battle of Britain with attacks on Portland Naval Base, the Dam Busters bouncing bomb was tested on Dorset ranges in 1943, and aircraft production factories at Christchurch and Bournemouth existed in the 1940 and 1950s.



A0076 Scrapped and Disused Lorries

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It is not possible to save and restore all lorries that have come to the end of their working life. In operator's yards there is often a graveyard of old vehicles, with some used for spares to keep others running. Scrapyards also often have a motley collection of vehicles in various forms of decay. Of course, with the ever-increasing interest in preserving our past quite a few vehicles have been rescued and seemingly rebuilt from seemingly impossible states of disrepair. This book offers a fascinating insight into the twilight years of some of these lorries.



A9768 RAF Coastal Command - A Pictorial History

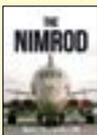
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RAF Coastal Command was founded in 1936 when the Royal Air Force restructured into Fighter, Bomber and Coastal Commands. During the preceding inter-war years, maritime aviation had been seriously neglected due to the disagreements between the Royal Navy and the RAF over the ownership, roles and investment in maritime air power. However, the Command played a key role in the Allied victory during WWII, particularly during the Battle of the Atlantic. From a modest beginning, the Command blossomed into a powerful anti-submarine force. Equipped with legendary aircraft such as the Sunderland, Wellington, Catalina and Liberator, it was able to locate, attack and destroy an increasing number of U-boats. By the end of WWII, Coastal Command had flown more than a million flying hours, completed 240,000 operations and destroyed 212 U-boats, but suffered the loss of 2,060 aircrafts and their 5,866 personnel. Illustrated with images from the Air Historical Branch demonstrating all aircrafts operated by Coastal Command.



A9804 The Nimrod**£14.99 Oct**

With its roots dating back to the late 1940s and the de Havilland Comet airliner, the Nimrod already had pedigree when it first appeared in the late 1960s in place of the Avro Shackleton in the Maritime Reconnaissance role. Fewer than fifty were built for the RAF, the type being steadily upgraded throughout its career right up to its retirement in 2011. Compared to the Shackleton, the Nimrod brought comfort and reliability to its multi-role long-range activities, including anti-submarine warfare, maritime surveillance and anti-surface warfare. The Nimrod saw action during the Falklands War, the Gulf Wars, Afghanistan and a continued contribution (since 1977) to Operation Tapestry - the protection of the UK's Sovereign Sea Areas. Specialist versions of the Nimrod also served in the signals intelligence role while other attempted developments failed, such as the Airborne Early Warning role and the final, costly MRA.4 versions, neither of which entered RAF service. This book tells the story of this aircraft.

**CR942 British Aircraft Industry Since 1909****£27.95 Oct**

Britain established the world's first aircraft factory in 1909 after the Short brothers met up with the American Wright brothers and struck a deal. The industry expanded rapidly to rise to the challenge of WWI with such thoroughbreds as the Camel and the SE5. The post-conflict slump proved to be difficult but classics such as the Moths, the Hart family and the Gladiator maintained Britain's leadership. Another war loomed and iconic types such as the Hurricane, Lancaster, Mosquito, Spitfire and the Meteor jet appeared. With the return of peace over 20 major manufacturers faced inevitable contraction. The misguided Bristol Brabazon airliner was a dead end but the superb de Havilland Comet and Vickers Viscount led the field. Canberras, Hunters, Lightnings and the V-bombers met the Cold War confrontation.

**A9854 USAFE in the 1980s****£14.99 Oct**

On the front line of the Cold War, during a decade that saw East-West tensions - and budgets - rise considerably, the United States Air Forces in Europe reached the peak of their power during the 1980s. Not only did USAFE expand, but it introduced a generation of advanced new types, developed to counter perceived Soviet advances and often in light of America's still recent, and often bitter, experiences in Vietnam. Eagles, Fighting Falcons and Warthogs joined the ranks in increasing numbers, supplementing still considerable numbers of older stalwarts like the mighty F-111 interceptors and the iconic Phantom, which lingered on in specialised reconnaissance and defence suppression roles. But it wasn't all fast jets; Ground Launched Cruise Missiles were introduced, plus a range of support types including tankers, transports and spy planes deployed from the Stateside Commands to support USAFE. Take a step inside the day-to-day operations of the USAFE in the 1980s.

