

What is FoKAB?

King Alfred Motor Services (KAMS) ended on 28 April 1973. Friends of King Alfred Buses (FoKAB) was set up in 1985 after an appeal by James Freeman, who had bought and restored two former King Alfred buses. In 2000 FoKAB became a registered charity.

KAMS operated bus services in Winchester from 1920 to 1973. It was one of the few privately owned bus companies to run a municipal service. Its fleet of 30-40 vehicles at any one time always included the latest types. **KAMS** was just as professional as the "big" bus companies that surrounded it but was proudly independent, with the statue of King Alfred on the side panels of its green and cream buses.

FoKAB is a thriving group with a membership of 200. With a fleet of 13 ex-**KAMS** vehicles 'on the road', and another under restoration, our continuing intention is to preserve *King Alfred* buses and coaches and the memory of *King Alfred Motor Services*. Our aim is that the local people of Winchester and Central Hampshire do not forget this special part of their recent heritage, in particular by running the buses on the old **KAMS** routes, recreating the 1960s bus scene in Winchester. This also provides historic buses for bus enthusiasts from all over the country to ride on and enjoy.



Over 35 years ago FoKAB originated the 'running day' (as opposed to a rally) where buses run on original routes. This developed into one of the major events in the bus calendar, formerly on New Year's Day, but recently moved to May, although 3 or 4 buses are still run on 1 January. Buses are also run as part of the Heritage Open Days in September.

Membership Information

We have monthly evening meetings in Winchester, with guest speakers on transport related subjects. There are also outings using our vehicles, and members are welcome to ride on the buses and coaches when we take them to running days, rallies, and other events.

We rely on practical help from our members to keep the buses in service. Behind the scenes there is work ranging from vehicle maintenance and running repairs to major restoration, as well as premises maintenance, and many other tasks. Up front, we need conductors (who we can train) and drivers with a PCV (subject to type testing and insurance requirements).

The *Broadway Bulletin* magazine is published regularly, informing members of meetings, engineering reports, bus-related articles, and details of events to which we are taking a bus.

Membership is only £20 per year!

Want to know more?

Write to the Membership Secretary at the address overleaf or email

membership@kingalfredbuses.org.uk

or visit our website at kingalfredbuses.org.uk.



Preserving King Alfred Buses and Coaches
and the memory of
King Alfred Motor Services 1920-1973



Information Leaflet & Membership Application Form



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New Member Registration

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/other	
Surname	
First name & other initials	
Address	
Postcode	
Telephone Number(s)	
Email address	
Annual subscription	£20.00
Donation towards keeping FoKAB's buses running	£
TOTAL	£

To the Trustees. Subject to your approval, please enrol me as a member of Friends of King Alfred Buses, a charitable company limited by guarantee. I understand that in the event of the company going into insolvent liquidation I may be liable to pay a maximum of £10. I am over 18. I enclose a cheque/P.O. payable to *Friends of King Alfred Buses*.

Signed

Date

Friends of King Alfred Buses (FoKAB) is a charitable company limited by guarantee and is registered in England and Wales, number 11031147, registered charity number 1175535
Registered Office: 34 High Street, Nutfield, Redhill RH1 4HQ

Can you offer practical help?

FoKAB needs lots of assistance from members – driving, conducting, engineering, and so on – to keep the buses running.

If you can help, please tick here [] and we will get in touch with you.

Gift Aid

As a charity, FoKAB can reclaim from the Government the tax you have paid on your subscription and on any donation you make to FoKAB. This makes every £1 you subscribe or donate worth £1.25 to FoKAB. All we need is your signature on the declaration below!

Gift Aid Declaration

I would like Friends of King Alfred Buses (charity number 1175535) to reclaim the tax on any donation or subscription payment I make on the date below or make hereafter, until I notify you otherwise. I pay UK income tax or capital gains tax each tax year (6 April to 5 April) at least equal to the tax that all the Charities and Community Amateur Sports Clubs to which I donate will reclaim on my gifts for that tax year and recognise that if I do not pay enough tax it will be my responsibility to pay the difference.

I will notify you if I no longer pay sufficient tax, or change my address. I note that I am entitled to cancel this Gift Aid declaration at any time by notifying Friends of King Alfred Buses in writing.

Signed

Date

Data Protection

FoKAB conforms to the General Data Protection Regulations introduced in May 2018. Your personal details will be used only for the purpose of running FoKAB and will not be distributed outside FoKAB's management except as legally required. No sensitive information is held. If you wish to see what is held, please write to the membership secretary.

If you make a gift aid declaration, your personal details will of necessity be passed to HMRC.

Communications

Please answer these questions to help us communicate with you satisfactorily (tick as appropriate), and to opt out of certain types of communication if you wish to do so. How do you want to receive:

Formal membership notices? [EMAIL] [POST]

Formal membership notices that have a form to be returned? The email version will have a PDF form that requires printing. [EMAIL] [POST]

Broadway Bulletin magazine? [EMAIL] [POST] [NOT WANTED]

Other notices, appeals, and information? [EMAIL] [POST] [NOT WANTED]

Please choose email if possible so we can send things electronically, which will save us postage.

Send the completed form to:

**Membership Secretary
Friends of King Alfred Buses**

13 Ashley Close, Winchester SO22 6LR
or hand it in at the sales stand at events.