



THE OXFORD DIE-CAST GLOBE

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The staff of Oxford Die-Cast wish to express their great sorrow over the sad loss of Diana - The Princess of Wales.

'1934 CHEVROLET'

THIS is it! Our first new vehicle of 1997 the fabulous c1934 Chevrolet!

Frequenting the 30's the Chevy truck came in various guises.

It was used for both long and medium haul and was a favourite of the bootlegger because of its comparative speed and adaptability.

The docks saw many of the open trucks transporting fish and various foods to market, whilst breweries, removal and delivery companies used closed back versions and were a common sight all over the U.S.A. well into the 40's.

Built by Chevrolet trucks - a division of the Chevrolet Motor Company U.S.A. between 1928 and 1937 - and sold both in the U.S.A. and other parts of the world.

The launch is an absolute must for every member! In years to come any launch model from a new range will be highly desirable - being the first sighting and the first vehicle from a new mould.

As the ODC membership increases so does the desire for previous launch models from the range - and this one will be highly sought after!

We have produced a reasonable amount of all previous launch vehicles in the past, likewise with our new Chevrolet. Although previous launches are now becoming exhausted, there are still some available, so be sure of getting your Chevrolet launch vehicle from an edition of 5,000 pieces and any of the previous launch vehicles still available - see order form.

(Of the above, 1000 are for release in the USA).



A word from Michael

Dear Members,

What a sad sad time we've all been through, I know Diana, Princess of Wales will always hold a special place in our hearts.

I hope the new 'Chev' brightens your day a little, as its features, like all our vehicles, are considerable - note its air vent in the roof - hinges and door handles along with rear number plate and tailgate hinges. I particularly like the nutted wheels.

Apologies to those members taking up direct debit who have not received their FREE vehicle voucher. It took a while to process the applications but it should be with you any time now.

This issue of Globe sees some lovely vehicles again. Firstly get as many of the launch editions as possible, as they will always be sought after, also take a look at the 'Charity Collection' they're really nice.

The Queen and Prince Philip bus has been phenomenally successful, and highly collectible for the future.

The US news is that we now have around 100 members who I cordially welcome to our club - I hope you enjoy us as much as we enjoy having you.

We are about to run a large bread promotion on a product called "Grants Farm Bread". The company is based in St Louis, and offers us our first major 'on-pack' in the US. The offer to the consumer is a FREE Bullnose and FREE Model T flour sack truck in return for special bread wrappers. Unfortunately for our UK members, your only way of getting one free is to fly to the USA and apply or by virtue of your membership through the UK club at £4.95 sorry about that!

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The other US vehicle this month is G.E.C. Marconi who are using them for a trade promotion. It can again be bought through the club - but hurry there's only a very small availability.

Our membership in the UK continues to expand and we expect to reach 10,000 approx. members by the years end. Plans have been laid for the FREE Christmas vehicle, its superb and I'm sure you'll love it!

A note to member Mary Whalley - give me a call Mary, I heard your sad news from Fiona and want to talk to you.

All new members to our club, a big welcome and don't forget if you do want a 'No' listed vehicle it's worth giving us a call because when our numbers go below 30 pieces they are automatically de-listed, but sometimes crafty old Fiona and Mags (plus our Mel) squirrel some away.

The next issue of the Globe is the Christmas one, when I'll speak to you again.

You all take good care of yourselves.

Michael Johnston - Tillan

Michael Johnston Allen

CHARITY RANGE

A UNIQUE collection of vehicles produced in conjunction with these very worthwhile charities.

These vehicles are available on promotion from selected sugar sachets (with the exception of PACE) or direct from the Club. The cost is £4.95 each of which 50p per vehicle is donated to the respective charity.



RNLI (Bus B24)

The Royal National Lifeboat Institute - known the world over and giving assurance to seamen in British waters.



RNIB (Model T 050T)

The Royal National Institute for the Blind. Their symbol is easily recognised as leaders in the search to make blindness easier to cope with.



HEARING DOGS FOR DEAF PEOPLE (Model T 051TG)

Their aim is to supply dogs as companions and to act as ears for the deaf.



NSPCC (Bus B25)

The National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. Recognised for its formidable child protection.



PACE (Bullnose 116)

A small charity dedicated to children with disabilities.



SCOPE (Bullnose 115G)

This charity was formed to help those with Cerebral Palsy.



HELP THE AGED (Bullnose 114)

The charity that's dedicated to helping older people.

'SPORTING HEROES' JOHN EMBUREY ENGLAND - MIDDLESEX

AS Sir Tim Rice said about John in his testimonial year 1995 "Had Oscar Hammerstein come across John Emburey before he had the idea for Old Man River, he might well have used his immortal phrase "He just keeps rolling along" about the evergreen Middlesex (now Northampton) and England all-rounder instead of wasting it on the mighty Mississippi.

Only 8 Middlesex players have taken 1,000 wickets in the club's history - John is one! In fact his best bowling figure of 8-40 was achieved in 1993 against Hampshire at Lords.

