BRITISH RAILWAYS in HERTFORDSHIRE

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HARPENDEN CENTRAL to HEATH PARK HALT (HEMEL HEMPSTED)

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
B82/1	LMS class 4 2-6-0 43119 with the 9.55am freight train from Harpenden Central to Heath Park Halt (Hemel Hempsted) at Hemel Hempsted (Midland); near head-on view, looking along the platform	10 March 1956
B82/2	LMS class 4 2-6-0 43119 standing on the bridge near Heath Park Halt, terminus of the Midland branch from Harpenden Central; loco viewed head-on; photo taken from the brake van on adjacent track;	10 March 1956
B82/4	LMS class 4 2-6-0 43119 shunting freight stock at Heath Park Halt sidings, Hemel Hempsted, end of the Midland branch from Harpenden Central; good ¾ view	10 March 1956
B82/5	Heath Park Halt, last station on the Midland branch from Harpenden Central; the loco standing by the platform is LMS class 4 2-6-0 43119, tender-first	10 March 1956
B82/6	LMS class 4 2-6-0 43119 standing on Hemel Hempsted viaduct on the Midland branch from Harpenden Central; loco is tender-first on the daily freight	10 March 1956
C309	Hemel Hempsted Midland station on the branch from Harpenden, with the CRAMP special train at the platform; loco at far end and not visible	11 May 1957
C310	Redbourn station on the Harpenden – Hemel Hempsted branch, with Midland class 3F 0-6-0 43245 head-on at the platform with the CRAMP special train	11 May 1957
C311	Midland class 3F 0-6-0 43245 passing under an overbridge with the CRAMP special train on the Hemel Hempsted branch from; ¾ head-on view of loco	11 May 1957

C312	Midland class 3F 0-6-0 43245 with the CRAMP special train at Heath Park Halt, erstwhile terminus of passenger services on the Midland's Harpenden to Hemel Hempsted branch; ¾ view of train with loco chimney-first	11 May 1957
C314	Midland class 3F 0-6-0 43245 with the CRAMP special train at Redbourn on the Harpenden to Hemel Hampsted branch; ¾ view of the whole train	11 May 1957
C315	Midland class 3F 0-6-0 about to pass under an overbridge on the Harpenden to Hemel Hempsted branch with the CRAMP special train approaching camera, but 50+ yards away	11 May 1957
C316	The road approach to Redbourn station on the Harpenden to Hemel Hempsted branch with CRAMP special train at the platform, visible	11 May 1957
X273 #	Train at the platform at Heath Park Halt, last stop on the Midland branch from Harpenden; identical view to B82/5	
X728 #	Midland class 3F 0-6-0 43245 with special trail at Hemel Hempsted (Midland) on the branch from Harpenden. The train reached the end of the line at Heath Park Halt. There is some mystery regarding the organization of this special. The Six Bells website shows the ticket as an LCGB special but there is no headboard on the loco. A passenger on the train is certain that is was organised by John Cramp, the station master at Redbourn and that it ran on 12 May, not 11 May as printed on the ticket. It is also claimed that the train ran to mark John Cramp's retirement	
X729 #	Midland class 3F 0-6-0 43245 running round a special train at Heath Park Halt, at the end of the Midland branch from Harpenden. Good head-on ¾ view of the loco; train is behind the camera	12 May 1957
X731 #	Midland class 3F 0-6-0 43245 at Redbourn on the branch to Heath Park Halt, with a special train apparently organised by the station master at Redbourn, John Cramp, for the LCGB. ¾ view of whole train standing in front of the station, which is therefore out of view	12 May 1957

HATFIELD AREA

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
C781	Class N7 0-6-2T 69632 taking water at Hatfield whilst working the RCTS *Herts II* rail tour	27 April 1958

BUNTINGFORD BRANCH

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
4246A	Class N7/5 0-6-2T 69633 on passenger train arriving at Mardock on its way to Buntingford. The driver is Arthur Sullivan	1956
4246B	Widford station on the Buntingford branch	1956
4556A	Class N7 0-6-2T 69633 passing Mardock signal box, bunker-first, with passenger train (almost head-on view). The driver is Arthur Sullivan.	1956
4556B	Gradient post (1408 / 209) and disc signal (point indicator) at Mardock	1956

| 5151A | Class N7 0-6-2T 69681 with the Buntingford branch train in the bay platform at St. Margarets. The driver is Ernie Castle, the fireman is 16 years-old Albert Grose and the soldier on the platform is Ian Reedman, during his National Service | |

HITCHIN AREA

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
4543B	Hitchin Yard signal box, with single-coach steam train from Bedford passing by in front of it	
B85/8	Class D16 4-4-0 62605 ¾ view, being detached from its SLS special train at Hitchin, with the signal; box in the background	29 April 1956r

WATFORD – ST. ALBANS BRANCH

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
4873	Class 2 2-6-2T 41220 arriving at St. Albans Abbey with a passenger train (head-on view)	
4876	Class 2 2-6-2T 41226 with a Watford Junction – St. Albans train arriving at Bricket Wood, looking south towards Watford	
B82/10	Ivatt class 2 2-6-2T 41320 with the branch train from Watford standing in St. Albans Abbey station, viewed near head-on looking along the platform	10 March 1956
C273	Experimental diesel railcar in the St. Albans branch platform at Watford Junction, viewed near head-on looking along the platform	16 March 1957
C274	Experimental four-wheel railbus at the platform at St. Albans Abbey, terminus of the branch from Watford Junction; also shows overall roof and station building	16 March 1957
C779	Stanier 2P 0-4-4T 41901 with passenger train crossing the railcar set at Bricket Wood on the Watford – St. Albans branch	27 April 1958
C780	Stanier 2P 0-4-4T 41901 heading the RCTS *Herts II* rail tour, paused at Bricket Wood on the Watford – St. Albans branch; head-on ¾ view of whole train with service railcar disappearing into the distance	27 April 1958
J220	0-6-2T 69614 at Bricket Wood on the St. Albans Abbey branch with the RCTS *Hertfordshire II* special train; ¾ view of whole train	27 April 1958
J221	ACV 3-car lightweight diesel set on a regular St. Albans Abbey – Watford Junction working near Bricket Wood	27 April 1958
J222	¾ view pf 0-6-2T 69614 with the RCTS *Hertfordshire II* special train standing in St. Albans Abbey station	27 April 1958

