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The Bedford OB Coach chassis was introduced in 1939. It had a wheelbase of 14ft 6 inches and was designed to carry 26 to 29 passengers depending on the bodywork. It was fitted with a 27hp petrol engine and had a 4 speed gearbox with a fully floating rear axle. Only 73 were built prior to World War II, but it reappeared in an unchanged form at the end of the war. It continued production until 1950. Over 12,500 were produced making it one of the most popular buses of its type. This is released in British N Scale, the Routemaster appeared last month.



British Rail			NEW	
CODE NOB001	SCALE 1:148	EDITION -----	PRICE £3.95	



The Fordson Major were the last to bear the Fordson Brand Name, they were also the last tractors to be produced at Dagenham, a new purpose factory was built at Basildon for the replacement world-wide 1000 series which replaced the Fordson Major and Dexta in 1964. This is the second release in this series with green colouring.

Fordson Tractor Green			NEW	
CODE 76TRAC002	SCALE 1:76	EDITION -----	PRICE £2.95	

We also have stocks of the blue variant – 76TRAC001.

The Dewsbury Reporter is a local weekly publication, providing news for residents of Dewsbury, West Yorkshire and surrounding areas and is owned by Johnston Press Digital Publishing and has sister newspapers covering Mirfield, Wakefield, Batley and Birstall. It was founded in 1858, and celebrated its 150th birthday on March 7th 2008. The paper was Yorkshire Weekly Newspaper of the Year in 2003. This vehicle was released to



DEWSBURY REPORTER			NEW	
CODE SP005	SCALE 1:76	EDITION 2,000	PRICE £4.95	


commemorate the anniversary.



PRESTON OF POTTO				NEW
CODE DAF03CS	SCALE 1:76	EDITION 2,000	PRICE £17.95	

For over half a century Prestons have been setting exceptional standards and quality service. With an extensive fleet, large warehousing and a loyal workforce they have grown to become one of the most widely recognized family business in the British logistics industry. It is now headed by the third generation of the Prestons family, David. The company was formed at Potto in 1936 by Richard Preston Senior and operated successfully as an agricultural business until 1957 when a transport division was formed. In 1969 the company was handed over to Richard Junior and his wife Anne whose joint leadership took the company forward to its leading position today. The growth of the company in the 70`s mirrored Teesside`s expanding chemical and steel businesses. In the 80`s the company was one of the first privately owned to be accredited with BSI and is still praised for its continued high quality performance. It also changed its emphasis and became a large player in the food and drinks business.



JACK RICHARDS				NEW
CODE DAF04CS	SCALE 1:76	EDITION 2,000	PRICE £17.95	

The company was started at Haddenham, Cambridgeshire in May 1956 by Jack Richards, trading as J.W Richards with a five ton Bedford lorry which he bought for £150. The business became very successful after offering a nightly service from Cambridgeshire to the Nottingham wholesale fruit and vegetable market. Customers were soon added in the Mansfield area as were regular trips to Ripley and Derby markets. With the ever increasing demand for quality fresh produce the fleet grew rapidly and with it the numbers of staff. During the mid seventies the company earned the title of "Britain's number one spud specialist" with the capability of moving 1000 tons of potatoes a day. With the steady growth of the company and a developing customer base they moved into more general haulage. Curtainside trailers became more popular and because of the high quality of service the company became hauliers for many blue chip companies, with customers like Lever Bros and Kellogg's. Today the company has a very experienced and committed management team at both Fakenham and Northwich with plans for further expansion.

D.Di Mascios impressive fleet of ice cream vans worked the streets of Coventry and surrounding areas for more than half of the last century. Such was their influence a new word came into the local dialect; asking for a 'D. Di' can still be heard occasionally even today. The Di Maschio name is from Valvori, near Cassino in Italy. Their first premises were in King William Street around the 1930's, others opened later in Smithfield Street and Clay Lane. There are over 70 vehicles that are known to have been in the D.Di Mascio's fleet – the Anglia was the last. There is an excellent book on the subject written by Roger de Boer, Harvey Pitcher and Alan Wilkinson (ISBN 9780954398217).



