Hi Warren

With regards to our discussion about the C & D Series Conductors Ticket Issuing Tins of the 1950s I asked an old Trammie friend of mine, Alan Bailey who joined the job in 1957. He told me he remembered the C & D Series when he was Conducting at the Glen Huntly Tram Depot. He was called into National Service during 1958 and when he returned to the Depot the C & D Series tickets had been phased out. He remembers that the old series tins were stored in the Revenue Office against the back wall where the safe was, for several years afterwards.

I'm about 2 years younger than Alan and I received my National Service Papers just before my 18th birthday in 1959. I was directed to report to the Moorabbin Medical Centre of the Department of Defence during March 1959. Just after my birthday towards the end of February I received a Deferral Notice saying that National Service had been deferred and that I should keep the National Service Papers in a safe and secure place for future reference.

I had these papers along with many other items I'd collected for many years being stored in a large wooden box at my parents place in Parkdale. When I purchased my house in Frankston in April 1970 we were in a drought where it had not rained for over 14 months. I rained that night and all those valuable collectables, mostly of railway interest were lost.

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