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3 Nov 'That Was The Year That Was 1964' a welcome return by Geoff Plumb

Portbury Branch On 4th October 66848/66846 3S59 09.11 Hereford-Swindon Transfer seen at Clifton Bridge tunnel towards Ashton at 13.10

Bristol Temple Meads On 5th October 802111 Paddington-Paignton (Diverted service) at 11.00
On 10th 37612 3Z20 21.01 Derby RTC-Bristol Kingsland Road at 04.41
On 11th 46100/D1935 1Z49 Stourbridge Jct-Shrewsbury at 09.47
On 16th 43321+43303+43357+43301 0Z60 11.00 Exeter Riverside Yard-Old Dalby
On 18th 68019+88007 6V74 03.00 Crewe-Bridgwater at 07.04
On 20th 5Z76 08.53 Carnforth Steamtown-Bristol East Depot at 10.14.
On 21st 5Z77 04.57 Bristol East Depot-Bristol Temple Meads at 05.16, 47812/47802 The Cumbrian Coastal Express 1Z77 05.34 Bristol Temple Meads-Carlisle then 1Z78 13.40 Carlisle-Bristol Temple Meads

Bristol Barton Hill On 17th October 170270 5V95 08.32 Derby Etches Park-Bristol Barton Hill at 11.53

Bristol East Depot On 6th October 60028 6Z22 06.46 Bristol East Depot-Appleford

Dr Day's Jct On 10th October 46100 *Royal Scot* 5Z48 08.49 Crewe H.S.-St Philips Marsh at 13.41
On 12th 37612 3Z33 23.59 Cardiff Canton-Bristol Kingsland Road via Swansea at 04.56
(Stock: 6117 6122 9803 999602 9708)

Stapleton Road On 5th October 37175/37254 1Z23 06.45 Bristol Kingsland Road-Derby RTC at 08.48
(Stock: 977868 977983 5981 6264)

Horfield Jct On 11th October 60028 6Z23 Appleford-Tytherington at 17.43

Filton On 4th October 43040/43172 5Q25 13.32 St Philips Marsh-Great Yarmouth C.S
(Stock: 48142 48141 48140 49114)
On 5th 66614 6C67 04.27 Westbury Lafarge-Avonmouth at 05.40, 66083 6M78 06.22 Tytherington-West Drayton via Newbury at 07.54, 66846/66848 3S59 09.11 Hereford-Swindon Transfer via WSM at 11.28
On 6th 66615 6C67 04.27 Westbury Cement Works-Avonmouth at 05.08, 66525/66556 6Y45 09.30 Pontypridd-Westbury at 13.28, 66587/66549 6Y44 10.00 Pontypridd-Westbury at 13.50, 66101 6V73 15.06 Stoke Cliffe Vale-Exeter Riverside Yard at 21.36
On 9th 66525/66556 6A40 05.00 Pontypridd-Westbury at 07.18, 66848/66846 3S59 05.57 Moreton-on-Lugg-Swindon Transfer at 08.07
On 11th 66525/66556 6Y40 07.00 Pontypridd-Westbury at 08.31

Patchway On 5th October 66538/66556 6Y43 06.43 Pontypridd-Westbury at 08.38
On 9th 66508 4V50 04.33 Maritime-Wentloog at 07.18
On 10th 66534 4L33 10.00 Wentloog-London Gateway at 13.47
On 13th 220030 Manchester Piccadilly-Bristol TM at 11.50 and 220006 Newcastle-Plymouth at 11.58
(Diverted due to broken rail between Gloucester and Bristol Parkway), 756102 Newport-Swindon at 12.08
On 14th 70016 4V18 08.10 Crewe Basford Hall-Bristol FLT at 12.15

Brentry On 8th October 66846/66848 3S59 Swindon-Morton-on-Lugg at 18.59, 66197 6A03 Severnside-Brentford at 20.45. On 11th 66056 6C03 09.33 Northolt-Severnside at 14.09, 66549 6C85 Avonmouth-Stoke Gifford Yard at 14.21
On 17th 66106 6C03 09.33 Northolt-Severnside at 14.11, 66518 6A83 Avonmouth-West Drayton at 14.21
On 19th 66716 6B77 Colnbrook-Avonmouth at 14.59
On 20th 66096 6C03 09.33 Northolt-Severnside at 14.33

