

HRR NEWS



LATE SUMMER EDITION

September 1985

Somewhat overdue, this newsheet has had to be 'thrown together' so that some of us can get off to sunnier climes! My thanks to those of you who have contributed to this newsletter, it is particularly pleasing to have received quite a few articles from our driving force this time...

HAVE A BREAK, HAVE A

Grahame Bath advises me that together with the Surrey County Council's County Engineers Department, a total of 1115 Kit Kat wrappers have been sent towards the Break Appeal, Holidays for the Handicapped. At 3p a time, this amounts to £33.45. He is still collecting, so get eating!

NEWS FROM THE TRAVEL OFFICES

The continuing trend for 'Late Booking' has kept all three travel offices particularly busy in August and early September. In August, this 'Late Booking' trend made front-page news in the local 'Guardian' and Brenda Arter was asked for her opinions in this connection. Hardly out the local news (!), Brenda, now accompanied by Colin, was photographed at a presentation from British Rail, being awarded with a 'European Rail Award' for being one of the top four agents in the south-east promoting rail travel to the Continent. At Leatherhead, they are busy entering competitions - Eddie as Manager of the Year and Karen in a travel-trade beauty contest, whilst in Banstead they are delighted to have heard that they are being granted an I.A.T.A. licence which will allow them to hold their own air ticket stocks in future.

STAFF NEWS

Once again Phyllis acted as our escort on the 'Isle of Man' tour - unfortunately, the weather was not so favourable as last year and a lot of the magnificent views that should have been, were shrouds of mist instead. In her follow-up letter, she tells us that she was going to take two of her cats (Manx variety) into Douglas for an advertising company who are after the I.O.M. Government and Tourism account - we await news of whether the bid was successful or not.... She also tells us that she has been asked to judge the Cat Classes at the Southern Agricultural Show in Castletown, and that at home they now have 3 ducks, 17 chickens, 1 goat, 1 dog, and 2 cats!.....Our Delivery team have a lot to celebrate at the moment - Ken and Margaret recently celebrated their Silver Wedding and later on this month, Sarah gets the Key of the Door.....Talking of 21st Birthdays, our congratulations to Keith at Epsom who managed to spread his festivities over a whole week (incidentally he is looking for a vocalist for his group - any offers?).....whilst on the subject of age, what's this we hear about Colin being offered an O.A.P. rate at the barbers?....Congratulations are due to Robert Burns' closest contender, Adam Miller and his wife on the birth of their baby daughter Katie Louise.....Andrew and Lynn (when not on their Stag/Hen nights) have been down to Crystal Palace for the Mobil Oil athletics meeting, hobnobbing with the likes of Sebastian Coe.....where do travel agents go on their holidays? - to Scotland, of course, for the good weather (!!)- what's the betting, Colin will go south next year....how many of you saw Heather's son David on 'Minder' - if not, you'll have to wait for the repeats.....there is probably a lot more news, but I haven't been round taking my usual notes. If you have any contributions, these are always very welcome!

Dedicated to Tony Hallett.....

Dear Tony, Hallett

I wish I wasn't on yard duties today.

I wish Mervin hadn't phoned me to bring your coach to the workshop.

I wish I had driven a Tiger before and I wish I'd put it in reverse instead of first.

I wish you didn't park so close up to the wall.

I wish the wall was softer!

I wish I hadn't smashed all your headlights, and bumper and so on.

I am still wishing you won't be upset about the crack in your bumper they haven't repaired.

I'm glad I know you've got a sense of humour!

Love

Angus Scott Knight

DRIVERS MANUAL
- EPSOM MINI-MOKE.

Explanatory Notes and Helpful Hints.

Drivers with less than 65 years recent experience may need special supervision. Some orthopaedic joint manipulation is considered advisable as the Mini-Moke is unusually shaped. Field of vision is two fold:- A) Optical B) Instinctual. (For the majority of students, the latter will be preferred). Three rear view mirrors are provided, but the front view mirror has been deleted (Jan 1982). This may be thought a pity.

Cyclic and Collective Pilots. If the Mini Moke is to be used for flight some modification may be necessary. Simple notes on this subject are available (Jan 1987).

Typical Usage. This is many and various. Examples are Covered Wagon ("Roll' em") version, very popular with Americans; bench seats are provided, wooden benches are provided; this is also known as FBH (East-Home, Berkhill and Houston). Schools Contractual. The Moke can be used for very small schools; mixed sexes are to be preferred. In some cases, single pupil schools (of mixed sexes) have been carried over considerable distances.

