

# News & Messages – July & August 2009

## Help needed looking for a special edition print (10/08/2009)

Martin Hunt has contacted us looking for some information regarding a limited edition photographic print by Brian C Lancaster. The full title of the large photographic print is **'INTERCITY - 46203 Princess Margaret Rose hauls Intercity's last special train out of London's Paddington Station March 26th 1994'**. The print is number 63 of 850. If anyone knows further details of the print, which is believed includes a facsimile signature of the driver and fireman (as well as the artist) is asked to contact Martin direct - he can be e-mailed [here](#).

## Response to e-Petition to PM to end harassment of rail enthusiasts (10/08/2009)

The Government has formally responded to the e-Petition submitted through the [Number 10 website](#) regarding the harassment of railway enthusiasts by 'jobsworths.' More than 3,000 people signed the petition before the deadline of 4th June.

The response states: "*There has been no change in the law either to limit the activities of railway enthusiasts or to ban railway photography. Railway enthusiasts are, of course, subject to the same rules as anyone else using the railway and so must not, for example, trespass on parts of the railway that are not open to the general public.*" The full reply can be read on the [Number 10 website](#).

## Changes to ICRS Officials (01/08/2009)

**From Trevor Roots:**

**Chairman:** Carl Watson after an all too brief reign at the helm has decided to step down but will continue to compile the UK Combine and Pocket Datafile, for which we are thankful. Thanks Carl for your commitment during your tenure as Chairman.

**Membership Secretary/Publications Manager:** Maurice Brown, a long time member and stalwart of the society and who many of you will know, has finally decided that he wants his life back. Previous attempts to resign were resisted, but the inevitable has happened and he has resigned from both ICRS and GBBG. Many thanks Maurice for all your efforts on several fronts and we wish you all the very best for the future...more time to spend on that allotment and annoy Sue.

**Wagon Compiler:** David Sharpe has tendered his resignation as the Wagon Combined Compiler for ICRS and will not be renewing his membership. As some of you know David is more of a bus enthusiast than rail these days and is very much involved with the PSV Circle as Sub Editor for Lancashire and Other Operators and is taking on further responsibilities with the organisation. With his interest in rail taking a back seat he feels now is the time to hand over to someone new. Under his stewardship over the last 3 years the Wagon Combine has gone from strength to strength making it the number one book in its field. So thanks David and all the very best to you.

So in with the new, Scott Yeates assisted by Paul Eveleigh have taken over the reigns and are currently compiling the next 2010 book. Thanks for coming forward...and good luck !!

## Changes to Members Area Username/Password Requests (20/07/2009)

With immediate effect there are changes to the issuing of usernames and passwords to the Members Area of the ICRS website. An existing ICRS member can request a password by sending an e-mail to [website.manager@icrs.org.uk](mailto:website.manager@icrs.org.uk) **including your full name and membership number**. If you do not know your membership number provide us with your address.

Your username and password will be e-mailed to you and this should be received within 24 hours. However, please be patient as during busy times it may take longer than this to issue your username and password. If you have not had a reply within 48 hours please e-mail: [website.manager@icrs.org.uk](mailto:website.manager@icrs.org.uk).

Members will no longer be issued with temporary usernames/passwords for access and anyone using a temporary username/password will now need to contact the Website Manager to get their own username/password.