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There's always something for everyone at our country park. From woodland and coastal walks to outdoor activities and events in our open spaces, a journey through history in the chapel or a spot to eat at our restaurant.

We welcome back our friends at Xelabus who are organising today's event and hope you will enjoy seeing the many vehicles that have been displayed today; many bringing back memories of the golden days of travel.

Do explore the park too and enjoy the many facilities with children's play area, miniature railway and lovely open spaces for a coffee or lunch.

Enjoy nostalgia whether its the history of the buses or the history of the chapel!



Welcome

Following last year's successful return of the Royal Victoria Bus and Coach Festival we have been asked if it will be repeated. So after consideration we decided to hold the second rally back at the beautiful country park and see if we can get more entries than 2023.

We are delighted to say that we have exceeded last years entries and we hope you will enjoy with us the range of superb vehicles on show.

This year we are celebrating bus companies former or otherwise within Hampshire and today will be new as well as companies from the past on show. You will be able to view former companies such as King Alfred Motor Services from Winchester; Hants and Dorset, Southdown, Wilts and Dorset, Portsmouth and Southampton Corporations and Provincial. Many of these provided extensive services for their residents.

We are grateful for our sponsors in particular PB Bus Marketing, Xelagroup, Mistral, ADL and Gallagher Insurance. Xelagroup will be having a separate display of current vehicles. We would also like to thank the staff at Royal Victoria Country Park for their kind assistance in allowing us to hold the event here today.

Finally, you will also be able to browse the many stalls selling transport related items and we thank them for their support.

All that remains to be said is thank you for coming today. The profits from todays event will be donated to Neuroblastoma UK fighting Childhood cancer.

Enjoy the day...

Phil Blair
Commercial Manager
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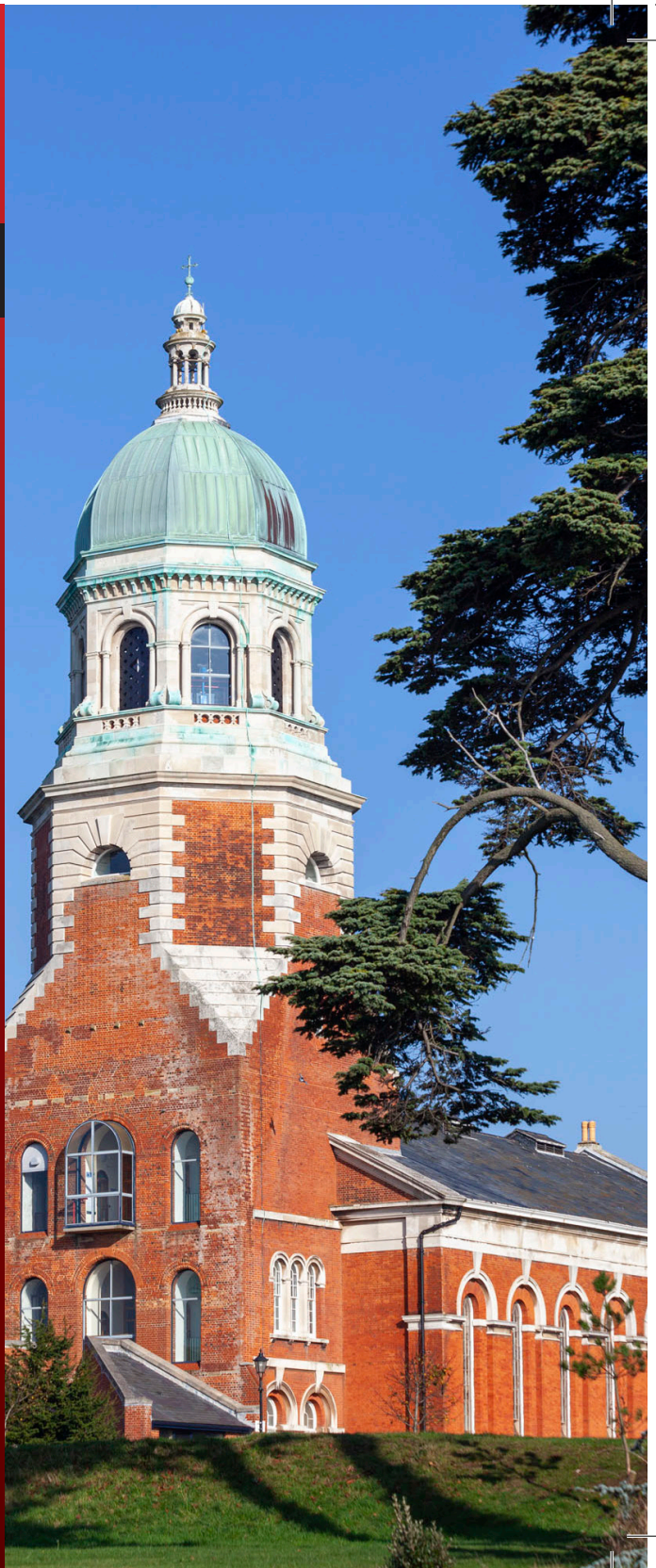
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23 ACD **Leyland PD2/37** **1962**

