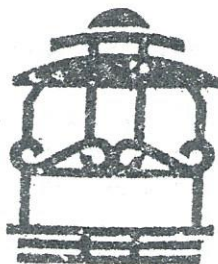


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FROM THE CHAIRMAN

I feel that the item I should mention this time concerns myself. I have advised the Board members that I will not be offering for re-election to the next Board in any capacity, as I feel it is time to retire from heavy involvement in Society activities. A little quick reflection indicates that I have held one office or another for possibly 33 of the last 37 years, initially in the Australian Electric Traction Association, and later in our Society. In addition to this, the last nine or so years have seen me in the position of Executive Officer (i.e. Secretary) of the Council of Tramway Museums of Australasia.

Whilst I have been most happy to work in various capacities, I have noticed a contraction of "get up and go" in the last three or so years. This developed into continual fatigue in the last three or four months, so I think there is a message in this condition. The last fifteen or sixteen years in office during the development of Bylands, and many other Society activities, has meant virtually no time to attend to my photographic and research records, resulting in a massive accumulation of unprocessed material. Hopefully my retirement from heavy Society work will allow time to work on this problem. I have indicated that I will still do work and traffic duty at Bylands, as well as occasional other jobs. I thank you for your support in the past and trust that you will continue same in the future.

KEITH KINGS.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SPONSOR A TRAM AT BYLANDS?

Ron Scholten has started an idea to sponsor a tram, in his case W3 667, for \$1 a week -- that's \$52 per year! The money received goes to the upkeep of the tram, painting, oiling and general servicing, and it's tax-deductible also!

Clive Gibson and Peter Bardho have agreed to the idea, with sponsorship of 331 and 199. This year, Ron has decided to sponsor VR 34, along with 667.

Remember, \$1 a week for 52 weeks, and your tax man gives you back \$17 in July. Trams which you can sponsor include W 220, W4 673, X 217, T 180, S 164, M 114, J 73, P 132, X1 467, and cable and horse trams, and of course, other vehicles in the collection.

To take up your sponsorship, contact Rod Atkins through the mailbox (Box 4916, Mail Exchange, Melbourne 3001) or on 819-2267 (after hours).

RON SCHOLTEN REPORTS
ON THE 644 OUTING

On Sunday June 15th, we held our 95th tour in SW2 644.

After a foggy start to the day, by the time we departed Malvern depot the sun was shining in a cloudless sky. The tour ran over the south-eastern routes, most of them pioneered by the P.M.T.T. during 1910.

64 entered service as a W2 on November 1st 1930. On April 15th 1952 it was involved in a spectacular accident with a M.M.T.B. motor 'bus. It re-entered service on December 23rd that year as an advanced version of the SW2. It was hoped to convert other W2s to this design, but this failed because of lack of finance. We have agreed to preserve 644 as our SW2 tram at Bylands.

We departed Malvern depot at 2 p.m. and ran to St Kilda Road, via High Street, and to Tooronga Road, opened in 1912. We then ran to Leura Grove via Malvern and Burke Roads, whence we could view the new freeway works at Gardiner, plus use the Leura Grove shunt most likely for the last time, as it is proposed to be removed soon.

We then ran to St Kilda Beach via Balaclava Junction to Acland Street; thence we were the only tram to run the crowded Esplanade for the day to St Kilda Junction. After a short wait at the junction while our talented, jack-of-all-trades Inspector repaired the tram shelter, which had been damaged by a 'bus, we continued down Dandenong Road back to the depot by 4.30 p.m.

Thanks are due to Inspector Jim Dowel, and Peter Bardho, who stood in for Darryl Soden, who had just received the horror news his mother had passed away. We extend our deepest sympathy to Darryl and his family.

We look forward to our next exciting tram tour planned later in the year which will be a once only tour: details will be published soon in "Running Journal". Book early!

NEXT TOUR: HARRIS TRAIN
TO TRARALGON VIA
WERRIBEE AND THE
CITY LOOP

With this "Running Journal" you have the circular and booking form for our long-awaited trip by first-series Harris train to Werribee ("This train will run via Parliament and the City Loop") via Paisley, returning via Altona, thence to the outer end of the Eastern line electrification at Traralgon. Please

book early: rail trips must be confirmed in advance, and if we are not sufficiently booked to pay our way by the cut-off date, the train can not run.

ELECTRICAL NEWS FROM
BYLANDS(?)

