



Poole Vikings Model Club – Scale Model Competition Information

Models which have won awards in previous Poole Vikings Model Club shows CANNOT be entered.

We appreciate that visitors may wish to display models and compete in the competition. However in order to avoid excessive time being taken by judges touring the display halls for competition entries, for anyone wishing to take part in the competition, entries must be placed on separate tables in the judging area on the stage. Only large models and dioramas which are impractical to move to the competition area will be judged on the exhibitor's own tables. It is important to notify the competition secretary of the location of such models.

- We use the 'open' system of judging rather than the more common 'first past the post'. Each model will be judged individually against a set standard. This means that **all** models judged to reach a winning standard will receive recognition.
- Certificates are awarded for **Gold, Silver** or **Bronze** winners, with recognition for 'overall standard' to a modeller who gains more than one award in any category / class. For example if you obtain a Gold and two Bronze awards in one category, you will receive an '**Overall Gold**' award.
- Additionally, the judges may '**Highly Commend**' a model, not otherwise rewarded, which they feel deserves some recognition nevertheless.
- There is a range of separate special trophies to be won.

How to Enter

- Entries to the competition must be handed in by 11:30 a.m.
- To register your competition entry, please obtain an entry slip from the competition desk. Alternatively, before the show you may visit the Poole Vikings website www.winkton.net/poolevikings.htm and print out entry slips to complete before the show. This helps speed up the entry process by allowing you to write your details beforehand.
- Complete the entry slip in clearly **BLOCK CAPITALS** including your full name.
- State the model name and category entered. Additional information which may assist the judges, such as material used, whether the model is straight from the box, modified/detailed, converted or scratch built, may be written on the entry slip.
- Check to ensure you have entered the correct competition class/category/scale. Models entered in the wrong class may be placed in the appropriate class by the judges.
- Competition entry costs 50p per model.
- You must ensure that you have been allocated a **unique entry number** by the competition secretary.
- It may assist judging if models are displayed on a plain base.
- All models are entered at the owner's risk.

Competition Rules

- Models may be constructed of any material.
- Individual model aircraft, motor vehicles (civilian or military) in categories 2,3,4,5, and 6 may be displayed with a single figure to indicate scale. Any additional figures will place the model in the 'vignette/diorama' category.
- A diorama or vignette is defined as 'One or more items displayed on a scenic base (with or without figures) conveying a specific theme or real-life situation'.
- In the event of judges being unable to reach a decision, the competition secretary shall adjudicate.
- Judging will follow the 'open system' whereby each entry is judged individually against a set overall standard. Points are awarded in varying proportions for each of the following criteria:
 - A) Construction
 - B) Painting
 - C) Amount of work represented by the model.
 - D) Presentation / Realism

The points scored for each model are then totalled to ascertain the standard reached. Therefore there may be more than one Gold, Silver or Bronze award in each category. Queries should be directed to the competition secretary, whose decision is final. We welcome your participation and hope you enjoy the show.

Competition Class Categories

Standard Kit (SK)

- A single, commercially produced injection moulded plastic or resin kit, built to the manufacturer's specifications, straight from box.
- Seatbelts, rigging and aerials may be added as appropriate to the subject.
- No opened cockpits or hatches are allowed unless it is an option in the kit.
- No additional items such as external stowage/boxes or tarpaulins or chains are permitted.
- ***Kit instructions must be attached to the entry card or the model will be disqualified.***
- In the event that the kit instructions have been lost, the model may still be entered at the discretion of the Competition Secretary, on the understanding that, should the said instructions be required by the judges and not be available, the model will be disqualified.
- Changes in colour scheme and aftermarket decals are permitted e.g. Me109 from German to Spanish markings.

Any Source Detailed (ASD)

- A Standard Kit that has additional detailing added from any commercial sources and/or significant additional detail built by the modeller.
- This definition also includes any kit parts relocated or reworked by the modeller. Aftermarket tracks, wheels, Gun barrels, machine guns etc are examples of what would be considered included in ASD entries.
- Cockpits/vehicle hatches and doors may be opened and any inspection hatches, wing/rotor folds or bomb bays provided as an option in the original kit can be poised open and the interior of the hatch/bomb bay/wing fold may be detailed in this class.

Any Source Converted (ASC)

- This is a model that is built to a specification or variant other than that intended by the manufacturer.
- Commercial, non-commercial and/or scratch built parts may be used.
- A change of colour scheme and/or decals shall not constitute a conversion, regardless of any change of designation to the model.
- A converted model may be detailed to any level desired by the modeller.