Originally Brighton Corporation. UKs first one person operated double deck purchased by present owner in 1991 Entered by Duncan Richardson, Alresford

**KOW 910F** **AEC Regent V** **1967**

From the Southampton Corporation fleet as 402 was the last open platform bus in service in the city in 1981. Extensive restoration work carried out by present owner once completed will be painted into her delivered livery. Entered by Charmie Holden, Southampton

**BTR361B** **AEC Regent V** **1964**

From the Southampton Corporation fleet as 361 operated in the city from 1964 to 1979. Again as like 402 the present owners have completed extensive restoration work. Entered by Charmie Holden, Southampton

**BUF 279C** **Leyland PD3** **1965**

From the Southdown MS fleet 279 operated in most of the provincial towns on the south coast. Purchased by present owner in 1997. Entered by Phil Blair, Upham

**UEL 564J** **Bristol RE** **1971**

Former Hants and Dorset RE has been acquired this year by present owner to form a small collection of former H&D buses. Entered by Phil Blair, Upham

**5677 EL** **Bristol Lodekka** **1961**

Along with UEL this bus will start to become a small collection of H&D buses. Was acquired this year by present owner after purchase from original owners who had the bus from 1982. Entered by Phil Blair, Upham

**ECG 112K** **Bristol RELL6G** **1972**

Withdrawn in 1984 after 12 years in service. Passed to Royal Marines Volunteer cadet corps then acquired for preservation in 1995 by Terry Lawson. Donated to Provincial Society in 2020



KOW 909F

AEC Regent V

1967

This bus was the very last rear entrance bus to be in service in Southampton and operated farewell tours. However in 1987 it came back into service alongside former London Transport Routemasters.

Entered by Xelabus Limited, Eastleigh

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MXX 398

AEC Regal

1953

RF 421 operated from many LT garages finishing at Kingston and sold in 1978. Has had a number of owners and now with current owner.

Entered by Chris Kilby, Bournemouth



BFX 666T

Bristol VRT

1979

New to Hants and Dorset in 1979 at Pewsey Depot. Transferred to Wilts and Dorset in 1983. Extensively refurbished in 1998 and operated by Damory Coaches on schools services. Repainted back into WD livery in 2008 and retained as a Heritage vehicle.

Entered by Go Southcoast, Poole

go southcoast



E701EFG

Scania East Lancs

1988

One of a batch of 10 new in 1980. The first new buses purchased after privatisation and saw further service after B&H with Maynes of Manchester and PC Coaches, Lincoln.

Entered by Brighton Bus Preservation Society



J552 GCD

Dennis Dart

1992

New to Stagecoach Coastline in 1992. Spent working in Chichester and Leigh Park. In 2007 sold to Emsworth and District.

Entered by Robbie Payne and Callum Kimber, Havant



RUF 37R Leyland National 1977

New to Southdown in 1977 saw service throughout the Southdown network.

37 was sold to Rennies of Dunfermline then returned south in early 90s when purchased by People Provincial at Gosport. Withdrawn by First in 2005 and entered preservation.

Entered by Hampshire Bus Preservation



UUF 110J Bristol VRT 1971

New to Southdown in 1971. 510 was allocated to Chichester then Portsmouth. It was later transferred to Brighton & Hove for training duties. 510 was later passed to Emblings Coaches and then first acquired for preservation in 2000.

Entered by Hampshire Bus Preservation



PPM 210G Bristol RESL 1968

One of 12 similar buses new to Brighton, Hove and District in 1968. Remained in Brighton until around 1980 when following refurbishment at Crosville. Entered preservation in 1992.

