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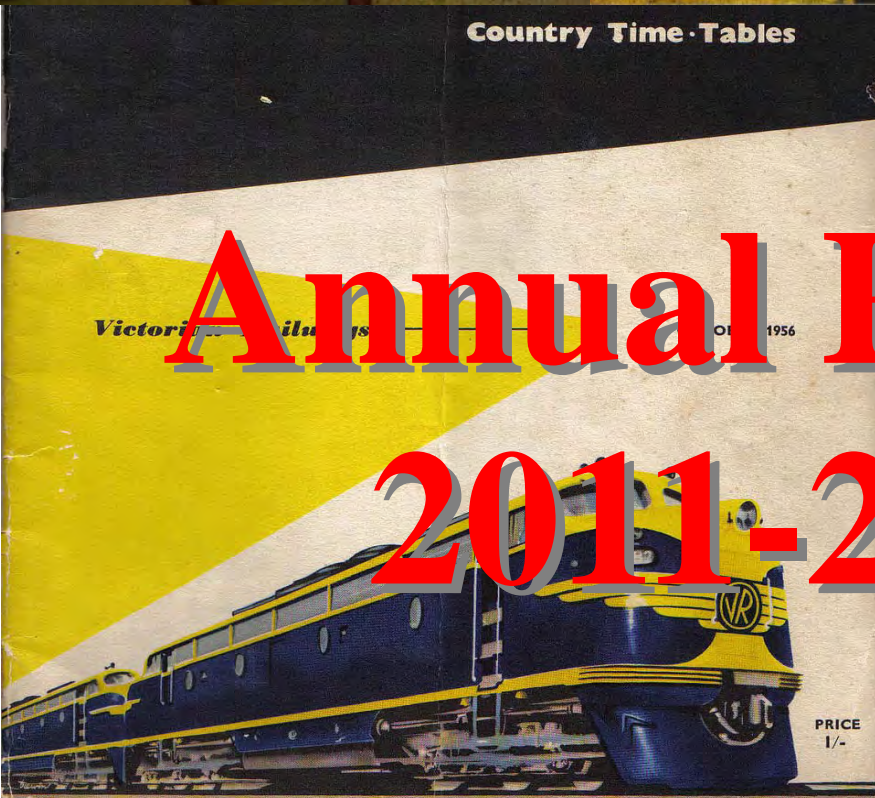


2000



2001

Country Time Tables



Victorian Railways 1956

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SUBURBAN TIME TABLE

NEW SOUTH WALES GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS FROM JUNE 21, 1964 **** PRICE: ONE SHILLING



2002



2003



2005



2007



2008



2009



2011





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Australian Association of
Time Table Collectors Inc.
The Transport Analysts

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Annual Report 2011-2012

This Annual Report contains all of the reports and papers to be presented to the AATTC Annual General Meeting in Melbourne on 20th October 2012.

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Agenda

AATTC AGM 20th October 2012

- Welcome and Apologies
- Minutes of the 2011 (27th) AGM (see page X)
 - Business arising from the Minutes
- Correspondence
- Reports:
 - 4.1 President
 - 4.2 Treasurer
 - 4.3 *Table Talk* Editor
 - 4.4 *Times* Editor
 - 4.5 Production Manager
 - 4.6 Distribution Officer
 - 4.7 Membership Officer
 - 4.8 Auction
 - 4.9 Promotions Officer
 - 4.10 National Timetable Collection
- Divisional Reports
 - Adelaide
 - Brisbane
 - Canberra
 - Melbourne
 - Sydney
- Election of Committee of Management
 - President
 - Vice-President
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer
 - Five Ordinary Committee Members
- General Business
 - Name of AATTC
 - Location of 2013 (29th) AGM
 - Any other business that may be permitted under the Constitution

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Melbourne Convenor	Vacant	
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* indicates also a Committee member



President's Report 2011-2012

VICTOR ISAACS



The Association is at a turning point. Our membership is dedicated, but small. It is declining. Printed timetables are gradually being replaced by electronic timetables. How do we attract younger people more at home with electronic than printed documentation? Should we? Perhaps we are happy as we are. After all, there is very much to study of history and current operations in printed format timetables. But I think that this will be the way for a happy but certain decline of the Association. That must not happen. Our Secretary, Geoff Lambert, has circulated a discussion paper on this subject. One strong view among some members is that a first and very necessary step is to change the Association's name. This line of argument is that our current name is too narrow and does not represent the full range of members' interests. These matters will be discussed at our forthcoming AGM. The discussion may well determine our future.

The Association's finances continue to be of concern. In four of the past five years, the Association has made a loss. We do have significant financial reserves. Nevertheless, in the long run, the losses cannot continue. We may have to curtail expenditure on some things. The Committee has appointed a Working Group to look at this. It will make recommendations to the incoming Committee.

Turning to more immediate matters:

We have had another successful year, as you will read below. Regular meetings of the branches, the Distribution Service, Auctions, our two magazines - the *Times* (history and analysis) and *Table Talk* (news), cataloguing of items for the National Timetable Collection (housed at the State Library of Victoria), all continued to serve members very well.

Len Regan has indicated that he will step down from the position of Distribution Officer at the AGM. He has done a great job! This is an important indication of how necessary it is for members to volunteer to fill our various positions. Fulfilment of tasks for the Association is very satisfying. I hope we have an abundance of volunteers!





Treasurer's Report, 2011-2012

LEN REGAN

The Financial Statement shows that, on an accrual basis, AATTC made a small loss in 2011-12 of \$86. This is a significant improvement on the budgeted loss of \$406.

To achieve this result, in 2011-2012 compared with 2010-2011:

Revenue from Membership Fees increased by 2%.

The Distribution Service showed a profit of \$832.

Auctions made a profit of \$410.

Printing and postage costs for "The Times" and "Table Talk" fell by just \$4.

