

Christmas Toy Auction Part 1

Monday 1st December 2025 at 6:00pm

Highlights include:

- Lots of trains for Christmas!
- 1-gauge from LGB, Aristo-Craft, Accucraft, Bachmann, and others
- O-gauge including Hornby, Marklin, and Lionel
- Large collection of Marklin HO-gauge
- More HO/OO-gauge including Hornby, Dublo, Tri-ang, Bachmann, and Peco
- Selection of Australian HO-gauge and O-gauge
- Bachmann On30 locomotives and rolling stock
- Tri-ang TT-gauge rolling stock, sets, and accessories
- N-gauge including Bachmann, Peco, and Lima
- A little S-gauge, OOO-gauge, and Z-gauge
- Railway books, magazines, and catalogues
- Plenty of great gift ideas!



Featured item: Lot 7
Marklin 1-gauge American 0-4-2 Tank Locomotive
"Olomana"

Here is the first of our two Christmas Toy Auctions for 2025.

Next Monday, it's all trains, lots of them in all shapes and sizes, from Z-gauge up to 1-gauge. We have locomotives, rolling stock, track, power & control, sets, books, magazines, posters, and accessories.

There are lots of great Christmas gift ideas, for your loved ones or yourself. What else would you be doing over the Christmas break but playing trains? Have a look at the catalogue and you're sure to see something you want!

The auction starts at 6:00pm next Monday, December 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 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 29th November and Monday 1st December, from 10:00am to 4:00pm, and before the 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

But Wait, There's More...

Hot on the heels of our **Christmas Toy Auction Part 1** will be – you guessed it – the **Christmas Toy Auction Part 2**, just a week later on **Monday 8th December**, at the usual time of 6:00pm.

This will also be a live auction, so you are welcome to join us in our Auction Rooms at The Gearin, or bid online through invaluable.com. As usual, you can also send us absentee bids.

Part 2 will include lots of diecast cars, aeroplanes, boats, kits, tinsplate toys, books & magazines, and all sorts of fun things that make great Christmas presents.

We're holding both auctions early in the month so you can have your toys before Christmas. Come along if you can and take your purchases home with you. Otherwise we're happy to post them, and if you pay your invoice promptly, there's a good chance that Santa will have something for you on Christmas Day.

We'll be in touch again next week with full details of the catalogue.

New Meccano in Stock

We have recently received a complete range of the latest modern **Meccano S.T.E.A.M.** sets (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Maths). These are great for teaching children of all ages, and lots of fun at any age. They make ideal Christmas gifts and prices start at just \$14.90. Give us a call on (02) 4787 7974 for more information.

Keith's Trivia

Here is our last round of trivia for the year. We hope those of you who read this far have enjoyed it!

1. What was Charles William Grineau known for and what did he do for Hornby?
2. What was the spire at the top of the Empire State Building originally designed for?
3. Which car manufacturer had a Stork as its mascot and radiator cap ornament?
4. What year was the first artificial earth satellite "Sputnik" launched?

You'll have to wait until next year for the answers. How will you cope?

And here are the answers to our November trivia:

1. The locomotive designed by William Thow was the P6, later developed into the 32 class.
2. The Hadley Page "Victor" was originally a strategic bomber in the cold war period.
3. Ford introduced the Edsel models to compete with General Motors and Chrysler, so Ford buyers had a model to "trade up" to, as the others offered several more expensive brand choices to their customers.
4. As the cable didn't follow the curve, the grip man had to coast the tram around with enough speed, so the passengers needed to hang on.

Merry Christmas to All

Another year full of toys has gone by and after our Christmas auctions we'll be winding down for the year.

Our last day of trading for 2025 will be **Saturday 20th December**, then we'll have a nice break and come back fresh on **Friday 9th January, 2026**.

We don't hold a First Monday Toy Auction in January, so our first auction for the new year will be a "quiet" auction on **Monday 19th January**. Can you wait?

We'll be in touch again next week with details of the Christmas Toy Auction Part 2, but this is our last newsletter for the year, so we'll take this opportunity to thank all our friends for your support throughout 2025, and we're looking forward to helping you with your toy and hobby needs in 2026.

Until then, we wish you all a very merry Christmas and a happy and safe New Year. See you again next year!

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