

Melbourne tram and bus tickets.

Collection; Maxwell R. Hayes.

Melbourne.

Richard,

By no means can I state that I have a full collection of these. In fact there would be more gaps of missing tickets than I have. However, I hope that the following will be sufficient to get the catalogue into print.

What I have, have been scanned onto 3 CD Rom; 18.4.2006; 18.6.2006 and 1.7.2006. Underneath each illustration on each disc are numerals; alpha letters, etc, and my description of as much information I have on each corresponds to the disc numeral or alpha letter. All measurements quoted are approximate.

Disc 18.4.2006. Ticket 1.

In order left to right, top to bottom;

Tickets 2, this also appears as disc 18.6.2006, and can be ignored here.

City section concession card;

area bounded by Spring, Victoria, Flinders and Spencer Sts.

Light green card, 80 x 55mm. Card prepurchased, handed to conductor who punched card, and also handed a check ticket (sometime punched, sometimes not) to validate that ride.

Mine dates from 1978 to 13.4.83

\$1.00 x 8 rides;

\$2.00 x 12 rides; 10 rides; 8 rides (as price increased).

City plus one section;

rides of 2 sections commencing or finishing within city (above),

Red card, 80 x 55mm, issued with check ticket;

\$1.00 x 5 rides; 4 rides

\$2.00 x 7 rides; 6 rides; 5 rides October 1981).

The above two types say "concession" but were used by me, then without any concession at all. Therefore they must have been in general use.

City saver/ city saver reverse,

rides within area depicted on ticket reverse, i.e. city plus one section. 80 x 55mm, Blue card; \$4.00 x 10 rides (Nov 83); x 9 rides (Nov 85); \$5.00 x 10 rides (July 86); \$5.30 x 10 rides (July 87); \$5.60 x 10 rides (Aug 88), darker green no value stated x 10 rides.

Pale green card \$5.60 x 10 rides (Aug 1988) ; no value stated x 10 rides.

All used with check tickets (City saver/ not cash/ check ticket) and sometimes with old (M&MTB /city concession check ticket...../not transferable).

dt1;

Day tripper. Light buff colour card, 80 x 55mm, plain back; one day use on all MMTB trams and buses.

1979 bright green \$1.50; \$2.00; 1980 pale red \$2.00. ceased 4.10.1981

fares by alpha zone codes;

Machine printed on yellow paper, sold at city intersections.

Top numerals are Time (4 numerals), day, month(in Roman), ticket nr. My dates Apr/May 1980. I have "fare code" B,C,D,E,F,G,K, I know code F was 3 sections 45c, G was 4 sections 50c. Rest, I have no idea.

ma1, ma2 (reverse)

Travel Card, "Storming Mont Albert by Tram". Theatre Works, Return season from April 16th, punched by conductor June 2. Year not known, but ordinary Travel Cards in use between 4.10.1981 and 13.11.1983. 16.4.1983 was a Saturday, probably that year. 135 x 90mm white card.

Prepaid Travel Voucher (mine m/s date 23.03.84) yellow card 120 x 85mm, rouletted on right.

machine issues.

Sold by conductors at city intersections (also have a memory of conductors on trams selling). Should be punched or torn on entering tram, light card 30 x 30mm, plain reverse, colour variation.

I have 20c; 25c, 30c, 35c, 50c (pair 25c); 60c (pair 30c); 70c (pair 35c).

mc1,

Metro Card, orange card 80 x 55mm, commenced August 1980 – ceased 4.10. 1981. \$2.60, for daily use, area of usage specified on reverse.

Metro Card OP (off peak)- city sections only, arrival in city after 9.30a., invalid between 4 -6 pm, daily card.

Metro Card Central \$1.00, city plus adjacent areas, daily.

Metro Card Suburban, \$2.60, city and suburbs up to 25km from city. Daily,

Metro Card Outer, \$3.50, city and outer suburbs beyond 25km point.

(Note, as at these dates the following tickets were still in use;

Section savers for sale in booklets of 20, represents 10c discount on each ticket;

City concession card, 10 trip \$2.00; City plus one 6trips \$2.00)

Pensioners/children/ students, could buy a one section for 15c, 2-11sections+ for 25c.

mmtb decimal, mta decimal,

As depicted. Various printings and colours.

mtp1.

