



Tramway Museum Society of Victoria

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SHORT NOTICE TOUR : SUNDAY 15th NOVEMBER 1987

For something a little different, how about a tour in an advertising car? Tram 1014 is presently decorated for SSW Supermarkets, and is one of the better efforts at mobile advertising.

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TO REPORT OF THE RESERVE

The car will leave Malvern Depot at 3.30 p.m., run to Balaclava Junction, to East Malvern terminus, then to the Esplanade, St Kilda Junction, Kingsway William Street, left into Bourke Street, right into Spencer Street, La Trobe Street, Elizabeth Street to Airport, to West Coburg, returning via Swanston Street and High Street to Malvern Depot.

FARE \$5 -- pay on the day. (In view of the super-cheap tariff, no concessions can be allowed!)

(Our thanks to Ron Scholten for this initiative and for valued assistance in running the tour.)

GOLDEN SUNSET TOUR : SUNDAY 27th DECEMBER 1987

(Note the date - not Boxing Day, but the day after!)

The 'bus will depart Flinders Street Station (at Elizabeth Street, just like the St Kilda "train" has been) at 0900 hrs (9 a.m.) and travels to Sandhurst Town via Kyneton, Castlemaine and Bendigo. At Sandhurst Town there will be plenty of time to ride the "Gold Wash Gully Express" and to inspect other exhibits. Lunch, of course, will be taken here.

We will then move on to Maldon for a ride on the re-opened section of the Castlemaine to Maldon Railway.

The evening meal will be taken in a barbecue area at Daylesford, followed by a quiet ride home to Melbourne via Ballan, with arrival circa 2200 hrs.

Meals -- Lunch can be purchased at Sandhurst Town
-- Tea is BYO BBQ or takeaway (buy in Daylesford)

Entrance fee to Sandhurst Town includes the ride on the "Gold Wash Gully Express". The fare for the ride behind K160 at Maldon (or if the day is not suitable for steam operation, the behind an F class locomotive)

will be payable at Maldon. To enable those entitled to avail themselves of concession rights, these admissions are not included in your tour fare.

FARES: Adult \$25.00; concession \$17.00. (Yes, the charter rates have been increased, unfortunately.)

Bokings, on the enclosed form, please, to Travis Jeffery, 40 Pleasant Road, HAWTHORN EAST, 3123. Telephone enquiries (1930-2100 hrs please) to 882-3037.

NOTE: There will be a late fee of \$5 per head on bookings received after 20th December, so send in the form and your remittance ASAP!

#### W2 CLASS TRAMS : THE LAST FAREWELL

The last few W2 and SW2 trams remaining in operation were withdrawn from their allocated depots on Thursday 29th October 1987, and placed into pool at Preston. Past experience would suggest that there may be reappearances in traffic in times of shortage of cars — like each January during the Workshops closure — and the tentative date for the Final Farewell is anticipated for February/March 1988. It is anticipated that 1 or 2 W2 cars, possibly an SW2, and W1 427 will participate. (The doubt about an SW2 is simply that there is only one fully trafficable, and all will depend on where it is by then.)

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Subscribers to the tours will receive full notification in due course. Others interested in this tramway milestone should notify their interest now to W2 Farewell, P.O. Box 315, BOX HILL 3128, enclosing SAE.

## ARCHIVES THE DESIGNATION OF BURN BURNESS AND PART OF STATES AND ARCHIVES

We extend our thanks to member Mr W. L. Floyd, OBE, JP, for making available to us a copy of the 1923 Proposals for a General Scheme for the City and Suburbs of Melbourne.

The proposed and authorised electric tramways could only be described as "staggering" -- examples are a proposed electric tramway along Bay Street from the beach to cross a tramline in Nepean Highway, thence along North Road to Warragul (sic) Road and an electric tramway from Sandringham Railway Station along Hampton Street to join the proposed tramway at the corner of Bay Street and Nepean Highway; and the tramways in the Williams-town district -- too much!!

Thank you very much, Larry, for this map -- a worthwhile acquisition for our archives -- more work for Robert, though!

## CABLE TRAM BOOK

member Jack Cranston advises that the publication date for his book has been extended to late April or early May 1988: this delay has been caused by the National Trust taking an interest in Jack's book, and with the Trust's huge resources and very professional people to assist the extra time will be well used! For example, the editor of the Trust's Newsletter is going to "lay-out" Jack's book, thus ensuring a first quality printing. Jack offers his apologies for the postponement, but says the delay will be well worth-while!

## BYLANDS

The trackwork in the Hurren Shed extension has finally been completed after many weekends of hard labour. Thanks go to all who assisted, but special mention must be made of Andrew Roy, David Leek, Stuart Turnbull and our General Manager Andy Hall.

Don English and his son Andrew have been in attendance and have given all members involved in the track work a lot of assistance and training in the skills involved. Don has also installed some new sleepers in the main line adjacent to the Hurren Shed. Once one other spot near the gang shed is repaired, down the line we go, chaps. One (ex MTA) Civil branch but has been placed at the loop site for storage of tools etc and shelter when construction begins in early December.

