

1: Stored / withdrawn

08698 WNTR Motherwell
08742 WNXX Bescot
08786 WNTS Wembley Yard
08886 WNTS Motherwell
08900 WNTS Margam
09203 WNYX Crewe EMD
33025 XHSS Carnforth
33029 XHSS Carnforth
33207 XHSS Carnforth
43080 SBXL Neville Hill
43196 SBXL Neville Hill
86620 DHLT Crewe EMD



Freightliner lost another Class 86 in the 12th when 86620 caught fire at Winsford near Crewe whilst heading the 4S59 service to Coatbridge with 86609.

86620 in Crewe Basford Hall yard 13/09/05, Anon

90029 WNTR Crewe EMD

2: Re-listed

None

3: Relocated

08542 WNSO Bescot – Kingsbury
08628 WNSO Saltley – Goodman's Sutton Coldfield
08655 WNSO Thornaby – TJ Thomson Stockton
08806 WNSO Thornaby – TJ Thomson Stockton
08827 WNSO Motherwell – Barrow Hill
08888 WZTS Immingham – Aldwarke (later reinstated)
08913 WZTS Doncaster Carr – Polmadie (later reinstated)
08941 WNTS Margam – Aldwarke (later reinstated)
09020 WNTS Immingham – Port Talbot – Margam (later reinstated)
20145 MoD Smalmstown – Kingsbury
33030 XHSS Carlisle Kingmoor – Carnforth
33057 HNRS MoD Smalmstown – West Somerset Railway (into preservation)
37071 WNSO Wigan CRDC – Heanor Langley Mill – CF Booth Rotherham



As Wigan CRDC empties Booth's Rotherham is filling up.

Former CRDC resident 37071 is seen in the cutting area at CF Booth's Rotherham 24/09/05, D7606

37074 WNSO Wigan CRDC – CF booth Rotherham
37170 WNSO Wigan CRDC – MoD Long Marston

37178 WNSO Eastleigh – Eastleigh Yard
37185 WNSO Wigan CRDC – CF Booth Rotherham
37220 WNZX Toton Training Compound – Toton



A recent batch of locomotive sales by EWS has included a number of Class 37s one of which, 37220, had some months ago donated its power unit, albeit without success, to 37422 at Toton.

37220 Toton 19/09/05, Anon

37230 WNZX Toton Training Compound – Toton WNSO Toton – Toton Training Compound
37797 WNZX Toton Training Compound – Toton WNSO Toton – Toton Training Compound
43196 SBXL Neville Hill – Brush Loughborough
47146 WNSO Wigan CRDC – CF Booth Rotherham
47241 WNSO Wigan CRDC – CF Booth Rotherham
47478 WNSO Wigan CRDC – Kingsbury
47519 WNSO Wigan CRDC – TJ Thomson Stockton
47536 WNSO Wigan CRDC – CF Booth Rotherham



A relatively common sight these days is locomotives on low loaders on the move by road.

Pausing at Ulttoxeter 06/09/05; 47536 en route to Rotherham from Wigan CRDC, I Thurman

47726 WNXX Toton – Toton Training Compound
47758 WNXX Toton – Toton Training Compound
47762 WNSO Wigan CRDC – CF Booth Rotherham
47769 MBDL East Lancashire Railway – Barrow Hill



After spending a couple of years on the East Lancashire Railway Riviera's 47769 has been transferred across the Pennines to Barrow Hill for further attention.

47815 and 47839 top and tail 47769 through Dewsbury East 19/09/05, M Allatt

47779 WNSO Wigan CRDC – Kingsbury
56007 WZGF Wembley Yard – Dollands Moor – France (exported)
56034 WNSO Wigan CRDC – Brush Loughborough
56074 WZGF Old Oak Common – Wembley Yard – Dollands Moor – France (exported)
56124 WNSO Healey Mills – Doncaster Decoy Yard – Doncaster Wood Yard – Brush Loughborough



Work towards returning 56045 and 56124 to mainline status for use with Jarvis is underway at Brush Loughborough.

56124 arrives at Brush Loughborough 09/09/05, S Rawsthorne

56132 WNSO Wigan CRDC – CF Booth Rotherham
58014 WNXX Toton – Toton Training Compound
86249 SAXL Heanor Langley Mill – MoD Caerwent
86604 DHLT Crewe LNWR – Crewe Works – Crewe EMD
87001 SBXL Wembley HRD – Crewe Works – Wembley HRD
87002 SBXL Wembley HRD – Crewe Works – Wembley HRD (later reinstated)
87035 SBXL MoD Caerwent – Crewe Works (into preservation)



The accolade of becoming the first Class 87 to pass into preservation falls to 87035. Rescued from the scrapman at Caerwent 87035 has been moved up to Crewe Works where it was handed over on the 10th to the private sector and is to go to the nearby Railway Age.

87035 on arrival at Crewe Works from Caerwent 06/09/05, GP Henshall

89001 ACXX Barrow Hill – Crewe Works – Norwich Crown Point

4: Revised
None

5: Reinstated

08482 WRLN (Tilbury)
08798 WSSC (Carlisle Yard)
08844 WRWM (Daventry)
08888 WREM (Aldwarke)
08909 WREM (Thornaby)
08913 WRSC (Polmadie)
08941 WSEM (Aldwarke)
09020 WSAW (Margam)
60002 WCBN (Toton)
60004 WCBN (Immingham)
60007 WCBN (Immingham)
60008 WCAN (Toton)
60009 WCBN (Immingham)
60011 WCAN (Immingham)
60014 WCAN (Thornaby)
60019 WCAN (Immingham)
60021 WCBN (Immingham)
60023 WCBN (Toton)
60024 WCAN (Immingham)
60025 WCBN (Margam)
60026 WCBN (Toton)
60027 WCBN (Doncaster Carr)
60032 WCAN (Immingham)
60037 WCBN (Toton)
60038 WCBN (Toton)
60041 WCBN (Immingham)
60043 WCAN (Immingham)
60048 WCAN (Toton)
60052 WCBN (Margam)
60055 WCBN (Immingham)
60058 WCBN (Thornaby)
60060 WCAN (Toton)
60062 WCAN (Immingham)
60064 WCBN (Immingham)
60069 WCAN (Thornaby)
60073 WCAN (Immingham)
60076 WCAN (Toton)
60084 WCAN (Margam)
60087 WCAN (Margam)
60088 WCAN (Immingham)
60090 WCBN (Toton)
60093 WCAN (Immingham)
60097 WCBN (Toton)
60100 WCAN (Immingham)
60500 WCAN (Margam)
87002 GBAC (Wembley HRD)

