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FREE

Yours totally free when you renew your membership in 1998!

THIS beautiful calculator featuring the Oxford Die-Cast logo will be sent to you when your membership is renewed in 1998. If you are one of our 'standing order' members you will receive one automatically as your membership is renewed.

This superb limited edition calculator is owner friendly with easy to use functions. What a tremendous asset it will be in and around the house - or at the supermarket etc.

Membership cost is still just £6 for one whole year from when you renew, and remember the benefits:- A FREE CHRISTMAS VEHICLE
- one manufactured for every member
only - they cannot be purchased by
anyone. Their future value is
expected to exceed membership costs
alone, and in years to come we
envisage their value increasing many
times, as their rarity is always limited
to our membership.

As well as a superb annual gift you receive 4 copies of the Globe, regular catalogue updates and purchasing at 4 for 3 and 6 for 4 on all vehicles. Plus many 'members only' vehicles each year. Finally your calculator! All for just £6 (U.S. \$10.00) per year? YES!

Happy
Christmas
and New Year
from all at
Oxford
Die-Cast!

A word from Michael

Hello everyone,

Firstly an apology for the delay experienced over the sending out of the Chevrolet C001 truck. We have had great difficulty with the wheels mould and as a precaution have put wire type hubs on them for the launch vehicle. These were also authentic and fitted on certain models, so it doesn't lose any of its originality.

Our U.S. membership continues to expand and we invite new members in the U.S. to drop us a line, let's have your views! Do you like the Globe as it is - do you want any specific features? Naturally as our U.S. business grows it will become more multinational anyway.

The last of the World War I series is available today - and I'm sorry to those U.S. members endeavouring to get back editions. We are planning a World War II series though and you will be fully considered in that edition.

It seems the 'circus set' is also proving very desirable in the U.S. with continued sales of the edition. Remember it's restricted to just 5,250 sets.

Anybody wishing to purchase a set should get a move on as they are going fast.

Hi Mary - love to you from us all we're thinking of you right now!

I hope you like this year's Christmas 1997 vehicle, which makes 4 in all since we began.

1994 - Bullnose

1995 - Model T Van

1996 - Model T Truck

1997 - Bullnose

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We have selected the Bullnose again mainly because so few members got the 1994 release - due to the small membership. Also we have made some specially nice changes to it. I love it!

Don't forget to go to the shops especially Sainsburys for superb vehicles on selected breakfast cereals. Whilst you're in there look for the John West offer on pink salmon, the Soda Crystals truck, and the Walkers 'Nonsuch' Toffee Bullnose & Model T Van.

For those of you requiring the Waterford Crystal set
of 3 vehicles, they are available direct from Waterford
Crystal at £4.95 each
inclusive (U.S. \$10.00
inclusive of postage).
Telephone 00353 5173311
and give your credit card
number, or send a cheque
made payable to Waterford
Crystal and send to:
Waterford Crystal Visitors
Centre, Kibarry, Waterford,
Eire.

Let me wish you on behalf of us all here at ODC a very Happy Christmas - a healthy New Year - and our love to you all. Take care.

Michael Johnston - Thlan

Display Boxes

WE HAVE received some mixed comments regarding our display boxes.

We felt the current box was better than the original blue ones - but realise the difficulty of having to unwrap each model in order to display it.

We are introducing a new display box which gives all round vision to the vehicle - they are superb and we believe a first in the business.

These will be filtering through in or around February 1998.

New Releases

BULLNOSE 128GU Days Inn



The 'Days Inn' Hotel range sees its second collectable this year with the launch of a Bullnose to support and compliment the Model T Van launched last summer Edition 10,000 Available 2,000 (U.S. Release)

129G Saffron Walden Laundry

Celebrates 100 years of service with this delightful low edition Bullnose Edition 1500 Available 500

132G SEEBOARD

This Bullnose has been specially produced for SEEBOARD as an incentive gift to its customers and staff. It is one of very few vehicles featuring printing on the back doors.

Edition 1100 Available 400

131G Bolton Evening News



Introduced as a reader offer, this model Bullnose is available to readers and our members alike. It carries the logo of this long standing well known publication.

