

## GLOBE

Oxford Diecast, PO Box 636, Southampton SO14 0TJ TEL: 02380 248850 FAX: 02380 248842 www.oxforddiecast.co.uk TOOLING JAGUAR XK150

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#### Bedford TK Fire Appliance -Stanley Fire Brigade

2012 marks the 30th Anniversary of the Falklands Conflict. In April 1982, the Argentine forces invaded and occupied the British Falkland Islands and South Georgia. The British Government deployed a naval

up by a team of formidable RAF aircraft including the legendary Vulcan and the recently introduced Sea Harriers. British Army land forces also played a pivotal role during the 74-day war. The conflict ended on the 14th June when the Argentine Junta surrendered.

As with any war, the fire brigade plays an essential role and the Stanley Fire Brigade was no exception. Shortly after the conflict, the Islands received two Bedford Carmichael Water Tenders. These appliances served the community as they rebuilt their lives and their homes after the expulsion of the Argentine invaders.

Our Oxford model is an authentic replica of one of the two Bedford TK fire appliances used at that

time. The vehicle is presented in a special Liberation of the Falklands 30th Anniversary sleeve. What a great souvenir this model makes for enthusiasts from several collecting disciplines – military, emergency, historical or simply nostalgia.

#### Scania CP28 Pump Ladder - Strathclyde

This is another great and significant livery on a modern fire appliance, which will appeal to collectors of emergency vehicles.

Strathclyde Fire and Rescue Service, formed in 1975, is the largest in Scotland and amazingly, the second largest fire and rescue service in Europe. It was originally known as the Strathclyde Fire Brigade but changed its name in 2005 to reflect the duties that modern fire and rescue services are expected to undertake. The service covers an area of 14,000 sq. kms and serves nearly two and a half million people.

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To fulfil this demand, it has over 200 appliances
from Rescue Pumps, Aerial Rescue Pumps, Heavy Rescue,
to Major Incident Units and many more, including the



Scania CP28 Pump Ladder now modelled by Oxford. This authentic replica will sit very nicely in a line-up of modern era fire appliances.



#### Jaquar XK150 FHC - Black

Collectors of 1950s and 1960s British prestige marques will love this one! Newly tooled and high in detail, we've chosen the fixed head coupé (FHC) to launch the model with the roadster version coming soon. Finished in gleaming black and with authentic red interior, the detail extends to the dashboard, carpets, seats and steering wheel. Our model - registration 415 IYC - is based on a car which has been immaculately restored in the UK.

The Jaguar XK150 was produced between 1957 and 1961 by Jaguar Cars in Coventry. Classed as a sports car and with minimal rear seating, it came as a 2-3 seater coupé,

2-3 seater convertible or a 2 seater roadster. The standard engine was 3.4 litres but most often. the car was fitted with the SE engine which boosted the power - in keeping with the image! The XK150 differed from its predecessors in that it had a one-piece windscreen, a wider bonnet that opened down to the wings and the roadster featured a longer bonnet. Colourwise, the XK150 came in a distinctive range of different schemes during its lifetime, including Black. as modelled here. In 1961, it was superseded by the equally iconic E-Type, another of the prestige marque cars of the era - and already the subject of an Oxford replica.









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#### Atkinson Borderer Flatbed Trailer – Pollock

The Pollock name is synonymous with the Scottish haulage business and is also one of the most popular with collectors. It is no surprise therefore that Oxford have chosen the distinctive livery for the first release on the new Atkinson Borderer Flatbed Trailer.

George Pollock started a local cartage business in 1935 in Corstorphine, Edinburgh. It grew steadily until 1949 when road transport was nationalised and the fleet became absorbed into British Road Services. However, when partial de-nationalisation took place in 1954, George took the opportunity to buy some of the vehicles and licences and set up his own business again, this time in Musselburgh. It was at this point that the famous

turquoise, gold and red livery was introduced.

The Oxford model features all the authentic Pollock livery hallmarks including the individual vehicle name 'Braw Scot' across the front. Beneath the name, the Edinburgh and London depots with telephone numbers of the period are printed in gold. The cab doors feature the company name in gold with dropped shadow lettering below their signature tartan band. Further detail extends to the Pollock headboard above the windscreen, silver etched wipers, door handles, wheel hubs and footplate behind the cab. The Atkinson logo and wording is faithfully picked out on the radiator.

The extensive flatbed trailer leaves the choice of cargo up to you and in 1:76 scale, any railway accessory loads are readily available.



