

# CHRISTMAS 2016 AND NEW YEAR 2017

It goes without saying that there were no Underground services again on Christmas Day this year, making it the 37th year without. This is a 'full house' of S8 trains in Uxbridge sidings at 10.30 on 25 December 2016.

Photo: Brian Hardy



Timetable Notices covering the period 24 December 2015 to 1 January 2016 were as follows:

Metropolitan	132/16	Victoria	139/16	Central	141/16
Circle & Hammersmith	133/16	District	134/16	Bakerloo	138/16
Jubilee	137/16	Piccadilly	135/16	Waterloo & City	140/16
Northern	136/16				

## CHRISTMAS EVE – SATURDAY 24 DECEMBER 2016

With Christmas Eve being on a Saturday, in general, normal Saturday services operated until about 20.00 with reduced services thereafter with a Sunday close-down. Of course, there was no Night Tube. Last trains on the Waterloo & City Line were 23.20 ex-Waterloo and 23.26 and 23.26 ex-Bank.

## BOXING DAY MONDAY 26 DECEMBER 2016

Apart from the lines noted above, which had planned engineering work (District and Bakerloo lines) a Sunday service was operated on all lines, once the services had begun (between 07.15 and 07.45) but only until 20.00, when reduced frequencies kicked in. These were similar to the service levels on Christmas Eve but finishing at Saturday times (but with no Night Tube).

The maximum trains scheduled for passenger service during the daytime busy are shown in the table opposite. The changes first made on Boxing Day in 2015 continued in 2016, in that services finished later at Saturday times.

	2015	2016
Metropolitan	‡ 29	<b>36</b>
Circle and H&C	‡ 14	<b>† 20</b>
Jubilee	49	<b>49</b>
Northern	80	<b>80</b>
Victoria	32	<b>30</b>
District	62	<b>† 38</b>
Piccadilly	68	<b>70</b>
Central	‡ 61	<b>61</b>
Waterloo & City	–	–
Bakerloo	27	<b>† 25</b>
<b>Scheduled total:</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>409</b>

‡ Lines and totals affected by engineering work in 2015, the Metropolitan, Circle and Hammersmith & City. There was also a reduced service to Ealing Broadway (Central Line) with platform 5 being unavailable because of Network Rail engineering work).

† Lines and totals affected by engineering work in 2016, the Bakerloo, District, Circle and Hammersmith & City lines.

## BANK HOLIDAY TUESDAY 27 DECEMBER 2016

**Metropolitan Line** – Saturday start and finish times. All trains scheduled to be ‘all stations’. Intervals and patterns as follows:

Before 08.00		
40 mins	Amersham – Baker Street via Watford	) Combined service intervals: 20 mins
40 mins	Chesham – Baker Street via Watford	) Chalfont – Harrow via Watford and 10 mins
20 mins	Uxbridge – Aldgate	) Harrow – Baker Street.
08.00 to 12.00		
40 mins	Amersham – Aldgate	) Combined service intervals: 20 mins
40 mins	Chesham – Aldgate	) Chalfont – Moor Park, 10 mins Moor Park –
20 mins	Watford – Baker Street	) Harrow, 10 mins Uxbridge – Harrow, 5 mins
20 mins	Uxbridge – Baker Street	) Harrow – Baker Street.
20 mins	Uxbridge – Aldgate	)
After 12.00		
30 mins	Amersham – Aldgate	) Combined service intervals: 15 mins
30 mins	Chesham – Aldgate	) Chalfont – Moor Park, 7½ mins Moor Park
15 mins	Watford – Baker Street	) – Harrow, 4-4½ mins Harrow – Baker
10 mins	Uxbridge – Aldgate	) Street.

**Bakerloo Line** – Saturday service until 19.00, then 5 mins Elephant & Castle – Queen’s Park and 10 mins Harrow & Wealdstone. After 22.30, 7½ mins Elephant & Castle – Queen’s Park and 15 mins Harrow & Wealdstone.

