

## **Locomotives Built or Overhauled at Gorton Tank & a List of Eight of them which have been Preserved**

(information in an email to me dated 12<sup>th</sup> October 2012 from Jonathan Jaeger)

The last steam locomotive built there was a Thompson B1 4-6-0, Gorton Workshop serial No. 1007 in 1949. This locomotive was given British Railways running number 61349 and assigned to the Scottish Region. A curious choice given the quantity of Thompson B1s built in Glasgow by the North British Locomotive Co. Ltd..

The first electric locomotive built at the Tank was in 1950. It was an EM1 Bo-Bo Gorton serial No. 1008, British Railways running No. 26001, later E26001 and finally 76.001. The last electric locomotive built at the Tank in 1954. It was an EM2 Co-Co Gorton serial No. 1071, British Railways No. 27006 "Pandora". It was later class 77 No. E27006.

The last locomotive overhauled at the Tank was a Stanier 8F, L.N.E.R. O6, No. 48520 in April 1963. It had been built in 1944 at Doncaster Plant by the L.N.E.R.

### **It appears that eight locomotives built at the Tank have been preserved**

1. G.C.R. 11F "Improved Director" 4-4-0 No. 506 "Butler Henderson", L.N.E.R. 5506/2660, B.R. 62660 built a.d. 1919; 2011 location; Barrow Hill Roundhouse, Campbell Drive, Staveley, CHESTERFIELD, Derbys.
2. G.C.R. 8K "Tiny" 2-8-0 No. 102, L.N.E.R. 5102/3509/3601, B.R. 63601 built a.d. 1911; 2011 location Great Central Railway, Loughborough Central Station, LOUGHBOROUGH, Leics.

*Royal Engineer's Rly Operating Divn (R.O.D.). "MM" Ministry of Munitions 2-8-0s sold to J. & A. Brown, for use on their Richmond Vale Colliery Railway in New South Wales, Australia:*

3. R.O.D. No. 2003 built 1918 by the G.C.R's Gorton Works, J. & A. Brown running No. 24 2011 location Dorriggo, New South Wales, Australia.
4. R.O.D. No. 2004 built 1918 by the G.C.R's Gorton Works, J. & A Brown running No. 23 2011 location; Richmond Vale Steam Centre, Kurri-Kurri, New South Wales, Australia.

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5. B.R. EM1 Bo-Bo No. 26020/E26020/76.020 Gorton serial No.1027 built a.d. 1951 The first EM1 fitted with a train heating boiler and the only boiler fitted EM1 not to be named. 2011 location; National Railway Museum, Leeman Road, YORK, N. Yorks.

*B.R. EM2 Co-Co locomotives. N.B. the EM2 locomotives used the same design of bogies as fitted to the "Derby Twins," L.M.S.-English Electric Co-Co diesel electric locomotives 10000 and 10001.*

6. 1953 Gorton serial No. 1065, B.R. No. 27000 "Electra", Nederlands Spoorwegen (N.S.) 1502; 2011 location; Midland Railway, Butterley

7. 1954 Gorton serial No. 1066, B.R. No. 27001 "Ariadne", N.S. 1505  
2011 location; The Museum of Science & Industry in Manchester, Liverpool Road, Castlefield, MANCHESTER, M3 4FP

8. 1954 Gorton serial No. 1068, B.R. No. 27003 "Diana", N.S. 1501; 2011 location, Leidschendam, Den Haag, Zuid Holland, Netherlands.

**Locomotive designed, but not built, at Gorton:**

R.O.D. No. 1984 built 1918 by the North British Locomotive Co. Ltd's (N.B.L.) Queen Park Works N.B.L. order No. L.704, serial No. 22042, J.& A. Brown running No. 20  
2011 location Dorrigo, New South Wales, Australia.