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U.S.A. HERE WE COME

Within just 6 months of carrying out test programmes in the U.S.A. we have been commissioned by three major companies to manufacture vehicles.

The first one launched in June is 'Days Inn' who are the largest hotel/motel chain in the U.S.A.

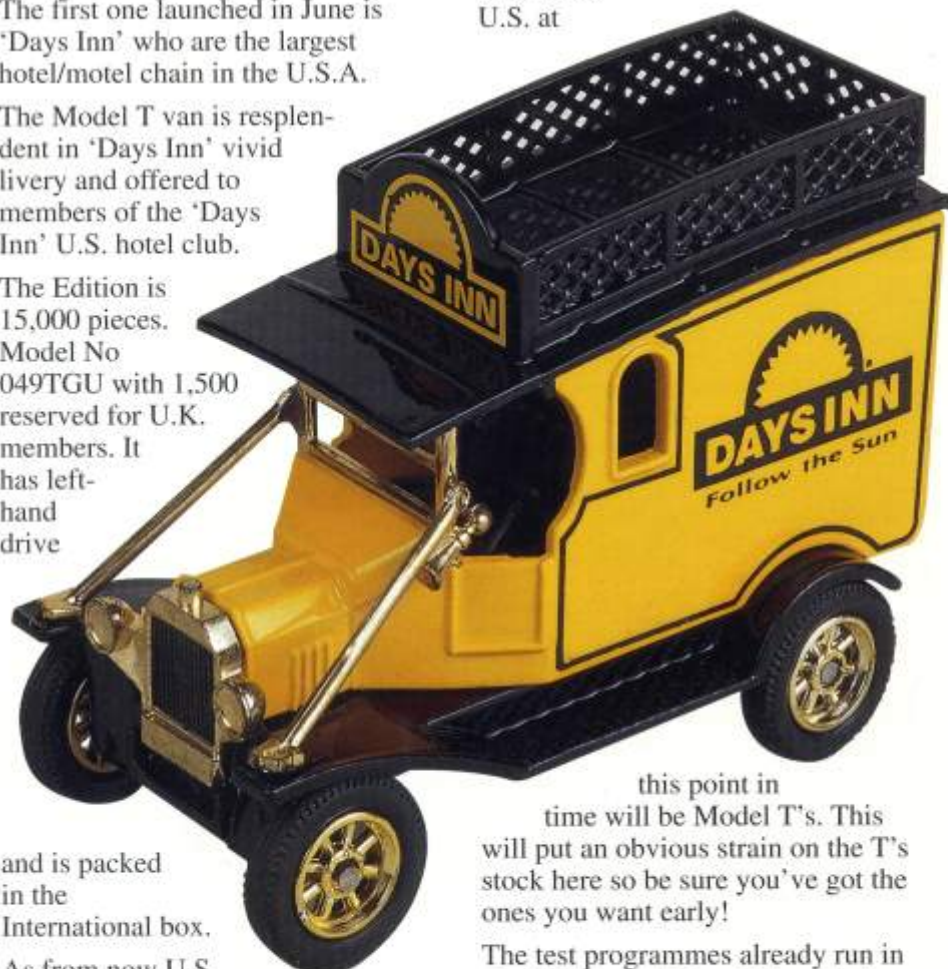
The Model T van is resplendent in 'Days Inn' vivid livery and offered to members of the 'Days Inn' U.S. hotel club.

The Edition is 15,000 pieces. Model No 049TGU with 1,500 reserved for U.K. members. It has left-hand drive

and is packed in the International box.

As from now U.S. applicants will be invited to join the O.D.C. club run from two temporary offices in the U.S., one in California, the other in

Atlanta (serving both the West and East coasts). These offices have been opened to ensure a successful launch, and may become permanent. The only models available to members in the U.S. at



this point in time will be Model T's. This will put an obvious strain on the T's stock here so be sure you've got the ones you want early!

The test programmes already run in the U.S.A. are 'New Yorker' deli cheese Model No 047TGU edition 2,600, Thorson Model No 098GU Edition 2,500.

A word from Michael

Dear Members,

Half the year already gone, can you believe it! Hasn't there been some super new releases this year, particularly with the lovely liveries we've been privileged to have.

What's to come - well, quite a lot. A new back shape for the Model T truck with the Soda Crystal T truck on offer in store shortly (see 'In the Shops' feature on page 3) - it's got a reproduction of the Soda Crystal box on the back - superb and I think very collectable especially being the first, though the fourth in the range of Soda Crystals vehicles!