Bristol Parkway On 29th August 66953 6Z68 23.05 East Usk Yard-Radlett at 00.09 and on 6B11 to East Usk Yard at 16.51, 66544 6B25 22.55 West Drayton-Stoke Gifford at 03.06, 66199 6M58 02.07 Tytherington-Appleford at 04.54, 66563 4V49 00.53 Maritime-Wentloog at 03.55, 60010 6A11 22.37 Robeston-Theale at 05.06, 66515 4V50 04.24 Maritime-Wentloog 07.35, 66562+66514 4L36 08.10 Wentloog-Felixstowe at 09.23, 756105+756101 3Q38 Newport-Swindon at 12.06, 66131 6C03 09.33 Northolt-Sevenside at 14.01, 66509 6M81 13.19 Machen-Lawley Street Aggregates at 15.34, 60055 6Z21 21.07 Tytherington-Didcot Milton Sidings at 22.34
On 2nd October 66502 4L36 08.10 Wentloog-Felixstowe at 09.25
On 5th 66585 4L36 08.10 Wentloog-Felixstowe at 09.30, 66951 6M41 13.19 Machen-Lawley Street Aggregates via Swindon and Oxford at 15.19
On 6th 66553 4L36 08.10 Wentloog-Felixstowe at 09.23, 66756 6M42 09.20 Avonmouth-Penyffordd at 10.13, 66544 6C58 10.11 Oxford Banbury Road-East Usk yard at 13.12, 66182 6C03 09.33 Northolt-Sevenside at 14.01, 66420 6M81 13.19 Machen-Lawley Street Aggregates at 15.36, 66528 6Z86 10.08 West Drayton-East Usk Yard at 15.40, 66792 6V32 10.22 Tilbury-Trostre at 15.53, 66099 6B33 13.49 Theale-Robeston at 16.26, 60028 6Z23 13.56 Appleford-Tytherington at 18.00
On 7th 66615/66549 6A41 04.59 Hinksey Yard-Pontypridd at 06.29, 66420 6V82 05.27 Lawley Street Aggregates-East Usk Yard at 09.28, 66534 4O51 10.29 Wentloog-Maritime at 11.22
On 9th 66528/66544 6A43 12.01 Pontypridd-Westbury at 15.08
On 10th 43285 0Z30 11.50 Laira TMD-Derby RTC at 15.02, 66420 6M81 13.19 Machen-Lawley Street Aggregates at 15.35
On 11th 66420 6V82 05.08 Lawley Street Aggregates-East Usk Yard at 07.42, 47593/47805 1Z49 05.42 Stourbridge Jct-Shrewsbury at 07.48 (Stock: 3231 3330 3107 1863 3125 3148 3100 80044 3122 3045 17013), 66756 6M42 09.20 Avonmouth-Penyffordd at 09.30
On 14th 66615 6C49 07.15 Swindon UGL-Bristol Parkway arriving at 08.19 then 6B80 07:47 Bristol Parkway-Machen at 08.31, 66056 6C03 09.28 Northolt-Sevenside at 13.59, 66615 6C80 13.11 Machen-Stoke Gifford Yard at 15.08, 43480/43468 5Z25 13.58 Laira TMD-Chaddesden Sidings at 16.06 (Stock: 42378, 42373, 42376, 45004, 42372, 42368, 45001, 42371, 44072), 43465/43484 5Z26 14.36 Laira TMD-Chaddesden Sidings at 17.27 (Stock: 41193 45003 42366 44052 45005 42369 42290 45002 42234) all former XC coaches then went forward to Barrow Hill on 15th), 66602 6V51 13.08 Elstow Redland-Stoke Gifford Yard at 19.48
On 16th 43321+43357+43303+43301 0Z60 11.00 Exeter Riverside Yard-Old Dalby at 12.58, 756102 3Q39 12.54 Swindon-Newport at 13.19, 66056 6C03 09.33 Northolt-Sevenside at 14.07 66752 6V84 07.38 Clitheroe-Avonmouth 16.08, 66603 6B11 12.13 Radlett -East Usk Yard at 16.56, 60028 6Z23 13.56 Appleford Sidings-Tytherington at 17.30, 66152 6B52 15.45 Swindon Stores-Llanwern at 17.44
On 19th 800007+802114 5Z74 15.16 Newton Abbot-Stoke Gifford IET Depot at 18.48
On 20th 800022 5Q22 14.59 Stoke Gifford IET Depot-Eastleigh Arlington at 15.05

