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## Stellar Line-Up at London Bus Museum's 45th Annual 'Spring Gathering'

## Everybody welcome on Sunday 15th April 2018

The theme of London Bus Museum's 45th Spring Gathering is "The Classic Bus Show" and the event will encompass a rich variety of buses and coaches as well as other vehicles on Sunday 15th April. Taking place at Brooklands Museum, the home of London Bus Museum, the site will be filled with bus displays and offer opportunities for visitors to ride on buses in the local area.

The organisers have already confirmed some of the vehicles booked to attend this extravaganza. They are:

- RM2, the second of the Routemaster prototypes built in 1955 and brought into service in London Transport Country Area green livery on route 406
- A Greater Manchester Transport and later ex-Stockport Corporation Leyland
  PD3 built in 1969
- The oldest Bristol K double decker bus to carry its original Eastern Coach Works body and built in 1939
- One of the last, traditional shape FX4 taxis which were built continuously from 1958 to 1997 and this fine example has travelled a quarter of a million miles

There is also bound to be plenty of interest in the Traders' Market selling collectibles and memorabilia and a special exhibition charting the story of all bus operations directly related to Brooklands. This includes buses used at Brooklands in connection with pre-war events and special services for aircraft factory workers.

Visitors may be further interested in LBM Workshop Tours, a rare opportunity to see some of the preservation work carried out by our volunteers.



For the first time there will be six Vintage Bus Tours, at a small extra cost and each lasting ninety minutes as they depart throughout the day heading for Woking, Teddington, Leatherhead, Hampton Court and Virginia Water.

Gates open to the public at 10am and entry prices are as follows which include entry to all the motoring and aviation exhibition areas of Brooklands Museum, including the new Aircraft Factory and Flight Shed Exhibitions: Adults £13.50, Seniors £11.50, Children £7.00, Family ticket £35.00.

The half-hour Concorde Experience (£5 adults. £3 children) will be running all day as will the simulator rides in the 4D Theatre (£4 adults, £2 children).

Parking for this event is free and located in The Heights off Wellington Way, please follow event signage on the day. There are also two free circular bus routes operating, the 462 taking in Weybridge Railway Station and running every ten or so minutes and the 462A direct from Byfleet & New Haw Station at 10.04, 11.04 and 12.04.

Further information can be found at **www.londonbusmuseum.com** or by calling 01932 837994.

## Ends

The London Bus Museum is owned and run by London Bus Preservation Trust Ltd Registered Charity No.1053383 Company registered in England & Wales No.1061762. It is situated at Brooklands Museum in Weybridge and has the largest collection of working historic London buses in the world; a priceless heritage representing more than 150 years of public transport evolution in the capital. For press and media enquiries, images and more details, contact Deryck Fill on 0780 106 5537, call the Museum on 01932 837994 or e-mail: deryck\_fill@hotmail.com

