

# BRISTOL BULLETIN

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**Bristol Temple Meads** On 29th April 66725/66719 3Q98 21.34 Exeter Riverside-Exeter Riverside via Bristol TM at 00.33. On 4th May 37521+37667/47828 1Z36 04.24 Nantwich-Kingswear at 08.22. 37668/37518 "The Spring Cornish Explorer" 1Z65 05.53 Dorridge-Penzance at 09.16.

On 7th 66725/66719 3Q98 22.55 Exeter Riverside-Exeter Riverside via Weston SM at 01.24,

44871+ Support Coach 35508 5Z71 10.55 St Phillips Marsh-Carnforth at 11.18

On 10th 7029 Clun Castle/47773 1Z46 08.30 Birmingham Snow Hill-Bristol Temple Meads at 13.39, 66130 6V73 15.06 Cliffe Vale-Exeter Riverside at 21.49

On 14th 47805/47810 1Z47 06.03 Birmingham International-Shrewsbury at 10.21.

On 15th 68006+68007 6V74 02.00 Crewe-Bridgwater at 05.54, 60055 6Z51 07.16 Tytherington-Appleford at 08.32. On 23rd 47828/47712 1Z68 04.12 Nantwich-Penzance at 07.58.

**St Phillips Marsh HSTD** On 3rd May 34046 *Braunton* + Mk1 5Z46 09.40 Crewe-St Phillips Marsh at 15.02 On 4th 56090 6Z75 07.15 Port Talbot Up Yard-St Phillips Marsh at 09.43 On 15th 34046 *Braunton* + Mk1 35465 5Z50 10.01 St Phillips Marsh-Crewe at 10.01

**Bristol East Depot** On 2nd May 66774 6Z59 02.17 Tytherington-Appleford at 02.00, 56098 4Z64 09.15 Chaddesden-Bristol East Depot at 14.40

On 10th 60028 6Z54 08.30 Bristol East Depot-Tytherington at 08.30

On 15th 66711 6Z59 04.22 Tytherington-Appleford arriving at 05.11.

**Bristol Kingsland Road** On 21st May 37057 3Z22 23.48 Bristol Kingsland Road-Canton Taff Vale via Exeter St Davids at 23.48 (Stock: 9701 62287 9808 6001 96606) returning on 23rd as 3Z33 23.53 Canton Taff Vale-Kingsland Road via Swansea arriving at 05.02 then on 24th 3Z21 21.50 Bristol Kingsland Road-Derby RTC via Birmingham New Street at 21.50

**Dr Day's Jct** On 7th May 66616 6C68 11.38 Avonmouth-Whatley at 11.58 On 24th 66543/66558 6A02 17.19 Westbury-Cardiff Queen Street via Margam at 18.05 On 25th 66556 4O51 10.40 Wentloog-Maritime via Salisbury at 12.26, 66543/66558 6A02 17.19 Westbury-Cardiff Queen Street via Margam at 18.15

Filton On 4th May 66515 4O51 10.40 Wentloog-Maritime via Salisbury at 12.28

On 8th 60028 6Z51 06.48 Tytherington-Appleford at 07.47

On 10th 66068 6C03 Northolt-Severnside at 14.10

On 14th 70003 4O57 13.29 Wentloog-Maritime at 14.16, 66589 6A83 13.45 Avonmouth Bennetts Siding-West Drayton at 15.02

Pilning On 2nd May 66528 4V53 03.27 Maritime-Wentloog at 06.58

On 3rd 70003 4V50 04.24 Maritime-Wentloog at 07.14

On 14th 70005 4V53 03.27 Maritime-Wentloog at 06.32, 66556 4L33 10.00 Wentloog-London Gateway.

On 15th 66532 4V53 03.27 Maritime-Wentloog at 06.36

On 24th 66556 4O51 10.40 Wentloog-Maritime via Salisbury at 12.03

**Patchway** On 5th May 56090 6Z75 St Phillips Marsh TMD-Baglan Bay at 11.37 On 24th 66567 6C52 10.04 West Drayton-East Usk Yard at 13.34

Stoke Gifford (FHH) On 2nd May 66592 6C81 09.55 Stoke Gifford-Avonmouth at 09.55

**Bath Spa** On 4th May 59202+59101+59104 +33012/73136 1Z73 06.48 Eastleigh-Exeter Central at 11.16 (Stock: 4TC 76324 70823 71163 76297)

On 14th 66711 6Z58 04.25 Tytherington-West Drayton at 06.12

On 15th 67005 1V80 09.47 London Victoria-Bath at 13.04 then 1O92 15.56 Bath-London Victoria at 15.56

**Bristol Parkway** On 29th April 60029 6Z51 07.16 Tytherington-Appleford at 08.07, 60046 6Z23 13.56 Appleford-Tytherington at 18.33. On 2nd May 66782 4B77 10.45 Colnbrook-Avonmouth at 14.54

On 3rd 60029 6Z51 06.49 Tytherington-Appleford at 07.46, 60046 6Z23 14.12 Appleford-Tytherington at 18.32, 66130 6V73 15.06 Stoke Cliffe Vale-Exeter Riverside at 20.51

On 4th 47746/44871 5Z30 12.13 Southall WCR-Bristol Kingsland Road at 15.31.

