



AATTC

Australian Association of  
Time Table Collectors Inc.

Inc. No. A0043673H

## ***Members' News- July 2008***

### **DIVISION NEWS**

**Adelaide:** The South Australian Division meets twice a year normally in May and November on a Friday mutually convenient to the majority of local members. The date is arranged during the preceding month. Interested persons should contact the local convenor Roger Wheaton for further details of the next meeting.

**Canberra:** The Canberra Branch meets at 1830 on the second Thursday of every month at the Canberra Club, West Row, City. Enquiries to Victor Isaacs, (02) 6257 1742 or [abvi@webone.com.au](mailto:abvi@webone.com.au).

**Melbourne:** Meeting Schedule for 2008 is as follows: Wednesdays: 2 July, 3 September, 5 November. Meetings will be held at the home of David Hennell, 3/29 Croydon Rd, Surrey Hills (Near Chatham Railway Station on Lilydale/Belgrave Lines).

**Sydney:** Sydney meetings are held at 2 pm on the first Saturday of February, May, August and November at the church hall, the rear of the Roseville Uniting Church, 2 Lord St Roseville. All members and non-members are welcomed and chocolate cake is always served.

### **ASSOCIATION NEWS**

**Membership renewal.** Membership renewals continued to roll in well ahead of the deadline of 30<sup>th</sup> June. Those still to renew should note that the Membership Officer Dennis McLean has acquired a new address since the forms were printed. You should now send your renewal to Dennis at P.O. Box 734 NUNDAH QLD 4012. Remember that you can always also pay by Direct Deposit or PayPal, the details for which are on the form. Those who have not renewed by the time of the August mail-out will have their shoulder felt. In September, a professional strangler will visit you.

**AGM.** It is Canberra's turn for the AGM this year and this is currently scheduled to occur in late October at a Canberra church once used as a railway station. More news once things are firmed up.

/ PTO.... Bruce



AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION OF TIME TABLE COLLECTORS  
**SPECIAL TRAIN NOTICE No. BRUCE-2008**

- Indicates Additional, Altered Timing, Composition and Balancing of Suburban Electric Trains.

**BRUCE COOK 1959-2008**  
**PROFESSIONAL GUNZEL**

TO BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH SPECIAL TRAIN NOTICE NO. 0001-2008

CONSEQUENT ALTERED TRAIN ARRANGEMENTS

FROM SATURDAY, 14 JUNE AND SUNDAY, 15 JUNE 2008

**ILLAWARRA**  
**(PENSHURST)**

UP & DOWN JOURNEY



**WILL NO LONGER RUN**

It is with regret that we announce that Bruce Cook, AKA "Cookie"; AKA "Phileas Fogg", gunzel extraordinaire, has passed away at his home at Penshurst, sometime on the weekend of 14-15 June, aged 49. Bruce was an active and enthusiastic member of the ARHS, RTM, AETA and several other organisations. He was a prolific and well-travelled photographer, and was from the mid-80's to the early 90's, one of this state's most well-known gunzels. He was a past office-holder in the AETA, as well as a regular contributor to Railway Digest. Bruce was a former member of AATTC and held the positions of Sydney Convenor, Committee Member and Publicity Officer. For many years he was a mainstay of the Sydney AATTC meeting grab box and a major contributor to the Distribution Service. He seemed to have the latch-key to every timetable office in the country and could always be relied upon to have the true "inside information". He was like an early Victorian rail-fan Charles Gavan-Duffy... "The most unofficial person on the railways." As other tributes have noted, he was not always "conventional" but, as former President Duncan MacAuslan says, "...you got to know him and appreciated his dedication to gunzelling. Bruce was unique". More tributes can be found at [www.railpage.com.au/f-t11342034.htm](http://www.railpage.com.au/f-t11342034.htm) and <http://www.busaustralia.com/forum/viewtopic.php?f=2&t=32486>. Bruce's funeral was held at Woronora on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May. You may send your condolences to his brother Les, at [les\\_cook@bigpond.net.au](mailto:les_cook@bigpond.net.au)

RECEIPT ACKNOWLEDGMENT SPECIAL TRAIN NOTICE NO. BRUCE-2008 Sydney, June 20, 2008 to Geoff Lambert, AATTC President  
All concerned in the Metropolitan District to acknowledge receipt on Acknowledgment Card (Form X879) to "Dispatch", Sydney.  
Those concerned outside the Metropolitan District to acknowledge receipt by first train on form below to Branch Convenor.

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To Branch Convenor ..... Signature

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF SPECIAL TRAIN NOTICE No. BRUCE-2008 BY AATTC MEMBER

Signature ..... Date ..... 2008