News from Trains, Planes & Automobiles

Welcome to our first newsletter for 2011.

We hope you had a great Christmas and a good start to 2011. We look forward to meeting up with you at one of our shops or perhaps at the next auction.

Keith, John, Jan, Leslie, Tadhg, Mitchell, Denise, Barry and Pauline

Don't miss our Diecast Model Car Auction All is set for next Sundays auction and if you can't attend the viewing on Saturday or Sunday (where else would you see over 500 classic diecast cars displayed in one place – worth a look) or join the fun at the auction on Sunday afternoon you can now be part of the action live on the internet through the Artfact website.

Diecast Model Car Auction

27th February, 2011 at 12.30

Annandale Town Hall (behind the Neighbourhood Centre) 79 Johnston Street Annandale NSW 2038

Viewing Saturday 26/2/11 – 12noon – 5 pm Sunday 27/2/11 – from 9 am

Catalogue available from our shops or on line in the <u>Downloads</u> section of our website www.antiquetoys.com.au.

Sale includes a significant Corgi collection as well as over 100 Australian Trax, also Dinky, Franklin Mint, Matchbox, Micro Models, Kookaburra, Dinkum, BRM, Brumm, Lledo, Minichamps, Vitesse, Western Models and more

Crash or Smash

We will be having a 'Crash or Smash' sale during viewing, so if you are searching for that odd part for your old model make sure you visit.

Live internet bidding will be available during the auction through the Artfact online auction website. If you are interested in bidding online, visit <u>www.artfact.com</u> and register as a bidder, or simply click the live online bidding box under the Auction tab also on our website.

Out and About

A hot day was again spent around our gnome friends at the annual Rotary Australia Day Gnome Convention. We provided transport for several gnomes who had paid extra for tickets to ride through the garden village behind the ever reliable LGB Stainz loco. Bachmann gauge 1 Thomas with Annie and Clarabel also entertained the crowds on track 2.



All aboard: Trains, Planes and Automobiles from Mt Victoria lend special support with the gnome railway.

Photo: Thanks to Blue Mountains Gazette

New Meccano Display at Mount Victoria

An impressive 1970's Meccano shop display Carnival Ride is now on display in our foyer. A piece from Malcolm Booker's amazing collection we are pleased to have as part of the excitement of a visit to Mount Victoria.

Remember we offer Meccano new & old sets and also by the piece. Our price list is available on request, or can be down loaded from our website.

For Meccano fans we understand there will be a display by the Meccano Modellers group at the QVB on April 9th & 10th – note it in your diary.

Cervenka Toys on Show at TPA

Those who attended our last auction will have enjoyed seeing some of John Cervenka's (Blue Mountain toy maker extraordinaire) model boats. John has a world wide following for his unique models and we are pleased to have some on consignment at Mount Victoria

New CMC cars for 2011

Recently CMC announced their new 2011 1:18 scale releases and we have placed orders for the complete range. All are limited edition, so if you would like to reserve one (or more) for yourself please call or email us – we are sure some will sell out quickly. Cars include:

Bugatti Type 57 SC Atlantic Coupe (blue or black) Mercedes Benz 300 SLR 1955 Ferrari 250 GT SWB California Spyder (red, blue, silver or black) Ferrari 312P Spyder Sebring race version #25 Ferrari 312P Berlinetta 1969 Mercedes Benz W154 #16 1938 Mercedes Benz W154 T-Car Also coming: Ferrari and Maserati Race Car Transporter (1:18) and 1:12 scale Auto Union Type C GP Donington

New TPA web page – 'Buy it now'

We are adding a 'Buy it now' web page on our site to preview forthcoming auction lots where vendors are keen to sell quickly. We will also include some items that did not sell at previous auctions, often with prices way below original estimate. Make sure you check it out. You may find a bargain.

'SUPERQUICK' and 'METCALFE' models by John Ross

Many years ago I was introduced to the wonderful world of model trains, I am talking of the early fifties, clockwork Hornby trains and card board boxes.

Why cardboard boxes, well you made your trackside buildings along with tunnels from these boxes and your minds eye made spectacular structures.

Now for the last thirty years or so a British company Pems Butler Ltd started producing a product called 'SUPERQUICK' a fantastic range of cardboard building kits pre cut, fully printed, and correctly coloured.

These buildings covered stations, engine sheds, residential and commercial buildings along with tunnel portals, foot bridges, station platforms, pubs, and churches. The range is extensive and covers the line side and town structures any OO/HO rail enthusiast would require.

All that is needed to build these models is a modelling knife to relieve the pre cut parts and a bottle of PVA glue.

These models can also be used on dioramas in fact any where 3D scale model buildings are required, and because Australian building designers copied the British architectural style, they fit perfectly into the early Australian rail and residential architectural design.

Trains Planes and Automobiles stock the entire range of SUPERQUICK along with a more recent English manufacturer of card buildings, METCALFE.

The Metcalfe range also includes other structures such as rail viaducts and a large terminus station.

So step back in time, even if model railways aren't your passion we recommend you experience the satisfaction of building a scale model of your favourite building or structure, you never know it may be a new hobby that could develop into a new town. Kits start from under \$10

New ACE vintage Hornby Vans

ACE has announced their new range of vans which we expect to arrive by March. Some are already reserved so get your order in quickly. Litho tinplate with diecast and sheet steel chassis they have a new wheel bearing system and are fitted with standard ACE drop link couplings





Set 6 of the G/2 Vans Cadbury's - Crawford's - Fyffes Bananas

Whirligigs

Our range of whirligigs continues to grow as do the sales of these wonderful display pieces. Customers come back for a second or third time to dress up their outdoors. We continue to get favourable reports of their bird scaring properties for our gardeners.

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