

SCALE MODELS EXPO

displays/public competition/demonstrations/trade stalls/more

10AM-4PM 21-22 APRIL 2018

EXPRESSIONS ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE

836 FERGUSSON DRIVE, UPPER HUTT, WELLINGTON

Scale Models Wellington IPMS is delighted once again to be able to invite scale modellers to take part in Scale Models Expo in 2018!

Scale Models Expo will be held in the Expressions Arts & Entertainment Centre, 836 Fergusson Drive (next to H₂O Xtream) in Upper Hutt, Wellington. The Expo features a public competition allowing both adult and junior modellers to compete for honour, glory, and some terrific prizes including special awards from Wingnut Wings for the best ANZAC subjects in the show.

We have some local and international special guest modellers lined up who will be giving talks and demonstrations of their particular areas of interest. As well as this we have a variety of displays, and a collection of trade stands from manufacturers and local, national and international retailers.

Conditions of competition entry

Entries must be delivered and registered between 9am and 11am Saturday 21 April in the entry of the venue hall. Registration forms will be available on the day but to avoid delays it is advisable to register early. Save time by pre-registering your models online via our website - see below for website details.

Late entries will be at the sole discretion of the Contest Chairman.

There is no entry fee for models and modellers may enter as many eligible models as they wish. Models which have previously placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd in the Wellington Scale Models Expo are not eligible to enter the competition again.

Entries may be constructed from generally accepted modelling material (e.g. plastic, resins, wood, metal). All models must have been built and painted by the entrant.

Final class and category placement of models is at the discretion of the Contest Chairman.

Junior class entrants must be under the age of 17 (i.e. may not have reached their 17th birthday) at the time of the competition.

Any entries that are considered offensive to generally held standards of taste and acceptability may be excluded at the discretion of the Contest Chairman.

Entries may not be removed from the tables until 4pm Sunday at the earliest unless prior consent is given by the Contest Chairman.

All entrants in the competition will receive a free pass to the venue for the duration of the event.

Awards will be made for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and Highly Commended (as applicable) in each of the categories along with overall Best in Class and Best in Show for each competition. Competitors must be present to accept any sponsored prizes.

To be eligible for "Best NZ Subject", the model must be entered in the appropriate NZ section. The only exceptions to this will be NZ subjects in Diorama, Ships, Sci-Fi/Fact, Miscellaneous & Collections and Junior classes.

Models will be judged by Scale Models Wellington IPMS appointed judges according to Scale Models Wellington IPMS judging criteria. All judges decisions are final. No correspondence will be entered into.

Disclaimer

Scale Models Wellington IPMS will take all due care with your models but will accept no responsibility for any damage that may occur. Every effort will be made to not handle your model during the show but it may still be necessary for organizational and/or judging purposes. If your model is on a diorama or display base it should be securely attached to the base to avoid it sliding off if handled.

Alternatively a note warning that it is not attached to the base is recommended, but this is still not a guarantee of safety.

Contact details

For more information see scalemodelswellington.org.nz/expo or email expo@scalemodelswellington.org.nz.

Scale Models Expo Competition Classes

Unless stated, all categories refer to all scales.

Class A: Aircraft

- A1 NZ Aircraft
- A2 Aircraft smaller than 1/48 – prop
- A3 Aircraft smaller than 1/48 – jet
- A4 Aircraft 1/48 – prop, single engine
- A5 Aircraft 1/48 – prop, multi engine
- A6 Aircraft 1/48 – jet
- A7 Aircraft larger than 1/48 – prop
- A8 Aircraft larger than 1/48 – jet
- A9 Helicopters
- A10 Box stock

Class B: Military Vehicles

- B1 NZ military vehicles
- B2 Military vehicles and equipment smaller than 1/35
- B3 1/35 and larger armoured vehicles – WW2 and earlier
- B4 1/35 and larger armoured vehicles – post WW2
- B5 1/35 and larger soft-skin vehicles
- B6 Towed artillery and misc. military equipment
- B7 Box stock

Class C: Civilian Vehicles

- C1 NZ vehicles
- C2 Vehicles – open wheel competition
- C3 Vehicles – factory stock
- C4 Vehicles – modified (custom/hotrod/tuner)
- C5 Vehicles – closed wheel competition
- C6 Motorcycles
- C7 Box stock
- C8 Trucks/commercials

Class D: Dioramas

- D1 Diorama – all types

Class E: Ships

- E1 1/500 and smaller
- E2 Larger than 1/500
- E3 Submarines

Class F: Figures

- F1 NZ figures
- F2 Under 120mm (1/16)
- F3 120mm (1/16) and larger
- F4 Busts

Class G: Science Fact, Fiction and Misc.

- G1 Fictional craft, real spacecraft, missiles and vehicles
- G2 Any subject not covered elsewhere
- G3 Collections

Class J: Junior

- J1 Aircraft
- J2 Military
- J3 Civilian vehicles
- J4 Science fact, fiction & misc.
- J5 Diorama
- J6 Warhammer type figures and models
- J7 Figures
- J8 Ships

Competition Notes

Bases

Bases are allowed in all categories. They will not be considered in the judging except in the diorama classes or where two models are tied for a placing.

Dioramas

A diorama shall generally be vehicles or figures on a single scenic base depicting a scene. Note a single figure, vehicle or aircraft displayed on a base with ground cover will not usually constitute a diorama.

Best overall ANZAC subject, sponsored by Wingnut Wings

To be eligible for this award the model must represent a New Zealand or Australian military subject and be depicted in service during the First World War.

Box stock

Box stock classes are intended to recognize excellent models produced from the materials provided in the box from the manufacturer. For those entering Box Stock please note the following:

- Original instructions must be supplied with your entry.
- Alternative decals may be used.
- No aftermarket or scratch built detailing is allowed.
- The modeller may fill gaps and seams, sand off rivets, drill out gun ports, exhaust pipes or other appropriate openings; thin to scale such parts as trailing edges, flaps and doors; and add rigging and antennas.
- Panel lines may be repaired if damaged during construction. Extensive re-scribing of panel lines is not permitted.
- No matter what you do, your model will only be judged on assembly and paint quality.

Collections

Collections as entered in class G3 must consist of five or more closely related items. Previous Wellington Scale Models Expo place winning models may be entered as part of a collection but must not constitute more than 40% of the models entered as part of the collection. All models in the collection must be the sole work of the entrant. Note, that as part of the judging process for collections, the judges will take into consideration the strength of the relationship of the models within the collection.

For example:

- Five different WW2 fighters would NOT be a collection.
- Five different WW2 fighters from the same unit would be a weakly-themed collection.
- Five different WW2 fighters flown by the same pilot would be a weakly-themed collection.
- Five Spitfires from the same unit would be a strongly-themed collection.

If in doubt please contact Scale Models Wellington IPMS.

Special Awards

- Best overall ANZAC subject, sponsored by **Wingnut Wings** and awarded to the best New Zealand and Australian military subjects from the First World War.
- Best overall aircraft
- Best overall military vehicle
- Best overall civilian vehicle
- Best overall ship
- Best overall figure
- Best overall science fact, fiction, misc & collection
- Best overall junior
- Best overall NZ subject
- Best overall model in show

Other awards may be added at the discretion of the Contest Chairman.