

## First Monday Toy Auction

### October 8th 2018

*Highlights include:*

- French O-gauge including some rare JEP items
- Australian O-gauge including Robilt, Ferris, Maurlyn, Wyn-Toy & Fox
- More O-gauge from Hornby, ACE, Lionel and others
- Trains in HO/OO, On30, 1-gauge, N-gauge, HOn3, and Z-gauge
- Collection of superb Britains diecast soldiers
- Diecast cars including Matchbox 1-75s
- Planes, boats & ships



Featured item: Lot 184  
Rare Phoenix Models Australian O-gauge VR 4-6-2  
Locomotive "Matthew Flinders"

This month we have a great treat for **O-gauge** fans, with an excellent range of **French O-gauge** including **Hornby** and some superb items from **JEP**, and a wonderful selection of **Australian O-gauge** from many different manufacturers, including our featured item, the VR Matthew Flinders locomotive (more about that below). There is also the usual good selection of pre-war and post-war Hornby, a nice range of ACE, and many other brands.

We haven't forgotten the other sizes, and you'll find plenty of locomotives, rolling stock, track and accessories in just about every gauge from 1 down to Z.

This auction sees the first instalment of a large and impressive collection of **Britains diecast soldiers**. These are mostly in sets and in beautiful condition, some with original boxes. We're in the process of mustering them into their correct troops and you'll see more of them in the future, but this month we have some excellent examples to begin with.

And there's more... including planes, boats & ships, diecast cars, tinplate cars, steam engines, and kits of all sorts.

It's really a great selection this month, with some excellent toys and collectables.

The auction starts at 6:00pm next Monday, October 8th. **Daylight saving** starts for us on Sunday 7th, so for those of you who are not on daylight saving, this will be **an hour earlier** than usual for you.

The auction will be held at our Auction Rooms in Lawson and 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 (and save the 3% online bidding fee). Telephone bidding is also available by prior arrangement.

The lots can be viewed at our 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

### Matthew Flinders locomotive

Our featured item this month, the VR "Matthew Flinders" S Class Streamlined Pacific locomotive, has generated a great deal of interest already. This is one of the rare models that has come to us from the collection of **Bill Baker**. As far as we can ascertain, it is one of only two built by **Alan Shorter** of Phoenix Models for VR's 100th Anniversary Exhibition in 1954. The other model is now housed in Melbourne's Science Works Museum and unfortunately we have not had access to that one in order to compare the two. We know that Bill Baker purchased a number of models from Alan Shorter, but until we receive further information we cannot be absolutely certain that our featured item is one of the two 100th Anniversary models. However, we are quietly confident that it is, and in any case we do know that it is a superb example of Australian O-gauge. Sadly, all of the S Class prototypes were scrapped, so we only have these models to remember them by.

The NSW version of the streamlined Pacific also makes an appearance in this auction, in the form of a Fox O-gauge model of the **iconic 3801**, another superb example of Australian O-gauge, also from the Baker collection. There will be more items coming from this collection in the next few months, and we'll be in touch with details as they become available.

### Yet more planes

Our quiet auction last month saw a lot of planes flying away, but we didn't sell all of them and you'll now find many of the unsold models in our Rolling Plane Auction at reduced prices. The current batch of lots closes on October 22nd, so check them out and grab yourself a bargain! While you're there, have a look at the Rolling Book Auction as well.

### All-singing, all-dancing!

Perhaps not quite, but we do stream **video and audio** live from our auction rooms during our First Monday Toy Auctions, and it's a shame that – the internet being what it is – some people find that they can't see or hear us. This has been an ongoing problem and the solution is to enable the latest version of **Flash Player** in your browser. Unfortunately we can't tell you how to do that, since every browser is different. But an internet search should be able to help you for your particular computer and browser. This month we will be starting our broadcast an hour before the auction. We can't promise that it will be exciting viewing until the auction actually begins, but if you've had trouble watching us in the past, you'll have plenty of time before the auction to try to get it working.

### For the Melbournites

If you have goods you'd like to sell through our auctions but can't get them to us because you're in Melbourne, you may be in luck. Keith will be visiting **Melbourne next week** (after the auction) and if you're not too far out of town, he'll be happy to pick up your goods and bring them to our auction rooms. If you'd like to take us up on this offer, please give Keith a

call on 0412 228 891 to make arrangements. For everyone else, you're welcome to send or deliver goods to us whenever you wish. We're always pleased to receive interesting toys and collectables for our auctions.

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