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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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**Oxford Rail presents a new selection of models featuring something old, something new and something definitely blue!**

**To answer the ever increasing demand for their excellent range of rolling stock Oxford Rail are pleased to announce further new models to be released during the remainder of this year and the first quarter of 2017**

First on the list is the Isle of Man steam locomotive 'No10'. This static diecast model is based on the Beyer, Peacock & Co locomotive which first appeared on the Isle of Man Railway in 1905 and was named after the then company secretary, George Henry Woods. This locomotive was one of two medium boilered locomotives that were introduced during that period. Although static and non-working this diecast model will no doubt be considered quite collectable by those who model the Isle of Man Railway.

Last June Oxford Rail were pleased to announce the introduction of the BR and Motorail Carflat, the development of which is moving on apace. To accompany these models Oxford Diecast vehicles are providing the contents for car packs for use with the Oxford Rail '00' scale Carflat. Also Oxford Diecast are producing a selection of vehicles for those who model in 'N' gauge. The 4 car assorted car packs in both scales are decade specific

with the 1:76 packs featuring vehicles of the 1960s, 70s, 80s and 90s, while the 'N' gauge 4 car packs cover the 60s and 70s only.

Moving onto the new wagon selection, there are eleven additions including new liveries on the four and six plank wagons, including a new 6 plank BR Triple wagon pack, together with new running numbers on the LMS and BR Cattle wagon. However, the really terrific news is that totally new to the rolling stock range and previously unannounced is the 6 wheel GWR/BR Toad Brake Van – Diagram AA1, which will be produced in both GWR and BR liveries.

The development of the BR Mk3 coaches as announced in January has now reached the point where the tooling has been completed and assembled mouldings are now available and will be on display on the Oxford Rail website and for the enthusiasts to see 'in the flesh' at the Warley Model Railway Exhibition in November. In line with Oxford Rail's launch strategy the initial Mk3a liveries have now been finalised with the first two being the original BR Blue & Grey and the corporate BR InterCity Swallow colour scheme. The production of these coaches is on schedule with the first appearing during the first quarter of 2017. The initial production runs will include coaches designated as FO, TSO, RUB (Blue/Grey) and RFM (InterCity Swallow). Produced to an extremely high level of detail both in tooling and decoration these loco hauled Mk3a coaches will no doubt be in great demand and are expected to have a recommended retail price of £34.95.

Asked to comment on the new items Tim Mulhall of Oxford Rail responded by saying, 'We are incredibly excited on how the Oxford Rail range is developing. The introduction of the GWR/BR Toad will fill what we believe has been a gap in the existing GWR range of rolling stock and will be a natural companion to the Dean Goods which is now nearing production. As for the Mk3a coaches,' Tim continued 'these we know will answer the need for quality Mk3 coaches which for so long have been asked for by the modeller.' Asked to comment on the other new announcements Tim explained that Oxford Rail were determined to continue to provide product that was in high demand by the modeller and that by having a production programme that catered for new liveries on existing rolling stock Oxford Rail were able to comply with the modeller's demands.

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