John is acclaimed not only by his peers as one of the best (if not the best) but by such dignitaries as Sir Tim Rice, John Major, Peter Stoppard, Barry

Norman, George Leyton, Chris Lowe (BBC), and Dr Patrick Moore.

Many top batsmen have fallen to John including Alan Border, the Australian Captain, six times, Kepler Wessels, the South African Captain, 6 times, but top of the pile was Richie Richardson the fabulous West Indies Captain with a total of 7 dismissals. John also includes 78 Aussie wickets, 30 West Indies wickets, 12 Indian wickets, 10 Pakistani wickets, 9 New Zealand wickets and 11 Sri Lankan wickets throughout his international career.

Ember's test match bowling figures amass to 2,535 overs, 717 maidens 5,564 runs for 147 wickets, (average 37.85) his best being 7/78 against Australia. With the bat John also forged a mean average for England with 95 innings resulting in 1705

runs, giving an average of 23 runs. His highest score being 75 against New Zealand with 20 not outs.

This exclusive edition was the first in our 'Sporting Heroes' range to be produced for John's testimonial in 1995 but we have waited until now to get the release of the final vehicles not needed - the edition is 5,000 pieces. Each vehicle comes with a personally signed commemorative certificate and the cost is £5.95 each. Any 'Sporting Heroes' vehicles can be mixed on a 4-3 or 6-4 basis.

Also a photocopy of any one testimonial sheet from the following celebrities may be ordered at the same time at no further cost. Sir Harry Solomon - John Major - Roy M Dower - John's Teacher - Arthur McIngle - Don Bennett - Mike Brearley, Ray Illingworth - Peter Shepherd - Bob Willis - Ian Botham - David Gower - Paul Downton - John Carr - Mark Nicholas - Angus Fraser - Barry Norman - Leslie Thomas - George Leyton - Dr Patrick Moore or John's Mum (you may order one testimonial sheet per vehicle ordered only).

IN THE SHOPS

IN STORE NOW

John West pink salmon - Model T Truck with Salmon can on the back & Bullnose van @ £2.60 each inc. p&p.

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

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

Soda Crystals - Model T Truck with new back display @ £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 Truck with sacks @ £1.99 + 50p p&p.

OCTOBER

Puzzler monthly magazine - Bullnose @ £2.49 +50p p+p.

Walkers 'Nonsuch' Tray Toffee - Bullnose and Model T van for 2 proofs of purchase plus £2.60 each inc. p+p.

NOVEMBER

Budgens Supermarket Milk - Bus for 1 proof of purchase + £2.65 inc. p&p. Plus, you receive a 25p milk coupon back with vehicle.

PUZZLE IT OUT!

THIS superb vehicle (Bullnose model no 125G) has been commissioned by the Puzzler range of magazines to commemorate 25 years of the Puzzler.

The back pages of the Puzzler has been dedicated to this vehicle and can be obtained for £2.49 plus 50p p&p with a purchase of the November/December issues. (The range of Puzzler magazines are available through all good newsagents).



MORE ON OLD BRONCO

BRONCO Bills Circus had two well known elephants 'Salt' and 'Saucy' and when not touring, they were kept at their winter quarters in Wolverhampton, where they would practice their turns.

In 1931 the elephants did a 2,500 mile trek around Ireland beginning in Larne and ending at Trim in Co Meath. All this was accomplished on foot (except for a short rail journey between Cork and Mallow).

Our thanks to Ned Williams, for his research and fact finding. (sets only available - see price list).

The World Cup 1966 Set

IMAGINE the demand for this set if (if) we win the 1998 World Cup.

There's a new way to buy - with a standing order, or 10 equal post dated cheques for £7.52 each (we post out automatically each month).

SPECIALS

IF YOU have not previously had any of our special feature vehicles now's the time. All the following carry special additions to the vehicle -

Swansea Jack (084) features a booklet telling the story of Swansea Jack, a real wonder dog saving 7 lives. (Note: Booklet limited to stock availability)

Royal Bucks Laundry (086) has a colour photo postcard certificate showing the original company plaque and telling the story of this wonderful Buckinghamshire laundry.

Other New Releases

Bullnose

120G Cornwall Motor Museum
Edition 1200 Available 500

121 National Grid
Edition 1750 Available 850

122 GU Grants Farm
Edition 25,000 Available plenty
(USA Release)

123G Booker Sugar
Edition 4,000 Available 2,000

124G Scottish Heritage
Edition 10,000 Available plenty

Model T

059TGU Grants Farm
Edition 25,000 Available plenty
(USA release)

060TGU GEC Marconi
Edition 1,250 Available 500
(USA release)

Bus

B28 Manor House Hospital
Addition 5,300 Available 400



B29 Queen and Prince Philip 50 years
Edition 5000 Available 1400

WHAT A SUPER GIFT IDEA!

Something absolutely novel with exceptional quality. This superb display box comes complete at just £9.95 inclusive of postage and packing, and any vehicle will fit into the satin lined foam base. Production lead times are very tight, so we cannot guarantee delivery in time for Christmas, but for birthdays and fathers day, its an absolute must!



