

WELCOME TO THE EASTER/MAY BANK HOLIDAY/SUMMER EDITION OF THE NOOSELETTER. MAY 1990

As usual the whole thing is composed by the same old people and it would be so nice to receive the opinions of others.

■ RICHARD Clayton, proprietor of coaching firm Claytons of Cornwall, has been forced to give up his hobby of collecting women's

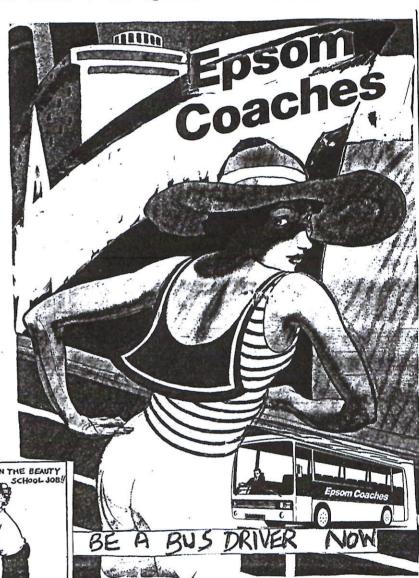
underwear.
But Richard hasn't had a run-in with the local constabulary.

His impressive collection of used lingerie, proudly displayed on the back wall of his workshop in sleepy Mabe, was entirely gleaned from the boxes of rags he was sent for cleaning purposes.

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'The girdles and bras on the wall of the workshop always attracted attention,' he said. 'I used to hang the lingerie on the wall as a sign of my frustration with the boxed rags I was sent – it was useless for wiping purposes!'

Sadly, Clayton's days of eagerly sorting through newly arrived boxes of rags in search of exotic items of female undergarment are over – he has thrown out all his rags and cloths and replaced them with disposable paper wipers from Molnlycke.









WHY NOT SIGN UP

Small Ads..WANTED:4 man tent required South of France for Barry Harding.Will bring own flag



'I must have had enough — I can see two payslips'



recent Saturday, Steve had the task of showing some school-children around the premises. He was, to say the least, excited their idea for a coach of the future.... as it has no driver and had a computer instead. I can't think why this should have appealed to him, but it left me with one question in my mind.....on which of our vastly experienced should the computer programme be based. For a start, how about 'Encylclopedia Brittanica-Times Atlas of the World-Michelin Guide etc etc' Graham (although I'm not sure the computer would be big enough to store all the knowledge), or 'I'm not one to complain but....'Wernham, it could even be Ivan 'franking machine' Stanley. But my choice for wit and singing ability would have to be none other than Adam Miller, not least for actually saying 'bootiful' more times than Bernard Matthews!! Talking of drivers, I noticed digging a ditch at the front of the building - apparently to empty the toilets on the Van Hools. What I want to know is, what has caused the increase in the use of these facilities on our touring coaches, is it that Tony Cuckow has forgotten that he's not on the Autobahns now.

Anyway, I'm still recovering from Brian Mutter setting off our fire alarms by throwing a ****** chair at the sensor. Unfortunately, Brian went the colour of my car when the fire brigade arrived with two fire engines!



JACQUIS FAV' PICTURE



looks



MY, MY HAS GAYE BEEN AT THE CREAM CAKES.....

OR HAS SHE HAD ONE TOO MANY BITES OF TONY HALLETS BANANA!! in the months

ahead, and we are gearing up for a very busy season.

The new coaches are now in operation and are proving thus far to be trouble free, they seem to be very well

promising

very

received by passengers and the driving staff alike.

During the past month, all the vehicles have received "the treatment" from Messers Shearring and Walsh, as well as being cleaned internally. Gert and Daisy have also been responsible for replacing many of the worn out carpets and mats.

We are investigating the stepping up of security after the theft of 515, including use of Video Cameras and extra lighting. Hopefully we may be able to save on our insurance premiums and the problems of having vehicles off the road, due to damage or theft.

TIE-UP between Caetano and virtually unknown Dutch truck chassis builder De Loof has produced an incredible 'push me pull you' double-ended coach - which is about to enter service on express routes to Poland.