**PEN & SWORD****P5878 Britannia Airways-****World's Largest Holiday Airline £25.00 Oct**

Founded in 1961 as Euravia by British businessman Ted Langton and aviation consultant JED Walker, at a time of considerable turmoil for the independent sector of the British air operators' industry, Britannia Airways went on to become the world's largest holiday airline. Just as Court Line evolved from Autair, so Britannia Airways evolved from Euravia. By 1972, Britannia had developed to such a degree that it was the biggest of the British independent charter airlines. Between 1968 and 1984, Britannia carried nearly forty-two million passengers, while the company's fleet grew to include twenty-nine Boeing 737s and a pair of 767s. Drawing on the author's in-depth research and knowledge, as well as first-hand interviews with individuals such as Ted Langton, the original tour operator who wanted his own airline, and Jed Williams, who created Britannia, this is the full story of one of the most important airlines in the history of civil aviation.

**P0564 The Men Who Flew the English****Electric Lightning****£16.99 Oct**

The early 1950s were a boom time for British aviation. The lessons of six years of war had been learned and much of the research into jet engines, radar and aerodynamics had begun to reach fruition. In Britain, jet engine technology led the world, while wartime developments into swept wing design in Germany and their transonic research programme were used to give western design teams a quantum leap in aircraft technology. At English Electric, Teddy Petter's design team were keen to capitalise on the success of their Canberra jet bomber and rose to the challenge of providing a high speed interceptor for the RAF. Martin Bowman describes the career of the Lightning in detail using first-hand accounts of what it was like to fly and service.

**GREY****CR948 Boulton Paul 1917-1961****£44.95 Oct**

Based upon over 60 years of research, this book recounts many of these radical and innovative projects using development layouts, final schemes, drawings and photographs of mock-ups, models and prototype airframes. Many projects are recreated in CAD and other drawings by the author previously an apprentice and a technical engineer with the company and archivist of the Boulton Paul Association. This book sheds much new light on the activities of an often overlooked company which was in many respects at the forefront of aeronautical innovation in Britain for several decades.



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Ocean Fleets is the new name for what was intended to be the 18th edition of Ocean Ships, a series that has charted the changing European shipping scene for over 50 years. Apart from the name change brought about as a result of change of publisher, little else has changed. This new book retains the format of recent editions of Ocean Ships, and is again in two sections, the first providing details of the major cruise ships operating world-wide and the second, the fleets of major shipping companies operating deep-sea routes to major European ports. As previously, IMO numbers, expanded vessel descriptions and cargo capacities have been retained.



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The Isle of Man Steam Packet Company is the oldest continually operating passenger shipping company in the world, having begun operations in 1830. Today the company carry's some 600,000 passengers annually, 170,000 cars and is the Island's lifeline for freight. This book is an update on the history of the Isle of Man Steam Packet since our 175th Anniversary publication. The title includes a history of the company year by year, including the takeover over of the operation by the Isle of Man Government in 2019.



F6845 Stena Line- The Fleet

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Stena Line is one of the largest ferry operators in the world. Today its services operate in Denmark, Germany, Ireland, Latvia, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Sweden and the United Kingdom. Stena Line was founded in 1962 by Sten A Olsson and since then the company has operated a wide variety of ships. The book includes a brief account of the history of this famous Swedish company. This publication brings together the many interesting ferries that they operated in the Baltic, North Sea, English Channel and Irish Sea. Details and information is given for each of the main passenger ferries over last 58 years, accompanied by a photograph or an illustration. The principal ships are illustrated by specially commissioned drawings by Marc-Antoine Bombail.



LAINSON PUBLISHING

L6375 Brittany Ferries- From a Cause to a Brand 1973-2005

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Based on extensive interviews with former senior UK directors of Brittany Ferries, this book tells the inside story of how the company grew from a local produce-export initiative in Brittany to become the biggest operator of ferry services between the UK, Western France and Spain. Using a marketing-led approach to the business and a destination-based advertising focus, Brittany Ferries developed a unique identity, a substantial holiday business and a strong reputation for product quality. This candid and detailed narrative describes how the company overcame challenges from the giants of the cross-channel ferry business along the way. The title will include many unpublished images, plans, brochures and paintings of this iconic company. Previously advertised as 'Building Brittany Ferries'.



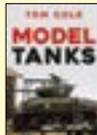
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In 1961 the first Armoured Fighting Vehicles appeared in the ever-expanding range of Airfix kits. The 1960s and 1970s are considered by many as the golden age of kit building. The hobby went into decline in the 1990s as plastic kits gave way to video games, but has recently undergone a revival as the original members of the Airfix Generation, now at the end of careers and family commitments, take a nostalgic look back at their childhoods. Some, like the author, will become once again absorbed by the hobby, but many will be content to buy a few old kits. All will be delighted to find a new book that tells the early days of the hobby from a model tank perspective. Here, Tom Cole concentrates on the kits from Britain's Airfix and Matchbox and looks at the early imports from Japan.