(Note: Vehicle not included)

WORLD WAR I

No 5 in the series of 6.

THE War has taken a definite turn for the better and the allies advance has been rapid. Victory is in sight!

Vehicles used throughout the war - the London Omnibus - the supply vehicles - and all the ambulances needed an ongoing rough and ready sort of maintenance and a fleet of open back vehicles were used to carry spares and of course the tools to make repairs.

They were known as Light Repair Cargo trucks - the US army were very familiar with this vehicle.

Light trucks of the US army in the First World War had payload ratings of



up to a ton. In 1917 the army standardised on 4 vehicle makes - Ford, Dodge, GMC and White for this class of truck, the greater number being half Ford

Model T's, 7205 of which were shipped overseas, mainly to France.

Many light vehicles remained in service throughout the 1920's when very few new vehicles were purchased for military use.

As a welcome to our US members this vehicle will feature left hand drive. The edition is just 2,600 pieces.

Our thanks to our historical advisor Brian Jewell for his considerable help.

Word Search

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Model A Ford, Outspan, The Titanic, P.G. Tips, Morris, Cool, Bristol, Rovers, City Link, Stanley, Skips, John West, Sun Blest, Car, Van, Bus, Budgens, Force, Bensons, Duerrs, Vimto, Hot, Pura, Kingsmill, Lagan, Milk, Jam, Oxo, Pratt, Trex, Skin.

CATALOGUE TABS AND INSERTS

EVERY member should have received the latest update pages for their catalogue running up to no 105 on the Bullnose, up to 044TG on the Model T, and up to B18 on the buses. The enclosed tab inserts will allow you to refer easily to the respective sections of the catalogue.

MEMBERS LETTERS

Dear ODC

We all have problems, I know, but of mine getting old, having 10 children, losing my hair, having false teeth, both hips replaced, being out of work with a very bad back IS NOTHING COMPARED TO not being able to obtain a 030G Golden Shred 1930 Bullnose.

Please please tell me that you know of one somewhere in that darkest corner, even in the sanctum (Governor's office drawer). Please end this trauma that is affecting my family life!!

My wife's gratitude will know no bounds! I will pay extra (never before heard passing my lips).

Thanks Geoff Fuller

PS I think you've got the drift!

Editors Note: The Governor locked his drawers double quick after reading your letter Geoff!

Dear Michael

I have 16 Model T Fords and also 7 buses. All are in mint condition, boxed and certified. I wish to sell at £3.50 each or £90 for all. These models will probably be of more use to a new member who wishes to build up a collection quickly.

R.P. McAllister

Telephone 01977 641593

Model T Fords - 04TG Pura, 05TG Tetra Pak, 06TG Dri-pak, 07TG Lagan, 09TG Kingsmill, 010TG Kingsmill, 011T Simpson Strong, 012TG Plasti-kote, 016TG WD40, 018T Rhys Coal, 019TG Co-op 99 Tea, 020T Woodgate Farm Dairy, 021T Co-op Pelaw, 022T, Co-op Coal, 024T Chivers, 025TG Duerrs Preserves.

Buses -B3 John West, B4 Kings Head, B5 Beaulieu, B7 Co-op, B8 Vimto, B9 Soda Crystal, B10 Outspan.

Notice - Mr G Clarke of 22 Oulton Road, Cheadle, Stoke on Trent, ST10 1DB, wishes to purchase some obsolete, 001G, 003, 008Y, 033, 046G and 052G. Can anybody help?

Dear Sir/Madam

Can any of your members help me. I need: 001G Chesham United, 003 Lo Salt, 008Y Trex, 046G Soda Crystal, 103GU AGH (USA), 033G Barnet United, to complete my collection. I have several duplicates that they may be interested in.

They are:

006 ODC, 011 Fotorama, 014 Outspan, 044TG Manor House, B21H International Medical, 046T Army Provision WW1.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Mr J J Whelan

Telephone: 01332 736064

Editors Note: I'm sure some of these are still available, give Mags or Fiona a call.

Dear Michael

Many thanks indeed for your quick reply and the replacement of B13 'Ole Bill' 2 days, that's what I call service. My collection is growing although my grandson is really the custodian. They look fine in his bedroom cabinet. I have passed the Nottingham bus on, the very next day of receiving it, to a niece in Nottingham. This morning a phone call told me she thinks it's wonderful. Again thank you.

R Ibbetson

*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.*

Dear Sir or Madam

I have just become a new member, is it possible for me to buy any of the previous years members Christmas models. If it is will you please write and let me know how much they are. Please find enclosed a s.a.e. Thank you for your attention to my letter. Hoping to hear from you soon.

T.A. Muncaster

Dear Mr Muncaster

Unfortunately, we only make one vehicle per member of the Christmas editions and after 3 months any balance bodies are destroyed. The best chance of getting any of the previous Christmas vehicles is via other members. Sorry we cannot help.

Michael

Editor: Can anyone help?