STARTING PROCEDURE

1. Enter the vehicle first. This is standard procedure, but not entirely simple. The vehicle can be started from outside (agrapholic students only).
2. Deploy legs over ears. (This is generally known as Position 9.)
3. Simultaneously engage ignition key on dashboard, and starter button on road. With the engine now active (this may be a slight exaggeration) you are able to proceed.
4. Engage one hand on the steering wheel (avoiding ~~horn~~ ^{horn}); the other hand finds the gearing-shift, also on the road. Another hand should be ready for any emergency procedure which may occur, such as moving off.
5. Re-locate head centrally on shoulders.
6. On the floor will be found a variety of pedals (clutch, brake and organ are some examples) These have ~~many~~ several approximate similar functions, and are best discovered by previous experiment.
7. Speeds in gears:- For guidance there is not great variation, although "Reverse" is otherwise; the most valuable tip is "Think of a number between 1 and 4".
8. Night Operation. This is better carried out in daylight.

COOKSON



“ HOW DO YOU KNOW THE THIRD ON THE LEFT IS MY WIFE? ”

‘Moon’ bus
girls are
grounded!

S A U C Y women revellers who flashed their bare bottoms during a coach trip have been given the thumbs-down by husbands and boyfriends.

Passing motorists goggled at the sexy show as 50 boozy ladies returned home to Conwy, North Wales, from a Liverpool nightclub.

Banned

Divorcee Ursula Roberts, 39, who was on the coach, said the girls' menfolk had banned further trips.

“ We're getting it in the neck from everyone although only two girls did moonies,” she added.

Spotted at Tolworth:-

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| S I G N A L S |
| PART-TIME |
| PEAK HOURS |
| ONLY |

Presumably this is special consideration for our part-timers on their evening jaunts to the West End!

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■ ANYONE fancy a weekend in Paris? Then you may be interested in the offer from a Home Counties travel firm, which offers, for a modest price, two nights' bed and breakfast in a four-star hotel, tours of Paris and - nudge-nudge - local pick-ups ...

■ SEEN at Heathrow: a puzzled passenger staring at two notices - a large one reading *Welcome to Terminal 1* and a smaller one beside it reading *No Entry* ...

■ NOTICED: a message pinned to a crew-room message board at Heathrow: 'Found - a pair of glasses.' Below, in a different hand, was added: 'Please write larger, I've lost my glasses.'

Last bus

DISPLAYED on a bus shelter in Bristol is a poster which asks: "Where will you be on judgement day?" Beneath it someone has written: "Still here, waiting for the next bus to Keynsham."

PETERBOROUGH

KEEP THE WEEKEND OF NOVEMBER 29 -
DECEMBER 1 FREE IF YOU WOULD LIKE
TO JOIN THE HRR STAFF TRIP TO
BOULOGNE AND PARIS (One night in
each, leaving Friday lunchtime and
returning late on Sunday night).
DETAILS TO FOLLOW.....



BRAIN TEASERS

This test does not measure your intelligence, your fluence with words and certainly not your mathematical ability. It will, however, give you some gauge of your mental flexibility and creativity. Few people are able to solve more than half the 25 questions at first attempt, but many report getting answers long after they have put the test aside.

Instructions Each question below contains the initial of words that will make it correct. Find the missing words.

Example 16 = O in the P ANSWER Ounces in the Pound

1. 26 = L of the A Answers: _____
2. 7 = D of the W _____
3. 1001 = A.N. _____
4. 12 = S of the Z _____
5. 54 = C in a D (with J's) _____
6. 9 = P in the S.S. _____
7. 88 = P.K. _____
8. 13 = S on the A.F. _____
9. 32 = D.F. at which W.F. _____
10. 18 = H on a G.C. _____
11. 90 = D in a R.A. _____
12. 200 = P for P.G. in M. _____
13. 7 = S on a F.P.P. _____
14. 3 = B.M. (S.H.T.R.) _____
15. 4 = Q in a G _____
16. 24 = H in a D _____
17. 1 = W on a U _____
18. 5 = D in a Z.C. _____
19. 57 = H.V. _____
20. 11 = P in a F.T. _____
21. 1000 = W that a P is W _____
22. 29 = D in F in a L.Y. _____
23. 64 = S on a C.B. _____
24. 40 = D and N of the G.F. _____
25. 76 = T in the B.P. _____

Tie-Breakers

What common chemical compound is represented by the following letters: H I J K L M N O

How many times does the letter S appear in the name of the longest river in the world?

Answer as many questions as you can and hand in to Rosemary by 14th October. Prizes will then be awarded to the best entries. (The Judges decision is final).

NAME: _____