6: Preservation / private ownership

Crewe Works: 87035

West Somerset Railway: 33057



Another Class 33 passing into private ownership is 33057 which after several years in store at MoD Smalmstown near Carlisle has been sold on and delivered to the West Somerset Railway.

33057 awaits unloading at Bishops Lydeard 18/09/05 following transfer by road from Smalmstown, Virginsfinest

7: Exported

France: 56007 56074



56074 became the 26th Class 56 to venture abroad for hire to Fertis in France by EWS when it went through the tunnel on the 6th.

Ready to go, 56074 at Old Oak Common 03/09/05, MTH

8: Rebuilt

None

9: Disposals

CF Booth Rotherham: 08815 37370 47328



Former Motherwell stalwart 37370 met its fate during September at Booth's Rotherham.

A semi dismantled 37370 at CF Booth's Rotherham 10/09/05, D7606

HNRC at Crewe DMD: 47188

HNRC at EMR Kingsbury: 47331

10: Stock Changes

Class 08

08482 HQ-TD WNTR-WRLN
08529 De-registered HQ WNSO
08534 HQ WNZX-WNSO
08541 HQ WNZX-WNSO
08542 HQ WNZX-WNSO
08628 HQ WNZX-WNSO
08655 HQ WNZX-WNSO
08675 HQ WNZX-WNSO
08698 ML-HQ WRSC-WNTR
08739 HQ WNZX-WNSO
08740 HQ WNZX-WNSO
08742 BS-HQ WSWM-WNXX
08768 HQ WNZX-WNSO
08786 TD-HQ WSLN-WNTS
08798 HQ-ML WNTR-WSSC
08806 HQ WNZX-WNSO
08827 De-registered HQ WNSO
08837 HQ WNZX-WNSO
08844 HQ-BS WNTR-WRWM
08867 HQ WNZX-WNSO
08880 HQ WNZX-WNSO
08886 ML-HQ WRSC-WNTS
08888 HQ-TO WZTS-WREM
08900 MG-HQ WSAW-WNTS
08906 HQ WNZX-WNSO
08909 HQ-TO WZTS-WREM
08913 HQ-ML WZTS-WRSC
08932 HQ WNZX-WNSO
08941 HQ-TO WNTS-WREM

Class 09

09013 OC-MG WSWR-WSGW
09020 HQ-MG WNTS-WSAW
09203 MG-HQ WSGW-WNYX

Class 20

20154 Re-registered HQ MBDL
20301 KM XHSD-XHNR
20305 KM XHSD-XHNR
20306 KM XHSD-XHNC
20307 KM XHSD-XHNC
20308 KM XHSD-XHNR
20309 KM XHSD-XHNC
20310 KM XHSD-XHNC
20311 KM XHSD-XHNR
20312 KM XHSD-XHNR
20313 KM XHSD-XHNR
20314 KM XHSD-XHNR
20315 KM XHSD-XHNR

Class 31

31107 DF QADD-QETS

Class 33

33025 KM XHSD-XHSS
33029 KM XHSD-XHSS
33117 Re-registered HQ MBDL
33207 KM XHSD-XHSS

Class 37

37023 HQ WNZX-WNSO
37029 KM XHCK-XHBS
37051 HQ WNZX-WNSO
37059 KM XHCK-XHNC
37069 KM XHSD-XHNR
37071 De-registered HQ WNSO
37074 De-registered HQ WNSO
37087 KM XHCK-XHMMW
KM XHMMW-XHNC
KM XHNC-XHMMW
37100 HQ WNZX-WNSO
37185 De-registered HQ WNSO
37194 KM XKMW-XHCK
KM XHCK-XHBS
37218 KM XHSD-XHNR
37219 HQ WNZX-WNSO
37220 HQ WNZX-WNSO
37229 KM XHCK-XHBS
37230 HQ WNZX-WNSO
37248 HQ WNZX-WNSO
37259 KM XHSD-XHNR
37407 HQ WNXX-WNYX
37408 HQ WNTS-WNYX
37509 HQ WNXX-WNYX
37515 KM XHCK-XHMMW
37602 KM XHCK-XHNR
37605 KM XHCK-XHNC
37606 KM XHCK-XHNC
37607 KM XHCK-XHNC
37608 KM XHCK-XHNC
37609 KM XHCK-XHNC
37610 KM XHCK-XHNC
37611 KM XHMMW-XHCK
KM XHCK-XHNC
37612 KM XHCK-XHNC
37667 HQ WNZX-WNSO
37688 HQ WNZX-WNSO
37797 HQ WNZX-WNSO
37897 HQ WNZX-WNSO
37903 De-registered HQ WNSO
37905 HQ WNZX-WNSO

Class 43

43070 NL-MM ICCP-CROL
MM CROL-CRRH
43080 NL-HQ ICCP-SBXL
43087 NL-MM IMLP-CROL
MM CROL-CRRH
43157 NL-MM ICCP-CROL
MM CROL-CRRH
43193 NL-MM ICCP-CROL
MM CROL-CRRH
43196 NL-HQ ICCP-SBXL