**Waterloo & City Line** – Saturday start and finish times, 6 min service (10 mins before 10.30 and after 23.30).

**Central Line** – Monday to Thursday start and finish times, Sunday service, except before 08.00 and after 22.30, with intervals 10 mins western and eastern branches, 5 mins central area, 20 mins Hainault – Woodford (by extending alternate Hainault via Newbury Park trains to Woodford).

**Jubilee Line** – Monday to Thursday start and finish times, at the following intervals:

	Start to 07.15	07.15 to 08.30	08.30 to 10.00	10.00 to 20.00	20.00 to 22.30	After 22.30
Stratford – North Greenwich	10	3-6	3	2½-5	3	3-5
North Greenwich – Wembley Park	10	3	3	2½	3	3-5
Wembley Park – Stanmore	10	3-6	3-5½	3	3-5½	3-10

Note that there were no scheduled Willesden Green reversers.

**Piccadilly Line** – Monday to Thursday start and finish times, Sunday service, with trains making extra stops at Ravenscourt Park, Stamford Brook and Turnham Green (westbound), Turnham Green and Ravenscourt Park (eastbound) because of District Line engineering work.

**Northern Line** – Monday to Thursday start and finish times, at the following intervals:

START TO 07.00		07.00 TO 08.00	
VIA CHARING CROSS		VIA CHARING CROSS	
15 mins	Edgware – Camden Town	12 mins	Edgware – Camden Town
15 mins	High Barnet – Camden Town	12 mins	High Barnet – Camden Town
7½ mins	Camden Town – Kennington	6 mins	Camden Town – Kennington
VIA BANK		VIA BANK	
15 mins	Edgware – Camden Town	12 mins	Edgware – Camden Town
15 mins	High Barnet – Camden Town	12 mins	High Barnet – Camden Town
7½ mins	Camden Town – Morden	6 mins	Camden Town – Morden
COMBINED		COMBINED	
7½ mins	Edgware – Camden Town	6 mins	Edgware – Camden Town

7½ mins High Barnet – Camden Town	6 mins High Barnet – Camden Town
08.00 TO 11.00 VIA CHARING CROSS 10 mins Edgware – Camden Town 10 mins High Barnet – Camden Town 5 mins Camden Town – Kennington VIA BANK 10 mins Edgware – Camden Town 10 mins High Barnet – Camden Town 5 mins Camden Town – Morden COMBINED 5 mins Edgware – Camden Town 5 mins High Barnet – Camden Town	11.00 TO 13.30 VIA CHARING CROSS 8 mins Edgware – Camden Town 8 mins High Barnet – Camden Town 4 mins Camden Town – Kennington VIA BANK 8 mins Edgware – Camden Town 8 mins High Barnet – Camden Town 4 mins Camden Town – Morden COMBINED 4 mins Edgware – Camden Town 4 mins High Barnet – Camden Town
13.30 TO 19.30 VIA CHARING CROSS 6 mins Edgware – Camden Town 6 mins High Barnet – Camden Town 3 mins Camden Town – Kennington VIA BANK 6 mins Edgware – Camden Town 6 mins High Barnet – Camden Town 3 mins Camden Town – Morden COMBINED 3 mins Edgware – Camden Town 3 mins High Barnet – Camden Town	AFTER 19.30 VIA CHARING CROSS 8 mins Edgware – Camden Town 8 mins High Barnet – Camden Town 4 mins Camden Town – Kennington VIA BANK 8 mins Edgware – Camden Town 8 mins High Barnet – Camden Town 4 mins Camden Town – Morden COMBINED 4 mins Edgware – Camden Town 4 mins High Barnet – Camden Town

Throughout each period, the service to Mill Hill East was a shuttle to and from Finchley Central operating every 15 minutes.

**Victoria Line** – Monday to Thursday start and finish times, Sunday service until 23.30, then 5 mins Brixton – Seven Sisters, 5-10 mins Walthamstow.

