

POST EVENT PRESS RELEASE LONDON MODEL ENGINEERING EXHIBITION 2015

The London Model Engineering Exhibition took place from the 16th to the 18th January at Alexandra Palace and had record levels of attendance with visitor levels up by 8%.

As always the exhibition was a tremendous success merging traditional model engineering with remote controlled trucks and planes as well as robots and Meccano. Visitors came flocking to the venue to enjoy the many attractions and take part in hands on activities to learn new skills. This annual exhibition is regarded as the leading show of its kind in terms of size, content and attendance.

56 clubs, societies and displays attended the exhibition and competed to win the prestigious Society Shield which is voted for by the clubs and societies themselves. The winner was Harrow & Wembley Society of Model Engineers followed by St Albans & District Model Engineering Society in second place and Surface Warship Association and Hanwell & District Model Society in joint third place.

Over 1,500 models were on display across the spectrum along with 4 fascinating railway layouts. The Polly Owners Group who provided passenger rides behind the 5" gauge steam locomotives proved as popular as always. The Tamiya Truckin Group achieved a world record for the longest convoy of remote control vehicles at 44.4m with 26 truck which was a fantastic sight to see and made the national press.

Many of the exhibitors were seen on the BBC 1 "The One Show" on Friday evening, if you missed that you can catch up here at http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b04xm4wz

Core Model Engineering Clubs presented some fantastic displays and members were on hand to talk to visitors and encourage them along with their own projects and builds.

On top of this 55 key suppliers attended the exhibition offering special previews and promotions which gave hobbyists an excellent opportunity to see and compare products under one roof.

Exhibition Manager, Avril Spence commented "Our thanks to so many exhibitors both from the clubs and societies and also the specialist suppliers for making this event such a success. We were delighted to have been able to showcase all forms of modelling on the BBC 1 "One Show"".

The 2016 dates will be announced shortly. In the meantime the next Model Engineering Exhibition presented by Meridienne Exhibition will be the Midlands Model Engineering Exhibition which takes place from the 15th – 18th October at the Warwickshire Exhibition Centre in Learnington Spa.

For further details, please visit: <u>www.londonmodelengineering.co.uk</u>

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