

Passenger Train Services over Unusual Lines

Winter 1997-8

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Sunday 28 September 1997 to Saturday 23 May 1998 [Republic of Ireland: Monday 1 September 1997 to Saturday 30 May 1998]. Unless otherwise indicated, trains operated on Mondays to Saturdays only. SUN denotes Sunday trains.

Explanation of references: refer to the **Introduction**

This is a new edition which contains corrections and subsequent service amendments which were not published contemporaneously.

Semi-regular land cruises and excursions

Brief mention is made of these inclusive arrangements. Although days of operation are shown in some cases, these trains did not necessarily operate *every* week; operators: *Royal Scotsman* land cruises: The Great Scottish & Western Railway Co Ltd; *VSOE*: Venice Simplon-Orient-Express Tours Ltd. *VSOE* Cunard boat trains Victoria - Southampton Eastern Docks operated in conjunction with certain sailings only — for details refer to Cunard *QE2* Transatlantic Timetable.

General: *Regional Eurostar* trains, for which pathways appeared in this working timetable, never operated and are not shown below. During Spring 1998, the days of operation of *Royal Scotsman* land cruise varied from those shown.

SOUTH WEST ENGLAND

Coombe Jn (Coombe No. 1 ground frame) - Coombe [2] (140) PC

Trains booked to call at Coombe

[**note:** other trains reverse at Coombe No. 1 ground frame]

[Crediton -] site of Coleford Jn - Okehampton [3] PC

Summer service only

[**note:** track from Crediton to site of Coleford Jn is Railtrack (former L&SW down line), thence to Okehampton is owned by the Bardon Aggregates Division of Aggregate Industries plc.]

Bristol Dr Days Jn - Feeder Bridge Jn [28] (123/125/132/134) PC

0135 MSX Cardiff C - Paddington; 0727 SX Filton Abbey Wood - Southampton C; 1626 SX, 1835 SX Filton Abbey Wood - Bath Spa; 1655 SX Filton Abbey Wood - Westbury; 1736 SX Bristol Parkway - Bath Spa - Swindon; 0045 MSX Paddington - Cardiff C; 0718 SX Warminster - Filton Abbey Wood; 0912 SX, 1750 SX Bath Spa - Filton Abbey Wood

Royal Scotsman land cruise, northbound SO (ceased to use this route after Saturday 25 October 1997)

¶ ON SATURDAYS/SUNDAYS 17/18 JANUARY TO 21/22 FEBRUARY 1998:

Trains between Paddington and South Wales not booked to call at Bristol TM

Yeovil Pen Mill Jn - Yeovil Jn [8] (135) WG

¶ ON SATURDAY NIGHTS TO 8 NOVEMBER 1997 AND FROM 28 FEBRUARY TO 18 APRIL 1998:

2035 SO Paddington - Exeter StD

¶ ON SUNDAYS 1 MARCH TO 15 APRIL 1998:

0835 SUN, 1010 SUN Paddington - Penzance; 0802 SUN Exeter StD - Paddington;

0805 SUN, 0911 SUN Plymouth - Paddington; 1023 SUN Plymouth - Aberdeen;

0927 SUN Penzance - Paddington

Clink Road Jn - Blatchbridge Jn (via Frome avoiding line) [9] (135) PC

Trains between Reading and Taunton not booked to call at Frome, *except* trains booked to call at Bristol TM; *Night Riviera*

Heywood Road Jn - Fairwood Jn (via Westbury avoiding line) [9] (135) PC

Trains between Reading and Taunton not booked to call at Westbury, *except*: trains booked to call at Bristol TM or shown in next two entries; *Night Riviera*; D‡ 1915 SO Paddington - Plymouth (D‡ = 15 November to 10 January)

Westbury East Loop Jn - Hawkeridge Jn [9] (123/125/135/405/406) PC

Return VSOE excursion Bristol TM/Bath Spa - Victoria, WFO

¶ ON WEEKDAYS:

2350 SX Waterloo - Penzance; 2200 FSX, D‡ 2115 SUN Penzance - Waterloo (D‡ = to 19 April)

¶ ON SATURDAY 8 NOVEMBER TO 13 DECEMBER 1997:

0659 SO Manchester P - Waterloo; 1335 SO Cardiff C - Waterloo; 1218 SO, 1818 SO Waterloo - Cardiff C; 1418 SO Waterloo - Manchester P

¶ ON SATURDAYS/SUNDAYS 17/18 JANUARY TO 21/22 FEBRUARY 1998:

Trains between Bath Spa or Swindon (via Thingley Jn) and Reading; 2350 SUN Waterloo - Penzance; 2200 FO Penzance - Waterloo

Thingley Jn - Bradford Jn [9] (123/135) PB

1846 SX Swindon - Westbury; 0740 SX Frome - Cheltenham Spa

¶ ON SATURDAYS/SUNDAYS 17/18 JANUARY TO 21/22 FEBRUARY 1998:

0708 SO, 0847 SO, 1044 SO, 1255 SUN, 1450 SUN Swindon - Paddington; 0825

SO, 1606 SUN, 1858 SUN Cheltenham Spa - Paddington; 1630 SO, 1835 SO, 1130

SUN, 1730 SUN Paddington - Swindon; 1720 SO, 1530 SUN, 1920 SUN Paddington - Cheltenham Spa

¶ ON SATURDAYS 18 APRIL TO 16 MAY 1998:

Trains between Reading and Westbury; 0645 SO Plymouth - Paddington

¶ ON SUNDAYS FROM 26 APRIL 1998:

Trains between Reading and Westbury; trains between Bristol TM and Trowbridge; 1027 SUN, 1230 SUN Penzance - Paddington; 1510 SUN Portsmouth Hbr - Milford Haven

SOUTH EAST ENGLAND (SOUTH)

Mulberry Halt - Jetty Halt [Marchwood Military Railway] [9]

N 0745 SX, N 1335 SX Mulberry Halt - Jetty Halt (staff); N 1230 SX, N 1600 FO, N 1645 FSX Jetty Halt - Mulberry Halt (staff)

[**note:** Ministry of Defence site, not normally accessible to general public]

Northam Jn - Southampton Eastern Docks (Ocean Liner Terminal) [9] WG
VSOE Cunard boat trains Victoria - Southampton Eastern Docks
[**note:** for certain sailings only — refer to Cunard QE2 Transatlantic Timetable]

Portsmouth & Southsea Low Level - Blackfriars Jn [10] (157) WG
The majority of trains terminating or starting at Portsmouth & Southsea

Reading West Jn - Oxford Road Jn [35] (123) PA
¶ ON SUNDAYS FROM 26 APRIL 1998:
1330 SUN Cardiff C - Waterloo; 1818 SUN Waterloo - Carmarthen

Reading New Jn - Reading Spur Jn [35] (148) PA/WH
[**note:** not accessible by trains to/from Reading platforms 4A/4B]
From Reading to Guildford line: 0439, 0534 SO, 0539 SX, 0545/0550 SX, 0607 SO, 0619 SX, 0634 SO, 0638 SX, D 0702 SO, D 0800 SO, 1053 SO, 1333 SX, 1502 SX, 1800 SO, 1833 SX, 0735 SUN, 0812 SUN, 1928 SUN
Arrivals at Reading from Guildford line: 0003 MX, 0024 MO, 0033 MX, 0644 SX, D‡ 0843 SO, D 1036 SO, 1128 SO, 1627 SO, D□ 1643 SO, 1926 SX, 1954 SX, 2015 SX, 2101 SO, 2246 SO, 2247 SX, 0003 SUN, 0035 SUN, 0724 SUN, 1401 SUN, 1810 SUN, 2110 SUN, 2132 SUN, 2336 SUN (D‡ = until 28 March; D□ = from 4 April)

Addlestone Jn - Byfleet Jn [15] (149/155) WH
1042 SX Staines - Woking; 1448 SX Woking - Staines
VSOE Cunard boat trains Victoria - Southampton Eastern Docks

Strawberry Hill Jn - Fulwell Jn [16] (149/153) WH
1718 SX, 1748 SX, 1818 SX Waterloo - Shepperton; 0537 SX, 0655 SX, 0725 SX, 0755 SX Shepperton - Waterloo

New Kew Jn - South Acton Jn [20] LB/WH
VSOE excursion Victoria - Chesterfield (for Chatsworth)

Latchmere No 1 Jn - Nine Elms, West London Jn [21] (123/405/406) WB/WH
2200 SX, 2115 SUN Penzance - Waterloo; 2350 SX, 2350 SUN Waterloo - Penzance
¶ ON SATURDAYS 8 NOVEMBER TO 13 DECEMBER 1997:
0659 SO Manchester P - Waterloo; 1335 SO Cardiff C - Waterloo; 1218 SO, 1818 SO Waterloo - Cardiff C; 1418 SO Waterloo - Manchester P

Latchmere Jns - Clapham Jn [21] (51/63/66) WB
The normal routes for trains at the south end of the West London line are:

- table 51 trains between Reading and East Croydon: West London lines - Clapham Jn platforms 16 & 17
- table 63 trains from/to Willesden Jn High Level: Latchmere Reversible line - Clapham Jn platform 2
- table 66 trains: West London lines - Clapham Jn platforms 16 & 17

Latchmere No 1 Jn - Longhedge Jn [21] WB
Return VSOE excursion Bristol/Bath - Victoria, WFO

VSOE excursions Victoria - Leamington Spa / Stratford upon Avon

Clapham Jn, Ludgate Jn - Longhedge Jn [21] WB/WH

VSOE excursions Victoria - Chesterfield (for Chatsworth)

VSOE Cunard boat trains Victoria - Southampton Eastern Docks

Longhedge Jn - Pouparts Jn [21] WB

Regular services ceased 29 September 1997

Outward VSOE excursion Victoria - Hove, FO

Longhedge Jn - Factory Jn [21] (51/66/212, 353/354) WB

Summer only

Longhedge Jn - Stewarts Lane Jn - Grosvenor Bridge Jn (South-eastern side)

[21] (186) WB [common with next entry between Stewarts Lane Jn and Grosvenor Bridge Jn]

Regular advertised services ceased with effect from 29 September 1997

Return VSOE excursion Bristol/Bath - Victoria, WFO; VSOE excursions Victoria - Leamington Spa / Stratford upon Avon / Chesterfield (for Chatsworth) / Hove

VSOE Cunard boat trains Victoria - Southampton Eastern Docks

Factory Jn - Stewarts Lane Jn - Grosvenor Bridge Jn (South-eastern side) [21]

(195/196 / 197/99/200/212) WB

[common with previous entry between Stewarts Lane Jn and Grosvenor Bridge Jn]

D 1115 SUN Victoria - Folkestone Hbr (VSOE)