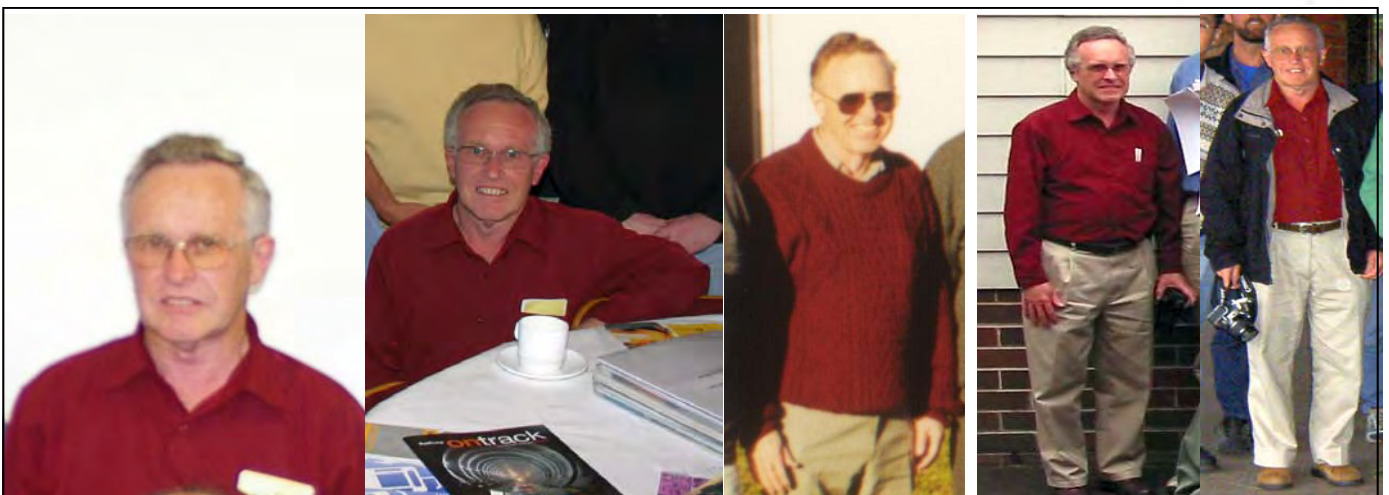
During the year:

Direct deposit facilities for payments for Membership, Distribution Service and Auctions continued to be used extensively. This facility reduces costs to AATTC.

The use of the AATTC credit account with Australia Post by the Production Manager, Distribution Officer and Assistant Distribution Officers was used effectively for the purchase of postal services, postal items and stationery. This virtually eliminates the need to reimburse personal expenses.

The Budget for 2012-13 anticipates an annual loss of around \$840 based on current trends. The main variable in the AATTC finances is the net revenue from Auctions.

Len Regan



The Treasurer in his "AATTC AGM shirt"



Audited Financial Statement for 2011-2012

JIM WELLS & LEN REGAN

Australian Association of TimeTable Collectors Inc

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Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30th June 2012

	2012	2011
	\$	\$
Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30th June		
Income		
Subscriptions	8,406	8,208
Retail Sales	388	336
Distribution Service	5,510	3,893
Auctions	1,954	6,128
Bank Interest	629	623
	16,887	19,188
Expenditure		
The Times Production	4,189	4,126
Table Talk Production	3,718	3,569
Members' Newsletter	118	182
Mailing Costs	2,305	2,521
Distribution Service	4,677	4,141
Auctions	1,544	4,867
National Timetable Collection	-	15
AGM	44	37
Administration	379	387
	16,974	19,845
Surplus / (deficit)	(87)	(657)

Balance Sheet as at 30th June

Current Assets		
Cash at Bank	10,154	10,736
Term Deposit	10,000	10,000
Debtors	62	336
	20,216	21,072
Current Liabilities		
Creditors	-	1,783
Subscriptions in advance	6,600	6,025
Mail Order deposits	1,065	626
	7,665	8,434
Net assets	12,551	12,638
Accumulated Funds		
As at start of period	12,638	13,295
Surplus / (deficit)	(87)	(657)
As at end of period	12,551	12,638

Jim Wells

(Accountant) Date 27th September 2012

Len Regan

(Treasurer) Date
27th September 2012



Table Talk Editors' Report 2011-2012

VICTOR ISAACS & GEOFF MANN

Table Talk produced 12 monthly issues. Issues varied in size from 8 to 16 pages, in direct proportion to the amount of transport news available. The dual editors collect a great proportion of the news content from their own research, but they are also dependant upon contributors. We gratefully thank all our contributors. Among these Tony Bailey, Scott Ferris, Geoff Lambert, Roger Wheaton, Hilaire Fraser, Robert Henderson and Duncan MacAuslan were again outstanding. The dual arrangement of Geoff Mann managing Bus news, and Victor Isaacs editing Rail news continues to work well.



TRIAL BUS SERVICE

Route 1: Tuesdays & Saturdays via Inverleigh & Teesdale
Route 2: Fridays via Teesdale & Shelford

- This is a welcoming service for all ages including students, family and friends.
- Operates during School Holidays.
- Access Dental, Medical, Banking & Council service in
- Grab a bite to eat at one of the many cafe's and eateries
- Grab a bargain at one of the many shops & outlets.
- Connect to the Ballarat to Geelong V/Line Coach Service
- Do your weekly shopping and groceries.

FARES		One Way
Route 1: Bannockburn to Teesdale	Concession	\$1.60
	Adult	\$3.30
Route 1: Bannockburn to Inverleigh	Concession	\$1.60
	Adult	\$3.20
Route 1: Inverleigh to Teesdale	Concession	\$1.60
	Adult	\$3.20
Route 1: Inverleigh to Bannockburn	Concession	\$1.60
	Adult	\$3.20
Route 1: Teesdale to Bannockburn	Concession	\$1.60
	Adult	\$3.20
Route 2: Bannockburn to Teesdale	Concession	\$1.60
	Adult	\$3.20
Route 2: Bannockburn to Shelford	Concession	\$1.60
	Adult	\$3.20
Route 2: Teesdale to Shelford	Concession	\$1.00
	Adult	\$2.00
Route 2: Teesdale to Bannockburn	Concession	\$1.60
	Adult	\$3.20
Route 2: Shelford to Teesdale	Concession	\$1.00
	Adult	\$2.00
Route 2: Shelford to Bannockburn	Concession	\$1.60
	Adult	\$3.20

subject to the government's annual fare adjustment



TRIAL BUS SERVICE

Route 1 Departing & Returning Times

ROUTE 1 - DEPARTING	Tuesday	Saturday
V/Line Bus Stop High Street, Bannockburn	10:08am	11:15am
15 High Street, Inverleigh	10:23am	11:30am
Teesdale	10:38am	11:45am
High Street, Bannockburn	10:53am	12:00pm
V/Line Bus, Bannockburn	10:57am	12:05pm

