Tom Kruse and 1936 Leyland Badger Artifacts

Mail Bag: This bag was one of a number of Australia Post mailbags used to

carry the 7,000 letters addressed to Tom and transported by the Leyland Badger in the Birdsville to Birdwood re-enactment in 1999

- Ian Doyle Collection

Grill: The 1936 Leyland Badger grill was retrieved and mounted by Keith

Webb post the restoration. Charles Stevenson crafted the replica

now on the truck – Keith Webb Collection

Floorboard: Original Badger floorboard though which the clutch passed. An

example of Tom the bush mechanic. The bolted on brake assembly added strength to the structure. Retrieved during the restoration and purchased by Paul Williams ABC TV at the RFDS auction in Cooper Creek in October 1999 - *Ian Doyle Collection*

Shovel: Presented to Tom by Reg Dodd, President Marree Progress

Association at the launch of *The Back of Beyond Collection* on the 50th Anniversary of the screening of *The Back of Beyond*, 24th July

2004 - Ian Doyle Collection

Axe: Presented to Tom on 7th December 1987 by KESAB for assisting

with the presentation of the Outback Community Award to Marree

- Kruse Family Collection

Certificate 1: Founder and Chairman of the Year of the Outback Bruce Campbell

AM MBE, at the launch of The Back of Beyond Collection on 24th July 2004 presented this Year of the Outback certificate to Tom

and Valma – Kruse Family Collection

Certificate 2: The Mail Truck's Last Run certificate was presented to Tom and

Valma by ABC Radio's Colin Munro AO on behalf of the CMV Foundation at the launch of *The Back of Beyond Collection*, 24th

July 2004 – Kruse Family Collection

Plague 1: Copley Progress Association plague presented to Tom to

commemorate the Copley Crew's recovery of the Badger in 1993

from Pandie Pandie Station – Kruse Family Collection

Plague 2: Port Pirie plague presented to Tom at Crystal Brook on 7th October

1999 by the Port Pirie Regional Council Mayor Ken Madigan during

the Mail Truck's Last Run – Kruse Family Collection

Aircraft: PC 12 aircraft photo presented to Tom and Valma by the RFDS in

appreciation of a lifetime of support of the Royal Flying Doctor

Service – Kruse Family Collection