

"NATALIE CHABIN"

Hi,

I find it extraordinary that Sydney commuters just pay their fares and accept rise after rise without doing or saying much about it, to take Kerry Packer's words about Australian tax payers.

If any service is good, then a rise is in the order of things.

But Sydney public transport is anything but good and reliable.

Timetables are only a waste of money since trains (and buses for that matter) are a breed of their own running whenever they feel like or so it seems.

Public money could be better spent by sending staff to places like Germany, France or better still Switzerland to learn how it actually works out to be on time.

The system worked like clockwork though during the 2000 Olympics and it was great but so short !!!!

It seems it can be done without sending anyone away, so where is the problem????

I also don't understand the logic behind putting air-conditioned trains mornings and evenings in favour of middays and afternoons when the temperature is the hottest and when invariably ancient trains appear, if old and newer trains have to be used.

And what to say about putting only 2 of those ancient carriages at the strategic place in the train where exits are at most stations, so they are used and re-used. How devious !!!!

Just in passing, early 90's, a weekly Swiss ticket cost the same as Sydney's but the cost of living there was 4 times higher... No comment !!!!

In closing, I am totally against another rise in this state of affair, this is ludicrous!!

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