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# Sophie & Edward Saturday 19 June 1999

To commemorate the wedding of HRH Prince Edward and Sophie Rhys Jones the 'Daily Express' commissioned this superb collection of four 'Royal Occasion' vehicles - featuring 'Her Majesty the Queen and Prince Philip's 50th Wedding Anniversary' bus in Royal maroon (B51) - Prince

Charles 50th birthday in Royal maroon (178) - "Sophie and Edward' model T (108T) and the 'Royal Wedding News van' - highlighted on the Chevrolet truck (C024). This delightful set of 4 vehicles makes an ideal gift as well as a must for O.D.C. and Royal collectors alike.

## **Imperial Ale**



Brewed and bottled in the land of the Maori - and aimed at the settlers - mostly British in the 1930s. New Zealand Brewery's is an old established brewery and as far as we are aware still producing fine beers.

#### Routemaster 'London Country'

This latest Routemaster was operated by 'London Country', the country division of 'London Transport'. In every way its green livery was significant and it served the outlying London suburbs - Windsor - High Wycombe - Chesham - Amersham etc. with garages in High Wycombe - Amersham - Windsor to name but a few.

Our 'members only' RM shows the 405 route West Croydon – this vehicle could be seen in the mid 60's operating from Crawley bus station.



## **Celtic Manor Hotel**



The wonderful Celtic Manor Hotel, opened in July this year, is situated at Coldra Woods, Newport and is the largest hotel in all of Wales.

It can clearly be seen on the M4 South roughly 2 miles from the Newport exit.

By the way it's pronounced 'Keltic' as of olde 'Celts'. There are four models in the range - Model T 099T, AEC Bus (featured) B47, Chevrolet C019, and Bullnose 173G.

## A word from Michael

Dear Members

I hope your all enjoying our last summer this millennium. I've just returned from 2 weeks in Spain where unfortunately the villa I rented was burgled the first night - so be careful and lock your valuables away!

The new cigarette series seems to be well accepted with lots of brands forwarded as suggestions, which we always appreciate.

I've been asked to explain how our certificates are distributed to vehicles - as one of our members had a number suggesting the edition was near its end ie 999 from a 1000 edition, yet the price list showed as 'O.K.' Well, what we do is simply put all the certificates into a box where they're mixed and given to packers for inserting with the models. This avoids us having to try and pack in numerical order and also makes it fair to our members. Usually the first 10 - 12 certificates go to the client company. Hope that's clear,

One vehicle you must get is the Brazil's Model T Van - it's going to be a corker! If you can get to the show - see opposite Telford Show - you'll also be able to purchase the special edition model. Any members who can make it - Taff will be there (only talk to him if you're in the mood to be baffled with science). Hopefully, Dusty from the factory will be there too, one of our lovely girls from customer service, the gaffer and Me - Yes Me! You might know he'd let me go - it's a Sunday!

The new warehouse and offices in the U.S. are now operational - and the new head office in Berkhamsted will be in use around the beginning of October - they're working on it right now. Space wise, we'll have around 2500 square feet in the U.S., and around 1200 in the U.K.

Not too big - just nice! And it goes without saying if you want to call into any of our outlets - that's Atlanta, Berkhamsted, or South Wales just give us a call to arrange it.

The two Express promotions have been phenomenal with a lot of new and very welcome members coming from them. Also look out for the big marmalade offer due to break any time.

Finally, there's some lovely new catalogue pages for you (at last).

Hope to speak to you end of October. You all take good care



### **New Releases**

Model T	Edition	Model
Guldens Mustard tanker (U.S.A.)	2500	104TU
Bullnose		
Lancashire Evening Post	2500	182G
Hobson & Sons	2500	179
Magnolia Park Golf Club	1800	175
Bus AEC Lancashire Evening Post	2500	B54

#### TREASURE TROVE!

The stock take as usual reveals a few old ones which are now available.

008	Trex	78
012G	Macaroni	29
057G	Chartridge Golf Club	66
058	Nottingham Council	58
090G	Manor House	14
B13	O'le Bill	36
02TG	Wycombe Wanderers F.C.	32
024T	Chivers	12
046T	Army Provisions	120
056T	Siebe Auto	46
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### **MILITARY** CHEVROLET

This vehicle was typical of those used as back up units in the D Day landings.

Whilst most prolific were the big 'Macks' and Jeeps along with the armoured units - the back up reserve was coordinated with a range of vehicles, such as the Chevrolet.

An operation such as the D Day landings needed much preparation for the attack - timing of launching of troop carriers - landing of troops and heavy artillery - tanks etc. followed by munition vehicles, Jeeps etc. Backing these or maybe just serving the forces in the U.K., another division with vehicles such as our featured model.

Our Chevrolet has an edition of 2000 pieces.



