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Fri 7 Nov 'That Was The Year That Was 1966', by Geoff Plumb.

Avonmouth On 13th October 66622 6C77 06.20 Stoke Gifford-Avonmouth at 07.19, 66728 6M42 09.05 Avonmouth-Penyffordd at 08.31

Bristol Temple Meads On 1st October 37610/37667 "FLOPSIE" 1Q22 07.17 Derby RTC-Bristol Kingsland Road at 19.22 then again at 22.34.

On 13th 66096/66176 3S59 06.05 Moreton on Lugg-Swindon Transfer at 09.23

On 15th 66096/66176 3S59 09.14 Hereford-Swindon Transfer via Portbury at 12.01, 57010 5Z57 06.22 Carnforth-Totnes South Devon Railway at 12.44 (Stock: 5032 4940 4960 4905) (See Westbury for return working), 950001 2Q08 08.50 Derby RTC-Kingsland Road at 17.14

Brentry On 30th September 66604 6A83 13.45 Avonmouth-West Drayton at 14.04, 66190 6C03 09.57 Northolt-Sevenside at 14.14

On 1st October 66604 6C85 Avonmouth-Stoke Gifford at 13.35, 66190 6C03 09.57 Northolt-Sevenside at 14.09. On 5th 66312 6V41 14.14 Penyffordd-Avonmouth at 17.54

On 7th 66190 6C03 09.57 Northolt-Sevenside at 14.15, 66619 6A83 13.45 Avonmouth-West Drayton at 14.41. On 8th 66312 6M42 09.36 Avonmouth-Penyffordd at 09.32

On 9th 66621 6A83 13.45 Avonmouth-West Drayton at 14.42

On 10th 66728 6M42 09.36 Avonmouth-Penyffordd at 09.42, 66040 6C03 09.57 Northolt-Sevenside at 14.10. On 12th 66728 6V41 14.14 Penyffordd-Avonmouth at 20.29

On 15th 66603 6C79 09.58 Avonmouth-Whatley at 10.27, 66601 6B51 Whatley-Avonmouth at 19.46

Pilning On 13th October 66594 4L33 09.59 Wentloog-London Gateway at 10.42

Patchway On 3rd October 66312 6M42 09.36 Avonmouth-Penyffordd at 09.51

On 15th 56094 6Z71 12.20 Swindon Transfer-Coleham LMD at 13.25

Stoke Gifford Yard On 7th October 66418 'Patriot - In memory of fallen railway employees' ran as 0Z66 11.00 Stoke Gifford-Bristol F.L.T (Liberty Lane). Upon arrival it was used to move some Intermodal container flat wagons for 'wheel rotation tests', as the wagons had been stood there for some time. Upon completion of the testing, it returned as 0Z67 13.01 Bristol F.L.T-Stoke Gifford arriving at 13.32
On 16th 66603 6C81 10.16 Stoke Gifford-Avonmouth at 10.16

Westerleigh Jct On 14th October 66077 6C03 09.57 Northolt-Sevenside at 13.50

On 15th 66622 6Z42 11.27 Tytherington-Appleford at 13.39

On 18th 60029 6M52 08.44 Tytherington-Didcot Milton Sidings at 08.23

Yate On 30th September 66658/66143 6B13 05.00 Robeston-Westerleigh at 11.43, 66614 6Z42 Tytherington-Appleford at 13.01, 68003+68004 6M63 12.15 Bridgwater-Crewe at 14.23

On 17th 68003+68004 6M63 12.00 Bridgwater-Crewe at 13.40

Bath On 11th October 1Z82 09.47 London Victoria-Bath Spa at 13.03 then 1Z92 15.54 Bath Spa-London Victoria at 15.56

On 18th 66054 6W03 21.13 Westbury-Bristol East Jct at 21.47

Chippenham On 12th October 67024 1Z46 11.12 Victoria-Chippenham via Swindon at 13.54 then 1Z47 13.56 Chippenham-Victoria via Newbury at 13.58 (Stock: 99545 99541 99530 99546 99539 99535 99531 99534 99543 99532 99536 9502), 66096/66176 3S59 15.54 Swindon Transfer-Moreton on Lugg via Westbury at 16.13

