

First Monday Toy Auction

Monday 3rd June 2024 at 6:00pm

Highlights include:

- Huge range of Dinky including many rare and highly collectable models
- 1:24 & 1:18 scale cars
- Maisto 1:18 scale motorcycles
- Selection of tinplate motorcycles
- Tinplate robots, space ships, and other sci-fi items
- Lots more tinplate including cars, figures, planes, and boats
- Stationary steam engines and steam toys
- Live steam vehicles including fire engines
- Hornby Stevenson's Rocket in 3½"-gauge live steam



Featured item: Lot 395
Shudo Japanese tinplate Astorray Gun

We have lots of fun things for you this month.

There's a large selection of **tinplate toys** of all types: cars, trucks, buses, motorcycles, people, animals, planes, boats, trains, space ships, robots and ray guns. Many of these are Japanese and quite valuable, all of them are fun!

There is also a good range of **live steam** including stationary engines, steam toys and accessories, steam vehicles, and the lovely Hornby "Rocket".

Then there is the remarkable range of **Dinky** which includes cars, trucks, buses, boats, motorcycles, and accessories. There are over 200 lots of Dinky, including many rare and unusual models. Some of them you have seen before and we're offering them again at very attractive prices.

And we have other cars in 1:24 scale, 1:18 scale, and a few 1:43 scale.

Sorry, no trains this time, but there will be **a treat for our railway fans** later in the month – see below.

The auction starts at 6:00pm next Monday, June 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 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 1st and Monday 3rd June, 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

Coming Soon

For those of you who are only interested in trains, don't despair! We will be holding a special **HO/OO-gauge auction** on Monday 17th June. This will be one of our "quiet" auctions, which means absentee and online bidding only. It also means we can fit more lots into the auction, so you can expect a good variety and plenty of bargains. Stay tuned and we'll be in touch again soon with full details.

Keith's Trivia

Here is another batch of trivial but fascinating questions:

1. Where is the Great Orme railway/tramway?
2. Which country shot down an RAF Lincoln Bomber in 1953, with the deaths of 7 airmen?
3. How many electric delivery vehicles (EVs) did Harrods, London, operate in the 1950s? (Who said electric vehicles were new?)
4. What was significant about the USA Sherman "DD" (duplex drive) tank?

Here are the answers to last month's questions:

1. The "Hairy Mary" was a Natal Government Railways 4-6-2 Havelock steam engine that served in the Second Boer War pulling armoured trains, and was camouflaged by being draped in thick hemp rope.
2. The year of Boeing 707's first commercial flight was 1957. To be precise, 20th December, 1957.
3. Before making cars, Henry Royce made dynamos and electric cranes in his Manchester factory.
4. The dog which circled the earth in Russia's satellite Sputnik 2 was named Leika.

In case you've forgotten, there's a prize at the end of the year for the best correct answers. So send your answers to trivia@antiquetoys.com.au for your chance to win!

Winter in the Mountains

Winter is always a popular time to visit the **Beautiful Blue Mountains**, and on Friday 21st to Sunday 23rd June we will see the return of the annual **Winter Magic** festival in Katoomba, which celebrates the winter solstice with activities including live music, fireworks, and the Winter Solstice Ball at the Carrington Hotel. There will be no street stalls or parade this year, but plenty of indoor events. For more information, see wintermagic.org.au.

Looking for a place to stay that weekend? Come and stay with us at **The Gearin**. Our rates are very affordable and we're right across the road from the railway station, so it's an ideal location for our train-spotter friends. For rates and more information, visit thegearin.com.au or call 0405 589 906.

And, of course, if you're visiting Katoomba, you must come and see us at **Trains, Planes and Automobiles**. Our shop is open on Mondays, Fridays and Saturdays, from 10:00am to 4:00pm. It's warm inside and we'd love to see you!

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