Commenced August 1980 monthly fee \$26.00 p.m., November 83; \$30.00 (typed print)), the holder could purchase a 10c ticket for each single journey of unlimited distance on any of the M&MTB trams or buses. 75 x 105 light white card.

nh1.- nh6.

Neighbourhood tickets. Commenced 13.11.1983, total 206 tickets in different combinations and abolished the 3 zone travel cards. In use until 27.8.1989. 85/90 x 55mm light white card.

Ten new neighbourhoods were created, Box Hill, Broadmeadows, Dandenong, Frankston, Greensborough, Inner, Moorabbin, Ringwood. St, Albans, and Werribee. And phased in. First "time based" tickets, 2 hour, after trial period in certain areas.

This date marked the combination of Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA) and State Transport Authority (V/Line - rail), into "The Met".

Between 13.11.83 and 31.12.83 (7 weeks) A discount bonus ticket for the seven weeks between 13.11.83 and 31.12.83 could be purchased for a fare equal for to 5 weeks. This was a "7 for 5" neighbourhood travel card. I do not have one of these, but it appears the same as the other travel cards, except that "7 for 5" is imprinted. Weekly travelcards entitled travel for a family of 2 adults plus 4 children under 15 years anywhere at weekends at cost of \$10 00

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There were two Off Peak Travelcards; to City Loop from adjoining neighbourhood; to City Loop from outer neighbourhoods. Two hour tickets purchased after 6pm valid till last service that night.

Tickets Nov 83 – Nov 85 were imprinted with cost. Higher priced, where indicated, is the first issue price, later lowered in accordance with election promise e.g. inner card \$2.40 down to \$2.00. Next series unpriced following rises from 11.11.85 until April 1986 when priced tickets were progressively reintroduced. Monthly, quarterly, half yearly, yearly were available from early 1984.

Primary and secondary students could purchase a photo "Student Concession Card" for \$1.00 p.a., which enabled them to travel 7 days a week within the metropolitan area at around half the normal adult fare. See su1² su1⁶ also. Tertiary students could purchase a a four months concession card for \$21.40 or \$53.50 for a year. This allowed 7 day travel for half the usual adult fare.

(Note, as at Nov 83, following tickets still in us;

City Saver 10 rides \$4.00 up to \$5.30. Short trip (inner neighbourhood only) for two sections only in use cost 75c full, 35c concession.)

nh7 –nh8.

Neighbourhood ticket valid two hours, for Caulfield, Moorabbin and Sandringham areas, 85 x 60 paper. See also nh1 – nh7.

nh9 – nh10.

Neighbourhood monthly, concession and full fare.. for info see nh1 – nh6.

p1 – p1 reverse.

Various concession cards, and passes.

Blind persons travel authority rouletted from a larger card, light white card 90 x 50mm.

Holiday pass, light yellow card 105 x 65mm. multiple lines "Metropolitan Transit Authority of Victoria" repeated, as a moire background, approx 1 mm apart on obverse.

Short trip x 10, see "Short trip" entry which follows later.

Ministry of Transport/ Concession Card, 17.2.1986, 90 x 60mm light white card.

Victorian Public Transport/ concession card, 07.2.1983. 90 x 60mm light white card.

M&MTB, appears to be half of a document given to a passenger who has not paid a fare. Rouletted at left, presumably the offender was given the remainder,, light white card, 65 x 90mm.

Special pass; folded fabric covered, heavy card, Special Pass, 1985. 55x 70mm (folder).

predecimal predecimal reverse.

Paper tickets. See reverse for advertising.

Melb Motor Omnibus Co. Ltd. 2d fare. 70 x 40, buff paper, Progressive Printery, Melb.

M&MTB 2d, black on pale blue/green paper 70 x 30mm; 7d, black on orange paper 60 x 25mm; 8d purple on buff paper 75 x 30mm; 1/- black on buff 60 x 25mm.

re1- re2.

Retired employees passes.

1982, yellow card 90 x 55 mm;

Employees pass, 31.12.1983, light card rouletted from larger card, 90 x 50mm;

Employes pass, 31.12.1985 white paper 80 x 50mm

Retired employees and retired employees dependant passes. 31.12.1987, 80 x 50mm

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s1 - s6.

