

News from Trains, Planes & Automobiles November 2021

First Monday Toy Auction Monday 1st November 2021 at 6:00pm

Highlights include:

- Great range of Hornby O-gauge including pre-war items
- More O-gauge including Australian models
- HO/OO-gauge from Hornby, Triang, Bachmann, Mainline, Athearn, and many other brands, including kits and parts
- Australian railway books
- Live steam engines, accessories and parts
- Large selection of Meccano sets, pieces and accessories
- Hobbyist tools and materials
- Tinplate & pressed steel toys
- Lots of aeroplanes including models in diecast, wood & plastic, and plenty of kits
- Tractors and other farm vehicles
- Film & TV toys including Star Trek and Batman



Featured item: Lot 383 Minic red plastic Push and Go RAF Comet Airliner

Our November auction once again features a great mix of toys and collectables.

There's a good selection of trains in HO/OO-gauge and O-gauge, notably a fine range of Hornby O-gauge including some unusual items, also some nice Lionel pieces.

There are lots of planes of all sorts including our featured item, the Minic Comet, which is in superb condition.

In automobiles, this time we have mostly tractors, including tinplate and steel models, and several groups of Hachette diecast farm vehicles as new in sealed packaging.

We have steam again this time, including stationary steam engines, live steam vehicles, accessories and toys, also fittings and spare parts.

There is a really good range of tools for hobbyists and modellers, including tool sets, power tools, and a few unidentified items – perhaps you know what they're for!

We have a selection of mostly sci-fi novelty items, including tin toys, books, modern Batman sets, and diecast Star Trek space ships.

Meccano is also back this month, including large lots of various pieces, several sets, and clockwork & electric motors.

It's an interesting variety and we expect it to be a good auction.

There are still COVID-19 restrictions in effect, so we will not be opening our auction rooms to the public for this auction. However, we will be open for viewing this Saturday, Sunday and Monday, from 10:00am to 4:00pm each day.

The auction starts at 6:00pm next Monday, November 1st. You can take part in the auction by sending us absentee bids beforehand, or you can watch and bid live online at invaluable.com. Telephone bidding is also available by prior arrangement on lots starting at \$200 or more.

THIS MONTH'S NEWS FROM TPA

Back to normal

Since the COVID-19 restrictions were eased a little, we've been able to open our shop again, and we are currently trading 7 days a week, 10:00am to 4:00pm.

If all goes well, the restrictions will be further eased in December, which means that we can also open our doors to floor bidders for our First Monday Toy Auction on December 6th. It's been a long time, and we're really looking forward to having bidders in the room again. We hope that this version of normality continues and we won't have to close again.

Keith's trivia

Here is this month's round of obscure questions from Keith. As usual, there are no prizes except a warm inner glow.

- 1. What gauge and brand of model trains did Sir George Julius run on his famous "Model City" Sydney layout? And what was he famous for inventing?
- 2. Why was the Wellington bomber nicknamed the "Wimpy"?
- 3. Which car company in 1901 made an electric car with a 24" wheelbase and claimed it to be the "littlest" automobile even built?
- 4. Which English nobleman demonstrated a steam engine prior to 1663, way before James Watt patented his engine in 1769?

Here are the answers to last month's questions:

- 1. UP named their Big Boy smoke deflectors "Wind Wings". It didn't catch on.
- 2. Sir Sydney Camm is most famous for designing the Hawker Hurricane WWII fighter plane.
- 3. The name of John Parry-Thomas's land speed record car was "Babs".
- 4. Benjamin Briggs was the captain of the Mary Celeste.

Looking forward

As restrictions in New South Wales ease and we can all start moving about and visiting each other again, at Trains, Planes and Automobiles we are looking forward to seeing our friends once more in the shop and at our auctions.

After months of being closed, the shop is open again, with cabinets full of tempting toys and collectables. We also have good stock of hobby supplies. It's a lovely time of year to visit the Beautiful Blue Mountains, so come and see us in Katoomba if you can. Or call us on 02 4787 7974, or send us an email. We look forward to seeing or hearing from you.

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