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This second part of the Bangkok story takes the reader from the 1976 state instigated merger of 24 private and two state-owned bus operations up to the present day. In this part the buses operated by the Bangkok Mass Transit Authority are described type by type but the amount of detail available falls short of that included in other books in this series. Almost from the outset, BMTA was unable to provide the level of service envisaged when it was formed and the private sector was quickly contracted to run buses on BMTA's behalf under the Private Joint Service scheme. In the early days, the private buses, known as rot ruam locally, carried the same logo as BMTA used on its own buses - in fact many buses were transferred from BMTA to rot ruam operators. The rot ruam buses have been very much more difficult to document than those of BMTA and due to the large number of operators, some with but one route, they are covered largely in photographic album form.



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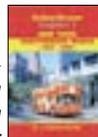
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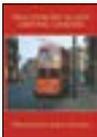
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In 1961 the maximum length of single-deckers was increased to 36 feet. Bristol Commercial Vehicles and Eastern Coach Works designed their first rear-engined single-decker to take advantage of this new length. Two prototypes were built and tested in service in 1962. United Automobile Services had the RELL version with a low chassis frame for bus work. South Midland had the RELH version with a high frame for coach work. Production started in 1963, with Eastern Coach Works-bodied buses and coaches for the nationalised Tilling Group companies, plus some Alexander bodied coaches for the nationalised Scottish Motor Traction Group companies. In this book the author will illustrate the Bristol RE in service from 1970 to 1994 in England and North Wales. This will include Tilling Group companies, National Bus Company subsidiaries, municipal operators and independents, plus a few of the new companies created from bus deregulation and privatisation in 1986.



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To many enthusiasts, municipal vehicles never extended beyond the trams, trolleybuses and buses, but behind them were a whole range of vehicles that were required to enable operations to proceed smoothly. These vehicles: tower wagons, tree-loppers, towing vehicles, training vehicles, mobile canteens, amongst others - represent a whole range of vehicle that, historically, have tended to be ignored. Some of these vehicles were often elderly buses converted for new duties, others were specially constructed for their somewhat specialised tasks; all, however, are fascinating examples of historic municipal vehicles. Gavin Booth, one of the country's leading experts on the subject of public transport history, has delved deep into the archives of many of the country's leading transport photographers to produce a fascinating survey of these often ignored vehicles. Dividing the subject into each of the specialised tasks, he shows how the various types of vehicle evolved during the 20th century.



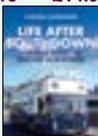
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Britain's biggest county, Yorkshire, was particularly affected by the period of deregulation. Many independents have fallen by the wayside over the years but others have come to take their places. The blue buses of Samuel Ledgard of Leeds, the red ones of Connor & Graham in Hull and the delightful colours of Felix Motors of Hatfield may now be only memories, yet there are still plenty of other small businesses providing bus services within the boundaries of Yorkshire. These vary from Powell's providing buses in industrial South Yorkshire to Reliance Motor Services running out from York to the rural north. John Law was born and bred in Yorkshire and has been photographing the bus scene there since the 1960s, often focusing on the independent firms that have flourished throughout the county over the years. In this book he has chosen the best of his collection, featuring a variety of photographs to illustrate the independent bus sector in the great county of Yorkshire.

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Southdown Motor Services was a well-known and respected bus and coach operator formed in 1915 and based in the south of England. Their vehicles were predominately Leyland in the early days, with Bristol, Daimler and Ford to enter the fleet in later years. Southdown vehicles were maintained to a very high standard, so upon disposal were very sought after by dealers for resale and often snapped up by other operators for continued use. Some were transferred within the National Bus Company, for example the Daimler Fleetlines to Crosville and East Kent, the Leyland Atlanteans to Beeline and Ribble and Hants & Dorset also took coaches. Some were used as training buses and other non-PSV use such as car transporters. This book takes a look at the buses and coaches with their new owners.

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Throughout their existence from 1904 until 1981, the Birmingham and Midland Motor Omnibus Company were an idiosyncratic operator whose operational area covered an area from the Welsh Marches and Shropshire in the West to Northamptonshire and Rutland in the East and from Oxfordshire and Gloucestershire in the South to Staffordshire and Derbyshire in the North. Much of their area was distinctly rural but in the Birmingham and the Black Country, Worcester and Hereford, Stafford and Leicester, intense urban services were operated mainly by double-decker buses and it is these buses that this volume examines. Looking at the coaches that formed a part of this iconic fleet, David Harvey utilises his collection of rare and unpublished images to explore the fascinating world of Midland Red coaches.

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Around the early 2000s, there was a concern among transport enthusiasts that variety in terms of vehicle type and livery in the passenger transport industry in and around the South Wales valleys would decline. This was mainly attributed to the expansion of larger groups across the region that opted for standardised vehicle types and corporate liveries. There was no need for concern: looking back over the past twenty years shows that there has been plenty of variety in and around the South Wales valleys. Variety has been the spice of life; various vehicle types have adorned the operating area, from the common to the rare and the unique. Pleasant liveries, branding and colour schemes have emerged with some surprises along the way. With a wealth of previously unpublished photographs, Simon Ingham documents the local bus scene.

