

Poole Vikings Model Club – Scale Model Competition Information

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

The competition is open to all participating visitors and there is no restriction on materials used.

Models entered in the competition must be placed on separate tables in the judging area on the stage. 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 card from the competition desk. Alternatively, before the show you may visit the Poole Vikings website poolevikingsblog.wordpress.com 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 **BLOCK CAPITALS**. This is vital – sometimes we cannot read handwriting! You **MUST** also state which club you belong to, or state if you are an individual. Failure to do this may lead to disqualification.
- 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 £1 per model for adults, 50p for Juniors.
- 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 1,2,3,4,5, 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.

Competition Class Categories and Additional Trophies where applicable

These classes and trophies are awarded exclusively from the competition entries.

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

In addition, ANY displays/models shown at the show are eligible to be awarded a trophy for the following :

- Best of Show (awarded to a non PVMC Club member)
- Best Visiting Club Stand/Display
- Carol and Vic Lowe Memorial – special aircraft or military award
- Peter Horne Memorial – best aircraft in classes 2 or 3, by a PVMC member
- Reg Rose Memorial – any Sherman tank subject
- Albion Alloys Award – best application of scratch-built detail to a model **NOT** using any commercially produced or after-market detail sets.

Queries should be directed to the competition secretary, whose decision is final.

We welcome your participation and hope you enjoy the show.

* Revised by Malcolm Lowe and Jim Smith, March 2020.