To Victoria:

from Ashford Int 0713 SX, 0746 SX, 1533 SX, 1633 SX; from Barnehurst 0824 SX; from Dartford 0639 SO/0909 SX and half-hourly (*except* 1509 SX) to 1639 SX/1739 SO, 0756 SX, 0844 SX, 1727 SX, 1809, 1839; from Dover P 0525 SO/0925 SX and hourly to 1525 SX/1825 SO, 0714 SX, 0902 SX, 1558 SX, 1722 SX, 1852/1853, 1952/1953, 2052 SX, 0725 SUN and hourly to 2123 SUN;

To Victoria: from Faversham 0545 SO, 0615 SUN, 0715 SUN; from Folkestone Hbr 1455 ThO (VSOE); from Orpington 0808 SX, 0743 SUN and hourly to 2143 SUN;

from Ramsgate 0552 SO/0952 SX and hourly to 1752, 1532 SX, 2210

VSOE excursion Victoria - Canterbury, TFO

Streatham North Jn - Streatham South Jn (via reversible fast spur) [17] (182)

WF

0733 SX, 0807 SO/0908 SX and hourly to 1507 SX/1807 SO Horsham - Victoria;

0629 SO, 0728 SO Dorking - Victoria

Brixton Jn - Canterbury Road Jn - Cambria Jn [21] (195/212/350/351/352) WB

Eurostar Sunday pathways *when run*: Waterloo Int departures: SUN: xx.10 and xx.14; Waterloo Int arrivals: SUN: xx.26, xx.30, xx.43; 0801 SUN Manchester P - Paris N

From Victoria: xx.11 and xx.41 weekdays and Sundays for those hours advertised to Ashford Int, Canterbury W, Dover P, Gillingham, Ramsgate or Sheerness (*but not* 1741 SX to Orpington); 0749 SX to Maidstone E; 0816 SX, 0902 SX, 1743 SX to Dartford

To Victoria: 1509 SX from Dartford; 2255 from Ramsgate

Tulse Hill Jn - Leigham Jn [17] (178) WF

1550 SX Streatham Hill - London Bridge; N 0536 SO Victoria - London Bridge (staff)

Norwood Jn - Norwood Fork Down Jns (via down slow line) [17] (178) WF

Most weekday down trains calling at both Norwood Jn and East Croydon, *except* any specifically mentioned in next entry as crossing to the down slow line at Norwood Fork

Norwood Fork Down Jns - Windmill Bridge Jn (via down slow line) [17]

(177/178/186) WF Most weekday down trains calling at both Norwood Jn and East Croydon, *plus* the following which cross from down fast to down slow line at Norwood Fork: 0612 SX Norwood Jn - East Grinstead; 1642 SX, 2218, 2318, 2353 SX Bedford - East Croydon; from Charing Cross: 0606 SX, 0636 SX, 1136 SX, 2006, 2036, 2106, 2136, 2206, 2236 SO, 2306; from London Bridge: SX: 0652, 0736, 0755, 0825, 0837, 0851, 0917, 1407, 1710, 1713, 1717, 1719, 1730, 1750, 1758, 1812, 1817, 1819, 1842, 1853; SO: 0648; from Luton: 0925 SUN and hourly to 1925 SUN, 1055 SUN and hourly to 1855 SUN

Cottage Jn - Norwood Fork Up Jn (via up slow line) [17] (178/184) WF

Most weekday up trains calling at both East Croydon and Norwood Jn. Also trains from the Oxted line to London Bridge.

Stoats Nest Jn - Earlswood (via Quarry line) [12] (186) WE

Most trains between London Victoria or East Croydon and Gatwick Airport not booked to call at Redhill *except* during the early morning

Newhaven Harbour Jn - Newhaven Harbour [Marine platform] [12] WE

N 1954 Brighton - Newhaven Hbr.

South Bermondsey Jn - Bricklayers Arms Jn (via spur or reversible line) [22]

(178A) WF From London Bridge: 0817 SX, 0837 SX, 0825 SO/0925 SX and half-hourly to 1625 SX/1925 SO, 1745 SX, 1758 SX, 1815 SX

N 0211 Purley - London Bridge (staff); 0604 SX Tattenham Corner - London Bridge; 0726 SX Guildford - London Bridge; up weekday trains booked to call at any station Sydenham - Brockley and *terminating* at London Bridge

From 24 November 1997 add: 0827 SX Tattenham Corner - London Bridge

Lewisham Jn - Tanners Hill Jn (via St John's reversible line) [22] (199/200) WC

To Charing Cross: 0652 SX Gravesend; 0651 SX Rochester; 0746 SX Barnehurst; 0737 SX, 0759 SX Strood; trains from Lewisham not booked to call at New Cross: between 0624 SX and 0929 SX, 0945 SX and hourly to 1545 SX, 1615 SX, 1915 SX, 0645 SO/1945 SX and half-hourly to 2245, N 0041 SO (staff)

From Charing Cross: SX: 1640, 1655, 1702, 1717, 1724, 1739, 1746, 1801, 1808, 1823

Parks Bridge Jn - Ladywell Jn (Ladywell Loop) [22] (203) WC

SX trains to and from the Catford Bridge line not booked to call at Lewisham

Chislehurst Jn - St Mary Cray Jn (via reversible Chatham loop) [18] (196/212)