On 7th 66023 6C03 09.55 Northolt Sidings-Severnside at 14.21, 60046 6Z23 13:56 Appleford-Tytherington at 16.37. On 13th 60029 6Z23 14.09 Willesden-Tytherington at 18.15

On 14th 66618 6C79 09.58 Avonmouth-Stoke Gifford at 10.26

On 15th 60029 6Z23 13.56 Appleford-Tytherington at 18.27

On 16th 60055 6Z51 07.16 Tytherington-Appleford at 08.31

On 22nd 66502 4L36 08.12 Wentloog-Felixstowe at 09.23, 66556 4L33 10.00 Wentloog-London Gateway at 11.25, 66198 6C03 09.55 Northolt-Severnside at 14.01, 66713 6V84 07.38 Clitheroe-Avonmouth at 16.11, 66063/66175 6B33 13.53 Theale-Robeston at 16.26, 66719/66757 3Q98 Margam-Kings Norton at 17.59, 60029 6Z23 14.12 Appleford-Tytherington at 18.33

On 23rd 66514+66585 4L36 08.12 Wentloog-Felixstowe at 09.20, 60029 6Z23 14.12 Appleford-Tytherington at 18.33

On 24th 66587 4L36 08.12 Wentloog-Felixstowe at 09.21, 66047 6C03 09.28 Northolt Sidings-Severnside at 14.03, 66130 6V73 15.06 Cliffe Vale-Exeter Riverside at 21.15

On 25th 66047 6C03 09.28 Northolt Sidings-Severnside at 14.03

Westerleigh Jct On 2nd May 60029 6Z51 06.49 Tytherington-Appleford at 07.06

On 4th 66621 6A86 05.50 East Usk Yard-Hayes Tarmac at 07.07

On 24th 60055 6Z51 06.49 Tytherington-Willesden at 07.02

**Brentry** On 29th April 66768 6M42 Avonmouth-Penyffordd at 08.46, 66103 6C03 Northolt-Severnside at 13.58. On 30th 66025 6C03 Northolt-Severnside at 14.03

On 2nd May 66782 6C77 Avonmouth-Pengam at 19.06.

On 4th 66115 6C03 Northolt-Severnside at 14.04

On 7th 66616 6C79 Avonmouth-Whatley at 11.38

On 8th 66023 6C03 Northolt-Severnside at 13.15, 66592 6C85 Avonmouth-Stoke Gifford Yard at 13.57, 66798 6V84 Clitheroe-Avonmouth at 15.13

On 9th 66620 Avonmouth-Whatley at 10.19, 66705 6O58 Avonmouth-Angerstein Wharf at 19.51

On 10th 66620 6C79 Avonmouth-Whatley at 09.57

On 13th 66198 6C03 Northolt-Severnside at 13.43, 66781 6V84 Clitheroe-Avonmouth at 16.21

On 14th 66589 6C81 Stoke Gifford-Avonmouth at 09.35, 66618 6C79 Avonmouth-Whatley at 10.18

On 18th 66070 6C03 Northolt-Severnside at 13.36

On 21st 66606 6C79 Avonmouth-Whatley at 10.06, 66198 6C03 Northolt-Severnside at 14.26

On 22nd 66713 "Forest City" 6V84 Clitheroe-Avonmouth at 16.15

43274/43357 1Z22 07.29 Derby RTC-Bristol Kingsland Road towards Avonmouth at 21.50 then towards Bristol Kingsland Road at 22.11 returning on 23rd as 1Z23 06.45 Kingsland Road-Derby RTC

On 23rd 66618 6C79 Avonmouth-Whatley at 09.59

On 24th 66616 6C79 Avonmouth-Whatley at 10.05, 66616 6C85 Avonmouth-Stoke Gifford Yard at 10.59 On 25th 66616 6C85 Avonmouth-Stoke Gifford Yard at 10.59

Swindon On 29th April 66182 6B51 04.48 Llanwern-Swindon Stores at 06.35

On 2nd May 60046 6Z23 13.56 Appleford-Tytherington at 15.28, 66621 6B11 Hayes-East Usk at 15.48 On 7th 43013/43062 1Q15 06.44 Derby RTC-Landore TMD at 13.58.