Scratch tickets.

Partly introduced as from 1.12.1989 using the three zones created on 25.8.1989. Used contemporaneously with paper zone tickets until 31.12.1990. By 1/1/1990 scratch tickets were fully introduced for the three zones, with zone paper tickets still sold on trams and buses.

Scratch tickets at first were only for 3 hour (including concession), daily and 60plus.

Last day of scratch tickets 31.1.2002. Tickets scratched after 6pm valid till last service that night. Note different values as prices increased. Available in strips of 5 rouletted at a 10% discount; 55 x 85 mm white card with large tab 55 x 85mm at end of strip. As some tickets did not specify a year, it is known that some persons used the same ticket on the same day the following year *see also s52*

sec.

nothing known. *35x70 mm buff paper. reverse colour same as obverse colour*

section tickets.

Called "section savers"

Sold in booklets of 20 in 5 strips of 4 tickets. Booklet of 20 x 3 section tickets sold for \$10.00, making each trip 50c - a saving of 10c on each trip. Regular fares, first section 30c, second section + 20c, and third section + 10c.

M&MTB became the Metropolitan Transit Authority on 1.7.1983.

Note some of these section tickets are M.T.A.

sen 1 - sen 2. (reverse)

Sixty saver concession card \$25, entitles bearer to purchase prevailing concession fares for four months until expiry date. Laminated, photo missing, 90 x 60mm paper, also same at \$53.50 for a full year.

Sixty plus concession card. Laminated card 85 x 55mm. entitles holder to purchase concession fares including private country bus services.

Senior citizen travel passes for free travel during Senior Citizens Week. Green 1989 90 x 60mm light card, "The Met" moire pattern in continuous fine lines on obverse. Orange 1985, light card 85 x 55.

Orange, 1986 rouletted on right, light card. Orange 1987 light card, 85 x 40mm.

short trip..

A single short trip of up to 2 sections in zone 1 only. Used in conjunction with check tickets (2 sizes) issued by conductor to validate that trip. 85 x 55 light white card. In vertical strips of 5, rouletted two sides or one side.

In use as at 1.12.1989, actual dates not known, but phased out about 3-4 years ago.

Full fare 10 trips, I have values \$8, \$9 (Sept 1990), \$10, and \$11 (price increases over the years).

Concession (diagonal white stripe), 10 rides, I have \$4 (Dec 1989), \$5, and no value stated.

single journey front and reverse.

Issued to job seekers, etc, by employment agencies, etc, so that they could look at prospective employment. M&MTB and MTA.

M&MTB, pink card, 45 x 80mm., side rouletted. (probably strips of 5??), I have dated tickets between 2/11/1982 and 20.12.1982.

MTA, same as above, my date 2.11.1984. also same but 40x 70mm, central rouletting as to be torn in half by conductor and both halves to be retained by passenger. I have one dated 22.7.1985.

M&MTB. Restricted weekday ticket available for a single journey, yellow card used to get a passenger to a Vic Rail station for a single journey. Reason for issue, dates of issue, nothing known.

Special purpose,

M&MTB. Couple MTA. Strips of 5, side rouletted, 30 x 60-mm, various coloured card. Police 30 x

5.

Australia Post, Telecom and Police bought by departments and issued to postmen, phone technicians and police travelling by tram on duty. Suspect hospital tickets issued to public patients by Health dept or a hospital. Dates of issue not known, but last day of use was 1983.

ss1.

Scratch tickets, issued from 1.12.1989 (first ticket shows "day89/90" and "concession"). Available to those 60 or older not in paid employment and in possession of a 60Plus concession card. Advertising on reverse on some.. 55x 85 light white card. Side rouletted in strips of 5. I have values \$1, \$1.20, \$1.30 and no value by which time fare was \$2.00. Scratched on date and month of travel, Some people used these on following years as well. Last day 31.1.2002. See also s1 – s6.

su1 – si11.

