



■ A 1950 Bristol L5G 35-seat saloon.



■ A 1959 Bristol MW5G 39-seat coach.



■ A 1962 Bristol FL6G 'Lodekka' 70-seat double deck bus.

# Route through the city for classic bus day revealed

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You wait ages for a vintage bus to come along and then suddenly more than a dozen come at once.

Full details of Sunday's classic bus rally around the city can be revealed today by the Evening News.

Around 20 buses from the 1940s to 1980s will be winding their way through four routes setting off from County Hall.

Spectators will see the shining buses pass through the city and return to the hall as if returned to their glory days.

An additional route will be operated by Patrick Burnside, of Thorpe St Andrew, who will be running his free-to-ride bus, the 13a and 13b, from St Stephens Street to Costessey.

He will proudly display his fully restored half cab Bristol L5G saloon, fleet number LL 711, which was new to Norwich's Surrey Street depot in July 1950.

Mr Burnside, 55, said: "This gives people the chance to ride the buses again and see the vehicles they haven't seen for the past 40 years."

Norwich Classic Bus Running Day will include buses from the East Anglia

## Costessey Oval

Mr Burnside's bus will be calling at the former Oval public house, now the Cherry Tree, on Dereham Road.

The landlord is set to welcome patrons of the event with drinks and refreshments during the day.

Some Norwich locals may recall the 'Costessey Oval' was once the terminus of the busy 81 service, which ran every ten minutes from Thorpe Station from the mid 1930s through to the early 1970s.

Transport Museum in Lowestoft, the Eastern Transport Collection in Attleborough and the Ipswich Transport Museum.

→ Find out more details about Mr Burnside's passion for buses on his website <http://easterncountiesomnibusco.com/>

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**Norwich classic bus running times**

Service	From	Time	Interval	To	Time
Service 1	County Hall	11:00	Then at 30	County Hall	16:30
	Rail Station, Thorpe Rd	11:10	these 40	Rail Station, Thorpe Rd	16:40
	Castle Meadow	11:15	minutes 45	Castle Meadow	16:45
	Tombland	11:30	past the 00	Tombland	17:00
	Rail Station, Riverside	11:35	hour 05	Rail Station, Riverside	17:05
Service 2	County Hall	11:15	Then at 45	County Hall	16:45
	Rail Station, Thorpe Rd	11:25	these 55	Rail Station, Thorpe Rd	16:55
	Castle Meadow	11:30	minutes past 00	Castle Meadow	17:00
	County Hall	11:40	the hour 10	County Hall	17:10
Service 3	County Hall	11:20	Then at 50	County Hall	16:20
	Trowse, White House PH	11:23	these 53	Trowse, White House PH	16:23
	Stoke Holy X, Village Hall	11:30	minutes 00	Stoke Holy X, Village Hall	16:30
	Framingham Earl, Village Hall	11:35	past 05	Framingham Earl, Village Hall	16:35
	Arminghall, Village Hall	11:40	each 10	Arminghall, Village Hall	16:40
Service 4	County Hall	11:50	hour 20	County Hall	16:50
	Trowse, White House PH	11:55	25	Trowse, White House PH	16:55
	County Hall	11:55	25	County Hall	16:55
Service 5	County Hall	11:40	Then at these 10	County Hall	16:10
	Mulbarton Common	12:05	minutes past 35	Mulbarton Common	16:35
	County Hall	12:30	each hour 00	County Hall	17:00



■ A 1967 Bristol 46-seat saloon.



■ A 1971 Bristol 70-seat double deck bus.



■ A 1977 Leyland National 52-seat saloon.

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