

### First Monday Toy Auction

#### Monday 2nd September 2024 at 6:00pm

*Highlights include:*

- **1-gauge locomotives, rolling stock & accessories from LGB, Accucraft, Aristo-Craft, Bachmann, and others**
- **Great range of Australian HO-gauge including Austrains, Auscision, Trainorama, On Track, Lima, and Powerline**
- **American HO-gauge from Athearn, Atlas, Bachmann, Rivarossi, Tyco, Lima, and many other brands**
- **Large selection of N-gauge locomotives, rolling stock, track & accessories, including a complete layout!**
- **Other scales including Bemo HOe-HOm and Lone Star OOO-gauge**



Featured item: Lot 49  
Accucraft AL98-041 1-gauge electric 1:32 scale Southern Pacific 2-10-2 Locomotive No. 3680

This month it's trains, trains, and more trains. And a nice selection of them.

First off, we have more **1-gauge** from the Jim and Jennifer Walker collection, including locomotives, wagons, coaches, buildings, figures and accessories. Of special note is our featured item, the **Accucraft 2-10-2**. As with most of this collection, these models have seen very little running and are in great condition.

We have a special treat this month for the **Australian HO** fans, with a very large selection of locomotives, particularly NSW diesels, and a good variety of rolling stock. It's a long time since we've had this much Australian HO, and it's in very good condition as well. There's also a range of American HO locomotives and rolling stock of lots of different types and brands.

In **N-gauge** we have locomotives including Kato, Minitrix, Arnold and Bachmann; also plenty of rolling stock, some track and accessories. Our special N-gauge item is Lot 323, the lovely display layout. Also check out Lot 383, which contains a very large number of locos and rolling stock, along with track, power and scenic items. This was recently a complete, operating N-gauge layout, and can be again!

There are also other bits and pieces, such as the Bemo locos and wagons, the Lone Star items, and some railway books and DVDs.

If you like trains (of course you do), you're bound to see something you need.

The auction starts at 6:00pm next Monday, September 2nd, 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](http://invaluable.com).

The lots can be viewed in our Auction Rooms on Saturday 31st August and Monday 2nd September, 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

### For the Car Lovers

We only have trains this month, but we never forget our car fans. Just two weeks after this auction, we will be holding a **Mid-Month Model Car Auction**. This will be one of our "quiet" auctions, on **Monday 16th September**. We hope you can wait that long.

And if you wait a little longer, we'll have an auction of items from the collection of **Peter Norton**, which includes many superb **Dinky** models and an extensive **Mille Miglia** collection. This is a very special auction which will be held later in the year, so watch this space for more details.

### Monster Comic Collection

Our silent auction of comics is now in progress and has generated a great deal of interest.

This is a collection of over **140,000 comics** ranging from the 1930s up to recent years, including famous titles from Marvel and DC Comics. These are ex-shop stock from Sydney's *Comic Kingdom*, which is no longer in business, and almost all issues are in very good to excellent condition.

At time of writing, the current bid is **\$7,600** and we expect it to climb quite a bit further than that before bidding closes on **October 7th**.

This collection is ideal for the serious collector or dealer. If you're interested, visit our website for full details.

### Valley Heights Rail Museum

To celebrate *Marking Time: NSW History Week 2024*, our friends at the Valley Heights Rail Museum are holding an open day on **Sunday 8th September**. The event will be look back over the 70 year history of the Steam Tram & Railway Preservation Society. Admission includes a ride on the 125 year old steam tram 103A.

For more information and bookings, visit [valleyheightsrailmuseum.info](http://valleyheightsrailmuseum.info).

### Humbrol Paints Going Cheap!

Our stock of hobby supplies has always included a good range of acrylic and enamel paints. Sadly, our supply of **Humbrol acrylics** has been discontinued, so we are selling off what we have at just **\$1.90** per tin, which is a substantial discount. There's still quite a lot left, so come in and see if we've got the colours you need, or call us on **(02) 4787 7974**. But don't leave it too long!

This doesn't mean we won't have acrylic paint any more. We always have plenty of acrylics from Tamiya, another great brand, and there's no shortage of enamel paints from Humbrol.

As always, we also have good stock of other hobby supplies, including glues, balsa, plastic and metal.

### Keith's Trivia

Here is the usual round of interesting questions from Keith's hidden resources.

1. Between which two towns did the "John Eales Railway" operate in Australia?
2. What did "AI" stand for in the RAF during WW2?
3. What car did Malcolm convert so it divided into two vehicles in the movie *Malcolm*?
4. What was called "Project Ploughshare"?

Here are the answers to last month's questions:

1. The Sydney light rail trams operate on 750 volts DC.
2. The aircraft known as a "Pembroke" was a Percival Prince, a general-purpose, twin-engine monoplane.
3. America's "Route 66" ran from Chicago (East) to Santa Monica, California (West).
4. Felix the Cat came first, in 1919. Mickey Mouse appeared later, in 1928.

### Spring in the Mountains

After a chilly winter, spring has arrived and the blossoms are in bloom. It's a lovely time of year to visit the **Beautiful Blue Mountains**, so come and see us in Katoomba at **Trains, Planes and Automobiles**. Our shop is open on Mondays, Fridays and Saturdays from 10:00am to 4:00pm. It's been pretty warm lately, so don't leave it too long or it will be summer!

Our First Monday Toy Auction in October will be held on **October 7th**, NSW Labour Day, which is a long weekend holiday here. In case we haven't mentioned it before, at The Gearin we offer affordable accommodation, so it would be an ideal opportunity to "come up for air", as the Mountains tourism always said, make a weekend of it, and attend our October auction. And if it's hot, we can tell you about our favourite swimming holes.

The Gearin is now fully licensed and our coffee shop "On the Soul Side" is extending its hours, opening **Thursday and Sunday evenings** from 5:00pm to 9:00pm. So come and enjoy a spring evening with a glass of wine or beer, live music and an intimate atmosphere.

As you can see, there are lots of good reasons to visit us here in Katoomba. If you'd like more information about accommodation, or paints, or trains, or comics, or just to say hello, call us on **(02) 4787 7974** or send us an email.

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