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The Daily Telegraph

'The Traditional Daily Paper'

Beautifully illustrated these five superb vehicles pay homage to the 'Daily Telegraph' over the last century.

Each vehicle commemorates various landmarks of history.

The Chevrolet pantechnicon covers the 1982 'Falklands War' with HMS Invincible leaving Portsmouth.

The Model A leads with the 1929 New York Wall Street Crash.

The Bullnose heads the 1939 outbreak of war and the invasion of Poland.

The Model T reports on the loss of the Titanic in 1912 whilst the band played on.

The Bus covers the Coronation in 1953 of Her Majesty the Queen.

This set is a must as it skips through memorable moments of the 20th century.



There are five vehicles in the collection and these can be purchased in part or in whole.

Really to be recommended and in our view a set worth keeping or indeed giving to friends or relatives - Christmas or birthdays.

Note: You can buy this set at 5 for 3 - in other words purchase three vehicles and get two **FREE!**

Berkhamsted-Atlanta



To celebrate the opening of two new offices in 1999 we are producing just 1000 of this double sided Bullnose. One side commemorates Berkhamsted. The other side commemorates Atlanta. This is one of only a handful of vehicles with double side

printing, which of course involves a lot of extra work and cost to produce as 2 printing plates are needed and single printing has to be applied.

The edition is purposely very small and available to U.S. and U.K. members alike.

STOP PRESS

There are 97 'Model A' launch models (A001G) available with gold bases - *be quick!*

RM11 - Dawsons no longer available

Platinum Members Message - you may purchase any vehicle in this edition of the Globe at 7-4 (no other vehicles may be included)

A word from *Michael*

My wife said to me a few days ago "I've made five phone calls to 'a certain company' to try and get an engineer out to look at our cooker, and still nobody has as promised come back to me."

I said, it would cause me great concern if we treated our customers like that.

O.D.C. members are the lifeline of our company, everything we do is centred around our club and our collectors, with every effort made to answer all correspondence as quickly as possible and to send out orders just as soon as our stock position allows.

Off the soap box - do you like the new Model A? It's certainly been well accepted, with orders for the launch model still pouring in as I write this article!

Look at the stunning vehicles on offer today. There's old Mr Rhys with his new Chevy, the model A dedicated to those yellow perils "Gold Flake", and what about Firestone - that's a bit different isn't it?

The Berkhamsted/Atlanta Bullnose is gorgeous and a bit low in edition I feel, but do get one if you can! Oh, and don't forget the superb set of Daily Telegraph vehicles - just stunning!

I love the Cumberland Pencil Bullnose with its striped side - a bit unusual this one.

Does the mini Classic set bring back memories?

The page full of 'Old Favourites' is just great, especially if you're a 'Platinum Member'!

If you're not - then join today and take advantage of the 7 - 4 offer for Platinum Members on all the vehicles in this brochure!!

Happy collecting to you all.

Take good care.



Michael Johnston-Allan

'Good Morning Campers'

The Butlins Collection, No 5 in our Mini Classics Series, sees three vehicles in old Butlins livery.

The bus destination board shows 'Skegness' home of Billy Butlins first holiday camp.

Billy Butlin arrived in Skegness in 1921, a poor but energetic travelling showman. He entertained the holiday makers with his hoop-la stalls.

By 1929 young Butlin had acquired some land on the south side of the pier and opened a large amusement park, and by 1935 had built his first Butlins holiday camp set between Skegness and Ingoldmells.

The camp was a runaway success and formed a new kind of holiday for all the family.

Many more holiday camps were to follow and several more by other companies.

But all were founded on the Butlins theme!

Butlins was the home of the Red Coat - plus many many catch phrases, and the breeding ground for countless entertainers.

The collection consists of the Butlins Coach 'Skegness' to meet and greet the new arrivals at the station, the Butlins catering van and 'Soft drinks for Butlins' lorry.

This set of three comes with its own garage and the edition is 2000 sets.



In the Shops UK

CURRENT

Country Garden Cakes - 1 x Bullnose (185G) with two tokens plus £2.60 inc. p&p.

Thorntons Chocolates - Purchase from Thorntons Shops a double pack of Thorntons Toffee, and included in the pack will be the Thornton Bullnose van - all for £4.99 (189G).

W.H.Smith - With any copy of the 'Die cast Collector' Magazine and attached to the front cover is a **FREE** W.H.Smiths AEC Bus (B56).

MARCH

Cains Brewery (Liverpool) - Canned Bitter and Mild. 1 x Chevrolet Dray (C034) - **FREE** with 4 product tokens plus 40p p&p, or 2 tokens and £1.95 inc. p&p.

Fray Bentos Tinned steak & kidney products - 1 x Bullnose (192) - 2 till receipts as proof of purchase plus £2.60 inc. p&p.