See also under last part of nh1 – nh6. Issued to co-incide with school end of terms, etc. Valid in periods of approx 4 months (school terms then here 3 per year).Part of the neighbourhood system. Neighbourhood student pass. Printed on light white card 85 x 60,mm. commenced 13.11.1983, ceased 27.8.1989. Various neighbourhoods and colours, etc.

su12= su15.

Neighbourhood students concession card. 13.11.83 – 27.8.1989. 90 x 60 mm paper. Laminated with photo. See also nh1 – nh6.

su16.

MTA notice to employees. See also nh 1 - nh6.

tc1- tc3.

Travel cards. Daily and Weekly. Commenced 4.10.1981 with cessation of MetroCard and Day tripper. Ceased 13.11.1983.

Full fare, for following zones, Central area, 1 , 2, 3, 1/2 , 2/3 1/2/3.

Concession 1/2, 2/3, 1/2/3. Any of the above tickets for Zone 1, also included Central area.

Some have prices printed on. 85 x 60mm, light white card, various colours.

Weekly ticket allowed travel for a family of up to 6 people (2 adults and 4 children under 15 years) free travel on a Sunday.

Note on broucher for this issue states that following tickets remain in use;

Section savers, City Concession 8 trips \$2.00; City + One, 5 rides \$2.00.

tc4.

Incorrectly included with tc1-tc3 (above). Tc4 are actually part of the neighbourhood system which commenced 13.11.1983 and ceased 27.8.1989. and should be with nh1 – nh10 series.

These six cards are 90 x 60mm light white card., are specimens unused and probably in use until 1985, when replaced by 85 x 55mm cards.

the met, vfl, etc.

The MET; none of the first three rows have any reverse printing. Apart from the 40c concession and 80c adult, nothing is kn own about the use of the next 5 priced tickets, presumably after cessation of "City saver", and "Single journey" tickets.

VFL (Victorian Football League), then at outer Waverley Park (now housing estate); not known if M&MTB or MTA (suspect latter). 30 x 60mm.

M&MTB, concession check ticket, MTA city concession check ticket, (three with "NOT CASH" diagonally on reverse) both 65 x 30mm.

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vet1 - vet2.

MFA yearly Travel Pass for members of Veterans' disabled associations and other wounded veterans. Heavy card, fabric covered, photo to be displayed front and reverse gold on green 1985, green on yellow 986. 65 x 105mm (when folded).

vet5- vet7.

War Veteran Travel Pass.

Metlink Central Pass Office letter advising new style of pass for Veterans from 20.3.2006. New pass issued to me from that date. Laminated white card, credit card sized 85 x 55mm. Passes expire 30.6.2008 when a new system will be introduced.

Veteran's pass, reverse and transport pass.

Earlier style pass issued to veterans prior to 20.3.2006.

vict rail motor coach decimal

Victorian Railways Motor Coach Services. All decimal. 60 x 30mm, buff paper, no printing on reverse. Nothing more known.

z1 - z2.

Zone travel cards. See further Zone tickets on disc 3.

Commenced 27.8.1989. Weekly and monthly issues. Two different "The Met" logos. Some have "Weekly", "Monthly" printed in silver (does not show on photocopy). Some have "Weekly adult, Monthly adult, while others are "Weekly", "Monthly". 85 x 55 light white card. Diagonal white line indicates concession.. Some plain card, others multiple diagonal rows (moire style) "PTC" across obverse (except when concession diagonal line appears). This "PTC, very faint gray and does not show on photocopy.

Here endeth the first cd. Thank Christ!!!!

Disc 18.06.2006.

Apart from the generic blue tickets depicted on disc 3, I believe (hope??) that this disc depicts all (??) the advertising, special purpose tickets since the introduction of this system. There is no set order, just scanned as they came. The dates shown under each are the first dates I have in my collection. Comedy festival, single, Apr 2006, went through as a cmp, and I could not open it, so it is also shown on disc 3. The following tickets shown on this disc are ORDINARY tickets in common use and belong under general tickets for this period; "daily 5 pack", "Sunday saver" "travel messages.

Disc 1.07.2006.

60P 1

60 Plus Neighbourhood ticket, commenced 1989, light white card; dated 1989, and 1989/1990, \$1.00, 2 versions, no logo, fine "The Met" moire multiple lines on face in faint grey print. 2 sizes 85mm x 40mm and 95 x 40mm; 1990/1991 \$1.20.

