



## British Pathé Launches New Online Railway Documentary Collection

- Expert productions from top railway DVD and TV filmmakers
- Railway History documentaries, Locomotive Profiles, and Cab Rides
- Includes detailed series such as *Fall and Rise of British Railways* and *Railway Round-up*, with more to come.

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE. London, January 2017** – British Pathé, the world’s leading historic film archive, has launched a new online, on-demand channel offering an extensive collection of railway documentaries and in-cab (driver’s eye) views, with more to come. The collection forms a key component of a channel that aims to appeal to specialist audiences, such as history buffs, royal watchers, cinema aficionados, and train enthusiasts. British Pathé TV is a subscription-based service and is designed to complement the existing British Pathé newsreel archive (which will remain free-to-view on its separate website and YouTube channels).



*Find out what the channel is all about in this promo, which you can embed in your articles*

[https://youtu.be/ wfNgl\\_NfC8](https://youtu.be/wfNgl_NfC8)

Alastair White, General Manager of British Pathé, explains why the company opted to target the railway community: “It has been clear to us for a while that many viewers are not being catered for by existing channels and that we are well-placed to provide an alternative for those with specialist interests. Niche DVDs can be expensive, so we thought there would be a lot of people out there who would really go for a subscription service like this that offers such great value for money.”

British Pathé TV is launching with 80 hours of train programming, many never-before-seen on TV. Many more hours are due to go live in the coming weeks.

**Highlights from the collection include:**

***Fall and Rise of British Railways*** (3 x 48 minutes) – A three-part documentary telling the story of how Britain’s railways met and overcame the challenges of the post-industrial era.

***Tangmere – 34067*** (60 minutes) – No. 34067 Tangmere is one of forty-four ‘Battle of Britain’ Bulleid Pacifics in the 110-strong light pacific class designed in the 1940s by O.V.S. Bullied.

***Railway Round-Up*** (9 x 120 minutes) – A series covering the whole steam and heritage diesel world in the UK.

***Penrith to Glasgow*** (100 minutes) – This cab ride was recorded aboard 86250 on Wednesday 9th November 1988 at the head of the 09:13 train from Birmingham New Street to Glasgow Central.

British Pathé TV is available to everyone, anywhere in the world via the britishpathe.tv website. iPhone and iPad users can also download the British Pathé TV app to enable them to explore the channel on-the-go.

**Other specialist strands, which are available to all subscribers:**

**HISTORY** High-quality documentaries on a variety of historical topics, including Royalty and Military. Among the highlights of this strand is *A Year To Remember*, the classic series that recalls the events of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century, year by year, as they were reported at the time. In addition, *The Queen’s Diamond Decades* tells the definitive history of Her Majesty the Queen, from the beginning of her reign to the Diamond Jubilee.

**CINEMA HISTORY** Hundreds of programmes for those who love cinema, featuring interviews with Hollywood’s best film directors, profiles of iconic and contemporary film stars, and on set behind-the-scenes features on some of the biggest blockbusters and acclaimed indies of recent years.

**CLASSIC MOVIES** A specially-curated selection of classic feature films, including Howards Hawks’ *His Girl Friday*, Fritz Lang’s *Scarlet Street* and Stanley Donen’s *Charade*, with further titles to be added in the coming weeks.

**FILM OF THE SEASON** A special, high-profile film that defies categorisation. The very first Film of the Season is a brand new British Pathé co-production which has not yet been seen outside Ireland, *Revolution In Colour*. This feature-length film has been produced to tell the complete story of the tumultuous Civil War period in colour for the first time.

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**Note to Editors:**

**British Pathé** is one of the oldest media companies in the world. It recorded every aspect of global culture and news for the cinema. With their unique combination of information and entertainment, British Pathé documentaries, newsreels, serials, and films changed the way the world saw itself forever. Decades after newsreels have left our screens, the company continues as a pioneer of filmed entertainment with the launch of **British Pathé TV**. This new online on-demand channel offers an extensive range of full-length documentaries, interviews, and classic movies.

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**A selection of images for journalistic use and clips for broadcast are available on request.**

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