

First Monday Toy Auction

Monday 7th November 2022 at 6:00pm

Highlights include:

- Large collection of Classic Carlectables 1:18 scale Australian racing cars
- More 1:18 and 1:24 scale cars from Bburago, Motor Max, Revell, Bianta, Auto Art, and others
- Superb selection of Dinky cars, trucks, buses, and accessories
- OO-gauge locomotives, rolling stock, and accessories, including Hornby, Mainline, and Bachmann Branch-Line
- More HO/OO-gauge including Lima, Life-Like, Jouef, Tyco, and Electrotren
- Railways books
- M&M's toys & collectables



Featured item: Lot 222
Dinky 923 Heinz Tomato Ketchup Van

We have an interesting mixture of toys and collectables for you this month.

The auction starts with another instalment of the popular **M&M's** toys. There's a great variety of these and many are quite collectable. All of them are fun! They make perfect gifts, and we'll have some more in our Christmas auction next month, but they won't be the same ones, so grab them while you can.

A major highlight this month is the excellent collection of **1:18 scale Australian cars** from Classic Carlectables. These include many Bathurst winners, Australian Touring Cars, and road cars. And the very collectable **Holden Efijy** concept car. There are also lots of other cars from many brands, including 1:16, 1:18, 1:24, 1:38, and 1:43.

The selection of **Dinky** this month is superb and includes our featured item, the **Heinz Big Bedford Van**, which is the rare version with the tomato ketchup bottle on the side. It's in very nice condition and we expect it to attract much interest.

We also have plenty of temptations for the train lovers. There's a good range of **Hornby OO-gauge** including locomotives, rolling stock, sets, buildings, and accessories; some nice locomotives from **Bachmann Branch-Line**; and many items from other brands in HO and OO, including another instalment of **Electrotren**. Sorry there's nothing for the O-gauge fans, but you'll be in for a treat next month!

The auction starts at 6:00pm next Monday, November 7th, 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 participate by sending us absentee bids before the auction, or bidding live online at invaluable.com. Telephone bidding is also available by

prior arrangement on lots starting at \$200 or more.

The lots can be viewed in our Auction Rooms next Saturday, 5th November, from 10:00am to 4:00pm, and on the auction day next Monday from 10:00am to 4:00pm.

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

THIS MONTH'S NEWS FROM TPA

Auctions at TPA

We're almost at the end of another year and we have just two more auctions to go.

The first will be our regular **First Monday Toy Auction** on **Monday 5th December**. Amongst other things, this will feature some nice O-gauge, steam, Meccano, and tools.

Hot on the heels of this will be our last auction for the year, the **Super Sunday Christmas Auction**, on **Sunday 11th December**, starting at 10:00am. This will include more Jim Beam whiskey decanters – many boxed as new, Christmas M&M's, and lots of other items perfect for Christmas presents.

We'll be in touch again soon with full details for both of these auctions.

Our auction audience continues to expand, including our international audience: at last count we've had buyers from **48 countries**. So in case you were wondering, yes, we're happy to ship auction purchases around the world.

We have a good following in the UK and Europe, and recently a customer was referred to us by Hilary Kay of *Antiques Roadshow* fame. If you read the UK's *Collectors Gazette*, you'll see that they're always interested in toys down under, and often keep their readers informed about our auctions.

Over the years, as our reputation has grown, we have received some very interesting collections and often quite rare and valuable toys and collectables. If you're looking for something special, you might just find what you want in one of our auctions.

Keith's Trivia

Here is this month's batch of questions relating to trains, planes, automobiles, and other interesting things.

1. In what year and where did the worst railway disaster in the UK occur?
2. How many Sherman tanks could fit into the "Spruce Goose"?
3. What type of vehicle did Ivel Motors make, and what was significant about it?
4. How many storeys does the Empire State Building have?

If you've been paying attention, you'll remember that we're offering a prize for correct answers: dinner with the illustrious John Ross, whose knowledge of toys is legendary and whose brain is ripe to be picked.

This is your last chance to be in the draw, so send your answer to trivia@antiquetoys.com.au.

Answers to the October trivia questions:

1. The gauge of the Festiniog Railway is 1' 11½" (according to Festipedia), or 1' 11⅝" (according to a 1959 Meccano Magazine). Perhaps it shrank!
2. A.H. Cobby was famous as the leading Australian WWI fighter ace, with 29 victories.

3. Thomas Aveling is acknowledged as the company that made the first steam roller.
4. Meccano made 28 different versions of ship funnels (that we know of).

Rhodo Festival

The **Blackheath Rhododendron Festival** is back again this year, with a variety of ongoing events all around Blackheath. The main festival day is next Saturday, November 5th, with live entertainment, stalls, exhibitions, and the Rhodo Parade.

If you've been missing the garden gnomes on Australia Day, they've moved to Blackheath, and this year the Rotary Club's **Gnome Convention** will be held in the Rhododendron Gardens on Saturday 5th.

There are also festivities on Sunday 6th, and other events throughout the rest of November. For full details, visit rhodofestival.org.

Spring is a lovely time to visit the **Beautiful Blue Mountains**, especially to see the rhododendrons in bloom. And it's a good excuse – if you need one – to come and see us at **Trains, Planes and Automobiles**.

Our shop is open on Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, 10:00am to 4:00pm. Our coffee shop "On the Soul Side" is open every day except Saturdays. And accommodation at The Gearin is available at all times.

You don't need an excuse. Come and visit us, we'd love to see you!

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