WB Through SX trains between Cannon St and Chatham or beyond

Through weekday trains from Charing Cross to the Maidstone East line

St Mary Cray Jn - Chislehurst Jn (via up Chatham loop) [18] (196) WB

Through weekday trains from the Maidstone East line to Charing Cross

Bickley Jn - Petts Wood Jn (via fast Tonbridge loop) [18] (350/351/352) WB/WC

Eurostar trains between Waterloo Int and the continent, *except* the following pathways *when run*: Waterloo Int departures: SX: 0508, 0723, 0757, 0823, 0857, 1652, 1715, 1719; SO: 0508; SUN: xx.10, xx.14; Waterloo Int arrivals: SX: 0846, 0850, 0920; SUN: xx.26, xx.30; 1426 SX Birmingham NSt - Paris N; 0801 SUN Manchester P - Paris N; 1307 SUN Paris N - Glasgow C

Slade Green Jn - Perry Street Fork Jn [38] (200) WC

N 0415 Slade Green - Charing Cross (staff); 0757 SX Cannon St - Barnehurst; 0756 SX Barnehurst - Charing Cross; 1653 SX, 1738 SX, 1800 SX, 1821 SX Cannon St - Slade Green; 1655 SX, 1717 SX, 1739 SX Charing Cross - Slade Green

Sittingbourne Western Jn - Middle Jn [13] (212) WA

0502 SX Gillingham - Sheerness; 2105 SX Sheerness - Gillingham

Folkestone Harbour - Folkestone East [13] (301) WA

1440, 1440 SUN Folkestone Hbr - Charing Cross; D 1455 ThO (*VSOE*), D 1500 SUN (*VSOE*) Folkestone Hbr - Victoria; D 1115 ThO (*VSOE*), 0822 SUN, D 1115 SUN (*VSOE*) Victoria - Folkestone Hbr; 0855 SX, 0900 SO Charing Cross - Folkestone Hbr

[**note:** non-*VSOE* services are attached to regular trains to/from Ashford Int]

Minster: West Jn - Minster South Jn [14] (207) WA

SX trains between Minster and Sandwich

SOUTH EAST ENGLAND (NORTH)

Didcot West Curve Jn - Foxhall Jn [34] (51) PB

¶ ON SUNDAYS FROM 1 MARCH 1998:

0817 SUN Manchester P - Bristol TM; 0924 SUN Leeds - Plymouth; 0856 SUN Bristol TM - Newcastle; 1025 SUN Bristol TM - York; 1130 SUN Bristol TM - Newcastle

Didcot East Jn - Didcot North Jn (via avoiding line) [34] (116) PA

Trains between Reading and Oxford not booked to call at Didcot Parkway

Bedford South Jn - North Jn (via main line avoiding station) [43] (53) CJ

Trains between Luton and Leicester not booked to call at Bedford

Watford North Jn - Watford East Jn [*London Underground*] [23]

0530, 0600 Amersham - Watford; 0557 SX, 0634 SX, 0649 SX, 0659 SO Rickmansworth - Watford; 0633 SX Watford - Amersham

This line was also used by *Steam on the Met* shuttle services on the Saturday, Sunday and Monday of Spring Bank Holiday weekend (weekend of the last Monday in May).

Old Oak Common West - Northolt Jn [20] (115) PA/CG

1050 SX Paddington - Princes Risborough; 0951 SX High Wycombe - Paddington

¶ ON SUNDAYS 18 JANUARY TO 8 FEBRUARY 1998:

Trains between Paddington and West Ruislip (to 1730)

Acton Main Line (Acton East/Poplar Jn) - Acton Wells Jn - West London Jn (reversible line) - Mitre Bridge Jn [20] (51/123/405/406) LB

2200 SX, 2115 SUN Penzance - Waterloo; 2350 SX, 2350 SUN Waterloo - Penzance

Weekday table 51 trains between Reading and East Croydon

Return VSOE excursion Bristol/Bath - Victoria, WFO

VSOE excursion Victoria - Leamington Spa / Stratford upon Avon

¶ ON SATURDAYS 8 NOVEMBER TO 13 DECEMBER 1997:

0659 SO Manchester P - Waterloo; 1335 SO Cardiff C - Waterloo; 1218 SO, 1818 SO

Waterloo - Cardiff C; 1418 SO Waterloo - Manchester P

Acton Wells Jn - Dudding Hill Jn - Brent Curve Jn - Hendon - Silkstream Jn [20] LB/CJ

VSOE excursion Victoria - Chesterfield (for Chatsworth)

Willesden - Mitre Bridge Jn [20] (51/63/66) CB/LB

The normal routes for West London line trains north of Mitre Bridge Jn are:

- table 51 trains between Reading and East Croydon: South West lines - Acton Wells Jn
- table 63 trains: High Level lines - Willesden Jn High Level
- table 66 trains: Branch lines - Willesden, West London Jn

Willesden Jn New Station - Kensal Green Jn [20] (58) CB/LB

0620 Willesden Jn LL - North Woolwich; 2305, 2242 SUN North Woolwich - Willesden Jn LL

Langley Jn (up) - Langley South Jn (via up Hertford spur) [36] (24) YB

Up trains to the Hertford North line from points north of Stevenage

[**note:** trains starting at Stevenage normally use the down, reversible, spur]

¶ ON SUNDAYS TO 11 JANUARY 1998:

Up trains (unless booked to call at Welwyn Garden City) to 1530

Welwyn Garden City flyover [36] (24) YB

Most up local stopping trains, starting from Welwyn Garden City

Euston - Camden Washing Plant Jn (via down departure diveunder line) [21]