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undated \$1.60,
undated, no value, these two with "PTC" diagonal moire print on face and PTC logo.

60P 2.

60 Plus. 1994 onwards, logo on top, Fare \$2.00 (not printed in ticket), advertising on reverse, 6 different. By far the greater number of tickets for the remaining usage over the years carried no advertising. Logos placed, on top, bottom, various printings, etc.

Blue silver,

Blue and silver bus lines. My ticket date 9 Feb 82. 40mm square, pale yellow paper. Not known where operated in Melbourne Metropolitan area. Almost certainly one of the lines taken over in the consolidation of the bus industry in 1986 as smaller bus lines proved to be too parochial.

City Circle Tram, City Circle Tram 2.

A free service circumnavigating the Melbourne CBD, bounded by Spring, Flinders, Spencer and Latrobe Streets. Six trams to circle the cbd in both directions at about 10 minute intervals with service aimed at tourists and shoppers. Recently extended to exclude Spencer Street and now includes the Docklands area. Sometimes with customer service officers on board pointing out Melbourne landmarks, sometime tape recordings of same. Usually the old W class tram painted burgundy. Still operating.

Official gala launch on 29.4.1994 at Parliament House, Spring Street.

Ticket stapled to A4 page offering discounts along the route from local businesses. 55 x 90mm light white card.

The badge handed out at official launch. 90mm diameter. Made by Patrick, Australia

Comedy Club,

This replaced the item on discs 2.

Family TC.

See also photocopy sheet. This ticket issued from Sunday 11.12.1983. fare \$8, sold at metro rail stations for travel on all trams, trains and buses within the Neighbourhood system. Enabled a family of 2 adults and 6 children under 15 yrs (total 8) to daily use. My ticket punched 9.4.1985.

Herald Sun item 24.6.1995,

This refers to items below, Sex 1 adverts reverse and obverse. See there for more details.

Herald Sun ticket , Herald Sun ticket 2,

Newspaper mast head dated 2.3.1991. ticket printed as part of mast head allowed free travel from 1pm till the last service on trains buses, and trams on Saturday 2.3.1991. Must be carried and shown on demand, multiple trips in time specified. Actual ticket on newsprint 105 x 40mm.

LaTrobe.

Latrobe Valley Bus Lines, operated from Morwell in country Victoria. My date 25.10.1984. still operating ; did not supply me with any information., machine ticket 40mm sq on yellow paper.

mansfield.

Mansfield Mt Buller Bus lines Pty Ltd.

\$1.80 and \$2.00 tickets, paper rouletted at left, 65 x 30mm, did not supply me with any info. Still operating.

8.

metcard, top left, etc.

Phased in from early 1995, this magnetic strip ticket is still in use. See also disc 2, for all(?) of the designs in usage. Credit card size, 85 x 55mm plain white card. Supplied in an endless strip of blank tickets for the entry/exit ticket machines, at rail stations, bus entrances, etc. Sold at "Met" offices, on board buses by drivers, and from vending machines on trams, and premium tram stops, etc. Advertising/special event/public messages, etc. were sometimes issued as a series of 6, 4, or 3 different designs. Also single ticket design. This here is the generic ticket available when no advertising/special event tickets were in use.

There appear to be two basic prints (large; small circle) of the generic blue ticket, both shown in this clip, since about Jan 06, a "Metcard" print in BLACK, had been seen on the top left of some tickets.

Further descriptions of these generic "The Met" and "Metlink" tickets may be seen at Metlink (following clip, and at "The Met" (below).

Sunday saver, introduced 2005, firstly as a blue generic ticket, and now as a ticket, current price is \$2.50 for all day travel on all 3 zones.

Metlink, 2 clips depicting the different messages printed on.

Metlink printed lower left corner on ticket front. As far as I can determine there have been 16 different messages printed to help passengers. Other details as above. Many have an additional white strip for the printing of the zone use, 60plus seniors daily, full fare, concession, etc. of which there are several different print sizes. All have dates printed on reverse, many with pricing details also and recently a bar code.

Misc.