TURNING	Tuesday	Saturday
V/Line Bus, Bannockburn	5:00pm	6:07pm
High Street, Bannockburn	5:02pm	6:09pm
Inverleigh	5:17pm	6:22pm
Teesdale	5:32pm	6:37pm
High Street, Bannockburn	5:47pm	6:52pm



Route 2 Departing & Returning Times

DEPARTING	Friday	-
High Street, Bannockburn	10:03am	-
Teesdale	10:18am	-
Burn Shelford Rd (near primary school)	10:28am	-
High Street, Bannockburn	10:53am	-
V/Line Bus, Bannockburn	10:57am	-

TURNING	Friday	-
V/Line Bus, Bannockburn	5:02pm	-
High Street, Bannockburn	5:04pm	-
General Store, Teesdale	5:17pm	-
Burn Shelford Rd (near primary school)	5:27pm	-
High Street, Bannockburn	5:52pm	-

...s the Bannockburn Loop Service stops at 15 High Street General Store and V/Line Bus Stop High Street, Bannockburn. Bannockburn Loop service stops at 1737 Bannockburn Shelford Road (near primary school), Teesdale General Store and V/Line Bus Stop High Street (near primary school). Only the Loop Service can stop at any safe location along the route for your convenience. Please Call Gold Bus Ballarat to discuss your requirements.

Contact Gold Bus Ballarat Ph: 5335 5005





The Times Editor's Report 2011-2012

A journal of transport timetable history and analysis

GEOFF LAMBERT

Some statistics for The Times in 2011-2012 and 2010-2011 appear below (the numbers do not always equate because some articles refuse to be pinned down to a single category).

Type	2011-2012			2010-2011		
	Items	Pages	%age	Items	Pages	%age
Article	46	156	96%	46	154	89%
Letter	11	4	3%	15	16	9%
Review	1	1	0.6%	0	0	0.0%
Note	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%
Pictorial	1	1	1%	3	3	2%
Total	59	162		64	173	
Mode	2011-2012			2010-2011		
Rail	35	87	51%	43	89	54%
Tram	1	1	0%	1	11	7%
Bus	20	74	43%	13	52	31%
Water	0	0	0%	2	7	4%
Air	2	8	5%	2	6	4%
Non-Modal	4	1	1%	1	1	1%
Sum	62	171		62	166	
Area	2011-2012			2010-2011		
AUS	46	135	82%	42	103	62%
NZ	1	2	1%	1	1	1%
UK	2	1	1%	6	31	19%
USA	2	2	1%	5	10	6%
EUR	0	0	0%	0	0	0%
OTH	4	3	2%	8	21	13%
ALL	5	22	13%	1	1	1%
Total	60	165		63	167	



Authors		Articles	Authors		Articles
Name	Authors	Articles	Name	Authors	Articles
	28	52		28	61
Albert & Leigh		1	Anon		1
Bailey, Tony		3	Bailey, Tony		1
Editor		1	Ding, EH		1
Fox, Brendan		1	Fraser, Hilaire		1
Fraser, Hilaire		1	Henderson, Robert		2
Goldethorpe, Frank		1	Howie, Margaret		1
Hassall, Geoff		1	Isaacs, Albert		1
Henderson, Robert		3	Isaacs, Victor		2
Hennell, David		2	Jack, Ian		1
Hughes, Richard		2	Kawai, Momoko		1
Isaacs, Albert		9	Lambert, Geoff		10
Isaacs, Victor		1	MacAuslan, Dunxan		4
Lambert, Geoff		5	McLean, Jack		7
Lewis, Ben		1	Mulky, Jitendra		1
MacAuslan, Duncan		1	Newman, Ralph G		1
McLean, Andrew		1	Ng, James		1
Milne, Rod		1	Ogle, Dean		2
NZ Gov. Gazette		1	Ogle, Jim		1
O'Neil, Jim		8	O'Neil, Jim		7
Seattle Times		1	SMH		1
SMH		1	Various		3
Smit, Lurie		1	VR		1
Smith, Conrad		1	Webber, Brian		1
Stokes, Jim		1	Weekly Notice		1
Thornhill, Ted		1	Wells, Jim		6
Tottenham, Tris		1	Whiteford, David		1
Victorian Railways		1	Whyte, Brendan		1
Wells, Jim		7	Wikipedia		1
Whyte, Brendan		1	XXXX		1

The most interesting thing about The Times in the past year is the record amount of space and number of articles devoted to Australian transport timetable matters.. The proportion of articles especially written for The Times by the members, rather than being lifted from other publications has also risen. This is very encouraging, although the death of Jim O’Neil seems likely to reverse that trend. The number of articles written by the Editor halved in this year- a sure sign that contributions by others always fill up the gaps. This is the first year for a decade that The Times has kept strictly to its page limit of 16pp- the result of budget exigencies. This did not cause the Editor any headaches and, indeed he suffered no headaches at all over The Times in 2011-2012. Speaking as a headache researcher, this was an amazingly good run.

The Times
 April 2012
 A journal of transport timetable history and analysis

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Production Manager's Report 2011-2012

GEOFF LAMBERT

Production of the AATTC's material—The *Times*, *Table Talk*, the Auction catalogues, Members Newsletter, survey forms, the Distribution List and miscellaneous printed guff—ran smoothly all year this year.

It should be noted that most AATTC material is prepared in full colour, but the printers are instructed to make the production in black and white. Further, AATTC printed material is produced by what is essentially a photocopy process, which holds prices down. Full colour, but lower-resolution, versions are available on the AATTC website after a prudent period.



