



# ‘Ruby’ The Venue Bus Bar

We found our bus, now called ‘Ruby’, languishing in a warehouse unable to be used. She had been used in Europe by McDonalds for many years as a children’s static restaurant. Ruby had been bought by Pierre Rieu, who amongst many interests collects military and rare vehicles. Ruby had been stored in Pierre’s family warehouse for many years. At 14ft 6in tall she wouldn’t go under any of the European bridges, so there she remained gathering dust with no real use in the corner of his warehouse, very much forgotten and awaiting a loving renovation.

We got to know of her existence and travelled to Maastricht, Holland to see her. We decided there and then to buy her and we then began the journey to repatriate Ruby back to England in February 2017. Move forward to present day and after many, many hours of hard work we have ultimately restored Ruby to her former glory. As McDonalds had already removed an enormous amount of her original character and all of her interior we decided to try to replace as many of the original missing features as we could. As items for Routemaster Buses are becoming scarcer and rarer, we have travelled far and wide finding seats and original fittings for her authentic London Bus look, style and feel.

Ruby has to earn her living so we decided that we would fit a fully functional bar that most pubs and restaurants would be jealous and very proud of (supplied by Molson Coors). This includes two beer coolers, one large cooler and a smaller one for the more intimate events. These are used independently of each other so we can cater for the large and the small scale events. We also installed two double door commercial fridges to keep bottled goods cold on those very hot days.

Ruby, The Venue Bus Bar and Bus Team are able to offer a fully functioning mobile bar service. Whilst she is at your event there is an upper deck with seating for up to 32 people. Also available for hire, we can provide outside bistro seating and to go alongside Ruby we have a K6 Phone Box, Royal Mail Post Box and a fully uniformed Guardsman in a Buckingham Palace Sentry Box.

We can cater for your birthday, wedding, corporate event, christening, social gathering, concert or festival to name but a few, please contact us to discuss your event and requirements. We will even consider your funeral!

Coming Soon - A Traditional, Fairway, London Black Cab installed with a photo booth to make your event even more memorable and special.

Support - The Venue Bus Bar Team welcomes the opportunity of supporting the following organisations and related persons - Serving and Ex-Armed Forces, Thin Blue Line, NHS staff and those who heavily support our recognised charities. Please make contact to discuss how we can offer an enhanced service tailored to your needs and event.