

Women in Transport

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Hannah Dodd (1911-2011)
Hannah Dodd was the first woman train driver in 1928. Her sister Edna worked along the line as a guard performing crew, London Transport's first female driver.



Joan Saunders-Reece (1963-)

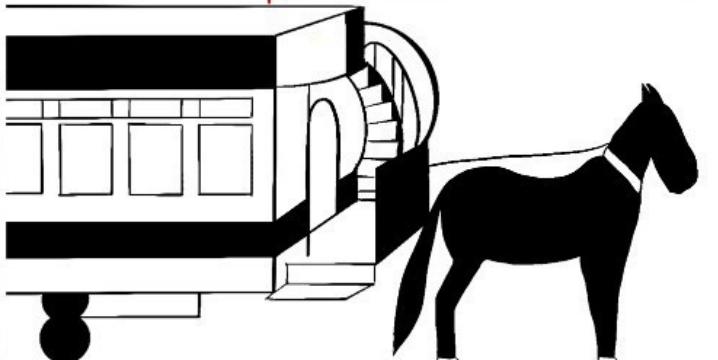
Joan Saunders-Reece was the first female train driver on the Victoria line in 1992.

In 1997 she joined the Emergency Response Unit (ERU), managing a team of 180 men. She became the first female Duty Manager for the ERU, which attends incidents on the DLR, London Trams, underground and the National Rail.

Joan now works as an Emergency Planning Manager for London Underground.

Florence Florrie Wilson (1890-)

Florence was one of the first female tram conductors employed by London County Council Tramways. Florence worked in the role 1915-1919. Women like her replaced the men that went off to the war at that time. At the end of the war men returned, and women left their roles.



Vic Roberts (1969-)

Vic was a bus driver before training to become a bus mechanic. Vic was one of an increasing numbers of women who took on the job of mechanic in the 1990s. Following recruitment campaigns during the 90s it was still uncommon for women to work at a bus depot maintaining vehicles.



Joy Cawood created the 'Roundel' motif for London Transport in 1974. She was a textile designer working in London during the 1970s, who designed the logo for London Transport.



Marva Braham (1946-)

Marva Braham born in Barbados. She moved to London as a teen and began working in Brixton and Thornton Heath as a London Transport Catering Assistant. She ran the canteen at Camberwell bus depot during the 90s, serving up to 600 people a day.

Marva worked her way up to Senior Unit Manager over 25 years.