On 14th 66539 6B12 11.43 Merehead-Wootton Bassett at 13.24

Bristol Parkway On 28th September 66097 6W05 14.30 Llanelli-Hinksey Sidings at 17.16, 66051 6W04 15.52 Llanelli-Hinksey Sidings at 18.35, 66021 6W03 16.17 Llanelli-Hinksey Sidings at 19.32, 66312 6V41 14.14 Penryffordd-Avonmouth at 21.05, 66418 6Y56 17.50 Llanelli-Hinksey Sidings at 21.30, 66534 6Y57 17.30 Llanelli-Hinksey Sidings at 22.04, 66154 6Y58 16.42 Llanelli-Hinksey Sidings at 22.42
On 29th 60046 6B01 04.18 Bristol East Depot-Tytherington at 05.06 then 6M02 to Quainton at 08.33, 66767/66734 6A66 04.30 Tytherington-Quainton at 06.15 then 4V45 to Tytherington at 22.41, 66658 6M81 04.20 Margam-Round Oak at 08.13 then 6V07 to Margam at 16.45, 66302 4M54 07.10 Cardiff Docks-Burton West Yard at 08.45, 153384+153385 2Q23 07.20 Sharpness Docks-Manningtree Down Siding at 09.46, 66517 4L33 09.59 Wentloog-London Gateway at 11.05, 66425 4V44 10.42 Daventry-Wentloog at 13.47, 66179 6C03 09.57 Northolt-Sevenside at 14.01, 66654 6M41 Margam-Round Oak at 16.11 then 6V61 to Margam at 23.16, 66136 6V04 18.36 Kingsbury EMR-Cardiff Tidal at 22.55, 66654 6M41 14.17 Margam-Round Oak at 16.11 then 6V61 to Margam at 23.16
On 30th 66767/66734 6A66 04.30 Tytherington-Quainton at 06.15
On 1st October 99001+99002+66302 4Q45 20.08 Wellingborough-Pengam at 00.56 then 4Q48 18.43 Pengam-Wellingborough at 19.36, 66656 6M94 22.23 Margam-Corby at 01.46 then 6V92 to Margam at 15.48, 66312 6V41 17.07 Penryffordd-Avonmouth at 01.47, 66069 6V02 Tees New Yard-Margam at 02.34, 66660 6B17 20.14 Robeston-Westerleigh at 03.05, 66604 6B25 22.42 West Drayton-Stoke Gifford at 03.30, 66434 4M37 03.03 Wentloog-Daventry at 03.53, 60029 6B01 03.49 Bristol East Depot-Tytherington at 04.01 then to Quainton at 08.00, 66734/66767 6A66 02.33 Tytherington-Quainton at 05.16 then to Tytherington at 22.41, 66614 6C20 07.06 Stoke Gifford-Tytherington at 07.45 6Z27 to Stoke Gifford at 21.48, 66505 6V47 05.06 Lawley Street Aggregates-East Usk Yard at 08.21, 66621 6C79 09.58 Avonmouth-Whatley at 10.30, 66590 4L33 Wentloog-London Gateway at 11.05, 66653 6V05 09.12 Round Oak-Margam at 11.43 then 6M11 to Round Oak at 02.36 then 6V05 to Margam at 11.43 then 6M41 to Round Oak at 16.11 then 6V61 to Margam at 23.16, 66434 4V44 10.42 Daventry-Wentloog at 13.47, 66604 6C85 13.24 Avonmouth-Stoke Gifford at 14.31, 66190 6C03 09.57 Northolt-Sevenside at 14.01, 66750 6V84 07.45 Clitheroe-Avonmouth at 16.57, 60046+60055+60028 6V37 09.53 Quainton-Tytherington at 18.34, 66003 6E47 16.23 Margam-Middlesbrough at 19.28, 66434 4M36 19.21 Wentloog-Daventry at 20.17, 37610/37667 1Q22 07.17 Derby RTC-Bristol Kingsland Road at 21.32, 66660 6V61 21.04 Round Oak-Margam at 23.16
