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Radio Highland

Number: 37260

DN

Location: Dingwall station

Named by: Jimmy Macgregor, BBC personality

Date applied: 06/07/84 Date removed: 09/89

Style: Standard

Meaning: Named to launch Radio Electronic Token Block signalling on Highland Line. Named while working the 10.45 Inverness-Kyle. The first train to operate RETB

Notes: Transferred to 37113

Number: 37113

Location: BRML Doncaster Works

Named by: No ceremony

Date applied: 21/08/89 Date removed: 08/95

Style: Standard

Meaning: See above, on this loco no special meaning

Notes: Transferred from 37260. Removed from this loco following collision



R.A.F. Kinloss

Number: 47120

NR

Location: Forres station

Named by: Group Captain David Emmerson, Officer Commanding RAF Kinloss

Date applied: 05/06/85 Date removed: 10/87

Style: Standard

Meaning: To cement ties between ScotRail and the RAF base

Notes: Loco 47120 was selected for naming as the Kinloss Nimrod base is 120 squadron



RAIL 1981-1991

Number: 31116

NR

Location: BRML Doncaster

Named by: Judy Murray, Secretary to Rail Magazine

Date applied: 26/10/91 Date removed: 10/93 (renamed)

Style: Special, logo below

Meaning: Named to mark 10 years of publication of Rail Enthusiast later Rail magazine

Notes: Renamed (see next entry)



RAIL Celebrity

Number: 31116

NR

Location: The Railway Age, Crewe

Named by: Pete Waterman and Murray Brown, Editor Rail

Date applied: 30/10/93 Date removed: S01/95

Style: Special, logo below

Meaning: Named after 'Rail' magazine

Notes: Previously 'Rail 1981-1991'.

Reapplied to 37055. 'A' logo also carried (see previous entry)



Number: 37055

Location: Toton depot

Named by: Phil Sutton, Traction Editor of Rail

Date applied: 15/11/95

Style: Special, no logo applied

Meaning: Twinning of Rail Magazine with Mainline Freight

Notes: Name previously carried by 31116



Rail express systems Quality Assured

Number: 90017

NR

Location: Euston station

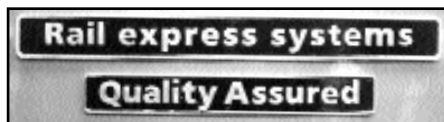
Named by: Sir Bob Reid, Chairman of BRB

Date applied: 08/03/95

Style: Standard Res half size letters (two plates)

Meaning: Accreditation of Res with BS5750 (ISO9001)

Notes:



Railfreight

Number: 58001

NR

Location: BREL Doncaster

Named by: Henry Sanderson, Director of Railfreight

Date applied: 09/12/82 Date removed: C 07/90

Style: Transfer / cast

Meaning: Name of BR's freight operating arm

Notes: This was not a loco naming as such, but an unveiling of the Railfreight name on the side of the new corporate livery carried by the first Class 58 when it was handed over from BREL to the operators. The name was also applied to all locos of the fleet on the cab sides in transfer form. Some named locos also had the name applied in cast form on the front ends. Various colours were used during development



Yellow ground black transfer



Red ground, white letters/edge



Standard cast

Rail Riders

Number: 47406

SN

Location: Newcastle Central station

Named by: David Atkins (9), winner of competition

Date applied: 10/12/81 Date removed: 05/88

Style: Standard, C/O/A unveiled at Newcastle on 12/11/85 (cast by NR)

Meaning: Twinning of operational railway with a promotional club formed by BR publicity for younger travellers. Unveiled to mark a four-fold increase in membership after re-structuring



Number: 47488

Location: Crewe Diesel depot

Named by: No ceremony

Date applied: 09/08/88

Date removed: 08/92

Style: Standard

Meaning: See above

Notes: Transferred from 47406. No. 47488 later named 'Davies the Ocean'

Rail Riders

Railtour Enterprise

Spoof name applied to 31200 in April 1986 for April fool in Rail Enthusiast magazine. Name applied when spoof list of names was published in the magazine

RAILWAY HERITAGE TRUST

Number: 43189

NR

Location: Paddington station

Named by: Sir Peter Parker, Chairman of RHT

Date applied: 10/10/95

Style: Special

Meaning: To mark the 10th anniversary of the Railway Heritage Trust

Notes: After naming worked special to Bristol and back



Railway Magazine 1897 Centenary 1997

Number: 43197

NR

Location: Plymouth station

Named by: Colin J. Marsden, Consultant Editor Modern Traction, Railway Magazine

Date applied: 22/11/96

Style: CrossCountry Trains

Meaning: To mark the centenary of Railway Magazine

Notes:



Ralph Easby

Number: 08867

Location: Thornaby depot

Named by: Ralph Easby

Date applied: 05/87

Style: Stick-on raised letters

Meaning: In recognition of 50 years service by Ralph Easby at Thornaby depot

Notes:



RAMILLIES

Number: D837

SN

Location: NBL Glasgow

Named by: Applied when built

Date applied: 11/60 Date removed: W05/71

Style: 1950s WR

Meaning: Named after 1917-launched battleship, which remained in service until 1944

Notes: Name used again on 50019



Ramillies

Number: 50019

SN

Location: Laira depot

Named by: No ceremony

Date applied: 18/04/78 Date removed: W09/90

Style: Standard

Meaning: See above

Notes: Name previously used on D837



RAPID

Number: D838

SN

Location: NBL Glasgow

Named by: Applied when built

Date applied: 10/60 Date removed: W03/71

Style: 1950s WR

Meaning: Named after Royal Navy ship of same name

Notes:



Ratcliffe Power Station

Number: 58041

NR

Location: Ratcliffe Power Station

Named by: Mr Gil Blackman, Deputy Chairman of CEGB

Date applied: 06/09/86 (open day) Date removed: 06/96

Style: Standard, with 'e' in top left corner

Meaning: Named at open day to cement the relationship between Railfreight and the CEGB

Notes: New plate fitted - see next entry



Number: 58041

NR

Location: Toton depot

Named by: No ceremony

Date applied: 06/96

Style: Standard, with 'Powergen' logo in top left corner

Meaning: See above

Notes: Plate changed from original following privatisation of power company. See previous entry



Ravel

Number: 92023

NR

Location: Brush, Loughborough

Named by: Applied when built

Date applied: 02/95

Style: Originally transfer, changed 04/95 to standard cast

Meaning: Maurice Ravel (1875-1937), French composer

Notes:



RAVEN

Pullman car - Kitchen, built 1960 - loco hauled

Reader 125

Number: 43011

DP

Location: Gloucester station

Named by: Right Reverend Michael Baughan, Bishop of Chester and Chairman of the Readers Ministry

Date applied: 04/06/92

Style: Reflective with silver ground. C/O/A above

Meaning: To mark the 125th anniversary of the Church of England's first lay reader, who worked from Standish parish church near Gloucester

Notes:



Reading Evening Post

Number: 43161

Location: Reading General station

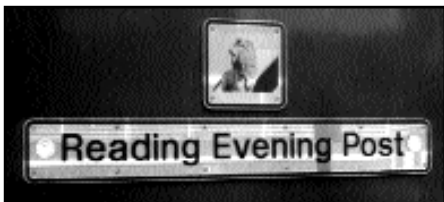
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Named by: Cllr Geoffrey Canning, Mayor of Reading and Ronald Allen, Editor

Date applied: 06/04/91

Style: Reflective with silver ground, C/O/A above
Meaning: To celebrate the 25th anniversary of the paper in 1990 and the introduction of IC125s on Cross Country routes via Reading from July 1991

Notes: After unveiling worked special to York and return



Red Cross

Number: 43147

Location: Paddington station

DP

Named by: The Princess of Wales, Patron of British Red Cross Youth

Date applied: 03/05/88 Date removed: 02/91

Style: Reflective with black ground

Meaning: To mark the 125th anniversary of the Red Cross

Notes: Plate changed to 'The Red Cross'



Redgauntlet

Number: 87026

SN

Location: Willesden depot

Named by: No ceremony

Date applied: 19/05/78 Date removed: 10/82

Style: Standard

Meaning: A novel written by Sir Walter Scott

Notes: Renamed 'Sir Richard Arkwright'



Redhill

1844—1994

Number: 73107

NR

Location: Redhill station

Named by: Cllr Norman Spiers, Mayor of Reigate and Banstead

Date applied: 16/04/94

Style: Standard

Meaning: To mark the 150th anniversary of railways running to Redhill

Notes:



Red Renaissance

Proposed nameplate for application to 90002 at launch of Virgin Trains take over of the InterCity

NR*

West Coast franchise. Continuation of 'Red' name theme. Plates cast but not applied. Abandoned on instructions of Virgin Board



Red Star

Number: 47567

SN

Location: Plymouth station

Named by: Lord Mayor of Plymouth

Date applied: 04/07/85 Date removed: 11/93

Style: Standard, C/O/A above, GW150 plate below

Meaning: Twinning with BR Parcels business 'Red Star'

Notes: GW150 event. Originally 'Red Star' was to have been applied to 47575. Unveiled during celebrations for the launch of a yacht 'Red Star'. Plates amended to 'Red Star ISO 9002' 12/93 - see next entry



Red Star ISO 9002

Number: 47567 / 47725

NR

Location: Euston Station

Named by: David Burton, former Director of Red Star

Date applied: 07/12/93 Date removed: 05/95

Style: Standard Res, C/O/A above

Meaning: Replated to mark the accreditation of ISO9002

Notes: Previously 'Red Star'. See previous entry.

Renamed 'The Railway Mission'



Reginald Munns

Number: 60092

NR

Location: Workshop depot

Named by: Mrs R Munns and Leslie Smith, Managing

Director of Trainload Freight

Date applied: 21/09/92

Style: Standard

Meaning: Named after the liaison officer between BR, NCB and CEGB and who was one of the architects of the modern MGR system

Notes:



RELENTLESS

Number: D839

SN

Location: NBL Glasgow

Named by: Applied when built

Date applied: 11/60 Date removed: W10/71

Style: 1950s WR

Meaning: Named after Royal Navy ship of same name

Notes:



Renown

Number: 50029

SN

Location: Laira depot

Named by: No ceremony

Date applied: 26/10/78 Date removed: W03/91

Style: Standard

Meaning: Named after World War 2 Royal Navy cruiser

Notes:



REPTA 1893—1993

Number: 47085

NR

Location: Willesden International Freight Centre

Named by: Mrs Grace Ward, wife of REPTA secretary

Date applied: 06/09/93

Style: Standard

Meaning: To mark the centenary of the Railway Employees Privilege Ticket Association

Notes: Loco previously named 'Mammoth' and 'Conidae'. REPTA originally planned for No. 47156



