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Model No. VW014 Morecambe & Wise Edition: 2,000

Bring me Sunshine!

There is so much to be remembered about Morecambe & Wise, so many sketches that come to mind and Christmas has never been the same without them, many of us remember planning our evenings around the entertainment. Over the years they moved between channels, but it never seemed to take the sparkle out of the shows.

Born in the mid twenties they first met as 13 year olds at an audition and their double act was formed a few years later. Their early shows were made by ATV - Two of a Kind - until they made their first switch to the BBC. The rest is just history, with each of us having our own favourite moments, that no matter how many times they are replayed don't lose their edge. Who can forget the amply proportioned Janet Webb appearing at the end of each show, thanking viewers for watching her show, or the many famous names who appeared in "plays what I wrote".

Another superb addition to the range - VW014 with a production run of 2,000 pieces is going sell like hot cakes.



Model No. 220G 2,500,000 Bullnose Edition: 2,000



Special certificate that will be issued with each model. Each will have a vehicle number, one collector will get the model with the number 2,500,000.

Last year we celebrated the 10th anniversary of Oxford Diecast and many of you treasured the special release of the Bullnose. Indeed we closed the edition at 3,438 pieces after which we had many requests for vehicles which we obviously couldn't supply. This year we are issuing the 2,500,000th Bullnose which will be released sometime in July subject to the timing of production. Like the 10th anniversary model this will come in a presentation box with your name on each certificate. The edition size will be determined when

all orders are received by the end of April latest. (Strictly no orders will be taken after this date). Each certificate will also contain a vehicle number from 2,500,000 onwards. The member who receives this will be chosen at random by computer. The vehicle is painted gold and will be despatched in July under separate cover. You must fill in the special certificate sheet to ensure your correct details are added. The vehicle will cost £9.95 plus £1.45 post and packaging.

A word from *Michael*

2,500,000 pieces is a milestone for one vehicle, and like the 10th anniversary model is one to be kept safe. We have some collections of models in special packs on the horizon which look quite nice and I'm sure will generate plenty of interest. The release of football vehicles continues, we may have a little break in a few Globes, but there are several extra clubs who have signed up which will push the range of vehicles up towards fifteen to twenty variations.

It's about time we saw the Glosters released, one I've look forward to for ages. The earlier releases of this range are already low, or out of stock and some of our new collectors are snapping up the few we have remaining.

Until next time
Take good care



Michael

Now! drink sparkling **CANADA DRY** 



Model No. RT012 London Transport Edition: 2,000

A letter received from Mr Bolton prompted us to release this model as he met his wife on the bus many years ago (and celebrates his 50th anniversary this year). Running on the North Circular, this bus was used by many and was a regular on the route. Some of you may think that the advertising categorises it as one of our drink range. The Canada Dry story began when John J. McLaughlin opened a small plant in Toronto, Canada in 1890. He sold the water to drug stores as a simple mixer for fruit juices and flavoured extracts. Today the company is a subsidiary of Cadbury Schweppes.

We've decided that as it carries the London Transport logo it is better placed in the range of RT's.



Model No. P003 Sussex Police Edition: 1,500



Sussex boroughs of Hastings, Rye, Chichester and Arundel established forces back in 1835. Brighton & Hove was established even earlier. During the war years the amalgamation of all the forces in the area took place, this being reversed in 1947. However in 1968 the Sussex Constabulary was formed changing later to Sussex Police.

In 1933 Brighton became the first police force in the world to have personal radios. A transmitter was erected on the Town Hall and 30 receivers distributed to patrols. P003 is a nice edition to the range of emergency vehicles.



Model No. DR010 Glenmorangie Edition: 2,750

Such was the rush for this model that last month it was like a stampede. Some of you were unlucky enough to miss out on one. We've managed to get a few more of these which are available on a first come first serve basis. So good luck to you all! Sorry for the confusion with the edition size which is 2,750.



Model No. GR008 The Glorious Glosters Edition: 1,500

We've had so many requests to release this model that I'm surprised it's taken Taff so long. It was at the time of the release of the Korean War model last year that we found many members had links to this regiment.

Chinese bugles sounded as another assault on the British Line began. The ammunition was running out and each man had only five rounds left. Suddenly a new sound could be heard, that of Drum Major Philip Buss playing the Last Post. He followed with every call in his repertoire, with one exception 'Retreat', and the Chinese fell silent. The Glosters held the main invasion route around Imjin River and had been asked to hold the line with 800 men against 27,000 Chinese. Commanded by Lt Col James Carne the task was of David and Goliath proportions.

Other infantry battalions including Belgians, Filipinos and Puerto Ricans tried to rescue the Glosters but were driven back. They held the line for four heroic days, and 58 Glosters were killed with 522 taken prisoner. For his outstanding part in the action Colonel Carne was awarded the Victoria Cross. There are many books about the Glosters and it's worth picking one up as the stories that are told bring tears to your eyes.



TAFF'S COLUMN

We've had many calls over the last few weeks concerning the prices at auction of some of our earlier models.

Obviously we cannot control these and we know it's frustrating for some members (many new) to get hold of the past models - particularly at these high prices. We can't give valuations ourselves as it is market dependent, the prices at auction depend entirely on the willing buyers present. We see regularly the early models fetching hundreds of pounds. Last month we had to restrict members to one of each of the Glenmorangie and Aldergrove vehicles as we received so many orders for multiple quantities. We even had one order for 25 of each. All we can try and do is to act as fairly as possible ensuring everyone has an equal chance. The best advice is to keep an eye on the releases and ensure you don't miss out on any specials.

Until next time

Taff

Take good care.



Founded in 1907 following a meeting at the Central Office in Fleece Street the club was immediately accepted into the Manchester League. The first ever football league opposition came in the form of Accrington Stanley in the late 20's with Rochdale putting six past them. Spotland Stadium is the home to the Dale and they play in the Third Division and have only ever been promoted once during the 68/69



season. Reg Jenkins is the highest goal scorer for the club with 119 goals in 8 years at the club and was recently voted the club's best ever player.

These vehicles contain the correct certificate F006. A small batch which went to the club had certificate F003 in error, but the model issued by Oxford has the corrected F006 certificate.



Rushden and Diamonds were formed in 1991 with the amalgamation of Rushden Town (Southern League) and Irthlingtonborough Diamonds (United Counties League). Rushden was the older of the clubs with its formation in 1889, and was known locally as the Russians. It was economic pressures that led to their amalgamation and today they play at Nene Park, now one of the finest stadiums of its size in the country.

Model No. F007 Rushden & Diamonds Edition: 1,100

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BRONCHO BILL

A few comments on our collectors sheet led to quite a few questions on the Broncho Bill Set that was released back in 1996. There were six vehicles in the set and they came in a special gift box. The set (set 2) sells for £19.80 and we have just 80 left. With each order placed with this set we are giving away a special voucher that can be used on future orders with bonus model and certificate signed by Taff (model from Oxford range).

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signed by TAFF

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