The vehicle is apparently the result of De Loof's research into 4WD non-articulated trucks, which it hoped would corner better. It was while the company tested the midengined chassis that it built a set of controls into both ends to assess its stability travelling in both directions and discovered additional benefits.

The coach version can be driven into the smallest depots without a reversing manoeuvre. It can be invaluable, says Caetano UK, for country routes and can be parked

into the smallest space by using both sets of steering wheels.

'We were very happy to be involved with this project,' said Caetano's sales director Alan Page, who is understood to have identified its sales potential for the current upsurge in cross-Channel express travel and is responsible for its worldwide sales campaign.

During normal use, the 'rear' wheels are locked into a centred position and two-wheel drive engaged. In difficult situations such as snow, in gears one to four, 4WD can be used. But the coach really comes into its own when using all four wheels for steering.

A complex combination of electronic monitoring and a steering shaft link the two steering axles, so

that a single driver can quite literally make the coach move sideways. Electronic infra-red units on each corner give the driver information about the space he has to manocuvre and can be set to apply the brakes if a collision is imminent.

The vehicle has been tipped to be a best-seller elsewhere in the UK market because it can be equipped with left-hand drive at one end, right-hand drive at the other. This is, in fact, easier to manufacture than a LHD/LHD version.

Weight distribution on the vehicle is almost perfect, and means that it can be stretched into a 100-seater without difficulty, and without compromising safety. There are even plans to make a four-wheel steer version.

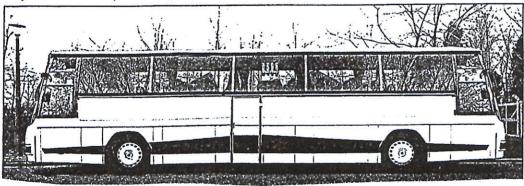
The system has been codenamed Advanced PSV Relayed Initiation Link, and the innovative 4WD incorporates the Four-wheel Operating Opposing Lock system currently in use with cars.



'I'm afraid negotiations have failed . . . we'll have to turn the hoses on it'



As that volts or a sais



TUESDAY

FRIDAY

Many a little mug has grown to be a big pot.

NOT IF YOU ARE 1/2 CUT



HRR MOTORING

In this edition, we have great changes within the company. A preview of a back to back comparison of two Land Rover products, kindly supplied by the engineering department. The owners drive and assess development of the Land Rover to an up-to-date Range Rover.

On the classis front, it is rumoured that Alistair sold his Manta to Dave Whitman, but it is not dented enough-well Dave if Alistairs' example is the benchmark, you can look forward to progressing onto a very flash sportscar. Our own Jacqui recently starred in the Fiat Uno commercial, but she is waiting for the updated version to be delivered.

Trevor has passed through several French onion mobiles (diesel) and has dropped to a new depth by buying a UNO DIESEL (Remember mine!!!!) He said ;"Its' wonderful, I really love it"-the next week, his engine blew up.

Vauxhall has played a major part in car renewal, along with an oriental offering. Keith has not changed his car yet (although Steve Neale is very tempted, come on Steve) and this alone must be a record and who cares anyway...

Now to our major on the road test of Land Rover versus Range Rover.After an influx of Land Rovers' -Keith Garner, Shaun etc, we decided to carry out a back to back test. Shaun has recently made a wise, but strange move by upgrading from a Jaguar XJ6 to an elderley Land Rover with a valuable non dating number plate, complete with seating in a fetching LUMINIOUS GREEN velour that would look equally at home in a passenger vehicle (COACH). This exciting test was put against a Range Rover owned by our um, Ron.

The Land Rover is of 62 vintage (where were you in 62?) and fitted with the option -heater also a high capacity wench-no winch. The Range Rover, of course used more fuel and has mambey-pambey soft reclining seats, four doors, power steering, fold down seats, sterio, electric windows etc (and I want one). We asked Ron to drive Shauns Land Rover and he "Under the circumstances, he'd rather not" and a similar response was received from Shaun on the pretext that he might make the seats dirty.

