

FIRST MONDAY TOY AUCTION AUCTION October 9th 2017

Highlights include

- Huge collection of Australian HO
- Trains in HO/OO, O, On30 and others
- Live steam traction & stationary engines
- Britains diecast animals
- Tin toys
- Meccano



Featured item: Lot 116
French Hornby O-gauge clockwork SNCF Bugatti 2-unit
Rail Car, in great condition and running well.

It's been over two months since our last regular auction and we know that many of you are suffering from model railway withdrawal. So we're making up for it now with a great variety of trains to satisfy enthusiasts of HO/OO & O-gauge, with a few odd sizes thrown in for good measure.

The auction starts off with an **interesting assortment** of items: games, toys, tinsplate, diecast figures, memorabilia, Meccano, and a nice selection of live steam. Then it's trains, trains and more trains, **over 300 lots** of them.

The main feature this month is the collection of **Australian HO**, including locomotives, rolling stock and kits. There's also plenty of other **HO/OO** from Hornby, Tri-ang, Athearn, Tyco and many others. As usual there's a good range of **O-gauge** including Hornby, Bing, Lionel and O-gauge House. And there's a handful of other sizes, from On30 up to 5½". So if you're into trains (and why wouldn't you be?) this is the auction for you.

The auction starts at 6:00pm next Monday, October 9th, at our Mount Victoria auction venue. 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, or send us absentee bids before the auction. Telephone bidding is also available by prior arrangement.

The lots will be on display at our Annandale shop next Saturday from 10:00am to 4:00pm, and at the auction venue next Monday from 3:00pm.

Visit our website to view or download the catalogue and see further details. If you have any questions, please call us on (02) 4787 7974 or send us an email.

THIS MONTH'S NEWS FROM TPA

Problems solved

With so many toys coming in and going out through our auctions, transport and storage have always been problems for us, but problems that are about to be solved.

We decided not to hold a regular auction in September, but to use the time to review and sort a backlog of auction goods. Since Keith returned from his work in Africa a few weeks ago, we have been doing just that, and to aid this process we have acquired a large **warehouse** in the Blue Mountains Industrial Estate at Lawson. We are currently transferring all of our auction goods from separate storage facilities scattered far and wide to this one big location.

We are always looking for ways to streamline our operations, and this move will bring major improvements, especially in the process of receiving and dispatching goods. With much more space and everything in one place, sorting and lotting will be faster and simpler. We may even find those temporarily mislaid items that some of you have been waiting patiently for.

We've only just moved in, but we've been busy organising things and making some exciting plans. The warehouse is large and well located, and has good facilities and plenty of parking. In fact, it would be an ideal place to hold our auctions... stay tuned for more news soon!

Farewell to Annandale

With much regret, but also a little relief, we will soon be **closing the doors of our shop in Annandale** after 30 years. We moved to the Blue Mountains 20 years ago but found it convenient in many ways to maintain our premises in Sydney. However with soaring rents and increasingly congested roads, we have decided that holding on to the Annandale shop is no longer viable.

This means that after the October auction, we can no longer offer pickup of auction goods in Sydney. But pickup will be available from our Lawson warehouse by arrangement, and of course from our Blackheath shop. We're also happy to post goods, and the cost of postage to Metropolitan Sydney is not high. Saturday auction viewings will no longer be held in Sydney, but the lots can still be viewed at our Mount Victoria auction venue on the day of the auction, and we also expect to be able to offer viewings in Lawson – which is not so far up the hill. And if we move the whole shebang to Lawson, we'll be able to extend our viewing sessions.

We'll still be in Annandale on Saturdays for the next couple of weeks, but after that the doors will close for good. We've already started selling the cabinets and fittings, and if you come to the viewing this Saturday you're welcome to make an offer on what remains. If you're in Sydney, please drop in and say good-bye.

More rolling auctions

Our **Rolling Book Auction** and **Rolling Plane Auction** have been running successfully for over 9 months now. Dozens of books and planes have found new homes, and many happy customers have found some exceptional bargains. The Rolling Auctions are ongoing silent auctions, with new items added regularly. If you haven't checked them out yet, you can see the books [here](#) and the planes [here](#).

Following the success of these auctions, we will soon be adding a **Rolling Ship Auction**, which will feature mostly model ship kits, but you're likely to see some tinplate and diecast as well. If you have ships that you'd like to sell at auction, please contact us straight away so that we have time to include them.

If you have toys or collectables to sell, or you have any questions about our auctions, please call us on (02) 4787 7974, or send us an email. We'll be happy to help.

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