September/October sees the launch of a brand new vehicle (see page 4) and December is scheduled for the next new range - though I'm told this is proving a little more difficult than originally envisaged as it's quite technical with moving parts - so it could in fact be the new year before it makes its appearance. I've seen prototypes of it and it's fabulous! As for the September launch - stunning, marvellous and highly collectable.

The 'Sporting Heroes' range is proving very popular with both the Gordon Banks and Nigel Winterburn vans going extremely well. They are absolutely unique of course as each is endorsed by a personally autographed biographic certificate. I've bought several of these to give as gifts, particularly to friends overseas.

Now we have the fantastic Geoff Boycott van and the rugby 'British Lions' International set, again each vehicle has an autographed fact sheet with it, each one costs £5.95 and if you purchase at the 4 for 3 price, it means each one costs only £4.46 each or just £3.30 each with the 6 for 4 offer. Not bad for such a unique product that will eventually become immortalised and certainly irreplaceable. Just imagine their value in 10 years time! The autograph alone will be worth more than the vehicle cost now.

I was asked the other day why some vehicles which were made available recently are listed as 'No' on the price list. Well it's simply when we manufacture a run for an edition, there are always a surplus of bodies over, which we keep. If replacements are needed - due to damages within the edition - these are then used. Our plant in Wales asked if they could destroy these after a period on any listed as 'No' on the price list. The Chairman, however, felt it would be nice to make these available to our members. So they were assembled and listed for sale. Whilst they do not necessarily carry an original certificate, they still carry a special certificate acknowledging its production from the original edition. This has proven so successful that other bodies left over may be assembled and made available from time to time.

The 'World War I' series has turned out to be very popular and a boxed set of other 'World War I' vehicles is now planned.

Old Broncho did well and we are having many requests particularly from the USA for more of them - perhaps a new range!



(Early Broncho Bill Poster)

Whilst mentioning the good old US of A it seems O.D.C. is really 'cute' to our friends across the pond - and our two handling companies there report brisk interest. I've got the task of setting up a temporary customer service and handling for them. I might send Fiona or Mags, (but on second thoughts they couldn't bear to leave our members here for too long).

The new releases are super in this issue of the Globe with some very eye catching liveries, and not too big editions either.

'Small companies with big ideas'.

These two super little editions of small company vehicles we believe are very desirable because we do turn down many small companies who request vehicles from us, as too many different liveries make collecting almost an impossible task and cost for members.

The 'Simon Taylor' (111) Bullnose is in splendid design and graphic. His company manufacturer bespoke tailor made (excuse the pun) kitchens, bathrooms, bedrooms, etc with an eye for detail.

The 'Ken Jones' (100) Bullnose also a delightful little van in old type styling and two tone colouring. Ken Jones is a specialist small building company sited in the Hereford countryside (see order form for both). That's all for now, keep well.

Michael Johnston - Tillan

PS. Have you seen the Booths Bus?

"READ ALL ABOUT IT"

THE Herald Tribune is the oldest International newspaper published in English in the world - established in 1887 by James Gordon Bennett Jr. Their early motto of 'news and more news' became symbolic with its unique style of reporting and was introduced to Europe with the founding of its Paris based European edition.

It was the first newspaper to give



front page coverage to Sport and one of the first to give extensive coverage to medicines and science.

Bennett was also the first person to use radio to send news, hiring Marconi to transmit the results of the America's Cup Yacht race.

The Herald Tribune was one of only two newspapers to publish in Paris throughout the First World War.

It was also the first newspaper to be distributed by aeroplane flying in 1928 over to London in time for breakfast. It also had the longest newspaper delivery round in the world from Paris to Frankfurt daily. A trip of approximately 400 miles covered by a relay of drivers in just under 20 hours.

The paper never missed an issue until 1940 when Paris became occupied. It then stayed silent until 1944.

After various mergers the paper became the 'New York Herald Tribune' and on

May 22 1967 appeared for the first time under its new name 'The International Herald Tribune'.

In 1978 it reached another milestone by installing the first wholly computerised editing and typesetting system, and in 1980 history was made yet again when it began to send news via satellite from Paris to Hong Kong - becoming the first newspaper to transmit the news from continent to

continent and the first newspaper to be electronically sent across the world simultaneously making it available to its readers at the same time, with 13 printing sites through every corner of Asia, U.S. and Europe, making it possible for the same news-paper to be delivered to over 130 countries every day.

