

MEMBERS' DIARY

Date Details

PLEASE NOTE THAT WINTER MONTHLY MEETINGS ARE
NOW HELD ON THE FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH.

Mon 7 Oct STG Meeting - George Murray - Edinburgh
7.30pm Conference Room Summerlee

Mon 4 Nov STG Meeting - Subject to be confirmed
7.30pm Conference Room Summerlee

Mon 2 Dec STG Meeting - Subject to be confirmed
7.30pm Conference Room Summerlee

Mon 6 Jan STG Meeting - Subject to be confirmed
7.30pm Conference Room Summerlee

— Steam & Model Fair —

SATURDAY 5TH - SUNDAY 6TH OCTOBER
10AM - 5PM

RALLY OF STEAM ROLLERS, TRACTION ENGINES, STEAM LORRIES,
STATIONARY ENGINES, MODEL ENGINEERING AND HOBBIES.

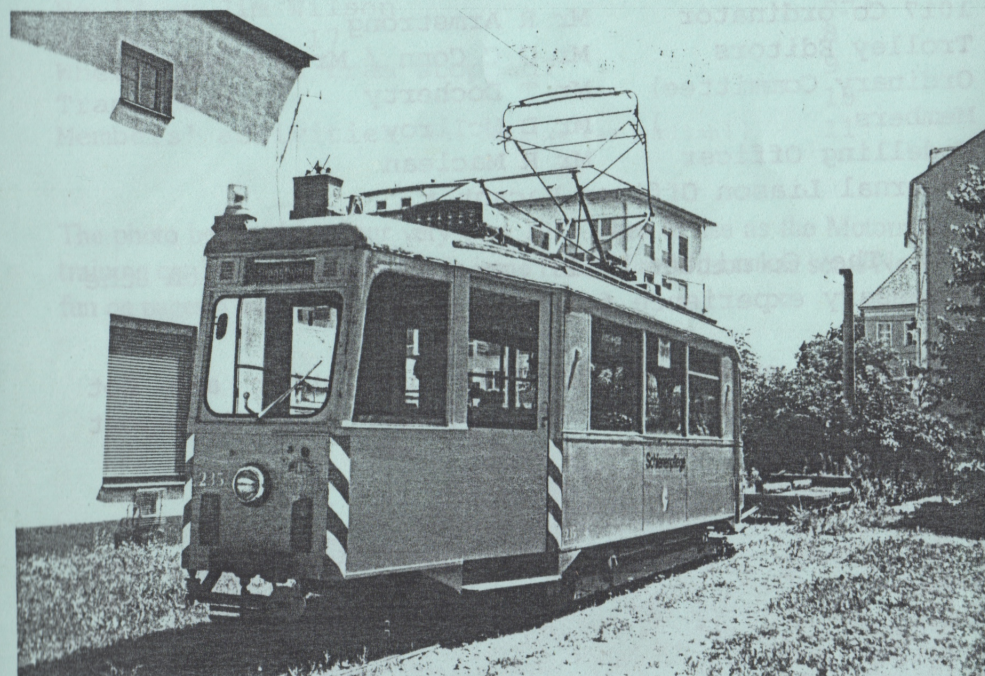
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No 17 SPECIAL

WITH FUN QUIZ
GRAZ PICTUREVIEW
TRAM CRASH IN MANCHESTER

TROLLEY

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is a newsletter of the Summerlee Transport Group, a voluntary support group of Summerlee Museum and is registered as a charity.

YOUR STG COMMITTEE

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Modelling Officer	Mr R Maclean
External Liason Officer	Vacant *

* The Committee will co-opt someone with the necessary experience for this post.

The views expressed in this newsletter are not necessarily those of the editor, the Transport Group or Summerlee Museum.

Trolley No. 18

If you have any articles or new ideas for "Trolley" No. 17 please send them to Duncan R White at ***** GLASGOW, G62 ****. Any news, additions, corrections, letters, sales items etc should be sent to Gary C Conn at ***** Cumbernauld, GLASGOW, G67 *** (or left in the Members Mail Box) no later than the end of October.