#### **Bedford WLG Heavy Unit – National Fire Service**

Brand new tooling of the pre-WWII designed Bedford WLG Heavy Unit adds a further dimension to the range of Oxford fire appliances. The Bedford WLG was the long wheel base version of the Bedford WT, which had been introduced in 1933. In 1937, the Government of the day invited tenders for a large number of fire pumps of differing sizes to supplement the existing brigade in case of war. Initially three chassis were utilised, namely Fordson, Bedford and Morris, later joined by Austin.

Our new Oxford Bedford WLG Heavy Unit comes in its original wartime National Fire Service (NFS) grey livery. After the war, these vehicles were issued to the AFS and other UK fire brigades, remaining in service until the introduction of the Green Goddess.



# Austin ATV - NFS NEW Tooling!

#### **Austin Auxiliary Towing Vehicle - NFS**

New tooling to add to your 1:76 scale fleet of Oxford Diecast emergency vehicles and one which fills the gap in diecast modelling - that of the 1940s era - comes in the shape of the ATV - Auxiliary Towing Vehicle.

The development of the ATV started in 1941 when the government ordered 2000 two-ton vans. Also in 1941, the Auxiliary Fire Service was nationalised to become the National Fire Service with the ATVs being absorbed into the

new body. After the War, many of the ATVs were transferred to local authority fire brigades. It is amazing to note that some of the Austin K2 ATVs were still being used with some fire brigades as late as the 1970s.

Also available in this Globe is the perfect partner for the Austin ATV to tow. We have added the new Coventry Climax Pump Trailer below. This is available in the grey version of the NFS but later to be released in the green of the AFS, with a third option in red – the instantly recognisable colour we associate with the fire service. Altogether, they make up an appealing mini-series of period fire appliances. The grey version can also be posed behind the NFS Austin Low Loader Taxi!

#### Coventry Climax Pump Trailer - NFS

More new fire appliance tooling will appeal to our Oxford emergency services enthusiasts! The Coventry Climax Pump Trailers, used ostensibly during WWII, were portable and were towed behind any suitable car or lorry fitted with a hitch. In this way, they were able to get to confined spaces that larger fire appliances could not reach. Many vehicles were especially fitted with a tow hook, so they could be called upon in an emergency to tow the pumps. The pump trailers proved a great asset to fire brigades, especially during the Blitz on many of Britain's cities. Even after the war, the pump trailers found their way onto farms and market gardens, where they were used for irrigation purposes.

76ATV001



Oxford Diecast, PO Box 636, Southampton SO14 0TJ TEL: 02380 248850 www.oxforddiecast.co.uk Coventry Climax Pump
Trailer - NFS

76CCP001 1:76 £4.2

#### Bedford MWD - Royal Artillery (Malta)

The Bedford MWD, first launched in 1937, was a 15 cwt general service truck which was used extensively by the British Army during WWII. It was based on the commercial 2-ton truck but to cope with the potentially uneven military terrain, its chassis was modified to give it extra ground clearance. Built to take a crew of one originally, it was built with a canvas roof and doors and a collapsible windscreen. Later versions had enclosed cab, metal doors and an improved windscreen.

The Bedford MWD was widely used in North Africa during WWII for transporting troops, particularly in the armoured brigades. This second model off the newly tooled Oxford MWD truck comes in desert camouflage with 'canvas' back and detailed numbering/lettering on the front and back, as would have been used by the Royal Artillery in the desert and Malta in particular.



#### AEC Matador Artillery Tractor – Royal Artillery (France)

The latest release on the AEC Matador artillery tractor is a replica of the vehicle operated by the British and Commonwealth forces in France during WWII, where it was used mainly for towing medium sized guns. The Matador was a typical AEC vehicle of the period, with flat fronted cab to accommodate the crew of one, a curved roof and a canvas backed rear load area. It was a 4 x 4 vehicle with an AEC 7.6 litre engine and a speed of around 30 mph.

Our model, as used by the British Army Royal Artillery, is decorated in drab olive with a grey canvas back and features the name 'Gazala' above the split windscreen. The Battle of Gazala, named after a small town about 40 miles from Tobruk in Libya, was an important WWII battle in the Western Desert Campaign, which took place in the middle of 1942. After WWII, the Matador continued in a useful role as a recovery truck and general-purpose

British Army Mickey Mouse AEC Matador Artillery Tractor 76AEC008 1.76 £11.95

contractor vehicle. As a 4 x 4, it was also used for off-road jobs such as forestry and even saw service as a showmans vehicle. So, perhaps we can look forward to many livery opportunities for further Oxford releases on this versatile vehicle.