All AATTC production is now done electronically and source material is sent to the Production Manager via e-mail. Material is submitted to the printer on CD-ROM. There is thus no particular reason why the Production Manager cannot be anywhere in Australia, though it is an advantage to have them located in a State and Capital Sydney, which would minimise postage costs— which these days favours Sydney. It is probably an advantage for the Production Manager and one of the Editors to be the same person.

I would like to thank all those who helped with production, including Judy Lambert, to whom we owe a special debt—for it is she who delivers and picks up the print job and must face the ever-changing kaleidoscope of the Australia Post Print Post Mailing system each month.





Distribution Officer's Report 2011-2012

LEN REGAN

The Distribution Service produced 12 Distribution Lists during the year, one for each month.

The table below summarises the main performance data for the year, and shows a comparison with the previous year.

In summary, the Distribution Service continued to perform well, but with a decreased number of items offered due to smaller Distribution Lists in some months.

Distribution Service Performance Statistics: 2011 - 2012			
Activity	2010-11	2011-12	% change
Number of Distribution Lists	12	12	0%
Items offered	1356	1108	- 18%
Orders placed	458	484	6%
Copies of Items requested	5,758	5,795	1%
Payment Due for Items Ordered	\$5,812.25	\$6,889.65	19%
Number of 'Limited Stock' items unable to supply	144	30	- 79%
Value of Limited Stock items that could not be supplied	\$246.50	\$106.75	- 57%
Payment Due for Items Supplied	\$5,565.75	\$6,782.90	22%
Income: Sales: internal transfers	\$11.97	\$11.40	- 5%
: Sales: Payments	\$0.00	\$100.20	
: Cheque, Cash	\$2,661.53	\$2,916.35	10%
: EFT	\$808.86	\$1,273.65	58%
: PayPal (net of fees)	\$1,036.14	\$1,646.78	59%
: Total	\$4,518.50	\$5,948.38	32%
Expenses: Photocopies	\$524.57	\$631.82	20%
: Stationery	\$107.00	\$110.20	8%
: Postage - Pre-paid	\$2,111.08	\$2,055.31	- 3%
: Other Purchases	\$90.00	\$473.79	426%
: Distribution List printing	\$1,308.04	\$1,406.23	7%
: Total	\$4,140.69	\$4,677.35	13%
Balance: Income - Expenses	\$377.81	\$1,271.03	237%
Number who paid by: Stamps	48	51	6%
: Cheque, Cash	81	77	- 5%
: Electronic funds transfer	38	45	18%
: PayPal	31	39	26%
Cost of obtaining items for the Distribution Service	\$1,032.08	\$1,296.55	26%
% of acquisition costs claimed as credit	7%	24%	243%
Average value of orders supplied	\$12.15	\$14.01	15%
Average price paid per Item supplied	\$0.99	\$1.18	19%
Average number of Items per order	12.6	12.0	- 5%
Number of participants	76	85	12%

However, there was an increase of 6% in the number of orders placed and a small increase in the number of copies of items requested.

The average value of the orders supplied increased by 15% to \$14.01, and the average price paid per item supplied increased by 19% to \$1.18. This was partly due to an overall increase in the cost of items to cover higher postage rates, but also to the inclusion of several high-priced items which proved to be popular.

The February 2012 Distribution List included the last edition of the Austrian Railways timetable book, for which there were 9 orders at \$45 each. These timetables were supplied by AATTC member Samuel Rachdi in Switzerland.

There was a welcome increase in the number of people participating in the Distribution Service, from 76 in 2010-2011 to 85 in 2011-2012. This matches the previous highest number of participants in 2007-2008 and 2009-2010.

It is pleasing that we have been able to continue to offer full sets of new timetables as they are issued. This is achieved with the co-operation of operators and the support of assistant Distribution Officers who collect and despatch the sets of timetables. Perhaps the most significant achievement of the year was the inclusion of all the new PTV Melbourne train and bus timetables issued on 22 April 2012: a total of 169 timetables.

The most popular item for the year was Timetables on DVD 34, the files for the British NetworkRail Working Timetables, supplied by AATTC member Gordon Dudman in England, with 32 orders – probably the most popular item ever. There were also 27 orders for Timetables on DVD 33, the annual collection of railway timetables and reports from around Australia.

There were 28 orders for the new CityRail Working Timetables issued on 23 October 2011: 13 for the printed books and 15 for the computer files.

There were many printed timetables, both trains and buses, that scored 16, 15 or 14 orders.

In addition to the Distribution List, the Distribution Service continued to provide Grab Box material for the Sydney and Brisbane Division Meetings, and to collect material from the Sydney and Melbourne Grab Boxes for inclusion in the Distribution Lists.

Total income was up by 32%, but expenses were up by only 13%, reflecting continuing management efficiencies to control costs.

Financially, the Distribution Service made an operational profit for the year of \$1271, \$871 better than the budget target of \$400. This result includes the costs of printing the Distribution List. The Operational Finances Statement for the Distribution Service is shown below.

At the end of the year, the Distribution Service held \$1064 in credit for payments that have been made in advance. This is an increase of \$438 from the amount held in credit at the end of the previous year. In the AATTC Financial Statement, these credit funds are shown as a liability. On an accrual basis, taking into account this liability, the Distribution Service made a profit for the year of \$832. The Distribution Service profit contributes to the overall AATTC financial situation.

Postage stamps still remain an integral part of the Distribution List trading. 11% of payments were made with stamps, the same as in the previous year. Stamp trading for distribution list orders is kept outside the AATTC accounts. However, \$111.60 worth of surplus stamps were sold and converted into income. The asset value of stamps held at the end of the year decreased by \$85.60 to \$63.80.

The number of payments made by direct deposits to the AATTC bank account and by PayPal increased, with a drop in payments by cheque and cash. This trend is likely to continue.

Increases in postage costs continue to have an impact on Distribution Service costs. Australia Post increased postage for parcels (items weighing more than 500g) twice during the year. This has increased the benefits of using up to four pre-paid 500g envelopes for any orders weighing up to 2 kg, and 3kg satchels thereafter.

The success of the Distribution Service would not be possible without the consistent and regular contributions from the supporters who are listed each month in the Distribution Lists. The Assistant Distribution Officers, Hilaire Fraser, Robert Henderson, Roger Wheaton, Geoffrey Clifton, Joe Friedman and Peter Hobbis, collect and despatch orders for items from their home city. Hilaire also assists greatly by researching new timetables and sending requests for them to operators.