Westerleigh Jct On 6th October 66083 6M78 06.22 Tytherington-West Drayton at 07.47

Avonmouth On 29th August 66548 6A83 14.38 Avonmouth-West Drayton at 13.43
On 7th October 66614 6C85 13.09 Avonmouth-Stoke Gifford at 11.23
On 10th 66549 6C81 09.55 Stoke Gifford-Avonmouth at 10.24, 66549 6A83 13.45 Avonmouth-West Drayton at 14.09

Bath Spa On 5th October 66538/66556 6Y43 06.43 Pontypridd-Westbury at 09.05 then 6Y45 09.51 Westbury-Pontypridd at 10.15, 66614 6C68 09.55 Avonmouth-Whatley at 10.49, 66553 4L33 10.00 Wentloog-London Gateway at 11.24, 66846/66848 3S59 09.11 Hereford-Swindon Transfer at 13.57, 66569 6A83 14.38 Avonmouth-West Drayton at 15.26, 66551 4O71 17.30 Wentloog-Maritime at 18.52
On 10th 66585 4O57 13.29 Wentloog-Maritime at 15.47, 60028 6Z23 13.56 Appleford-Tytherington at 17.05
On 20th 66792 6L33 21.53 Trostre-Tilbury at 01.11, 66716 6A28 01.32 Pengam-Colnbrook at 02.56, 66528 6A87 01.51 East Usk Yard-West Drayton at 03.08, 66538 6A17 02.56 East Usk Yard-Oxford Banbury Road at 04.15, 66420 4V30 23.29 London Gateway-Wentloog at 04.16, 66597 4V36 22.45 Felixstowe-Wentloog at 04.34, 60024 6A11 22.37 Robeston-Theale at 04.50, 66003 6M78 06.22 Tytherington-West Drayton at 08.26, 66846/66848 3S59 09.11 Hereford-Swindon Transfer at 13.57 then 21.00 Swindon Transfer-Hereford at 21.42, 66567 4O57 13.29 Wentloog-Maritime at 14.50, 60028 6Z23 13.56 Appleford-Tytherington at 17.04

Chippenham On 5th October 66506 6C50 12.45 Oxford Banbury Road-Whatley at 14.44
On 19th 166201 5Q89 09.04 Wolverton Centre Sidings-Bristol St Phillips Marsh at 12.13

Wootton Bassett On 9th October 70809 6M40 11.42 Westbury-Stud Farm at 12.27

Swindon On 29th August 66598 4L35 05:35 Portbury to London Gateway at 07.36, 60010 6B33 13.49
Theale-Robeston at 15.18

On 6th October While working 3S32 67027 failed in the Newport area this afternoon. Train was then double headed back to Swindon with 56113 after a running round in East Usk Yard to take the stricken 67 back to Westbury

On 2nd October 66095 6B51 04.48 Llanwern-Swindon Stores at 06.38, 66044/66155 3J43 02.53 Didcot Fuelling Point-Didcot Fuelling Point at 10.17, 66848/66846 3S59 05.57 Moreton-on-Lugg-Swindon Transfer via Highbridge Loop at 14.51

On 3rd 56113/67027 3S31 22.01 Swindon Transfer-Cheltenham Lansdown Loop at 22.10

On 5th 60015 6V15 20.21 Boston Sleaford Sidings-Swindon Stores at 06.34, 56051 0Z31

Swindon Transfer-Bristol St Phillips Marsh at 08.43 (Loco required wheel turning)

On 6th 66797 6V70 23.48 Liverpool EMR-Swindon EMR at 06.24, 67027/56113 3S31 22.01 Swindon Transfer-Cheltenham Lansdown Loop via Kings Norton at 22.05

On 7th 66537/66536 6Y46 06.31 Pontypridd-Westbury at 10.14, 66602 6Z92 09.15 Theale Foster Yeoman-East Usk Yard at 10.47, 66534 4O51 10.29 Wentloog-Maritime at 11.54, 66197 6C03 09.28 Northolt-Sevenside at 12.44, 66846/66848 3S59 09.00 Hereford-Swindon Transfer at 13.59, 66603 6B91 12.15 Hayes & Harlington-East Usk Yard at 15.49, 66539 6V28 12.37 West Drayton-Whatley at 17.01, 66587/66588 6A42 16.20 Hinksey Yard-Pontypridd at 17.50

