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# **THE VINTAGE TOY TRAIN EXHIBITION SUMMER 2011**

## **Welcome to our 13<sup>th</sup> annual Summer Vintage Toy Train exhibition.**

Once again we have a varied selection of Vintage Toy Trains from a variety of clubs and private individuals that we hope you will find interesting and entertaining. Please feel free to talk to the exhibitors, they will be only too pleased to answer any questions you may have regarding their exhibits, in addition the various clubs and societies would be delighted to discuss what they have to offer you as prospective new members.

We are also pleased to welcome back as our sponsors for yet another year, The Bachmann Collectors Club, with their display of latest release products, supported by the Bachmann Collectors Club team and the members of the Milton Keynes Model Railway Society to operate their layout.

We of the Train Collectors society, hope you enjoy your visit to this our 13<sup>th</sup> annual exhibition at Sandy. Should you want to know more about our society please ask at our society stand (stand No 2) or you could contact us at -

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## **1 Bachmann Collectors Club**

The Bachmann Collectors' Club returns as our sponsor for the 5<sup>th</sup> year. In addition to showing some of the latest models from Bachmann there will be the opportunity to meet the Bachmann Collectors' Club team and to see some of their limited edition models in action on the layout staffed by members of the Milton Keynes Model Railway Society.

The Bachmann Collectors' Club has almost 8,000 members World wide and continues to grow. Train collecting is not just about yesterday but is very much about today and what is produced tomorrow.

## **2 Train Collectors Society**

The Train Collectors Society (T.C.S.) was founded in 1979 to support its members, whatever scale or gauge they collected or modelled, by providing a contact group to which they could belong to and contribute to, to help like-minded people further their hobby. The T.C.S provides a quarterly magazine, spares directory, web site and annual gatherings in various parts of the country. Come and talk to our members manning the stand and you will be able to find out more about the society, join or renew your membership as well as purchasing our limited edition wagon or our binder to keep your copies of our quarterly magazine 'Train Collector' in pristine condition.

## **3 HRCA**

Hornby Railways Collectors Association,  
Founded in 1969 to promote and maintain interest in Hornby O gauge and Hornby Dublo, the HRCA provides a full range of services for its members including full colour magazine, spares register and auction service.

## **4 Duke Street Chiltern Hills Vintage Train Group**

Duke Street is probably the largest Hornby Dublo two-rail layout on the exhibition circuit, being 18ft x 6ft. It shows a full selection of Hornby Dublo 2 rail steam and diesel locomotives with possibly a few Wrenn locomotives. There is a complete range of goods wagons and carriages of the super detailed series and also all the later plastic buildings from the Hornby range plus other accessories from other companies such as Merit and Crescent. These things all date from 1958 until 1964 when Meccano/Hornby went bankrupt.

The layout is operated by members of the Chiltern Hills Vintage Train Group, part of the HRCA. If you want to ask any questions please ask one of the operators who will be pleased to help you.

- 5        Peter Gomm**  
 Model railway items and books
- 6        Victorian & Edwardian Trains in 00&H0** Nick Gillman  
 Different manufacturers models from the early days of railway history culminating in Edwardian splendour.
- 7        Hugar Trains** Paul Brookes  
 This is another chance to see several 1946 Hugar Train Sets running (hopefully).  
 These are original coaches, with original motors running on original aluminium and wood track. Hugar transformers will be used.  
 Hugar buildings from the same period will also be on display.
- 8        Lesser known 00 gauge Display** Paul Draycott  
 Locomotives rolling stock and accessories from the early years of 00 with some short lived manufacturers and one hit wonders.  
 A variety of scratch built locos, some proprietary and others of un-known origin.
- 9        Tri-ang Transcontinental 1950s** Reg Harman  
 The Tri-ang Transcontinental (H0) range was aimed at the Commonwealth countries, and was loosely based on southern hemisphere and North American prototypes. This layout includes a full range of 1950s Transcontinental rolling stock (Mk 2 couplings) and Tri-ang's standard Victorian range of buildings. The track is original grey base standard and later Mk 3 with black sleepers. Look out for North American track bumpers.
- 10       Private owner Wagons** Pat Hammond  
 A display of Private Owner Vans including samples that did not make it into production, also EWS Livery and BR Express Blue.
- 11       0 Gauge Underground Trains and LMS** David Collinson  
 This is a display of 0 gauge underground trains and LMS trains and scratch built 0 gauge locos.
- 12       American Flyer 0 Gauge** Paul Williams  
 From the mid 1920s until 1941 American Flyer produced electric outline locos with tin printed passenger and freight cars. This small display presents these trains together with their trackside accessories.

