



The Bogieman's Gazette

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Welcome Back

Returned to traffic this year are:

GNR(I) Dining car 88
GNR(I) Directors saloon 50
LMS NCC full brake 411

Operating at Whitehead:

LMS NCC 91, 68, 238, 241, 411
GS&WR 1142
GNR(I) 114, 50

Operating at Mullingar

GNR(I) 88
GSR 1335
CIÉ 1915, 1469, 1470, 2422

In Progress:

Work is continuing at Mullingar on CIÉ Brake third No.1915 and GSR third No.1327; whilst the Whitehead squad is progressing with LMS NCC Nos. 243 and 255, together with GSR 'Bredins' 1328 and 1333.

Lavatorial Extravaganza

90 gallon water tanks (half a ton of water) have been fitted to GNR No.9 and LMS NCC No.241 in the continuing quest to extend the distance our train can travel between services, with watering facilities now no longer so extensive on the railway system as they once were. Coaches with large tanks will be marshalled nearest the bar for the convenience of the beer drinking population.

Road Runner

The RPSI road haulage division will be in evidence towards the end of August, so don't be surprised if you see a CIÉ heating van on a low-loader from Dublin to Whitehead. This vehicle will make efficient heating of Santa trains from Yorkgate to Whitehead possible, as last year the locomotive's steam heat had to be shut off around half way so that the heating bags would be cool enough to handle.

More Waterworks

A new departure for Whitehead Excursion Station has been the installation of coach watering points along the platform. This will permit easier servicing of the train both before and after excursions.

Photo Call

Those of you who have travelled this year will have noticed the display of photographs, posters and timetables inside the carriages. This follows on from railway practice, and indeed all those articles displayed are reproductions of originals. Anyone who would like to purchase a copy for themselves should contact Gavin Martin.

Stocking Up

The Bogieman has divined from a

usually reliable source that J. Beaumont Esq., when not wearing his treasurer's hat, is a closet coach enthusiast. This gentleman (sic) has undertaken the mammoth task of documenting our locomotive and carriage collection to produce the long awaited RPSI stock book, with historical information as well as plain facts and figures. Last heard of in final proof form the Bogieman assures you, faithful reader, that this most excellent publication will be worth the money when offered for sale to you ... watch this space.

Special RPSI Working Member Fares

Dublin-Mullingar, £6.50 return!

*Contact Peter Emmett for details.
We gratefully acknowledge the help of Iarnród Éireann in making
Mullingar easily accessible.*

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- and many others, as well as those who help in other ways. We would especially like to thank all those who simply come to travel on and enjoy our railway coaches. Without passengers we are wasting our time.

Meet the Carriage and Wagon Department

Gavin Martin, our Whitehead Carriage Officer and Peter Emmett, Mullingar Carriage Officer, would like to thank the following people for their regular help and enthusiasm, without which our coaches would not run:

Whitehead

Jim Bromfield
Steven Glass
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