



2025

# TIMES PAST





# JANUARY 2025

## GUY DOUBLE DECKER

One of many hundreds of 'new look' buses brought into service by Birmingham City Transport after the war. Here a Guy double decker, bought in 1950, crosses Saltley Viaduct en route to the city. Some of these buses remained in service until 1977.

# DECEMBER

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# FEBRUARY

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1	Wed	NEW YEAR'S DAY
2	Thu	BANK HOLIDAY (SCOTLAND)
3	Fri	
4	Sat	
5	Sun	
6	Mon	Wk 2
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13	Mon	Wk 3
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27	Mon	Wk 5
28	Tue	
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31	Fri	

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# FEBRUARY 2025

## YOU SEE THEM EVERYWHERE

The Bedford TK tipper, the workhorse of many a company since its introduction in August 1960 and for much of the next two decades. One of the most recognisable British lorries, later advertising material by the manufacturer would state "you see them everywhere".

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# MARCH

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# MARCH 2025

**BLACKPOOL PROMENADE**  
 Known as a luxury railcoach, this single decker streamlined tram was an immediate sensation on Blackpool Promenade in the 1930's. In the distance is the Luxury Dreadnought, a double decker tramcar.

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# APRIL

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1	Sat	ST DAVID'S DAY(WALES)
2	Sun	
3	Mon	Wk 10
4	Tue	
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10	Mon	Wk 11
11	Tue	
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16	Sun	

17	Mon	ST PATRICK'S DAY (BH N IRELAND & EIRE)	Wk 12
18	Tue		
19	Wed		
20	Thu		
21	Fri		
22	Sat		
23	Sun		
24	Mon		Wk 13
25	Tue		
26	Wed		
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28	Fri		
29	Sat		
30	Sun		BST STARTS
31	Mon		Wk 14

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# APRIL 2025

## GREEN GIANT

Seen unloading at a bottling plant in the late 1950s, this Leyland Octopus 22/01 of 1949 originally carried the livery of Courage Breweries, including a golden cockerel above the cab. The tank, manufactured by W.P. Butterfield, had a capacity of 80 barrels.

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## MAY

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# JUNE 2025

## CUNARD LINER 'CARONIA'

Launched at John Brown's at Clydebank by Princess Elizabeth in 1947, she was designed as a dual purpose liner for the Atlantic crossing and luxury cruising. A distinctive ship, with a colour scheme in three shades of green and a huge funnel. She was the largest single funnel ship in the world, 715 ft long.

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## JULY

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1 Sun	17 Tue
2 Mon <small>BANK HOLIDAY (EIRE)</small>	18 Wed
3 Tue	19 Thu
4 Wed	20 Fri
5 Thu	21 Sat <small>LONGEST DAY</small>
6 Fri	22 Sun
7 Sat	23 Mon
8 Sun	24 Tue
9 Mon	25 Wed
10 Tue	26 Thu
11 Wed	27 Fri
12 Thu	28 Sat
13 Fri	29 Sun
14 Sat	30 Mon
15 Sun	
16 Mon	

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# JULY 2025

**MOTORBOAT 'ENNISKILLEN' LAUNCH**  
 The scene is set in Henry Street Enniskillen in early June 1930 and depicts preparations to launch the motorboat 'Enniskillen' at Irvine's Quay. The vessel's purpose was to facilitate pleasure cruises on Lough Erne and it had just had a fairly adventurous journey to get to this stage!

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# AUGUST

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# AUGUST 2025

## SWAY BAR BLUES

The '780', built by Massey Harris in Kilmarnock, became the UK's bestselling combine in the 1950s. The sway bar, operating the cutting knife, had a habit of snapping, due to metal fatigue. At harvest times, a service engineer had to be called as quickly as possible, to fit a replacement.

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## SEPTEMBER

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1	Fri		
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4	Mon	BANK HOLIDAY (SCOTLAND & EIRE)	Wk 32
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11	Mon		Wk 33
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18	Mon		Wk 34
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25	Mon		Wk 35
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# SEPTEMBER 2025

## CHARABANC RACE

A race to the coast between a charabanc and steam train. Charabancs originated in France, the word meaning 'Wagon with benches'. Originally horse drawn, then motorised. The engine in contention is a Beyer Peacock Class 'A' 4-4-0, which were built between 1882 and 1888 to serve on the L.N.E.R.

# AUGUST

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# OCTOBER

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8	Mon	Wk 37	24	Wed
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15	Mon	Wk 38		
16	Tue			

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# NOVEMBER 2025

## WHISKY GALORE

In the days when road traffic crossed the Firth of Forth by the ferry between North and South Queensferry, we see a 1949 Scammell Rigid 8 leaving from the southern side, with the Forth Rail Bridge in the background. The owners of the vehicle were G & D Cunningham.