Ford Anglia Di Mascios				NEW
CODE 76ANG039	SCALE 1:76	EDITION -----	PRICE £2.95	



TX4 TAXI SHANGHAI				NEW
CODE 76TX4002	SCALE 1:76	EDITION -----	PRICE £2.95	



DIAL A CAB				NEW
CODE 76TX4004	SCALE 1:76	EDITION -----	PRICE £2.95	



REAL RADIO				NEW
CODE 76TX4003	SCALE 1:76	EDITION -----	PRICE £2.95	

The TX4 taxi is the latest release of the London Taxi. With new legislation and better economy, it is slowly replacing many of the older FX4's and TX2's in London. With local councils adopting new policies, it is also becoming the taxi of choice throughout various towns and cities in the UK. Trials of the TX4 are also taking place in cities around the world, but wherever they go they are still known as the London Taxi. There are three releases here sporting several popular and authentic liveries. We are also looking forward to the Austin Lowloader taxi which is in tooling development.

A further release in the Bedford CA series, this time a bus carrying the British Rail livery. This is a new tooling with modifications to the Bedford CA casting. Next month we have a range of Mechanical horses and Scarabs, they will cover all eras of the railways with a combination of backs - and all at 1:76 scale.



Bedford CA Minibus British Rail				NEW
CODE 76CA018	SCALE 1:76	EDITION -----	PRICE £2.95	

These two liveries, first appeared a year ago and were part of the launch of our 1:76 car series. Since then we have kept our promises launching a wide variety of products covering so many different themes. We have been asked for these models to be released again so here they are. The pink Cresta is very popular with the ladies and I was recently told that many were purchased as wedding/valentine gifts.



VAUXHALL CRESTA PINK				
CODE 76CRE002	SCALE 1:76	EDITION -----	PRICE £2.95	

FORD ZEPHYR PALE GREEN				
CODE 76ZEP001	SCALE 1:76	EDITION -----	PRICE £2.95	





CH026 Chipperfield Paralanian £3.95



CH013 Advertising £5.95



CH014 Ralufs £5.95



CH017 Canadian Palominos £5.95



£5.95

CH018 Roman Chariots



£5.95

CH019 Booking Office



CH020 Mobile Shop £5.95



£2.95

CH021 Clown Morris Minor



Land Rover 88 inch				NEW
CODE CH024	SCALE 1:76	EDITION 2,500	PRICE 2.95	



£2.95

CH022 Performing Poodle Cortina



£2.95

CH023 Taxi

CHIPPERFIELDS CIRCUS

and MENAGERIE



Bedford CA Van				NEW
CODE CH027	SCALE 1:76	EDITION 2,500	PRICE 2.95	



Land Rover Speakers				NEW
CODE CH025	SCALE 1:76	EDITION 2,500	PRICE 2.95	

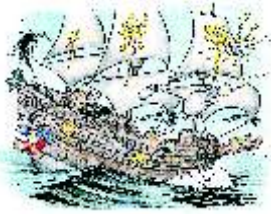


Land Rover Frame				NEW
CODE CH029	SCALE 1:76	EDITION 2,500	PRICE 3.95	



Land Rover Canvass				NEW
CODE CH028	SCALE 1:76	EDITION 2,500	PRICE 3.95	

SPECIAL OFFERS



I am sure many of you remember Taff's childrens books from a few years ago (written under his pen name William Smith). Typical of him he hid the name Taff three times in the pictures - you'd need a magnifying glass to

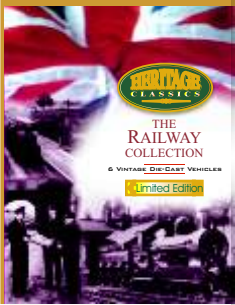
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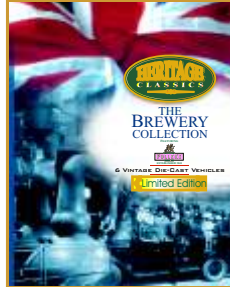
find them. For weeks after its launch we'd have phone calls from distressed members who could only find two and were hunting for the third. Whilst others wanted reassurance that they had indeed found the names and there weren't any hidden elsewhere.