Ballarat tourist tramway 20c, green flimsy, plain reverse. 35 x 75mm. I have no further details, suggest "google"

Bus proprietors' assoc, check ticket, adult, have no details, pale green flimsy, 35 x 55m rouletted.

MMTB machine.

Machine generated tickets sold at city intersections by conductors in uniform, circa 1982. Machine numbers I have are 5, 67, 69, 73, 103, 265. Paper strip ticket 35 x 105, purple print on off white paper.

NH long term 1- 3.

Neighbourhood tickets, commenced 13.11.1983, for 3, 6 or 12 months. 130 x 45mm. coloured card, patterned metallic foil reverse. Some have prices on reverse, other no value,. Issued to be used in conjunction with a photo id card (also reverse shown) and carried in special plastic wallet shown.

1984 fares, full fare, 1 month ticket, inner \$35, any two neighbourhoods, \$48. I also have a two neighbourhood 1984 3 month ticket at \$142.

N.R.

Night rider, bus service operated by private bus lines under contract with Metlink to use the Metlink ticketing arrangements. Operates from 9 city terminus after midnight with hourly departures until 4.30am and proceeds to various outer destinations (Bacchus March via Melton, Bayswater, Craigieburn, Croydon, Dandenong, Eltham, Epping, Mornington, and Werribee) with limited stops, no concession. Fare originally \$5.00 Fares currently \$6.00, except to Mornington (\$8.00) and Bacchus March (\$8.20).

Founded in 1993

9.

nbc.

National Bus Company p/l/.

The Australian arm of the English National Bus Company, NBC commenced operations on 27.12.1993 having purchased some of the routes previously served by government buses as part of the privatization program under the Kennett Government. It operated mainly around Doncaster in the north eastern suburbs of Melbourne. By the end of 2004, with failing profits to the parent UK company, it decided to withdraw from the Melbourne scheme and in April 2005, was acquired by Ventura.

Tickets, machine generated electronic, paper 55mm wide, various lengths, some carried advertising on reverse, single ride only on bus. Issued own tickets for many years (shown), and eventually joined the Met system around 1998 when validators installed in its buses. Tickets headed "National/ Bus/ Company" or N.B.C.

npt 1 – npt4.

Neighbourhood tickets, for 10 Neighbourhoods. commenced 13.11 1983, ended 31 12 1989. See also nh1 – nh 6 disc 1 on 18.4.2006 . tickets stapled in booklets of 50, 100 x 40mm white paper, 2 hour tickets valid for two full hours from next full hour purchased.

npt1, npt 2 concessions. Some have "concession" below neighbourhood, others none. Concession is denoted by diagonal. white stripe through ticket. Amongst the rest of my collection some show year, others none., some show vales, others none.

npt3 – npt4. similar details as above, but full fare.

Off peak.

Part of the Neighbourhood system, \$1.20, dated 1989, for use on all trams, buses and trains anywhere within the Neighbourhood fare system, Monday to Saturday after 7pm till last service, and all day Sunday.

painted tram 1.

Painted tram nr 10. Trams painted b y Melbourne artiste Merrin Eirth. Use on first day 15.07.1987 and given away within the cbd. Ticket light white card, 90 x 60mm, reverse in blue. A joint project between the Ministry of Transport and Ministry for the Arts.

R T C

Melb & Metro Tramways Board. Flimsy on buff paper 60 x 25mm.

Issued on Sundays only to persons presenting current periodical rail tickets, for travel on tram or bus routes serving destinations stated on such rail tickets. Nothing else known.

reid

Reid's Bus Service operated in the Northcote area. Almost certain taken over in the consolidation of smaller bus services in 1986 by Dyson's Bus Services. My ticket 20.11.84, 40mm sq, machine printed on buff paper.

sex adverts 1 – 3.

Zone tickets commenced 27.8.1989, these particular tickets appeared shortly before withdrawn as stocks ran out after appearance of article in herald Sun, See Herald Sun item earlier scan on this disc.

Daily are white card 95 x 40mm, 2 hour are white paper 100 x 40mm. In my collection, I have only seen these adverts on concession tickets.

Sitch Bus Services P/l,

Operated around Sunshine, Footscray, Yarraville, Altona and Laverton. Acquired Jan 1988 by Keffords now knows as Westrans and part of the Metcard system. My dates Apr 82, Jan 83, 40mm sq machine

produced on pale yellow paper

10.

skybus.

