

MODEL RAILWAY QUEST PRESENTS

THE CLACTON MODEL RAILWAY SHOW 2025

Sunday 14th December 2025

CLACTON MODEL RAILWAY SHOW GUIDE

We'd like to welcome everyone to our first ever Clacton Model Railway Show, held at the Clacton Leisure Centre on Sunday 14th December 2025.

We're delighted to have an incredible variety of exhibition layouts, trade stands and demonstrations for you to enjoy.

The exhibition features 25 model railway exhibition layouts including N, OO, HO, HOe, O, OO9 and On30 gauges, depicting a variety of eras and locations. We also have some unusual layouts: Brief Encounter Monochrome is painted entirely in shades of grey to evoke the era of David Lean's 1945 film of the same name. Tsuriiito is – we believe – the world's first underwater model railway layout. We also have a tiny layout in a coconut!

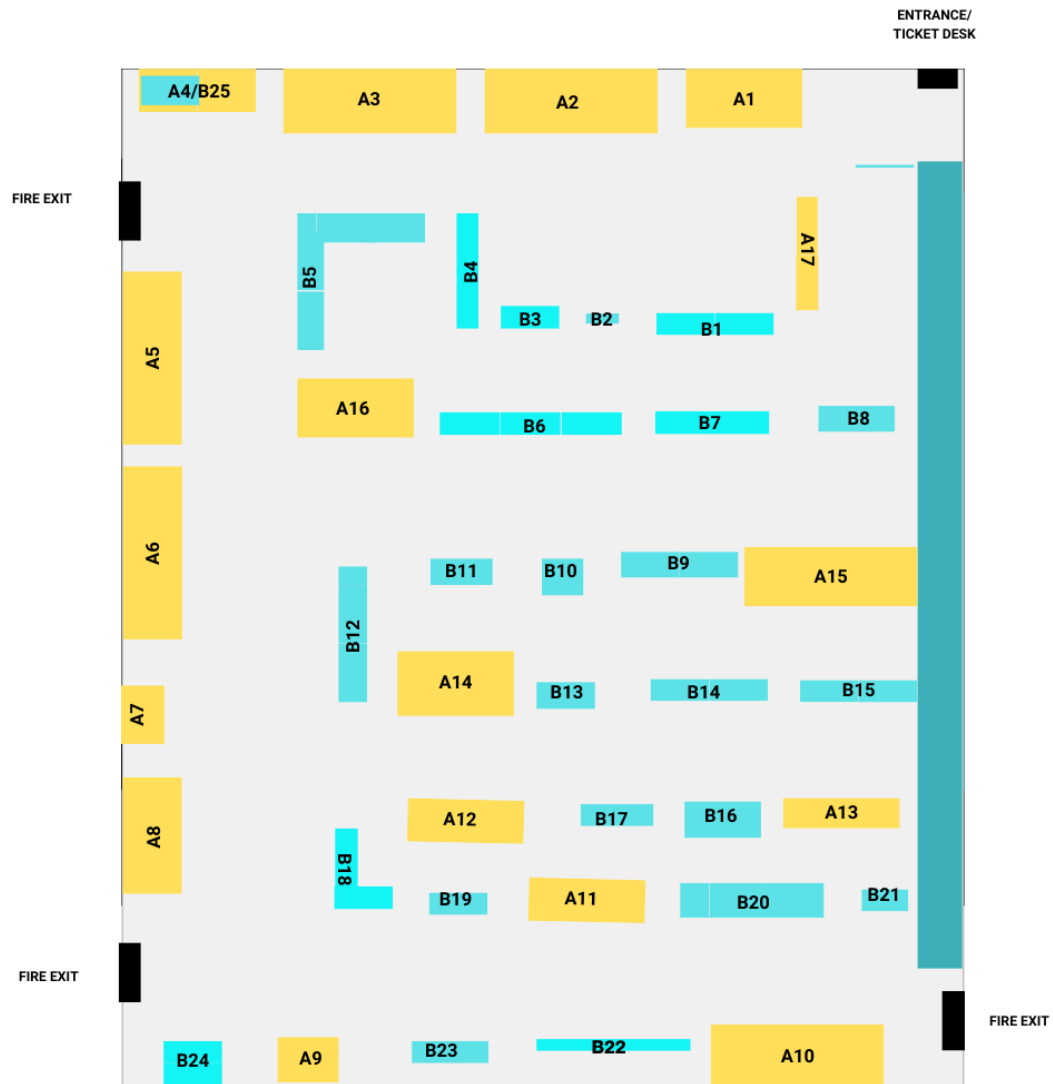
We have interactive layouts where young and old are encouraged to "have a go" and put their train driving skills to the test.

We also have 18 trade stands selling new and preloved locos and rolling stock, model railway supplies, tools and kits and railway memorabilia.

We hope you enjoy the show!

