

BALLARAT TRAM 33

AN APPEAL TO ALL MEMBERS AND SUPPORTERS

Another milestone in the development of the Ballarat Tourist Tramway was passed on Thursday 28th April 1977. On this day single-truck tram 33 of the SEC Ballarat fleet returned to Ballarat.

Tram 33 left Ballarat shortly before closure of the SEC tramway system in 1971, bound for Hamilton. There it was placed on display at the then Hamilton Transport Museum. Over the years its new owners changed the emphasis of their project until they reformed as the Hamilton Pastoral Museum, dedicated mainly to the preservation of vintage agricultural products. With this change of emphasis they felt the tram was no longer an appropriate display, and accordingly they have now made it available to the BTPS.

In Ballarat, 33 is presently in covered storage awaiting the construction of extensions to the Society's tram depot. When these are completed 33 will be moved to its new home, ready for immediate operation on the Tourist Tramway. The tram is in excellent operable condition and requires only a minimum of attention before resuming passenger-carrying services.

The Society has now commenced an appeal for money to offset the not inconsiderable cost of acquiring and transporting 33. The purchase price was \$750, and the cost of transport was \$450 - a total cost of \$1,200. If you feel you can assist this appeal, by contributing say \$10 or \$20 - or more, or less - we ask you to consider doing so. Any contribution would be gratefully received, and will bring much cheer to our ever-concerned Treasurer.

All donations of \$2 or over are tax deductible; on your income tax return please indicate the donation was to the "Ballarat Tramway Preservation Society Ltd Museum Fund". Receipts will be issued on request.

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The Treasurer,
Ballarat Tramway Preservation Society Ltd.,
30 Barcelona Street,
BOX HILL. VIC. 3128

Dear Mrs. Dean,
Please find enclosed my donation for the sum of \$
towards the tram 33 appeal fund. I do/do not require a receipt.

NAME
ADDRESS

yours faithfully,