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No. 569 Wednesday Photos Ballarat Trams 50 years since closure

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Hello everyone .

Last Sunday the 19th of September it has been 50 years since the closure of the Ballarat Tramway , there were several events organised to commemorate this event , unfortunately like so many other things Covid stepped in and everything had to be cancelled , let's hope that something can be organised at a later date to mark this event . Luckily we can still enjoy the trams because of the dedicated team at the Ballarat Tramway Museum .

I was lucky enough to be involved with the museum for 25 years serving as a board member and tram driver , it certainly doesn't seem like 50 years since the closure of the system .

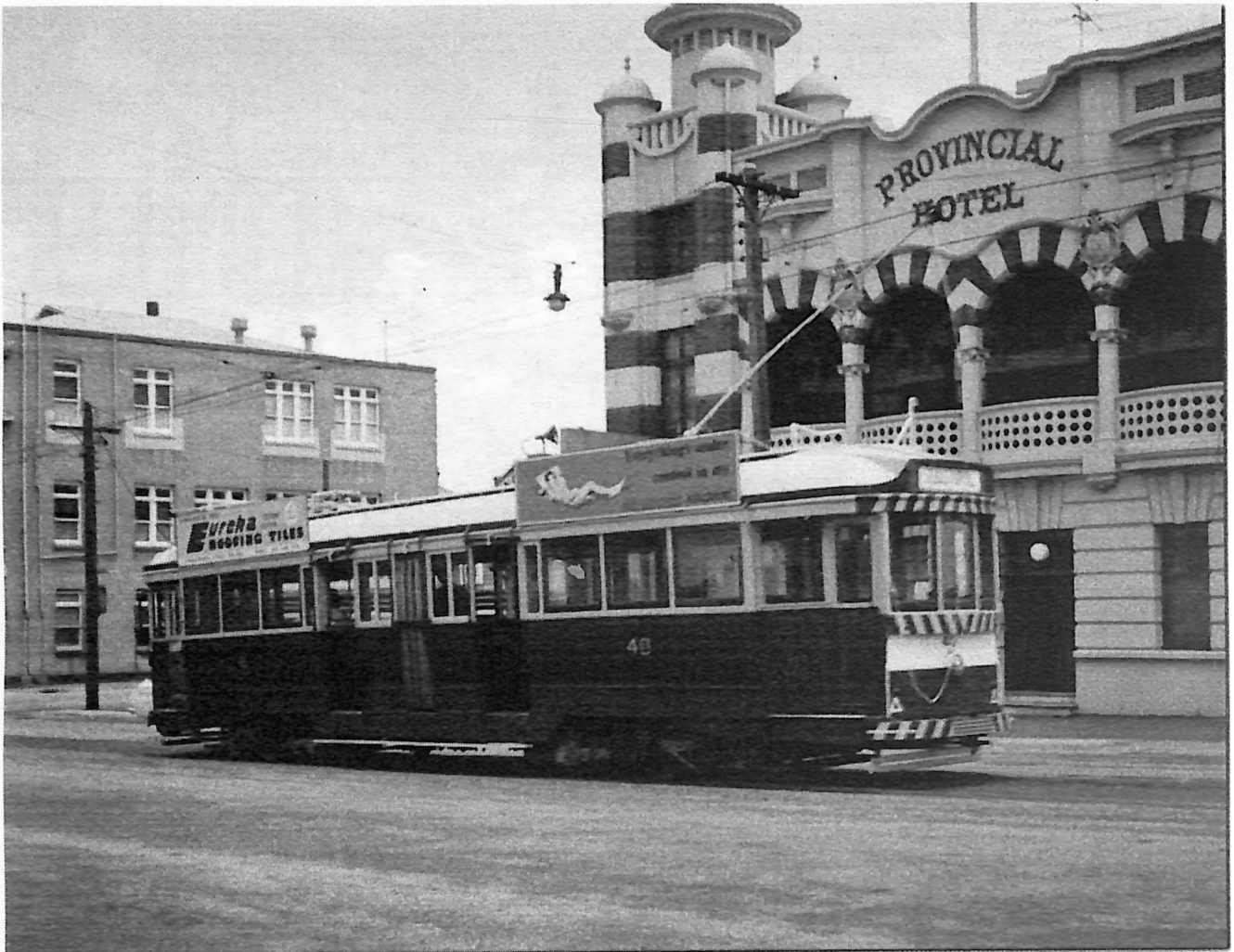
Below are a few shots of the trams before closure and a few of the museum operations , some of these shots I have featured before but they are worth another look .

Cheers .

John Phillips



Single trucker No. 12 has just crossed over the level crossing in Lydiard St and will continue to Grey St while No. 21 follows up behind .



Also at the same location is maximum traction car No. 40 also on its way to Sebastopol , this tram closed the system 50 years ago and still runs at the museum .



A typical Ballarat day as No. 28 picks up passengers in Bridge St , now a Mall.



Single trucker No. 33 at the cemetery gates terminus of Lydiard St North .



Several tram tours were run before the system closed , this one in 1967 when traffic on the Ballarat highway was a lot quieter .



Now to 1983 and museum cars 27 and 33 cross at Gardens loop .



27 rumbles up Wendouree Prd in the Ballarat Botanical gardens on its way to Carlton St



Single trucker No. 27 crosses bogie car No. 38 at Gardens Loop .