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Bus builder Optare was formed by some of its employees in 1984 from the closure of old-established coachbuilder Chas H Roe at Crossgates, Leeds. After establishing itself as a 'new company' and introducing a new product range - initially in the minibus field - it purchased the designs of Birmingham-based MCW when that concern took the decision to cease bus building. After being acquired by Dutch bus builder DAF, following the collapse of that company Optare repurchased itself and became independent again. Then, it was acquired by Hungarian manufacturer American Bus Industries but, history repeating itself, it was repurchased by its management to become independent again. Then, it was purchased in a reverse takeover by the Darwen Group who owned East Lancashire Coachbuilders who, in turn, was acquired by Indian manufacturer Ashok-Leyland, in whose ownership it remains today, albeit still working from its established manufacturing base in Yorkshire.



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Blazefield commenced operations in 1991, having bought the final shares in the former AJS Holdings group. From the beginning it was clear that Blazefield had a strong approach to passengers and growth of the business. With over 300 vehicles, most of the operations were in Yorkshire with a base in London for its Sovereign unit along with a smaller operation based in and around Cambridge. Route branding, along with a simple livery, was a combination that worked well for increasing passengers and vehicle renewal. The Volvo chassis range and Wrightbus bodywork were the standard for the group. Growth came in the shape of the former Stagecoach operations in East Lancashire. In late 2006 Transdev were successful in acquiring Blazefield. Transdev continued to form a strong brand. Today expansion in local identities along with colourful brands see Transdev taking the lead in modern day bus operation.



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The north of England has long been an area of immense interest to bus enthusiasts. In *Urban Buses in Northern England*, Peter Tucker presents a fine selection of photographs representing the areas urban bus scene between the 1990s and the present day. *Urban Buses in Northern England* covers the North East, North West and Yorkshire region of England including operators such as Arriva, First, Northern, Stagecoach and Yorkshire Rider, plus much-loved independents such as Black Prince and OK Travel. *Urban Buses in Northern England* will be of immense interest to bus enthusiasts and those with an interest in the changing face of northern England since the 1990s.



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On 1 April 1974, the West Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive was created by merging the municipal bus fleets of Bradford City Transport, Halifax Corporation with Calderdale Joint Omnibus Committee, Huddersfield Joint Omnibus Committee and Leeds City Transport. The new Transport Executive was divided into four districts: Bradford, Calderdale (previously Halifax and Todmorden), Kirklees (previously Huddersfield) and Leeds. A new livery of cream and light green slowly but surely began to replace the blue and cream of Bradford, the orange, green and cream of Halifax, the red and cream of Huddersfield, and the two shades of green of Leeds. With over 1,500 vehicles and more than 6,000 staff along with the numerous garage and depot facilities, this was a huge operation. By 1976 changes were being made to the livery - while retaining the colour scheme much of the lining details were replaced and the district name under the Metro logo gave way to Metrobus.



BERNARD MCCALL

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In this book by Bernard McCall at Coastal Shipping, author Andrew Witshire is back and taking a chronological view of the National Bus Company. The book contains over 120 top-quality photographs, each with a detailed caption in Andrew Witshire's usual style.



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This book delves into the character and style of M&D by looking at the company from many different aspects. The authors show how the fleet was modernised rapidly in early post-war days and then developed to meet the challenges the company faced over the ensuing years. The spread of one-man-operation is covered in



the look at how the single-deck fleet developed, as is the change to rear-engined double-deckers and the growth of coaches and coaching activities. There is a journey around the patch, taking each depot as a focus for understanding the nature of the diverse territory and services operated, with fascinating asides and diversions that bring out the full character of the company. Joint operation is looked at, including the famous Heathfield Pool, what went on behind the scenes, rules and regulations, not to mention personal stories and reminiscences. Richly illustrated with colour and black & white photographs, maps and diagrams, plus timetable

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In March 2020 the first effects of the coronavirus COVID-19 were starting to have an serious effect on society with the British government instructing citizens to 'stay at home' with safe distances being applied as its primary regulation. The effect on bus companies has been significant with many staff now furloughed, while the National Express coach network has been suspended. Therefore, this edition reflects the fleet position of both the bus fleets and the coaches as at the end of March 2020.



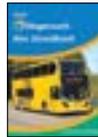
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In March 2020 the first effects of the coronavirus COVID-19 were starting to have a serious effect on society with the British government instructing citizens to 'stay at home' with safe distances being applied as its primary regulation. The effect on bus companies has been significant with many staff now furloughed, vehicles stored and new vehicles orders cancelled or re-arranged. Therefore, this edition reflects the fleet position at the end of March 2020. It is also the first showing of the new liveries that were recently announced.



