

Cuthberts 939

Available for:

- Weddings
- Birthdays
- Anniversaries
- Social functions
- Afternoon teas
- Promotions
- Lunch
- Dinner
- Cocktail Parties
- Wine tastings
- Group Outings
- Tour Groups

Travel in style and comfort along the shores of Lake Wendouree through the heart of the Ballarat Botanical Gardens.



Sir Henry Cuthbert 1829-1907

Sir Henry Cuthbert was born in Boyle, Ireland, on 29 July 1829. He studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1852. He came to Australia in 1854 and began working as a lawyer in Melbourne before coming to Ballarat in 1855.

He was elected to the Legislative Council in 1874 where he took an active interest in preparing legislation which would allow Ballarat to establish a municipal tramway. When the Ballarat Tramway Company was formed in 1887, Cuthbert was appointed as the first chairman.

He held a number of positions in the Victorian Government including Post Master General, Minister for Justice, Solicitor General and Minister for Health.

Cuthbert died on the 5 April 1907. His home, Beaufort House, still stands in Alfredton where it is now used as student accommodation for Federation University. Cuthberts Road in Alfredton was named in his honour.

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**Exclusive Function Tram
Ballarat Tramway Museum**





Air conditioned and heated for total comfort, with one-way glass windows for your privacy.

The tram is fitted with stabilizers to make it a smooth ride.

Make It Yours

The tram is former Melbourne Colonial Tramcar Restaurant Tram No. 3 (Tram number 939) modified to be used for private functions. You bring your own food / drinks, or arrange your own caterer. The Museum will provide the Driver and Attendant who will help make your event successful. There is great flexibility about operating hours and running options.

The tram

Tram 939 was built in 1948 at the Preston Workshops in Melbourne, as an SW6 class tram. In 1986 it made a cameo appearance in the award winning film "Malcolm." In 1994 the tram was extensively modified for use as the third restaurant car in Melbourne. It was retired in May 2012.

The tram was purchased by the Ballarat Tramway Museum, and restored with a grant from the Victorian Government as part of the *Transport Investing in Regions* Program. The tram began service in Ballarat in April 2016 as "Cuthberts 939", named for Sir Henry Cuthbert, first Chairman of the Ballarat Tramway Company.

The tramway

The Ballarat Botanical Gardens were established in 1858 on a 40-hectare site beside Lake Wendouree. In 1887 the Ballarat Tramway Company built a horse tramway which carried thousands of visitors from the town to picnic in the gardens. One of the surviving horse trams can be seen in our museum. Our heritage fleet of trams operates every weekend, public and school holidays.

Facilities

- Coffee machine
- Drinks fridge
- Bar fridge
- Dishwasher
- Crockery
- Microwave / Convection Oven

Hiring

The Ballarat Tramway Museum is able to provide a number of hiring options for "Cuthberts"

- Table seating for 24
- Club saloon for 10
- Flexible hours
- Catering options

Contact Us

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