



## BPTA e-NEWS Spring 2008

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Keith Baynton reports:

Route 11 will be running again this summer and is extended to Pokesdown Railway Station (Monday to Friday) and Littledown (Saturday and Sunday).

Buses normally used will be open topper 111 and two ex-Eastbourne/East Yorks Olympians painted in Heritage liveries. This is a Bournemouth Council initiative. One will be in Hants & Dorset colours, the other in Bournemouth tram livery. Pictures of 111 operating route 11 can be found on Graham Whites unofficial Shamrock Buses website here:

[http://homepage.ntlworld.com/cw4883/buses\\_shamrock.htm](http://homepage.ntlworld.com/cw4883/buses_shamrock.htm)

The council has said they will get behind this service this year, in contrast to last year, so we hope signage and the park & ride aspects will be well publicised.

A 'franchised' version of route 12 is licensed for this summer by Southdown PSV working with Transdev Yellow Buses. It is anticipated that ex-Yellows Fleetlines will return to operate the route just between the two Piers. Again, a heritage 60's livery has been spoken of.

All outstanding rental for Newtown has now been settled and a satisfactory budget will ensure security for the core collection at the farm and elsewhere.

I attach a picture of our 'Hants & Dorset' Olympian the 'tram' one is painted but awaits vinyls - The green one will be carrying a Hants & Dorset fleetname as well.



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The unexpected painting of these two buses has sadly delayed 40's repaint but she remains a priority.

We (Shamrock) have just acquired immaculate Fleetline MFX174W which is being returned to PSV standards for occasional use - and of course as an appropriate example of the last of the type to sit alongside 40.

If you would like to know more about the relationship between Shamrock Buses and the BPTA please see the Spring 2007 newsletter which can be found here:

<http://members.lycos.co.uk/MarkMaidment/nensp07.pdf>

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