# **QXFORD AVIATION**



#### Mustang P51D, as flown by Major Louis 'Red Dog' Norley OC 334th FS, 4th FG, in April 1945

The P-51 Mustang was a long-range single seat WWII fighter aircraft designed and built by North American Aviation. The first production Mustangs were used by the RAF as tactical reconnaissance and fighter bombers. By 1944, the P-51D was a key player in ensuring Allied air superiority over Europe. During its lifetime, over 16,700 were built.

Major Louis 'Red Dog' Norley joined the 4th Fighter Group, 336 Fighter Squadron in July 1943. He earned the nickname because of the red Pluto cartoon figure on the side of his usual aircraft, although the cartoon did not appear on the Mustang – merely the 'Red Dog XII' lettering. The new Oxford Diecast Mustang carries this lettering. The paint finish is exceptionally detailed too, notably the propellers and front fuselage, exhaust pipes and the anti glare panel.

Louis 'Red Dog' Norley, one of the notable WWII fighter aces over Europe, ended the war with over 16 kills. He also went on to become a Korean War veteran. He died in California in August 1967.

#### **Hawker Hurricane Mk.IIC**

Oxford Aviation enthusiasts are treated to a further Hawker Hurricane – this time we have chosen to model an example of the Hurricane Mk.IIC with another fascinating story - that of Sqn. Ldr. Robert Alexander Barton of 249 Squadron, Ta' Qali, Malta as flown in 1941.

Robert 'Butch' Barton was the son of a Canadian father and Scottish mother, born in Canada in 1916. After recruiting at the age of 19, he was accepted into the RAF, travelling to England on an intended short service commission in 1936. After training as a pilot flying bi-planes with No. 41 Squadron, he was given command of 249 Squadron at the end of 1940. Six months later, his squadron prepared for duty in Malta. Between 1941 and his return to England two years later, 249 Squadron, under his leadership, was one of the most successful fighter squadrons on the island.

Ending his career as a Wing Commander after further overseas service, including a posting to India, 'Butch' Barton returned to Canada, where he resumed a more relaxed and quiet life. He died on 2nd September 2010, aged 94.















1:76

£5.25

#### Burlingham Sunsaloon Coach — Whittles Coaches

The latest Oxford variant of the full-fronted, verticalengined coach is a replica of the vehicle GAW 678, operated by IT Whittle & Son, of Highley, near Kidderminster. Decorated in their dark blue and red livery, the model benefits from a wealth of detail.

#### Dennis F12 - Glasgow Fire Service

The name Dennis is synonymous with fire appliances, although they also made cars, lawn mowers, buses and lorries. They started producing the F series in 1946, with the FI2 the most popular. Used widely throughout the UK, It appeared in both rear and side pump versions.



#### Jowett Javelin - Sage Green

The lowett lavelin was produced from 1947 to 1953 by Jowett of Bradford. The model went through five variants labelled PA to PE, each having a standard and "de luxe" option. Designed by Gerald Palmer, it was a major leap forward following the staid designs of pre-war Jowetts.











#### Vauxhall Cresta - Imperial Green (Queen Elizabeth)

The Vauxhall Cresta Friary Estate were built between 1960-1962, converted by Friary of Basingstoke in Hampshire. The Oxford Automobile Company 1:148 model is of Her Majesty the Queen's Imperial Green Cresta, which she used as her personal transport.









#### Austin K8 - Midland Red

The Austin K8, also known as the three-way van because it had opening doors at the back and on both sides, was an extremely popular and versatile commercial van from the time it was introduced in the late 1940s. Many of the famous companies who used the vehicle have been the subjects of previous releases on the Oxford replica of the K8. This latest introduction fits neatly into the Oxford Omnibus range where it would have been used as a support vehicle for Midland Red. The bus company itself operated in the Midlands between 1905 and 1981 and was one of the largest in the country, operating over a large area, which at its extremities covered Derbyshire, Northamptonshire, the Welsh Borders and Gloucestershire. It was the trading name used by the BMMO - Birmingham and Midland Motor Omnibus Company, which was renamed the Midland Red Omnibus Company in 1974.

Our finely detailed model in the trademark red livery of the bus company is from the 1950s-1960s age of public



transport and would look equally at home on a 00 gauge railway layout of the era.





















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#### Leyland Car Transporter - Rover

Land Rover commissioned a fleet of specially built Leyland Transporters, designed so the Land Rovers could be delivered with their windscreens folded flat on the bonnet and the hoops and canvas folded onto the rear body. This set comes with both Front and Rear trailers along with 8 Land Rovers, (model 76LAN180005) in order to create more realism. You can see from the picture how the Land Rovers were loaded on to the rear trailer, up over the cab. True to the original, the top deck of the main unit can be posed in two positions. In Special packaging, opening the flap reveals the Transporters and Land Rovers.