On 8th 56113/56051 3S31 11.58 Swindon Transfer-Worcester Yard via Shrewsbury / Hereford / Kings Norton at 12.05

On 9th 165016+165021 5V35 Wembley LMD-Bristol Barton Hill at 10.23, 70803 6M50 08.01 Westbury-Bescot at 08.49, 175005 5Q50 08.45 Landore TMD-Ilford EMUD at 12.10

On 11th 66764 6V80 03.00 Small Heath Yard-Swindon EMR at 09.14

On 19th 60015 6V15 20.21 Boston Sleaford Sidings-Swindon Stores at 06.45 then 6M53 16.16 Swindon Stores-Toton Up Sidings at 16.45, 70803 6M50 08.01 Westbury-Bescot at 09.05, 66951 4L36 08.10

Wentloog-Felixstowe at 10.01, 66200 4V42 08.14 Didcot-Tytherington at 10.34, 66420 4L33 10.00

Wentloog-London Gateway at 12.03, 66538 6C58 10.11 Oxford Banbury Road-East Usk Yard at 12.13,

66096 6C03 09.13 Northolt-Sevenside at 13.19, 66716 4B77 10.45 Colnbrook-Avonmouth at 13.50,

66549 6C50 12.45 Oxford Banbury Road-Whatley Quarry at 14.24, 66846/66848 3S59 09.11 Hereford-

Swindon Transfer Yard at 14.35, 56051/56113 3S32 Cheltenham Lansdown Loop-Swindon Transfer Yard

at 14.45, 66528 6Z86 10.40 West Drayton-East Usk Yard at 14.48, 60028 6Z23 13.56 Appleford-

Tytherington at 16.32, 66542 6M81 13.19 Machen Quarry-Lawley Street Aggregates at 17.04

On 20th 66538 6A17 02.56 East Usk Yard-Oxford Banbury Road at 05.03, 59104 6A15 03.54 Whatley-

Appleford at 05.42, 60024 6A11 22.37 Robeston-Theale at 05.51, 66797 6V70 23.48 Liverpool EMR-

Swindon EMR at 06.34, 66567 4V50 04.15 Maritime-Wentloog at 06.51, 66597 4L36 08.10 Wentloog-

Felixstowe at 10.01, 66538 6C58 10.11 Oxford Banbury Road-East Usk Yard at 12.13, 66096 6C03 09.33

Northolt-Sevenside at 13.19, 59206 7B12 11.23 Merehead-Wootton Bassett at 14.24, 66549 6C50 12.45

Oxford Banbury Road-Whatley at 14.24, 66528 6Z86 11.06 West Drayton-East Usk Yard at 14.48, 66792

6V32 10.22 Tilbury-Trostre at 14.52, 60024 6B33 13.49 Theale-Robeston at 15.19, 60028 6Z23 13.56

Appleford-Tytherington at 16.32, 66587 6V51 18.34 Churchyard Sidings-Stoke Gifford FHH at 22.10, 66603

6M83 21.48 East Usk Yard-Elstow Redland Siding at 23.27

Bradford Jct On 5th October 70809 6V14 23.18 Stud Farm-Westbury at 07.45

On 18th 70802+70814 6V14 22.33 Stud Farm-Westbury at 07.41

Trowbridge On 19th October 67006 1Z19 09.47 London Victoria-Bath Spa at 12.37

(Stock: 99545 99541 99531 99537 99534 99532 99530 99539 99546 99535 99536 6313)