As mentioned above, Railfreight Distribution originally allocated Tinsley-based No. 47156 for this event, but a few days prior it was decided to swap the loco for 47085, by this time the official invitations had been sent out with the wrong number printed on them. The rather rare invite is illustrated below



Repulse

Number: 50030 NR
 Location: Laira depot
 Named by: No ceremony
 Date applied: 10/04/78 Date removed: W04/92
 Style: Standard
 Meaning: Named after 1916-launched cruiser
 Notes:



Research

Plate cast by NR in standard Res style for application to a Res Class 47, not applied. Loco 47763 allocated name on 07/95 list NR



Reseize

Plate cast by NR in standard Res style for application to a Res Class 47, not applied NR



Reserved

Number: 47770 NR
 Location: Crewe Diesel depot
 Named by: No ceremony
 Date applied: 05/94
 Style: Standard Res
 Meaning: Theme naming for Res traction with names starting with letters Res
 Notes: Previously No. 47500 'Great Western'



Reservist

Number: 47773 NR
 Location: Preston Royal Mail terminal
 Named by: Graham Stephenson, District Director of Royal Mail North Wales and North West
 Date applied: 01/08/94
 Style: Standard Res
 Meaning: To mark the completion of the Royal Mail terminal refurbishment at Preston. Theme naming for Res traction with names starting with letters Res
 Notes: Previously No. 47541 'The Queen Mother'



Res Gestae

Number: 47524 NR
 Location: Didcot Railway Centre
 Named by: Nobby Clark, retired TPO staff member
 Date applied: 23/09/95 Date removed: S07/96
 Style: Standard Res
 Meaning: Theme naming for Res traction with names starting with letters Res - A deed of achievement, exploits - list published by Emperor Augustus of his achievements.
 Notes: Unveiled at 'Mail by Rail' exhibition



Resilient

Number: 47597 / 47741 NR
 Location: Crewe Diesel depot

Named by: No ceremony, unveiled at official Res launch
Date applied: 11/10/91
Style: Standard Res
Meaning: Theme naming for Res traction with names starting with letters Res
Notes:

Resilient

RESISTANCE

Number: D840 SN
Location: NBL Glasgow
Named by: Applied when built
Date applied: 02/61 Date removed: W04/69
Style: 1950s WR
Meaning: Named after Royal Navy ship of same name
Notes:



Resolute

Number: 47642 / 47766 NR
Location: Crewe Diesel depot
Named by: No ceremony
Date applied: 08/92
Style: Standard Res
Meaning: Theme naming for Res traction with names starting with letters Res
Notes: Previously named 'Strathisla' as No. 47642

Resolute

Resolution

Number: 50018 SN
Location: Laira depot
Named by: No ceremony
Date applied: 06/04/78 Date removed: W07/91
Style: Standard
Meaning: Named after 1915-launched battleship
Notes:

Resolution

Resolve

Number: 47491 / 47769 NR
Location: Crewe Diesel depot
Named by: No ceremony
Date applied: 08/93
Style: Standard Res
Meaning: Theme naming for Res traction with names starting with letters Res
Notes: Previously 'Horwich Enterprise'

Resolve

Resolven Grange

Name allocated to 47519 in September 1995 - not cast

Resonant

Number: 47490 / 47768 NR
Location: Crewe Diesel depot
Named by: No ceremony
Date applied: 03/93
Style: Standard Res
Meaning: Theme naming for Res traction with names starting with letters Res
Notes: Previously 'Bristol Bath Road'

Resonant

Resounding

Number: 47630 / 47764 NR
Location: Crewe Diesel depot
Named by: No ceremony
Date applied: 07/93
Style: Standard Res
Meaning: Theme naming for Res traction with names starting with letters Res
Notes:

Resounding

Resourceful

Number: 47594 / 47739

NR

Location: Crewe Diesel depot

Named by: No ceremony, used as one of official launch locos for Res business

Date applied: 11/10/91

Style: Standard Res

Meaning: Theme naming for Res traction with names starting with letters Res

Notes:

Resourceful

Respected

Number: 47578 / 47776

NR

Location: Crewe Diesel depot

Named by: No ceremony

Date applied: 10/91

Style: Standard Res

Meaning: Theme naming for Res traction with names starting with letters Res

Notes: Previously 'The Royal Society of Edinburgh'

Respected

Respite

Number: 47531 / 47775

NR

Location: Crewe Diesel depot

Named by: No ceremony

Date applied: 07/93

Style: Standard Res

Meaning: Theme naming for Res traction with names starting with letters Res

Notes:

Respite

Resplendent

Number: 47625

NR

Location: Crewe Diesel depot

Named by: John Morris, England and Derbyshire

cricketer

Date applied: 12/10/91 Date removed: 10/95

Style: Standard Res

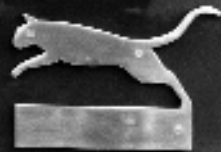
Meaning: Used as one of official launch locos for Res business on 11/10/91. Theme naming for Res traction with names starting with letters Res

Notes: Previously named 'City of Truro'

Resplendent

The Crewe depot cat logo was applied to the majority of Res Class 47s, usually below the number with the cat facing the cab end. The logos were produced by NR.

