Poppy Bus on the city streets this weekend



Lothian Buses have painted one of their fleet poppy red in honour of the war dead. The Poppy Bus entered service yesterday ahead of Remembrance Day.

The bus features a simple poppy wreath and is designed to match similar gestures around Edinburgh to mark the WW1 Centenary year.

Ann Faulds, Chair of Lothian Buses, commented:

"We are delighted to be joining many other organisations in the city in marking the Centenary year of the start of World War One. The commemoration at this time of year is close to the hearts of many of our employees here at Lothian Buses and so it's important to us that we mark the occasion in a respectful and appropriate way.

The company was pleased to invite ex-servicemen and exservicewoman who now work for the company, to help launch the bus.

John Walker, Engineering Supervisor, who toured with Kings Own Scottish Borderers and is now a Sergeant with the Army Training Unit, Scotland commented:

"It means a lot to the staff to know that the company recognises those who have fought in wars past and present."

Drivers and other members of staff will be given the opportunity to observe a two minute silence on Remembrance Sunday.