BS002 CAPTAIN JACOB (8 INCH),
BENJAMIN PIRATE (4 INCH)
AND BOOK

The book is beautifully illustrated and in each picture has a hidden key. As a special Christmas offer you can get the book, Captain Jacob and a 4 inch pirate bear for just £11.95 - normal price is over £18.00 - not to be used in conjunction with any other offer. Great for the grandchildren as with the book and the bears you can look forward to some exciting



H002 RAILWAY COLLECTION



H003 BREWERY COLLECTION

These are two of the Heritage packs we released just over 4 years ago and each contains six vehicles. The models are stylised and include Bullnoses, Chevrolets, Model T's, Model A's, each model is around 2.5/3 inches long. They make ideal presents and we have around 100 left of each pack. We are selling what we have left at a special price of £14.95 (whilst stocks last). The first set, The Railway Collection, covers the various railway eras. The second set carries familiar names form the Fullers brewery range of ales.



£14.95

You can not use this offer in conjunction with any other multi-purchasing offer.

MORRIS MINOR TRAVELLER  76MMT002 TRAFALGAR BLUE	MORRIS MINOR TRAVELLER  76MMT003 MAROON	MORRIS MINOR CONVERTIBLE CLOSED  76MMC003 ALMOND GREEN/WHITE	FORD CORTINA MK I  76COR1003 GOODWOOD GREEN
CONVERTIBLE OPEN  76MMC002 BLACK OPEN TOP	MGB  76MGB001 TARTAN RED	JAGUAR E TYPE  76ETYP001 BRITISH RACING GREEN	FX4 TAXI  76FX4001 BLACK TAXI
JAGUAR XK120 BRONZE  76XK120001	ANGLIA VAN  76ANG0037 BRITISH RAIL	FORD CORTINA MK II  76COR2002 ANCHOR BLUE	FX4 TAXI  76FX4003 MAROON/BLACK
FORDSON BLUE  76TRAC001	JAGUAR E TYPE  76ETYP002 CARMEN RED	FORD CORTINA MK I  76COR1002 SUSSEX POLICE	FORD CORTINA MK II  76COR2003 RED

THIS PAGE ALL 1:76 SCALE ALL £2.95 EACH



MGB BRITISH RACING GREEN
76MGB003


Remember that all members can use these models in their multi-purchasing.

We had a delay with this item last month, so we airfreighted the product in - it was a little late - by now you should have received your model - if you haven't the please ring Geraldine or Sue.

TRIUMPH MAYFLOWER BLACK  76TM003	MORRIS OXFORD DARK GREEN/FLORIDA GREEN  76M0003	FORD POPULAR BLACK  76FP003	BLUE 109 INCH  76LAN109002
JOWETT JAVELIN MAROON  76JJ003	JAGUAR SERIES 7 BIRCH GREY  76JAG1002	MGA IRIS BLUE  76MGA002	WALLS ICE CREAM  76ANG003
MORRIS 8 IVORY/MAROON  76ME003	MGTC RED  76MGTC002	J2 Ambulance  76JM004	ROYAL MAIL  76MM015
STANDARD VANGUARD COMET BLUE  76SV003	JAGUAR SERIES II OLD ENGLISH WHITE  76JAG2002	88 inch Sand/Military  76LAN188002	POST OFFICE  76MM007




Stephen Sanderson

CODE	SCALE	EDITION	PRICE	
SCA06CS	1:76	2,000	£17.95	




A CAMPBELL

CODE	SCALE	EDITION	PRICE	
SCA02FR	1:76	2,000	£17.95	




James Irlam

CODE	SCALE	EDITION	PRICE	
DAF01CS	1:76	2,000	£17.95	



Stan Robinson

CODE	SCALE	EDITION	PRICE	
SCA04CS	1:76	2,000	£17.95	

BUY ONE GET ONE FREE

A round up of all the vehicles that have appeared in the Comic Cuts series. If you are looking to complete your collection - now is the time as for every one you buy ,you can get one free. You can't include this offer with the multi-purchasing offer. Two for £4.95