Class 47

47146 De-registered HQ WNSO
47188 De-registered HQ WNSO
47237 KM XHSD-XHKM
47241 De-registered HQ WNSO
47298 KM XHSD-XHKM
47331 De-registered HQ WNSO

47402 Re-registered HQ MBDL
47478 De-registered HQ WNSO
47501 KM XHSD-XHKM
47536 De-registered HQ WNSO
47756 HQ WNZX-WNSO
47757 HQ WNZX-WNSO
47762 De-registered HQ WNSO
47769 Re-registered HQ MBDL
HQ MBDL-RTLS
47802 KM XHSD-XHKM
47828 MM CREL-CRRH

Class 56

56011 HQ WNZX-WNSO
56021 HQ WNZX-WNSO
56034 De-registered HQ WNSO
56040 HQ WNZX-WNSO
56044 HQ WNZX-WNSO
56061 HQ WNSO-SDXL
56063 HQ WNZX-WNSO
56098 HQ WNZX-WNSO
56124 De-registered HQ WNSO
56128 HQ WNZX-WNSO
56131 HQ WNZX-WNSO
56132 De-registered HQ WNSO

Class 60

60002 HQ-IM WNTS-WCBN
60004 HQ-IM WNTR-WCBN
60007 HQ-IM WNTR-WCBN
60008 HQ-IM WNTR-WCAN
60009 HQ-IM WNTR-WCBN
60011 HQ-IM WNTR-WCAN
60014 HQ-IM WNTS-WCAN
60019 HQ-IM WNTR-WCAN
60021 HQ-IM WNTS-WCBN
60023 HQ-IM WNTR-WCBN
60024 HQ-IM WNTR-WCAN
60025 HQ-IM WNTR-WCBN
60026 HQ-IM WNTR-WCBN
60027 HQ-IM WNTR-WCBN
60032 HQ-IM WNTS-WCAN
60037 HQ-IM WNTR-WCBN
60038 HQ-IM WNTS-WCBN
60041 HQ-IM WNTS-WCBN
60043 HQ-IM WNTR-WCAN
60048 HQ-IM WNTR-WCAN
60052 HQ-IM WNTR-WCBN
60055 HQ-IM WNTR-WCBN
60058 HQ-IM WNTS-WCBN
60060 HQ-IM WNTS-WCAN
60062 HQ-IM WNTR-WCAN
60064 HQ-IM WNTR-WCBN
60069 HQ-IM WNTR-WCAN
60073 HQ-IM WNTR-WCAN
60076 HQ-IM WNTR-WCAN
60084 HQ-IM WNTS-WCAN
60087 HQ-IM WBTR-WCAN
60088 HQ-IM WNTS-WCAN
60090 HQ-IM WNTR-WCBN
60093 HQ-IM WNTR-WCAN
60097 HQ-IM WNTS-WCBN
60100 HQ-IM WNTS-WCAN

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60500 HQ-IM WNTS-WCAN

Class 66

66401 KM XHCK-XHIM
66402 KM XHCK-XHIM
66403 KM XHCK-XHIM
66404 KM XHCK-XHIM
66405 KM XHCK-XHIM
66406 KM XHCK-XHIM
66407 KM XHCK-XHIM
66408 KM XHCK-XHIM
66409 KM XHCK-XHIM
66410 KM XHCK-XHIM
66543 FD DFGM-DFIM
66556 LD DFHH-DFHG
66576 FD DFGM-DFIM
66577 FD DFGM-DFIM
66951 FD DFHH-DFHG

Class 73

73136 Re-registered HQ MBEL

Class 86

86426 HQ WNZX-WNSO
86430 HQ WNZX-WNSO
86620 FE DFNC-DHLT
FE-HQ DHLT

Class 87

87002 HQ-WB SBXL-GBAC

Class 89

89001 BN-HQ IECB-ACXX

Class 90

90029 CE-HQ WEFE-WNTR

30/09/05

Reinstatements...

08909 at Thornaby has been reinstated to Toton's WREM pool whilst five more Class 60s; 60008 and 60048 at Toton, 60011 60041 and 60043 at Immingham along with 60014 at Thornaby, are reinstated from store to the WCAN / WCBN pools bringing the fleet strength up to 81.

29/09/05

08588 (MOLO) which arrived at Whitemoor Yard from Wabtec a few days ago is understood to be the first of three RT Rail shunters due at this location in the fullness of time for shunting duties at Whitemoor.

08628 (WNSO) hasn't actually been delivered to Kingsbury yet it transpires. Although following its collection and movement from Saltley yesterday access was unavailable on arrival at Kingsbury so 08628 has been diverted to the nearby Goodman's yard.

08655 and 08806 (both WNSO) have been removed from Thornaby by road to TJ Thomson's Stockton today whilst 08909 (WZTS) at Thornaby has been repainted from Mainline blue into a variation of EWS livery.

37170 (WNSO) has been unloaded at MoD Long Marston following transportation south by road from Wigan CRDC yesterday.

60008 (WNTR) at Toton having lost its Loadhaul colours has emerged from the paint shop in the standard EWS livery scheme.

28/09/05

08542 and 08628 (both WNSO) have been moved today by road to Kingsbury from Bescot and Saltley respectively.

37170 (WNSO) is on the move by road from Wigan CRDC. Its intended destination will be disclosed in due course.

47519 (WNSO) has following a delay en route completed its move to TJ Thomson's Stockton from Wigan CRDC.

58019 and 58023 (both WNXX) at Toton have, possibly to protect the open engine compartments from the elements, been covered up with tarpaulin sheeting.

Revised sales list...

Further to the sales list published on the 21st several revisions have come to light, mainly concerning the Class 08s bound for Stockton. Three shunters still remain unaccounted for although RT Rail have again been put in the frame two of them, Allerton's 08739 and 08837 whilst, although still unconfirmed, 08880 is understood to be a private sale.

Anyway the revised list...

