

## News from Trains, Planes & Automobiles August 2025

# First Monday Toy Auction Monday 4th August 2025 at 6:00pm



Featured item: Lot 142
Wyn-Toy Australian pressed steel Dump Truck with Front
Loader

### Highlights include:

- Huge range of tin toys including cars, trucks, buses, trams, fire engines, tractors, construction vehicles, army vehicles, trains, planes, motorcycles, bicycles, and fun things!
- Australian pressed steel toys
- Minic clockwork cars and trucks
- Japanese tin toys
- HO/OO-gauge including Hornby and Tri-ang
- Boats and ships including models, kits, pictures, and lots of books
- Aircraft including models, kits, and books
- Selection of dolls and plush animals

This month, we have another wonderful range of tinplate and pressed steel toys, including Boomaroo, Wyn-Toy, Minic, and many Japanese tinplate vehicles. There's also a huge range of motorcycles and bicycles, in tinplate and diecast.

There's a good variety of boats and ships, including plastic, wooden and diecast models and kits, a few tin toys, and a large number of maritime books.

In aircraft we have plastic and diecast scale models, kits, some tin toys, and aircraft books.

We also have another selection of dolls and plush animals. And for the railway enthusiasts, there's a small selection of HO/OO trains.

It's an eclectic auction and we expect to have a lot of fun.

The auction starts at 6:00pm next Monday, August 4th, 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 2nd and Monday 4th August, from 10:00am to 4:00pm, and before auction from 5:00pm.

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

#### THIS MONTH'S NEWS FROM TPA

#### **Coming Up**

As usual, we'll be holding a mid-month "quiet" auction in August, on Monday 18th. This one will be all diecast and will include previously passed-in lots at greatly reduced prices, so the car collectors can look forward to some good bargains.

After that is the First Monday Toy Auction on Monday September 1st, and it will feature lots of trains, which will make the train lovers happy since they will probably be suffering withdrawal symptoms by then.

We will be in touch again with full details shortly before each auction.

#### **Keith's Trivia**

Here is our monthly batch of questions about trains, planes, automobiles... and other interesting things.

- 1. Which locomotive was often called "The Movie Star Locomotive" and credited with being in more movies than any other?
- 2. How many atomic (H) bombs were dropped from a US B52 on Spain?
- 3. What was Cecil Kimber credited with making?
- 4. What year were Australian 25 cent coins first introduced?

Here are the answers to last month's questions:

- 1. They were all nick-names of American train crew members: "hoghead" driver; "tallowpot" fireman; "shack" conductor.
- 2. Saunders-Roe specialised in making flying boats.
- 3. The "fire king" was an 1899 steam powered fire engine/pumper made by Merryweather and Sons Limited and used throughout the world.
- 4. The "seaman's friend" was Samuel Plimsoll, creator of the "Plimsoll Line".

#### **Vale James**

It is with much sadness that we report the loss of our friend and colleague James Sullivan, who recently passed away in his home at Cooma.

For many years, James has been a regular fixture at our auctions, as bidder, vendor and steward. As well as being a keen toy collector, James had a variety of interests and was involved in many community activities, doing voluntary work for organisations such as the Rural Fire Service, Landcare, CSIRO, and the Cooma Monaro Railway.

James was warm, generous, intelligent, and somewhat eccentric. He was a unique person in many ways, and we miss him.

From the team at Trains, Planes & Automobiles.



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