The cover photo shows Graz car 235, part of the same batch as our 225, back home in Graz. It was taken in August 1995 when the car was painted in an all over orange livery and used as a work car. More photos inside.
Walter Griel

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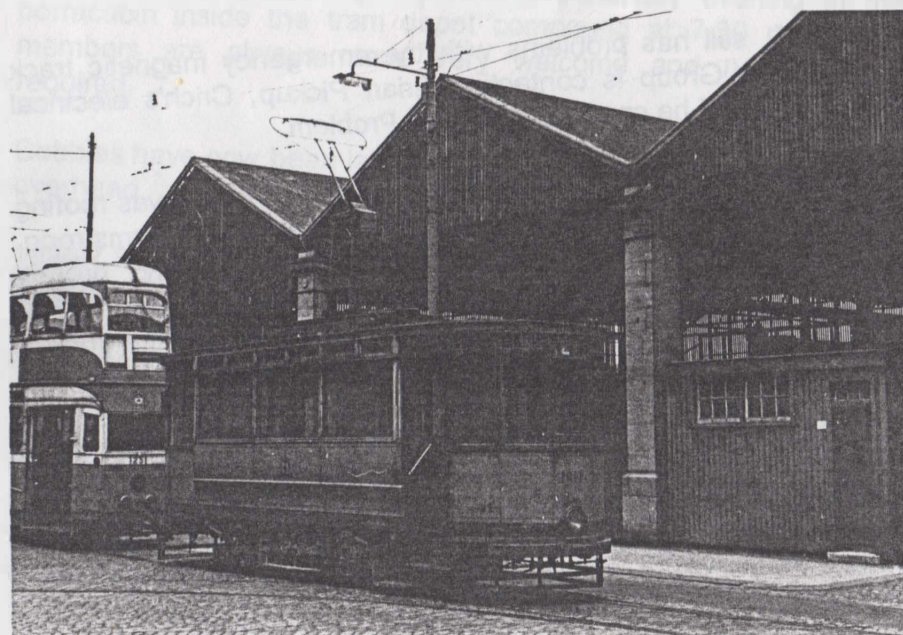
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The photo below shows our very own 1017 when in use as the Motorman training car in Glasgow. As this is issue No 17 Jim Wilson has some No 17 fun on pages 6 and 7.



EDITOR'S NOTE

Welcome to *Trolley No 17*. Grateful thanks to Jim Wilson, Ken Darroch and Walter Griel for news photos and articles supplied and to my joint editor Duncan White.
Gary C Conn

Since the last edition of *trolley* there have been further changes within the organisational side of Summerlee. Frank Little has now been appointed as Manager of the Museum. As previously mentioned in *Trolley* members should always bring their membership cards with them when visiting Summerlee to gain free entry. If any member has had any problems gaining free admission or encounters any problems please contact any committee member.

NEWS

OPERATIONS

The traction service has been provided by 53 and 9062 throughout the Summer depending on car and crew availability.

TRAMCARS

Lanarkshire 53 A new trolley-wheel was fitted to 53 after the previous one was damaged in a de-wiring incident.

Graz 225 still has problems with the emergency magnetic track brake. The Group is contacting Brian Pickup, Crich's electrical wizard, to see if he can help solve our Problem.

Glasgow 1017 Work is progressing on 1017. The canvas roofing and joinery work required is being attended to and R Armstrong, 1017 co-ordinator, has been in contact with weaving groups concerning material for seating. Undercoating of the lower half of the body is progressing. The overhaul and regauging of the truck is now essential to allow restoration to continue as planned.

Bruxelles 9062 The new chilled iron brake shoes are performing very well in service. It has been proposed to remove the compressor from the spare Brussels truck and overhaul it so that we have a spare for 9062.

PANTOGRAPH CARBON TRIALS

Mike Chalton

The trials of the morganite carbons have not yet commenced due to problems with the adjustment of the overhead.