Other members who regularly supply material deserve special mention and appreciation: John Mikita, Lourie Smit, Stephen Gray, Geoff Lambert, Dennis McLean, Peter Walhouse, Victor Isaacs, Scott Ferris, Ian Brady, Steven Haby, Michael Marshall, James Ng, Samuel Rachdi, Barry Blair, Frank Goldthorpe, Michael Smith, Adrian Dessanti, Brendan Whyte, Geoff Hassall, David Whiteford, Derek Scrafton, David Hennell, Graeme Cleak, Tony McIlwain, Les Hyland and Ian Cooper, as well as Steve Bigwood at Grenda, Rachele Honig at Ventura, Rose Brown at Busways, and Charlie Gavin at Brisbane Transport. Public Transport Victoria supplied the bulk stocks of April 2012 bus timetables in the May and June 2012 Distribution Lists.

DISTRIBUTION SERVICE 2011-2012

	2011-12			2010-11		
	Cash \$	Fees \$	Total \$	Cash \$	Fees \$	Total \$
Income						
Sales by cash, cheque	4,190.00		4,190.00	3,470.39		3,470.39
Sales by PayPal	1,698.30	51.52	1,646.78	1,071.60	35.46	1,036.14
Stamps sold	111.60		111.60	11.97		11.97
	<u>5,999.90</u>	<u>51.52</u>	<u>5,948.38</u>	<u>4,553.96</u>	<u>35.46</u>	<u>4,518.50</u>
Expenditure						
Photocopies	631.82		631.82	524.57		524.57
Stationery	110.20		110.20	107.00		107.00
Postage - Pre-paid	2,055.31		2,055.31	2,111.08		2,111.08
Distribution List printing	1,406.23		1,406.23	1,308.04		1,308.04
Other Purchases	473.79		473.79	90.00		90.00
	<u>4,677.35</u>		<u>4,677.35</u>	<u>4,140.69</u>		<u>4,140.69</u>
Operations Surplus/ (Loss)			<u>1,271.03</u>			<u>377.81</u>
Funds held in credit						
Credit balance from 2010-11			626.26	from 2009-10		761.00
Credit balance at end 2011 -12			1,064.74	end 2010-11		626.26
Accrual Surplus/ (Loss)			<u>832.55</u>			<u>512.55</u>
Stamps Reconciliation						
Stamps on hand at start of year			149.40			122.10
Stamps received during the year			484.80			438.50
Stamps sold			111.60			0.30
Stamps bought			-			10.00
Stamps used			<u>458.80</u>			<u>420.90</u>
Stamps on hand at end of year			<u>63.80</u>			<u>149.40</u>

Len Repan



Publicity Officer's Report 2011-2012

GEOFF LAMBERT

The de facto description of the job of the Publicity Officer of AATTC is to publicise the Association so as to increase its membership and, to a limited extent in practice, to raise its profile in the wider world. In other organisations, the latter task might be assigned to a Media Officer.

All Publicity Officers (*right!*) start their positions with zealous optimism and a candy-striped cane, top hat, all-singing, all-tap dancing frenzy, gradually worn down to dejection by the failure of their efforts to recruit new members. This is what happened to me (*below*).

My main achievements in the position were associated with the re-vamp of the AATTC's logo and letterhead to jazz up the image of AATTC as something more than a collectors' club. It is hard to be sure, but I think this has had zero effect.

Early in my term, I also redesigned the AATTC membership application form, again with a view to improving its recruitment potential. This included making the forms in an electronic-fillable and e-mailable format. Of this there can be little doubt about the success or failure of the initiative— it was total failure.

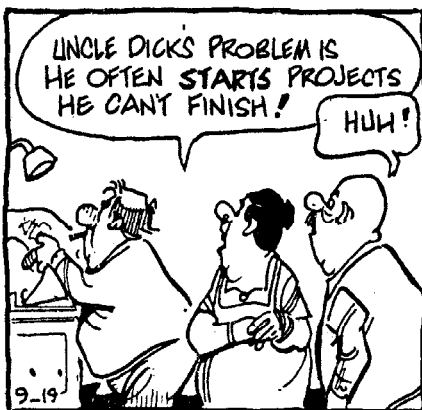
These rather dispiriting results were one of the reasons I pushed the Committee to widen the ambit of the survey of members about AATTC's name to include some questions about the motivations, likes, dislikes and preferences of members. No clear picture emerged from this, but it seemed that most members were pleased with AATTC, most were in their 60's and a minority were not too keen on making the AATTC zippier. I took from this that we have fundamentally scraped the bottom of the barrel on likely members. This was a conclusion long apparent to most of us. It makes the Publicity Officers job redundant really.

I propose that the Secretary or President take over the responsibility for media publicity and that the job of recruitment be handed over to the Membership Officer. Then there will be no need of a Publicity Officer.