- 13 Meccano and related models** Ivor Walton  
A display of Meccano models showing the various materials and colour schemes used by Meccano from 1919 to the present day in the form of Model Cars, plus clockwork working models. Also on display is a range of the last Hornby 0 Gauge tinplate railway items.
- 14 Train Time** Simon Goodyear  
Vintage Toy trains & Obsolete Collectable model railways
- 15 Bob Leggett**  
Secondhand model railway items
- 16 Elaine's Trains** Elaine Harvey  
Specialising in pre-owned model railway items particularly Tri-ang, Hornby (Margate) and Lima with a splash of European H0.
- 17 Eric Large**  
Vintage model railway items of gauges 00/H0, TT and 000.
- 18 H0 Slot cars (and some trains too)** James Day  
A working interactive layout that shows working examples of many of the different makes of the smaller scale electric roadway systems, Playcraft Highways, Aurora Model Motoring, Faller AMS, Rasant, Tomy AFX, Tyco Trucking, Bauer, Playing Mantis and Life-Like. As you will see, most are from America. The buildings and trains are mainly part of the modern Life-Like range, mainly available from Walthers hobbies stores. Look out for the automated features such as the two cross roads and level crossing, where cars stop for the trains. There are opportunities for you to have a go at driving a train, stopping another at a signal, and probably best of all – Driving two of the cars! Please ask!
- 19 Tri-ang/Hornby 00/H0 1968-1973 Era.**  
Dave White & Steve Smith  
A modern layout where BR blue is represented in locos and coaches, there will be some late steam locos plus locos running in preserved colours i.e. LNER and LMS. Buildings and stations are of a modern look which took Hornby into the eighties. We hope to have this layout looking like a picture from a catalogue.

- 20      Trains by Graham Farish 00 Gauge      Peter Berry**  
Display showing a mixture of Graham Farish trains of the 50s, 60s and 70s.
- 21      John George**  
European Model Railways
- 22      Tri-ang Model Land      Les Martin**  
Tri-ang super 4 layout featuring mainly models produced in the 1960s when the range reached its height. Included are also models from related ranges designed to compliment their model railway system i.e. Minic Motorways, Arkitex, Minix cars and Modelland Buildings.
- 23      Tri-ang Minic Motorways      David Lyon**  
This layout shows the range of Minic motorways, introduced in the early 1960s and was designed to be compatible with Tri-ang Railways. A wide variety of vehicles and accessories were developed to enable the enthusiast to build a fully integrated road and rail model, culminating in the use of level crossings and other specialist road/rail track. The system was to an extent in competition with Scalextric, and Minic Motorways was always fighting to retain its corner of the market. Sadly the inevitable happened, and Minic eventually went out of production in the early 1970s.  
The award winning Minic Motorways layout on display is the result of over 40 years enthusiastic collecting by Dave Lyon. The aim of the layout is to demonstrate the wide variety of vehicles and accessories that were available in the heyday of Minic Motorways, and its compatibility with Tri-ang Railways.
- 24      Scenic Trix & Liliput 2-rail Trains      David Holt**  
This layout displays the later 2-rail trains of Trix and its successor Liliput. All railway buildings are made from Trix card kits, and all other buildings, lineside features and road vehicles date from the same period as the trains.
- 25      Trix Twin Collectors Association**  
The association has over 500 members worldwide. It produces four gazettes a year for members. In addition it holds four get-togethers per year in different parts of the U.K. It supplies many spare parts, both original and reproduction and gives practical advice on collecting, running and maintaining Trix and Trix Express trains.

