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Title: A Century of Edinburgh's Trams and Buses

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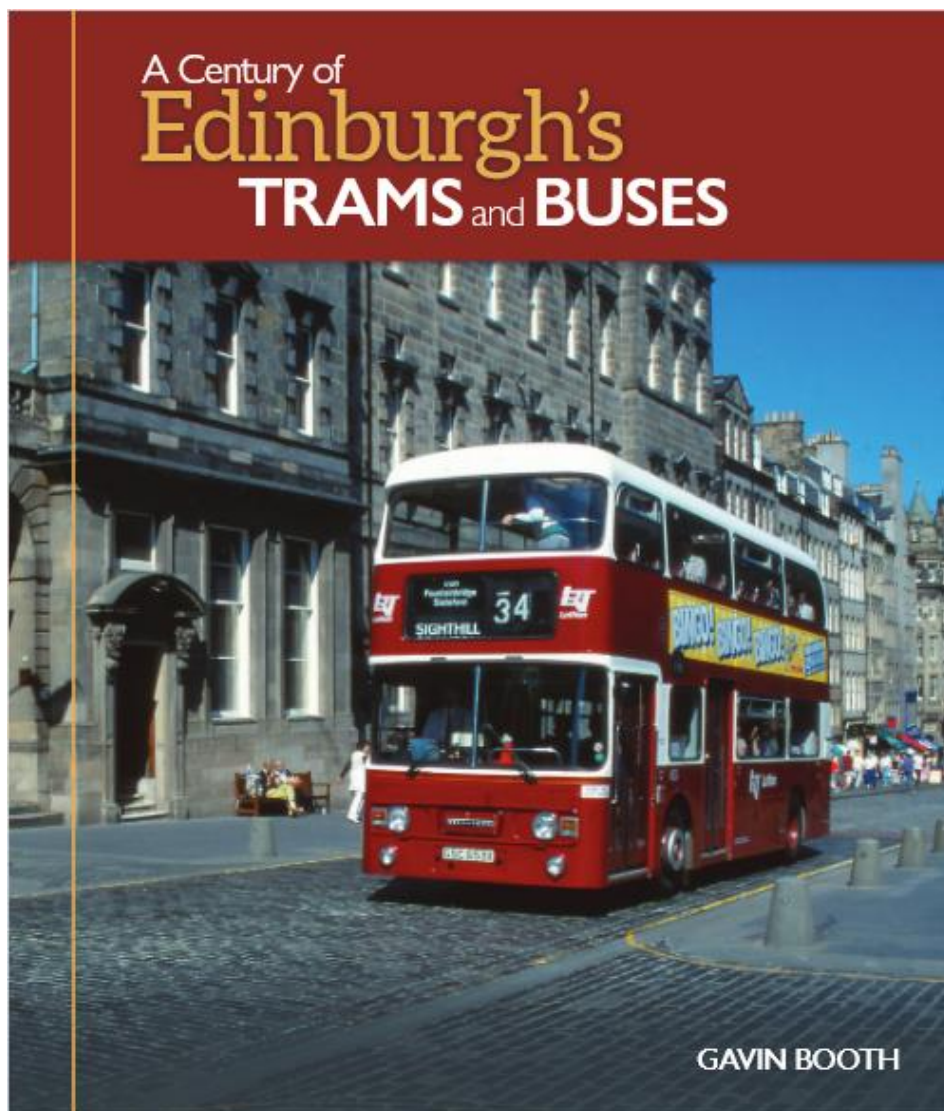
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Illustrations: Over 200 colour and black and white

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Description:

This new 144-page hardback book traces the story of Edinburgh's local transport from horse buses, cable trams, electric trams and motor buses to the city's new-generation trams. The book should appeal to both transport enthusiasts and those with an interest in the city itself.

Edinburgh-born author Gavin Booth tells the story of how the tram and bus networks grew and spread, reflecting the growth of the city. For years Edinburgh's tram and bus services were constrained by the city boundaries, but since the 1980s Lothian's buses can also be found throughout Midlothian and East and West Lothian. Today, Lothian Buses is one of the best-regarded bus operations in Britain, and Lothian Buses and Edinburgh Trams have picked up many national transport awards.

In 20 chapters the book describes the growth of the system, illustrated with over 200 images in black-and-white and colour plus reproductions of related ephemera in the form of maps, bus route lists and coach tour leaflet covers. For enthusiasts there is a full list of buses and coaches owned from 1919.

Gavin Booth has written widely on transport matters and has studied and kept detailed notes on Edinburgh's trams and buses since the 1950s. He worked in the bus industry, rising to be a Scottish Bus Group manager, and has written more than 50 books on transport subjects and founded and edited the magazine *Classic Bus*. Before retiring, he was Chair of Bus Users UK, looking after the interests of bus passengers throughout Britain.

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