

September 9th 2011

Collectors

I wish to complain about the suggested or actual axing of the programme “Collectors”

We feel this programme is unique for the following reasons:

There is no other programme of this nature, locally produced, with Australian and historical content. Much of our history is being ignored. This gives an insight into our past as well as the present. It is informative

It has appeal to a large section of the community especially the older population, who can reminisce and the young can learn and it has family orientation

It has pure entertainment factor – it is not competitive, materialistic, aggressive or violent. Other programmes on antiques focus on the monetary value.

The presenters are friendly, articulate, interested in their work, and knowledgeable as they are avid collectors themselves. They are courteous and interested in the guests and their collections.

The collections they show are eclectic, interesting and often unusual and the people collecting come from a wide range of Australians. The “mystery object” is just that, and the ‘auction section’ provides added interest.

As the show is produced in Tasmania, this gives work to the state.

I have spoken to a number of people who are appalled to learn that the programme may finish on September 23rd and urge that it be retained. Once it is axed, I am sure it will not be reinstated.

Yours sincerely
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