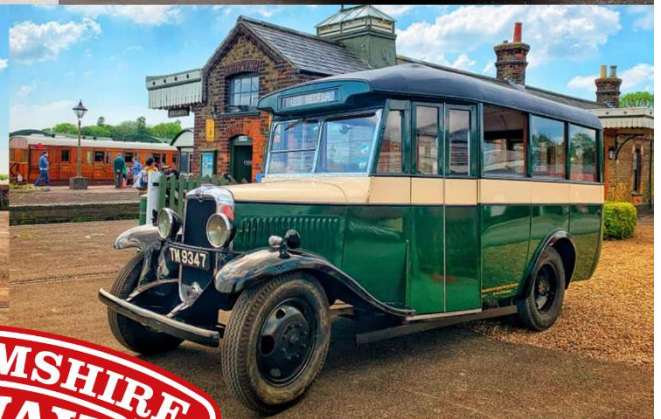


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Sunday 29th September 2024
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Something was missing in 2023, but we're thrilled to announce – the show will go on!

SHOWBUS, the country's biggest annual display of buses and coaches was held for 'the last time' in September 2022 with a final farewell gathering of over 250 vehicles! It had been a hard decision for SHOWBUS organiser Martin Isles to stop organising this fabulous annual event for the bus world, but he was concerned that the physical effort of staging the show would soon become too much for him and he decided that the 50th anniversary in 2022 was the perfect opportunity to go out on a high!

However! It soon became apparent that the bus world wasn't ready for SHOWBUS to come to an end, because Martin has since been approached by several organisations who all want SHOWBUS to continue! After many months of discussions, we are thrilled to announce that an agreement has now been reached and the show WILL go on! Buckinghamshire Railway Centre in Quainton will be hosting SHOWBUS from now on, starting with SHOWBUS 2024, which will be held on Sunday 29th September – so put the date in your diaries now; get those buses registered and your visitor tickets pre-booked. Exciting times are ahead!

You will be no doubt be pleased to hear that Martin will be involved initially to ensure SHOWBUS continues to embody all the traditional ingredients that have made it the number one bus event in the UK for so many years. Buckinghamshire Railway Centre (also known as Quainton Railway Society) has its own team who will take on the work of registering vehicles, selling visitor tickets, preparing the site and ensuring the event runs smoothly on the day. The emphasis, as ever, will be on providing a fabulous display of buses and coaches, and we therefore encourage everyone to register their vehicles via Buckinghamshire Railway Centre's vehicle registration form which can be found on their website www.bucksrailcentre.org.

On the day, the usual successful SHOWBUS format will be used, however, being a heritage railway, there will be a whole new dimension of things for visitors and exhibitors to see and do for a great day out! There will be the opportunity for visitors to go for a ride on some of the exhibits around the local countryside; and to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the Routemaster, a parade of the iconic London buses will run from Aylesbury to arrive at Buckinghamshire Railway Centre at midday. For those who like to arrive using public transport, there will be a dedicated shuttle bus service operating from Aylesbury bus station, harking back to the days of Woburn Abbey SHOWBUS displays.

Being only 20 minutes from the popular Bicester Village shopping centre, we thought it might be a fun idea to provide a bus trip there for anyone who would like to go shopping rather than

look round buses! Plus, you will be pleased to hear that the SHOWBUS Traders' Village will make a welcome return.

As the new venue is a heritage railway, there will of course be lots of other things to see and do during your visit, including train rides behind a restored steam locomotive; the fabulous railway museum to look around; rides on the miniature railway and the opportunity to watch the model railway at work. There is also a Travelling Post Office with interesting displays and a chance to learn how mail was sorted. The site extends to around 30 acres, so it's a whole day out! Exhibitors will have free entry (driver plus up to 5 passengers – for any more please contact us).

To buy visitor tickets, visit www.bucksrailcentre.org

Visitor ticket prices:

Adult: £14.50

Senior: £13.50

Child: £10.50

1 adult & 2 children family ticket: £30

2 adult & 2 children family ticket: £44.50

Children under 3 are free

Entry for vehicle exhibitors is free (driver plus up to 5 passengers – for any more please contact us).

SHOWBUS 2024 address:

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