THE POTTS

by Jim Russell





Membership Officer's Report 2011-2012

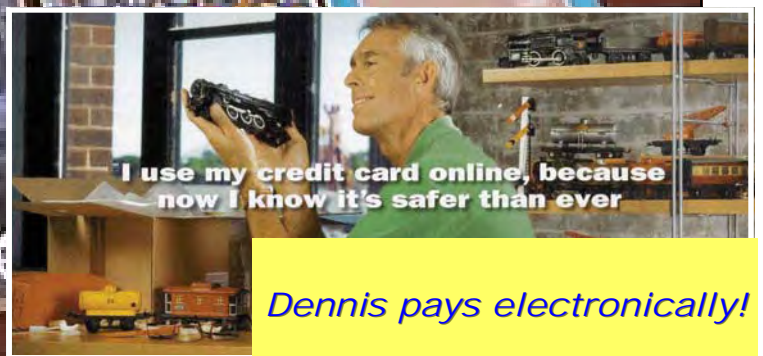
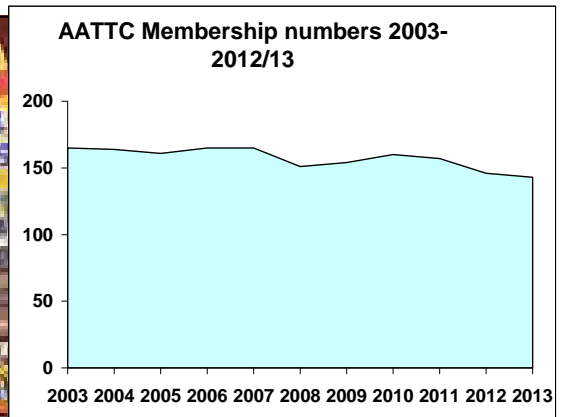
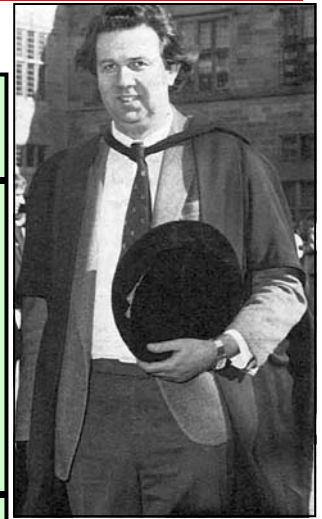
GEOFF LAMBERT, FOR DENNIS MCLEAN

As at 30 June 2012, the Association had 146 members; this was one fewer than at the close of the 2010-2011 membership year. These numbers are shown at near right. Two members died- Brian Foley and Jim O'Neil (far right), but were still listed as members at 30th June.

For the 2012-2013 membership year, we gave non-renewing members rather less leeway in terms of a period of grace. This did not have a big effect on renewal rate and response times, although it did offend one member. Two members chose not to renew, apparently for financial reasons.

As at 4 October 2012, membership numbers stand at 143- a net loss of 3 from the previous financial year. We expect to recruit a few more by next June.

Types of members	2012	2011
Life Members	2	2
Normal Members	138	139
Magazine Exchanges	2	2
Statutory Magazine Copie	2	2
Non-member retain name	0	0
Family Member	0	0
Sales	1	1
Linked Member	0	0
Student member	1	1
Total on list (= # mailed to)	146	147
Mailing address		
NSW	56	60
VIC	44	49
QLD	16	15
SA	11	10
WA	4	5
TAS	1	1
ACT	10	10
NT	0	0
Other	4	-3
	146	147





Auctioneer's Report 2011-2012

LEN REGAN, FOR STEPHEN WARD

There was only one auction held during the year: Auction 35 in late 2011. While the bidding and revenue generated was good, the final result to the AATTC was poor due mainly to the fact that most of the material offered was vendor lots. Payments back to vendors absorbed a vast amount of the revenue generated. The bidding was quite good with a number of lots generating multiple bids. The most popular lots in this auction were as follows.

4 bids – Lots 163 & 164

3 bids – Lots 150, 178,204 & 205

2 bids – Lots 82, 112, 123, 127, 129, 134, 155, 165, 167, 168, 175, 201, 206, 211 & 216.

Overall the number of lots offered was 250. 104 were sold (42%) and 146 were unsold (58%), which was a satisfactory result.

I have now retired as auctioneer, so this was my last auction. I took over from Auction 24 in December 2005, so after 12 auctions over 7 years, it was time to have a break and give an opportunity for someone with some fresh eyes to re-invigorate the auctions. I will however be working in the background to support the new Auctioneer and encourage all members to continue to support AATTC Auctions.

As usual I would like to thank David Hennell for his advice and support with the collation and mail outs over the last 7 years, and Albert Isaacs for invaluable support and guidance with estimates and descriptions. Also I wish to thank the various AATTC committees who have given me their support and autonomy to run the auctions as I saw fit. Finally thank-you to all the members who bid in the auctions or offered lots as vendors (and to those who did both). I very much enjoyed acting in this capacity for the AATTC.

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Revenue	
Bids and postage	1,965.00
Paypal fees	11.19
Total	1,953.81
Expenses	
Payments to Vendors	1,344.00
Purchase of Stamps	6.00
Printing	193.57
Total	1,543.57
Profit	410.24
Profit Margin	27%
Stamps Reconciliation	
Stamps on hand at beginning of year	21.00
Stamps purchased from Distribution Service	-
Stamps purchased	6.00
Stamps used for postage	27.00
Stamps on hand at end of year	-



National Timetable collection 2011-2012

GEOFFREY CLIFTON

After a slow gestation, the Jack McLean National Timetable Collection is getting off the ground with the first set of timetables catalogued and almost ready for shipping to Melbourne. The State Library of Victoria has supplied us with a set of archive boxes; the timetables will be sent to the Library and subsequently stored in these boxes. Once the catalogued timetables are dispatched to the Library, a spreadsheet containing the details of the collection will be distributed to interested members. Members who are interested in contributing to the collection or the task of cataloguing the items are encouraged to contact the Archives Officer, Geoffrey Clifton, Geoffrey.Clifton@sydney.edu.au or PO Box 5062, OLD TOONGABBIE NSW 2146.



Webmaster's Report 2011-2012

LOURIE SMIT

The main workload with the AATTC website is the updating of the current timetable lists on virtually a daily basis. Ones for the capital cities are usually up to date but country lists are often out of date as it is difficult to obtain up to date information. Michael Marshall provides information for both Melbourne and Adelaide timetables, David Hutton for Brisbane and Alan Gray who is based in Sydney, for Perth. Quite a few other people also contribute updates.

Copies of *Table Talk* were uploaded two months after issue so as to provide members who receive paper copies with an advantage. This has now increased to three months. About 2 years' issues of the *Times* were uploaded earlier this year, requiring an increase in server storage to cater for all of them. They are now up to date to December 2011.

Pre November 1999 issues of the *Times*. Most are listed on the website but not all are available online and in some cases only one or two articles are online. These were all reformatted during the past year to bring them up to the normal standard of online documents. Unfortunately some photos/diagrams used in some are no longer available.





Branch Reports 2011-2012

Adelaide

There have been two informal meetings during the year as per our long standing practice with the actual dates arranged so to hopefully maximise the attendance of local members. Roger Wheaton has continued to be the local convenor during the year.