On 2nd 37219/37057 3Q60 22.42 Reading Triangle Sidings-Bristol Kingsland Road at 01.57, 66168 6V02 19.09 Tees New Yard-Margam at 02.34, 66653 6M11 23.59 Margam-Round Oak at 02.36 then 66653 6V05 to Margam at 11.43, 66621 6B25 22.42 West Drayton-Stoke Gifford at 03.30, 66421 4M37 03.03 Wentloog-Daventry at 03.53 then 4V44 to Wentloog at 13.47, 60046 6B01 03.49 Bristol East Depot-Tytherington at 04.01 then 6M02 07.04 Tytherington-Quainton at 08.00, 66596 4V36 22.45 Felixstowe-Wentloog at 04.40, 66734/66767 6A66 02.33 Tytherington-Quainton at 05.16 then 4V45 to Tytherington at 22.41 66750 6M90 05.06 Avonmouth-Clitheroe at 05.25, 66604 6C20 07.06 Stoke Gifford-Tytherington at 07.45 then 6Z42 to Appleford at 12.58, 66596 4L36 08.12 Wentloog-Felixstowe at 09.22, 66517 4L33 09.59 Wentloog-London Gateway at 11.05, 66658/66143 6B13 05.00 Robeston-Westerleigh at 11.17, 66181 6C03 09.57 Northolt-Sevenside at 14.01, 66722 6B77 10.45 Colnbrook-Avonmouth at 14.45, 66505 6M50 13.19 Machen-Lawley Street Aggregates at 15.32, 66656 6M41 11.30 Margam-Round Oak at 16.11, 60029 6V37 09.53 Quainton-Tytherington at 18.34, 66619 6V54 13.41 Elstow Redland-East Usk at 19.28, 66143+66658+66660 6B47 19.44 Westerleigh-Robeston at 19.49, 66722 6O58 19.35 Avonmouth-Angerstein Wharf at 19.58, 66421 4M36 19.21 Wentloog-Daventry at 20.17, 66604 6Z27 17.49 Appleford-Stoke Gifford at 21.48, 66136 6E30 18.47 Margam-Hartlepool at 22.37, 66656 6V61 21.04 Round Oak-Margam 23.18
On 8th 60028 "Skiddaw" 6M02 07.04 Tytherington-Quainton at 07.59
On 10th 37800 5Q76 08.31 Willesden-Newport Docks at 13.28 (Stock: 321338 and 321342)
On 12th 66516 6Y43 09.30 Llanelli-Hinksey Yard at 16.34
On 13th 60046 6M02 07.04 Tytherington-Quainton at 07.20, 56049/56094 6Z41 07.35 Whitland Down Sidings-Swindon Transfer at 11.17, 37800 5Q76 10.35 Wimbledon Park-Newport Docks at 14.43 (Stock: 455738+455865). On 14th 56094 6Z12 05.34 Swindon Transfer-St Phillips Marsh at 06.28 then 6Z13 17.08 St Phillips Marsh-Swindon Transfer at 16.59
On 15th 60046 6M02 07.04 Tytherington-Quainton at 08.01, 66728 6M42 09.36 Avonmouth-Penryffordd at 09.56. On 18th 66077 4Z66 06.32 Acton Yard-Cardiff Tidal at 08.49, 66096/66176 3S59 Hereford-Swindon Transfer Yard via Bath Spa at 11.00

