

WR Reporting Numbers Summer 1949

These are what I believe to be the Reporting Numbers of regular express trains as per the Summer Timetable from Monday 23 May to Sunday 25 September 1949.

The list shows when the number was to be carried, but this does not mean the train was limited only to run on the day when a number was to be carried. An example is Bank Holiday Mondays when an otherwise Saturday Only train would also run. Unless otherwise said, Manchester means the main station at London Road. Several long distance weekday trains from the West Country to the North, shown as Penzance, Kingswear/Paignton, and Liverpool, Manchester often carried a portion to the other destination; similarly trains destined for Crewe had portions for both Liverpool and Manchester. I have only shown the start & end places for what is regarded as 'the main train'. Many of the FO and SO trains were 'dated trains', in that they only ran between limited periods within the Summer Timetable.

D – Daily (i.e. Mon – Sat and Sun), every day of the week

FO – Friday only (including overnight)

MX – Mondays excepted (i.e. Tue – Sat and Sun)

Q – Ran as required

SO – Saturday only

SuO – Sunday only

SX – Saturday excepted (i.e. Mon – Fri)

W – Every Weekday (i.e. Mon – Sat)

100	2150 FO Paddington – Penzance
101	2145 FO Ealing Broadway - Penzance
103	2212 FO Paddington – Penzance
105	2235 FO Paddington – Penzance
110	2300 FO Paddington – Newquay
112	2330 W Paddington - Paignton
113	2335 FO Paddington – Penzance
115	2350 FO Paddington – Penzance
118	0020 SOQ Paddington – Penzance (newspapers)
120	0530 SX Paddington – Penzance (SO Minehead) via Bristol
123	0655 SO Paddington – Penzance
125	0700 SO Paddington – Kingswear
126	0705 SO Paddington – Penzance
128	0710 SO Paddington - Penzance
130	0730 SO Paddington – Kingswear (SX Plymouth) via Bristol
133	0740 SO Paddington – Paignton
135	0810 SO Paddington – Paignton
138	0830 SX Paddington – Weymouth Quay
139	0830 SOQ Paddington – Weymouth Quay
143	0840 SO Paddington – Penzance
145	0905 W Paddington – Bristol
148	0915 SO Paddington – Durston
150	0930 SO Paddington – Newquay
153	0935 SO Paddington – Paignton
155	0940 SO Paddington - Minehead
158	1020 SO Paddington – Paignton
160	1030 D Paddington – Penzance

163 1035SO Paddington – Penzance
165 1040 SO Paddington – Kingswear
168 1100 SO Paddington – Penzance
170 1105 SO Paddington – Penzance
172 1115 SO Paddington – Taunton
175 1130 SO Paddington – Minehead)
180 1200 W Paddington – Kingswear
182 1205 SO Paddington – Plymouth
185 1330 SO Paddington – Penzance
186 1335 SOQ Paddington – Paignton
188 1530 W Paddington – Penzance
190 1705 W Paddington – Plymouth
193 1730 W Paddington – Plymouth
195 1830 D Paddington – Weston-Super-Mare
198 2110 Tu,Th,Sa Paddington – Weymouth Quay

205 2115 FO Manchester – Penzance
210 2100 FOQ Manchester (Victoria) – Paignton
213 1730 FO Glasgow (St. Enoch) – Plymouth
215 2220 FO Manchester (Victoria) – Paignton
220 2305 FO Manchester – Penzance
225 2315 FO Manchester (Victoria) – Paignton
230 2335 FO Liverpool – Penzance
235 0030 SO Manchester – Plymouth
238 0810 SO Manchester – Penzance
240 0850 SO Liverpool – Penzance
243 0835 SO Preston – Weston –Super –Mare
245 0925 SO Liverpool - Plymouth

250 0645 W Wolverhampton – Paddington
255 0725 W Shrewsbury – Paddington

Trains 250 and 255 were hauled by Stafford Road Kings or Castles. Their return duties, respectively, were the 1110 and 1410 ex Paddington, neither of which were numbered at this time. The locos were turned at Ranelagh Bridge and the up train numbers were left fitted. Some photographs show the subsequent down trains carrying the up train number, and hence caption errors, claiming it is the up working. As IS 455, later left up for 1315 W Paddington - Bristol.