Roger Wheaton

Brisbane

A number of Brisbane members have been meeting at the Keperra home of the convenor for several years. Meetings are held three or four times a year by mutual agreement. Attendance varies from four to seven depending on who have overseas trips or work commitments on the agreed date. There is usually an animated discussion on current events in the Queensland rail scene with much advice freely given to those responsible for what members agree is a bewildering future for railways in the state. Len Regan's grab box material is then sifted through with much of interest regularly found. We thank Len for the enjoyment he provides from Yea to those of us in sunny Queensland. In 2012 we decided to each bring an interesting or personally-significant timetable. This has proved popular and interesting with contributions like "my first timetable", "the timetable I used to tour Japan", "the timetable of a once busy branch line which has now closed", "a couple of Northern Ireland timetables that interest me", etc.

We thank all the members who give of their time to produce and contribute to the magazines we receive reliably each month and those like the Treasurer who do tasks which have little relevance to timetables.

Brian Webber

Canberra

In 2011-12 the Canberra members' habit of meeting monthly over dinner at the Ainslie Football Club on the second Thursday of each month has continued. While attendances are not large, a pleasant atmosphere prevails.

Ian Cooper & Victor Isaacs

Melbourne

No report received

No Convenor

Sydney

The Sydney Division continues to meet at 1400 on the first Saturday of February, May, August and November at the church hall, Roseville Uniting Church, 2 Lord St, Roseville and continues to welcome members and non-members with grab tables for the exchange of timetables and afternoon tea. The year past has been a great success with up to 20 members attending each of the four meetings. We have also had the pleasure of welcoming a number of new members, non-members and interstate visitors to each meeting. Inquiries may be made to the Sydney Convenor, Geoffrey Clifton, Geoffrey.Clifton@sydney.edu.au or PO Box 5062, OLD TOON-GABBIE NSW 2146.

Geoffrey Clifton





AATTC

Australian Association of
Time Table Collectors Inc.

Inc. No. A0043673H



28th AGM OCTOBER 2011 MINUTES 15 October 2011, at Queanbeyan Railway Station

1. Welcome, Attendance and Apologies

The President, Victor Isaacs opened the meeting at 1400 and welcomed members. He thanked the Melbourne organising Committee and all the interstate visitors for attending.

Members Attending: John Abrams, Ian Brady, Geoffrey Clifton, Ian Cooper, Hilaire Fraser, Victor Isaacs, Geoff Lambert, Geoffrey Mann, James Ng, Michael Smith, Tris Tottenham, Jim Wells.

Apologies: Glenn Cumming, Steven Haby, Dennis McLean, Paul Nicholson, Ian Wall, Brendan Whyte, Graham Duffin.

Proxy Forms from Vic Solomons, Dennis McLean.

2. Minutes of the 25th Annual General Meeting held in Canberra October 2008

Acceptance moved Smith/Clifton CARRIED, after correction of a minor typo.

3. Correspondence. None.

4. Reports

4.1 President's Report

Victor Isaacs presented and spoke to his Report attached to the 2010-11 Annual Report, the gist of which was "another successful year". Acceptance moved **V.Isaacs / H.Fraser** CARRIED

The meeting recorded by acclamation its appreciation of Victor Isaacs term as President.

4.2 Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was attached to the Annual Report for 2010-11. The main points of this report were that costs are fairly uniformly down, electronic transactions now predominate (apart from PayPal, which is declining). The Treasurer expects a very small loss for 2011-2012. Len Regan thanked Jim Wells for his auditing work and financial management advice.

Acceptance moved **L.Regan/I.Brady**. CARRIED

4.3 Reports of Office Holders

The *Times* Editor's, Production Manager's, Distribution Officer's, and Membership Officer's report attached to the 2010-11 Annual Report were noted and respective officers attending spoke briefly to their Reports.

The *Table Talk* Editors reported upon another successful year, some typographical changes to the magazine and the high quality of the contributions. This was followed by a discussion on typography and lay-out of the magazine. Moved G.Clifton, that the *Table Talk* editors use a column format for the magazine as required. Noted by Victor Isaacs, who is to "have a play around."

Len Regan spoke to the Distribution Officer's Report. He thanked in particular Hilaire Fraser and David Whiteford for their assistance.

Ian Cooper and Geoff Lambert, past and present Publicity Officers reported briefly. Geoff Lambert reported that a number of changes had been made to the web-site, the logo and the membership form had been made. A new electronic Membership Form was now available on the web-site.

Lourie Smit and our we-site host John Clifton reported that the AATTC receives an extraordinary number of "hits" This is very probably from people seeking timetable information, rather than just visiting the site.

5 Branch reports

Reports of several Branches attached to the 2010-11 Annual Report were noted and respective convenors attending spoke

briefly to their Reports.

6 Election of Committee of Management

6.1 President

Victor Isaacs was nominated by Ian Cooper and elected unopposed.

6.2 Vice President

Hilaire Fraser was nominated by Geoffrey Lambert and elected unopposed.

5.3 Secretary

Geoff Lambert was nominated from the floor by Geoffrey Mann and elected unopposed.

6.4 Treasurer

Len Regan was nominated by Geoffrey Lambert and elected unopposed.

6.5 Five Ordinary Committee Members

Geoffrey Clifton, Dennis McLean, Steven Haby, Geoffrey Hassall and Roger Wheaton were nominated and elected unopposed.

6.6 Public Officer

The President noted the requirement that the Public Officer be a resident of Victoria and stated the intention of the incoming Committee to appoint **Paul Nicholson**.

7 General Business

7.1 National Timetable Collection

Len Regan reported extensively on progress establishing a National Timetable Collection., including reports on meetings with the State Library of Victoria which occurred earlier in the week.