Wootton Bassett Jct On 13th October 66588 6A16 07.43 Whatley-Oxford Banbury Road at 09.10, 66190 6C03 09.57 Northolt-Sevenside at 13.29

Swindon On 3rd October 66501 4L36 Wentloog-Felixstowe at 09.53
On 4th 60029 6M52 Tytherington-Didcot Milton at 09.35, 66767 4Z60 Bristol-Wellingborough at 13.00
On 5th 66176/66096 3S59 15.54 Swindon-Morton-On-Lugg at 17.00
On 6th 70807 6M50 Westbury-Bescot at 08.10
66425 4V44 Daventry-Wentloog at 13.50, 66176/66096 3S59 09.14 Hereford-Swindon Transfer Yard at 14.20. 66544/66549 3J41 14.12 Swindon Transfer Yard-Swindon Transfer Yard at 14.25, 66658 6V32 Tilbury-Trostre at 14.55
On 7th 47812 1Z99 13.24 Southall-Gloucester at 16.54 (Track circuit proving)
On 8th 37800 5Q74 10.35 Wimbledon Depot Sidings-Newport Docks at 13.43 (Stock: 455707+455715)
On 9th 66142 6V29 Swindon Cocklebury-Cardiff Tidal at 17.45
On 10th The following RHTT services ran:
66544/66549 3J42 23.04 Swindon Transfer-Swindon Transfer at 03.46
66544/66549 3J43 04.35 Swindon Transfer-Didcot Parkway at 05.09
66096/66176 3S59 21.02 Swindon Transfer-Hereford at 08.02
66544/66549 3J44 05.24 Didcot Parkway-Swindon Transfer at 11.09
66096/66176 3S59 09.14 Hereford-Swindon Transfer at 14.38
67023/67027 3S32 11.11 Cheltenham Lansdown Loop-Swindon Transfer at 14.49
67023/67027 3S31 21.42 Swindon Transfer-Cheltenham Lansdown Loop at 21.42
66549/70807 3J41 14.12 Swindon Transfer-Swindon Transfer at 21.54
On 12th 67023/67027 3S31 12.04 Swindon Transfer-Worcester SH via Hereford / Shrewsbury at 12.04
On 13th 66850/66549 3J43 03.22 Swindon Transfer-Swindon Transfer at 03.27, 56049/56094 6Z41 07.35 Whitland Down Sidings-Swindon Transfer at 12.18, 66758 6M47 12.18 Marchwood-Kineton at 15.31
On 14th 66619 6C20 06.07 East Usk-Tytherington at 07.46, 60046 6M02 07.04 Tytherington-Quainton at 07.48, 67023/67027 3S32 11.11 Cheltenham Lansdown Loop-Swindon Transfer via Severn Tunnel Jct at 14.47.
On 15th 59104 6A16 07.43 Whatley-Oxford Banbury Road at 07.54, 66514 4L36 08.12 Wentloog-Felixstowe at 09.52, 70813 6M40 11.34 Westbury-Stud Farm at 12.28
On 16th 950001 2Q08 Kingsland Road-Cardiff Taff Vale at 13.08, 66546 6B12 11.43 Merehead-Wootton Bassett at 13.34, 66622 6Z42 Tytherington-Appleford at 14.35, 59104 6C48 Appleford-Whatley at 14.37, 66011 6C03 09.57 Northolt-Severnside at 14.52
On 18th 66041 6C03 09.28 Northolt-Severnside at 12.06, 67023/56049 3S32 10.50 Cheltenham Lansdown Loop-Swindon Transfer via Severn Tunnel Jct at 13.21

Westbury On 10th October 66054 6V76 10.35 Westbury-Goonbarrow Jct
On 12th 70807 6C97 08.00 Westerleigh Jct-Westbury via Swindon at 09.05, 66539/66758 6G73 11.33 Llanelli-Westbury at 16.32, 66557 6Y40 10.20 Llanelli-Westbury at 17.48
On 13th 57303/57310 3S13 08.46 Westbury-Fairwater Yard via Salisbury at 07.22, 70813 6M50 07.13 Westbury-Bescot at 07.34, 47805/47810 "Cornish Riviera Statesman" 1Z31 05.34 Dorridge-Penzance at 09.20 (Stock: 3384 3348 3344 1863 3426 3312 3438 80043 3231 3229 17056) then 1Z32 15.41 Penzance-Dorridge at 20.47, 66850/66549 3J43 03.22 Swindon Transfer-Swindon Transfer at 09.54, 70807 6M40 11.34 Westbury-Stud Farm at.
On 14th 59201 6O55 07.09 Westbury Cement Works-Southampton Up Yard.
On 15th 66619 6B12 11.43 Merehead-Wootton Bassett at 12.41, 57010 0Z57 16.33 Totnes South Devon Railway-Southall WCRC at 17.14, 60028 6M18 16.24 Merehead-Willesden at 18.07
On 16th 59101 6O88 Westbury-Crawley at 09.55,
69013 6O41 Westbury-Eastleigh East Yard at 10.20, 57303/57305 3S13 08.46 Westbury-Fairwater at 10.22
On 18th 66120 6V76 Westbury-Goonbarrow Jct at 10.20, 70813 6C97 18.33 Westbury-Heywood Road Jct via Theale at 17.21