Entered by Hampshire Bus Preservation



BK10 MFN Volvo B9TL 2010

New to First London, passing to Metroliner, London. Sold early 2024 and refurbished to Tomorrows Travel specification.

Entered by Jay Thornton, Tomorrows Travel, Horton.



L622 TDY Volvo B10M 1994

New to Stagecoach Coastline in June 1994

Entered by Connor Goddard, Andover



Established in 2001, The Southampton & District Transport Heritage Trust (S&DTHT) is dedicated to the preservation of former Southampton buses and other vehicles from around the local area. The Trust look after around 20 vehicles that are important to the history of transport in and around Southampton and provide an opportunity for many to get involved with the preservation and operation of these heritage vehicles.

The oldest vehicle in the collection is a Guy Arab open top bus, which is notably famous with its connection to the 1976 Southampton FA Cup where it was used to carry the team around the city. The youngest of the collection includes a Leyland Olympian from 1987 and a Dennis Dart from 1995.

Vehicles from our collection attend various events during the year, ranging from the usual bus rally events (with one of the biggest in the country being at Alton on the 3rd Sunday of July), to visits at schools to give pupils an insight into Southampton transport history. Most of our collection is housed at The Brickworks Museum near Southampton which gives us the opportunity to showcase our collection to a greater number of people.

We are always looking for new members to join us, no matter the level of experience or knowledge. If you are interested in joining us, please visit our website or speak with one of our volunteers today! For more information visit our website:

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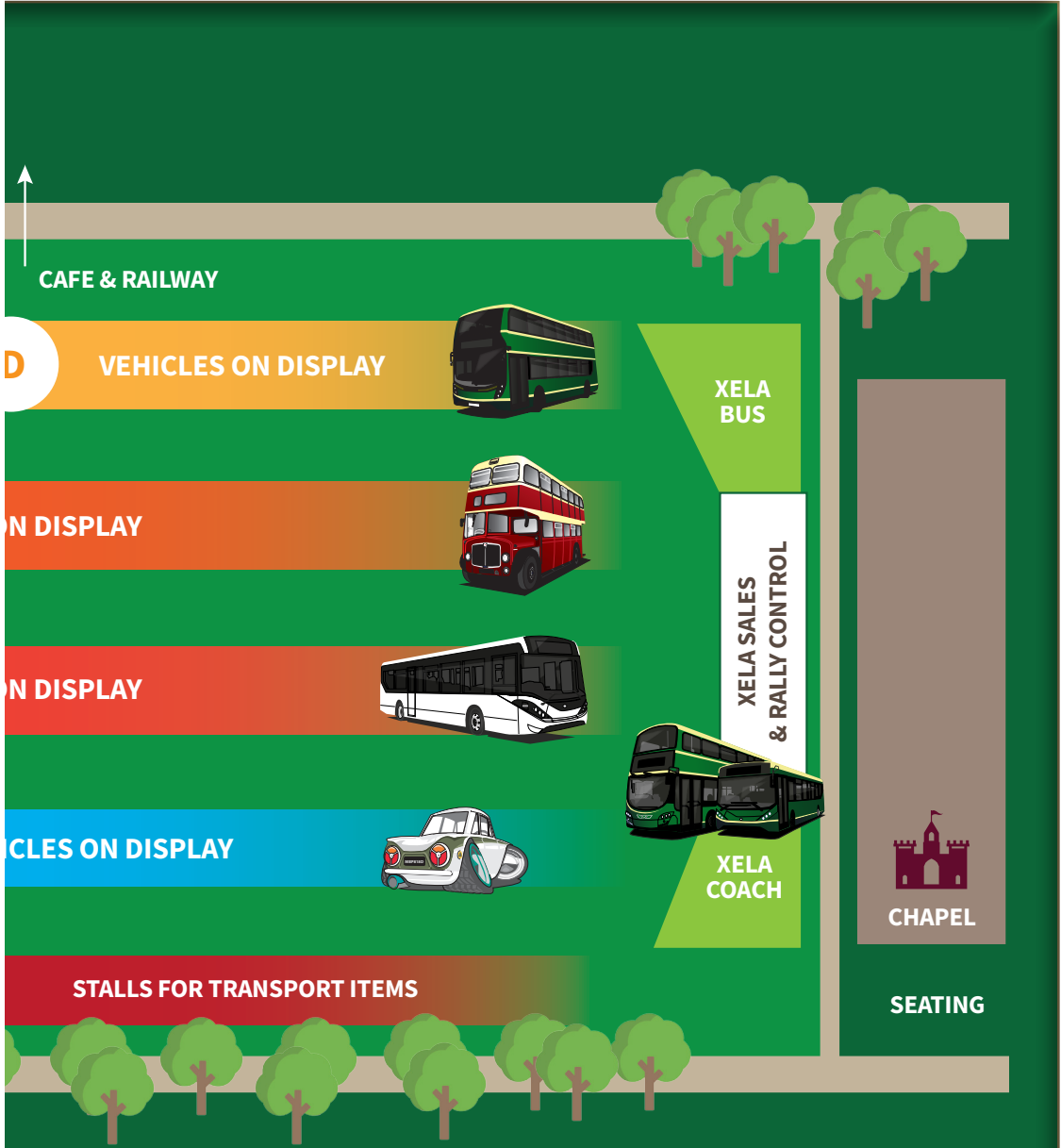
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RNP 358F **Morris Traveller** **1968**
 Nut and bolt restoration
 Entered by Van Page, Netley Abbey