CC001 The Eagle

NO STOCK



CC002 Tiger

NO STOCK



CC003 Adventure

NO STOCK



CC004 Radio Fun

NO STOCK



CC005 Lion

NO STOCK



CC006 Swift

NO STOCK



CC007 Wizard

NO STOCK



CC008 Champion

NO STOCK



CC009 The Valiant

NO STOCK



CC010 Triumph

LOW STOCK



CC011 Boys Own

NO STOCK



CC012 Air Stories

VERY LOW STOCK



CC013 Knockout

VERY LOW STOCK



CC014 TV Comic

VERY LOW STOCK



CC015 The Rover

STOCK



CC016 Girl

STOCK



CC017 The Hotspur

NO STOCK



CC018 Victor

NO STOCK



CC019 The Beezer

STOCK



CC020 Film Fun

NO STOCK



CC021 The Robin

STOCK



CC022 Topper

LOW STOCK



CC023 The Skipper

STOCK



CC024 Roy Rogers

NO STOCK



CC025 Buster

LOW STOCK



CC026 Rainbow

STOCK



CC027 Bubbles

STOCK



CC028 The Magnet

STOCK



CC029 School Friend

STOCK



CC030 Chips



CC031 Dan dare



CC032 Tiny Tots

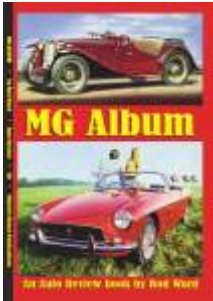


CC033 Girl's Own

The above models are a continuation of the models on special offer and are part of the Comic Cuts series

AUTO REVIEW BOOKS

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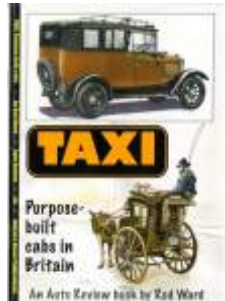
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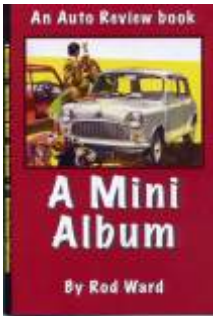
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AR36 - £5.95



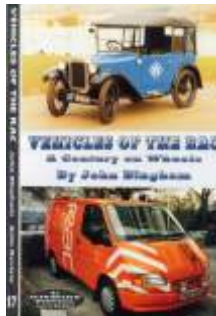
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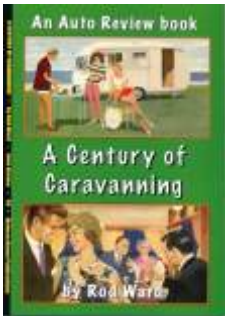
AR32 - £5.95



AR17 - £5.95

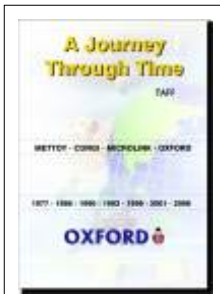


AR34 - £5.95



CODE:JOURNEY

A Journey Through Time



Many new members are interested in the emergence of Oxford, particularly in the last few years. This book was released in late 2006 and it gives a history of the company. How and why it developed and the thinking behind the companies releases. The book was sold out, but it was reprinted earlier this year. 100 pages of interesting reading. £7.95. I may update in the next few years ! **TAFF**



This is the RM106 London Sightseeing Tours Bus which has the Oxford wrap. A similar model has been sold with a Modelzone wrap - exclusive to their stores. Do not confuse this with the N gauge model that we released last month which was at a scale of 1:148



London Transport

NEW

CODE RM106	SCALE 1:76	EDITION -----	PRICE £5.95	
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A round up of all the vehicles that have appeared in the Corners Shop series. If you are looking to complete your collection - now is the time as for every one you buy, you can get one free. You can't include this offer with the multi-purchasing offer. Two for £4.95



