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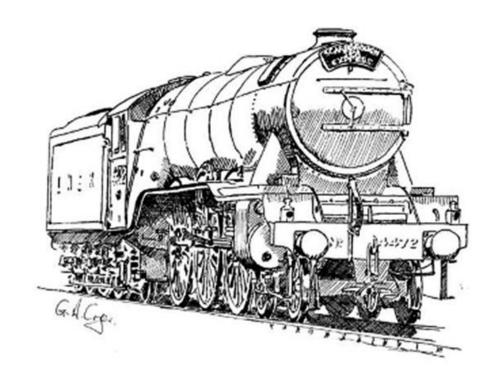
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# ELY & DISTRICT MODEL RAILWAY CLUB



45th Annual Model Railway Exhibition Guide 16<sup>TH</sup> May 2025 at Ely Community College

# WELCOME

We would like to welcome all visitors to our exhibition today, as a testament to the longevity of our hobby & club. Thanks to all the exhibitors for bringing their layouts to previous shows & traders who have supported us over the years. Thanks to today's exhibitors, traders, club members, partners & volunteers from other clubs who all help make our exhibitions the successes they are. We hope you find the new building easier to access and navigate your way around the exhibition. Please try to patronise our traders, café & tombola as this helps us to keep putting on our shows for you.

Brian Smith & John Crisp - Joint Exhibition Managers

The Club has worked hard to bring this Exhibition to you today & we hope you enjoy seeing what our hobby is about, talking to Club Members, Exhibitors & Traders & hope you will go away inspired. The Club has 4 layouts, "OO" Wickham Market, O gauge with narrow gauge Fullers Wharf & "Dalwhinnie" our new N gauge layout under construction. A new DCC layout based on loosely on Ely is now also under way. Want to know more? Just speak to one of the members and/or look at our Ely MRC website or Facebook page.

Andy Wilkinson, Chairman, Ely & District MRC

Please make a note to come & visit us next year, on Saturday 15 May 2026, but please check our website/Facebook for confirmation of date and venue

#### STEP STOOLS FOR CHILDREN - available to borrow

We have a limited number of step stools which you can borrow - one per family. These may help some children see the exhibits more easily. Please return the step stools back to the door when you leave so that other children may then use them. Note that you borrow these step stools at your own risk and please ensure all children are supervised when using them. It is especially important that they do not touch the exhibits unless specifically invited to by the layout operator.

Thank you

# **EXTRA INFORMATION**

#### **BEST IN SHOW-please vote!**

Please remember to fill in, and leave your white voting slips in the boxes at the entrance.

This year children can vote for their favourite layout-blue slip

#### <u>CAFÉ</u>

Please grab a drink and a home-made cake at our cafe

#### **TOILETS**

Ladies, gents and disabled toilets can be found in the dining hall

#### RECYCLE 👶

Please be sure to use the recycling bins around the hall, or even better, take your rubbish home-it takes EDMRC members a looooong time to clear up!

#### **NEXT YEAR**

Next year's show is scheduled for Sat 15th May 2026

Thank you so much for visiting our show.....we hope to see you again next year

#### **OUTSIDE**

**28.** Royston & District Model Engineering miniature steam train rides. Please pay on the train.

#### **WAY IN/OUT**

**29. TASHVALE** N gauge Ely & District Model Railway Club.

Tash Vale is a simple tabletop layout using a mix of Peco Setrack and Streamline trackwork almost entirely built by Mark Brockman. The design has been adapted from the Peco Setrack planbook. It is hoped it will inspire young and old alike to have a go yourself. The baseboard has been built in the traditional way and laid out with off the shelf kits and other products. Most of the bridges have been scratch built to suit their location.

Adults or Children can drive a train, a token is required, from front entrance.

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#### **ENTRANCE FOYER**

#### 1. WHAPLODE VINTAGE TRAIN GROUP OO gauge

Whaplode Vintage Train Group are a group of local enthusiasts associated with the Hornby Railway Collectors Group.

The groups Hornby Dublo 3 rail layout features products produced by the Meccano factory in Liverpool from 1938–1964. A selection of Hornby locomotives, rolling stock, buildings & associated items are also displayed.

#### 2. THE O GAUGE GUILD www.gaugeoguild.com

The Guild exists to further all forms of railway modelling in 7mm scale or O gauge track. With 5,500 members, including over 500 outside the UK, the Guild is a focus for O gauge modellers to meet, share and enjoy their mutual interest.

**3. RAILWAY MEMORIES** Colchester John Margerum 01206 841801 Margerumsdepot@aol.com

The Railway Memories stand provides a large selection of DVDs, T Shirts and greetings cards covering the British, European and North American rail scene. All material has been produced from John's extensive photographic collection gathered during his many travels at home and abroad.