139 ELY **Vauxhall Victor** **1960**
 First owner 30 years; 2nd owner 6 months.
 Owned by present owner since 1990.
 Entered by Derek and Sue Ely, Eastleigh

138 UYU **Volkswagen** **1960**
 Found in scrap condition but now restored to its present condition.
 Entered by Dennis Kirby, Eastleigh

428 UXH **Ruby** **1934**
 Found in pieces in a scrap yard and fully restored by current owner.
 Entered by Harry West, Waltham Chase

E157 MUW **MCW Metrocab** **1988**
 Vehicle spent its working life in London. Believed to be only two roadworthy ones on
 The road today. Entered by Philip Guyan, Folkestone

LMG 93K **145 Estate** **1972**
 Owned the car since 1998, totally original paintwork and interior.
 Entered by Tim Rose, Warsash



GOO 555H **Wolseley** **1970**

Certified 51k miles. Four owners from new. Owned car for 2 years.
Entered by Kevin Pearce, Hamble

BET 614L **Triumph Spitfire** **1972**

Restored over 3 years to 2019.
Entered by John Lee, Southampton

LXF 590K **Rover 2000** **1971**

Rescued from garage in 2012 after 24 years off the road. 36k miles from new when re-commissioned. Original documents and toolkit
Entered by Ron Munns, Warsash

780 UYX **Vauxhall Victor** **1962**

Entered by Darren Marks, Eastleigh

TRIUMPH STAG **1971**

Entered by Phil Blair, Upham

TOT 879 **Morris Minor** **1958**

Entered by Tony Mansbridge, Chandlers Ford



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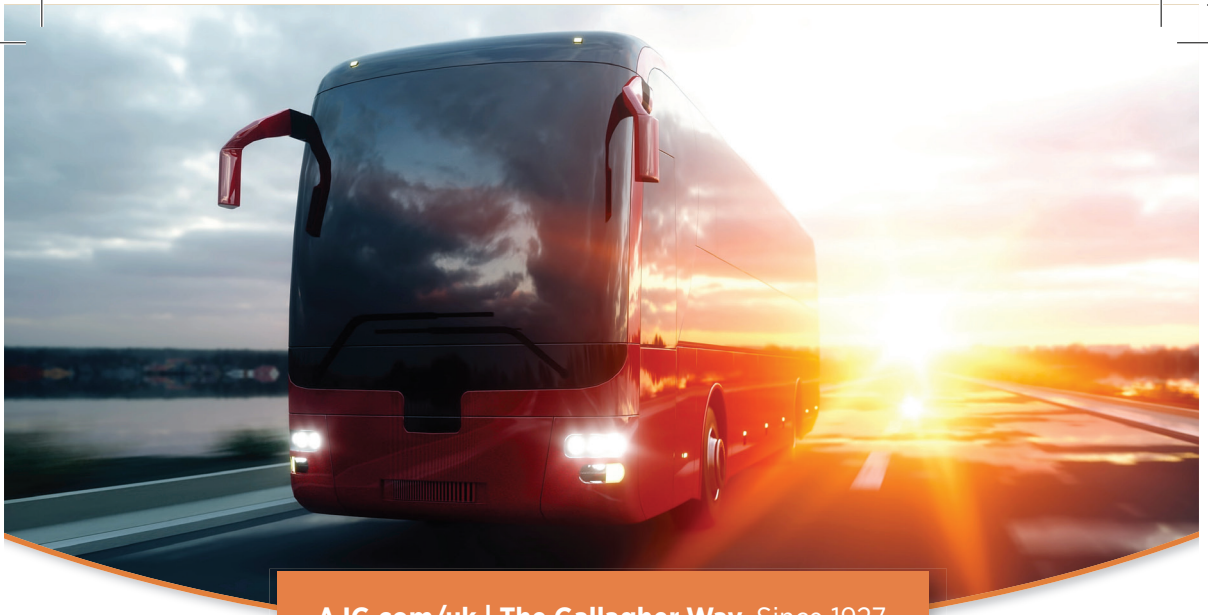
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The Friends of King Alfred Buses, widely known as FoKAB, is a Winchester-based charity devoted to preserving the history of King Alfred Motor Services (R. Chisnell & Sons Ltd) which ran the local bus services in and around Winchester for almost fifty years from 1915 to 1973.