PERMANENT WAY

Proposed track and overhead repairs will be carried out by Peter Price Electrical Instalations on 26/27 October 1996. A 'pull and let-go frog' will be installed in the depot overhead connection during this work. An estimate is to be sought as to the cost of a new set of points to provide access to the proposed depot extension.

The Group has placed an advert in the *Heritage Tramway Newsletter* seeking a wooden tower wagon.

POTENTIAL ACQUISITIONS

Summerlee Museum has stated that it does not want Works Car 21. The committee has decided that no further action will be taken at present concerning this car, which is currently at Crich, as it not a viable project for us at the moment. The Group are, however, exploring other avenues as to obtaining new cars.

TRAMWAY MODELLING GROUP

R. Maclean

The group continue to meet each Wednesday evening in the portacabin inside the tram depot compound at 7.30 pm. New members are always made very welcome and no skills are required.

Cobbles have now been laid and work has started on replacing the overhead.

1996/7 SEASON OF MEETINGS

Season 1996/7 begins on Monday 7 October 1996 with George Murray giving a presentation on Edinburgh. Please note that in response to the replies received from the Survey issued earlier this year all of our meetings will now be held on the first Monday of the month unless otherwise stated. As usual the meetings will be held in the Conference Room (the old tearoom). If you would like to give a talk on any transport related subject, or know of anyone who would please contact any member of the committee. Also if you would like to attend our meetings but find transport a problem

please contact myself (G Conn) as there may be other members from your area who have a spare seat in their car.

SOCIAL EVENTS

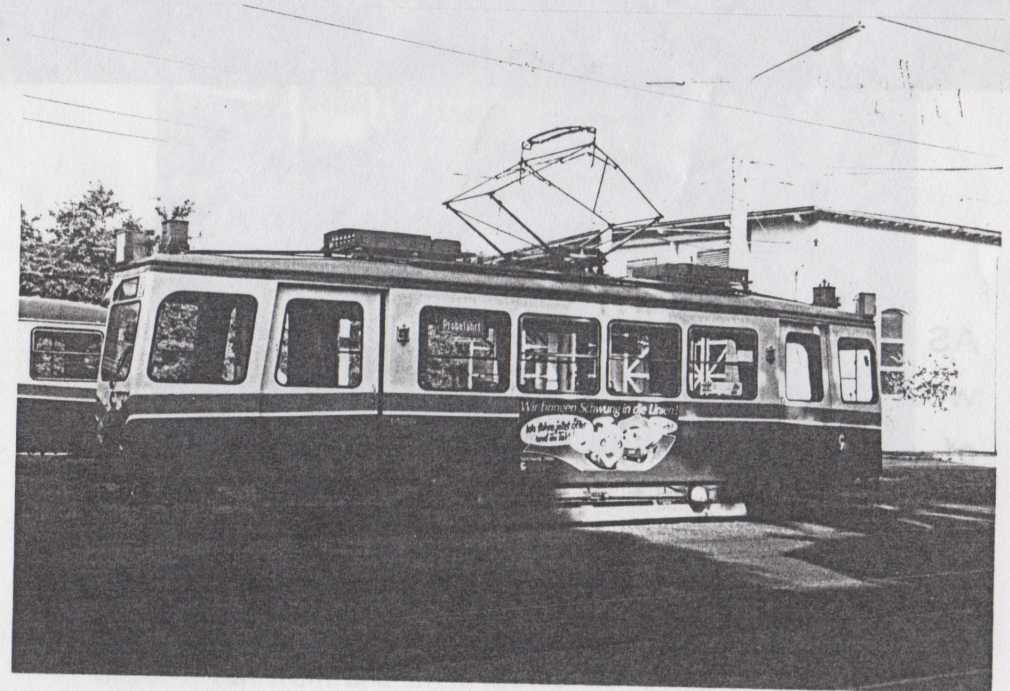
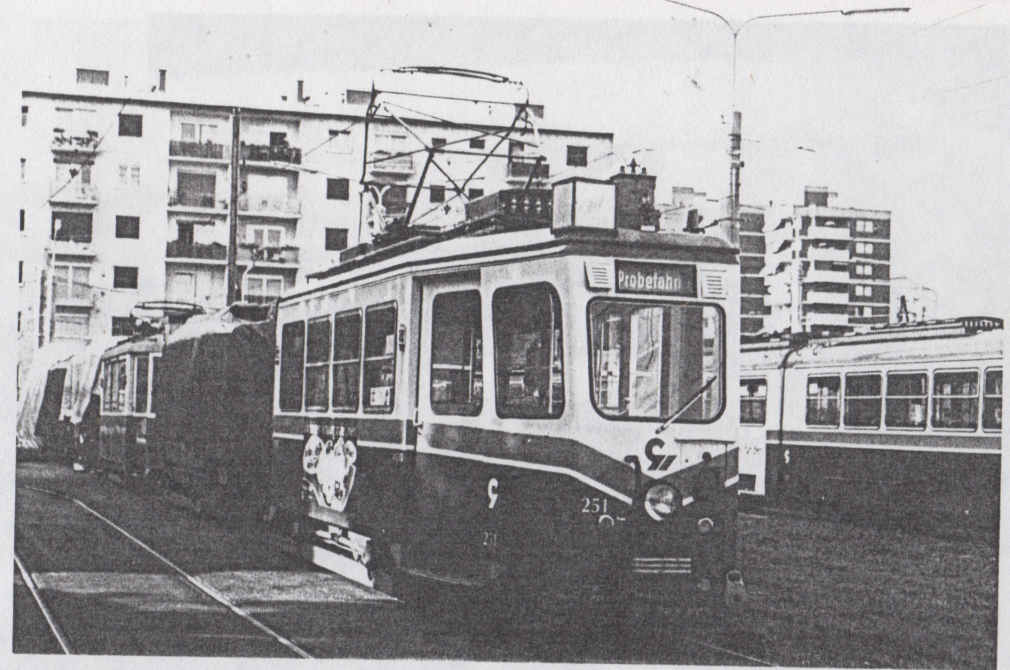
This years Group outing took place on Saturday 7 September. Only 6 members were able to attend what was an extremely interesting visit. Members were given a tour of the Control Centre and Depot/overhaul facilities of the Tyne and Wear Metro System at South Gosforth. It is hoped that a full report will be published in the next edition of Trolley.