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#### 5. EDMRC SALES

A selection of second-hand rolling stock and model railway materials for sale. Proceeds to EDMRC

## **MAIN HALL**

# **6. H & A MODELS** www.hamodels.net 01933 355531

We stock a comprehensive range of plastic coach & wagon kits in O, OO, OO9 and N Gauge, from suppliers such as Parkside Dundas, Ian Kirk, Coopercraft, Rodney Stenning, Mailcoach and Cambrian. We also carry OO gauge wagon decals (Please contact us for availability) and a range of Precision paints relevant to the kits we sell. We visit a variety of exhibitions - please browse our website to see our full range and where we will be next.

#### 7. GRACETOWN BANK OO gauge Graham Moorfoot

Gracetown Bank Goods Depot is situated in a fictional northwest town. The yard is a British Railway facility to serve local cotton and woollen mills and light industry. It also serves as a transhipment point for deliveries via rail to the town. It is connected to the national rail system by a branch between the mills. There is an extension to this branch through the yard to a steel fabrication works where a variety of steel structures are made and sent via rail nationwide. Steel is brought into the works and the finished products sent out by rail.

A mix of goods and raw materials are received and dispatched for local industry. A variety of locomotives are used, including British Railways steam and diesel. The steel fabrication works have their own diesel locomotives. A rope hauled incline takes wagons from the yard to an upper level where there are more industries. The layout is OO scale made using Peco code 100 track and is DCC control.

#### 8. ABBEY STREET S scale Jas Millham Essex www.cdmrc.co.uk

Like Colchester St Botolph's Colchester Town station, Abbey Street is a small station nearer to a town centre than the main station and linked to it by a shuttle service. It is an urban setting in East Anglia in the BR(E) late 1950's/early 60's. The yard only handles goods, but coal empties from the coal yard further out of town must come here to run round

#### 26. EAST LYNN S scale Simon Dunkerley Leicestershire

East Lynn is a model railway layout situated on the north Norfolk Coast inspired by various stations on the Great Eastern Railway, showcasing typical Victorian-era railway operations. The buildings modelled are based on Kings Lynn and Snettisham stations.

Trevor Nunn began construction in 1993. The layout has been mostly handmade reflecting a more individual and satisfying approach to model railway building. Being made to a non-commercial scale, nearly everything has been hand made by the late Trevor Nunn, with use of a few key components provided by the S Scale Model Railway Society. This does take more time than purchasing ready-made items and assembling kits, but it produces a more individual and satisfying layout.

The layout is built in 1:64 scale (S scale), which has been around since 1893 and is supported by the S Scale Model Railway Society, founded in 1946, and was exhibited for nearly 25 years,

#### **27. TIGLEY YARD** O Gauge David Evans Cambs

The village of Tigley lies between Totnes and Plymouth on the Western Region close to the foothills of Dartmoor. It is assumed that the village expanded in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century and was of sufficient size for the Great Western Railway to warrant building a station on the main line.

A small goods depot, close to the village, lies at the end of a short spur and wagons are tripped to the yard from the station area. The yard survived the Beeching cuts in the 1960's and is still in existence in the early 1970's, before the TOPS numbering system came into use. This is the period depicted by the layout.

#### **23. COASTAL DCC** 01473 403764

http://www.coastaldcc.co.uk/index.php

Coastal DCC is run by Railway Modellers for Railway Modellers. We are actively involved in exhibiting our layouts, demonstrate and organising exhibitions around the country. We are dedicated to giving you the Railway Modeller the very best DCC advice. We aim to supply you with the best DCC equipment to suit your unique needs.

Are you a member of a modellers club? -if you are we would be delighted to give you an evening talk on DCC, show you some of the systems that are available, the pitfalls and hopefully dispel some of the myths.

#### 24. PITSFORD YARD O gauge David Fennell Suffolk

The layout is based upon practice in the US state of Vermont in the mid 1970's and represents a fictional switching yard serving two factories. Diesel locomotives arrive & depart with a variety of cars, including box cars, gondolas and tank cars. There is also a disused 'ice station', which used to supply blocks of ice for boxcars transporting milk in the days before refrigeration. Viewers might also spot some unwelcome guests! Operation is by DCC, and all of the main line locos have sound.

# **25. LAYOUTS4U** 01354 652302 www.layouts4u.net www.hobbytools4u.co.uk

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#### 9. THE RAILWAY MEMORABILIA SHOP

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The Railway Memorabilia Shop is run by an Ex-Network Rail signalman and his wife, who are both Railway enthusiasts and have been for many years. We also fundraise for The Sir Nigel Gresley Locomotive Trust, and you will see me around the Heritage railways.

We sell Railway Fob Watches from The LNER GWR and Southern Regions, Cuff links and many wonderful items Including the Family of Railway Bears, Jigsaw Puzzles, Badges Key Rings and Fobs Metal Plaques and Signs Both Large and Small.

#### 10. JAMES GREEN – RAILWAY ARTIST www.jamesgreenart.co.uk

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#### 11. GREAT EASTERN RAILWAY SOCIETY

www.gersociety.org.uk/

The Society was formed in 1973 in order to promote a widespread interest in the Great Eastern Railway, (GER), its predecessors and its successors, such as the London & North Eastern Railway (LNER), British Railways (BR), Network Rail and the current privatised Train Operating Companies (TOCs) operating in the East Anglia area. To encourage and co-ordinate research into its history, and to provide a permanent record of the results. This is being achieved by building upon the knowledge of the known GER experts, and by locating and studying all surviving records of the railway. In so doing, the Society has established a high reputation amongst railway enthusiasts, historians, museums and professional railwaymen for the quality and accuracy of its publications, its expertise and activities.

