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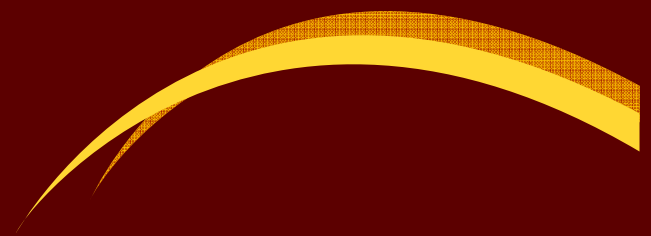
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Welcome to the first EYMS Enthusiasts' Newsletter. This newsletter will hopefully recap on some of the things which have happened since the beginning of the year. Most of this information can already be found on our Twitter feed @EYMSEnthusiasts, or on our website.



In January bus 797 started the year in the paint shop, and the floor also got a lick of paint using the leftover green from Whittles. Bus 795, meanwhile, went away to be painted off-site in metallic red and cream (gold). It wasn't long after that bus 796 visited the paint shop to gain its fleet colours, and was joined by 368. Buses 684 and 755 were next, followed by buses 367 and 688. 367 and 368 have gained slightly modified standard livery after the arrival of 386 and 387, which went into service at Elloughton in the Petuaria Express livery.

In other news, all the single deck buses to be used in service have all been



converted to comply with the new DDA rules. Most of the ex-Whittle National Express vehicles have returned to Hull, although there are plans to keep only one of them. This will be FJ11 GKC (ex-Whittles 88 to be our 91) and will replace current fleet 68 on National Express service when ready.



The acquisition of the new double deck vehicles has allowed the conversion of two more Volvo B7's to the Training Fleet. These will be fleet number 646 and 647, to join the other two similar vehicles converted last year (648 and 649 [pictured]). The

fleet numbers, once converted, will most likely be 9917 and 9918, but this is not official and we don't know which one will be which when it happens yet.

Also in January Training bus 9911 was sold. This will become surplus to requirements once the conversion of 646 and 647 are complete.

On Twitter we won one of Bus and Coach Buyer's #bcbphotofriday weekly competitions with a picture of 797 (on the cover of this newsletter). We were especially pleased as it is quite often a coach that wins this, as they are often pictured in nice scenic places.



The January fleet allocations threw up some interesting changes. Firstly the delicensing of buses 326 to 330. This was done purely because currently there are too many single deck vehicles at Hull. Bus 670 was originally going to Bridlington to replace 646, but this is in need of a repaint so bus 678 was earmarked to go in its place. This, however, is tagged to cross the Humber Bridge so it couldn't go either. Finally bus 662 was chosen as a replacement.

Also the allocation changes detailed the buses ready for disposal, these being buses 302, 303, 304, 306, 307, 470 and 476. The new buses 794 and 795 are to be allocated to Hull for the X46 service, and the new buses 796 and 797 allocated to Withernsea.

Also, we now have free Wi-Fi on a small number of our buses running on the 103, 105 and X46 services. The buses fitted are 698, 700, 703, 705, 708, 709, 768, 769, 770, 771, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794 and 795.



Finally, we may have a new modern artist in our paint shop with the discovery of an unknown masterpiece, that being the bench top. What do you think? Could it end up adorning the walls of Ferens Art Gallery?

Hopefully you enjoyed our first Enthusiasts' newsletter. There may be others to follow at some point in the future.

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