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In the same format as the London's Sixties and Seventies albums, this new paperback by Kevin McCormack covers Country Buses in Lincoln green in those two decades. With over 100 photographs this book aims to show the different types of vehicles in service during the 1960s and 1970s with both London Transport and London Country.



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Focusing on the 1950s and 1960s, this nostalgic look at the iconic Ledgards takes the reader on a trip down memory lane. Starting with a brief history of the buses themselves and their routes, it then goes on to examine the fleet, covering not only buses from London's Daimler fleet that ran on all but two of the double-decker routes, but also the single-deckers and low-bridge double-deckers. Using a variety of images, this book not only rekindles memories of those fortunate enough to have known Ledgards but also gives an insight into these charming vehicles for the many others who were never able to experience them firsthand.



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way of life in the 1950s & 1960s, including the growth of television & car ownership, led to the demise of many true bus operators, including all of those featured in the book.

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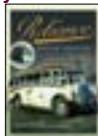
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During the 1960s, bus and coach fleets ranged from major operators who operated stage carriage services; major coach touring companies; to small operators with a handful of vehicles. Often the smaller operators bought redundant buses and coaches from major operators. Conversely, redundant vehicles bought by independent fleets often brought types that came from as far away as Scotland to London and the south east. In the 1960s, the oldest buses and coaches with independent fleets were those employed on school or industrial contracts. Some very small independent fleets, often with the title 'Luxury Coaches', took great pride in their fleets. The net result was that British independent bus and coach operators in the 1960s had a fascinating variety of chassis and body makes and styles, as well as liveries. This book shows many of these as they were between fifty and sixty years ago.



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Between the two world wars and in the years that followed, several generations relied on country buses. In the days when few could afford a car, the bus was the medium to move between homes in often remote villages and the places where they increasingly went to school, worked and enjoyed their leisure hours. This is the story of one such chain of villages across the Berkshire Downs and the family-owned business that grew up around satisfying their needs. George Hedges came back from World War I to become a horse-drawn carrier, but with ambitions to motorise his business. With his family taking the wheel in the 50s, Reliance extended its reach

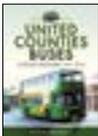


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nationwide and even internationally. The small village where it all started, Brightwalton, woke in the mornings to the cough of diesel engines from both Reliance buses and a relative's lorries. When both businesses departed, the village lost many of its jobs, its two pubs and very nearly its school.

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This book begins by taking a brief look at the expansion of the United Counties Omnibus Company from its formation in September 1921 through to its demise in October 2014. The company acquired over fifty independent operators between 1922 and 1938 giving the company prominence in Northamptonshire and surrounding areas. May 1952 saw the fleet double in size with the acquisition of the Midland area of the Eastern National Omnibus Company, encompassing Bedfordshire, north Buckinghamshire and north Hertfordshire. The National Bus Company split United Counties into three operating companies in 1986: United Counties, Luton & District and MK Citybus, halving the size of the fleet. After being acquired by the Stagecoach Group in 1987, the company was largely left untouched. The main focus of the book looks at the vehicles operated by the company, covering the numerous types operated by United Counties themselves. The various liveries, both fleet and advertising liveries are also listed.



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This book covers Western National in the period from 1983-2003, looking at the changes in livery and operation of the company, which was transitioning from a part of the National Bus Company to that of a private operation. The author has been a prolific photographer of buses for many years, covering many areas of Britain, chasing different types of vehicle and the services they run on. This book concentrates on Western National, looking at its operations during an interesting period, when liveries were changing, and the company's corporate identity was moving on from a nationalised concern to that of a newly privatised group member.



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Alan Lambert continues his study of the history of Southdown, now reaching 1965, which marked the Golden Jubilee of the founding of the company in 1915. 30 pages A5 softback with 8 black & white photos.



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- ST861 Cumbria Buses: Barrow in Furness 1948-1989** £11.95

As a young teenage bus enthusiast in 1961, the author spent an extended holiday in Barrow-in-Furness, a large but remote shipbuilding town in the Furness district now in Cumbria but at that time part of Lancashire. Although a Yorkshireman the author has since retired to Cumbria so the book has double interest for him. Using family photographs augmented with photographs from enthusiasts and societies the author has produced an overview of bus operations in Barrow over a 40 year period. With details of buses used, routes and destinations it has the information the bus enthusiast desires and also is a nostalgic romp through the buses of old that took the people of Barrow to school and to their work.



