

### FIRST MONDAY TOY AUCTION AUCTION May 7th 2018



Featured item: Lot 201  
1:32 scale De Havilland Tiger Moth

#### *Highlights include*

- Collection of excellent model planes assembled from kits
- Other aircraft including kits and diecast models
- Live steam including locomotives, engines & accessories
- Australian HO locomotives and rolling stock
- HO/OO from Hornby, Dublo, Tri-ang, Marklin & others
- O-gauge from Bassett-Lowke, ACE, Hornby, Lionel & others
- Selection of Lone Star OOO-gauge items
- Orient Express memorabilia
- Railway DVDs
- Diecast cars including Micro Models and Dinky
- Slot cars including sets, track and accessories
- Construction sets from Meccano, Bayko, Buz and Ezy-Bilt
- Yet more model boats & ships
- Games, puzzles and toys

What a line-up of goodies we have this month! There's a bit of everything to suit all tastes and budgets.

The main highlight is the collection of kit-built **aircraft**. These are excellent models, superbly assembled, painted and detailed, which have come to us from Winston Sterling, who has obviously spent many hours building these planes and clearly knows what he's doing. Win's passion for planes began in childhood during the war, when he visited the factory where his father worked building Australian warplanes. Win knows aircraft intimately and has super-detailed many of his models, often referring to the original manufacturers' specifications. Before his retirement, Win's day job was playing cello for the Sydney Symphony Orchestra, though where he found the time we don't know.

Win is happy to offer these models for auction and we expect a lot of interest in them. If you're able to come to the viewing you'll see them in their full glory, though we think our photographs do them reasonable justice. But there's more... this month we're including only half of Win's collection, and you'll see the other half next month. Please note that these models are quite delicate and we recommend that buyers arrange to pick them up. We can post them if required, but we will have to charge a packing fee and can't guarantee that all the fine detail parts will survive the journey. In other words, you should come to the auction if you can!

As well as Win's collection, we have all sorts of **other aircraft** in diecast, wood and plastic, including kits. And then there are the **boats and ships**, also including kits.

For the **trains buffs** we have a great selection ranging from OOO up to 1-gauge, including some live steam O-gauge models. There's also a small collection of other live steam items. If the **Orient Express** fascinates you, have a look at the Rivarossi set, also the excellent Cuneo print and the souvenir fountain pen, which were collected by a fan who travelled on the Orient Express. We also have another good offering of railway DVDs.

For **car lovers**, we have some good examples from Micro Models and Dinky, also a smattering of Matchbox, some 1:18 scale models, and a range of slot car items. You'll even see a Winna Bakelite car.

This month we also have more Meccano and other construction sets, hobbyist tools, books, Coca-Cola yo-yos, walkie-talkies, a marionette, collectors cards, plastic toys, tin toys, games and puzzles... and a couple of mystery objects. If anyone can tell us what Lots 83 and 85 are, we'd appreciate being enlightened.

The auction starts at 6:00pm next Monday, May 7th, at our Auction Rooms in Lawson. All are welcome to attend. There is plenty of parking and refreshments are available. If you can't join us in person, you can bid live online at [invaluable.com](http://invaluable.com), or send us absentee bids before the auction.

The lots can be viewed at the Auction Rooms next Saturday from 10:00am to 4:00pm, and on the auction day from 3:00pm.

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

## THIS MONTH'S NEWS FROM TPA

### The Great Train Weekend is back!

The BIG news this month is the return of the **Great Train Weekend in Mount Victoria**. This popular event was held annually for 8 years, then had a little rest, and now it's back in 2018 to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Great Western Railway arriving in Mount Victoria. There will be model train displays, railway memorabilia, markets, vintage cars, entertainment, and rides on the mighty Garratt steam locomotive and an antique rail motor. And Mount Vic Flicks will be screening Buster Keaton's "**The General**", complete with theatre organ accompaniment and an introduction by David Stratton.

The Great Train Weekend will be held on **Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th May**, and is an absolute must for all train lovers and their long-suffering families. For more details visit [mountvictoria.nsw.au/great-train-weekend](http://mountvictoria.nsw.au/great-train-weekend), and to book a train ride visit [nswrailmuseum.com.au/great-train-weekend](http://nswrailmuseum.com.au/great-train-weekend). It's going to be a wonderful weekend, so come along and help us celebrate 150 years of trains in Mount Victoria.

### The troops have gone quiet

We mentioned last month that we have a great collection of **Britains diecast figures** including American Civil War soldiers. We also mentioned that you'd be seeing them soon... well, we didn't quite manage to muster them into this auction, but they will be appearing two weeks later in a special **Diecast Figure Auction**, one of our mid-month "quiet" auctions. This will be held on **Monday 21st May** and we'll be in touch with full details soon.

### Ironfest 2018

We had a great time at this year's Ironfest in Lithgow. As always, it was like watching a fancy-dress parade spread over two days. We caught up with lots of old friends and made many new ones, and generated a great deal of interest in some of the unusual items we had for sale. If you missed it, there's always next year, and we'll be there.

### Growing audience

As the popularity of our auctions grows, so does our mailing list, and we now have just under 6,000 subscribers. If you know someone who is into trains, cars, antique toys and collectables, and they're not already on our mailing list, tell them about us and they may become customer No. 6,000. They can subscribe from our website or just send us an email. If for some bizarre reason you no longer want to receive our newsletters, just use the link at the bottom of the email to unsubscribe.

### Planes and books in Blackheath

As we mentioned last month, the lots in our Rolling Book Auction and Rolling Plane Auction are now on display in our Blackheath shop. So next time you're visiting the Blue Mountains, pop in and have a look at them. There are some unusual items and great bargains, and you can leave bids with us or buy any of the lots on the spot. To find out when we're open, call us on (02) 4787 7974 or check our website. Autumn is the perfect time to visit Blackheath and we'd love to see you.

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