258 0745 W Worcester – Paddington
260 0650 W Wolverhampton – Paddington via Worcester
265 0710 SX Wolverhampton – Paddington
280 1620 W Wolverhampton – Paddington
290 1440 W Birkenhead – Paddington

305 1000 SO Weymouth Town – Birmingham
310 1025 SO Weymouth Town – Birmingham
320 1112 SO Weymouth Town – Paddington
330 1540 W Weymouth Quay – Paddington
335 1612 SO Weymouth Town – Paddington
340 1618 SO Weymouth Town – Cardiff
360 0910 SO Bournemouth Central – Cardiff
365 0850 SO New Milton – Swansea (High Street)
370 0937 SO Fareham – Cardiff
375 0920 SO Portsmouth & Southsea – Cardiff
380 1034 SO Portsmouth & Southsea – Cardiff

385 1145 SO Portsmouth & Southsea – Cardiff
390 1100 SO Brighton – Cardiff

400 1605 FO Newcastle - Penzance
405 0125 FOQ Bristol – Penzance
408 2142 FO Loughborough – Paignton
410 2155 FO Nottingham – Paignton
413 2215 FO Sheffield – Paignton
415 2040 FO Bradford – Paignton
418 2100 FO Newcastle – Paignton
420 0700 SO Swindon – Penzance
423 0830 SO Weston - Super - Mare – Weymouth Town
425 0935 SO Bristol – Penzance
430 0635 SO Walsall – Kingswear
433 0700 SO Leicester – Paignton
435 0743 SO Nottingham – Plymouth
438 0805 SO Sheffield – Paignton
440 1345 SO Bristol – Penzance
443 0805 SO Newcastle– Paignton
445 0935 SO Bradford – Kingswear
450 0700 W Weston - Super - Mare – Paddington
455 0820 W Weston - Super - Mare – Paddington
460 1145 SO Bristol – Paddington
465 1358 SO Weston - Super - Mare (Locking Road) – Paddington
470 1615 SX Bristol – Paddington
480 1405 SO Weston - Super - Mare (Locking Road) – Birmingham

500 0950 SO Taunton – Paddington
503 0805 SO Kingswear - Paddington
505 0910 SO Minehead – Paddington
508 1000 SO Paignton - Paddington
510 1040 SO Minehead – Paddington
513 1020 SO Paignton – Paddington
515 1130 SO Torquay – Paddington
518 1125 W Kingswear – Paddington
520 1205 SO Minehead – Paddington
523 1220 SO Newton Abbot – Paddington
525 1350 SO Paignton – Paddington
528 1350 SO Kingswear – Paddington
530 1430 SO Minehead – Paddington
533 1525 SO Paignton – Paddington
535 1620 SO Paignton - Paddington
538 0800 SO Paignton – Newcastle
540 0845 SO Paignton - Nottingham
543 0915 SOQ Paignton – Sheffield
545 0900 SO Kingswear - Bradford
548 1016 SO Teignmouth – Bradford
550 1105 SO Paignton – Nottingham
553 1000 SO Torquay – Wolverhampton via Oxford
555 1027 SO Newton Abbot - Birmingham
558 1035 SO Paignton – Birmingham
560 1235 SO Paignton – Birmingham
563 1300 SO Paignton – Birmingham
565 1505 SO Paignton – Wolverhampton
570 0700 SO Kingswear – Swansea