Edition 2500

Available 1000

BUS B32 Dublin Crystal

The second vehicle produced for Dublin Crystal. This delightful white Bus will be used world wide to promote their superb range of Crystal Ware.

Edition 5000 Available 2500

A CATCHY LITTLE QUARTET

OLD COMPANIES IN BUCKS



Model No. 133. Edition 2,500

Model No. 065T. Edition 2,500

'The Bucks Examiner'

Established 1889 and still printing! This Bullnose is typical of those used as delivery vans, and features the orginal telephone number and printers name. The Bucks Examiner will be featuring all four of these vehicles.

Chesham Dairies

Established 1942 and still going strong. This Model T Milk Churn truck carries the old Chesham Dairies logo style and telephone number.



Model No. 086. Edition 5,000 *These two vehicles are available in the



Model No. 074G. Edition 15,000

Royal Bucks Laundry*

Established c.1920 and long since gone! This laundry was founded in Chesham with a second laundry in High Wycombe. It features a Bullnose with the Dutch girl original logo and telephone number.

Chesham Building Society*

Established 1845 - the oldest Building Society in Great Britain. The vehicle carries their famous Shire Horse logo.

Start the day the Sainsburys way

Fruit Wheats, Mini Wheats, Whole Wheat Mini Flakes



£2.99 each inc. p+p, or all four for £9.99 inc. p+p.

Back with your vehicle/s you will receive a 25p money off product coupon.

This delightful set features a Bullnose, Model T open back Truck, Model T with Milk Churns, and a Bus.

The Sainsburys name is one synonymous with grocery - and along with names like 'Home and Colonial' was a founder of grocery traditions and service carried forward to their supermarkets of today. Most towns in the sixties had a Sainsburys store (not supermarket), which offered shopping with a true personal service. The store employees were dedicated and knowledgeable on their products, and each store had specialised counters for cheese, bacon, hams etc. - like Sainsburys of today. You can find this superb set of vehicles at most Sainsburys supermarkets in the breakfast cereal sections.

IN THE SHOPS

We make every effort to ensure the dates in this feature are accurate, but sometimes manufacturers may change their promotional activity for various reasons. In case of difficulty contact our customer services department on 01442 828422.

IN STORE NOW

Sainsburys - Fruit Wheats, Mini Wheats & Whole Wheat Mini Flakes, featuring the following:

1 Bullnose, 1 Model T Open Back Truck, 1 Model T Milk Churn Truck, 1 Bus - @ £2.99 inc. p+p each or all 4 vehicles for £9.99 inc. p+p. Back with the vehicles you will receive a 25p money off product coupon.

Puzzler Magazine - Bullnose @ £2.49 plus 50p p+p from Newsagents.

New Zealand Lamb -

Bullnose @ £1.99 plus 50p p+p. Available via a leaflet from the butchers (not supermarkets).



Budgens Supermarkets -(milk cartons), Bus @ £2.65 inc. p+p. Back with the vehicle you will receive a 25p money off



Walkers 'Nonsuch' Toffee - Bullnose & Model T Van @ £2.60 each inc. p+p. Available

product coupon.

each inc. p+p. Available in Sainsburys, Confectioners and Newsagents.

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





A SET OF SPORTING HEROES

THESE SUPERB 'Sporting Heroes' vehicles have all been set up in conjunction with the sporting personality they represent, and what a list it is too!

Geoff Boycott - Hailed as one of the greatest opening batsmen England has ever had. Geoff could be relied upon to stonewall the opposition and put England into a winning position before risking his wicket.

Nigel Winterburn - Undoubtedly one of the finest full backs of his generation - now his eleventh year in the Arsenal First Team. Nigel has represented his country several times and is currently a nominee for 'goal of the season'

Rob Andrew - Regarded by his team mates and opposition alike as a skilful and studious player, who was an always in the England squad and the British Lions until his retirement into professional coaching at the newly founded Newcastle

John Emburey - Hailed as the greatest leg spin bowler in England, John was the epitome of gentlemans cricket, but who possessed an aggressive streak when representing his country - John has written a book on the subject and is now a member of the England select committee.

Gordon Banks - Recently listed as one of the all time greats along with Pele, George Best and Bobby Charlton, Bank's speed and reflexes symbolised safety at the back - allowing his team mates to push forward in the knowledge there was none better at the back.

