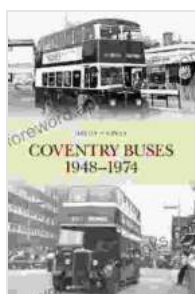


Coventry Buses 1948 - 1974: A Journey Through the Past

The history of Coventry Buses is a fascinating one, and one that is well documented in David Harvey's book 'Coventry Buses 1948 - 1974'. This book provides a comprehensive overview of the development of the city's bus network, from its early days in the 19th century to its expansion and modernization in the post-war era.



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One of the most significant events in the history of Coventry Buses was the formation of the Coventry Corporation Transport Department in 1938. This brought together the various bus companies that had previously operated in the city, and led to a period of significant investment in new buses and infrastructure. The department also played a vital role in the development of the city's transport network, and its buses became a familiar sight on the streets of Coventry.

During the Second World War, Coventry Buses played a vital role in keeping the city moving. The buses were used to transport workers to and from the city's factories, and they also played a role in the evacuation of civilians from the city during the bombing raids. After the war, the bus network was expanded and modernized, and new buses were introduced to meet the growing demand for transport.

In the 1960s, Coventry Buses became part of the West Midlands Passenger Transport Executive (WMPTE). This led to a further period of investment in the city's bus network, and the of new buses and services. The WMPTE also played a role in the development of the city's transport infrastructure, and its buses became a vital part of the city's transport system.

In 1974, Coventry Buses became part of the National Bus Company (NBC). This led to a period of decline for the city's bus network, as the NBC focused on profitability rather than service provision. Many bus routes were cut, and the frequency of services was reduced. This led to a decline in the use of buses in Coventry, and the city's bus network became a shadow of its former self.

In the 1980s, the NBC was broken up, and Coventry Buses was privatized. This led to a period of further decline, as the new owners focused on short-term profits rather than long-term investment. Many bus routes were cut, and the frequency of services was reduced. This led to a further decline in the use of buses in Coventry, and the city's bus network became increasingly fragmented.

In recent years, there has been a growing recognition of the importance of public transport in Coventry. This has led to a period of investment in the city's bus network, and the of new buses and services. The city council has also been working to improve the infrastructure for buses, and to make it easier for people to use buses to get around the city.

The history of Coventry Buses is a fascinating one, and one that is well worth exploring. David Harvey's book 'Coventry Buses 1948 - 1974' provides a comprehensive overview of the development of the city's bus network, and is essential reading for anyone interested in the history of Coventry's transport system.

Here are some additional images from the book:



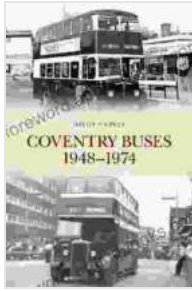


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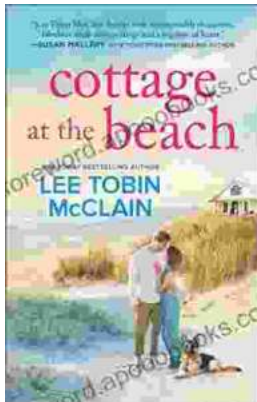
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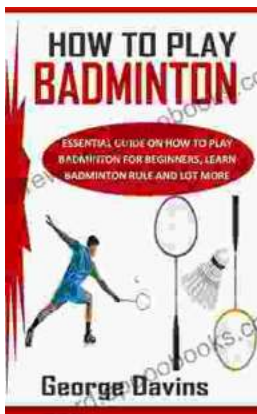


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