Nairobi Coffee & Tea - 1 x Bullnose (197G) - 2 tokens from packs plus £2.60 inc. p&p.

Catalogue Pages

To clear up any confusion the catalogue pages currently run up to the following model numbers. AEC Bus B52, Bullnose 171, Model T 098T, Chevrolet C018 and Routemaster RM6. New pages are currently being printed.

In store USA

CURRENT

Winn-Dixie 'Kountry Fresh' breakfast cereal - 1 x Chevrolet (C015U), 1 x Bullnose (166U), 1 x Model T (089TU), **FREE** against product purchases plus \$2.99 per vehicle s&h.

Georgia Farm Bureau - Chevrolet (C031U) trade only.

Tender Twist Bread (Kroger) - Model T van (115TU), Model T truck (116TU), **FREE** plus \$2.99 per vehicle s&h.

MARCH

Instant Rice (Kroger) - 1 x Chevrolet (C037), **FREE** with 1 proof of purchase plus \$2.99 per vehicle s&h.

Kroger Shredded Wheat - 1 x Model T van (102TGU), 1 x Model T truck (101TU), **FREE** against two product proofs of purchase plus \$2.99 per vehicle s&h.

Kroger Pickles - 1 x Chevrolet (C025U), **FREE** against 1 proof of purchase plus \$2.99 s&h.

Mac & Cheese (Kroger) - 1 x Model T truck (122TGU), **FREE** with 1 proof of purchase plus \$2.99 per vehicle s&h. (Released late March).

Family Favourites

All available at 4-3, or 6-4 (Platinum Members 7-4).

Bullnose

Ten each of these

- Ben Shaws (soft drinks) 055G
- Porkinsons (sausages) 056G
- Sunblest (bread) 049
- Sunblest (bread, 50th Anniversary) Van 050G
- Sellotape 105G
- Bensons No. 1 (crisps) 081
- Help the Aged 114
- Booker (food distributors) 123G
- Tesco 157G
- Scottish Heritage (Edinburgh Castle) 124G

Model T

(all vans unless stated otherwise)

- Pura (cooking lard) 04TG
- Budgens (milk churns) 05TG
- Days Inn 049TGU
- Grants (bread) 059TGU
- Purity Dairy (tanker) 086TU
- Sainsbury's Churns 063T
- Gold Kist (open truck) 088TGU
- Roses (marmalade) 106TG
- Kingsmill Bread 010TG
- Co-op Coal 022T

and five each of these

Chevrolet

- Bergen Evening Record (pantechnicon) C013U
- Radio Times (pantechnicon) C009
- Grants Farm (pantechnicon) C022U
- Fremilins (brewery dray) C005
- British Legion C032

Bus

- John West B3
- PG Tips B18
- Wallace Whisky B17
- Booths B23
- R.N.L.I B24



CUMBERLAND PENCIL

The Cumberland Pencil Co. has been making fine quality pencils on the same site in Keswick, in the heart of the English Lake District, for over 160 years.



It was in the nearby Scathwaite Valley, in Borrowdale that graphite was first discovered in the 16th century. Of course the centre lead of a pencil is graphite.

The old delivery vehicles like our Bullnose Model were used to deliver pencils around the local town of Keswick and surrounding areas.

Before this however, hand carts were loaded up and pushed round the town laden with pencils.

This delightful model has an edition of 5500 of which 350 only have been made available to the club by The Cumberland Pencil Co.

Firestone Tyres

This superb model manufactured for Firestone U.S. has a back full of tyres.

A beautiful vehicle with super livery and an edition of 10500 - but only 500 available for the club! It comes in its own special display box.



Rhys Coal

Here at last, the second Rhys Coal Truck.

The son of Mr E L Rhys still lives in Clydach (South Wales) and the story of his fathers' Chevrolet Truck brings back many memories for him. The family's new truck was loaned to an inexperienced driver who, in the dark, missed a Bailey Bridge and a nearby Stone Bridge and finished up by driving the truck into the river.

Although the truck could be repaired the engine was badly

damaged. Fortunately luck was at hand and a similar engine was taken from an old riverboat on a nearby river.

This truck is a must for all those who already own the 018T Model T Rhys Coal Truck.

Where do you get these tales from Taff?



Halifax R.M.

The hometown of Gracie Fields - Halifax is in the heart of Yorkshire lying on the eastern flanks of the Pennines and farthest west of a group of towns still referred to as the Heavy Woollen District.

Electric trams serviced these parts in the late 1800's and were replaced with buses during the decade 1929 - 1939.

On April 1st 1929 The Joint Omnibus Committee was formed by the Halifax Corporation, the LMSR and LNER.

