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NEWS OF THE BALLARAT TRAMWAY PRESERVATION SOCIETY  
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Annual General Meeting: Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Ballarat Tramway Preservation Society Limited will be held at 1.00pm at the Tram Depot, South Gardens Reserve, Ballarat on Sunday, 15th October, 1978.

Nominations are called for the following positions which become vacant on the Board of Management from that date.

President

Melbourne resident Vice President

Ballarat resident Vice President

Honorary Secretary

Honorary Treasurer

Ordinary Board Member (6 positions)

Any two members may nominate any other member to serve as an Office Bearer or Ordinary Board Member provided that no person who at the time of such nomination is an Unfinancial Member shall be entitled to be a candidate for election or a proposer or a seconder pursuant to the Articles of Association.

The nomination shall be sent in writing to the Secretary to reach him not later than 5.00pm on Friday, 29th September, 1978. Nominations may either be sent to the Society address (P.O. Box 632, Ballarat) or handed to him. The nomination shall be signed by the proposer and seconder and consented to in writing by the candidate and may be accompanied by a statement of not more than 500 words of the candidates policies and records of service and experience.

A member may be nominated at any one time as a candidate for more than one position on the Board provided that upon his election to any position on the Board a Member's nomination for any other position shall forthwith lapse.

Depot Extensions: The construction of the foundations has virtually been completed. The total outstanding accounts have been met by the Society and the Victorian Government. Tenders have been called for construction of the depot building during this financial year and a successful tenderer has been accepted. Work should commence shortly and this will see our construction to a 'lock up stage'.

We wish to sincerely thank those people who have loaned and donated money to match the Government grant.

Central Highlands Tourism: The Society is proud to announce that Member Barry McCandlish has been elected to the General Committee of the Central Highlands Regional Tourist Authority. As a member of this group we are entitled to stand a candidate for election to this position and we were most pleased to have Barry elected. The committee meets a number of times during the year and makes various decisions on tourism and the involvement of the Authority in it.

Lecture Notes: On Friday 9th June, as part of the Centenary of street transport in Adelaide, a seminar entitled 'Trams in Adelaide' was held at the University of Adelaide.

Papers presented were:- 'Development of Adelaide's horse drawn transport - Denis Cumming, University of Adelaide.  
'Electric trams' - Chris Steele, Aust. Electric Transport Museum,  
'Light Rail - An overseas challenge to Australia' - Bill Kingsley, Footscray Technical College.

Copies of the papers are available at \$1.50 a set from the Department of Continuing Education, University of Adelaide, GPO Box 498, Adelaide, 5001.

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Membership: The Society extends a welcome to the following new Members;

<u>Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
496	R.Wainwright	West Hobart
497	I.Hill	South Blackburn
498	F.Mitchell	Hopetoun
499	W.Stoney	Hawthorn
500	Mrs. M.Foo	Ballarat

We welcome the following resumed members:-

434	M.Blake
174	P.Bruce
468	A.Sell
1	M.Foo

We welcome the new and resumed members and invite them to take part in society activities. The Society offers overnight accomodation at Bungaree for those not resident in Ballarat.

A Membership Card is enclosed for those members who have renewed for the current year, however, if you have overlooked renewing a reminder slip is enclosed. The Society values your membership and asks that you consider renewing should you not have already done so.

Whilst on the subject of Membership, we are proud to point out that Member No.1, Melton Foo, has resumed. Melton was an original founding member and has always shown interest in the society. He was elected to the Ballaarat City Council during 1973 and had to terminate his membership with us as a legal requirement to sit on the City Council. Melton has now been elected Mayor of the City of Ballaarat, and as such can rejoin his membership with us. We also welcome his wife, Mrs. Marjorie Foo to our membership. We wish to thank Melton for all the interest he has shown in our society from the start, and thank him sincerely for rejoining while occupying such a busy and important civic position. We will aim to continue to have the society function in such a way that Melton will be proud to have it as one of the attractions of the City he represents.

School Holidays: The trams are operating every day during the current school holidays from Saturday 26th August to Sunday 10th September inclusive. The warm spring weather has boosted loadings and signifies a good summer with promises of heavy loadings.

Visit by T.T.M.S.: A group from the Tasmanian Transport Museum visited the society on Sunday 3rd September. They travelled from Melbourne by the steam hauled 'Vintage Train' and spent the afternoon riding trams and inspecting the depot area. A succession of four wheeled and bogie trams were provided for the visitors enjoyment.

Sales: The Sales Department has received another stock of Society lapel badges, showing a design of tram No.27. These are available for \$2.00 each plus 25c postage.

The badges are an enamelled production, with 3 shades of colours and look quite attractive. Please forward any orders to the Society postal address.

Melbourne Pageant: The society has been invited to take part in the 'Melbourne Pageant' to be staged next Australia Day. The occasion will be similar to the event held last Australia Day, and we have been asked if we would like to supply a four wheeled tram for the day. The Board has appointed Geoff Dean to represent the society at all discussions between the organisers and Government representatives.

Tramcar Maintenance: Tram No.26 has been withdrawn from all traffic due to the number of fractures in the spokes of one wheel. The tram will be out of service for some time as it is considered the facilities of the depot extensions will be needed to allow the proper overhaul the tram needs.

The rewound armature for No.38 should be collected in 2 weeks.

The other trams in the fleet are operating satisfactorily although No.28 still requires its numbers and S.E.C. motifs.

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