We are a group of volunteers and we have been collecting King Alfred buses and coaches for over forty years. We have amassed a collection of sixteen vehicles over that period. They range from an 8-seater minibus to 76-seater double-deckers and the oldest bus dates from 1929, with the most modern built as recently as 1970.

Every year we have a big running day in Winchester on the first Bank Holiday in May when all FoKAB's fleet (along with many other beautifully restored buses) provide a huge range of free bus services around the city - with two other events each year, in September and on New Year's Day. The next opportunity to take free rides on the King Alfred buses is Sunday 15 September.

Last December, one of our rarest buses was involved in a diastorous fire and was very badly damaged. We are now making plans to start the enormous task of reconstructing this 1950 Leyland Olympic HR40.



Photo James Freeman

It's easy to join FoKAB. We have more than two hundred members and are always keen to see more. Go to our website for more details: kingalfredbuses.org

Today, FoKAB will be represented by our 95-year old Leyland Lion, which joined the collection last year, having been fully rebuilt over many years by a team in Scotland.



Photo David Jukes



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The Provincial Society was founded in November 2002 to bring together people interested in all aspects of the operation and vehicles of the former Provincial Tramways Company, The Gosport and Fareham Omnibus Company and the Provincial Bus Company, together with all successor and associated companies from 1878 to the present day.

A major aspiration of the Society is to have dedicated premises to allow the further preservation of vehicles and artefacts associated with the above companies.

There is a quarterly magazine Provincial Press.

Membership is open to anyone with a general interest in local transport history. Whatever your particular interest i.e. early horse trams, ticket machines, or even depot architecture, you will be welcome. Current membership rate is £25.00 and details can be found on our website:

<http://www.provincialsociety.org/>



The City of Portsmouth preserved transport depot (CPPTD) is one of four separate and operationally independent bus preservation projects in Hampshire and West Sussex that are administered by the Working Omnibus Project Limited (WOMP) – the other are the Medstead Depot Omnibus Group, Southampton and District Transport Heritage Trust and the Stedham Garage Group.

Our aim is to conserve and preserve artefacts relating to road passenger transport in Southern England and through our work as an educational charity, to extend this knowledge more widely.

There are currently 20 vehicles looked after in our rented depot at Wicor Farm in Portchester and at East Meon. The latter building is not suitable for members of the public to visit but we plan to hold open days at Wicor during the summer months together with a modest programme of free bus services in Portsmouth and Southsea.

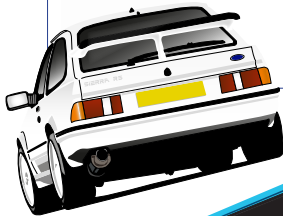
Our members include those who do the physical restoration work on the vehicles, drive and conduct, organise visits and tours or look after the grounds at Wicor Farm. If you are interested in old buses and have any sort of skill, CPPTD could be just your kind of society. Alternatively, if you do not wish, or are unable, to offer physical help, or live too far away, we will be just as pleased to welcome you, and your subscription will be equally as valuable.

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