An 'A' fleet worked routes within the county borough boundary whilst a 'B' fleet extended beyond.

Both fleets were in similar orange, cream and gold liveries.

A 'C' fleet also existed but was entirely railway owned and operated under Hobbler Motor Services Ltd.

This arrangement survived until 1968 when British Rail interest passed to the newly formed 'National Bus Company' subsidiary 'Amalgamated Passenger Transport Limited'.

In 1971 some Hobbler Services passed on to the Calderdale Joint Omnibus Committee. This fleet bore the Halifax colours but no coat of arms.

It, together with the Halifax Corporation vehicles, became part of West Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executives Fleet in April 1994. It's subsequent livery was green and cream.

This beautiful Routemaster adds a colourful bus to the discerning members collection.

The edition is just 2500 pieces.

Also our thanks to 'Taff' for his input, and to Mr Stephenson for his colour photograph and who will be receiving model No. 1 with our compliments.



Gold Flake

The fifth in our series of old smokes.

This time it's a lovely old classic, Gold Flake - manufactured by W.D. & H.O. Wills and winner of the Prize Medal in 1862. They were sold in 10s and 20s sleeves and in 50s round tins. Gold Flake - Honey Dew as they were branded was one of the most distinguished of cigarette brands and was in the higher priced bracket and naturally untipped. Edition 2000.



Back in Time



The first of a planned series of vehicles carrying logos of the past! Our first old'un is 'Tropics' - do you remember them? The Tropics brand was available in the 30s with the dates coming from Algeria, in North Africa. They went in bulk to France for packing and distribution.

It's a great pity those traditional oval wooden boxes are now no more! What a pleasure they were - always part of the Christmas tradition. Many of the early boxes which began back in the 1890's featured camels and palm trees! Edition 2500. *An absolute beauty this van!*

Nottingham City Transport

Nottingham - the home of Sherwood Forest - known throughout the world! In fact on the side of the hill on which Nottingham Castle rests, is the oldest pub in the UK, called 'Trip to Jerusalem'. Legend has it that the bandits (or merry men as we prefer to call them) used to escape from the Kings' men through the many tunnels which lead from it. Also, the pub houses a model galleon which is hundreds of years old, and has never been cleaned!

But onto our delightful AEC Bus which served Nottingham in the early 1900's and was probably a familiar sight around the many railway stations in the Nottingham area. Edition 1500.



TIT BITS

Swap Club - If any member wishes to sell or swap any vehicle please contact Alan Hammett, 33 Bretby Lane, Bretby, Burton-on-Trent, Staffs DE15 0QN. Alan will handle all enquiries and endeavour to match up wherever possible.

A new booklet style price list will be coming to you with your next order. Printed in two colours it highlights the 'very low' vehicles for quick reference.

The factory visit was again enjoyed by all with many new suggestions coming forth. O.D.C. apologies from Fiona (off sick), Mags (left to cover the extra work), and Michael who was in the U.S.A.

SPORTING HEROES

We have now completed the first edition of Sporting Heroes - 12 in all - with two knights of the realm amongst them.

All are peers of their sport.

Sir Stan the legend of 'The Matthews Final', the mother of all cup finals! (SH5)

Sir Henry - still recalled by Mohammed Ali as the man with the iron fist - 'enry's 'ammer! (SH11G).

Geoff Boycott - one of the best opening batsmen England has ever had (SH2G & SH4).

John Emburey - The finest of leg spinners to play for England and amongst the oldest to be capped (SH1G).

There are the four Rugby Internationals

Ieuen Evans Wales (SH8G)

Rob Andrew England (SH7G)

Nick Popplewell Ireland (SH10G)

Gavin Hastings Scotland (SH6G)

Nigel Winterburn - 12 years as part of the famous back four of Arsenal. (SH9G)

Bob Champion - The great steeplechase jockey and winner of many races. (SH12G)

You can own part or the complete set as follows - 4 for 3 or 6 for 4 (7 for 4 for Platinum members) or all 12 for the price of 8.

Secondly you can buy them in two ways

a) At £5.95 each (US \$12.95) with signed certificate

b) At £4.95 each (US \$9.95) with numbered, but unsigned certificate.

The choice is yours - but the set is a must!

Taff's Column

It was great for Dusty and I to see so many members at the factory for the visits in January - thanks for the many letters we received.

Dusty has spent over 50 years in the toy business - a lot more than myself! He started work in 1944 for the Mettoy Company as an apprentice tool and model maker. Having completed his training he was immediately made responsible for the development and production of what was at the time a revolutionary product - electric train sets carrying their own batteries.

He was then given the task of putting the first Corgi toys into production, which were developed in 1955 and first produced in 1956.

Who knows where Oxford Die-Cast will be in 40 years time!

You'll be pushing 100 Taff!