- 26      Trix Twin Railways** **Brian Arnold**  
 This layout displays Trix Twin trains manufactured in Germany and Northampton (by Bassett Lowke originally) from 1936 onwards. The locomotives are fitted with 14 volt AC motors and change direction by way of a reversing shaft fitted in the locomotive. The Pacific locomotives have an automatic uncoupling device in the tender. In 1959 Trix fitted 12 volt DC motors to their locomotives. Both types of motor are employed on this layout. The 3-rail system of independently operating two trains on the same track opened up a new dimension to the control of model railways in 1936; later Trix introduced an overhead catenary system which enabled us to operate three trains independently on one track. These two systems of control had a big impact on the marketing of Trix trains.
- 27      British Minitrix Display Layout** **Simon Culverhouse**  
 Commercial N gauge has a longer history in Britain than most people imagine. Since 1960 a growing number of manufacturers have produced models of British prototypes. However, it is only recently that many collectors have started to take an interest in N. my own favourite range is Minitrix. The British outline models were originally made in Wrexham and later at the main Trix factory in Nuremberg. This layout has been built to display the full range of British outline Minitrix made in Wales and Germany from 1967 to 1997. All items on display were made by or for Minitrix. Please ask to see any particular items run.
- 28      American Flyer 'S' gauge** **Mike Flye**  
 American Flyer S gauge trains (AC Gilbert). The company made all sorts of toys i.e. Girls toys, Erector Sets. 0 gauge pre-war and then 'S' from 1946 to 1967, when the firm went bankrupt. The locos, rolling stock and accessories are a mixture of original American Flyer Models and new stock made by American Models, S Helper and Lionel, who own the American Flyer name. Please ask about this fascinating and interesting gauge.
- 29      Bassett-Lowke Society Layout** **Mike Green**  
 The society layout consists of two continuous circuits of vintage raised centre third brass and wooden sleepered track with stock sidings dressed with original buildings made by the company up until 1952. The rolling stock is original Bassett-Lowke, Leeds Model Company and Milbro LNER items which would have been seen at Sandy during the immediate pre-war and post-war periods.

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**Gauge 3 Display**

**Roger Mills**

Display of vintage gauge 3 (2.5" gauge) locomotives and rolling stock. This was one of the original model railway gauges – generally to 1/2" to 1ft scale and usually live steam on large indoor layouts. Some of the great model railway makers supported this gauge e.g. Bing, Marklin and Carette. British makers also made locos and rolling stock, often to special order e.g. Bassett-Lowke, Leeds, Mills and Jubb.

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**Stronlite – Japanese Export 0 Gauge**

**Peter Dunk**

Another chance to see these rarely displayed trains.

The Japanese export trains seem to have first appeared in England in 1934, probably first being Japanese prototypes, e.g. Moguls (2-6-0) in three sizes, and a little later a good model of a British-built electric locomotive. Later on they started copying Leeds (LMC) 0-4-0 saddle tanks and Hornby M3 tanks, some even with smoke deflectors. I have a Leeds-like Sir Sam Fay in LMS livery called Sir Gilbert Claughton; so I suppose there could be an LNER version at the very least.

Stronlite was the trade mark under which Japanese 0 gauge trains were sold in England although two other names (Oxil and Briant) are sometimes seen, mostly on boxed sets.

Tin printed copies of LMC bogie coaches were made in the four British mainline companies as well as two bogie Pullmans – Doris and Evadne. Four wheeled goods stock, open wagons, vans and brake vans were made, and there also appears to be a GWR 'Monster' bogie van – not seen except in a catalogue.

