

# FIRST MONDAY TOY AUCTION JUNE 1st 2015



Featured item: Lot 115 Roco HO "Armistice" 2-10-0 Locomotive & Tender

## Highlights include

- A huge selection of HO from Fleischmann, Roco, Piko, Marklin, Rivarossi, Lima, Bachmann & others
- Lots of lovely Hornby OO & Dublo
- A smattering of O-gauge
- Diecast cars from Trax, Rio, Dinky, Matchbox & others
- Thunderbirds & other action figures
- Boats & Boat Kits
- Tinplate Toys

Our June auction sees a return to our usual mix of **trains**, **cars**, **and toys**. Last month we concentrated on cars, notably the large **Dinky** collection, and this month we are catering to the train buffs again. We have lots and lots of **HO and OO**, with just a little bit of **O-gauge**. There are some very nice items as well as many bargains. It's not all trains, though. We have several dozen lots of **diecast cars**, also **tinplate toys**, and some **action figures** from Thunderbirds, Joe 90, Captain Scarlet and Stingray – including a Thunderbirds Tracy Island set.

So there's something for everyone this month. You can view the lots at our **Annandale** gallery on Friday and Saturday from 10:00am to 4:00pm (and see some of our live steam auction items – more news of this below). You can also view the lots at the auction venue in **Mount Victoria** from 3:00pm on the day of the auction. The auction starts at 7:00pm and everyone is welcome to come along. If you can't make it up the hill, you can always join us on the internet or leave absentee bids – or both.

Visit our website to view or download the catalogue and find further information about our auctions. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

## THIS MONTH'S NEWS FROM TPA

### LIVE STEAM & TRAIN AUCTION IN JULY

Our brief mention last month of the forthcoming special steam auction stirred up a huge amount of interest. Everyone wants to know where, when and what. Well, we can now announce that the date is **Sunday July 19th** and the venue is Annandale Neighbourhood Centre – where we have previously held successful auctions – just up the road from our Annandale gallery.

This auction will feature an extraordinary collection of live steam locomotives and other engines, including a large number of Aster 1-gauge locomotives which have never been run and are in superb condition. You will also see 3½" and 5" locomotives, and live steam model ships. We are also including a beautiful collection of HO locomotives, notably Australian brass HO.

Viewing will be open at our Annandale gallery **every Saturday** between now and the auction, and every day during the week leading up to the auction. A printed catalogue will be published about two weeks before the auction. Full details can be found on our website, where there is also a preview available. As we continue to

photograph and catalogue the collection, there will be more to see in the preview – and at the viewings – in the next few weeks. If you can, come along to Annandale this Saturday to see some of the live steam lots as well as the items in our June auction.

#### **NEW ARRIVALS FROM CMC**

We have just received new stock from CMC (Classic Model Cars) of **Bugatti, Maserati, Ferrari, Alfa** and **Mercedes** models, including the award-winning Bugatti Corsica Roadster. As always, these models are superbly crafted and exquisitely detailed. We still have a **Maserati transporter** and John Ross has artistically placed two of the new Maseratis in it. They look very nice indeed. Sadly, we have sold all of our Ferrari transporters and they are no longer available. You can see these beautiful new models at our **Blackheath** gallery. If you come on a Saturday, John will be there and can tell you everything you could possibly want to know about CMC models.



## **NEW EDITION OF RAMSAY'S**

The new **15th Edition of Ramsay's British Diecast Catalogue** has just been released and we have managed to secure a good number of copies, which will be arriving in the next couple of weeks. This is the definitive guide to British diecast toys including Corgi, Dinky and Matchbox models, and is an indispensable reference for collectors. Call us and we will reserve a copy for you.

### **BARRY'S EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

Those of you who know Barry Masters as the keeper of our Annandale shop may be unaware of his talents in other areas. For example, playwright and performer! Barry has written several radio plays (remember those?) and has joined the **Blue Mountains Radio Players**, who keep old traditions alive by performing and recording monthly plays – in front of a live audience. They have already performed one of Barry's masterpieces, in which he acquitted himself very well as a bit-part player, and they will be performing another of his works this Sunday afternoon, with Barry again taking part in the performance.

So if you want to see Barry in full-flight as author and thespian, head to the **Mountain Heritage Hotel** in **Katoomba** at 2:30pm this Sunday. The Players perform on the last Sunday of every month and we can highly recommend them for a great afternoon's entertainment.

#### **ZIG ZAG BREWERY**

Last weekend one of our regular customers presented us with a carton containing various beers from the **Old Zig Zag Brewery**, a long-established Blue Mountains brewery which has just started brewing again after a lapse of over 50 years. The TPA staff in Blackheath happily sampled a few bottles and pronounced it very good indeed. As we write this newsletter we are trying the Rams Head Stout, and it is an excellent drop. So thanks to our friend Lee for bringing this very special local product to our attention. Cheers to the Old Zig Zag Brewery!

From the team at Trains, Planes & Automobiles.