CF Booth Rotherham: 37230 37797 37905 56044 56063 56131 86426 86430

DRS: 37023 37051 37688

FM Rail: 56011 56021

HNRC: 08541 08542 08628 08932 37220 37667 47756 56128

Private Sales: 37219 37248 37897 56040 56098

TJ Thomson Stockton: 08534 08655 08675 08740 08768 08806 08867 08906 37100 47757

Unknown: 08739 08837 08880

27/09/05 15:00

08888 latterly in store at Immingham has been reinstated to Toton's WREM pool and is showing as having joined 08941 at Aldwarke.

60007 from store at Immingham, 60023 from store at Toton along with 60084 and 60087 from store at Margam have been reinstated to the WCAN / WCBN operational pools bringing the fleet back up to 75% strength.

37087...

Although noted in the earlier update that 37087, currently domiciled in Glasgow Works for attention, had been reallocated to XHNC, one of the new DRS pools, this transfer has now been reversed and 37087 is back in XHMW.

27/09/05 08:40

37178 (WNSO) has been moved out from Eastleigh depot into the nearby yard to await forwarding to road transport and shipment north to Rotherham.

87002 (GBAC) has entered traffic with GBRf topping the Class 325s on yesterdays 1M96 16:26 north from Willesden.

DRS re-hash...

The DRS locomotive pool allocations have been completely revamped with the creation of five new operating pools. The XHCK and XHSD pools have been abandoned with the locomotive fleet being reallocated between the five new pools summarised below.

XHBS (DRS Blue Star Control)

37029 37194 37229

XHIM (DRS Intermodal)

66401 66402 66403 66404 66405 66406 66407 66408 66409 66410

XHKM (DRS Kingmoor)

47237 47298 47501 47802

XHNC (DRS Nuclear traffic)

20306 20307 20309 20310 37059 37087 37605 37606 37607 37608 37609 37610 37611 37612

XHNR (DRS Network Rail traffic)

20301 20305 20308 20311 20312 20313 20314 20315 37069 37218 37259 37602

For completeness the XHMW (20302 20303 20304 37038 37515) and XHSS (33025 33029 33030 33207 47484) pools are as were ex-

cept for 37087 which has been transferred from XHMW to XHNC.

26/09/05

On the road...

47519 (WNSO) has left the CRDC by road and is on its way to TJ Thomson's yard in Stockton whilst there have been reports that Booth's bound 37178 (WNSO) at Eastleigh has been moved into a position from where extraction and transfer north by road can be carried out.

Livery amendments...

At Bristol Barton Hill 56115 is now in Fertis colours and 56104 is rubbed down ready for its repaint whilst at Toton stored 60015 has received a set of EWS stickers in place of its former Transrail branding.

Le Shed...

At Toton France bound 66215 has been fitted with a set of snowploughs / deflectors described as being of a similar type to those fitted to the Class 60s.

More Meridian...

A third MML Meridian diagram comes into force from October 3rd and the unit joining the fleet is likely to be 222002.

Monday – Friday

1B10 06.30 Sheffield to St Pancras via Nottingham
1D16 09.55 St Pancras to Nottingham
1B31 12.30 Nottingham to St Pancras
1D36 14.55 St Pancras to Nottingham
1B51 17.30 Nottingham to St Pancras
1D58 19.55 St Pancras to Sheffield via Nottingham

Saturday

1B13 07.32 Sheffield to St Pancras via Nottingham
1D18 10.55 St Pancras to Nottingham
1B33 13.30 Nottingham to St Pancras
1D38 15.55 St Pancras to Nottingham
1B53 18.30 Nottingham to St Pancras
1D58 20.55 St Pancras to Nottingham

Sunday

1C13 09.52 Sheffield to St Pancras
1D23 14.00 St Pancras to Nottingham
1B41 16.31 Nottingham to St Pancras
1F49 19.00 St Pancras to Sheffield
1C69 22.30 Sheffield to Derby

25/09/05

Shunters on the move...

09003 (WSWR) and recently reinstated 09020 (WSAW) were to be found at Port Talbot yesterday awaiting collection by road and transfer elsewhere whilst 08922 (WSWM) latterly located at Dee Marsh was noted on the M56 near Frodsham at lunchtime yesterday heading east.

More for Molly's day...

Further to the earlier listing regarding the Railway Charity event (see 17/09/05) being held at Walsall on October 1st I have been asked to mention that music producer and railway enthusiast Pete Waterman will join Molly to open the day, the event runs from 11.00 - 16.00, and that Network Rail are bringing along lots of their machines for the public to 'have a go with'.

23/09/05

37418 (WNTR) at Toton has been shorn of its 'East Lancashire Railway' nameplates. Possibly simply for safekeeping but there is something in the paint shop...

47762 (WNSO) has completed its move to Booth's Rotherham, where the scrapping of 47536 is underway, from Wigan CRDC.

+15...

The Class 60 fleet now totals a quite respectably healthy 71 examples following the reinstatement this morning of a further 15 examples from store. No doubt the imminent onset of the sandite season is behind this. Today's fifteen reinstatements are 60002 60026 60037 60038 and 60076 from store at Toton along with 60019 60024 60032 60055 60062 60064 60073 60088 and 60100 from store at Immingham with finally 60058 from store at Thornaby.

Disposal...

The demolition of 47188, stored from Bescot's DAET pool in November 1998, on site at Crewe DMD is as good as complete. Only its frame on bogies remained this morning, RIP.

22/09/05 21:00

08900 at Margam has been stored WNTS being replaced in the WSAW pool by 09020 which is reinstated to traffic from WNTS.

43029 (IWRP) at Plymouth Laira since being released from repairs at Brush Loughborough some weeks ago has been taken off lease by FGW.

47762 (WNSO) has been extracted from Wigan CRDC by road for transfer to Booth's Rotherham.

89001 (ACXX) D1023 73138 and 84001 have arrived at Norwich. 20096 and 20905 from Hope are en route.

