

## ROG Purchase Class 47 Locomotives

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*ROG class 47s 47848 and 47812 working a HST coaching stock movement from Kilmarnock to Plymouth Laira*

ROG have recently acquired a fleet of five ETS fitted class 47 locomotives to support its growing share of the Rail Services market. The locomotives have been procured to support ROG's expanding train operations and also provide suitable traction for its forthcoming passenger charter operations. Managing Director Karl Watts said "This acquisition not only supports business growth but is a further step in ROG's plans for translator-free operation of locomotive hauled EMU services". The locomotives have a mixed 75/95mph capability and are well suited to all types of traffic haulage with network-wide route availability. In addition to supporting business growth, they will be made available for short or fixed term hire to the wider train operating community. Enquiries should be made to Richard Broughton, Operations Delivery Manager on 07802 658394 or [richard.broughton@railopsgroup.co.uk](mailto:richard.broughton@railopsgroup.co.uk).

ROG wasted no time in deploying two of the locomotives on day one with their new owner by operating ROG's Kilmarnock to Plymouth Laira HST stock move (above).

### Expanding the Team

Three additional Operations Managers and an Engineering Manager are joining the growing ROG front line team. Operations & Compliance Director David Burley said "The wealth of traction, operational and managerial experience that the new additions bring to ROG will bring added strength to our existing team and continue to build our reputation for industry leading delivery and customers relations. The appointment of an Engineering Manager to manage our growing traction and vehicle fleet is testimony to ROG's requirement for gold-plated maintenance to support our business."

The growing team also enables ROG to expand and deliver its expanding range of operational and technical services it offers to the industry as well as support for its expanding learning and development function.

### Control & Planning

As part of the move to its new Operations Centre in Wyvern House, Derby, ROG has centralised its Control and Planning teams. These teams provide a hugely important role for ROG and indeed other companies within the industry who wish to share ROG's operations control and planning resources. ROG are offering an opportunity for other companies to 'buy into' these very specialised resources. Think we can help? Please contact Richard Broughton our Operations Delivery Manager.

### Learning and Development Update

ROG continues to innovate within the industry. Our learning and development function has been exploring new technologies including Virtual and Augmented Reality.

Both are proving to be very exciting ways to learn, refresh and manage continual development. We have also been working closely with areas of the industry who have not always felt that 'traditional' railway products have been suitable for them. A good example of this is the off-network support we have provided for the aggregate sector, in particular Hope Construction Materials.

Please click this link to our training video to see just how we can produce bespoke learning and development programmes for you: <https://vimeo.com/conceptfilming/review/170194949/c77dd0b395>

Enquiries should be made to Gary Prodger, Production Director on 07890 959582 or [gary.prodger@railopsgroup.co.uk](mailto:gary.prodger@railopsgroup.co.uk)

## ROG's National Route Resource Centre

Working with Track Access Services, our work on the new and revolutionary National Route Resource Centre (NRRC) continues and, once completed, will allow industry to subscribe and access route maps, hi-technology route learning material, route risks and route competence

assessment material for the entire UK network. For further information please contact Gary Prodger, Production Director on 07890 959582 or [gary.prodger@railopsgroup.co.uk](mailto:gary.prodger@railopsgroup.co.uk)



## Another Class 37 for EMU Operations

37800 has entered service following extensive restoration and modification. On long-term hire from ROG's locomotive leasing partner Europhoenix, it joins sister locomotive 37884 on ROG's EMU translator operations and other locomotive hauled services. The photo shows the pair stabled in the 'North Dock' outside ROG's new offices on Derby station.



## Making Contact

For more information relating to our train operation or other services provided by ROG, please visit our website or contact Karl Watts, Managing Director on 07793 767218 or [karl.watts@railopsgroup.co.uk](mailto:karl.watts@railopsgroup.co.uk)