

First Monday Toy Auction

Monday 3rd August 2026 at 6:00pm

Highlights include:

- Trains, trains, and more trains!
- Locomotives, rolling stock, sets, accessories, power & control, and track
- Large range of N-gauge including Atlas, Bachmann, Kato, Graham Farish, Life-Like, Model Power, E-R Models, Roundhouse, and Walthers
- Selection of Tri-ang TT-gauge
- HO-gauge including Bachmann, Marklin, Electrotren, Rivarossi, and Life-Like
- OO-gauge from Hornby, Dublo, Tri-ang, and Trix Twin
- O-gauge from Hornby, Mettoy, ACE Trains, and others
- Lots of railway books



Featured item: Lot 224
Hornby Dublo BR 4-6-0 Locomotive "Cardiff Castle"

This auction will be a real treat for the train lovers. It's all trains. Model trains of many different types, railway books, memorabilia, and a few railway toys.

There's such a variety of trains in this auction, if you're into trains – of course you are – there's something here for you.

The auction starts at 6:00pm next Monday, August 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 August, 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

Tiny Souls

Last weekend, we held our fundraiser for "Tiny Souls", a documentary film about John Cervenka and his toys.

It was an entertaining and informative evening featuring film clips, interviews, live music, and lots of good food and drink. The evening ended with a mini-auction of a few of John Cervenka's tinplate creations, which all realised good prices.

Our thanks to all who attended. It was a full house and everyone had a great time. The money raised will help go towards the completion of the documentary, and we'll be in touch in the future with news of the release date.

Overseas Shipping

Due to recent changes in customs laws in the European Union, and elsewhere, we are now required by Australia Post to include the destination country's import tariffs and taxes in our postage and handling fees.

It's a complicated system and we understand that it will be changing soon, so we can't give you exact details.

But these new regulations only affect overseas shipping, mostly only in Europe, so for our Australian customers there will be no change.

Keith's Trivia

Here's this month's round of trivia:

1. Why was the LNER W1 No. 10000 locomotive called "Hush-Hush"?
2. Who made the passenger airliner which operated in Australia and was often called an "Elizabethan"?
3. Which Australian petrol brand was distributed by H.C. Sleight?
4. What was Johan Petter Johansson famous for inventing?

And here are the answers to the July trivia questions:

1. The locomotive builder killed by an engine was George Churchward CBE, chief mechanical engineer of GWR.
2. A "Dyna-Soar" was Boeing's reusable spacecraft that could land like a plane back to earth. A forerunner of the Space Shuttle.
3. Lledo models are named after Jack Odell, owner of the company – using his name spelt backwards.
4. A Tellurion is a machine that depicts the relationship of the Earth, Sun and Moon.

Coming Up Soon

In just a few weeks, we will be holding our **Great Corgi Auction**, on **Monday 17th August**. This is a very special auction featuring the lifetime collection of our friend and customer Rob Landis.

There will be around 500 lots of mostly early Corgi, mostly boxed, including some rare and valuable models. This will be a "quiet" auction, which means absentee and online bidding only. However, as always, the lots will be on display before the auction in our auction rooms at Katoomba.

It's a comprehensive collection and an ideal opportunity for all the Corgi collectors.

In September there will be another special auction, this time of **military items** including toy soldiers, vehicles, vintage uniforms, and other memorabilia. This will largely be from the collection of well-known Sydney dealer Peter Nathan, and you can be sure there will be some very interesting items.

This will also be a quiet auction, on **Monday 21st September**, and again the lots will be on display prior to the auction.

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

And remember, at **Trains, Planes and Automobiles**, as well as running auctions we also have our shop at The Gearin in Katoomba, which is open on Mondays, Fridays and Saturdays from 10:00am to 4:00pm. So if you're passing through Katoomba, please visit us and browse our great range of antique toys, hobby supplies, and other fun things.

For all your toy and hobby needs, feel free to call us on **(02) 4787 7974** or send us an email.

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