

YOUR CARRIAGE AWAITS...

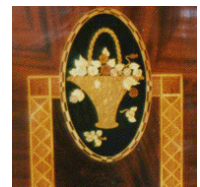
FINGALL

Fingall is a standard `K' type Pullman, was built by the Birmingham Railway Carriage and Wagon Company for the Yorkshire Pullman. It was used as part of the "White Pullman" which, in 1929, was renamed the Golden Arrow. At the end of WWII, it saw further use on the Southern Region, including the Bournemouth Belle.



On withdrawal from service, Fingall was sold to Lord Montagu and formed part of a static exhibit at his motor museum at Beaulieu. In 1972 it was sold to the Isle of Wight Steam Railway, where it was used for many years as a static catering facility.

For many years the Bluebell Railway had been looking for a suitable "Flagship" Pullman vehicle, and so when Fingall was offered for sale, it was purchased and became the first of our Pullman carriages.



Restoration was started by volunteers of the Horsted Keynes Pullman Car Group in 1985 with the Railway taking over the work three years later. The work was comprehensive and included complete renewal of the vestibules at each end as well of the carriage, as well as two sections of bodyside and the complete reconstruction of the interior. With the completion of the kitchen to the very latest food safety standards Fingall finally entered service here in 1992.