Electrical: Our contractor Doug McKnight from Ballarat has installed an industrial switchboard and cables in the Hurren Shed. The board is located next to the rear pedestrian access door of the shed. Troughing has been erected by Geoff Dean, Graham Jordan, Ian Stanley, the two Steves and Sam on No 2 Road. No 1 road is next, then No 5 road.

"New" tractor: The Society has acquired a "new" 1948 petrol engined Fordson tractor, as the previous tractor was not operational. Thanks to Len Millar who spent the time seeking out the acquisition and arranging the terms.

Buildings: Keith Kings and Andrew English have fininshed the iron work on the mainline side of the Hurren Shed.

## TRAMCARS

Len Millar has completed the overhaul on 16W and its appearance is superb. well done, Len!

467 is now out of service pending a complete restoration and overhaul.

7W, the last of the four works cars to do so, operated under power at Bylands on 18th October.

The service is currently operated by Ballarat 36 and W2 331. Both cars are stored on No 6 road and driven out by wandering lead.

Preston Workshops has completed the repairs to S164 and we must thank Les Jean, Workshops Manager, for his assistance.

## W2s -- THE END

As mentioned in the Tour Notes, the end of regular service by W2 cars is at hand, after 64 years. Last trams operating were 441, 470, 456 and 646, and SW2 644. 646 was at Preston Depot, the others at South Melbourne. The first 3-door W5s for scrapping are at the Preston Workshops, namely 801 and 835.

## TOURIST TRAMWAY

Don't forget that this is now running, and that members may travel free on production of their membership card. The tram runs from Victoria Street to St Kilda (Route 15) seven days per week using Wl 427, except Tuesdays, when Ll04 is used. Monday to Friday the tram departs City (Victoria Street) at 1040, 1150, 1300, 1410, 1520 and 1630, and St Kilda (Esplanade) at 1005, 1115, 1225, 1335, 1445 and 1555. Saturday and Sunday it departs City hourly between 1030 and 1630, and St Kilda hourly from 1000 to 1700. Fare is \$2 each way. Why not encourage others to try it -- the Met has not done anything about doing so yet.

#### WORK PARTIES

Next work party dates are SUNDAYS 15th NOVEMBER, 20 DECEMBER, 17 JANUARY All members are asked to attend at least one of these, and keep the Society moving forward.

# MEMBERS' DAY SUNDAY 20th DECEMBER 1987

All members are invited to attend a members' day at Bylands on the last Sunday before Christmas. (Come along in the afternoon even if you can not be persuaded to pick up a shovel!) A barbecue tea (BYO) will be the order of the day, and a wide range of trams will be operating.

## IMPORTANT VISITORS

During the last month there have been some special visitors to Bylands. Mr John King, S.A. State President of the A.T. & M.O.E.A., called in, and we have had two visitors from the Amsterdam Tramway Museum.

# SOCIETY ORGANISATION

A copy of the current (newly-revised) Society Organisation is enclosed. From this you can see that there are plenty of opportunities for anyone interested to take part in the many facets of the Society's work, and those interested are most welcome.

# NEXT "RUNNING JOURNAL"

The next "Running Journal" will be dated January 1988, and will be issued in mid-December 1987. Material to Editor Bob Prentice by 7th December, please.

#### SALES

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### These items are available at Bylands.

|     | Destinations from Geelong, Footscray, Point Ormond rolls 3  | O¢ ea  |
|-----|---|--------|
|     | VR Tram Timetables  | 40¢    |
|     | Destination City (Melbourne)  | 10.00  |
|     | Destination Paradico (Adolaida)   |        |
| NEW | M. E. S. Co. Geologe 1932 Man Planaria  | \$4.00 |
|     | 100 Years of Molhourne Myama  | \$2.00 |
|     | Kilmore Horse Myamyar   | \$4.00 |
|     | Ballarat Vintago Mram   | \$1.80 |
|     | Bus Fleets MTA Malbourne  | \$1.80 |
|     |   | 2.00   |
|     | Transport Posters - Tram, Train, 'Bus (History) \$6.00 per set  |        |
|     | 53./7   | each   |
|     | Z 24; Ballarat 27; Ballarat 38; Z3 223; A 233; W2 331;  |        |
|     | X1 467; Wl 427; Half-Cab 'Bus 560; W7 1018 (Met).   |        |
|     | Teaspoons \$4.00  | each   |
|     | Melbourne Cable Tram; Melbourne Horse Tram; W1 427.   |        |
|     | Postcards of Melbourne (and trams) 40¢  | each   |
|     | Some back issues of "Trolley Wire" and "Electric Traction"/"Tracket Australia"  | nsit   |
| NEW | Bay Tram Review   |        |
| NEW | New Zealand Rail Scene  | 3.00   |
|     | Broken Journeys   | 6.00   |
|     | 1987 Tram Allocation Sheet  | 5.00   |
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### GOLDEN SUNSET TOUR -- 27th DECEMBER 1987

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