On 15th 37175 3Q60 22.42 Reading Triangle Sidings-Westbury via Cardiff Central.

On 16th 66652 (ex 66164) 6V15 20.21 Boston Sleaford Sidings-Swindon Stores at 06.43

On 22nd 59003 6M50 07.13 Westbury-Bescot at 08.07, 69011 5Q88 04.33 Eastleigh T&RSMD-Long Marston at 09.15 (Stock: 701002), 60029 6Z23 14.12 Appleford-Tytherington at 15.32

On 23rd 43013/43062 1Z17 17.33 Derby RTC-Paddington via Bedminster and Severn Beach at 23.31

On 24th 66592 6A16 07.44 Whatley-Oxford Banbury Road at 09.04, 66094 6C03 09.55 Northolt Sidings-Severnside at 13.28, 66524 6M81 13.40 Machen-Lawley Street at 17.04

Bradford Jct On 7th May 66791 6M40 11.34 Westbury-Stud Farm at 12.00

On 15th 59205 7B12 11.43 Merehead-Wootton Bassett at 12.43

On 22nd 66618 6C79 09.58 Avonmouth-Whatley at 11.59

**Warminster** On 3rd May 59204 6O02 05.51 Westbury Lafarge-Woking Down Yard at 08.24 On 6th 47712/47805 1Z44 05.35 Woking-Llandudno at 07.53 On 8th 66517 6O55 07:09 Westbury Lafarge-Southampton Up Yard at 07.20

**Westbury** On 28th April 66205 6W98 08.30 Severn Tunnel Jct-Westbury at 09.28 66414 6A02 09.00 Cardiff Queen Street-Westbury via Margam at 14.06, 66795 6G75 18.55 Frome North Jct-Westbury at 16.11, 66618 6Z03 16.34 Margam-Westbury at 19.10

On 29th 59102 6C31 10.14 Theale-Whatley at 12.05, 59101 6B12 11.43 Merehead-Wootton Bassett. On 2nd May 59101 7B12 11.43 Merehead-Wootton Bassett at 12.29, 43062/43274 1Q23 05.56 Reading-Salisbury via Exeter at 14.51 (Stock: 975984 977994 977993 975814 977984)

On 3rd 59101 6O52 06.16 Westbury Lafarge-Chichester at 08.24, 70805 6M40 11.34 Westbury-Stud Farm at 12.22, 66590 6M69 15.17 Whatley-Lawley Street at 15.45

On 4th 66075 6W97 18.55 Westbury-Neath at 18.42, 66616 6Y41 19.43 Westbury-Dolphin Jct at 19.04 On 8th 59204 6O02 05.51 Westbury Lafarge-Woking Down Yard at 07.38

On 13th 66795+66849 6V41 Eastleigh-Westbury at 16.39

On 15th 59003 6M50 07.13 Westbury-Bescot at 07.15, 66154 6Z75 16.22 Westbury-Didcot Yard via Newbury at 16.22, 66847 6C97 19.50 Westbury-Yate via Gloucester New Yard at 19.43 On 16th 59003 6M50 07.13 Westbury-Bescot at 07.15

On 21st 59004 6O68 09.11 Westbury Lafarge-Crawley at 09.16, 66524/66567 6A01 05.20 Cardiff Queen Street-Westbury via Margam at 09.54, 66606 6C79 09.58 Avonmouth-Whatley at 11.28, 59005 7A77 12.26 Merehead-Theale at 13.19, 56103/56098 6Z60 10.40 Willesden-Merehead at 13.42 then 6Z61 16.42 Merehead-Willesden at 17.45, 66592/59102 6V60 14.43 Wembley-Whatley at 17.49, 59202 6V26 15.37 Woking-Merehead at 17.58, 66543 7V50 14.21 Wembley-Merehead at 18.14, 66571 4O71 17.35 Wentloog-Maritime at 19.18, 66070 6V10 17.55 Cricklewood-Westbury at 20.58

**Fairwood Jct** On 28th April 66015 6W01 08.50 East Somerset Jct-Westbury at 09.03 On 2nd May 59201 7V98 03.26 Eastleigh Aggregates-Merehead at 05.34, 59204 6T02 05.46 Merehead-Westbury Lafarge at 05.58, 66510 6A18 09.18 Whatley-Oxford Banbury Road at 09.36 On 7th 66734 *Jubilee* 6G70 19.16 Westbury-Westbury via Liskeard at 07.38 On 8th 59205 6V98 03.58 Eastleigh Aggregates-Merehead at 05.57, 59103 6T02 05.46 Merehead to

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On 13th 66620/59206 6Z70 14.08 Whatley-Westbury Lafarge at 14.25