47625



Responsive

Number: 47565

NR

Location: BRML Wolverton Works

Named by: Tony Roche, Director of BRML

Date applied: 25/09/93 (open day)

Style: Standard Res

Meaning: Theme naming for Res traction with names starting with letters Res

Notes:

Responsive

Res Publica

Number: 47747

NR

Location: Crewe Diesel depot

Named by: No ceremony

Date applied: 06/94

Style: Standard Res

Meaning: Theme naming for Res traction with names starting with letters Res - Named after The Commonwealth

Notes: Previously 'Castell Caerffili/Caerphilly Castle' as 47615

Res Publica

Ressaldar

Number: 47631 / 47765



Location: Crewe Diesel depot

Named by: No ceremony

Date applied: 09/93

Style: Standard Res

Meaning: Theme naming for Res traction with names starting with letters Res - Title given to a commander of a troop of Indian cavalry

Notes:

Ressaldar

Restitution

Number: 47757



Location: ABB Crewe Works

Named by: Charles Belcher, Managing Director of Rail express systems

Date applied: 29/04/94

Style: Standard Res

Meaning: Theme naming for Res traction with names starting with letters Res

Notes: Previously 'County of Cambridgeshire' as No. 47585

Restitution

Restive

Number: 47475



Location: Crewe Diesel depot

Named by: No ceremony

Date applied: 08/92

Style: Standard Res

Meaning: Theme naming for Res traction with names starting with letters Res

Notes:

Restive

Restless

Number: 47562 / 47760



Location: Crewe diesel depot

Named by: No ceremony

Date applied: 07/93

Style: Standard Res

Meaning: Theme naming for Res traction with names starting with letters Res

Notes: Previously 'Sir William Burrell'

Restless

Restored

Number: 47636 / 47777



Location: Crewe Diesel depot

Named by: Glyn Williams, Managing Director of Parcels Group

Date applied: 10/03/93

Style: Standard Res

Meaning: Theme naming for Res traction with names starting with letters Res - First loco to be given CEM/F-exam at Crewe Diesel depot

Notes: Previously 'Sir John de Graeme'

Restored

Restormel

Number: 47732



Location: St Austell station

Named by: Peter Howarth, Managing Director of Royal Mail and Cllr Olive Irons, Mayor of Restormel Borough Council

Date applied: 21/08/95

Style: Standard Res

Meaning: Theme naming for Res traction with names starting with letters Res - Named after Cornish Council

Notes: Originally allocated to No. 47500, then No. 47519. Previously 'County of Essex' as No. 47580



Restyled

Name cast for application to Res Class 47/7, not applied, as name was considered unsuitable for a loco by senior management

NR

Restyled

Resurgent

Number: 47588 / 47737

Location: Crewe Diesel depot

Named by: No ceremony

Date applied: 04/92

Style: Standard Res

Meaning: Theme naming for Res traction with names starting with letters Res

Notes: Previously 'Carlisle Currock'

NR

Resurgent

Revenge

Number: 50020

Location: Laira depot

Named by: No ceremony

Date applied: 07/07/78 Date removed: W07/90

Style: Standard

Meaning: Named after 1915-launched battleship

Notes:

SN

Revenge

Reverend W Awdry

Number: 91024

Location: Kings Cross station

Named by: Johnny Morris, TV presenter and voice of 'Thomas'

Date applied: 04/10/95

Date removed: 07/97

Style: Standard. 'Thomas' C/O/A above

Meaning: Twinning of 'Thomas' author with East Coast

Notes:

NR



Reverend W Awdry

Richard Trevithick

Number: 56037

Location: Merthyr Tydfil station

Named by: Mrs Cherry Mitchell, great, great, great granddaughter of Richard Trevithick

Date applied: 23/07/81 Date removed: 08/97

Style: Standard

Meaning: Richard Trevithick (1771-1883) Cornish engineer and inventor famous for the first steam engine to run on rails in 1804 and particularly for his mine engines
Notes: Worked special train after naming from Cardiff to Merthyr with replica Trevithick steam loco on wagon

SN

Richard Trevithick

Right of the Line

'Name' unveiled on IC125 at Glasgow during the first week of April 1983 to mark the 350th anniversary of the Royal Scots. Applied for one day only

Ripple Lane

Number: 37892

Location: Ripple Lane depot

Named by: Ernie Sigston, Driver

Date applied: 17/10/87 (open day)

Style: Standard, detail plate added on 21/01/94 'This plaque is dedicated to mark the occasion of the closure of Ripple Lane TMD on 21 January Anno Domini 1994'

Meaning: Named after Thameside Railfreight depot

Notes: Removed between 07/93-01/94, reapplied on depot closure. One plate missing 07/97

NR

Ripple Lane

RITA

Pullman car - Kitchen, built 1932 - Southern EMU

R J Mitchell

One of ten aeronautic names selected in a staff competition for application to Eastleigh allocated Class 33s, not cast - Spitfire designer

Robert Adam

Number: 60007

Location: Brush, Loughborough

Named by: Applied when built

Date applied: 01/90 Date removed: 02/96

NR

Style: Standard

Meaning: Robert Adam (1728-1792) Architect of Kings Works 1761-1769 transformed the Palladian fashion in architecture by series of romantically elegant variations on classic originals. Also designed furniture and fittings
Notes:



Robert Adley

Number: 91022

NR

Location: Kings Cross station

Named by: Mrs Adley, widow

Date applied: 17/11/93 Date removed: 03/97

Style: Standard

Meaning: Named after the pro-railway MP and author

Notes: Plate originally cast as 'Robert Adley M.P.', then 'Robert Adley MP', changed prior to application