Ieuan Evans -When talking about great Welsh Rugby players, Barry John, Gareth Edwards and Ieuan Evans will always come up. One of the smartest and fastest wingers in Rugby. Ieuan has represented not only Wales but captained the British Lions on many occasions. Nick Popplewell - Irish international and British Lion captain brings a smile to the face as one thinks of his penetrating and damaging runs forward annihilating defences everywhere.

Gavin Hastings - Seen as one of the greatest full backs of all. His presence for Scotland or as Captain of the British Lions was enough to put fear into any forward line in the world.

This superb collection has two more vehicles to go before the series is closed. There will be no more 'Sporting Heroes' vehicles. Ten in all. This collection represents a shrewd investment for future generations. This range has a personal profile certificate for each vehicle, signed by the celebrity making each certificate a valuable document in its own right.

All are £5.95 each or you can buy 4 for 3 or 6 for 4, or even all 8 for the price of 6.

WORLD WAR I

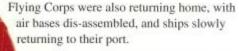
Nov. 11th 1918

LONDON WELCOMES OUR BOYS HOME

THE WAR comes to an end and the armistice is signed. Jubilation runs through the land as the news spreads. Although the Russian effort was still going on, the main European war had ended.

Troops started to come back to their homeland and welcoming home banners littered towns and villages alike. Sadly some of those

coming home were scarred for life, infected by the terrible gasses which had claimed many of their fellow soldiers. The Navy and Royal



Little did they know on those happy days just before Christmas 1918 - that only 20 years peace was available before the world's worst war would begin!

This beautiful General carries the Welcome Home message familiar on most London buses and is the last in the series. The total vehicles manufactured

for the World War I series was 2600 of each model making 15600 in all.

Our grateful thanks to Brian Jewell of 'Factfinders Research'.

MEMBERS LETTERS

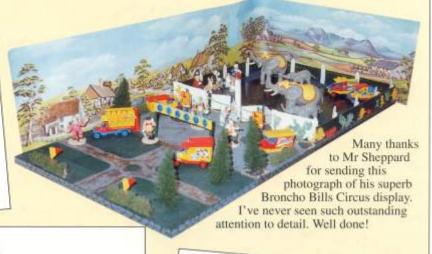
Dear Mags and Fiona

After reading Michael's letter regarding 'No' listed vehicles, I wonder if you can help me to find the following two models to complete my collection:-

008X Trex with Grey base; 103 A.G.H.

If you cannot help perhaps this letter could be printed in the Globe in the hope that another member may be able to help.

G Chambers Bruton, Somerset Can anyone help?



Dear Michael

I very much enjoy receiving the Globe and look forward to each issue. More so than that I enjoy receiving the models I order each time. I mainly collect the buses you produce and have all 28 plus the one in the Broncho Bill's Circus set. There have been times when I believe you have gone the extra mile to help my collection grow. I want you to know I appreciate it very much.

Paul Brunner Lynchburg USA

Thank you for your letter Paul - all the way from the US! There are more buses on the way (see new Michael releases article).

Dear Mrs. Toal

I am anxious to complete my Bullnose Collection. Can anyone supply me with the following models?

001G Chesham Utd

003 (black wheels) LoSalt 008X Trex (grey base)

008Y Trex (blue base)

Thank you for your assistance.

V Chapple

Cumhill Farm, Somerset BA4 4BG

Dear Michael

Thank you very much for the four Oxford Die-Cast Titanic vehicles received today. They will brighten the eyes of some of our younger relations.

Miss Helen Maxwell Dumfries

Glad you like them Helen - Michael

Dear Michael

I have just ordered a Chevrolet. It is nice to see a new model being launched. I hope many more will follow as I prefer collecting different models, rather than the same one in different liveries. However, I realise this might not always be economical - you finish them to such a high standard.

I also enclose the competition from last Globe. I am unable to see where the word 'SKIN' is made up. Is it an error or could it be 'STORK'? Or have I made a hash of it. Perhaps you could put me out of my misery.

Brian A Sheil N. Ireland

Firstly, you're right about it being expensive to launch a new model (around £50,000!), Secondly, I can't figure out the puzzle either! Perhaps the member who sent it in can come forward with the answer! Michael

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.