22/09/05 13:45

43196 (SBXL) has been hauled from Neville Hill to Brush Loughborough for attention. Although earlier it had been anticipated that it would be joining Cotswold Rail at some point it has been ascertained that this is not now happening as 43196 has been selected for use elsewhere.

47779 (WNSO) has completed its transfer from Wigan CRDC to Kingsbury by road.

89001 (ACXX) is on the move from Crewe Works in convoy with D1023 73138 and 84001. They left Crewe a little later than advertised this morning behind 45112.

21/09/05 21:40

37074 (WNSO) en route to Booth's Rotherham from Wigan CRDC by road was noted in the lay-by at Uttoxeter this morning. 47779 (WNSO) has been extracted from the CRDC by road and is on its way south to Kingsbury.

73202 (IVGA) has continued to ply its trade on the GatEx circuit during today but (at the time of writing) a unit had been made available and 73202 was due to come off diagram.

Convoy...

Running as 0273 tomorrow the convoy conveying D1023 73138 84001 and 89001 from Crewe Works is due to leave Crewe at around 10:00 then travel south via Wembley to Norwich where arrival is scheduled for about 16:00.

21/09/05 13:15

37074 (WNSO) en route to Booth's Rotherham from Wigan CRDC by road was noted in the lay-by at Uttoxeter this morning.

37510 (HNRS) at Barrow Hill, now in DRS blue but awaiting decals, has been TPWS fitted and is almost ready for collection whilst

37515 (XHCK) has been taken north from Carlisle to Glasgow Works for attention.

73202 (IVGA) is still out on the Gatwick Express circuit this morning having worked at least the 09:30 from London Victoria.

86609 (DFNC) with its singed front end repainted has returned to traffic.

Loco sales...

By a process of deduction and elimination with one or two guesses thrown in for good measure the following locomotives are sold by EWS...

CF Booth Rotherham: 37230 37797 37905 56044 56063 56131 86426 86430

DRS: 37023 37051 37688

FM Rail: 56011 56021

HNRC: 08541 08542 08628 08932 37220 37667 47756 56128

Private Sales (some unconfirmed): 37219 37248 37897 56040 56098

RT Rail (unconfirmed): 08740 08867

TJ Thomson Stockton (unconfirmed): 08534 08655 08675 08739 08768 08806 08837 08880 08906 37100 47757

Any changes to the above, confirmations or otherwise, re-sales etc. will be recorded as and when.

20/09/05 23:50

37074 (WNSO) is on the move from Wigan CRDC to Booth's Rotherham by road having departed the CRDC shortly after 19:00.

37230 and 37797 (both WNSO) have been returned to the compound at Toton whilst 37220 (WNSO) remains on the depot. Also moved into the compound from the depot are 47726 47758 and 58014 (all WNXX).

Return of the ED...

Whilst exams are undertaken on the usual GatEx units the Gatwick Express service is again featuring Class 73 and stock action with 73202 being turned out to work two late evening out and back trips between London and Gatwick. 73208 had been diagrammed to work yesterday but the outing was cancelled. The services returned to Class 73 haulage today, and there may be further appearances in the days to come, are the...

1D86 21:15 Victoria to Gatwick Airport, 1U87 22:05 Gatwick Airport to Victoria,

1D92 22:45 Victoria to Gatwick Airport, 1U93 23:35 Gatwick Airport to Victoria.

Big stuff...

EWS are running a trial working this week featuring a jumbo coal train on a daily working from Scotland to the North West hauled by a Class 92. 92001 doing the honours today. The 6M04 13:17 Mossend to Warrington (for Fiddlers Ferry) which is loading to approximately 2200 tons has, to resolve the coupling issue, a Class 66 locomotive tucked in behind the 92.

FM Rail / ACoRP...

FM Rail (Fragonset) have advised that they are supporting the ACoRP Community RailFest at Norwich this weekend. They will be providing BR Blue 45112 and recently re-liveried 47832 as part of a locomotive display to be staged at Norwich station over the weekend and they will be operating services on Saturday between Norwich, Great Yarmouth and Lowestoft using a Class 31 and Class 33 in push-pull mode, a first over these routes.

FM Rail are also moving a number of other celebrity locomotives, D1023 55019 73138 84001 and 89001, to form a display at Norwich Station over the weekend.

As an aside to the above there have been suggestions that an Anglia 86 might make an appearance at the event...

20/09/05 02:45

87002 at Wembley has been reinstated to the GBAC pool. This is understood to be so it can cover for 87019 which is to be readied for this coming weekend's ACoRP activities.

19/09/05

37071 (WNSO) has, following an overnight stop off at Heanor's Langley Mill, completed its move by road from Wigan CRDC to Booth's Rotherham.

37220 37230 and 37797 (all WNZX) have been extracted from the compound at Toton to the fuel lines for de-fuelling etc. presumably in readiness for when the latest round of sales has been completed.

47769 (MBDL) was hauled east this afternoon from Bury (ELR) to Barrow Hill sandwiched between 47815 and 47839.

60008 (WNTR) at Toton has been admitted to the paint shop. Now de-named it is in the process of loosing its Loadhaul colours.

HNRC sales...

HNRC have confirmed that the sales into preservation of 37131 and 47768 have been completed and on extraction from Wigan CRDC these locomotives will be despatched to their relevant destinations.

More for Booths / Hulls...?

There have been indications that Fragonset's 47628 currently languishing at Barrow Hill and 56066 awaiting recovery from Wigan CRDC are to go to either Booth's or Ron Hull's at Rotherham for disposal.

18/09/05

33057 (HNRS) has completed its move to the West Somerset Railway and into preservation.

37071 (WNSO) is on the move from Wigan CRDC to Booth's Rotherham by road being noted on the A580 at Lowton near Wigan this afternoon.

17/09/05

56 and rising...