Bridgwater On 2nd October 68004+68018 6V74 01.58 Crewe-Bridgwater at 06.30

On 12th 68034+88007 6M63 Bridgwater-Crewe at 12.11

Castle Cary On 10th October 66531 6C73 12.18 Westbury-Fairwater Yard at 11.46

On 20th 66604 6C28 15.57 Exeter Riverside Yard-Whatley at 17.24

Westbury On 2nd October 70809 6X50 08.01 Westbury-Bescot, 70803 6M40 11.42 Westbury-Stud Farm, 66511+59005 6L21 13.21 Whatley-Dagenham Dock at 14.30
On 5th 70814 6C98 17.31 Westbury-Truro
On 6th 37116 3Q40 00.15 Westbury-Kingsland Road via Southampton Central at
(Stock: 96609 99666 72630 9806 62384 9701), 66537/66538 6Y46 05.39 Westbury-Pontypridd
66537/66538 6Y46 05.39 Westbury-Pontypridd, 70809 6V14 23.18 Stud Farm-Westbury at 07.15, 70814
6C98 04.25 Baldhu-Westbury via Penzance at 12.57
On 9th 66549/66615 6A41 04.00 Pontypridd to Westbury at 07.05, 66587/66588 6A42 05.30 Pontypridd-
Westbury at 12.11, 59101 6C31 12.08 Theale-Whatley (Loco failed in the Haywood Road Jct area and was
rescued by 66587+66588)
On 10th 66556/66525 6Y40 05.42 Westbury-Pontypridd, 66769/66088 6G70 04.00 Gaer Jct-Westbury at
06.33, 70803 6M50 08.01 Westbury-Bescot, 66506/66524 6Y41 11.17 Westbury-Pontypridd
On 11th 66614 6C27 05.11 Westbury Lafarge-Exeter Riverside Yard, 70803 6M50 08.01 Westbury-Bescot
On 16th 70809 6M40 11.42 Westbury-Stud Farm
On 18th 70803 6M50 08.01 Westbury-Bescot
On 20th 66564+66555+66544 0O80 13.25 Stoke Gifford-Eastleigh East Yard at 13.52, 59205 6L21 13.21
Whatley Quarry-Dagenham Dock at 14.37, 59206 "John F. Yeoman Rail Pioneer" 7B12 11.23 Merehead
Quarry-Wootton Bassett at 14.53, 66614 "Poppy" 6V62 1321 Southampton Up Yard (FI) to Whatley Quarry
at 14.48, 67023 "Stella" 0Z67 15.23 Westbury-Swindon Transfer, 66567 4O57 13.29 Wentloog-Maritime at
15.51, 66155/66044 3J41 14.43 Didcot Fuelling Point-Didcot Fuelling Point at 17.18

Warminster On 9th October 66511 6O12 06.52 Westbury Lafarge-Woking Down Yard at 07.18, 59102
6O53 07.06 Westbury Lafarge-Southampton Up Yard at 07.31
On 20th 59003 6O41 10.14 Westbury-Eastleigh at 10.28

Fairwood Jct On 2nd October 66614 6C68 11:25 Westbury Lafarge-Whatley at 09.54
On 4th 66615 6C27 05.11 Westbury Tarmac-Exeter Riverside at 05.24
On 6th 66614 6M20 10.45 Whatley-St Pancras Churchyard Sidings at 10.55, 59205 7B12 11.23 Merehead-
Wootton Bassett at 12.01
On 7th 59104 7V98 05.04 Eastleigh Aggregates-Merehead at 04.33, 66569 7V53 03.49 Bow Depot-
Merehead at 06.33, 59204 6C29 05.23 Willesden-Merehead at 07.33, 59101 6A74 11.00 Whatley-Theale
at 11.51
On 10th 66588/66587 7V98 04.36 Eastleigh Aggregates-Merehead at 07.03, 59201 7V53 03.46 Bow
Depot-Merehead at 07.20, 59202 6A24 10.18 Whatley-Appleford via Newbury at 10.50
On 12th 66614 6C27 05.11 Westbury Tarmac-Exeter Riverside at 05.28

Taunton On 2nd October 66539 6C28 Exeter Riverside-Whatley at 17.05
On 5th 43009/43016 5L46 09.55 Laura TMD-Ely Papworth at 11.14
(Stock: 48127 48129 49116 48146 48147 48148)
On 8th 66537/66538 6Y44 14.31 Exeter St Davids-Westbury at 17.08, 66113/66097 3J11 17.25 St Blazey-
Westbury via Paignton / Crediton / Whatley at 23.58
On 10th 66531 6C72 08.30 Fairwater Yard-Westbury at 09.26
On 13th 43465+43484+43468+43480 0Z82 12.47 Wembley TC-Laura T&RSMD via Newbury at 17.19
On 16th 66622 6C19 04.20 Whatley-Exeter Riverside at 07.29 and again on 17th
On 19th 43274/43251 1Q23 05.56 Reading-Exeter New Yard at 12.22
On 20th 66113/66097 3J11 17.36 St Blazy LIP-Westbury at 01.08 then 3J12 02.25 Westbury-Par at 05.00,
43251/43174 1Q18 06.11 Reading Triangle Sidings-Paignton at 07.56 then 1Z18 15.39 Paignton-Taunton
at 16.46 then 1Q19 18.57 Taunton-Paddington at 18.57, 66165 6V73 15.06 Stoke Vale-Exeter Riverside