(65/66/400/401) CB [**note:** only accessible from platforms 1 to 11, but usually used from 1 to 3]

From Euston: SX: 0640, 0715 and half-hourly to 1945, then hourly to 2245, 0655, 0900, 0950, 1300, 1500, 1730, 1840, 1905, 2000, 2005; SO: 0735 and half-hourly to 1735, then hourly to 2135, 0645, 0700, 0850, 1050, 1150, 1250, 1450, 1750, 1840, 2005, 2300; SUN: 0745 and hourly to 1645, then half-hourly to 1945, 2145, 2245, 2345

Seven Sisters Jn - South Tottenham West Jn and South Tottenham East Jn - Tottenham South Jn [21] (25) LB

1107 SX Enfield Town - Stratford

Northumberland Park Staff Platform - Seven Sisters [London Underground] [26]

Some Victoria Line public services starting / terminating at Seven Sisters (at approx. 20 or 30 min intervals) work as unadvertised staff trains from / to Northumberland Park *except* during SX peak hours

[**note:** Northumberland Park Staff Platform is not accessible to the public]

Copper Mill Jn - former Chobham Farm Jn - Stratford [platform 11] [22] (25) LB

1107 SX Enfield Town - Stratford. Ceased with effect from 24 November 1997 §.

Copper Mill Jn - High Meads Jn - Channelsea Jns - Stratford Central West Jn - Stratford [platform 12] [22] (25) LB {new route from 24 November 1997 § }

1107 SX Enfield Town - Stratford

§ Although the 1107 SX Enfield Town - Stratford was formally diverted by working timetable supplement (in order to avoid conflict with a weekly freight train) from 24 November 1997, as shown above, for operational convenience it subsequently *on occasion* ran via Chobham Farm.

Forest Gate Jn - Woodgrange Park Jn and Barking Station Jn - Tilbury Line Jn West (via T&H Lines Flyover) [22] (1) LA/LC

SX evening and SUN LTS Rail trains between Barking and Liverpool Street

Ely North Jn - Ely West Jn (via west curve) [44] (18) LB/LE

1556 SUN Norwich - Manchester P

Stansted North Jn - East Jn (Cambridge chord) [36] (25) LB

1836 SX Birmingham NSt - Stansted Apt; 2226 SX Stansted Apt - Cambridge

Shenfield - Mountnessing Jn (via reversible Southend Loop) [36] (5) LA

[**note:** accessible from Shenfield platforms 4 and 5 only; other trains use Southend (main) line]

Most *weekday* up services from the Southend line if booked to call at Brentwood.

Down services to the Southend line *except* the following trains which use the Southend (main) line: SX: 0605, 0705, 0805, 0850, 1722, 1804, 1814 from Liverpool St; SUN (26 October to 30 November 1997): 0846 and hourly to 2346 from Harold Wood

Manningtree Jn: North Jn - East Jn [37] (11) LA

1048, 1045 SUN Harwich Int - Cambridge; 0816, 1704 SUN Cambridge - Harwich Int

WEST MIDLANDS

Bescot Jn - Bushbury Jn [47] (65/68) CC

[common with next entry between Bescot Jn and Portobello Jn]

¶ ON SATURDAY NIGHTS/SUNDAYS:

2030 SO Euston - Liverpool LSt then all trains between Euston and Stafford to 1400 SUN Euston -Manchester P / 1430 SUN Manchester P - Euston

¶ ON SUNDAY NIGHTS/MONDAY MORNINGS:

2205 SUN Euston - Manchester P; 2330 SUN Euston - Glasgow C; 2335 SUN Glasgow C - Euston

Bescot Jn - Wolverhampton Crane Street Jn [47] (68) CC

[common with previous entry between Bescot Jn and Portobello Jn]

1158 SX, 1721 SX, 1758 SO Birmingham NSt - Holyhead; 1906 SX, 1912 SO Birmingham NSt - Manchester P; 0143, 0415 SX, 0422 SO, 0640, 0837 SO, 1048 Holyhead - Birmingham NSt; 2025 SO, 2032 SX Shrewsbury - Birmingham NSt; 1948 Aberystwyth - Birmingham NSt

¶ ON SUNDAYS:

Trains between Birmingham NSt and Wolverhampton to 1500; also:

1505 SUN Poole - Manchester P; 1649 SUN Southampton - Manchester P; 1705 SUN Poole - Liverpool LSt

¶ ON MONDAY MORNINGS:

2245 SUN, 2345 SUN Euston - Wolverhampton

Soho South Jn - Perry Barr North Jn [48] (68/70) CB/CC

[common with next entry between Soho East Jn and Perry Barr West Jn]

From Birmingham NSt to Walsall or beyond: 0723, 0900 and hourly to 1800

From Rugeley Town or Walsall to Birmingham NSt: all trains booked non-stop from Tame Bridge Parkway (*except* 2350 Walsall)

¶ ON SUNDAYS TO 11 JANUARY 1998:

2300 SO, 0745 SUN and hourly to 1245 SUN Euston - Wolverhampton; 1342 SUN Birmingham NSt - Manchester P; 0712 SUN and hourly to 1412 SUN Wolverhampton - Euston

Soho South Jn - Perry Barr South Jn [48] CB/CC (68)

[common with previous entry between Soho East Jn and Perry Barr West Jn]

¶ ON MONDAY MORNINGS:

2245 SUN, 2345 SUN Euston - Wolverhampton

Birmingham Landor St Jn - Kings Norton Jn [41, 48] CC

[common with second next entry between St Andrews Jn and Kings Norton Jn]