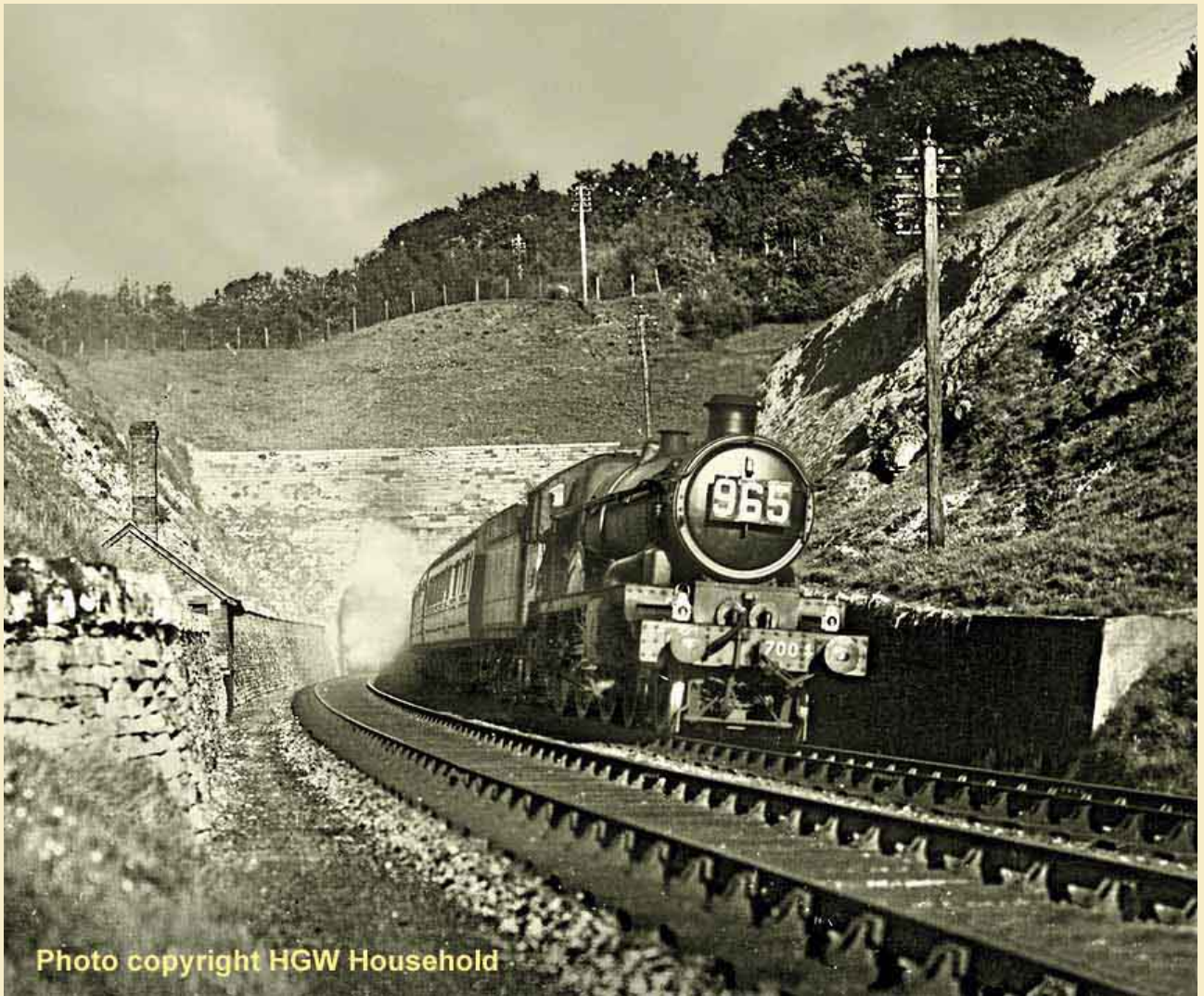


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573 0815 SO Paignton – Manchester (Victoria)
575 1010 SO Exeter – Manchester (Mayfield)
578 0900 SO Paignton – Manchester (Mayfield)
580 0940 SO Paignton – Cardiff
585 1010 SO Paignton – Cardiff
588 0925 SO Ilfracombe – Cardiff
590 1020 SO Kingswear – Crewe
593 1215 SO Kingswear – Manchester (London Road)
595 1540 SO Paignton – Cardiff

600 0710 SO/0715 SX Plymouth – Paddington
610 0817 SO Perranporth – Paddington
615 0835 SO Falmouth – Paddington
625 0820 SO Penzance – Paddington
630 0920 SO St. Ives – Paddington
635 0945 W Penzance – Paddington
638 1015 SO Newquay – Paddington
640 1200 SO Newquay – Paddington
645 1125 SO Penzance – Paddington
650 0845 W Plymouth – Crewe
655 0800 SO Newquay – Manchester (Mayfield)

