

News from Trains, Planes & Automobiles December 2022

First Monday Toy Auction Monday 5th December 2022 at 6:00pm



Featured item: Lot 101 Bing Steam Crane

Highlights include:

- Live steam engines, accessories, and parts
- Meccano sets, parts, and magazines
- 1-gauge trains from LGB, Aristo-Craft, Accucraft, and others, including track, buildings, and accessories
- Huge selection of Hornby Ogauge
- Bassett-Lowke O-gauge locomotives including live steam models
- More O-gauge from Lionel, Williams, ACE, Exley, Mettoy, and many other brands
- OO-gauge from Hornby and Triang
- Selection of N-gauge locomotives, rolling stock, track, and accessories
- Railway memorabilia and books
- Hobbyist tools and materials

We're ending the year in style with two great auctions. The First Monday Toy Auction features live steam, Meccano and trains; while our special Christmas Auction will feature toys and novelties, ships, planes, cars, and yes more trains.

First things first...

Our auction next Monday has a great selection of trains in **1-gauge**, **O-gauge**, **HO/OO-gauge**, and **N-gauge**. There are also a few special items in Standard Gauge, S-gauge, and On30, as well as some interesting railway memorabilia.

The Accucraft 1-gauge live steam **3801 locomotive** is back. There are also two superb **Bassett-Lowke** O-gauge live steam locomotives. Also of interest is the amazing range of **Tri-ang** OO-gauge sets.

We haven't seen **Meccano** for a while and we're pleased to have a good range of sets and parts, including many small accessories as new in their original packaging, and several magazine sets. There are also a few other construction sets including **Ezy-Bilt** and **Buz Builder**.

Also in **live steam** we have stationary engines, traction engines, steam toys, and two excellent lots of brass steam fittings. Of special note is our featured item, the **Bing steam crane**, which is generating a lot of attention.

And there's a variety of hobbyist tools, materials, and interesting odds & ends.

It's going to be a fun auction.

The auction starts at 6:00pm next Monday, December 5th, in our Auction Rooms at The Gearin in Katoomba. All are welcome to attend. There is plenty of parking and complimentary 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, December 3rd, 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

Super Sunday Christmas Auction

Our final auction for the year will be held on **Sunday 11th December**, hot on the heels of next Monday's auction. The Super Sunday Christmas Auction will be a daytime auction starting at 10:00am and running until about 5:00pm.

This auction will features diecast cars, ships, planes, trains, a great selection of M&M's Christmas toys, more of the popular Jim Beam decanters, and many other toys, collectables, games and oddities, including lots of fun things ideal for Christmas.

We're holding it early in the month, so your chances of getting it before Christmas are pretty high. We'll be in touch again very soon with full details.

Keith's Trivia

Here are the answers to the November trivia questions:

- 1. The worst railway disaster in the UK was at Quintinshill, Scotland, in 1915.
- 2. The "Spruce Goose" could fit two Sherman tanks.
- 3. Ivel Motors made a tractor, possibly the world's first, in 1903. It was significant in having the first PTO (power take off), for which Ivel's founder/owner, Dan Albone, was granted a patent.
- 4. The Empire State Building has 102 storeys.

If you cast your mind back, you will recall that we were running a competition for the best correct answers to our trivia questions throughout the year, the prize being dinner with the highly esteemed John Ross, our resident toy expert and celebrated raconteur.

We're pleased to announce that we have a winner, who will spend an evening being entertained by anecdotes, stories, facts (and perhaps some fictions) from John's vast store of words, which he has been hoarding for the occasion.

Congratulations to our winner. We'll have more trivia next year, and in the meantime we'll come up with another unique prize for those of you who read this far.

Christmas Greetings

This is our last newsletter for the year, so we'll take this opportunity to thank all our customers and friends for your support throughout 2022, and wish you all a safe and happy

Christmas and New Year.

Thanks also to all of the staff at Trains, Planes and Automobiles, who have worked hard to keep our shop and our auctions running during the past year.

We will be taking a little break after Christmas. We'll be closing early on Christmas Eve (Saturday 24th) and we'll be back again on Thursday January 5th.

We look forward to seeing you in 2023 with more auctions and lots more toys.

From the team at Trains, Planes & Automobiles.

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