Fairwater Yard On 9th October 66531 6C72 08.30 Fairwater Yard-Westbury at 08.30

Bristol-Taunton Line The line was closed between Bristol and Weston-super-Mare from Sunday 17th to
Saturday 23rd September for engineering work which was mainly centred on relaying the down line in the
Worle area. Prior to the 17th, the final up Cross Country HST working over this line was 43378 XC05 43321
passing Uphill Junction right time at 17.10 on 15th September with the same set working 06.09 Leeds-
Plymouth west during the morning of the following day. All Cross-Country services were diverted via
Westbury in the meantime, including the final operated Cross Country HST service (1E73 16.27 Plymouth-
Leeds) on 18th via Westbury which formed with 43008 XC02 43007 arriving at Bristol Temple Meads at 19.15
and departing 19.41 with 'farewell' lead power car horn blowing!

Bristol West Freightliner 70016 (an unusual loco class for this location) arrived light from Southampton Maritime on 13th October collecting a rake of flats for a 4M20 movement to Crewe Basford Hall yard, the same loco returning with 16 empty flats during the following day running 4V18 08.10 from the same starting point, arriving at 12.43. The loco was then used to shunt the yard moving the 'stored' 1 JGA and 13 JHA Mendip 'jumbo' stone wagons which had arrived towards the end of September into the head-shunt, before returning at 13.20 as 0O78 light-engine back to Southampton. A second set of flats remain here.

Dawlish rock shelter completed. The completion of a new rockfall shelter marks a major milestone for the programme of work to protect the railway between Exeter and Newton Abbot from extreme weather.

Oldest operational GWR loco back in steam at Toddington. The Gloucestershire-Warwickshire Railway is once again home to the oldest working GWR locomotive, after 2800 class 2-8-0 No, 2807 moved under its own steam for the first-time recently following the completion of a three-year-long heavy overhaul.

Bristol Area Railtours and Visiting Excursions (Provided in good faith, but not guaranteed accurate!)

Date	Tour	Destination	Haulage	Pick-up	Fare	Operator
Sat 28 Oct	S&C Pullman	Carlisle	HST	TM 07.30	FULL	LSL
Sat 9 Dec	Christmas Cromptons	Chester	33X2	BTH, FAW 09.15	£129	Pathfinder

Wed 8 Nov	English Pullman	Victoria-Salisbury-Bath 13.05/15.50		67	Belmond
Tue 28 Nov	Bath Market	Victoria-Woking-Salisbury-Bath 13.00/16.50		34046	STDR
Fri 1 Dec	Bath Market	Ipswich-Reading-Newbury-Bath 13.30/16.50		34046	STDR
Sat 2 Dec	Bath Market	Hove-Worthing-Salisbury-Bath-TM 13.20/16.10		44871	RYTC
Tue 5 Dec	GW Envoy	Solihull-Banbury-W London-Bath-TM		Steam	Saphos
Tue 5 Dec	Merchant Venturer	Solihull-Oxford-Bath-TM 12.35/16.30		Castle	Vintage

Dates for your Diary

Sat 28/Sun 29 Oct Gloucs Warks Railway Mixed Gala. Locos Booked: 7820, 7903, 35006 47105, 47376, 5081, 37215, D6948, 20137. Day ticket £28.

1 Dec 'Steam in Southern Africa Through 26 Years' with long time branch member Roger Griffiths

Sat 2 Dec Carols & Steam - Bitton 18.45 Adults £10 Book on the AVR website

**15 Dec Christmas Buffet & Members' Evening – Presentations of up to 20 slides or images
Book your presentation with Brian or Stewart tonight !!!**