- ST860 Hardwick's Services Ltd, Scarborough** £11.95

Described by the author as 'a delightful country bus operation' Hardwick's life as a bus operator started in 1922. When David Hardwick retired in 1922 he sold the business to a coal merchant from Hull. A few years later they, in turn, sold it on to Wallace Arnold who added



the stage operations to their existing excursion and tours business in Scarborough. Ownership of Hardwick's continued with Wallace Arnold until 1987 when they sold out to East Yorkshire and it was absorbed by them. Using family photographs complemented with key images from other enthusiasts the Yorkshire-born author has put together an illustrated history of this interesting bus operator.

ST824 Perth's Trams and Early Buses £16.95

ST859 Skipton 1967 with Pennine, Laycock, Ribbles and West Yorkshire £11.95

The book centres around a Sunday in October 1967 when the author and his family visited their bustling north Yorkshire market town. As he says you would expect Sunday to be a quiet day but being at the junction of the A65 and the A59 it was a bus place with four bus companies operating from the town's Waller Hill Bus Station. Three companies were based elsewhere in the town and another was just four miles away at Gargrave. On the Sunday, the author visited therefore a plethora of stage routes were running. In addition to these stage routes there were a number of seasonal routes. The book paints this complex picture with lots of detail of operators, routes and of course the buses all illustrated with captioned photographs from the author's own collection and other enthusiast and society sources.

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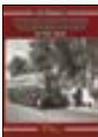
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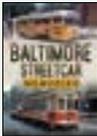
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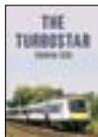
Since the 1860s trains have conveyed crushed limestone from Derbyshire to the soda ash and chemicals works in Mid-Cheshire. By the 1930s a new higher capacity design of wagon was needed, and so the 'Hoppers' were built by Charles Roberts for Imperial Chemical Industries. The fleet of 152 bogie hopper wagons became instantly recognisable to railway enthusiasts. For just over sixty-one years between 1936 and the end of 1997 the wagons worked almost every day of the year, running several times per day. Modern wagons took over the duties from 1998 and the traffic still runs around six times per week, feeding the sole remaining Soda Ash plant. Many companies and locomotive classes and types have hauled these services since 1936 including the LMS, BR, Transrail, EWS, Freightliner Heavy Haul and now DB Cargo. Classes include steam 4F, 8F and 9F; and diesel-electric classes 25, 37, 60 and 66.

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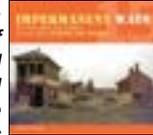


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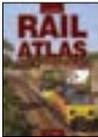
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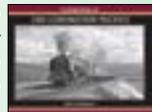


Folkestone Harbour branch railway, its station and pier while also exploring the engines, trains and cross-Channel ships with which it was associated throughout the period of its operational existence. The South Eastern Railway purchased the derelict and bankrupt harbour in 1843 and made great attempts to improve and develop its basic infrastructure. Although undergoing great change throughout the years, the harbour remained in railway ownership until 1984 before the opening of the Channel Tunnel inevitably led to its demise and eventual closure in 2001. The branch line lingered rather longer and survived as a siding until 2014. Now under the ownership of The Folkestone Harbour Company, the harbour, station and pier have been totally refurbished as part of the town's ongoing regeneration project.

IRWELL PRESS

- IR236 A Celebration of LMS Coronation Pacifics £25.95**

The first in a series which has but a simple aim, that is to use top quality photographs reproduced at the largest possible size to celebrate some of the best-loved steam classes. Full-page shots are presented in a landscape format and are backed up by comprehensive captions. What better place to start than the Stanier Coronation Pacifics of the LMS? The emphasis throughout is on the engines in service and the book has been arranged in chapters in chronological order starting with the four main variations of the class as built, followed by the post-war de-streamlined engines. The final three chapters show the Coronations at work



in the 1950s and 1960s on each of the principal routes where they were used, ending with the final few months of 1964. All engines in the class are covered at least once. The pictures have been selected from the collections of Rail-Online and Brian Stephenson's Rail Archive Stephenson and include many taken by Jim Carter and Bill Anderson.

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The London and Southampton Railway opened in 1840 and was the first major railway in the south of England. Joseph Locke and Thomas Brassey completed the last part of the line from Basingstoke to Winchester through the chalk downs to the summit at Litchfield Tunnel. The easy grades of the line were achieved by involving some heavy civil engineering work, high embankments, deep cuttings and numerous tunnels. Traffic grew steadily, particularly goods, to and from the expanding Southampton Docks and boat trains ran in connection with the ocean liner traffic. Southampton developed into the principal port for military traffic to the Empire and the line played a major role in the supply of men and materials for the Boer, First and Second World Wars. The line was the last steam worked main line in England until its electrification in July 1967. Today the line between Basingstoke and Southampton carries heavy passenger traffic and some of the nation's heaviest freight traffic with containers from Southampton Docks.