### WEDNESDAY TO FRIDAY 28-30 DECEMBER 2016

**Waterloo & City Line** – Monday to Friday start and finish times, 3 mins (5 trains) morning peak, 5 mins (3 trains) midday off-peak, 4 mins (4 trains) evening peak, 6 mins (3 trains) evening, 10 mins (2 trains) after 23.30.

**Metropolitan and Bakerloo lines** – Saturday service.

### NIGHT TUBE LINES

In addition to the Timetable Notices listed above, special 'Holiday' Timetable Notices were issued to cater for when Saturday services were required but with a normal close-down time. These covered the two days 28 and 29 December:

Jubilee 137/16      Central 135/16      Victoria 140/16      Northern 136/16

For Friday 30 December, the actual Saturday service plus Night Tube applied, detailed in the TTNs listed at the beginning of these notes on page 211.

For all three days (28-30 December), the Piccadilly Line service was in TTN 135/16, which included Night Tube on Friday night 30 December.

However, a 'Holiday' TTN for the Piccadilly Line was also made available at this time for future events (TTN 2/17) but was not operational until 2 January 2017.

### NEW YEAR'S EVE / NEW YEAR'S DAY – 31 DECEMBER 2016 / 1 JANUARY 2017

For last New Year (from 23.45 New Year's Eve until 04.30 New Year's morning), free travel was sponsored by 'KAYAK', a leading travel search engine. This included the Underground, trams, DLR, TfL Rail and London Overground. There was no sponsor this year so TfL had to foot the bill for the free travel.

There were similar arrangements to last year's services, but with notable differences noted below.

#### VICTORIA LINE

31 DECEMBER 2016	
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#### CIRCLE & HAMMERSMITH

31 DECEMBER 2016	H&C	Circle	Trains
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Before 08.00	4'00" – 6'00"
08.00 to 16.00	3'00"
16.00 to 02.30	2'30"
<b>1 JANUARY 2017</b>	
02.30 to 04.30	5'00"
04.30 to 10.45	10'00"
10.45 to 13.00	4'00"
After 13.00	3'20"

Before 08.00	20	20	<b>17</b>
08.00 to 12.00	15	15	<b>21</b>
12.00 to 02.30	12	12	<b>27</b>
<b>1 JANUARY 2017</b>			
02.30 to 10.45	20	20	<b>16</b>
After 10.45	10	10	<b>31</b>

A total of 28 trains were required for the Victoria Line 'busy' period (16.00 to 02.30) and 8 trains for the 04.30 to 10.45 period.

### **BAKERLOO LINE**

The only service alteration this year was a reduction in the service before 12.00, being 5 mins Elephant & Castle – Queen's Park and 10 mins Harrow & Wealdstone.

### **WATERLOO & CITY LINE**

A 6-minute service was provided through the evening and until later last trains, 02.40 ex-Waterloo and 02.46 ex-Bank. No service operated New Year's Day.

### **STATIONS**

Station closures on New Year's Eve were scheduled to be as follows:

- Blackfriars exit only 23.30 to 03.00.
- Charing Cross closed 19.00 to 07.00.
- Covent Garden exit only 19.00 to 03.00.
- Embankment from 23.30 to 00.15.
- Lambeth North closed throughout (for lift replacement).
- Leicester Square interchange and exit only 20.00 to 00.15.
- Southwark exit only from 23.45 to 03.00.
- Westminster from 21.30 to 02.00.
- Kensington Olympia – closed, apart from early-morning trains ex-Lillie Bridge depot.

### **MONDAY 2 JANUARY 2017**

With this day being a Bank Holiday, Saturday services were provided on all lines, with Saturday Working Timetables on non-Night Tube lines (Metropolitan, Circle & Hammersmith, District, Bakerloo and Waterloo & City lines) and the Holiday Timetable Notices noted above, with that for the Piccadilly Line (TTN 2/17) applying for the first time.