7.2. National Timetable Collection

An agreement has been signed and cataloguing templates are being prepared. Several volunteers will be working on this project, cataloguing their own collections and items distributed to them. This report was followed by prolonged discussion

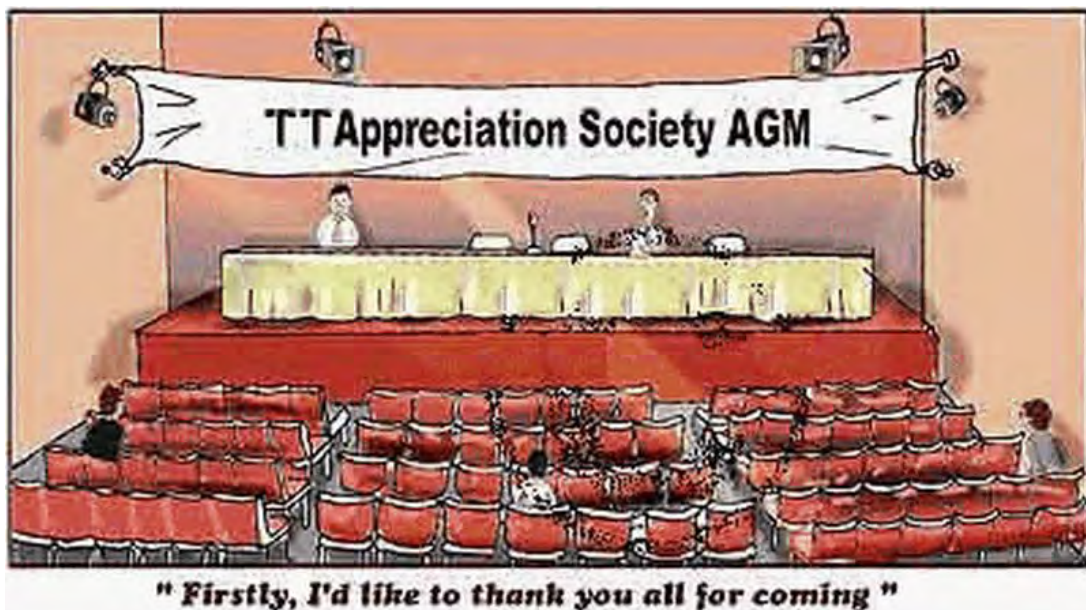
7.3 Name of the Association

After considerable discussion, it was resolved that the Secretary prepare a Discussion Paper to be circulated to all members, in time for a decision at the subsequent AGM.

7.4 Location of the next (2012) Annual General Meeting.

The members present recommended that the Melbourne Branch be approached to host the 2011-2012 AGM. President to action.

8 Meeting Closed at 1500, after which refreshments were taken and the CPH was observed in real-life and on ARTC's train-tracking system.





Proceedings of the 2011-2012 AATTC AGM

Results and Notes

Results of elections and motions on Reports

Position	Nominee (Alphabetical order)	Nominator	Elected?	Notes
Committee Member				
Committee Member				
Secretary				
Vice President				
President				
Committee Member				
Treasurer				
Committee Member				
Committee Member				
Committee Member				
Report acceptance	Moved by	Seconded by	Passed?	Notes
President's Report				
Treasurer's Report				

MyNotes:



Membership List as at 4 October 2012

This list is of personal memberships only. These are the only people who may vote, nominate or be elected at the AGM.

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS

Hennell, David
Isaacs, Albert

FINANCIAL MEMBERS

,Aalbers, Simon
Abbottsmith, Ian
Abrams, John
Acquisitions
Bailey, Tony
Barker, Clive
Barker, Phil
Bloomfield, John
Blower, Chris
Brady, Ian
Brownbill, Chris
Butt, Ken
Chapman, Ken
Clark, Jim
Cleak, Graeme
Clifton, Geoffrey
Coker, Brian
Collyer, Alan
Connolly, Bernard
Cooper, Ian
Cranney, David
Cumming, Glenn
Czobik, Edward
Davis, Graham
Don, Peter
Dudman, Gordon
Duffin, Graham
Evans, John
Farr, Noel
Fenn, Neville
Fergusson, Jim
Ferris, Scott
Field, Robert
Findlay, Vance
Fischer AC, Tim
Fitzgerald, Maurice
Fordyce, William
Fraser, Hilaire
Friedman, Joe
George, Paul
Goldthorpe, Frank
Graham, Peter
Gray, Alan
Gray, Stephen

Haby, Steven
Halsall, Craig
Harradence, Brian
Hassall, Geoff
Henderson, Robert
Hennell, David
Hobbis, Peter
Hunter, Glen
Hutton, David
Hyland, Les
Irvine, Richard
Isaacs, Albert
Isaacs, Victor
Johnstone-Donnet, Owen
Kain, John
Killingsworth, Andrew
Knife, Peter
Lambert, Geoff
Leslie, Brett
Lewis, Ben
MacAuslan, Duncan
Malpass, Steve
Mann, Geoffrey
Manning, Ian
Marshall, Michael
Marshall, Roy
Martin, Ian
Matheson, David
May, Richard
McDonald, Edward
McIlwain, Tony
McLean, Andrew
McLean, Dennis
Menka, Herbert
Mikita, John
Miles, Allan
Moloney, Brian
Morrison, Ross
Murphy, Peter
Ng, James
Nicholson, Maxwell
Nicholson, Paul
Ogle, Dean
Overson, David
Palmer, Kevin
Pandilovski, Chris
Paton, Jeremy
Peattie, Duncan

Peck, Richard
Prendergast, Ron
Price, Richard
Pride, Alan
Quinton, Michael
Rachdi, Samuel
Regan, Len
Reynolds, Graeme
Richardson, Lachlan
Ritchie, Bob
Scrafton, Derek
Sheppheard, Russell
Sherry, Brian
Shillabeer, Andrew
Sibly, Eric
Sims, Alex
Sinclair, Bruce
Slaven, John
Smit, Lourens
Smith, Conrad
Smith, Rod
Smith, Michael
Solomons, Vic
Spetts, Charles
Stokes, Jim
Symon, Michael
Talbot, Richard
Tate, Trevor
Taylor, Colin
Thomas, Bruce
Thompson, Paul
Tottenham, Tris
Turnbull, Graeme
Vale, Michael
Walhouse, Peter
Walker, Doug
Wall, Ian
Ward, Stephen
Webber, Brian
Websdale, Alan
Wells, James T
Wembridge, W.L.
Wheaton, Roger
Whibley, Brian
Whiteford, David
Whyte, Brendan
Wilkins, John
Willson, Ross