

## **The UK's most interactive weekend is coming**

*27 February 2009, Bristol:* The great and good of the model world will join with thousands of enthusiasts at the UK's largest interactive hobbies show in Shepton Mallet this April.

In its second year, the two-day South West Model Engineering, Model Making and Hobbies Exhibition will feature the widest range of models actively being shown, flown, ridden, floated and driven anywhere in the UK.

Held at the fabulous Royal Bath & West Show Ground over the 18-19 April weekend, visitors can take part in a huge array of activities, and nearly 130 modelling enthusiast clubs and traders will encourage visitors to learn the joys of modelling.

Airfix, Humbrol and Games Workshop feature heavily and indoor activities include model engineering displays, award-winning model railway layouts, military vehicles, live presentations and workshops.

Outdoors is dominated by a huge flying display, marine demonstrations on the boating pool, and a miniature ride-on railway.

Young or old can take the controls of a flight simulator, experience a 200mph model plane display, go slot car racing or check out the petrol buggies.

There will also be remote control car and truck races, together with stunt displays.

Event organiser, Scott Hider, is hoping to build on the success of last year's show with some additional new features this year.

"We are particularly delighted to welcome the table-top wargaming tournaments," he says.

"Visitors can watch this fascinating spectacle and get involved with Games Workshop's interactive stand, or book to take part in the wargaming tournaments hosted by Games Workshop and Miniature Wargaming."

The South West Model Engineering, Model Making and Hobbies Exhibition takes place at the Royal Bath & West Showground, Shepton Mallet over the weekend of 18-19 April 2009. Opening hours are 10-5 on Saturday and 10-4.30 on Sunday.

Adult tickets can be booked online for £6 using the code SWMEPR2 (price on the door is £8), with free entry for accompanied children.

Anyone wishing to take part in the wargaming tournaments need to purchase tickets in advance, using code MWG (or MWGK for under 16s) for Miniature Wargaming or GWA2 (or GWK for under 16s) for Games Workshop.

For all tickets, further information, and a video of last year's show, visit: [www.swmee.co.uk](http://www.swmee.co.uk).

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**Editor's note:**

Images

Hi-resolution images of model boats, airplanes, cars, railways and military vehicles, plus general images of the exhibition are available (see gallery at: [www.swmee.co.uk/photos.asp](http://www.swmee.co.uk/photos.asp)).

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