Five more Class 60s have been returned to service with 60004 60021 and 60093 being reinstated from store at Immingham along with 60060 and 60097 which are reinstated from store at Toton.

Disposal...

Now down to a frame and one cab 47328, stored from Tinsley's DAET pool back in July 1997, is as good as cut at Booth's Rotherham, RIP.

Shunter changes...

There have been several changes to the EWS shunter fleet including a number of reinstatements of those shunters that had been returned to active service in recent weeks. In the South East 08482 at Tilbury is now reinstated to WRLN but 08786 has been stored WNTS at Wembley. Departures from South Wales see 08941 moved up from Margam to Aldwarke and reinstated to Toton's WREM pool whilst Newport's defective 09203 is now located at Crewe EMD has been stored WNYX. At Bescot 08742 has been stored WNXX but down the road at Daventry active 08844 is reinstated to the WRWM pool. At Motherwell 08698 latterly in use at Deanside and 08886 recently displaced from Polmadie have been stored, WNTR and WNTS respectively, whilst active 08798 at Carlisle is reinstated to WSSC and 08913, a recent arrival at Polmadie from Doncaster, has been reinstated to WRSC.

Anglia farewell #3...

Almost a year after the first send off for the 86s on Anglia diagrams 86235 (IANA) is out and about today between Norwich and London on today's Anglia Class 86 farewell workings.

Meridians...

222002 has been out on test in recent days indicating that it may be about to join 222001 222005 and 222007 in traffic with MML. Now although this may indicate that a third HST diagram could be going over to Meridian operation there is some speculation that this may be it for MML and that the remaining three Meridians could be utilised elsewhere with deployment to the London to Holyhead services, currently utilising Pendolino's dragged by a 57/3 from Crewe, being mooted as one possible option.

Railway charity event...

On October 1st at the Railway Club & Grounds at Pleck Junction on Wednesbury Rd Walsall a Railway Charity Event is being held in the aid of the local Breast Cancer Care Unit at Walsall and Wolverhampton Hospitals and is to be called Molly's Day after the daughter of a Bescot driver who lost her Mother to cancer.

Attractions on the day include an auction of Railway Memorabilia including BR uniforms of all types and sizes, wagon ID plates and locomotive name plates etc. There is also going to be the usual family stuff like bouncy castles, wet sponge throwing, raffles, 5 a side football tournaments etc. with a BBQ and Pig Roast too. Also for the enthusiast there will be simulator cab ride sessions on local routes in the Midlands and on up to Carlisle and across the S&C or visits to virtual power boxes.

Prizes galore and support are being provided by Virgin Trains, Central Trains, EWS, The Severn Valley and Network Rail.

Free car parking will be available at Midland Yard, on the opposite side of the road, and your support will be more than welcome.

16/09/05

33057 (HNRS) en route to the West Somerset Railway by road has left Smalmstown being noted heading south through Lancashire on the M6 this afternoon.

15/09/05

87001 and 87002 (both SBXL) along with 86213 (ACXX) have been returned to Wembley from Crewe Works being hauled south today by 57312.

Trade off...

DRS are exchanging their four Class 33s, 33025 33029 33030 and 33207 along with 47194 currently in store at Carnforth and 47484 at Glasgow Works for 37197 and 37261. The 33s, all now allocated to the DRS XHSS stored pool, 33205 33029 and 33030 were hauled from Kingmoor to Carnforth this morning by 33207. As mentioned above 47194 is already at Carnforth whilst 47484 is expected to be moving south from Springburn by road after 37407 is taken north from Wigan CRDC to Motherwell. 37197 and 37261 are still operating in Scotland and quite probably will have some contractual obligations to see out before they go to Kingmoor.

Whilst there is no official word on this trade off from WCRC DRS have issued a press statement confirming the exchange in which they explain that this exercise is part of the drive towards the consolidation of their active fleet.

Freightliner 86s...

It has been established that fire damaged and recently stored 86620 was, along with 86609, taken round to Crewe EMD from Basford Hall late on the 13th. Meanwhile 86604 on show at Crewe Works at the weekend is now also on Crewe EMD awaiting a bogie change which indicates that 86604 is on its way back as a replacement for 86620.

Shunters on the road...

Two shunters noted on the move by road today are 08375 (MOLO) latterly at Wabtec which has been noted on the M60 near Manchester whilst 08585 (DFLS) was noted heading south on the M40 late this afternoon.

14/09/05

08913 (WZTS) has been transported up to Polmadie from Doncaster Carr where it replaces 08886 whilst 09020 (WNTS) recently off-loaded at Port Talbot has been moved on to Margam for an exam.

20096 (HNRS) and 20905 (HNRL) both resplendent in two tone grey freight livery of a similar fashion to that applied to 20088 some years ago, made their mainline return this afternoon running from Barrow Hill to Hope.

33057 awaiting removal from Smalmstown by road was nearly on its way today but problems with the road transport means its departure has been delayed.

86620, thought to be still located at Basford Hall, has been stored DHLT.

Disposal...

The demolition of 37370, stored from the WKBN pool in November 2000, has been completed at Booth's Rotherham, RIP.

13/09/05

47146 (WNSO) has completed its move from Wigan CRDC to Booth's Rotherham.

HST Power Car notes...

Cotswold Rail have got four of the six HST power cars they were anticipated to be taking on with 43070 43087 43157 and 43193 transferring to their CROL pool from ICCP and IMLP. The other two power cars, 43080 and 43196, have been stored SBXL pending developments. Meanwhile Neville Hill's flagship power car 43049 has been damaged in a shunting mishap at the Leeds depot.

Winsford fire...

86620 which, with 86609, was at the head of last night's 4S59 service to Coatbridge has been severely damaged having caught fire at Winsford north of Crewe yesterday evening. Whilst 86609 has been damaged externally it should survive but 86620 has been described as 'being in a right state' and appears to have worked its last. 86609 and 86620 had been removed to Basford Hall by this morning and are to go to Crewe EMD for inspection / condemnation.