## **TELFORD** SHOW

'DieCast Collector Magazine' is holding its first exhibition at 'Telford' International Centre' on Sunday 31st October from 10am till 5pm. Admission is free to O.D.C. members you just need to complete and forward the enclosed leaflet.

O.D.C. will be featuring the actual Brazil's vehicle pictured on page 4 of this issue of Globe along with a special show model of the vehicle. We are manufacturing 2 versions of the Brazil's vehicle, one with back door printing as per photo on page 4 of which 1500 are to be produced.

But the second is for the show only and will carry the following message on the back doors - 'SHOW MODEL - 1 OF 500' DIECAST COLLECTOR SHOW, TELFORD 31 OCT 1999'.

Any residue from the show models will be offered in the December issue of Globe.



John Players - 'Mayers Mease' the cigarette pack that was one of the most colourful of them all!

Featuring the sailor complete with beard and the beautiful background of sea and sunsets.

They were available in 10s and 20s and featured the Nottingham factory on the pack rear.

Non tipped of course, it competed with 'Senior Service' another navy themed cigarette and one that will feature later in this series. The edition is small - just 2000 vehicles available.

In our opinion a highly collectable











## **OPEN ALL HOURS**

"Come and have a drink at the Red Lion (067G). What would you like?"

"A pint of cider for me, a mineral water for the missus and a couple of bags of crisps for the kids please landlord!"

"Certainly, how about a mouthwatering glass of Bulmers Cider (062G) a refreshing glass of Ben Shaws mineral water (055) and two bags of lovely Bensons Crisps (081 and 082). Anything else sir?"

"Yes please, for my friends here, three glasses of whisky and coke and a glass of Vimto."

"Certainly, here's a gorgeous malt from a small Scottish island distillers called Wallace (102G) and a couple from Ireland, silky smooth Tullamore Dew (117G and B35). The coke is from Aston Villa of all places (025) and a thirst quenching bottle of Vimto (B8)."

"Great, how much?"

"I'll charge you for the first five items which is just £24.75, and throw in your friends order totally FREE!"

"You mean £24.75 for all ten vehicles?"

"That's right."

"You wonderful landlord!"











## IN THE SHOPS U.K.

#### CURRENT

Simpsons Canned Sponge Puddings - Golden Syrup, Chocolate Syrup, 1 x Bullnose (165G) plus 2 tokens and £2.60 inc. p&p.

Loctite Auto repair products - (Rust Remedy), (Rear View Mirror Bonder), (Instant Gasket), and (Super Steel) - 1 x Bullnose (170G), 1 x AEC Bus (B46), 1 x Model T Van (094TG), 1 x Model T Truck (095TG) for 1 proof @ £2.49 inc. p&p, or all four vehicles for £8.99 inc. p&p. Available from car accessory shops.

#### **SEPTEMBER**

Chivers Olde English Marmalade, Breakfast Marmalade, Roses Marmalade, Aristocrat Marmalade.

1 x AEC Bus (B50), 1 x Morris Bullnose delivery Van (176G), 1 x Model T delivery Van (106TG), 1 x Model T jar back (107TG).



For all the above - 1 vehicle FREE with 4 tokens plus 50p postage or 1

vehicle for £2.99 with 2 tokens or all 4 vehicles for £8.49 with 3 tokens. A 25p coupon off further purchases of marmalade will be sent back with each vehicle ordered.

Lancashire Evening Post - 1 x AEC Bus (B54), 1 x Morris Bullnose (182G). Each vehicle available for £4.95 inc. p+p.



Turtle Wax − 1 x Chevrolet canvas back (C023). Available on Turtle Wax car maintenance and polishes etc. for £1.99 ± 50p postage each, plus 1 token from product.

## US IN STORE CURRENT

Bergen Evening Record (New Jersey) -

1 x Chevrolet (C013U) @ \$3.99 plus \$2.00 s&h via the newspaper, or \$9.95 via the club.

Winn-Dixie 'Kountry Fresh' breakfast cereal - 1 x Chevrolet (C015U), 1 x Bullnose (166U), 1 x Model T (089TU). FREE for product purchases plus \$2.99 per vehicle s&h, or \$8.97 s&h for all three vehicles.

#### **SEPTEMBER**

Colonial Bread - (E.S.I. through various newspapers) 1 x AEC Olympic Bus (B534), 1 x Model T (109TU) (featuring new back), 1 x Chevrolet (C027U).



Rainbo Bread - (ES.I. through various newspapers) 1 x Chevrolet (C028U), 1 x Model T (110TU) (featuring new back) 1 x AEC Bus (B53U)

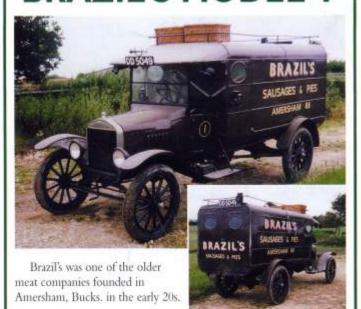
For all the above 1 vehicle **FREE** in return for 1 cut out ES.I. and bar code from product + \$2.99 inc. s&h.

