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An Update of
The Melbourne Tram Scene
and
Hawthorn Tram Depot.
since
November 2006.

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Introduction.

- Melbourne' s Tram scene since the last Cotma Conference.
- Current Situation.
- Developments and Changes.
- New Vehicles.

Yarra Trams 2008.

- 1880 Staff.
- 1770 Tram Stops.
- 499 Trams.
- 249 KM. Double Track.
- 155 Million Trips.
- 27 Tram Routes.
- 8 Depots.

The Fleet.

- 132 “B” Class.
- 114 “Z3” Class.
- 70 “A” Class.
- 52 “W” Class.
- 38 “D” Class 3 Sections.
- 36 “C” Class.
- 31 “Z” Class.
- 21 “D” Class 5 Sections.
- 5* “C1” Class.

Developments & Changes.

- St.Kilda Road & Victoria Parade.
- Peel Street, Swanston Street & Flinders Street.
- More Super Stops.
- Track Upgrades.
- Fleet Upgrades.
- Customer Service Initiatives.
- Wind Powered Tram.
- Greendepot. TM
- Depot, Substations and Infrastructure Upgrades.

St.Kilda Road.



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Super Stops.



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Track Upgrades.



Fleet Upgrades.

New Destination Equipment & Rolls.

Myki Installation.

White Vinyl Finish.

Drivers Air-Conditioning.



Fleet Upgrades.



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Customer Service Initiatives.

Full Rollout of the New Stop Signs.
Passenger Information Displays, PID_s.
“T_{ram}TRACKER” – Rollout by Route



New Vehicles.

C2 & Combino PLUS.



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C2 – Art Work.



Yarra Trams. “think>tram”

Obey The Yellow.

Many roads have solid yellow lines running beside tram tracks and signs overhead. These indicate tram lanes, which help trams run on time and improve road safety. Some tram lanes operate full-time, while others are only part-time.

Full-time tram lanes.

Full-time tram lanes operate 24 hours a day. Drivers may not cross a yellow line and drive in a full-time tram lane.



LANE
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Part-time tram lanes.

Part-time tram lanes operate during peak hours. Look up for overhead signs displaying the times when drivers must move off the tram tracks and stay left of the yellow line.



LANE
7-9 AM
MON-FRI



LANE
4.30-6.30 PM
MON-FRI

The road rules.

Fines for driving in a tram lane are up to \$220. Exceptions are to:

- make a right-hand turn across the tram tracks.
- avoid an obstruction, such as a parked car.

These exceptions only apply provided you do not delay a tram.

Raised dividing strips.

In some places there are yellow raised dividing strips beside tram tracks. It is illegal to drive across these at any time except to avoid an obstruction.



Broken yellow lines beside tram tracks mean you may drive on the tram tracks but you must not delay a tram.

To find out more about how to Obey The Yellow, phone 1300 309 571 or visit thinktram.vic.gov.au.

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Wind Powered Tram.

Partnership with –
Pacific Hydro & Sustainability Victoria.



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Other Developments.

- Greendepot. TM Projects at
East Preston & Malvern Depots.
Substation Upgrades.
Pole and Feeder Cable Replacements.
Overhead Upgrades.

Other Developments.

- “The Pacific” –filming.



Hawthorn Depot.



- No.13 Placed on the Victorian Heritage Register.
- Regular opening days once a Month.
- “Friends of Hawthorn Depot” Inc.
- Future Developments.

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