SALES

It has been noted that our sales have declined at inside events at Summerlee due to the fall in visitor numbers. It is planned to take our stall to more outside events - so if you know of any events which may be of interest please contact Jim Wilson the Sales Officer.

GRAZ VIEWS

The following Graz photos were sent to us by Walter Griel of Austria showing one of 225's sisters 234 out of use at the depot (below) and 251, of a later batch in a later livery (opposite).

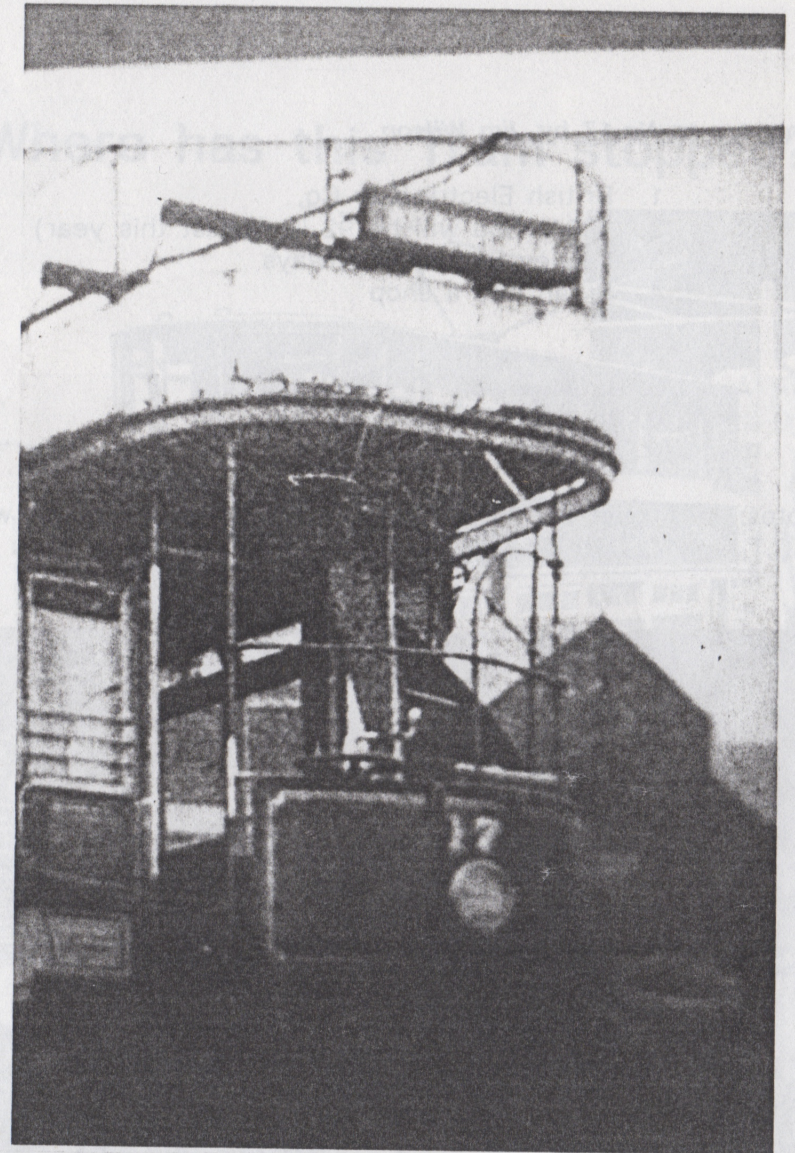




No. 17 by Jim Wilson

AS this is Trolley No. 17, I thought it would be good fun to see what you know of or about Tram No. 17.

1. Who built No. 17?
2. What year was it built?
3. Where did it last run?
4. What happened next or where is it going?



5. Who built No. 68?
6. How much older is No. 17 to 68?

and oh yes can you help me - What was the name of the depot it ran from and what routes did it work?