Kroger pickles - 1 x Chevrolet (C025U) FREE with 1 product proof + \$2.99 s&h.

Citgo gasoline (Dallas, Texas only) FREE Model T tanker truck (111TGU) in return for 2 x \$8 fill-ups + \$2.99 s&h.

Kroger Shredded Wheat - 1 x Model T (101TU), 1 x Model T delivery van (102TGU) each vehicle FREE for 2 proofs of purchase + \$2.99 s&h.

### **BRAZIL'S MODEL T**



It served the local butcher shops with various meat products within a 30-45 mile radius - expanding to around 100 miles radius in later years. The company eventually had its own abbatoir and packed Brazil's labelled sausages and pies, which were sold throughout the south of England.

The vehicle above is the sole survivor of Brazil's fleet and will be featured at the Telford Collectors Show on October 31st (see separate article on page 2)

Built in 1924 - 1 ton delivery van - the vehicle's weight equalled its carrying weight.

History - One of three purchased new by Brazil's of Amersham, Bucks. in 1924 for £132 each and operated daily from its factory in Amersham to London - approx. 35 miles each way. It still carries its original number plate DD5049. This vehicle has never left the Brazil family and is currently owned by Tuckett Bros. (the great grandsons) who specialise in the restoration and selling of Model T's and can be contacted on 01296 670500.

This vehicle was believed to have been commissioned by the Amersham Home Guard during the second World War and was recommissioned into service for shows and exhibitions in the 50s.

O.D.C. will shortly commence manufacturing the Model T in Brazil's livery including back door and number plate printing. Also the centre grille will be black surrounded with a chrome (instead of brass) coloured radiator.

There will be two models - the first as above with just 1500 pieces, of which 250 will go to the Brazil family.

The second vehicle will consist of just 500 pieces and will be the same as the first except for back door printing which will commemorate the Telford DieCast show (see page 2) and be available at the show. Any left over will be offered to members through the December Globe.

#### NEW PAGES AND TAB INSERTS

A further batch of 12 pages will be forwarded to you with your next order plus several new index tabs.

Bullnose from Model 148G to Model 171

Model T from Model 075T to Model 098T

Chevrolet from Model C007 to Model C018

RM Bus from Model RM1 to Model RM6 (plus tab insert)

Mini Classics from Set 1 to Set 3 (plus tab insert)

## THE SCOTTISH COLLECTION

(Set of 3 vehicles with display box)



This collection of mini classics, the 4th in our series conjures up thoughts of 'Dr Finlay'.

The first vehicle carries the livery of David MacBrayne Ltd. who started running a bus service in the 1900's (charabanes one presumes) their red and green colours were a familiar sight in Scotland as they tended to cover the long distance routes. Our featured model would have served from the Lochgoilhead garage throughout the 60's.

Our second featured vehicle was operated by Smiths who was a smaller company and acquired many of its buses from larger operators. Based in Grantown on Spey, the company was eventually taken over by 'Highland' in 1966.

Finally the gorgeous cream and white livery of 'Western' who operated throughout Western Scotland south of the Clyde.

The edition is 5000 sets, available at £9.95 each.

## Tit Bits!

#### Broncho Bill Circus

We have just been advised by Ken Mellor from the L.O.W. that Broncho Bill's two famous elephants 'Salty & Sauce' eventually went to Dudley Zoo in the Midlands from where one of them was loaned to another circus act, the other dying from a heart attack in its absence. The Broncho Bill Circus ceased in 1930.

Our commiserations to the family of Arthur Catz, the founder of Corgi Toys who, died at the age of 92.

One of our directors was hopping into a London cab next to a rank of parked London buses. He spotted the driver of one of the buses reading his 'Globe' magazine - I wonder who it was?

#### Taff's Column

I am proud to say that we are one of the few companies that are still able to carry out vacuum coating. You may ask yourself what exactly this is, and the easy explanation is - it's the silver and gold seen on our radiators and windshields. This process is run by 'John Boy', who has become an expert over the last twenty five years.

I'll try not to bore you with too much detail, but through a process of mechanical and diffusion pumping we create a vacuum in a chamber (6ft by 6ft). Within the chamber are held uncoated components ie. plastic mouldings normally black in colour. Once we have reached the appropriate vacuum levels we vapourise pellets of aluminium and rotate the components through a planetary motion. The result is a silvered component, which can be dved gold if necessary.

It is not advisable to carry out this process at home!

Your second paragraph Taff has done the trick - you have managed to bore us!