#### **DEMONSTRATIONS**

#### 12. Derek Buck Wagon building

Our club president will be giving a demonstration of scratch building and kit bashing of rolling stock. If you would like to know more, please have a chat.

#### 13. Gary Welsh from Model Behaviour

Demonstrating weathering of locos & rolling stock

# 14. Tony Wright-Loco/Carriage building Techniques in 4mm Scale and Loco Clinic

Well-known modeler Tony Wright will be showing off some of the best locomotive and rolling stock building in the hobby, principally involving soldering techniques. He will once again help visitors with his loco clinic and repair any mechanisms in need of repair, if he can, for a donation to charity.



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#### **DINING HALL**

**19. GREAT EASTERN MODELS** 1199 Plumstead Road, Norwich Norfolk NR1 4AB http://www.greateasternmodels.co.uk/ 01603 398163

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#### 20. TOMBOLA

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#### **21. PORTHALLOW** N gauge Nick Debben Cambs

Porthallow is an imaginary town in Cornwall at the end of a branch line that has followed the river from the mainline junction down to the coast. The station is on the edge of the town, on a restricted site between the river & adjacent higher ground. Since the line was opened hotels have been built adjacent to the station to cater for the growing tourist trade. Beyond the station the line continues to the docks where minerals are unloaded on the ships for export. The docks also handle fish & some wagons are added to passenger trains.

#### 22. RUFFLES ROAD OO GAUGE

Ruffles road is a 1980s/1990s era model railway exhibition show layout based on an urban London scene. The station at Ruffles Road accommodates passenger and parcel workings as well as being opposite a busy goods yard, making the layout ideal for any diesel locomotive enthusiast. The layout is operated by a DCC system, and all locomotives are fitted with state-of-the-art DCC sound.

# **17. WHAPLODE** 0 Gauge Thomas Hoy

Whaplode sets out to prove that you don't need a lot of space to create a decent layout that works in O gauge. The layout is 7ft long and 18in deep. All the track is from Peco, apart from the three-way point which was picked up on a bring and buy stand and was scratch built. It is not an accurate model of Whaplode station, but it is very loosely based on it in the 1940s.

The layout is DCC and most of the locomotives have sound decoders fitted. The layout is operated by a Raspberry Pi to control the points via a Lenz DCC system, we can also drive the locomotives with our phones. The motive power is kit built and painted by me, along with the rolling stock. All the buildings are either scratch built or from kits. It also has a working yard crane which adds additional visual interest.

#### 18. ZEEDIJK HO gauge Dutch railways Phil Colton, Suffolk

Nederlandse Spoorwegen, provide the blue and yellow passenger services, whilst freight is handled by private operators from all over Europe, resulting in colourful trains from various countries. The buildings are made from model railway features Dutch kits for buildings, in plastic, resin or laser-cut card There is a fictional station called Zeedijk, adding visual and operational interest. The railway rises to cross the River Maas on a large bridge.



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#### 15. CLONE LINE OO Gauge Cambridge Model Railway Club

The layout represents a fictitious section of the former Great Central Railway's London Extension route to Marylebone, in modern times. Sited on the outskirts of London and thus outside of the North London Line, the station is a passing point for passenger and freight services, as these travel in and out of London. On the upside or south of the station is the junction between the route to Marylebone and the North London Line, whilst to the north is Clone Airport, with its below ground terminus station on a branch from Clone main line station. Clone main line station is classic Great Central, with its disused goods yard now taken over by the adjacent rail connected metal fabrication factory, with its rail enthusiast owner. Thus, stabled here, are either the wagons serving his factory, which boasts its own shunting locomotive, or visiting preserved steam and diesel locomotives as these prepare for rail tours. This area also provides a home for some preservation projects. On the main line you will see a range of modern passenger and freight services, with a slight splashing from the corporate blue era, plus preserved steam on rail tours. Stock is currently ready-to-run, with detailing and weathering undertaken as time permits. Buildings are a mixture of the excellent readymade models now available, kit built, modified kits or scratch built. The layout is operated via DCC, with points and signals via conventional methods

## 16. FRAMPLINGTON OO gauge

Framplington is an OO gauge model railway based on the historical Framlingham terminus in Suffolk, about 15 miles north of Ipswich at the end of a short branch. Created by George Woodcock, John Norton, and Richard Coleman, the layout imagines passenger services continuing past the line's closure to passengers in the 1950's, and freight in the 1960's

The station, once busy with freight and passenger traffic, is depicted with Derby Lightweight and Cravens class 105 DMUs for passenger services and various freight types. The name originates from a 2017 Guardian magazine spoof, and the layout was featured in the September 2020 edition of Railway Modeller.