Skybus commenced operating at Spencer St railway station on 6.6.1978 to convey passengers to Tullamarine (now Melbourne Airport). On 2.8.1982 it acquired the coach services previously operated by Ansett Airlines and TAA. These airlines previously operated coaches free of charge to passengers from their cbd terminals introducing passenger charges later on and finally they sought to divest themselves of the coach transportation of airline passengers. Spencer St rail station is now called "Southern cross".

Various fare structures over the years. Paper electronic tickets issued by driver as machine operated on paper 55mm x 75mm (single trip), and 55 x 125mm (return trip) , the lower stub being hand separated on the forward journey.

My earliest ticket May 94, return \$14.00, next April 99 return \$18.00.

Skybus has since joined the Metcard system and a scan of this recent ticket is also shown on this disc as a single scan. There is no concession. But family tickets are issued. Also passengers with credit card can download and print out a ticket on a home p.c. This service now runs 24 hrs p.d., seven days and runs every 15 minutes. Current cost of return ticket is \$24.00

ST1.

Souvenir ticket 20-21.11.1987. Australia's First Light Rail system. For several years the VicRail train line between Flinders St station and St Kilda Station did not run in the late 1980's. By 1987, it had been converted to a line (same gauge) enabling trams to run on this track. Extra stops were added to allow for the lower floor configuration of trams. This line , route 98, now runs between East Brunswick and St Kilda beach, the former St Kilda rail station being converted to leisure and eating areas.

Ticket 90 x 55mm on white card, no reverse printing. Tickets distributed to introduce this service.

St.C.

St Christophers Roman Catholic primary co-ed school, Roberts Rd, Airport West.

55 x 85mm folded and stapled, yellow or green, presumably to allow a child to enter the school interconnecting bus. No other details known.

tcd1 – tcd6.

Neighbourhood system, Travel cards 13.11.1983 to 27.8.1989.

Daily tickets. White card 85 x 40mm.

tcd 1, anywhere concession tickets. Values \$1.70,\$1.80, \$1.90, \$2.00. couple "no value" imprint. Note additional \$1.90, no date imprint on one side. Values printed lower right, or left side when printed. Some have blue stripes on both sides of the white "concession" strip.

tcd 2. full fare, Nov/Dec 85, no value, others valued at \$4.00, \$4.70, (2), \$5.00. valued placed on lower right and left sides.

tcd 3. Offpeak concession, with white strip. Available to children under 15 and concession holders for use after 9.30am on day of issue only for one continuous trip in each direction between stated neighbourhood stations and the City Loop and free tram and bus trips in the City Saver area of the Inner Neighbourhood. Note, some are printed "travelcard", others "off-peak saver".

tcd4.Full fare, otherwise same as tcd3.

tcd5. concession daily, white strip denotes this. Some have blue stripes at side; inner neighbourhood. Note some have "concession" others not. Some value shown, others not. Note, one card has no dates on one side.

tcd6. full fare, 95 x 40 light card.. but some are 100 x 40mm, several different printings, some values bottom right, others left side.

THE MET metcard

Three scans, the first two depicting the messages intended for passengers. The MET preceded

**METLINK cards, dates not know of name changeover.
Third scan; different colours and printings.**

11.

trans - trans 2.

Trans Otway Limited.

Established 3.11.1948 on amalgamation of three local bus services. But due to economic difficulties sold its bus and school services to McHarry's Bus Lines in November 1983.

Operated in the Geelong area, and prospered following the demise of the Geelong Tram service inb 1956.

Pale blue 10d , 30 x 70mm buff paper, advertising on the rear.

Machine tickets, my dates June 83, 40mm sq on yellow paper.

TUL.

Tullamarine Bus Services P.Ltd.

Operates in the western suburbs of Melbourne, and now part of the Metcard system.

My ticket 07 July 82, 40 mm sq yellow paper. Did not supply any information for me.

Ventura.

Ventura Bus Lines was founded in 1924 and first operated between Box Hill and Melbourne. Between 1950 and the 1980's acquired many smaller bus services, and is now the biggest private bus operator and the oldest in metropolitan Melbourne with over 400 buses. It is part opf the Metcard system.

