

CELEBRATING THE BLACK CAB COLLECTION

2008 is an important year for LTI Vehicles as the company is celebrating two milestones; 80 years of manufacturing from the Holyhead Road factory in Coventry and also 60 years of building the purpose built taxi. The FX3 was the first taxi to roll off the production line and since then there have been a number of different models. The TX4 is the latest in the line up. As part of their anniversary celebrations, LTI Vehicles recently launched an e-store, where you can buy gifts from The Black Cab Collection. In this Taxi Globe competition, you can win gifts from the Collection, thanks to LTI Vehicles.

The taxi is a world renowned icon so LTI Vehicles decided to expand the range of gifts available in The Black Cab Collection. You can choose from branded clothing, pens, mugs and of course model taxis. There is something to suit everyone in the collection and now you can win prizes from the Collection by entering the Taxi Globe simple to enter competition.

If you would like to see more of the collection for yourself simply visit www.blackcabgifts.co.uk and you will find that ordering the products featured is simple; the gifts are in stock and available for immediate delivery. New products and special offers will be added regularly so mark the site as one of your favourites. If your passengers are looking for unique gifts with taxi branding, tell them where to log on.

COMPETITION

In our easy to enter, free competition, you could win:

**1st Prize – full set of
Black Cab Collection gifts**

2 runners up will win:

**key ring
lapel badge
pen**



Simply answer this question and send your answer on a postcard to **Black Cab Collection Competition, Taxi Globe, 12 Firs Close, Hatfield, AL10 8NP. Don't forget to include your name and address – closing date for this competition is 12th June 2008.**

In what year did the first purpose-built FX3 taxi roll of the production line?

ANOTHER HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL OUTING TO CHESSINGTON WORLD OF ADVENTURES

by Ray Levy



Setting out from Earls Court, 90 London decorated taxis with special passengers, namely 240 'special needs' and disadvantaged children, were taken by the London Taxidriver's Fund for Underprivileged Children on their outing to Chessington World of Adventures as the charity celebrated its 80th anniversary..

Once the children had been allocated to their taxis, the convoy set off and I was surprised when a market trader in North End Road quickly ran over and deposited a large crate of strawberries in my cab. On arrival at Chessington, tickets and food vouchers were quickly distributed, wristbands put on the children and then the fun began. Many dashed straight on to the rides and many headed straight for lunch. It was a very deserted Chessington due to school exams taking place, which meant it was great for our children, with no long queues. It was brilliant watching the children dragging reluctant drivers on to the tilting runaway train – only hope they managed to keep their lunches down!! As well as the rides, the penguin and sea lion shows were very good and a visit to Sea World was definitely worthwhile. Before the return journey, each child was given a Rucksack to take home as a memento and they returned to their taxis very tired and weary, having had a great but exhausting time. The sun was shining all day, which along with the laughter on the children's faces was the perfect recipe and ideal ingredient for yet another highly successful outing in our 80th anniversary year – well done to all the Committee.

The Honorary President, Honorary Chairman and Committee would like to extend special thanks to everyone who made this outing possible and LBC and Talk Sport for their great coverage of the outing, which is really appreciated.