Our electrician, Barry Brooks, is busy manufacturing track bonds, and he hopes to begin welding them across the track joints very soon.

GENERAL MANAGER'S LINE

It is sad to hear that our Chairman Keith Kings is going to retire from the Board after sixteen years service this time! Keith will, though, still be in charge of 'buses. Enjoy your rest, Keith, and fare well!

Sleepers are currently being organised through various channels for the re-sleepering of the main line beyond the gate to where the loop is to be installed.

Bill Kingsley, our Engineering Consultant, has been busy designing our loop layout. He tells me that it will be basically the same as the A.E.T.M.'s but a bit longer. Bill has almost finished, as well, with the help of students from the Footscray College of TAFE, the horse tram extension layout for submission to your Board.

On Australia Day Monday, some 300 to 500 people from the Camberwell Corps of the Salvation Army will be visiting the Museum for their Picnic.

The Society has been advised by CoTMA that tram 643 is now the Museum's property. This tram was purchased by the estate of the late Allan Antcliff for the Society when it became available, as was Allan's wish. Our grateful thanks go to Allan's family. This tram will be housed at Hawthorn depot until suitable accommodation for it can be made at Bylands.

The next work party day will be September 21; remember this date, please!

The next tram tour will be in V214, on Saturday October 4th, at \$20 per head. This tour will celebrate 80 years of Electric Trams on today's M.T.A.'s routes.

The Golden Sunset tour will travel around the remaining W2 depots, for a quick ride in a W2 from each depot. The transport car will be W5 799. At Kew, we will also ride a "panto" A to North Balwyn.

Request for good second-hand clothing: the Salvation Army has asked in any Museum members have any good second-hand clothing, and would they consider donating it? At this time of year, whilst we are warm, a lot of people are cold. If you have any old clothing, please contact General Manager Andy Hall at home on 51-4718 to arrange collection.

ANDY HALL.

EXHIBITION OF CABLE
TRAM MEMORABILIA

Mr Jack Cranston advises that he has prepared a display of Cable Tram Memorabilia which will be at the Knox City Library, Knox Civic Centre, 511 Burwood Highway Knoxfield, from 4th August until the end of the month. This will be well worth a visit! Jack's book on Melbourne's cable trams is expected to be published early in October this year.

MRS CAROL WEBB

Members will join the Board in expressing deep sorrow at the news of the recent death of Carol Webb, who served the Society well as Treasurer for a period, and as a friendly and warm personality at meetings. Our sympathy has been conveyed to her husband David (long-time Director) and family. We will treasure her memory.

NEXT ISSUE

The next "Running Journal" will be issued at the end of August. Material for inclusion should be forwarded to the Editor at 13 High Street Prahran 3181 no later than 20th August.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Tramway Museum Society of Victoria Incorporated will be held at the Will Sampson Memorial Hall, Henry Street, Windsor on Saturday 2nd August 1986 at 6.30 p.m.

The business of the meeting will be:

1. Confirmation of the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting and of any General Meeting held since that meeting;
2. Reception of the Board's Report;
3. Declaration of the Election of Chairman, Deputy Chairman and members of the Board;
4. Reception and consideration of the Statement in accordance with Section 30(3) of the Associations Incorporation Act 1981;
5. Any special business of which notice is given in accordance with the Rules.

Members are reminded that all votes must be cast personally.

Nominations for the offices of Chairman, Deputy Chairman and ordinary member of the Board (of whom three are to be elected) may be forwarded to the Secretary no later than 5th July 1986, at Box 315, BOX HILL 3128.

J. E. FITZSIMON,
SECRETARY.

26th June, 1986.

DINNER will be served to those who have booked at the conclusion of the Meeting and before the entertainment meeting proceeds at 8.30 p.m. (All are welcome at

both meetings, of course.) The ample three-course meal will again be prepared by Society workers, after the success of last year's venture, for a modest \$10 per head (cash with booking please.)

BOOKINGS to TMSV, Box 315, BOX HILL 3128 no later than 29th July 1986, please. Come along and have an excellent night!!!