Vac formed (V)

- A commercial kit where the main body parts and/or flying surfaces are of vac-formed plastic, but it can contain any other detailed parts from any source.
- These kits may be detailed to any level desired by the modeller.

Scratch built (S)

- A model constructed where the main body parts (50 percent or more) and/or flying surfaces are home-made or vac-formed plastic, other than of a commercial nature.
- The basic structure should be of plastic although a supporting (wooden) core is permitted.
- A scratch built model may be detailed to any level desired by the modeller.

Super detailed (SD)

- Any model that has large areas of structure (more than 10 percent) or hatches, inspection panels, and turrets not provided as options in the original kit removed/opened and significant detail added by the modeller; this can be either from commercial and/or scratch built parts.
- Wing or rotor folds not included as part of the original kit shall fall into this class.
- ***Subjects which have an exterior skin or covering removed to show interior structure shall also be classed as super detailed.***

Bases and Cases

- Bases will be allowed in all categories, and will not be considered in the judging except dioramas.
- The base will not be larger than 1.5 times the model size.
- Any base over 4 sq. feet (0.327 sq. metres) must be pre-registered with the Competition Secretary and approved before the date of the Competition.
- A base may simulate the natural environment on which the model may be found. This is to show the subject in context, for example, uneven ground to show vehicle suspension deflected, runway markings, etc.
- A small amount of natural surroundings is allowed, but this may not deflect from being able to see all sides of the model.
- Aircraft requiring beaching gear or trolleys may be so equipped.

- Ships may be displayed on water, but dry-docks are not allowed.
- Glass cases are permissible for public viewing periods but, with the exception of the ship classes, must be removed by the entrant for judging and photography purposes.
- Failure to comply may mean that entries are not judged and/or awards may be withdrawn.

Figures

- In all classes except dioramas, each entry may be displayed with either the crew members and / or passengers (who must be in or on the aircraft/vehicle, etc.) or with one figure on the base to indicate scale, but not both.
- Figures placed on or in the aircraft/vehicle and on the base shall mean that the entry is classed as a Diorama.
- Figures may be from any source.
- In the Standard Kit classes only those figures provided with the kit can be used.

Dioramas

- A Diorama shall be defined as one or more items (not necessarily from the same class) on a scenic base, with or without figures, conveying a specific theme or real life situation.
- Diorama base sizes exceeding 4 sq. feet (0.327 sq. metres) must be pre-registered and approved by the Competition Secretary.
- If an entry contains major elements from more than one class (except for vehicles shown with their normal load) it will be considered as a Diorama.

In addition to Competition Class certificates awarded for the above we have a number of special awards for models in the following classes. Some of these special awards are in the form of Memorial Trophies as described below

Class 1	Junior - <u>any</u> subject entered by person aged 16 or under on day of show.	
Class 2	Aircraft, small scale (1/72 nd scale and smaller)	Alan Mansell Memorial Trophy
Class 3	Aircraft, large scale (larger than 1/72 nd scale)	John Neale Memorial Trophy
Class 4	Military vehicles, small scale (1/72 nd and smaller)	Derek Foley Memorial Trophy
Class 5	Military vehicles, large scale (larger than 1/72 nd scale)	Brian Bisp Memorial Trophy
Class 6	Civilian vehicles any scale (cars, motorcycles, trucks, trains)	Meadowcroft Memorial Trophy
Class 7	Figures and vignettes (factual historical, military, civilian) any scale	
Class 8	Busts (factual historical, military, civilian) any scale.	
Class 9	Ships and waterborne vessels	
Class 10	Dioramas, any subject/scale.	Bruce Arterton Memorial Trophy
Class 11	Sci-fi, fantasy and space subjects, any scale.	Sandy Thompson Memorial Trophy
Class 12	General – i.e. anything not covered by any other class (flat figures, toy soldiers, war-gaming figures, large-scale weapons, card models etc.)	
Class 13	Aircraft in classes 2 or 3, (by a Poole Vikings Club member)	Peter Horne Memorial trophy
Class 14	Best of Show (awarded to a non PVMC Club member)	

In addition, **ANY** displays/models at the show are eligible for an award for the following

Best Visiting Club Stand/Display	
Special Aircraft Award	Carol and Vic Lowe Memorial Trophy
any Sherman Tank subject	Reg Rose Memorial Trophy
best application of scratch-built detail to a model NOT using any commercially produced or after-market detail sets.	Albion Alloys Award