

A SELECTION of five vintage buses were on display at Rock-a-Nore in Hastings on Sunday to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the first passenger-carrying tram service in the town.

The selection included an AEC Regal bus, which was built in 1948 before being converted into an open-top bus 10 years later to provide town tours of Hastings.

Such tours used to cost 1/9d.

Another bus on display was a green

double decker.

Maidstone and District used to test its new buses in Hastings because of its hilly nature.

The first tram service for passengers ran in 1905 and ran through streets like Cambridge Road, Silverhill and The Ridge.

During the day enthusiasts attempted to drive around the town following as close as possible the original tram route.