On 14th 59201 7V98 03.26 Eastleigh Aggregates-Merehead at 05.20, 59206 6T02 05.46 Merehead-Westbury Lafarge at 06.35, 66592 6A50 10.26 Whatley-Hanwell Bridge Loops at 10.27

On 15th 59205 7V97 02.57 Eastleigh Aggregates-Merehead at 05.00, 59201 6T02 05.46 Merehead-Westbury Lafarge at 06.55

On 22nd 59005 6T02 05.46 Merehead-Westbury Lafarge at 06.07, 59204 7V97 04.36 Eastleigh Aggregates-Merehead at 07.13

**Bridgwater** On 29th April 68004+68033 6V74 01.58 Crewe-Bridgwater at 06.27 On 2nd May 68017/68009 6V74 02:00 Crewe-Bridgwater at 06.33

**Taunton** On 2nd May 47805/47712 1Z21 05.46 Paignton-Windsor & Eton Riverside at 08.10. On 3rd 43062/43274 1Z18 15.39 Paignton-Taunton at 18.21 then 1Q19 18.37 Taunton-Paignton at 18.37 On 4th 37521+37667 *"Flopsie"* 0Z36 09.21 Taunton-Fairwater Yard at 09.08 On 6th 37116 3Q06 14.28 Derby RTC-Exeter Riverside via Reading Triangle Sidings at 02.04 (Stock: 96608 99666 72630 9806 62384 9701)

On 9th 66419/66588 6Y60 20.28 Westbury-Bere Alston-Westbury at 21.14

On 10th 37116 3Q13 20.20 Exeter Riverside-Reading Triangle Sidings via Tilehurst at 21.41

**Severn Tunnel Emergency Closure** On 2nd May The driver of 16.59 Cardiff-Taunton reported 'water shooting out the tunnel wall' 1/4 mile from the Welsh portal. The water was reported to be shooting out to such an extent that it could dislodge bricks from the wall.

**Reliable Services** A survey of on time trains and cancellations at the national stations over the last six months from the Time Trains website, showed Pewsey on the Berks & Hants line as the least reliable station and Cardiff Bay on the self-contained Butetown Branch as the twelfth most reliable station.

**GWR** is looking for extra DMDs. GWR is short of stock following the withdrawal of most of its HSTs and the decision not to lease 19 Class 769s from Porterbrook, and so is looking to bolster its fleet. One option is to use some or all of the 27-strong Class 175 fleet which was withdrawn by Transport for Wales last autumn, but rectification work will need to be carried out before they can be transferred to GWR.

### **<u>Bristol Area Railtours and Visiting Excursions</u>** (Provided in good faith, but not guaranteed accurate!)

Date	Tour	Destination	Haulage	Pick-up	Fare	Operator
Thu 30 May	Welsh Marches	Shrewsbury	Steam	TM 09.10	£165	Saphos
Fri 31 May	Northern Belle	Cardiff	67	TM 11.50	£375	WCRC
Sat 1 Jun	Riviera Express	Kingswear	47, Steam	BPW 08.35	Full	Saphos
Tue 25 Jun	Welsh Marches	Shrewsbury	Steam	TM 09.10	£165	Saphos
Sat 29 Jun	Mazey Day	Penzance	50X2	TM 08.50	£129	Pathfinder

Fri 31 May	Pullman	Carlisle-Crewe-TM 11.48/19.00-Exeter-Paignton	HST	LSL
Sat 1 Jun	Riviera Airshow	New St-Oxford-Bath-TM 10.32-Exeter-Paignton	D1015	Pathfinder
Wed 12 Jun	Historic Bath	Victoria-Salisbury-Bath 13.03/15.56	67	Belmond
Sat 15 Jun	Bath & Bristol	Swanage-Eastleigh-Salisbury-Bath-TM 11.30/17.35	45596	RYTC
Thu 27 Jun	Torbay Riviera	Crewe-Wolverhampton-TM-Exeter-Paignton	HST	LSL
Sat 29 Jun	Mazey Day	Wolverhampton-TM-Exeter-Plymouth-Penzance	47X2	Statesman
Tue 2 July	Exmoor Pullman	Chesterfield-Nuneaton-TM-Taunton-Minehead	HST	LSL

#### **Dates for your Diary**

6/7/8 June West Somerset Railway Summer Diesel Festival. Locos booked to work:-D2133, D9526, 09019, 20142, 20189, 24054, 33048, 33057, D7017,46045, 50033, HST Castle Set

Tuesday 11 June Observation Day at Eastleigh Station

Thursday 4 July Observation Day at Nuneaton Station

Friday 6 Sep 'End of Steam on British Railways 1966-67' presented by Michael Smyth