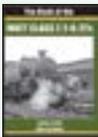
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The Ivatt Class 2 tanks and moguls were amongst the last new LMS designs and although intended for secondary duties to replace a variety of ancient pre-grouping specimens, they incorporated all of the refinements developed over the previous decade and honed by Ivatt on his post-war Black Fives. The two classes were developed together, using the same boiler, sharing as many components as possible and they were very much complementary. The 2-6-2Ts were really the last small tank locomotive designed for Britain's railways; the BR Standard Class 2 in the 84000 series being merely a slightly modified version. Their light axle loading meant that they could go almost anywhere on the system and they certainly did that. They operated throughout the Southern Region, from Kent to Cornwall. This book complements the immediately preceding Book of the Ivatt 2-6-0s.



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KEY PUBLICATION

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A fascinating but much overlooked era for the modern traction enthusiast is the changeover era from the old British Railways green and maroon to the corporate image Rail Blue of the new British Rail which stretched from the mid-1960s to the very early 1980s. The attention of enthusiasts and rail publications of the era was focussed on the dying of the steam age and much of interest to the generations of rail fans who grew up with modern traction has lain undiscovered since. This book aims to portray the many varied livery styles of the times worn by the locomotive, units and coaching stock of BR. It illustrates every major change of the green to blue period, including many little known and surprising combinations, and aims to answer many questions that have puzzled enthusiasts since.



- KE59X Class 47s From Inverness to Penzance £14.99

The Class 47 diesel locomotive was a mainstay of British Rail, with 512 built in the 1960s. As such, they were a daily sight throughout the UK, working express passenger and heavy freight trains as well as more mundane local passenger and wagon-load freight all over Britain. For rail enthusiasts, 'bashing' emerged as the art of trying to ride behind as many locos as possible. Largely due to their prolific numbers, the 47s were often disliked by bashers and the 47s were often given the disparaging nickname 'Duffs', but to those who followed them, they were 'Brush', an abbreviation of Brush Type 4, which was how BR originally referred to them. However, as time passed and other classes of locomotive fell by the wayside, a far greater appreciation of them is now the norm. This book records 1982 to 1985 and many days spent trying to travel behind all 507 of the Class 47s that were still in traffic at that time.



- KE571 Cornish Railways £14.99

This, the first of two volumes covering the railways of Cornwall, follows the line through the changing landscapes of the county. It takes the reader from the rich farmland west of St Germans, through the unique Glynn Valley down to Bodmin Rd and the freight area of Lostwithiel & Par before reaching clay country on the way to the final destination of St Austell. In addition, the branch lines of Looe, Carne Point at Fowey, and Newquay are also explored. Lavishly illustrated with 180-colour illustrations, many set in glorious countryside, this book shows a variety of locomotives. Service trains dominate the images, though there are many charter trains featured, some with exotic traction for the far south west. The photographs capture the changing landscape, from the

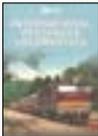


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short days of winter with piercing low sunlight, to the long days of high summer when the upside of the Cornish mainline is lit, allowing a different perspective, capturing not just the trains, but the beautiful hills, rivers and coastline.

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As traditional locomotive haulage declined in the UK and many enthusiast's favourite classes were withdrawn or taken off passenger work, British Rail fans began to broaden their horizons in the 1980s and look at the railway networks of other countries. For many, their first ports of call were the nearer continental European countries, with Germany proving particularly popular as it still featured locomotive haulage over much of its network, even on the smaller branch lines. Ireland also proved popular as their services were almost exclusively loco-hauled. As more enthusiasts travelled abroad & information & number lists became more available, foreign rail holidays became ever more popular, with worldwide favourites inc. the USA, with its long history of diesel traction & iconic locomotives, & India with its extensive system & thousands of locomotives.



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**KE521 The Hornby Book of Trains-
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This book illustrates the changing face of rail freight in North West England over forty years. During that time the traction and wagon fleets have been almost completely replaced, freight trains have become heavier and less frequent, the amount of shunting and trip working has been dramatically reduced, and most small freight terminals have closed. The coverage of this book stretches from Cheshire to the Scottish border. It includes the Buxton area because it always been associated with the North West even though it lies in Derbyshire. The ten chapters are arranged on broadly geographical lines, but the chapter titles should not be taken too literally. For example, in the Greater Manchester chapters it makes sense to include some locations beyond the metropolitan county boundary. Conversely Wigan lies in Greater Manchester but in railway terms it is more closely associated with Warrington.