Oxford Die-Cast are delighted to have been commissioned by the 'Herald Tribune' to produce two beautiful collectables in the yellow and black splendour associated with the newspapers' vehicles of a long gone era.

To commemorate its origin the IHT has commissioned the Model T van 040TF and the Renault Bus B(R)26F, both with an edition of just 2500 pieces, 40% of which will be going direct to the 'Herald Tribune' at its Paris headquarters.

P.S. Editors note; I wonder if the 'Gordon Bennett' expression sprang from here!

New Football Clubs

Model No	Livery	Edition	Vehicle	Av. ODC
B22	Arsenal F.C.	2,500	Bus	500
108G	Luton Town F.C.	2,600	Bullnose	600
109	Colchester United F.C.	2,500	Bullnose	800
118G	York City F.C.	2,000	Bullnose	800
119G	Portsmouth F.C.	1,200	Bullnose	600
033G	Barnet F.C.	2,500	Bullnose	N/A

Barnet will not release any vehicles for our sale to members but O.D.C. have arranged by stating that membership number you can buy direct from them at £4.95 each inc. p+p. Telephone 0181 441 6932 (033G is a gold wheeled version of 033 shown in the catalogue)

IN THE SHOPS

IN STORE NOW

Harry Ramsden - (Fish Products)

Bullnose @ £1.99 + p&p.

Booths Supermarkets - Model T Truck with sacks on the back, Bus, and Bullnose Van @ £2.25 each + p&p together with Booths till receipts to the value of £50.

Tullamore Dew Whiskey - Bullnose - Duty Free outlets in Denmark and through stores in Eire. Free with neck collar from bottle.

Wimpy Burger Bars - Model T Van.

Pick up a leaflet from Wimpy, spend £1 and get vehicle for £1.99 + 50p p+p.

JULY

Silver Service Sugar (sugar sachets)- via cafe's, food chains, restaurants and motorway services. A range of 6 different charity vehicles @ £2.99 inc p+p, of which 50p goes to selected charity.

Hollands Pies - Model T Van on various pies @ £2.60 inc. p+p.

AUGUST

Soda Crystals - Model T Truck with new back display (see 'A word from Michael') @ £2.59 inc p+p. Plus you receive a 25p coupon towards your next purchase of Soda Crystals, back with your order.

Percy Dalton - peanuts Model T Van @ £1.99 + 50p p+p.

Please note. The planned promotion to run on John West Pink Salmon has been delayed until September - we apologise for any inconvenience.

A PRIDE OF LIONS



OXFORD DIE-CAST is proud to announce the release to its members of four of the most famous British Lions Rugby Players who have represented their individual countries and the United Kingdom with great distinction.

The four are, **Rob Andrew**, OBE who played a record 70 times for England and was responsible for England's phenomenal success in the 80's/90's, **Gavin Hastings** arguably the world's finest full back, who retired at the peak of his career, truly the flower of Scotland, **Nick Popplewell** whose rampaging runs as a prop forward had Irish

eyes smiling and finally, **Ieuan Evans** the Welsh wizard who outstrips all defences on the wing and is currently with the Lions in South Africa helping to put the Springboks back on their heels.

These four models come either individually at £5.95 each in our 'Sporting Heroes' series or 4 for 3.

A present for yourself or other members of your family - each model comes with an individually personally signed certificate detailing the major events in each player's career - Don't delay, order today as they are limited to 5000 models for each player!

Members Catalogue

If you require further catalogues, these are available for sale, either with or without pages.

Complete -	£12.95	each
Cover only -	£3.00	each
Replacement page -	£1.50	each

GEOFF BOYCOTT OBE



BORN 21 OCTOBER 1940 in Fitzwilliam, Pontefract, he was educated at Hemsworth Grammar School where he captained the school team. At the age of 13 he played for Ackworth in the Yorkshire Council, at 15 for the Yorkshire Schoolboys and for Barnsley, at 17 he was Vice Captain for Yorkshire Federation Under 18's. Opening batsman for Leeds, Yorkshire Colts second XI.

His first appearance for Yorkshire County was against Pakistan in 1962, and just one

year later in 1963 Geoff scored his first century for Yorkshire against Lancashire in the Roses Match in Sheffield. That same year he became Opening Bat for his county. He was appointed Yorkshire Captain for seasons 1971-1978. In his illustrious career for his county he scored over 32,000 runs averaging almost 58 runs per innings. He also exceeded 1,000 runs in a season 19 times, and in 1971 exceeded 2,000 runs at a phenomenal average of over 100 runs per innings. Plus he earned the distinction of achieving centuries against every county in the country and carrying his bat on no less than 8 innings. He also took some 40 odd wickets as a bowler. He spent his entire cricket career with Yorkshire. Nowadays Geoff is a regular broadcaster in all forms of television and radio coverage. His sound knowledge of the game makes him an authority and his services are highly sought after in this country and throughout the cricketing world.

