

News from Trains, Planes & Automobiles April 2024

First Monday Toy Auction Monday 1st April 2024 at 6:00pm

Highlights include:

- Australian O-gauge including Robilt, Maurlyn, and O Gauge House
- Australian HO-gauge locomotives and rolling stock
- Australian railway books and DVDs
- Other HO-gauge including Lima, Rivarossi, Bachmann, and Athearn
- Large range of Tri-ang TTgauge including sets
- 1-gauge from LGB, Marklin, Aristo-Craft, Bachmann, AML, HLW, and Model Power
- Good selection of tinplate toys including cars, trucks, motorcycles, tanks, and boats
- 1:18 & 1:24 scale cars including Franklin Mint
- Hobbyist tools and materials



Featured item: Lot 342
Eureka Models HO-gauge NSWGR CPH/CTH Rail Motor
Set

Our recent HO/OO mid-month auction drew a lot of interest, and we've got lots more trains for you in April.

We have a good selection of **Australian trains** in HO-gauge and O-gauge, and a large number of Australian railway books. There's also other HO/OO-gauge including British, European and American models.

This month we have some nice **1-gauge** for the garden railway fans, much of it unused stock from The Gauge One Gallery, including some Aristo-Craft items that you won't see again.

There is also a big collection of **Tri-ang TT-gauge** locomotives, rolling stock, sets, track and accessories, in very good condition.

We haven't forgotten the car enthusiasts: there's a nice selection of **large scale cars** including Ertl, Maisto, Motor Max and Franklin Mint. And there are lots more vehicles in our collection of **tinplate toys**.

This auction has a lot of fun things and a lot of very nice models. We hope you see something you like.

The auction starts at 6:00pm next Monday, April 1st, 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're good, you might even get an Easter egg.

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.

The lots can be viewed in our Auction Rooms on Saturday 30th March and Monday 1st April, 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

Big News for Train Fans

This month's big news is the forthcoming Great Train Show in Sydney, which will be held at the Rosehill Gardens Racecourse on Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th of May.

The show features exhibitions, demonstrations, a second-hand stall, and lots of traders – including **Trains**, **Planes and Automobiles**. It's going to be a great weekend and we hope to see you. Visit greattrainshow.com.au for a little more information. Online bookings open in April.

Keith's Trivia

Here is this month's batch of trivial but interesting questions.

- 1. What is the wheel arrangement of locomotives designated "Consolidation"?
- 2. Beginning in 1911, what was the Wakefield International Cup awarded for?
- 3. What was Corgi's best selling model car in the 1960s, and possibly all time?
- 4. The first Meccano Magazine (Vol. 1 No. 1) was the Sept-Oct 1916 edition. After many years a favourite of generations of children, what edition was the last one published?

And here are the answers to last month's questions:

- 1. "Lady Norrie" was an English Electric 16SVT diesel, the first mainline diesel-electric locomotive to operate in South Australia. Running number 900 entered service on 12th September, 1951.
- 2. The military base at Lake Boga repaired Catalina flying boats.
- 3. Masahiro Hara invented the QR code, originally designed for Toyota car parts inventory. The code has nearly infinite combinations, and Hara and his company Denso allow free use of its patent.
- 4. "Big Willie" was a tank made during WWI, considered the first tank. It was built by W. Foster & Co. of Lincoln, famous for their steam vehicles.

Holiday Times

At **Trains, Planes and Automobiles**, we're not going anywhere over the Easter long weekend, though we will be closed on Good Friday. We will be open for business as usual on Saturday – including auction viewing, and next Monday – including viewing and the auction. So if you're passing through the **Beautiful Blue Mountains** during the weekend, please come and visit us on Saturday or Monday, and perhaps stay for the auction on Monday night.

In the meantime, we wish you all a safe and happy Easter.

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