## OCTOBER

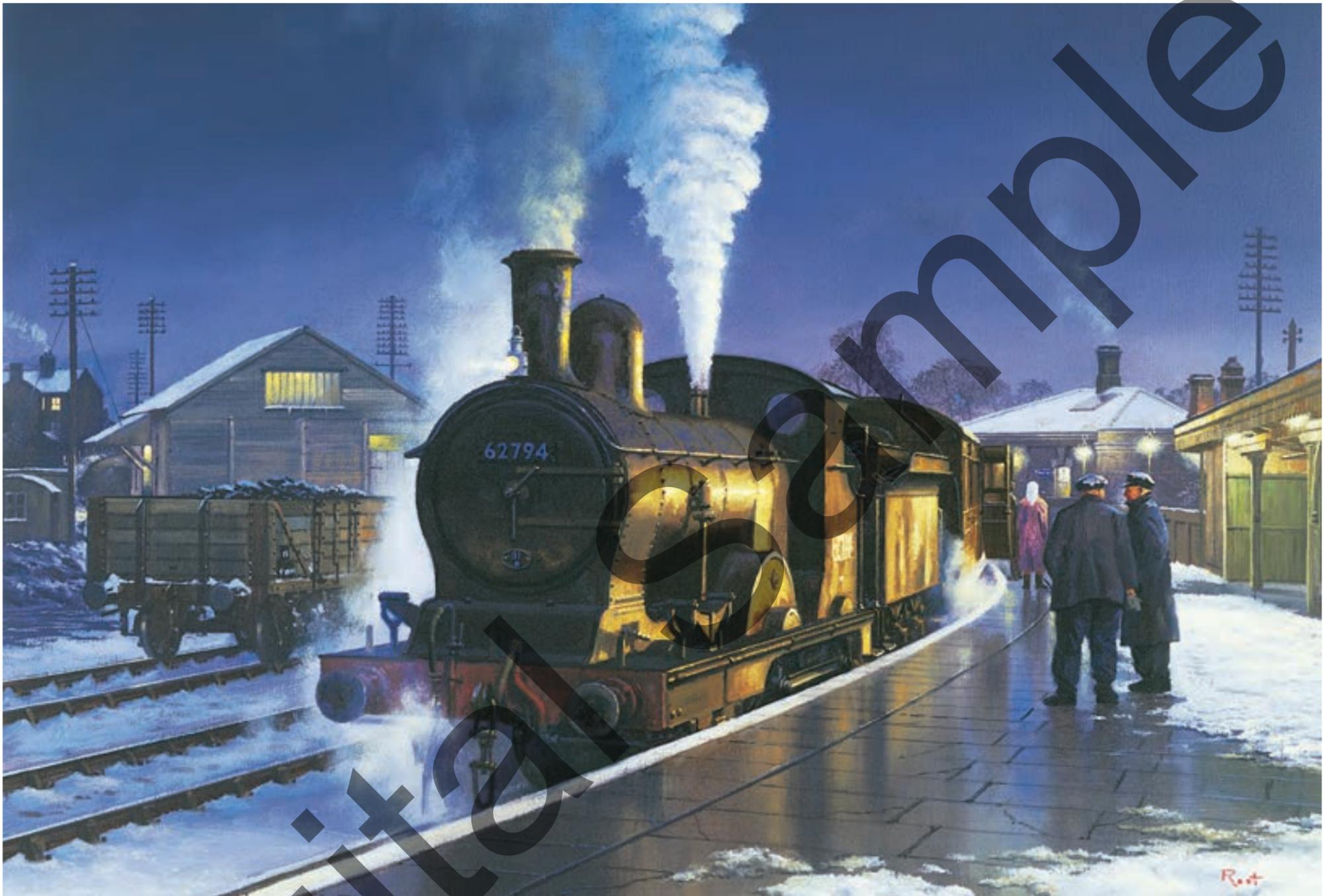
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## DECEMBER

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17	Mon		Wk 47
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24	Mon		Wk 48
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30	Sun		ST ANDREW'S DAY (SCOTLAND)



# DECEMBER

2025

## WINTER ON THE GREAT EASTERN

A scene at Marks Tey station as E4 class 2-4-0 No. 62794 prepares for departure. The snow and ice have been 'treated' but the temperature is falling rapidly. This locomotive class was designed by J. Holden and introduced in 1891.

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## JANUARY

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6	Sat	
7	Sun	
8	Mon	Wk 50
9	Tue	
10	Wed	
11	Thu	
12	Fri	
13	Sat	
14	Sun	
15	Mon	Wk 51
16	Tue	

17	Wed	
18	Thu	
19	Fri	
20	Sat	
21	Sun	SHORTEST DAY
22	Mon	Wk 52
23	Tue	
24	Wed	
25	Thu	CHRISTMAS DAY
26	Fri	BOXING DAY
27	Sat	
28	Sun	
29	Mon	Wk 1
30	Tue	
31	Wed	

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