

Terry Damerel

Many readers will know Terry Damerel as one of the longest serving Members involved with vehicle restoration. He left school in 1958 and started his working career with a small family run coach builder in Tiverton that specialised in all types of wooden bodies for commercial vehicles. After six months with the firm they offered him a five-year apprenticeship, learning paint spraying and brush painting. He stayed with them for twelve years.

After leaving he went on to work in the car and commercial industry with other employers. When WHOTT was formed in 2000 he read an article about them in the local newspaper and decided to go along to an inaugural meeting at Newton Abbot. He signed up, becoming Friend 68. Since then he has volunteered his time and expertise, working on many of the Trust's vehicles, first at Okehampton, then Copplestone before moving operations to Knowstone.

Terry's current project is to complete the restoration of the Trust's 1938 Bedford WTB with Heaver body, but other little jobs on other vehicles call for his attention from time to time.