

## 1132

1132 was built a 3 car unit being one of the 'Berkshire' units in 1962. The unit being made up of DMBSO 60150, TSO 60677 and DTC 60831. With the introduction of the TOPs system it was renumbered 205032, but not until 1986. The TSO is presently stored unserviceable at Meldon.

1132 was repainted into Network South East livery in the late 1980s and after the privatisation of British Rail ownership passed onto the Connex South Central franchise. It was then painted into their yellow and white livery. 1132 moved from Berkshire lines to the Ashford to Hastings Line in 1993 and then spent its last few years working on main rail network running between London and Uckfield. 1132 was withdrawn after 42 years of service, on October 21<sup>st</sup> 2004 at Uckfield.

Below: 205032 & 205025 pass the boarded up signal box at Eridge with the 10:04 Oxted to Uckfield service on 25 May 1997, during the Uckfield Line Gala Weekend. Thumpers survived on this route until 2004, being replaced by Class 171 'Turbostars'. © Martin Loader



1132 and 1128 arrived at Dartmoor Railway on January 3rd 2005 behind 66708 and 73204. It was operating as early as 2006. The former was repainted back to original green livery it carried between 1962 and 1970. 1132 regularly operates DR services between Okehampton and both Meldon Quarry and Sampford Courtenay giving passengers the opportunity to experience the Thumper in action.