Fairground Organ Bedford TK

SCALE 76TK005

## OXFORD 1:43 SCALE



#### King George V (Sandringham) 1929 Daimler

This piece is the magnificently detailed Royal Daimler purchased by King George V and delivered in August 1929. Featuring Hooper coachwork, this type is referred to as a Brougham. Painted in the Royal colours of black and maroon, inside, the rear compartment was trimmed with blue Vaumol leather. The interior woodwork was dark polished mahogany and the fittings were of silver and white ivory.

The Oxford Diecast replica carries a considerable number of these magnificent features. Decorated in the maroon and black of the Royal original, the crowning glory has to be the mascot on the bonnet depicting Britannia sitting on the Globe – not our magazine, we should add!

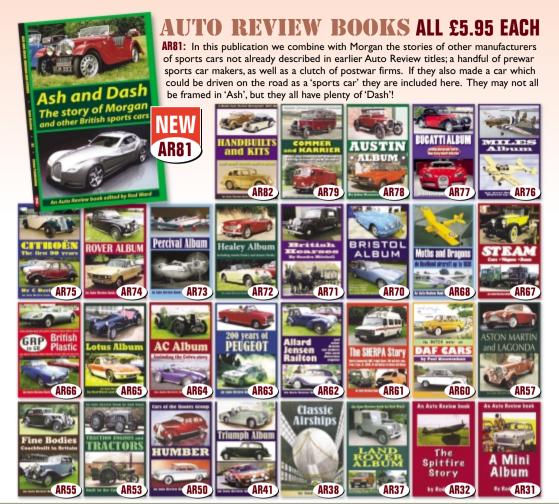
#### Ford 400E Minibus - London Transport

The Ford Thames 400E was a commercial vehicle introduced in 1957, and when production ceased, over 187,000 had rolled off the production line. The vehicle proved popular for passenger transport use and as a Minibus, it was able to seat 12 passengers. The body shape also lent itself very well to its use as a Camper Van.

London Transport was one Ford 400E Minibus user and our 1:43 scale model registered 386 AUU, comes in grey with the distinctive red London Transport graphics. All in all, it makes for an unusual addition for anyone specialising in London Transport vehicles across the ages.

























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#### Once again it is time to update you with our development plans

As you will see from this month's Globe we are accelerating the releases of new tooling New additions to our second release programme for 2012 include:

#### 1:76 Scale - NEW

- Atkinson 8 Wheel Lorry
- Volvo FH Box/Livestock
- BSA Motorcycle/Sidecar
- Ford Fiesta
- Bofors 40mm Gun
- CMP Truck
- Fowler Steam Roller
- Dennis F8
- Leyland Royal Tiger

#### 1.76 Scale - SCHEDIII FD

- Ford Transit Beavertail
- VW T25 Van/Bus/Camper

Dennis F106 Fire Engine

Scammell Highwayman

Bentley S1 Continental

Field Marshall Tractor

Bentley Mulsanne

Scammell Showtrac

Morris | Ice Cream

Leyland Princess

Triumph 2500

- Austin Atlantic
- Bentley MK VI
- Vauxhall Viva HB
- Morris Marina
- Reliant Regal
- Austin Tilly
- Tricycle Van

Scammell Pioneer



- David Brown Tractor
- Dennis RS Fire
- Armstrong Siddeley Hurricane
- Modern Ford Transit SWB



1:43 Scale - NEW

Lotus Flan Plus 2

#### 1:43 Scale - SCHEDULED

- Austin Heavy Twelve
- Humber Pullman
- Mercedes Ice Cream

#### 1:148 N Scale - SCHEDULED

- Bedford Lomas Ambulance
- Morris Minor Saloon
- Bristol Lodekka

- Citroen 2CV
- VW Beetle
- Ferguson Tractor
- Fordson Tractor

#### 1:72 Aircraft - NEW

- Gloster Meteor plus Doodlebug
- P47 Thunderbolt
- Airacobra P39
- Ivan Nikitovich Lavochkin

#### 1:72 Aircraft - SCHEDULED

- Prewar Spitfire
- P38| Lightning
- Kittyhawk Mkla
- Me BFI09F
- FW Ta 152
- Douglas Dauntless

#### 1:72 AIRCRAFT — HIGHER SPEC (IN PRODUCTION NOW)

- Dragon Rapide
- Tiger Moth

We also have many new livery releases across our ranges including a variety of Stobart Rugby League Trucks for later this year.





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