Warminster On 28th September DR98914+DR98964 3S87 06.38 Andover Kemira Sidings-Andover Kemira Sidings at 12.24

Fairwood Jct On 13th October 57310/57303 3S12 23.42 Penzance-Westbury at 05.02
59202/66557 6C79 11.23 Westbury Cement Works-Whatley at 11.27, 60028 6M18 16.24 Merehead-Willesden at 17.38
On 14th 59102 6V98 03.26 Eastleigh Aggregates-Merehead at 05.11, 59103 6T02 06.46 Merehead-Westbury Cement Works at 07.17
On 15th 66603 6C79 09.58 Avonmouth-Whatley at 12.25, 59203 6C31 10.14 Theale-Whatley at 12.30, 66559 6A61 12.24 Whatley-West Drayton at 12.50

Yatton On 30th September 20007/20205 6V37 09.29 Burton Wetmore Sidings-Fairwater Yard at 13.29

Bridgwater On 14th October 68002/68016 6V74 02.00 Crewe-Bridgwater at 06.19

Taunton On 17th October 43013/43014 1Q18 Reading Triangle Sidings-Paignton via Penzance at 07.43 then 1Z18 15.39 Paignton-Taunton via Bristol TM passing at 16.49 arriving at 18.44 then 1Q19 18.38 Taunton-London Paddington at 18.54

Fairwater Yard On 10th October 57303/57305 3S11 18.21 Fairwater Yard-Penzance at 18.21

Withdrawal of GWR Castle Class HSTs On 30th September the Managing Director of Great Western Railway, Mr Mark Hopwood, said on BBC Radio Devon that the HSTs would be retired from Passenger service at the end of the second week of December 2025. This will be full withdrawal after the last day of the current timetable which is Saturday 13th December 2025

RHTT Services GWR Area 2025

Swindon

3S59 21.02 Swindon Transfer-Hereford (Via West Wales/Westbury)

3S59 09.14 Hereford-Swindon Transfer (Via Weston-super-Mare)

3S59 06.05 Moreton on Lugg-Swindon Transfer

3S59 15.54 Swindon Transfer-Moreton on Lugg via Westbury

3S32 11.11 Cheltenham Lansdown Loop-Swindon Transfer

3S31 20.55 Swindon Transfer-Worcester North Sidings

3J43 04.35 Swindon Transfer-Didcot Parkway

3J44 05.24 Didcot Parkway-Swindon Transfer

3J41 14.12 Swindon Transfer-Swindon Transfer (Via Westbury)

3J42 23.04 Swindon Transfer-Swindon Transfer

Taunton Fairwater Yard

3S13 08.46 Westbury-Fairwater Yard

3S11 18.21 Fairwater Yard-Penzance

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

Date	Tour	Destination	Haulage	Pick-up	Fare	Operator
Fri 24 Oct	Midland Pullman	Fort William	HST	BTH 08.55, BPW 09.30	£450	LSL
Sat 22 Nov	Cheshireman	Chester	Steam	TM 07.00	£115	RTC

Wed 22 Oct	British Pullman	Victoria-Salisbury-Bath 13.03/15.56	67	Belmond
Sat 1 Nov	British Pullman	Victoria-Salisbury-Bath 13.03/15.56	67	Belmond
Sat 1 Nov	Steam Farewell	New St-Paddington-TM 17.24/18.24 New St	7029	Vintage
Sat 29 Nov	Bath & Bristol	Padd-Reading-Newbury-Bath-TM	34028	RTC

Dates for your Diary

Fri 5 Dec 'The Swansea Vale Railway', by John Miles.

Fri 19 Dec Christmas Buffet and Members Evening