12/09/05

09020 (WNTS) has, following transfer to South Wales from Immingham by road, turned up at Port Talbot.

20145 (RFS 2019) latterly in store at Smalmstown has been delivered by road to Kingsbury for disposal whilst 33057 currently awaiting removal from Smalmstown is expected at the West Somerset Railway by the 15th.

47146 (WNSO) is on the move overnight by road from Wigan CRDC to Booth's Rotherham having being extracted from the CRDC shortly before 19:00.

Cooked Can(s)...

The 4S59 Southampton to Coatbridge Freightliner service hauled by 86609 and 86620 is in difficulty this evening at Winsford with at least one of the hauling locomotives on fire. Further details when available...

HNRC 20s and Hope...

The debut on the mainline for 20096 and 20905, the first run out since being stood down by Hunslet-Barclay some years ago for the latter, is scheduled to take place on the 14th when the HNRC duo are to make their way from Barrow Hill to Lafarge at Hope where, along with 20168, they will be in action at this forthcoming weekend's open days. The cement complex is open both Saturday and Sunday, 10:00-17:00 admission free, and the 20s will be in action on top and tail duties with steamer 48151.

EWS 92s...

Further to the article on the 6th regarding EWS selling their 92s it transpires that ownership has not changed in that they are already leased from HBOS. It was simply a case that the ownership codes have only recently amended on the system.

Kingsbury...

A note on behalf of EMR at Kingsbury. On several occasions recently fence panels have been taken out to gain access to their site and the finger of blame is being pointed at the enthusiast fraternity...

11/09/05

47241 (WNSO) has been delivered to Booth's. It completed its transfer by road from Wigan to Rotherham yesterday morning.

86604 (DHLT) latterly in store at LNWR has also been moved across to Crewe Works.

87035 (SBXL) at Crewe Works is removed from the lists now that it has been handed over to the Railway Age at Crewe thus becoming the first of its type to enter preservation.

51...

Four more Class 60s have been reinstated (on the 9th) bringing the active fleet up to 51 examples. This latest round of reinstatements consists of 60025 60052 and 60500 reinstated from store at Margam along with 60090 reinstated from store at Toton.

Whilst earlier indications suggested that the fleet was to be returned to about 96 strong recent indications suggest that this target has been revised downwards and that further reinstatements will bring the active fleet to somewhere in the region of 80 operational locomotives.

Final CFD chopper returns...

20139 (2003) the last of the four Class 20s being repatriated from France has returned to the UK being noted on the A34 near Didcot this morning.

10/09/05

09020 (WNTS) has gone to South Wales having being noted twice on the M4 heading west.

47241 (WNSO) was extracted from Wigan CRDC by road yesterday evening. Rotherham bound, where the demolition of 37370 is now well underway, its current whereabouts are unknown.

09/09/05

09020 (WNTS) is on its way to the South West being noted at Michaelwood services on the M5 early today.

56124 (WNSO) has completed its move to Loughborough being unloaded at Brush, where 56045 is inside being stripped down for repair, early this afternoon.

60002 (WNTS) has been released from the paint shop at Toton still in the early EWS livery variant but repainted where required.

Virgin to the rescue...

86213 (ACXX) 87001 and 87002 (both SBXL) are to attend the event at Crewe Works after all having being hauled north from Wembley by 57308 this afternoon.

Anglia 86 finale...

The send off for the 86s on Anglia workings (farewell #3) will take place on the 17th with 86235 being booked to work three services between Norwich and London.

05.30 Norwich to London Liverpool St, 08.00 London Liverpool St to Norwich

10.30 Norwich to London Liverpool St, 13.00 London Liverpool St to Norwich

15.30 Norwich to London Liverpool St, 18.00 London Liverpool St to Norwich

08/09/05

09020 (WNTS) latterly at Immingham for repairs has been released being noted traversing the M18 on the back of a low loader this afternoon heading in the Doncaster direction.

60060 (WNTS) at Toton is the latest Class 60 to loose its trainload coal decals for a set of EWS bodyside stickers whilst 60002 (WNTS) which currently wears the early version of EWS livery has been admitted to the paint shop for some reason.

Grids on the road...

56124 (WNSO) has been picked up from Doncaster and transported to Brush Loughborough by road being noted heading south on the M1 during the afternoon whilst Rotherham bound 56132, noted in the usual stop-over lay-by at Uttoxeter this morning, was unloaded at Booth's this afternoon.

Disposals...

At Booth's Rotherham the scrapping of 08815 stored from Wigan's LWSP pool in April 1996 has been undertaken whilst at Kingsbury 47331, only recently delivered there from the CRDC, has been broken up. 47331 was stored from Bescot's WHBF pool in June 1999. 08815 and 47331, RIP.

At Rotherham 37370 has been moved into the cutting area whilst it has been noted that at Kingsbury 33023 is still as has been for the last few months. Evidently in view of the recent report that disposal was on the cards appearances have been deceptive.

Sparkies no show...

The planned movement of 86213 87001 and 87002 to Crewe Works for the weekend's event is in jeopardy due to a minor fire at Norwich yesterday on 47810 which had been scheduled to haul them north today. Although there is an outside chance movement may take place tomorrow at this late stage it is looking unlikely that these locomotives will be attending.

07/09/05

47478 (WNSO) has been on the move again after its stopover at Leigh being noted on the M42 this afternoon heading towards Kingsbury.

56074 (WZGF) from Old Oak Common was despatched through the tunnel to France yesterday morning.

56124 (WNSO) is on the move being hauled from Healey Mills to Doncaster this afternoon by 66067. It was last located in Doncaster Decoy Yard awaiting forwarding.

56132 (WNSO) which is to go to Booth's Rotherham has been extracted from Wigan CRDC by road.

89001 (now interestingly allocated to ACXX) was transferred from Barrow Hill to Crewe Works with 73138 and 84001. Yesterday's convoy from Barrow Hill to Crewe included 82008 83012 and 85101.

