



LONDON BUS MUSEUM

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Route 38 Heritage Day



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STL 2377, RT 1 and RT 4779 contemplate the day ahead on the Route 38 Heritage Day on 14 March. Almost 40 heritage vehicles spanning five decades returned to the streets of central London on a glorious spring day, giving rides to hundreds of grateful people. Huge thanks to all the vehicle owners, crews, workshop volunteers and passengers who made the event happen and especially to **Peter Osborn** for organising it.





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AGM and Members' Day

125 LBM members came together for our AGM and Members' Day on 7 March - a record attendance.

After the formal part of the day was over, Members enjoyed lunch in the Napier Suite, followed by tours of the workshop and rides on CR 16, RFW 14 and MLL 740.

Thanks to all our members who came to support the event.

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(No) separation anxiety

Not since the restoration of **G 351** in the early 2000s has the Museum attempted a body/chassis separation. All that changed on 11 March when, masterminded by **Roger Stagg**, **T 357**'s body and chassis were successfully separated as part of the restoration process.

Thanks to Roger, to **Ian Reddick**, **Owen Wright** and all the volunteers who assisted on this momentous day.



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The historic body separation attracted quite an audience from around the Museum that day!



T15 running day

Londoner Buses operates Routemasters (housed at Wandsworth garage) on route T15 each weekend between Tower Hill and Trafalgar Square. On the weekend of 28 February - 1 March, the regular fleet was joined by a wide range of visiting vehicles, much to the delight of the regular passengers. On Sunday the buses ran free of charge, with donations invited for the Car for Ukraine appeal, assisted by members of the Worshipful Company of Carmen out with collecting tins.



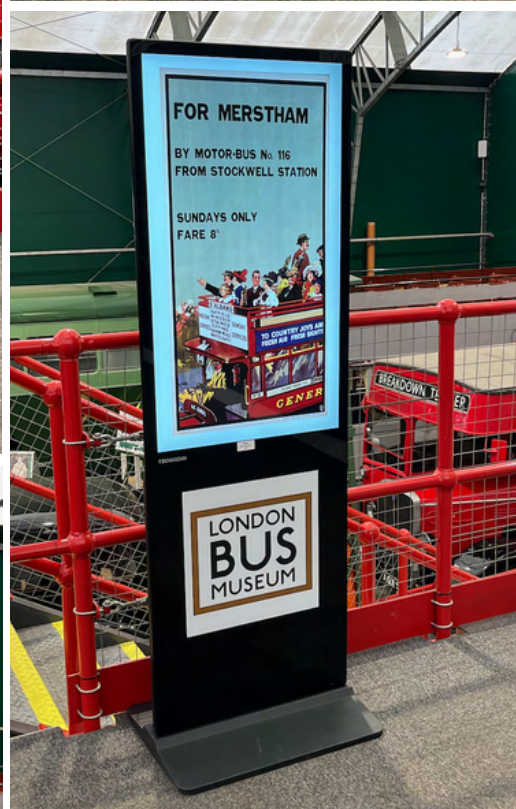




Art on the mezzanine

The newest addition to the mezzanine level displays at the Museum is this rotating exhibition of historic London Transport posters from over the years.

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LBM Events 2026



Spring Gathering

19 April 2026

Join us for our annual transport curtain-raiser to kick off the 2026 rally season with a range of vehicles, rides, stalls and fun.

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Route 213/293 Heritage Day

13 June 2026

Historic vehicles will offer free rides all day between Kingston and Sutton and North Cheam to Epsom.

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Summer Festival

28 June 2026

Our annual summer event returns, with visiting vehicles, bus rides, traders' stalls, food and more for all ages.

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Route 106 Heritage Day

3 October 2026

Our third Heritage Day will feature historic vehicles running a free service between Finsbury Park and Ash Grove.

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TransportFest

18 October 2026

Round off the rally season with our autumn event, including an array of vehicles, bus rides and traders' stalls.

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South East Bus Festival

We are taking **XF 3** to the **South East Bus Festival** at Detling on Saturday 11 April. The planned departure time is 08.00 from LBM, due back by 18.00, traffic permitting. All LBM volunteers are welcome to join us.

The bus will be parked on site and is expected to be used for a few internal runs within the site during the day.

We will not be charging to travel on XF 3 but an admission ticket must be purchased. Please try to purchase your ticket in advance from **Heritage Transport Show** | **Kent County Show**.

If you would like to join us, please email adrian.palmer@londonbusmuseum.com.

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Amberley Bus Show

Robin Helliar-Symons is planning to take his award-winning Leyland TD1 to the this year's **Spring Bus Show** at the **Amberley Museum** on Sunday 26 April.

If any LBM members would like to join, Robin is offering to pick up passengers from Maidenhead, Brooklands, or anywhere en route.

The bus is slow, so it will be a long (but enjoyable!) day out.

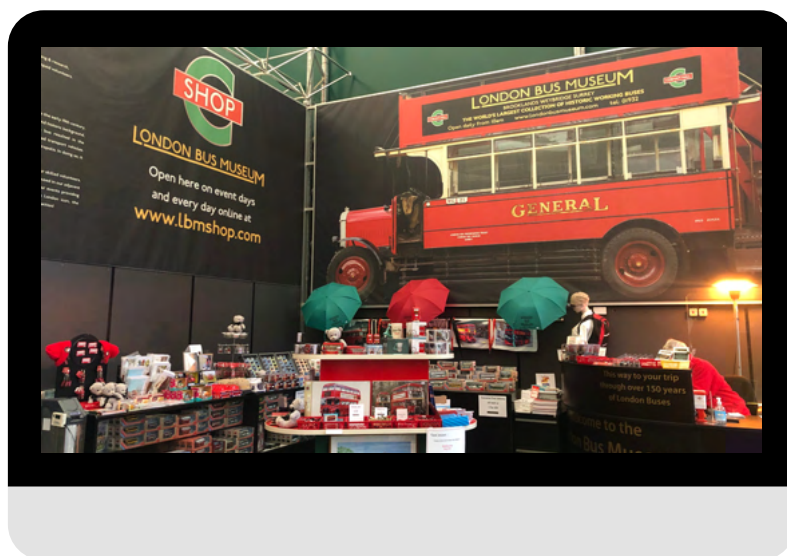
If you would like to come, please contact Robin for details:
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T15 from above

Your editor captured these unconventional photos of buses operating on the T15, at the bottom of Cannon Street in the City.



From the Editor

The route 38 Heritage Day got the 2026 LBM calendar off to a flying start and the feedback from members of the public has been tremendous. We couldn't do any of this without the tireless efforts of our dedicated volunteers, so thanks so much to all who contributed to the success of the day. Spring Gathering is not far away and we look forward to welcoming you all to the event!

Thanks to **Nigel Eadon-Clarke**, **Mia Hastings**, **Robin Helliard-Symons** and **Mark Kehoe** for generously contributing stories and photos for this edition.

Please **email me** any content for inclusion in the next edition.

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