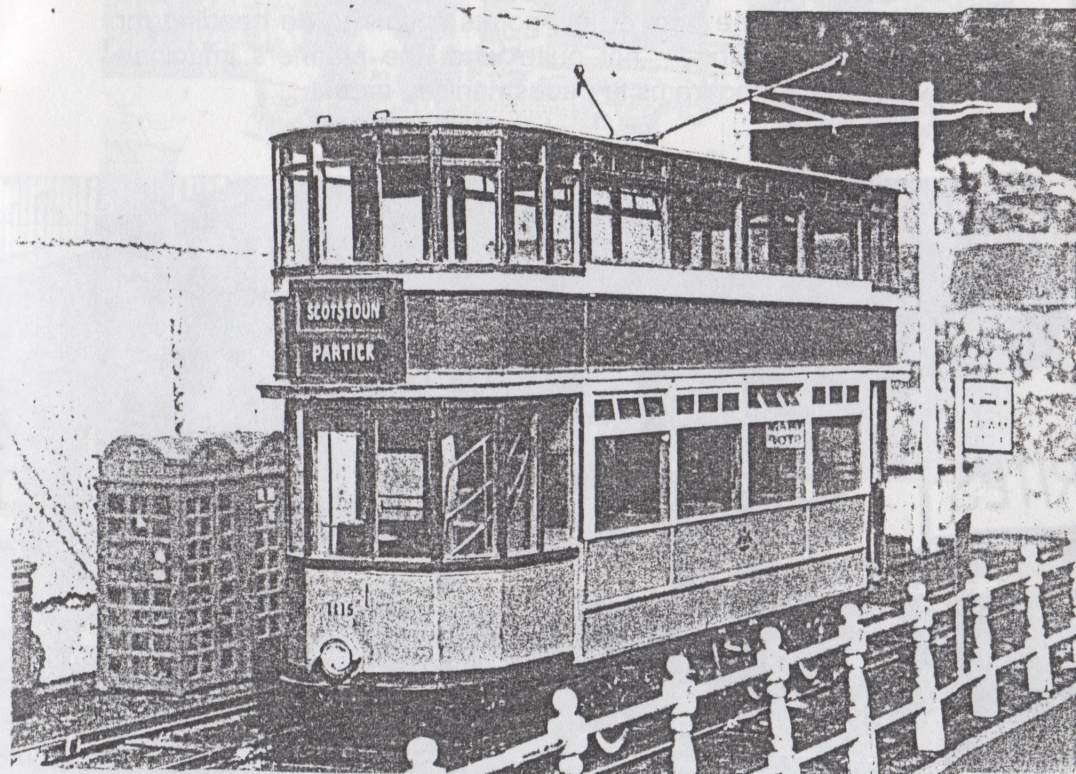
Answers to No.17 by Jim Wilson

1. British Electric Car Co.
2. 1904 (She will be 92 in August this year)
3. Paisley District Tramways
4. It ran into a shop
5. Hurst Nelson
6. No. 17 (1904) No. 68 (1919)

Notes: In August 1996 it will be 36 years since it ran with G.C.T. and 73 with Paisley



Where has this Tram stopped?



IN a Garden Tramway in Sussex

Car 1115 (1/16 scale - 3/4" to 1') Built by Alan Povey and rebuilt by John Buckle seen here on the garden tramway. Trolley pole fitted so it can be used on any layout.

John was visiting Summerlee and very kindly agreed to let us use this picture. Thank you.

18 HURT IN MANCHESTER

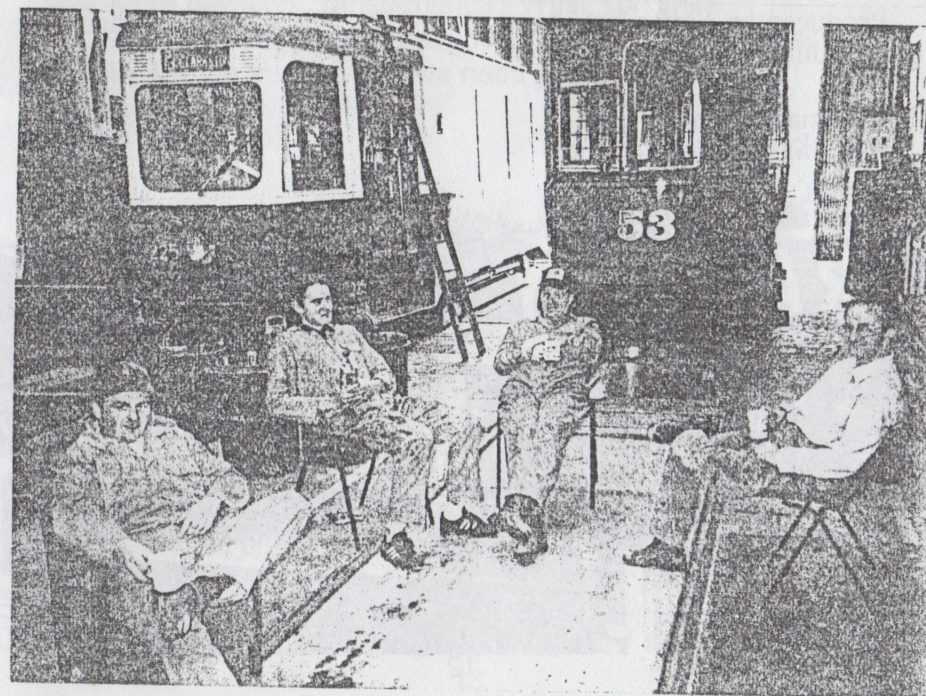
One of our members, Ken Darroch, was in Manchester City Centre on Monday 12 August 1996 when he was 'fortunate' enough to be able to catch this view on the City's Balloon Street, near Victoria Station. Although the tram at this point seems to be heading for the pedestrian entrance - not quite what the planners imagined when wanting to bring trams to pedestrianised areas!