German machine tickets 105 x 35mm, white paper, my dates 4.82 - 8.1982.

Check ticket red on green p[aper 30 x 50mm, reasons not known, but probably in conjunction with the Metcards then in use.

Black on dark yellow, 60c, 30 x 60mm.

This information is relevant to the Ventura owned National Bus Company. NBC still issues it own section based tickets purchased on board (1 Section \$1.90. range to 10+ Sections \$4.80 (concession is half), and issues it own "10 trip saving"s ticket \$40.00 (concession \$20.00).NBC livery of red and yellow is being changed to blue and navy blue.

Ventura motors, etc.

All tickets machione operated, 35mm by various lengths.

Owners of Ventura Bus Lines. 27c fare, route 702. date illegible.

McKays Bus Lines. Nothing known but as route 700 is operated by Ventura it must have been one of those bought.

Melbourne- Brighton Bus Lines. My ticket dated 7De82. Nothing known by me. Presumably sWillowed up in the consolidation of the bus industry.

WILLIS.

Willis Bus Service Pty Ltd. operated route 765 Mitcham to Nunawading. Following reform in the private bus industry in 1986 by the Victorian State Government this service was acquired by Hawthorn Bus Service in June 1985. In December 1987. Ventura Bus Lines acquired Hawthorn Bus Service.

Machine operated tickets 40mm square on pale yellow paper. My dates Feb/March 1982 (but one also dated "Mar 92".

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Zone tickets. Contemporaneously with the Labor Government's Transport Minister Kennan's intentions to eventually get rid of 800 conductors and 600 rail station staff, a new zone ticketing system was introduced form 27.8.1989. The former 10 neighbourhoods were replaced by three enlarged zones. Different neighbourhood tickets totalled 206 and were replaced by 68 in the new system. The 2 hour ticket was increased from 2 to 3 hours. From 1/1/1990 passengers buying tickets on trams and buses travelling in zone 1, paid \$2.00 instead of \$1.40. a move forcing passengers to pre-pay tickets bought from Met shops, newsagents, etc. These tickets were printed "xxxxxxx emergency) and applied in all three zones . Precise dates of cessation of these tickets not known. (The whole thing is very confused here)

Zone 1 concession 3 hour.

100 x 40mm white paper diagonal white strip to denote concession (some with black lines on either side)

105 x 40mm emergency ticket.

Various values printed between 70c and \$1.00. Some with years imprinted, others not. All I have are old logo

Zone 1 full fare 3 hours.

Same as above. All I have are old logo.

Zone 1; 1+2;2; 2+3 concession daily

Daily, light white card 100 x 40mm old and new logos. Some show" Met information/131638" and "Police/11444" boxes, others have this deleted. Some are "daily concession", others "daily". Different heavy/light printings. Some show price, others not.

Zone 1+2, 2 and 3 concession, 3 hr.

100mm x 40mm, 105 x 40 emergency, white paper. All I have are old logo.

Various values imprinted, others no value imprinted. Some "3 hours", some "3 hour concession".

Zone 1+2; 2; 2+3; 3, adult fare 3 hour.

100 x 40 mm white paper. All these have value imprinted and depict old logo. Some "3 hour", some "3 hour adult", some have "/" others "+" to add an additional zone.

Zone 1-3 concession, 2 hour (which did not please travellers)

Validity for travel drops to 2 hours (date not known to me) all have new logo. Some have "Police" and "Met" information boxes, others not. No value imprinted.

Zones 1 – 3, full fare, 2 hour.

Similar to above.

Zones 1, 1+2, 2, 1+2+3 full fare daily.

100 x 40 mm, light white card.

Some with value imprinted; some old logo, some new logo (placed on top or lower), some "1/2", others "1+2", some "Met" and "Police" boxes, others not. Some heavy print, others light print. Some "daily" others "daily adult", some with values imprinted.

Zones 1+2+3, zone 3, concession Daily,

Similar to above.

Peter MacCALLUM Institute. The latest ticket in use, issued end June/early July 2006.

VARIOUS IMAGE SCANS OF TICKETS I DO NOT HAVE.