

# News from Trains, Planes & Automobiles *February 2020*

# First Monday Toy Auction February 3rd 2020

### Highlights include:

- Superb collection of French & English Dinky
- Australian Cars from Trax
- Other diecast from Franklin Mint, Corgi and Matchbox, including Arnott's vans
- Large selection of soldiers from King & Country, Britains, The Collectors Showcase and Conté
- Collection of Disney memorabilia
- Model planes and Australian aviation books
- HO/OO from Hornby, Tri-ang, Dublo and others
- Australian O-gauge from Robilt and Ferris
- More O-gauge from Hornby, Ives and others
- Railway memorabilia, DVDs and books
- Tinplate toys and games



Featured item: Lot 189
Pride Lines O-gauge Minnie Mouse Streetcar

We have a beautiful line-up for our first regular auction of the year, and we hope as always that there's something here for everyone.

We had lots of good diecast cars in our "quiet" auction last month, but this time we have some really special models, notably the **Dinky** vehicles, many of which are quite rare and most of which are in excellent condition. There's also another serving of the popular **Trax** Australian 1:43 scale models, a number of **Arnott's Biscuits** items, some lovely cars from Franklin Mint, and much more besides.

The **Disney** collection is also very special and includes a Mickey Mouse telephone, rare sheet music about Mickey's marital status, and of course the wonderful Minnie Mouse Streetcar.

We have a fine collection of **toy soldiers**, ranging from antique to modern, including the superb group of King & Country figures all in excellent condition.

The collection of **Australian aviation books** will be of great interest to the aircraft fans, and includes a Nancy Bird autobiography, an original 1928 Southern Cross Story by Kingsford-Smith & Ulm, and even some sheet music celebrating Kingsford-Smith. To complement these, there is also a selection of aircraft models and kits.

Of course, we haven't forgotten the railway buffs, who have had to wait since December for a good dose of trains. For you we have a great selection of locomotives, rolling stock, track and accessories in **HO/OO** and **O-gauge**; also a really interesting group of items that have made their way to us from NSWGR, including brass plates, guard's lamps, telephones and cabside numbers. There are also plenty of railway books and DVDs. That should keep you going for a while.

But there's more... tin toys, videos and books, Meccano sets, robots and games. It's going to be a fun auction!

The auction starts at 6:00pm next Monday, February 3rd, in our Auction Rooms at The Gearin in Katoomba. All are welcome to attend. There is plenty of parking and refreshments are available. If you can't join us in person, you can bid live online at invaluable.com, or send us absentee bids before the auction. Telephone bidding is also available by prior arrangement.

The lots can be viewed in the Auction Rooms next Saturday from 10:00am to 4:00pm, and on the auction day from 3:00pm.

If you have any questions, please call us on (02) 4787 7974 or send us an email.

## THIS MONTH'S NEWS FROM TPA

#### Fun in the garden

We had a great time at the **Gnome Convention** in Glenbrook on Australia Day. Our stand had a good sample of toys and collectables and we had lots of visitors throughout the day, including many familiar faces. The assortment of gnomes in the garden was fun as always, and a select few were given rides on our garden railway, which went round and round all day without a mishap. If you've never been to Glenbrook Park for Australia Day, you should keep it in mind for next year, since it's a lot of fun.

#### It's happening at The Gearin

In case you haven't already heard, the TPA shop is **open four days a week** at The Gearin in Katoomba. We've been busy stocking the shelves and we have a pretty nice selection of tin toys, model planes, trains of all sizes, diecast cars, modelling supplies, and all sorts of other interesting things. And we have two railways running, a 1-gauge oval and a rather impressive scenic HO/OO layout.

We're open each week on Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, from 10:00am to 4:00pm. On Saturdays John Ross is here playing with the toys – sorry, we mean working hard – so if you need expert advice, he's the man to talk to. Katoomba is always worth a visit, so we hope you can drop in some time, have a look at the toys and watch the trains go round.

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