MONDAY 12th AUGUST 1996 Photo - Ken Darroch, S.T.G. Member



*Some of our members in the Isle of Man . . .
... others hard at work*



VIDEOVIEW

Railways of the Isle of Man

THE ultimate railway enthusiasts video, superb footage about the only Victorian Railway system in the World which is still in full working order.

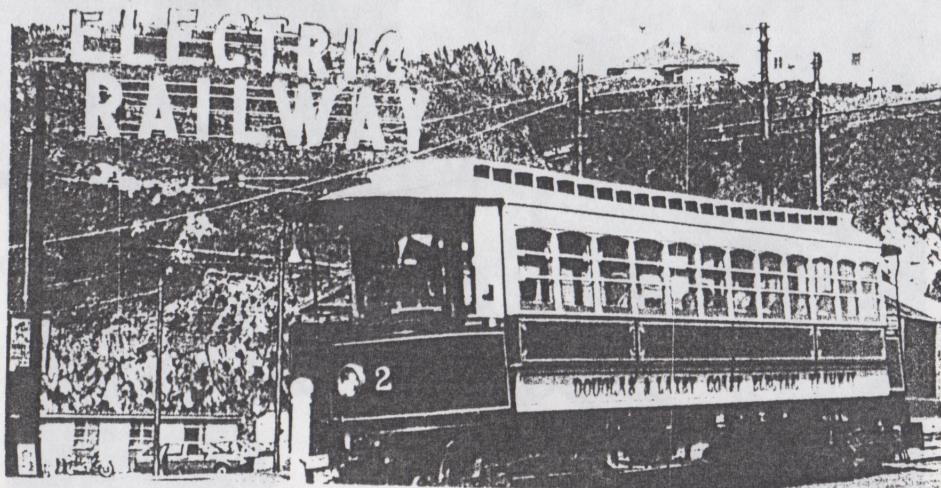
The Isle of Man Steam and Electric Railways in graphic detail, the workings of these unique railways which today, are still carrying thousands of passengers every year. Included is exclusive archive film showing the early workings of the long forgotten Prospect Hill Cable Cars, and the Douglas Head Tramcars and many more fascinating items. Other subjects include the history and workings of the Snaefell Mountain Railway, the Isle of Man Steam Railway and the Douglas Corporation Horse Trams. Join the crew on the footplate of one of the 3ft. gauge steam engines, see how Victorian ingenuity created the rheostat starter controls on the Electric Railway Cars and how the original safety brakes operated on the Snaefell Mountain Railway.

This video will enjoy pride of place in any enthusiast's collection giving hours of pleasure whilst reviving happy memories of the Isle of Man.

Produced by Seaways Video Ltd. for the Isle of Man Department of Tourism and Transport.

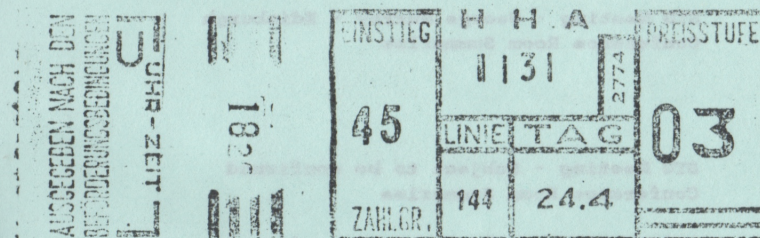
Beckmann Home Video
Running Time 73 minutes

R.R.P. £14.99



TRAM TICKETS

Members may be interested in the following ticket which was given to me by a visiting enthusiast. The TIM ticket (below) is still issued on his city's trams and buses. The only problem being is that I cannot remember which City that was - can anyone help?



COMING SOON

As well as all the usual news of happenings at Summerlee your future editions of *Trolley* will feature:

Report on Tyne and Wear Metro Trip

More news on Transperience - West Yorkshire

Any article or photos that you can send to the address inside the front cover - we need your articles - NOW!

and much, much more!