Royal Scotsman land cruise, northbound SO

Ceased after 1997 season – last ran this route Saturday 25 October 1997

Birmingham Grand Jn - Small Heath South Jn [48] (71) CG

[common with next entry between Grand Jn and Bordesley Jn]

2228 SO Dorridge - Worcester SH; 1709 SUN, 1825 SUN Stratford upon Avon - Worcester SH; *Royal Scotsman* land cruise, southbound WO

Birmingham Grand Jn - Kings Norton Jn [41, 48] (51/56) CC

[common with previous entry between Grand Jn and Bordesley Jn and with previous but one entry between St Andrews Jn and Kings Norton Jn]

1217 SX, D 1217 SO, 1517 SUN Manchester P - Plymouth; 1730 Birmingham NSt - Hereford; 1915, 1940 SUN Birmingham NSt - Cardiff C; D 0917 SO Manchester P - Paignton; 1314 SUN Manchester P - Bristol TM; 0556, 1952 SX Worcester FSt - Birmingham NSt; D 1042 SO, 1044 SX Plymouth / D 1030 SO Paignton - Manchester P; 1455 SX, 1705 SUN Cardiff C - Nottingham; 1525 SX Penzance - Birmingham Int; 1147/1151 SUN Plymouth / 1258 SUN Exeter StD / 1421 SUN

Bristol TM - Manchester P; 1202/1210 SUN Penzance - Edinburgh; 1805 SX Cardiff C - Birmingham NSt; D 1345 SUN Bristol TM - Edinburgh (from 1 March)
From 19 January 1998 add 1625 SX Gt Malvern - Birmingham NSt

Lichfield Trent Valley High Level - Wichnor Jn [41, 42] (56) CC

¶ ON SUNDAYS FROM 18 JANUARY 1998:

Trains between Birmingham NSt and Burton on Trent until 1357 SUN Nottingham - Birmingham NSt / 1415 SUN Birmingham NSt - Nottingham

Aston South Jn - Stechford North Jn [48] (65) CC

¶ ON SATURDAY NIGHTS/SUNDAYS:

2030 SO Euston - Liverpool LSt then all trains between Euston and Stafford to 1400 SUN Euston - Manchester P / 1430 SUN Manchester P - Euston

¶ ON SUNDAY NIGHTS/MONDAY MORNINGS:

2205 SUN Euston - Manchester P; 2245 SUN, 2345 SUN Euston - Wolverhampton; 2330 SUN Euston - Glasgow C; 2335 SUN Glasgow C - Euston

Hatton West Jn - North Jn [42] (71) CG

0958 Stratford upon Avon - Great Malvern

Royal Scotsman land cruise, southbound WO (ceased to use this route after Wednesday 5 November 1997)

Kingsbury Jn - Whitacre Jn [42] (56) CC

0857 SX Nottingham - Birmingham NSt

EAST MIDLANDS

Tapton Jn - Woodhouse Jn [53, 56] YE

[common with next entry between Tapton Jn and Beighton Jn]

No service

Tapton Jn - Masborough Jn [53,56] YE

[common with previous entry between Tapton Jn and Beighton Jn]

Royal Scotsman land cruise, northbound SO

Ceased after 1997 season – last ran this route Saturday 25 October 1997

Trent East Jn - Trowell Jn [53] (53) CJ

[common with next entry north of Toton Jn]

1740 SUN St Pancras - Leeds; 1524 SUN Leeds - St Pancras; 2200 SO Sheffield - Derby

VSOE excursion Victoria - Chesterfield (for Chatsworth)

¶ ON SATURDAY NIGHTS/SUNDAYS UNTIL 10/11 JANUARY 1998:

Trains between Derby/Leicester and Chesterfield until 1330 SUN

Attenborough Jn - Trowell Jn [53] (53) CJ

[common with previous entry north of Toton Jn]

1152 SUN Norwich - Liverpool LSt

Thrumpton West Jn – Retford West Jn (high level platform 2) [54] (30) YE

Trains to/from Sheffield starting/terminating at Retford *except* 1436 SX Wakefield K - Retford; 1716 Sheffield - Retford; 1655 SX, 1818 Retford - Sheffield, which use low level platforms

Trent Junctions - Wrawby Jn [54, 63] (30) YE

SO trains between Retford and Barnetby

Barkston East Jn - Allington Jn [54] (27) CJ

Trains between Nottingham and Sleaford/Boston not booked to call at Grantham

NORTH WEST

Bare Lane Jn - Hest Bank Jn [60] (83/98) CE

2323 SX, 2330 SO Morecambe - Barrow in Furness

Farington Jn - Lostock Hall Jn [60] CE

Royal Scotsman land cruise, southbound TO

Ceased after 1997 season – last used this route Tuesday 4 November 1997

Frodsham Jn - Halton Jn [51] (90) CE

Summer service only

Golborne Jn - Newton le Willows Jn [51, 60] (65/91) CE

[common with next entry between Golborne Jn and Lowton Jn]

0720 Wigan NW - Liverpool LSt

Golborne Jn - Parkside Jn [51, 60] (82) CE

[common with previous entry between Golborne Jn and Lowton Jn]

¶ ON SUNDAYS 18 JANUARY TO 29 MARCH 1998:

1438 SUN Manchester Apt - Edinburgh

Warrington Bank Quay - Walton Old Jn - Acton Grange Jn [51] (90) CE

0821, 1217, 1817 Manchester P - Llandudno; D 1730 SUN Manchester P - Bangor;

0757, 0957, 1057, 1258, 1357, 1557, 1802 SO Liverpool L St - Chester; 1458

Liverpool LSt - Ellesmere Port; 0534 SX, 1747 SX, 1917, 2017, D 2254 SO, 2335

SX, D 1441 SUN, D 2128 SUN Manchester P - Chester; 0822 Ellesmere Port -

Liverpool L St; 0755 Holyhead - Manchester P; 0743, 1041, 1242, 1545 Llandudno -

Manchester P; 0923 Chester - Liverpool LSt; D 2259 Chester - Manchester P

Clitheroe - Hellifield Jn [61] (36/94) CE

D 0839 SUN Blackpool N - Carlisle; D 1718 SUN Carlisle - Blackpool N

Royal Scotsman land cruise, southbound TO (ceased to use this route after Tuesday 4 November 1997)

Heald Green North Jn - Heald Green South Jn [52] (86) CE

1733 SX Manchester P - Cardiff C; 0658 SX Birmingham NSt - Manchester P; 0945

SX Cardiff C - Manchester P

Manchester Victoria East Jn - Cheetham Hill Jn - Thorpes Bridge Jn [58] (95)

CE

¶ No booked normal service. During re-signalling work in the Manchester Victoria area in 1997/8, this route was used for diversions

Heaton Norris Jn - Guide Bridge Station Jn [58] (85) CE

1502 FO Stockport - Stalybridge

Dinting West Jn - Dinting East Jn [52] (84) CE

N 0520 Manchester P - Hadfield; 2320 Manchester P - Glossop; N 0355 MX, N 0429, N 0455 SX Hadfield - Manchester P. *From 29 September 1997* gained a more regular service — from 0700 to 1915 all trains (instead of peak hours only) worked round the triangle (clockwise in the morning, anti-clockwise in the afternoon)

YORKSHIRE & HUMBERSIDE

Sowerby Bridge, Milner Royd Jn - Heaton Lodge East Jn [61, 62] (39) YG

¶ ON SUNDAYS TO 11 JANUARY 1998:

Trains between Manchester and Leeds booked to call at Mirfield

Holmes Jn - Rotherham Masborough - Aldwarke North Jn [56] (29/31) YE

Trains between Sheffield and Doncaster or Leeds not booked to call at Rotherham Central or Barnsley

Tapton Jn - Woodhouse Jn / Masborough Jn - *see East Midlands section*

Milford Jn - Castleford [62] (40) YE

¶ ON WEEKDAY MORNINGS:

2328 SX, 2305 SUN Manchester Apt - York

From 18 January 1998 add 0500 York - Manchester Apt; 2328 SUN Manchester Apt - York

Gascoigne Wood - Sherburn Jn [62] (39B) YG

Weekday trains between York and Selby booked to call at Sherburn in Elmet

Hambleton North Jn - East Jn [62] (39B) YG

Trains between York and Selby not booked to call at Sherburn in Elmet

Temple Hirst Jn - Selby South Jn [62] (29) YA

Weekday trains between Doncaster and Selby

Doncaster Black Carr Jn - Bessacarr Jn (via up Lincoln / down loco line) [64]

(19) YE *{new route from 4 October 1997}*

[**note:** accessible only by up trains from Doncaster platforms 1, 2 or 3; other up, and all down, trains use Lincoln Flyover line]

1302 SO Doncaster - Lincoln C; 1510 SO Doncaster - Peterborough; 1850 SO Doncaster - Sleaford

NORTH EAST

Gosforth East Jn - Regent Centre East Jn [Tyne & Wear Metro] [75]

0536 Tynemouth - Newcastle Airport

Ceased with effect from Monday 29 December 1997 - last ran 24 December 1997

King Edward Bridge South Jn - Gateshead High Level Bridge Jn [75] (26/48)

YA/YD

[common with next entry between King Edward Bridge East Jn and Greensfield Jn]

1515 SO Carlisle - Newcastle; 0953 SO Hexham - Newcastle; 1354, 1552 SX

Metrocentre (Gateshead) - Saltburn; 0823. D 1210 SUN Saltburn - Metrocentre

(Gateshead); D 1554 SUN, D 1802 SUN Metrocentre (Gateshead) - Middlesbrough;

1330 SO, 1903 Saltburn - Newcastle; 0840/58 SUN Derby - Newcastle

From 6 October 1997 add 0622 SX Hexham - Sunderland

[**note:** all these trains use this route *inward* bound to Newcastle]

King Edward Bridge North Jn - Gateshead Park Lane Jn [75] (43) YD

[common with previous entry between King Edward Bridge East Jn and Greensfield Jn]

1630 SX, 2040 SX, 2200 SX, 2240, 2330 Newcastle - Sunderland; 1000 SX

Newcastle - Middlesbrough; 0715 SX, 2100 SX, 2200, 2240 Sunderland - Newcastle;

0705 SO, 1233 Middlesbrough - Newcastle; 1040 SX, 1240 SX, 1440, D1 0825 SUN,

D1 1055 SUN Sunderland - Liverpool LSt; 1915 SO Sunderland - Leeds (D1 = to 11

January only)

