

Transpire Meetings and Tours 2020 / 2021

Proposed programme of meetings for 2020 / 2021

Wednesday 22 nd July 2020	Evening Tour cancelled because of the COVID-19 epidemic
Wednesday 30 th September 2020	Annual General Meeting cancelled. An alternative event may be organised depending on Government restrictions in force at the time.
Wednesday 25 th November 2020	An illustrated presentation by Roger Kaye if restrictions permit.
Wednesday 27 th January 2021	A presentation by Greg Lilleker
Wednesday 31 st March 2021	An illustrated presentation by Andrew Bagshaw on the Independent operators in Derbyshire. This talk was unable to be held in 2020.
Wednesday 26 th May 2021	Evening Tour
Wednesday 21 st July 2021	Evening Tour

There is also highly likely to be a special event to mark the 100th birthday of Hulleys of Baslow on or around Thursday 29th April 2021.

Meetings over the Winter period (September to March) will be held at the Rose Hill United Reformed Church, Rose Hill, Chesterfield (adjacent to the Town Hall). The room is available from 7.15 p.m. to 10.00 p.m. and meetings commence at 7.30 p.m.

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Outings and Rallies

The many restrictions in place since March have, sadly, meant that we have been unable to operate any outings, and all rallies and events have been cancelled. However things are improving, but only very slowly, and the rules on social distancing on buses have been relaxed so that, at the time of writing, buses can carry approx. half their normal loads.

Member Joseph O'Neill, who has operated a number of outings over the past couple of years, did arrange one trip at the beginning of July, and may possibly follow this up with others. These usually combine a visit to one of his favourite chip shops with a scenic run. If you would like to hear more about these outings, please do contact Neville Whitmore for further details.

While social distancing rules are still in force it is **absolutely essential** that you book in advance for any outings for, with the number of passengers being restricted it is possible that, should you just turn up on the day, you may find that the bus being used has reached its maximum permitted capacity. Do contact Neville by phone or text on **07709-987478** for all bookings or enquiries about coming events.

Showbus Flyby - Sunday 27th September 2020

As with all events, including our own Peak Park Rally, Showbus are unable to hold their own display because of the Government's ban on gatherings of more than 30 people. However, rather than cancel their event altogether, the Showbus team have arranged a plan for buses to take part in a moving event, not based on any particular point, allowing for visitors and photographers to see some very interesting buses in action and to film them at scenic backdrops.

The event involves a run of some 25 miles along the A40 between Beaconsfield and Wheatley where there is a motorway service station at each end. These service areas are only being used for starting and finishing points, and buses may not gather there in any numbers. Each bus will be given a starting time and will run a full round trip, each bus being given a choice of which end to start. The old A40 presents many scenic backdrops for photographers to choose from, and particular photo opportunities will occur at four points where buses will pause for 5 minutes at each. In addition all buses will call at High Wycombe Bus Station in both directions.

It is to the credit of the Showbus team that they have devised this ingenious solution to the present problems and hopefully we can attend with at least one of our preserved long distance buses. As stated above, because of reduced passenger numbers allowed it is essential that you contact Neville if you would be interested in attending so please do contact him as soon as possible.