87035...

It was the intention to not release the details regarding the future of 87035 on here until its handing over this weekend but as the Crewe Works Event web site has let the cat out of the bag 87035 is set to become the first of the Class to enter into preservation and is to be located at the nearby Crewe Heritage Centre (The Railway Age).

06/09/05

20228 (2004) is now located at the Vale of Glamorgan Railway, Barry following its repatriation from France.

87035 (SBXL) has been moved by road from Caerwent to Crewe Works where it will be handed over by Porterbrook at this weekends do.

47s on the road...

Early this morning both 47478 and 47536 were noted en route from Wigan CRDC to their respective destinations. Whilst 47536 was at Uttoxeter en route to Booth's, where pending confirmation it should be by now, 47478 was to be found at Leigh, near Wigan, on its trailer but without a tractor unit.

56124...

Its extraction from Healey Mills failed to materialise. Now for plan C... apparently when it eventually does reach Doncaster it will be loaded to road transport in Wood Yard near the EWS depot for onward movement to Loughborough.

EWS sells its 92s...

After the speculation over the last couple of weeks that EWS were in the process of selling their 92s, in presumably some kind of lease back deal, it has been noted that on the system the ownership code for the 92s involved has now changed to Halifax Bank of Scotland (a correction, I can't read my own notes properly!). It is understood that this arrangement is trading as Endeavour Rail. The 92s involved are: 92001 92002 92003 92004 92005 92007 92008 92009 92011 92012 92013 92015 92016 92017 92019 92022 92024 92025 92026 92027 92029 92030 92031 92034 92035 92036 92037 92039 92041 and 92042.

West Coast 33s...?

There is increasing speculation that DRS are to dispense with their Class 33s and Glasgow Works resident 47484 to WCRC at Carnforth. Apparently, remembering the rumours about a swap for the WCRC 37s that did the rounds some weeks ago, this is going to be an outright purchase rather than some swap deal. Ongoing...

05/09/05

37425 (WKCK) is back in traffic following contractors attention on site at Margam.

47478 and 47536 (both WNSO) have been extracted from Wigan CRDC are on the move tonight by road to presumably Kingsbury and Booth's Rotherham respectively.

86249 (SAXL) has completed its transfer to Caerwent being noted heading in a westerly direction via the M5 this afternoon. No word as yet on the extraction from Caerwent of 87035.

90029 has been stored WNTR. This is as a direct result of the cessation of providing traction on the North Berwick circuit at the end of last week. 90029 was, at the time of writing, en route from Wembley to Crewe EMD in convoy with 90031 and 90040.

Three more...

Another three Class 60s have been reinstated from store bringing the active fleet up to 47 examples, just short of the half way mark. Today's reinstatements are 60009 60027 and 60069 from store at Immingham, Doncaster Carr and Thornaby respectively.

Grid 124...

56124 (WNSO) is, providing traction is to be made available, booked for removal from Healey Mills tomorrow morning. In a change of plan 56124 is to be taken to Doncaster before going on to either (varying reports here) Booth's or Immingham RFT for loading to road transport for the remainder of its journey to Loughborough.

WNYX 37s...

Three Class 37s have been added to the WNYX component recovery pool...

37407 at Wigan CRDC which is understood to be Motherwell bound at some point.

37408 at Toton, an indication that it is now well and truly written off.

37509 which was at Cardiff Canton until recently being broken up...

04/09/05

20228 (2004) is back in the UK arriving from France via last night's ferry to Southampton. It was later noted heading north on the M3 near Winchester this evening.

33023 at Kingsbury is in the process of being dismantled whilst at Smalinstown 33057 has been moved into position for removal by road and into preservation.

03/09/05

08827 (WNSO) 37185 and 56034 have all completed their respective moves to Barrow Hill, Booth's and Brush.

56074 (WZGF) at Old Oak Common has been out-shopped in Fertis colours whilst 60090 (WNTR) at Toton is the latest recipient of a set of EWS logo patches.

3 Meridians...

Further to yesterday's report it transpires that as from the 5th MML will have three Meridian units, 222001 222005 and 22007, available for the two diagrams that will be in place by then.

02/09/05 17:55

08827 (WNSO) has been removed by road from Motherwell. Understood to be Barrow Hill bound it was last noted heading south via the

M6 yesterday evening.

More MML Meridians...

From the 5th another MML HST diagram goes over to a Meridian unit.

ECS Central Rivers – Nottingham
1B08 06:46 Nottingham – St Pancras
ECS St Pancras – Cricklewood – St Pancras
1E27 16:08 St Pancras – Bedford
ECS Bedford – St Pancras
1F51 18:15 St Pancras – Derby
ECS Derby – Etches Park

02/09/05 10:00

On the road...

Both 37185 and 56034 (both WNSO) were removed from Wigan CRDC by road yesterday evening. Early this morning 37185 en route to Booth's Rotherham was noted in the usual lay by on the A50 near Uttoxeter whilst Loughborough bound 56034 was to be found in the lay by at Junction 16 off the M6 near Crewe.

EWS stickers...

The EWS bodyside stickers are spreading. 60046 latterly in unbranded triple freight grey colours has been adorned with a set whilst 90022, the first of this type, has had a pair applied over its revised RfD livery.

86249...

The movement of 86249 (SAXL), currently at Heanor's, to Caerwent has been deferred for a few days. This in turn delays the extraction of 87035 (SBXL) from Caerwent which is to be moved to Crewe. An announcement regarding the latter's future is to be made at the forthcoming open weekend event at the Works.

01/09/05

37185 (WNSO) at Wigan CRDC been loaded for removal by road to Booth's Rotherham.
56007 (WZGF) has been despatched to France. Moved from Old Oak Common to Wembley yesterday 56007 was taken to Dollands Moor this morning then through the tunnel to France.