Darlington South Jn - North Jn (via main line avoiding station) [68] (26) YA

Trains between York and Newcastle not booked to call at Darlington

Stockton Hartburn Jn - Stockton Cut Jn [68] (43) YD

1503 SUN, 1630 SUN Hartlepool - Darlington; 1420 SUN, 1544 SUN Darlington - Hartlepool

SCOTLAND

Maryhill - Knightswood North Jn [81] (227/404) GC

Trains between Edinburgh or Glasgow Q St and the West Highland line

Royal Scotsman land cruise, out MO or WO, return TO or ThO

Cowlairs North Jn - Cowlairs East Jn [82] (227/404) GC

1950 SX, 1905 SUN Ft William - Euston

Royal Scotsman land cruise, out MO or WO, return TO or ThO

Sighthill West Jn - Cowlairs West Jn [82] (227/404) GC

2130 SX, 2110 SUN Euston (0505 Edinburgh) - Ft William

Cumbernauld - Greenhill Lower Jn [78] (231/404) GC

2130 SX, 2110 SUN Euston (0505 Edinburgh) - Ft William

2002 Inverness - Glasgow QSt

Mossend East Jn - South Jn [78] (26/225) GA

1714 Edinburgh - Motherwell

Law Jn - Shieldmuir Jn [78] (26/65) GA

Trains between Motherwell and Carstairs not booked to call intermediately

Inverness Rose Street Jn - Welsh's Bridge Jn [88] (239/240) GC
1145 Kyle of Lochalsh - Inverness; 1522 # Aberdeen - Kyle of Lochalsh
= uses this route inward bound to Inverness
Royal Scotsman land cruise, out MO or SO, return TO or SUN

Aviemore [Railtrack] - Aviemore Strathspey [84] GC
Royal Scotsman land cruise, TO or SUN
[**note:** returns as empty stock movement next day]

Dalmeny Jn - Winchburgh Jn [78, 79] (228/242) GC
0645 SX Kirkcaldy - Glasgow QSt; 1712 SX Glasgow QSt (1744 SX Falkirk High) -
Kirkcaldy

Thornton North Jn - Thornton West Jn [85] (229/242) GC
0614 SX Perth - Edinburgh; 1727 SX Edinburgh - Perth
¶ ON SUNDAYS UNTIL 16 NOVEMBER 1997:
Trains between Inverkeithing and Dundee/Perth

WALES

Carmarthen Jn - Carmarthen Bridge Jn [30] (128) PB
D 0900 SO, D 0928 SX Paddington - Fishguard Hbr; D 0615 SO Bristol TM -
Pembroke Dock; 0150, D 1350 SX, D 1355 SO Fishguard Hbr - Paddington; D 0150
SUN Fishguard Hbr - Swansea

Landore Jn - Swansea Loop West Jn [31] (128) PB
D 0928 SX Paddington - Fishguard Hbr; D 1350 SX Fishguard Hbr - Paddington

Barry Jn - Bridgend, Barry Jn [7, 27, 31] (128) PB
¶ ON SATURDAYS/SUNDAYS 28 FEBRUARY/1 MARCH TO 18/19 APRIL 1998:
Trains between Cardiff C and Bridgend between 2115 SO and 1530 SUN

Leckwith Loop North Jn - Leckwith Loop South Jn (Leckwith Loop) [27] (128)
PG
1720 SX Bristol TM - Maesteg; 1515 SO, 1815 SX Maesteg - Cardiff C

Wrexham General Platform 3 - Wrexham Exchange Jn (via loop) [51] (101) CE
0636, 1401 SUN Wrexham G - Bidston; 2222, 2001 SUN Bidston - Wrexham G

Maindee North Jn - Maindee East Jn [32] (131) PB {*new route from 4 October 1997*}
1418 SO Waterloo - Manchester P; 1325 SUN Penzance - Manchester P
¶ ON SATURDAYS 17 JANUARY TO 21 FEBRUARY 1998:
0933 SO Manchester P - Penzance
Ceased with effect from 24 May 1998 (but restored from 26 September 1999)

IRELAND

Limerick Jn.: Kyle crossing points - Milltown crossing points (via Limerick Jn Loop [avoiding line]) [90]
Non-stop trains between Thurles (or north thereof) and Limerick

Limerick Jn.: Keane's points - reversing siding - Waterford bay (platform no. 4)
[90]

1555 Limerick - Rosslare Europort

Kilkenny: Lavistown North Jn — South Jn: [94] *{new route from 22 November 1997}*

Although this curve, avoiding reversal at Kilkenny, has no regular passenger service, it was used on four Saturdays (22 November - 13 December) for advertised shopping excursions from Waterford to Heuston.

Dublin Islandbridge Jn - Glasnevin Jn [96]

ND♥ 1405 MO Ballina - Dublin Pearse

ND♥ = relief train, normally scheduled on those Irish public holiday Mondays which are followed by a normal working day - enquire locally

Ceased after last running on Monday 1 June 1998

Dublin Connolly - Newcomen Jn - Glasnevin Jn [96]

[**note:** accessible only from platform 7 at Connolly]

No booked service. The opening of Drumcondra station on 2 March 1998 required all Maynooth local trains (apart from 0555 SX from Connolly) to run via North Strand Jn so this route did not appear hereafter

NORTHERN IRELAND

Belfast City Jn - Central Jn [101] (1, 4)

Trains between (Belfast) Botanic and Lisburn, or beyond, not booked to call at (Belfast) Great Victoria Street

Whitehead – Whitehead Excursion Platform (RPSI) [102]

RPSI excursions (including *Portrush Flyer* summer excursions) to/from Whitehead