WATFORD AREA (excluding the St. Albans branch)

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
5344	Class 2P 4-4-0 40421 standing at the platform at Watford Junction with the LCGB North-Western branches tour	28 June 1958
5913	Class 2P 4-4-0 40567 a Branch Line Society special train (Duty 696W/m969) at the platform at Watford Junction	12 March 1961
8311	A3 class 60111 *Enterprise* on the diverted Sheffield-bound *Master Cutler*	

8314	Three-car lightweight diesel set, when new, at Watford Junction for operating the St. Albans branch service (subsequently withdrawn and steam trains reinstated because of complaints from passengers of rough riding)	
8415	Unidentified Britannia passing Watford Junction with the *Mancunian*	
C275	Patriot class 4-6-0 45547 pulling out of Watford Junction with an up passenger train; near head-on view	16 March 1957
J309	In the terminal platforms at Watford Junction, a comparison between ex-LNWR and BR (Eastleigh) built EMUs	6 July 1958

HERTFORD LOOP

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
4562B	Fairburn class 4 2-6-4T 42686 with RCTS special train M969 at Bowes Park. This was the London Freight Lines Tour, which reversed at Bowes Park before taking the line to Seven Sisters via Palace Gates	5 Oct 1957
5138A	REC *Saracen's Head* rail tour special train at Watton-at-Stone on the Hertford loop	15 June 1957
B97/3	Watton-at-Stone station, then out of use, on the Hertford loop line. N2/3 0-6-2T 69594 is standing at the platform with the REC *Saracen's Head* special train; view from above, giving a good overall view of the station as it then was	15 June 1957
C445	Class N2/3 0-6-2T 69594 bunker-first with the REC *Saracen's Head* special train stopped at the platform at Watton-at-Stone when the station was closed to passengers; good overall view of station from elevated viewpoint; shows all of train	15 June 1957
J58	Broadside view of N2 class 0-6-2T 69594 after running round its train at the then-closed station at Watton at Stone on the Hertford loop	15 June 1957
J59	The closed station at Watton-at-Stone on the Hertford loop, showing the shed that was the only structure on the platforms	15 June 1957
J60	LNER notice board "Watton at Stone" in situ at the then closed station on the Hertford loop	15 June 1957
W1332	Class N2 0-6-2T 69594 with the REC *Saracen's Head* special train; ¾ view of whole train at Watton-at-Stone during the years when this station was out of use	15 June 1957
W1333	Watton-at-Stone during this station was out of use; an REC special train stopped there; partly obscured by trees	15 June 1957

CHESHUNT to HERTFORD VIA ST. MARGARETS

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
J52	Overall view of Cheshunt station	15 June 1957

HATFIELD to ST. ALBANS (GN BRANCH)

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
J305	St. Albans London Road (GN station), looking east towards Hatfield; bridge carrying Midland main line in the distance	6 July 1958

J306	Old Midland and LNWR coaching stock in Departmental use at St. Albans London Road (GN) with Midland main line bridge in left distance	6 July 1958
J307	Platform at unadvertised halt at Fleetville siding, between St. Albans London Road and Hill End stations on the GN's St. Albans branch	6 July 1958
J308	Hill End station, ¾ view showing all of platform and station buildings, on the GNR's St. Albans branch	6 July 1958

HERTFORD AREA

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
J957	J69/1 class 0-6-0T 68500 near Hertford East signal box	16 July 1959
J958	J69/1 class 0-6-0T 68500 broadside view, coupled to carriages, at Hertford East	16 July 1959
J959	J69/1 class 0-6-0T bunker-first with carriages at Hertford East; ¾ view of whole train	16 July 1959
J960	The carriage stock in J959 viewed from the opposite end to the locomotive	16 July 1959

HERTFORD (exclusive) to HATFIELD (exclusive) via HERTINGFORDBURY

Ref number	Description	Date taken (where known)
B97/4	Class N2/3 0-6-2T 69594 with the REC *Saracen's Head* special train at Hertingfordbury on the Hertford to Hatfield line	15 June 1957
C444	Cole Green station, between Hertford and Welwyn Garden City, with an REC special train at the platform hauled, bunker-first, by N2/3 class 0-6-2T 69594	15 June 1957
C448	Hertingfordbury station with REC special train at the platform; shows station house and overgrown platform	15 June 1957
C449	Looking along the track across an underbridge to Hertingfordbury station with steam train in the station in the distance; this is the REC's *Saracen's Head* special train	15 June 1957
C451	BR class 4 2-6-4T 80135 bunker-first with the REC special train the *Saracen's Head* stopped near Hertingfordbury	15 June 1957
W1334	GNR oil lamp with station nameplate at Hertingfordbury, between Welwyn Garden City and Hertford	15 June 1957
W1335	Similar to W1334	
X302 #	REC special train paused at the rural closed station on Hertingfordbury on the line from Hertford to Hatfield; view looking along the line from about 50 yards east of the train and station	25 June 1957

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