

## Locomotive Nameplate The Bluebell Railway

Two locomotives of the same class carried 'The Bluebell Railway' nameplates. The first numbered E6004, later 73004, was built in 1962. It named by TV personality Johnny Morris, Vice President of the Bluebell Railway Preservation Society, at East Grinstead station on 19 September 1987. The nameplates were transferred, without ceremony, to locomotive 73133 on 6 September 1990. The nameplates were removed when 73133 was sold to a private owner for preservation.



73133 forms the backdrop during the ceremony on 8 September 1992 to hand over Imberhorne viaduct at East Grinstead to the Bluebell Railway, for £1.00! Bernard Holden MBE, Superintendent of the line and John Nelson, Managing Director, Network SouthEast, sign the transfer document.

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