So there the test ended with the conclusion that both vehicles had one thing in common-both have dirty great big alloy wheels on them. Mark in the bodyshop has now become the proud owner of a redundent Shaun Jag, which will probably fall in time to Steve Neale who seems to buy everyones old cars for no reason at all, other than they are cheap. Broughton senior is still looking for a new car-anyone got one to sell? (Joan do you want to sell the Hunter).

WHOOPS!

One Saturday afternoon, a female civilian operator in a Police control room said to the Duty Inspector.
"I've got a lady on the phone. She wants to know if it's against the law to have sex in a car."

The Inspector quipped; "Tell her it is, if the car is in motion at the time." The operator duly relayed the message.

"What on earth are you talking about?" asked the caller.

HRRNEVS



ASSESSMENT NEWS:

All did it and most got through. Question by the instructor: 'What sign do you'see down a country lane?' Driver replies 'PICK YOUR OWN STRAWBERRYS'

Dave Shearring takes his microphone assessment and would you believe it is lost for words. Dennis (Denzil) takes his microphone test and says 'If you want more air, turn the nozzle and turns the LIGHTS on.

The following strip appeared on the detail board *

Is Andy going for his P.S.V. and can he handle 50 american suitcases on an airport transfer. Mr Gallagher is also in possession of a grey mack, does he go around the park in the lunchtime and is he a phantom flasher.

BITS

What is Rosemary doing telling Irishmen that we now do Naturist Holidays?-The mind boggles..

Our Accounts department have taken up serious reading at lunchtimes-Dyllis was spotted reading 'The Beano'-apparently passed on to her from Andy (SEE Circulation list), also our Dyllis was totally startled by the phone ringing one day-no! it was not because she'd never heard one before, it certainly wasn't asleep, perish the thought, it was because she was concentrating so hard on her work AArgh!!!

Dave Broughton is so rich, he managed to pay twice for the dinner/dance.

Question: What is the similarity between a seagull and an Epsom Coach Driver?

Answer: In the Summer they are both at the seaside and in the Winter they are by the council tip arguing.

* ANDY GAWLAGHER ASSESSMENT

RARE COMMODITY RECENTLY RECEIVEDS

BARCLAYS

16 NOVEMBER, 89

TOYTOWN BRANCH,

, SURREY,

BARCLAYS BANK PLC

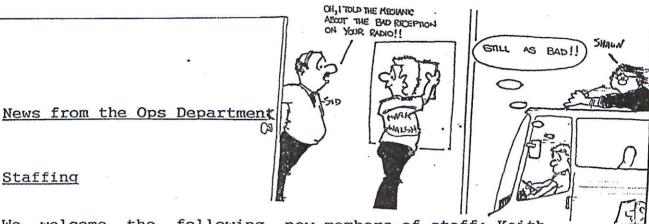
or order

Pay THE RED AND CREAM BOCIAL CLUB

£10-00

A C SCOT





We welcome the following new members of staff: Keith Garner, Mike Barnett, Vic Chippendale, Ian Dunlop, Noel Farrell, Sam Fisher, Spencer Green, Alan Graves and Dean Squires, All of whom have joined the Bus Section. We also welcome back after sickness, Kevin Heather.

George Elphick, Richard Howes and Kevin Liquorish have transferred to the Coach Section. We also welcome back . , Ron Hawes and Harry Willingham to full time driving.

Joining our part time staff are Andy Williams, Bill Rose, John Johnson, Paul Kensett, Alan Crosskey and Kingsley Gregory.

We wish all the above, a long and happy association with the company.

Several changes have taken place within the office, Mark has been appointed Traffic Personal Supervisor, in charge of the day to day wellbeing of the driving and garage staff. Dave Whitman has "retired" driving has and been appointed Administrator, dealing with all aspects of the paper work within the traffic office. Dave Gettings has involved after a returned driving period of three years, "driving a desk". We wish every success to all three in their new roles.

With apologies for any one who has been missed out.

Building Works

Gert and Daisy builders are continuing the good works, and have now completed the renovation of the offices. It is generally agreed that the improvements have been very worthwhile and are a credit to those involved.