Geoff Boycott was awarded the OBE in 1980.

This superb edition of Geoff Boycott-Yorkshire 'Sporting Heroes' vehicles are a must for all lovers of cricket and its history, as Geoff Boycott will without doubt find a place in it! Each special commemorative certificate is personally signed and the cost of each vehicle is £5.95. The 'Sporting Heroes' vehicles can also be purchased on a 4 for 3 or 6 for 4 basis but only in conjunction with other 'Sporting Heroes' vehicles.

Or why not purchase 4 for 3 Geoff Boycott vans - as Christmas is not too far away and what a unique present each of these will make at a very affordable price, and all signed by Geoff personally! The edition is 5000 pieces.



NEW RELEASES

Bullnose

Simon Taylor (111) Edition 2500 (500 available).

Ken Jones (100) Edition 1250 (500 available).

Tullamore Dew (117G) Edition 15,000 (see 'In the Shops')

Model T

Siebe Automation (056T) Edition 1050 (500 available).

Bus

Nottingham City Council (B27) Edition 2500 (1000 available).

A New Model

SEPTEMBER sees the launch of our first new vehicle this year.

The superb 1932-35 Chevrolet truck with 4 variants for the chassis,

a) Open back, b) Canvas, c) Pantehnicon, d) Barrels

The launch model which will carry the O.D.C. livery (black) will be available via the next issue of Globe - its price the same, just £4.95 each. *Don't miss out on the launch vehicle.*

WORLD WAR I

No 4 in the series of 6.

THE FRONT line advances and more and more ammunition, ambulances, food, troops and fuel is called for.

Sometimes the vehicles travelling a hundred miles or more on nothing other than dust tracks - or in winter mud tracks.

Fuel was often distributed along the route to field stations which would then feed the front line.

The fuel tanker carried very little gasoline and a variety of tankers including open back trucks like the Model T were converted with a tank and pipe strapped on the back.

Be sure of No 4 in the series today.

If you require past vehicles in this set, there are some still available - but please be quick. This will be a very sought after collection and one of a further series planned.



SPOT THE DIFFERENCE

There are six changes on picture B
Can you spot them!



(Sorry Colin, I thought I should tone it down a little!) - Editor

Thanks to Colin Spencer for sending in this puzzler!
Answers below - no cheating!

1. Badge on jumper, 2. End on spanner, 3. Drivers task, 4. Hinges on door, 5. Tax disk, 6. Button on frunks jacket

MEMBERS LETTERS

Dear Mags

I am writing to thank you for your very, very good service over Bronco Bill display box which arrived in pristine condition so I am very happy.

I would like to say in passing that I think your models are so good, on a par with Matchbox and Corgi, but they never get in Model Collectors new releases - I hope the editor will put that right!

Having been a model collector for some 15 years, I now find your models some of the best on the market, again, many thanks.

RL Pickering

Could the reason be we don't sell our vehicles retail - members only! Editor

Dear Michael

I joined O.D.C. last October and I am very pleased with the superb finish on your vehicles, also the excellent service from your staff by letter or telephone - keep up the good work!

I am trying to get a complete set of Model T Fords and Buses, but I am unable to get hold of 03TG Arsenal, I have tried the football club but they have sold out - Hope you can help!

Thankyou Alan Goodwin

*See letter below Alan!

Dear Michael

I have 78 models in mint condition with certificates (some doubles) for sale, ideal for a new collector.

They include all the football issues, plus many now obsolete, including LoSalt, Golden Shred, Macaroni, Trex, Princes, Skips etc.

I wish to clear in single sale for £300 o.n.o. Interested parties, please ring Dave on 01268 759072. (Only selling due to shortage of space).

Dear Michael

I just had to write and say thanks for the great vehicles you produce and the quality and detail and skill that is put into making them.

I must say your range of display cases is very impressive and the Manor House Vehicles and World War One Vehicles are much appreciated.

Keep up the good work and lets have a few more boxed sets like the Bronco Bills Circus Set.

Yours faithfully

David Sharman

Some on the way, David! Editor.

All originals are kept on file
Letters should be sent to the address on the front of this newsletter. We will publish as many as space allows.