CS001 Tropic

NO STOCK



CS002 Dip

NO STOCK



CS003 Lipton

NO STOCK



CS004 Home & Colonial

NO STOCK



CS005 Lyons

NO STOCK



CS006 Bristols Lanolin

NO STOCK



CS007 Harpic

NO STOCK



CS008 Co-op

NO STOCK



CS009 Coffee Milk Chocolate

NO STOCK



CS010 Sunlight Soap

NO STOCK



CS011 Bricks Fireworks

NO STOCK



CS012 Lion Fireworks

NO STOCK



CS013 ZAL

NO STOCK



CS014 Fairy Snow

NO STOCK



CS015 Melias

STOCK



CS016 Army & Navy

NO STOCK



CS017 Walls Ice Cream

NO STOCK



CS018 Welsh Brew

NO STOCK



CS019 Birds Custard

LOW STOCK



CS020 Swan Vesta

NO STOCK



CS021 Roses Lime Juice

LOW STOCK



CS022 Fyfes

STOCK



CS023 Brillo

STOCK



CS024 Sunlight Soap

NO STOCK



CS025 Co-op Milk

NO STOCK



CS026 Tate & Lyle

NO STOCK



CS027 Nuttalls Mintoes

NO STOCK



CS028 Co-op Cocoa

NO STOCK



CS029 Smiths & Crisps

NO STOCK



CS030 Zebra

STOCK



CS031 Robin Starch

STOCK



CS032 Kiwi Polish

NO STOCK



CS033 HP Sauce

STOCK



CS034 Tetley

STOCK



CS035 Bovril

STOCK



CS036 brasso

STOCK



CS037 Camp Coffee

STOCK



CS038 Murray Mints

STOCK



CS039 Cherry Blossom

STOCK



CS040 Rowntrees

STOCK



CS041 Glacier Mints

STOCK



CS042 Oxo

STOCK



CS043 Weetabix

STOCK



CS044 Puritan

STOCK



CS045 Marmite

STOCK



CS046 Campbells Soup

STOCK



CS048 Polo

STOCK



CS049 Colgate Soap

STOCK



CS050 Kodak

NO STOCK



CS051 Corona

STOCK



CS052 Green Shield Stamps

STOCK



CS053 Unigate

STOCK

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A Message from TAFF

We are well under way with our plans for 2009 with releases across all of our ranges, new castings, new tooling variations and lots of new liveries.

I manage to get out as much as possible, talking to wholesalers, retailers and collectors alike - I hear so many stories about our new products - many are just rumours, I wonder where these come from? We continue to offer products which are 'affordable collectables', but we are also attempting to increase the accuracy and quality of our products. We have to maintain a balance, with the new introductions - our offerings may not always suit all. In the UK much of the press is very supportive of what we are trying to achieve. It is however a little frustrating when we produce a model at £2.95 and it appears in a review compared with a model that is 15 to 20 times the cost! You don't compare a 1:18 scale Ferrari with a 1:76 scale Mini - they are different products, for different markets at different prices.

Outside of the UK much of the press is excited by our releases, we get some very balanced reviews - we provide increasing samples to magazines. I recently spent time talking to a Chinese collector whilst we were exhibiting at the Shanghai Toy Fair. He wrote for an Asian automotive magazine - we had sent him a Jowett Javelin, it was a new name to him. He spoke to me at length about the Series I Land Rover and his memories of riding in one with his father, I initially thought he had confused it with a Jeep. As he continued it was clear that he was talking about the Series I. He went on to describe the triple seats and many other details. He then talked about the history of the British car industry and its decline. His opinion was that the British people don't look towards the positive, but instead the negative. Instead of talking up the products and encouraging companies, we too easily create negativity and sow the seeds of destruction - he may be right. He compared the Chinese industry today with that of our own 50 years ago - lots of brands with plenty of mergers in prospect.

For some I think Oxford is misunderstood, but for our club members and collectors I think it is different. We are building a successful Global company, without the problems that come with shareholders demanding increasing returns on investment, or high levels of profitability. We will continue to do this by employing people we trust and people who care about diecast. We will continue to offer our members affordable collectables, choosing subjects that are interesting and investing in new tooling.

I welcome the letters I receive, but apologise for the time it takes to answer. I prefer to do it myself as I feel I am more able to answer the increasingly detailed questions asked - so if you write you will get an answer, it just may take time. Next month we see Jaguars, Daimlers, Mechanical Horses, Scarabs, TK Fire engines, low loaders and lots more. Also the chance to get your FREE Platinum members model.

This year has proved to be exciting and next year promises lots more tooling as we continue to offer affordable collectables. Don't forget this is a Platinum Globe - so it's 7 for 4 and the lowest priced items are the free models.

TAKE CARE AND MANY THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT

TAFF