Robert Adley's widow, their son and the Chairman of the BRB, Sir Bob Reid stand by 91023 after its naming. CJM

Robert A Riddles

Number: 86102

SN

Location: Euston station

Named by: Robert A Riddles

Date applied: 19/05/81

Style: Standard

Meaning: Robert A Riddles (1890-1983) The first 'British Railways' Chief Mechanical & Electrical Engineer

Notes:



Robert Boyle

Number: 60013

NR

Location: Brush, Loughborough

Named by: Applied when built

Date applied: 04/90

Style: Standard

Meaning: Robert Boyle (1627-1691) Irish born scientist, inventor of the compressed air pump

Notes:



Robert Burns

Number: 87035

SN

Location: Glasgow Central station

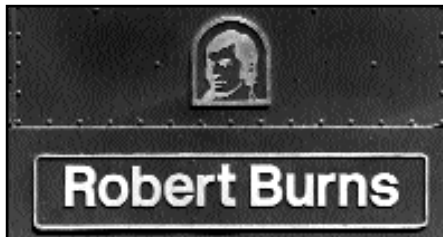
Named by: William Ross MP

Date applied: 11/04/78

Style: Standard, plaque above unveiled on 04/06/96 at Edinburgh Waverley by Murdo Morrison, President of the Burns Federation to mark the bi-centenary of Burns death

Meaning: Robert Burns (1759-1796) Scottish poet

Notes: Plaque cast by NR



Robert F. Fairlie

Locomotive Engineer 1831-1885

Number: 47645

SN

Location: Bleanau Ffestiniog station

Named by: John Routly, Chairman of Ffestiniog Railway

Date applied: 01/05/86 Date removed: W02/90

Style: Standard, C/O/A below

Meaning: To mark the 150th anniversary of the Ffestiniog Railway, named after engineer who designed first loco

Notes: Reapplied to 37422

Number: 37422

Location: Bleanau Ffestiniog station

Named by: Gordon Rushton, General Manager of the Ffestiniog Railway

Date applied: 03/05/93

Style: Standard, C/O/A above

Meaning: See above, unveiled at 'Hunslet Hundred' event

Notes: C/O/A cast by NR. Transferred from 47645



Robert Louis Stevenson

Number: 91018

NR

Location: Edinburgh Waverley station

Named by: Professor David Daiches

Date applied: 30/11/93 Date removed: 05/97

Style: Standard

Meaning: Robert Louis Stevenson (1850-1894) To mark the centenary in 1994 of Scottish poet and novelist Stevenson's death in Samoa

Notes:



Robert Owen

Number: 60047

NR

Location: Brush, Loughborough

Named by: Applied when built *

Date applied: 12/90 Date removed: 01/97

Style: Standard, C/O/A above unveiled 14/05/92

Meaning: Robert Owen (1771-1858) Philanthropist and mill owner who developed New Lanark cotton mills

Notes: * Official dedication ceremony held at Lanark station on 14/05/92 when Sally Bell a competition winner unveiled the name



Robert Owen

Number: Mk2 Pullman PFK M504

Location: BREL Wolverton Works

Named by: No ceremony

Date applied: 11/10/83 Date removed: C1986

Style: Painted

Meaning: Series naming of Pullman cars - See above

Notes: Renamed 'Ullswater'

Robert The Bruce

Number: 87021

SN

Location: Willesden depot

Named by: No ceremony

Date applied: 08/06/78

Style: Standard

Meaning: Robert II King of Scotland (1274-1329), who defeated Edward II at Bannockburn. First of the Stewart Kings, and remembered for his persistence after watching a spider building a web

Notes:



ROBIN

Pullman car - Kitchen, built 1960 - loco hauled

Robin Hood

Number: 47480 / 97480 / 47971

SN

Location: Nottingham station

Named by: Dennis Birkinshaw, Lord Mayor of Nottingham

Date applied: 23/11/79

Style: Standard

Meaning: C 1200 Legendary English outlaw who supposedly lived in Sherwood Forest

Notes: Name originally allocated to No. 45105. New set of plates in Midland Mainline style cast 12/97 by NR*



ROB ROY

Name allocated for a Waterman Railways Class 47, main name plate cast, but background plate not produced. Not applied

PC



Rochdale Pioneers

Number: 47539

SN

Location: Rochdale station

Named by: Dennis Landau, Chief Executive of Co-Op

Wholesale

Date applied: 04/11/82 Date removed: 01/92

Style: Standard

Meaning: The name commemorates the 28 working men who founded the Rochdale Equitable Pioneers Society in 1844, from which grew the modern Cooperative movement

Notes:



Rodney

Number: 50021

SN

Location: Laira depot

Named by: No ceremony

Date applied: 31/07/78 Date removed: W04/90

Style: Standard

Meaning: Admiral George Brydges Rodney (1719-1792)

Named after 1925-launched cruiser

Notes:



ROEBUCK

Number: D841

SN

Location: NBL Glasgow

Named by: Applied when built

Date applied: 12/60 Date removed: W10/71

Style: 1950s WR

Meaning: Named after Royal Navy ship of same name

Notes:



Romeo

ADB975808, Southern Region 'Chopper Control' test vehicle, introduced 1979, rebuilt from 3834

ROSE

Pullman car - Kitchen, built 1932 - Southern EMU

Roseberry Topping

Number: 60050

NR

Location: Brush, Loughborough

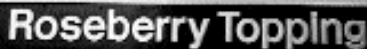
Named by: Applied when built

Date applied: 01/91 Date removed: 11/96

Style: Standard

Meaning: Mountain in Cleveland Hills, near Guisborough

Notes:



Rotary International

Number: 86315 / 86415 / 86615

NR

Location: Birmingham International station

Named by: Carlos Canseco, World President of Rotary

Date applied: 04/06/84

Style: Standard

Meaning: Twinning of BR with the Rotary movement

Notes:



Rotherham Enterprise

Number: 43047

NR

Location: Rotherham Masbrough station

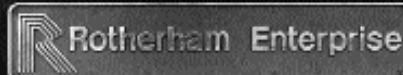
Named by: Joe Allott JP, Mayor of Rotherham

Date applied: 27/03/84 Date removed: 06/91

Style: Standard IC125, cast logo on plate

Meaning: Named after the Rotherham Enterprise Agency

Notes:



ROVER GROUP QUALITY ASSURED

Number: 47323

NR

Location: Rover plant, Swindon

Named by: Wilf Rayner, employee of Rover who won company competition

Date applied: 23/02/94 Date removed: 07/96

Style: Standard, two C/O/As above

Meaning: To cement new five-year contract to transport Rover products by rail

Notes: Transferred to 47236

Number: 47236

Location: Tinsley depot

Named by: No ceremony

Date applied: 10/96

Style: Standard, two C/O/As above

Meaning: See previous entry, applied to this loco as 47323 transferred to Freightliner

Notes: Transferred from 47323



Royal Air Force Regiment

Number: 91005

DP

Location: Kings Cross station

Named by: General Sir Peter de la Billière

Date applied: 27/02/92 Date removed: 05/97

Style: Reflective with silver ground

Meaning: To commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Royal Air Force Regiment

Notes:



Royal Anglian Regiment

Number: 86246 / 86505 / 86246

SN

Location: Liverpool Street station

Named by: HM Queen Mother, Colonel in Chief of RAG

Date applied: 13/05/85

Style: Standard, C/O/A above

Meaning: Named after the Royal Anglian regiment, unveiled to officially launch electric working between Liverpool Street and Ipswich and the tercentenary celebrations of the Regiment

Notes: At naming the Queen Mother said "I name this locomotive 'The Royal *Anglian* Regiment'". Loco originally allocated name 'Scaffell Pike'



Royal Armouries

Number: 91021

NR

Location: Leeds City station

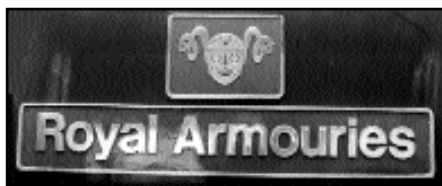
Named by: Tom Battle, Chelsea Pensioner

Date applied: 18/04/96 Date removed: 06/97

Style: Standard, C/O/A above

Meaning: Named after the Royal Armouries museum opened at Easter 1996 in Leeds

Notes:



ROYAL CORPS OF TRANSPORT

Number: D84 / 45055

D

Location: Derby Works

Named by: No ceremony

Date applied: 18/06/66 Date removed: W04/85

Style: Design for class incorporating C/O/A of regiment
Meaning: A regiment founded in 1965 to take over the duties performed by the abolished Royal Army Service Corps

Notes:



Royal County of Berkshire

Number: 47621

SN

Location: Reading station

Named by: Colonel, The Honorable Gordon Palmer, Lord Lieutenant of Berkshire

Date applied: 04/06/85 Date removed: 10/89

Style: Standard, GW150 plate below

Meaning: Twinning of Berkshire with BR, unveiled as part of the 'Beautiful Berkshire' promotion

Notes: Named as part of GW150. Originally planned for 47622 on 01/06/85 at Reading open day, changed to coincide with promotion. After unveiling operated special to Hungerford and back



ROYAL ENGINEER

Number: D98 / 45059

D

Location: Derby Works

Named by: No ceremony
 Date applied: 20/12/66 Date removed: W03/86
 Style: Design for class incorporating C/O/A of regiment
 Meaning: An army unit stemming from the Corps of Royal Engineers created in 1787
 Notes:



Royal Engineers Postal & Courier Services

Number: 47568 **NR**
 Location: MoD Long Marston
 Named by: Bill Cockburn, Managing Director, Royal Mail
 Date applied: 20/03/90 Date removed: 05/93
 Style: Standard, C/O/A above.
 Meaning: Twinning of the Royal Engineers Postal & Courier Services, who had the responsibility for transporting mail to troops in the field, and used rail services
 Notes: Loco operated 'Forces Mail' special from London to Long Marston for event. Renamed 'Royal Logistic Corps Postal & Courier Services' 05/93. Plates recast in Res style 1995 - not fitted



ROYAL FUSILIER

Number: D68 / 45046 **D**
 Location: Derby Works
 Named by: No ceremony
 Date applied: 21/01/67 Date removed: W08/88
 Style: Design for class incorporating C/O/A of regiment
 Meaning: An army unit. The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers, formed in 1968 by the amalgamation of four other regiments
 Notes:



ROYAL HIGHLAND FUSILIER

Number: D9019 / 55019 **GL**
 Location: Glasgow Central station
 Named by: General Wansbrough-Jones
 Date applied: 11/09/65 Date removed: W12/81
 Style: 'Deltic' design
 Meaning: Regiment of the British army formed in 1959 by amalgamating the Royal Scots Fusiliers and the Highland Infantry
 Notes:



ROYAL INNISKILLING FUSILIER

Number: D63 / 45044 **D**
 Location: Derby Works
 Named by: No ceremony
 Date applied: 09/65 Date removed: 06/87
 Style: Design for class incorporating C/O/A of regiment
 Meaning: A British army regiment formed in 1881 and in 1968 was amalgamated with three Northern Irish regiments
 Notes:



ROYAL IRISH FUSILIER

Number: D77 / 45004 **D**
 Location: Derby Works
 Named by: No ceremony
 Date applied: 04/09/65 Date removed: W12/85
 Style: Design for class incorporating C/O/A of regiment
 Meaning: Formed in 1881, this regiment of the British army became part of the Royal Irish Rangers in 1968
 Notes:



Royal Logistic Corps Postal & Courier Services

Number: 47568



Location: MoD Bicester

Named by: Major General David Burdon, Director
General of the Royal Logistic Corps

Date applied: 26/05/93 Date removed: 10/95

Style: Standard Res, half size letters

Meaning: Name changed from 'Royal Engineers Postal & Courier Services' when the regimental name was changed as part of the new Logistic Corps

Notes: Previously 'Royal Engineers Postal & Courier Services'. Renamed 'Progress' as 47726

Royal Logistic Corps
Postal & Courier Services

Class 47 number 47568 has the distinction of carrying two names relevant to the same military unit. The loco first carried the name 'Royal Engineers Postal & Courier Services', but after this unit was disbanded and the new Royal Logistic Corps formed, the Royal Engineers agreed with Rail express systems to change the loco name to reflect the new organisation. It was renamed 'Royal Logistic Corps Postal & Courier Services' in a ceremony at MoD Bicester on 26 May 1993. Major General David Burdon is seen unveiling the new plate. CJM



Royal London Society for the Blind

Number: 47745



Location: Victoria station

Named by: Brian Blessed, Actor

Date applied: 24/09/94

Style: Standard Res, half size letters. Nameplate reproduced in braille, special plate fitted below

Meaning: Named to mark an historic fund raising event for the Society, that of running the VSOE steam hauled from Victoria to Portsmouth behind recently air brake fitted 'Clan Line'

Notes: Previously named 'County of Somerset' as 47603

Royal London
Society for the Blind



Royal Mail

Number: 47549



Location: St. Pancras station

Named by: Sir Ronald Dearing, Post Office Chairman

Date applied: 26/09/86 Date removed: 06/91

Style: Standard

Meaning: Twinning of BR with Royal Mail as part of the relaunch of the TPO network

Notes:



Royal Mail Cheltenham

Number: 47750

NR

Location: Cheltenham station

Named by: Peter Love, Royal Mail Cheltenham manager

Date applied: 07/03/96

Style: Standard Res

Meaning: To mark the £1.5m Royal Mail centre at Cheltenham station

Notes: Previously 'Atlas' as No. 47626



Royal Mail Midlands

Number: 86226

SN

Location Birmingham Moor Street station

Named by: Ian Cameron, Chairman of the Midlands Postal Board

Date applied: 22/01/85 Date removed: 05/95

Style: Standard

Meaning: Unveiled to mark the launch of the Royal Mail stamps for GW150, and the close links between the railway and Royal Mail

Notes: Originally allocated to 86420 then 87023, which was damaged at time of naming. Previously named 'Mail'. Renamed 'Charles Rennie Mackintosh'



Royal Mail Tyneside

Number: 47756

NR

Location Low Fell Royal Mail station

Named by: Bob Lumley, Production Manager, Royal Mail Tyneside

Date applied: 19/07/95

Style: Standard Res

Meaning: To mark the opening of the new Royal Mail Tyneside 'Hub', part of the 'Railnet' project

Notes:



The application of names to Rail express systems locos owes a lot to East Coast Route Manager, David Copeland. David put forward the idea of the 'Saint' series names, as well as pushing several other unveilings to fruition. A project close to David's heart was the opening of the Low Fell Royal Mail terminal near Newcastle, where No. 47756 was named 'Royal Mail Tyneside' by Bob Lumley, Production Manager RM Tyneside on 19 July 1995. David (right) and Bob are seen by the nameplate. CJM



ROYAL OAK

Number: D842

SN

Location: NBL Glasgow

Named by: Applied when built

Date applied: 12/60 Date removed: W10/71

Style: 1950s WR

Meaning: Named after 1914-launched battleship

Notes: Name reused on 50017



Royal Oak

Number: 50017

SN

Location: Laira depot

Named by: No ceremony

Date applied: 24/04/78 Date removed: W09/91

Style: Standard

Meaning: See above

Notes:



Royal Oak

Royal Observer Corps

Number: 73137 / 73202

SN

Location: Waterloo station

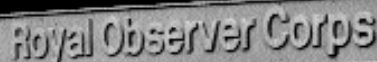
Named by: Air Chief Marshal Sir David Craig

Date applied: 30/10/85

Style: Standard, C/O/A below

Meaning: To mark the Diamond Jubilee of the Royal Observer Corps

Notes: RAF blue background to plate



Royal Observer Corps



Royal Philharmonic

Number: 43046

NR

Location: Nottingham station

Named by: Yehudi Menuhin, violinist

Date applied: 19/10/94

Style: Standard, C/O/A above

Meaning: Twinning of Midland Main Line with Royal Philharmonic

Notes:



Royal Philharmonic

Royal Scot

Number: 87001

SN

Location: Euston station

Named by: Jill Parker, Wife of BRB Chairman Peter Parker

Date applied: 11/07/77

Style: Non-standard, C/O/A applied 05/05/83, unveiled at Glasgow by Lance Corporal Mike Ashmore

Meaning: A British army unit dating from 1572. This naming was to mark the Golden Jubilee of the LMSR train

Notes: First of the 'new' standard naming ceremonies. Previously named 'Stephenson'



Royal Scot

ROYAL SCOTS GREY

Number: D9000 / 55022

GL

Location: Edinburgh Waverley station

Named by: Brigadier J E Swetenham, Colonel of Regiment

Date applied: 18/06/62 Date removed: W01/82

Style: 'Deltic' design

Meaning: This British army regiment was formed in 1681 but this regimental title dates from 1921

Notes: Unveiled to mark the launch of 6 hour schedules between Edinburgh and London



ROYAL SCOTS GREY

Royal Show

Number: 90009

DP

Location: Euston station

Named by: Charles Smith-Ryland, Chairman of the Royal Agriculture Society and Norman Painting, who plays Phil Archer in the radio series

Date applied: 25/05/89 Date removed: 03/94

Style: Reflective with black ground, detail plate above "This locomotive was named on 25th May 1989 by Philip Archer to mark the 150th Anniversary of the Royal Show and the 10,000th episode of the BBC Radio's The Archers"

Meaning: See above

Notes: Renamed 'The Economist'



ROYAL SIGNALS

Number: D55 / 45144

D

Location: Derby Works

Named by: No ceremony

Date applied: 30/06/65 Date removed: W12/87

Style: Design for class incorporating C/O/A of regiment

Meaning: A regiment of the British army formed in 1920 when the Corps of Signals separated from the Royal Engineers

Notes: Name reused on No. 43194



Royal Signals

Number: 43194

NR

Location: York station

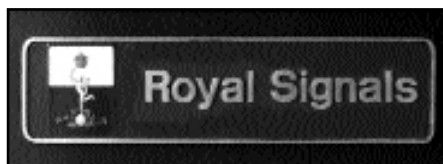
Named by: HRH Princess Anne, Colonel in Chief of Regiment

Date applied: 23/10/85 Date removed: 12/89

Style: Standard, logo cast on plate

Meaning: See above

Notes: Name previously used on 'Peak' D55



Royal Sovereign

Number: 87002

SN

Location: Willesden Depot

Named by: No ceremony

Date applied: 04/07/78

Style: Standard

Meaning: Traditional name of vessels operating with the Royal Navy, showing respect to the reigning monarch. Named after Lord Collingwood's flagship which led the attack at the Battle of Trafalgar

Notes:



ROYAL TANK REGIMENT

Number: D53 / 45041

D

Location: Derby Works

Named by: No ceremony

Date applied: 24/09/64 Date removed: W05/88

Style: Design for class incorporating C/O/A of regiment

Meaning: A regiment in the British army dating from 1916 which specialises in tank warfare

Notes:



Royal Worcester

Number: 47607 / 47821

SN

Location: Worcester Foregate Street station

Named by: Cllr Frank Poole, Mayor of Worcester with R T George, Divisional Manager of Royal Worcester/Spode

Date applied: 04/09/85 Date removed: 06/94

Style: Standard, GW150 plate below

Meaning: Twinning of Worcester and pottery company

with BR. Unveiled at opening of GW150 exhibition train
Notes: GW150 naming. Renamed 'Roy Castle OBE' as 47786



Roy Castle OBE

Number: 47786

Location: Waterloo International station

Named by: Fiona Castle

Date applied: 22/07/94

Style: Standard Res

Meaning: Named at end of Roy Castle 'Tour of Hope I' charity special

Notes: Previously named 'Royal Worcester' as No. 47821

NR



RUBY

Pullman car - Parlour, built 1960 - loco hauled

Rugeley Power Station

Number: 58039

Location: Rugeley Power Station

Named by: Fred Bonner, Retired Director of CEGB

Date applied: 13/09/86 Date removed: 05/97

Style: Standard. 'e' logo on plate (see notes)

Meaning: To cement the relationship between BR and the CEGB

Notes: 'e' logo ground off by Toton 07/96

NR



Ruskin College Oxford

Number: 47587

Location: Oxford station

Named by: Dr Stephen Yeo, Principal of Ruskin College, Oxford

Date applied: 03/10/90 Date removed: 05/92

Style: Standard, C/O/A above

Meaning: To commemorate the rebuilding of Oxford

NR

station

Notes: Name originally suggested by RMT General Secretary Jimmy Knapp. Joint ceremony with 'University of Oxford'. Renamed 'Cambridge Traction & Rolling Stock Depot' as 47736



RUTH

Pullman car - Parlour, built 1960 - loco hauled

Rydal Water

Number: Mk2 Pullman PFP 558

Location: Euston CS

Named by: No ceremony

Date applied: C 1987 Date removed: 06/91

Style: Painted

Meaning: Fleet naming of Lakeland Pullman set

Notes: Previously 'Ernest Rutherford'



A number of locomotives, including 'Royal Worcester' shown at the top of this page, carried a cast 'GW150' plate below their main nameplates to signify they were named in connection with the 150th anniversary celebrations of the Great Western Railway in 1985. The screw-on plates were cast by Swindon and most were removed in the late 1980s. CJM