A new facility has been built, for emptying the cach toilets, which has considerably speeded up this very necessary task.



FROM THE POINTED END (make of that what you like!!!)
COACH HIRE.

To set the record straight, we are very busy in coach hire going out to get new business. We now have SUPERTRAVEL work which some drivers will remember and this is a major development. July will see a number of driver going to Germany courtesy of Peter Stephens with a very big movement involving 4 to 6 coaches.

We have just completed a useful winter contract in the form of the shopping shuttle for Creative Tours. The loadings have not been as good as expected and we have encountered a lot of operational difficulties—one way and another. If we do get asked to operate next winter, we would need a larger group of drivers to operate the service—it would be beneficial to you all and regular winter work besides. We are always open to SENSIBLE suggestions for development of coach hire business and if you have ideas that you think are worthwhile, see Keith or Chris. For the benefit of newer drivers booking coaches there is a 10% discount applicable. The coach hire department is now complete in modernisation and this has proved very worthwhile in showing our major customers that we are creating the correct image for our clientele.

We have held three very successful promotional days and the resulting numbers represented approximately 10% response on

our mail out, which is encouraging.

SOCIAL CLUB

I seem to have many hats (not faces) in this company and the social club is yet another of them. The Dinner/Dance was well attended and enjoyed the majority (if not all) and it is worthwhile pointing out that whoever gets the onerous task of organising the next one, should not have the added hassle that an awful lot of people gave. There was a quiz night organised by Dave Shearring on 31 March and the usual lack of response was received to Truck Racing and Brighton Commercial Run i.e. virtually nil.

The present social committee has been in power for over a year and we now need to appoint a new committee. Therefore you should submit nominations, as certain will wish to stand down. Nominations to Keith Payne (especially from the office staff). For those who do not know what is involved, please ask



JACONI + ROB

ENJOYING A '215+'

CRURBRATION!



HRR NEWS INCORPORATING SENSELESS SHEARRING AND HIS PALS:

Ello' my luvers everywhere, I'm glad to be bringing you some more of me little stories of my adventures in the liberal club-whoops I mean life on the road as an Epsom Coach Driver. I managed to stab my hand with a pair of scissors and then blow me down, I did the same thing two weeks later, but in a different place (the conservative club).

I ran out of shoe polish one day for my black shoes and used BROWN instead, no one noticed but that Payne bloke in Coach Hire.

(Editorial note:Dave Shearring got his fags out at 1530 on 30th March 1990-a new world record, anyone want one?)

Then there was the day when I went to the bank and as everyone knows-two blokes normally go, but I went on my own, got some of my own money out and got a parking ticket, there is no justice, the money I got out paid the parking ticket. Of course I was told to wash down the accountants car (an Orion) so I took the keys but could not get into the car until Jacqui told me that I was trying to get into Chris Foales Orion, silly old Dave...

Well that is about all from me this me month and I look forward to giving you all a treat next time.

TOURS THINGS:

Jacqui took a coach out and by all accounts did very well, watch out you chaps. Also whilst on this subject not once, but twice did Miss Court ring Coach Hire and ask for the 'Reservations Department Please'. If you get a chance ask Jacqui how her trip to Brighton was because she will not tell us (See Illustration on birthday party for the low down). Gaye is known to sing all day and would like to instigate a Hairy Chest Competition, entries on a post card to A. Scott Tours Manager etc.

Alistair known to be a little posy has admitted to owning a filofax-the height of yuppiness and does not write anything in it.He also hid under the desk when he heard Rose coming down the corridor.Rumour has it that Big Al sold his old Manta to Dave Whitman,well it is in a similar condition and now for the big news-Alistair has a favourite flick which is.... Cliff Richard in 'Summer Holiday'. Finally we are pleased to announce Gayes' top six men in order of preference.

1: Robert Cullen-remember him??

2: Tony I left my heart in San Francisco Bennett

3: Michael Aspects of Love Ball

4:Barry Manilow Who???

5: Andy Wheres your trousers Stewart

6:Al Scott

THESE PICTURES