Bogie passenger stock is fairly common in blue, also some short bogie coaches not unlike Kelvedon and Tollesbury LNER stock.

Track and accessories are not common. Platforms are usually island type with dummy subway entrances. Signals are electrically operated semaphores of Japanese type although I have one Lionel type semaphore. These signals are operated from the track via isolated sections.

Voltage is 20v AC and reversing is by a hand switch in the cab or on the side of electric locos. Earlier locos ran on 4 volts.

After the war Sakai seems to have taken over, mainly with modern 4 wheeled electric locos but a modern 2-4-0 streamline steam loco with bogie tender called Sakais Standade Model exists



- 32 American Lionel Std Gauge** Richard Bingham  
These trains were made by Lionel in New York USA in the 1930s. The track was known as Lionel Standard Gauge 21/8" between rails. Production of these trains finished in 1942. The points/switches and many of the accessories worked automatically, I have used items from other periods to complete the layout.
- 33 Thomas Tomy Trains** Phil Goater  
My son Bertie and I have a lot of fun with these trains and enjoy exhibiting them in the hope they will encourage the younger generation to gain an interest in model trains. The collection has taken a few years to assemble and is still being added to.  
Please feel free to ask questions.
- 34 0 gauge Electric Trains Pre-war to Present.** Dave Peasant  
The layout is 0 gauge electric running vintage Hornby, Bassett Lowke, Bing, Leeds and Milbro locos and rolling stock, (also including Exley coaches) along with modern ACE, Corgi (Bassett Lowke) and Darstead locos and rolling stock. There is a country scene comprising of Britains farm accessories and Tri-ang Minic Vehicles with garages and a repro fire station. Railway buildings are mainly by Hornby.
- 35 The Memory Line** John Forman  
An 0 gauge tinplate layout featuring rolling stock and accessories made by several different manufacturers including Hornby, Bassett-Lowke, Bing, Lionel, Carrett and Mettoy etc. representing the LMS railway.
- 36 Lima Electric Model Railways** Ashley Barton  
From the early 1970s Lima Italy produced along with other scales, a 12 volt electric (and battery) 0 gauge railway system. Designed to a higher quality than Tri-ang Big-Big Train it was never the less a cheap introduction to the scale with a large range of Continental, British outline and some USA.
- 37 Tri-ang TT** David Coddington  
Tri-ang TT was launched from the Rovex factory in February 1957. From the start the new system used tension lock couplings. By 1962 sales of TT had fallen and by 1964 a decision was taken to cease TT production. Many of the items produced for the Tri-ang TT range shall be on display today.

- 38 Aspire Gifts and Models** Edward Woodward  
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- 39 Graham de Chastelain**  
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- 40 Colin Toten**  
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- 45 Vintage Toys** Mike Delaney  
 Hornby vintage '0' gauge trains.
- 46 W M Collectables** Andrew Kwasnieski  
 Quality collectable and pre-owned model railways in most gauges. Extensive stock of Tri-ang (00 and TT), Hornby and Wrenn. Wants lists are welcome.
- 47 G & W Railways** Roger Gaskin  
 Second-hand model railways primarily in '00' from the 1950s & 60s to the present day.

- 48 Locomotive Club of Great Britain** Peter Crossman  
Locomotive Club of Great Britain holds monthly meetings on the first Tuesday of the month (excluding August) at St Johns church hall, St Johns Street Bedford, covering all aspects of railways. Visit our web site [www.lcgb.org.uk](http://www.lcgb.org.uk)
- 49 Cliff Maddock Vintage Models** Cliff Maddock  
Cliff Maddock has been an active enthusiast and Vintage Toy Trader for over 20 years. He is well known in the T.C.S. and other clubs (Hornby, Bassett-Lowke etc.) and is also a supplier of spare parts, principally for 0 gauge toy trains.
- 50 M & B Models** Bill Mossop  
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- 51 Model Roads & Tramways** Mervyn Askew  
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