660 1005 SO Penzance – Liverpool
663 1020 SO Penzance – Cardiff
665 1200 W Penzance – Liverpool
670 0730 SO Plymouth – Wolverhampton
671 0815 SOQ Newquay - Birmingham
673 1045 SO Newquay - Birmingham
675 1105 SO Newquay – Birmingham
678 1040 SO Penzance – Wolverhampton
685 1050 SO Penzance – Sheffield
690 0940 SuO Plymouth – Paddington
691 1035 SuO Swansea - Paddington

705 2140 FO Wolverhampton – Penzance
708 2240 FO Wolverhampton – Paignton
710 0700 SO Birmingham – Paignton
715 0710 SO Wolverhampton – Paignton
718 0830 SO Birmingham – Taunton
720 0900 SO Wolverhampton – Penzance
725 1035 SO Wolverhampton – Paignton
730 1050 SO Wolverhampton – Minehead
750 0800 SO Birmingham – Weymouth
755 0912 SO Wolverhampton – Paignton
760 1110 SO Wolverhampton – Weymouth

800 0625 SO Cardiff - Paignton
803 0810 SO Newport – Paignton
804 0805 SO Cardiff – Paignton
805 0905 SO Swansea – Kingswear
808 1125 SO Cardiff - Plymouth
810 0355 W Fishguard Hbr - Paddington
811 0335 SOQ Fishguard Hbr - Paddington
815 0625 W Swansea – Paddington
816 0745 SOQ Cardiff – Paddington
818 0455 MX Fishguard Hbr/0815 MO Cardiff – Paddington
820 0730 W Carmarthen – Paddington
821 1000 SOQ Cardiff - Paddington
825 0800 W Cheltenham – Paddington
830 1135 SO Cheltenham – Paddington
833 0745 SO Pembroke Dock – Paddington
835 0815 SO Neyland – Paddington
840 1105 W Milford Haven – Paddington
845 1435 SO Swansea - Paddington
850 1215 W Neyland – Paddington
855 1545 W Carmarthen – Paddington
860 0905 SO Cardiff – Portsmouth & Southsea
865 0945 SO Cardiff – Portsmouth & Southsea
870 1008 SO Cardiff – New Milton
875 1030 SO Cardiff – Portsmouth & Southsea
880 1050 SO Cardiff – Bournemouth
885 1300 SO Cardiff – Brighton

930 0855 W Paddington – Carmarthen
931 0850 SO Paddington - Swansea
932 0800 SO Ealing Broadway - Carmarthen
935 0955 SO Paddington – Pembroke Dock

940	1135 SO Paddington – Neyland
945	1155 SO Paddington – Milford Haven
946	1150 SOQ Paddington - Swansea
955	1555 W Paddington – Fishguard Hbr
956	1545 W Paddington – Fishguard Hbr
960	1655 W Paddington – Cheltenham
963	1755 W Paddington – Carmarthen
964	1750 WQ Paddington – Swansea
968	1835 W Paddington – Cheltenham
970	1855 W Paddington – Fishguard Harbour
971	1915 WQ Paddington – Fishguard Harbour
975	0910 W Paddington – Birkenhead
976	0900 SX Paddington – Wolverhampton (SO Pwllheli)
978	1010 SO Paddington – Birmingham or Aberystwyth
980	1015 SO Paddington - Wolverhampton
983	1145 W Paddington – Hereford
985	1610 W Paddington – Birkenhead
988	1645 W Paddington – Hereford
990	1710 SX Paddington – Wolverhampton
995	1810 W Paddington – Birkenhead
998	1845 D Paddington – Great Malvern

On a final note, some of the PDFs accompanying the webpage might, despite considerable effort, contain errors and missing details. My purpose has always been to compile the lists of WR Train Reporting Numbers for myself, however I am willing to share my best shot so far with others, and welcome additions and corrections to get the thing right.

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