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This book is about the important role played by the nation's railways in Britain's nuclear industry. It sets the scene with a brief history of nuclear power in Britain and the technology behind it, not just the reactors but the plants that processed the uranium, built the fuel elements and reprocessed the spent fuel. It goes on to illustrate the transport of the spent nuclear fuel from across Britain to the Sellafield Reprocessing plant in West Cumbria and indeed from across the world. In the 21st century the decommissioning of the first generation of reactors and a swathe of Ministry of Defence establishments across the south of England added to the waste already travelling by rail to the national Low Level Waste Repository, also in West Cumbria. The railways also transported chemicals for the nuclear industry and construction materials. The book not only illustrates this transformation but explains why it happened.



KE570 Railways of Central Scotland £14.99

The five years either side of the millennium was a period of great change on the railway network with the advent of privatisation and, on the passenger side, the introduction of franchised operations. On the freight side, the original British Railways network was initially split into three companies, Mainline, Loadhaul and Transrail, but they all ended up being purchased by EWS, the English, Welsh and Scottish Railway. The period saw new rolling stock, new locomotives and a staggering number of different liveries. This book records some of the many changes, to capture the last days of some of the older classes before they were phased out and equally, to include the new. The railways of Central Scotland in 2005 had transformed almost beyond recognition when compared with how things had been ten years earlier. While it cannot capture everything in this period, Ian Lothian illustrates the main route network in Central Scotland and provides an interpretation as to how things were and how they have changed.



KE597 The World's Last Steam Trains: China £17.99

China was the last country in the world to manufacture and operate steam locomotives. By the early 1980s, there were an estimated 10,000 operational steam locomotives in the country, but by the 1990s, diesel and electric locomotives started to replace them on the main lines and the number in service reduced substantially as the millennium approached. The last steam locomotives were finally withdrawn from China Rail in 2003. After that, some continued to operate heavy freight trains on local railways for a short while, but most were deployed for use on the country's industrial railways, mainly at coal mines and steel works. This trend continued into the first decade of the 21st century, but subsequently, the number of steam engines in service declined substantially and were confined to just a handful of industrial locations.

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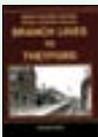
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Post-war car ownership and the resultant declines in railway passenger traffic causes the 1964 closure of the branch, but the 1978 opening of the Royal Portbury Dock resulted in a £21m investment in rail access. Meantime rush hour road congestion demanded a rethink of the 1964 closure and in 1989 Royal Assent was given to construct a light railway from Wapping Road via Portbury to Portishead to where by 2021 or 2022 passengers may again be able to travel. In this new book Colin Maggs tells the story of these branch lines from early days to recent developments.

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The small fenland market town of Ramsey in Huntingdonshire was one of the many which suffered from the agricultural depression of the mid-19th century. With the coming of the railways the town was stranded between the Great Northern Railway and the Eastern Counties Railway. Eventually local business people and landowners promoted their own line, the Ramsey Railway to link up with the GNR at Holme but their rivals, the GER, bought up the shares to ensure that the branch could not be used to poach traffic for East Anglia onto the GNR. This ensured that the branch carried few passengers and when buses came along in the 1920s even fewer. Passenger services continued until 1947 and freight ceased in 1973. In typical Peter Payne fashion, all aspects of this branch line are discussed and examined in depth and at length.



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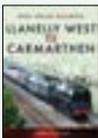
After tackling the GW pannier tanks in his 'Locomotive Portfolios' for Pen & Sword, author David Maidment seeks out descriptions and photographs of the GW 0-6-2 tank engines, the majority of which were built by the Rhymney, Taff Vale, Barry and other Welsh railways from the last decade or so of the 19th century onwards. The engines of eight different companies, absorbed by the GWR in 1922, are described and illustrated, and the way in which many were modernised and rebuilt at Swindon or Caerphilly Works in the 1920s. Charles Collett was, however, faced with a motive power crisis in the mining valleys at the Grouping, as many of the companies had economised on essential maintenance as the GW's take-over drew near, and he had to hurriedly design a standard 0-6-2T to complement and bolster their work. These engines, the 56XX & 66XX classes, became part of the South Wales scene between 1925 and 1964, mainly running the coal traffic, although they dominated Cardiff Valley passenger services until 1954.



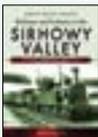
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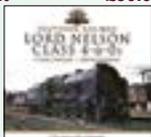
Llanelly to Carmarthen is the latest addition to an on-going series about railways in West Wales, by railway historian John Hodge. This volume looks at the history of the lines in West Wales, between these locations, taking in the history of the local industry that was once a feature in this area. This book covers the each station and main location along the route, with good photographic coverage and interesting long captions explaining the locations significance. The work is of interest to railway historians and those who accurately model railways, having a good coverage of the subject throughout its pages.

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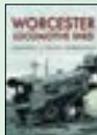
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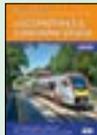
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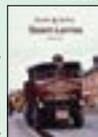
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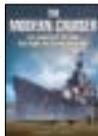
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