OPERATIONS NEWS No 21

ROSTERS FOR JULY AND AUGUST

<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>B Y L A N D S</u>			<u>K I L M O R E</u>	
	<u>Attendant</u>	<u>Conductor</u>	<u>Driver</u>	<u>Con/Attd</u>	<u>Driver</u>
Jul 6	Weedon	Ellis			Coop
13	Atkins		Sell*	Ellis	Millar
20	Jeffery	Bernet	Dowel*		Coop
27	Ellis	Jeffery	+	Stodden	Sell
Aug 3		Ellis	Jordan		Coop
10		Bernet	Millar*	Ellis	Atkins
17	Ellis		Dowel*	Stodden	Coop
24	Jeffery	Ellis	+		Weedon
31	Bernet	Jeffery	Sell*		Millar

* Traffic Officer. + Traffic Officer Kings.

PLEASE let me know when you are available for the September/October roster before August 20th.

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

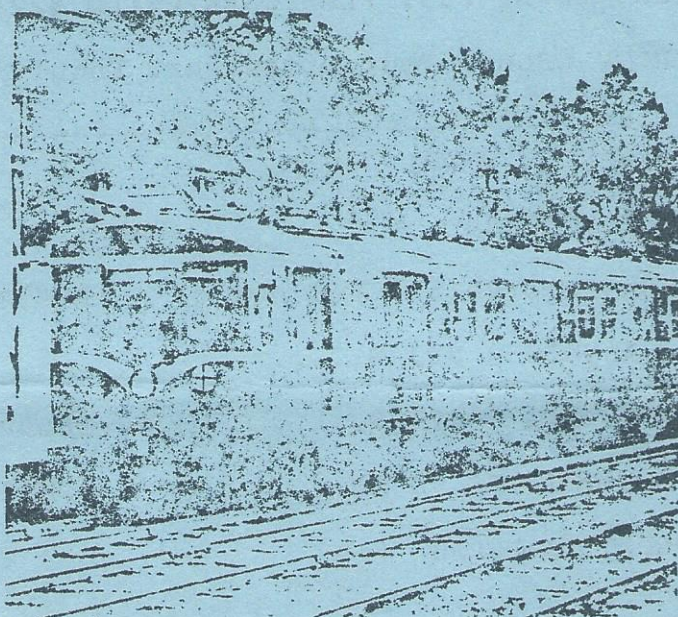
DEAN FILGATE
ROSTER CLERK

In consideration of the ticket-holder being permitted to join or alight from the Special Train at locations other than passenger platforms, neither the State Transport Authority, the Metropolitan Transit Authority nor the Tramway Museum Society of Victoria Inc. their officers or agents shall be liable for any injury loss or damage sustained whilst so boarding or alighting or whilst on State Transport Authority or Metropolitan Transit Authority property in conjunction therewith.



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— V.R. —

Saturday 23rd August 1986.

HARRIS TRAIN TO TRARALGON VIA WERRIBEE & THE CITY LOOP

To mark thirty years of service by the Harris or blue suburban trains, and to have an economical day's outing that's a little different, the T.M.S.V.Inc. Tours Committee invites you to ride a first (or 500) series Harris set on Saturday 23rd August 1986.

The plan is to set off, from Flinders Street naturally, at about 0900 (9 a.m.) via the loop to North Melbourne and Werribee via the Geelong line, returning via Altona and Spencer Street. We pause at Flinders Street to enable utilisation of the various facilities there, and then push on through Dandenong to Warragul and Traralgon. At Traralgon we hope to visit the end of the wires, and then return to reach Flinders Street by about 1830 (6.30 p.m.)

There will be ample photostops, with a couple perhaps a little different from the norm. As suburban trains make necessary, there will be stops along the way for the sake of personal comfort.

There will be complimentary refreshments on board, and time at Flinders Street and Traralgon to visit the dispensers of food. **Packet lunches** may be ordered with your booking if you wish: two rounds of sandwiches, two pieces of cake, piece of fruit and drink for \$3.50.

Tickets and final details will be forwarded a week or so before the tour -- please send a S.A.E.!

Fares: ADULT \$33; PENSIONER/CHILD \$22; Lunch \$3.50.

ANTHONY SELL, Tour Organiser. Enquiries: 890-1053 W
299-2178 AH

TMSV HARRIS TOUR,
Box 315,
BOX HILL 3128.

NAME:

Please reserve the following: POSTAL ADDRESS

.... ADULTS @ \$33 \$.....

.... CONC'N @ \$22 \$.....

.... LUNCH @\$3.50 \$.....

TELEPHONE NO.: HOME
WORK

OTHERS IN PARTY:

PAYMENT HEREWITH \$
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