

Burton's National Circus

Movements through Australia in 1872-5

Henry Burton (1823-1900) was Australia's best known circus man in the period 1851-1880. He was the first circus man to bring his show onto an Australian goldfield (Turon, 1851) and subsequently blazed a trail by taking his circus overland from Sydney to the new Victorian goldfields early in 1853. A native of Lincolnshire, England, Burton had been the manager and an equestrian performer in Cooke's Royal Circus, a large English circus. His first wife was Rosina Lee, a famous equestrienne, better known as Madame Rosina. Burton himself was known in England for his rendition of the equestrian spectacle of Mazeppa, loosely based on Byron's poem of the same name. Burton lost his accumulated wealth in 1880 during a disastrous Sydney season. He died in obscurity in Melbourne in 1900. His circus was long known as Burton's National Circus until late 1873 when he entered into partnership with Robert Taylor and their circus was named Burton & Taylor's Grand United Circus Company.

Reference	Day	Date	Source	Notes
24851		15-Jan-72	-	
24872	Mon	5-Feb-72	SAA	
24873	Tue	6-Feb-72	SAA	
24874	Wed	7-Feb-72	SAA	
24875	Thu	8-Feb-72	SAA	
24877	Sat	10-Feb-72	SAA	

24880	Tue	13-Feb-72	SAA
24881	Wed	14-Feb-72	SAA
24882	Thu	15-Feb-72	SAA
24883	Fri	16-Feb-72	SAA
24884	Sat	17-Feb-72	SAA
24886	Mon	19-Feb-72	SAA
24887	Tue	20-Feb-72	SAA
24888	Wed	21-Feb-72	SAA
24889	Thu	22-Feb-72	SAA
24890	Fri	23-Feb-72	SAA
24891	Sat	24-Feb-72	SAA
24894	Tue	27-Feb-72	SAA
24895	Wed	28-Feb-72	SAA
24896	Thu	29-Feb-72	SAA
24897	Fri	1-Mar-72	SAA
24898	Sat	2-Mar-72	SAA
24900	Mon	4-Mar-72	SAA
24901	Tue	5-Mar-72	SAA
24902	Wed	6-Mar-72	SAA
24904	Fri	8-Mar-72	SAA
24907	Mon	11-Mar-72	SAA

24908	Tue	12-Mar-72	SAA
24909	Wed	13-Mar-72	SAA
24910	Thu	14-Mar-72	SAA
24911	Fri	15-Mar-72	SAA
24912	Sat	16-Mar-72	SAA
24914	Mon	18-Mar-72	SAA
24915	Tue	19-Mar-72	SAA
24916	Wed	20-Mar-72	SAA
24917	Thu	21-Mar-72	SAA
24918	Fri	22-Mar-72	SAA
24919	Sat	23-Mar-72	SAA
24923	Wed	27-Mar-72	SAA
24926	Sat	30-Mar-72	SAA
24967		10-May-72	ABP
24968		11-May-72	ABP
25264		3-Mar-73	HM
25262		31-Mar-73	-
25302	Thu	10-Apr-73	SAA
25313	Mon	21-Apr-73	SAA
25314	Tue	22-Apr-73	SAA
25315	Wed	23-Apr-73	SAA

Arrives per ss Aldinga

25316	Thu	24-Apr-73	SAA
25317	Fri	25-Apr-73	SAA
25318	Sat	26-Apr-73	SAA
25320	Mon	28-Apr-73	SAA
25321	Tue	29-Apr-73	SAA
25322	Wed	30-Apr-73	SAA
25323	Thu	1-May-73	SAA
25324	Fri	2-May-73	SAA
25325	Sat	3-May-73	SAA
25327	Mon	5-May-73	SAA
25328	Tue	6-May-73	SAA
25329	Wed	7-May-73	SAA
25330	Thu	8-May-73	SAA
25331	Fri	9-May-73	SAA
25332	Sat	10-May-73	SAA
25334	Mon	12-May-73	SAA
25335	Tue	13-May-73	SAA
25336	Wed	14-May-73	SAA
25337	Thu	15-May-73	SAA
25338	Fri	16-May-73	SAA
25339	Sat	17-May-73	SAA

25341	Mon	19-May-73	SAA
25352	Fri	30-May-73	SAA
25323		31-May-73	
25353	Sat	31-May-73	SAA
25355	Mon	2-Jun-73	SAA
25356	Tue	3-Jun-73	SAA
25357	Wed	4-Jun-73	SAA
25358	Thu	5-Jun-73	SAA
25359	Fri	6-Jun-73	SAA
25360	Sat	7-Jun-73	SAA
25362	Mon	9-Jun-73	SAA
25367	Sat	14-Jun-73	SAA
25369	Mon	16-Jun-73	SAA
25370	Tue	17-Jun-73	SAA
25371	Wed	18-Jun-73	SAA
25405		22-Jul-73	Arg
25518		12-Nov-73	ABP
25530		24-Nov-73	WWA
25544		8-Dec-73	YC
25547		11-Dec-73	YC
25548		12-Dec-73	-

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25558		22-Dec-73	QA
25694		7-May-74	KO
25695		8-May-74	KO
25696		9-May-74	KO
25724		6-Jun-74	SMH
25817		7-Sep-74	AE
25878		7-Nov-74	BN
25888		17-Nov-74	QA
25890		19-Nov-74	QA
25892		21-Nov-74	-
25894		23-Nov-74	-
25895		24-Nov-74	-
25898		27-Nov-74	-
25901		30-Nov-74	WWA
25902		30-Nov-74	BE
25936	Mon	4-Jan-75	AM
25937	Tue	5-Jan-75	AM
26049		27-Apr-75	KO
26050		28-Apr-75	KO
26051		29-Apr-75	KO
26023		30-Apr-75	-

26052		30-Apr-75	KO
26056	Tue	4-May-75	TT
26072	Thu	20-May-75	BE
26073	Fri	21-May-75	WD
26074	Sat	22-May-75	WD
26076	Mon	24-May-75	OMA
26077	Tue	25-May-75	OMA
26079	Thu	27-May-75	ABP
26111	Mon	28-Jun-75	BC
26084		30-Jun-75	WWA
26133	Tue	20-Jul-75	RMB
26134	Wed	21-Jul-75	MC
26147	Tue	3-Aug-75	MC
26148	Wed	4-Aug-75	MC
26149	Thu	5-Aug-75	MC
26155	Wed	11-Aug-75	MC
26158	Sat	14-Aug-75	MC
26171	Fri	27-Aug-75	BC
26173	Sun	29-Aug-75	BC
26174	Mon	30-Aug-75	BC
26176	Wed	1-Sep-75	ABP

26202	Mon	27-Sep-75	AE
26204	Wed	29-Sep-75	AE
26220	Fri	15-Oct-75	NMH
26221	Sat	16-Oct-75	NMH
26223	Mon	18-Oct-75	NMH
26233	Thu	28-Oct-75	MM
26206		31-Oct-75	NMH
26206		31-Oct-75	NMH
26242	Fri	6-Nov-75	MM
26251	Mon	15-Nov-75	-
26256	Sat	20-Nov-75	BN
26270	Sat	4-Dec-75	WWA
26286	Mon	20-Dec-75	WWA