

News from Trains, Planes & Automobiles October 2024

First Monday Toy Auction Monday 7th October 2024 at 6:00pm

Please note that the auction starts at 6:00pm NSW daylight saving time

Highlights include:

- Monster Comic Collection
- 1-gauge from Marklin, LGB, Aristo-Craft, Bachmann, Accucraft, and others
- Large range of Australian HOgauge including Trainorama, Austrains, Auscision, Powerline, and Lima
- European HO-gauge including Marklin, Roco, Lima, and Kleinbahn
- Lots of Tri-ang OO-gauge including sets
- More OO-gauge from Hornby and Dublo
- 1:18 scale cars from Classic Carlectables, Bburago, Biante, Road Legends, Road Tough, Maisto, Ertl, Solido, and others
- Trax 1:24 & 1:43 scale Australian Cars
- · Robots and other tinplate toys



Featured item: Lot 1

Monster Comic Collection. Accepting final bids online and from the floor.

This month's auction is quite special.

Lot 1 is the **Monster Comic Collection**, an auction that has been running over the last two months. We will be accepting final bids at the start of our First Monday Toy Auction. Visit our website antiquetoys.com.au to see more details and the full list of comics.

Lot 2 is the original **shopfront sign** from Sydney's *Comic Kingdom*, which is no longer in business and is where all the comics came from. It's a unique collectable and would go well with the comics.

After that, we're onto our usual fare of toys and collectables.

We have a small offering of very nice robots and other tinplate toys.

Then there's a **great range of cars**, including lots of 1:18 scale, also 1:24 and plenty of 1:43. Of note is the good selection of **Australian cars from Trax**.

There's another instalment of **1-gauge trains** from the Jim & Jennifer Walker collection, and from another collection we have some very nice **Marklin 1-gauge**. There are some unusual models here that will appeal to the garden railway fans.

In **HO-gauge** we have more **Australian** models, including lots of locomotives, and a great range of **European** locomotives and rolling stock. In **OO-gauge** there's a lot of **Tri-ang**,

including some lovely sets, also **Dublo** and **Hornby**.

There are some really nice items in this auction, so we expect you'll see something you can't resist.

The auction starts at 6:00pm (daylight saving time) next Monday, October 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.

The lots can be viewed in our Auction Rooms on Saturday 5th and Monday 7th October, from 10:00am to 4:00pm. Why not come up for the long weekend?

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

THIS MONTH'S NEWS FROM TPA

Coming Up

We won't have a mid-month auction in October, so our next auction will be the **First Monday Toy Auction on November 4th**.

Then two weeks later, on **Sunday November 17th**, we will be holding the special car auction we mentioned last month. This is the **Peter Norton collection**, which includes a large number of **Dinky** models, also **Trax**, and many **Mille Miglia** racing cars.

This will be a daytime auction, starting at 10:00am. This auction represents a lifetime of model car collecting and we expect a lot of interest. We're in the process of cataloguing the models, and full details will be available closer to the date.

Keith's Trivia

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

- 1. Which company manufactured the "Shay" locomotives?
- 2. What was the name of the aeroplane later modelled by Ernst Paul Lehmann and called "lkarus"?
- 3. What type of train was developed by Charles Renard, apparently also used in Australia by the Union Consolidated Copper Mine?
- 4. What did the initials S.I.J.I.M. of the Paris toymaker "Sijim" stand for?

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

- 1. The "John Eales Railway" operated between Hexham and Minmi, NSW. Constructed in 1856, it was a standard gauge railway used to bring coal from his mine at Minmi to the Hunter River at Hexham.
- 2. During WW2, "Al" stood for "Airborne Interception", the radar system used by the RAF night fighters, leading newspapers of the time to explain that RAF pilots were "eating carrots by the dozen", giving them exceptional vision in the dark!
- 3. In the movie *Malcolm*, the car that Malcolm converted to divide into two was a Honda Z360, sometimes called a "Zot".
- 4. "Project Ploughshare" was a plan to use nuclear bombs for peaceful construction, such a creating a larger Panama Canal by exploding more than 50 H-Bombs in a row. Can you

Springtime

As the trees blossom in the **Beautiful Blue Mountains**, it's time again to visit Blackheath to see the glorious springtime flowers, and especially the rhododendrons. The main attraction is always **Campbell Rhododendron Gardens**, which are open every day, and their Rhodo Tea Room is currently open from Thursdays to Sundays, up until Sunday 3rd November.

It's a beautiful time of the year in Blackheath and well worth a visit. For more information, see rhodogarden.org.au.

At The Gearin

We've had a busy time lately, here at The Gearin. Our coffee shop "On the Soul Side" is now holding **wine and music evenings** on Thursdays and Sundays from 5:00pm to 9:00pm, which have been very popular, as well as the regular opening hours of 8:00am to 1:00pm Monday to Friday, and 10:00am to 5:00pm on Sundays.

We've also been holding **street markets** recently and will continue to do so. We recently had a very successful Saturday market as part of Sustainability Week, and this Sunday, October 6th, we'll be running **The Gearin Market** once again, from 9:00am to 3:00pm.

So come in for a coffee and snack, enjoy the live music, and peruse the bric-a-brac. And perhaps stay into the evening and enjoy more live music with a wine or beer.

And when you're in Katoomba, remember to visit us at **Trains, Planes and Automobiles**. Our shop is open on Mondays, Fridays and Saturdays from 10:00am to 4:00pm. We'd love to see you.

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