CLACTON MODEL RAILWAY SHOW FLOOR PLAN

CLACTON LEISURE CENTRE – MAIN HALL



EXHIBITION LAYOUTS

B1. BRIEF ENCOUNTER	OO
B2. NEW WALMINGTON PIER	OO9
B3. TSURIITO	HO
B4. QUEST 1	
B5. HELLS GLENN	N
B6. GEEKSVILLE	HO
B7. CRIKEY! IT'S A SHED	OO/HO
B8. WILLOWS GREEN	OO9
B9. SMALL N WORKING	N
B10. ARRAS GLEN	N
B11. THE BLITZ	OO
B12. LITTLE COLNE	OO
B13. FÜR IMMER DREHEN/ SUBARASHI TOCHI	N
B14. HEATHBURY	N
B15. HOLLAND BECK	OO
B16. KRAMRENKLUAUF STATION	OO
B17. ABBOTT DARCY - TOGETHER AT CHRISTMAS	OO
B18. FÜRENALPBAHN	Oe
B19. WHARFS END	OO
B20. BAYOU SCIE	On30
B21. DAVEDALE SHEDS	OO9
B22. HAVE O GO	O
B23. BRIGHTLINGSEA	N
B24. D'IKEAKATO DIORAMAS	N
B25. THE SHUNTING PUZZLE	OO

TRADE STANDS AND ASSOCIATIONS

A1. ANDY LYNCH MODEL RAILWAYS

A2. ALL WHEELS

A3. THE WAGON YARD

A4. THE DOUBLE O GAUGE ASSOCIATION

A5. BITS AND BOBS

A6. SUDBURY MODEL RAILWAYS

A7. DOUBLEM MODELS

A8. ANDY WRIGHT

A9. NMRA (BR)

A10. HARRISON BROWN MODELS

A11. RAILWAY MEMORIES

A12. MUD

A13. BLACK CAT TRAINS

A14. KITMASTER COLLECTORS CLUB

A15. DREAM STEAM

A16. PLUS DAUGHTERS

A17. MODEL RAILWAY SIGNS

EXHIBITION LAYOUTS

B1. Brief Encounter Monochrome (OO) – Dawn Quest



Brief Encounter Monochrome is based on the 1945 film directed by David Lean. It's painted entirely in shades of grey (32 at last count) to conjure up the evocative era of black and white film. You can find out more about Brief Encounter on Dawn's YouTube channel [Model Railway Quest](#)

B2. New Walmington Pier (OO9) – Dave Carson



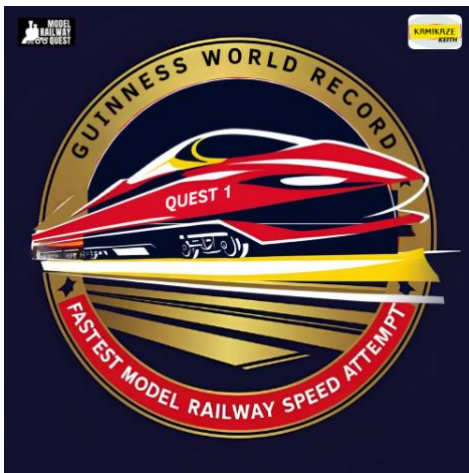
Set in Edwardian times, the layout depicts a small pier tramway with a working carousel at the Pier Head. A Southend Pier 1890 "Toastrack" Car provides the service.

B3. Tsuriiito (HO) – Keith Steadman



A Japanese-themed water layout (sometimes with leak!) – we believe this is the world's first underwater model railway layout!

B4. Quest 1 - Keith Steadman



The prototype for our upcoming Guinness record attempt for the world's fastest model train.

B5. Hells Glen (N) – Bob Norris



Hells Glen is an American N gauge layout featuring a power station, coal mine, a gorge with a derelict mine and even an observatory up on the mountains. It has a countryside area to the west and commercial area on the East side. Other features include Digitrax DCC radio control, DCC Specialties auto-reverse units, Seep turnout motors and PECO code 55 track and turnouts.



MODEL RAILWAY SIGNS

All gauges & eras

UK, USA, Continental, Japan

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B6. GeeksVille (HO) – Daniel Bonham



GeeksVille Depot is a fictional layout on the Union Pacific Railroad. The diesel maintenance depot is located off the mainline a few miles north of Greenwood, south of Omaha, Nebraska USA. Built during World War II to help maintain the smaller steam and early diesel fleet, many changes have occurred over the post-war years; the old roundhouse has gone & in its place is the new and modified maintenance shed. This helps with the much bigger diesel locomotives on the Union Pacific railroad in the late 50s to the early 80s - such as the DDA40X's & the U50's.

The depot services and stores first- and second- generation diesel locomotives up to the modern-day diesel and electric power. The depot also stores and repairs a large amount of passenger and freight cars.

Steam does still pay a visit to the depot from time to time in the form of the Union Pacific Heritage Fleet, the 4-8-4 Northern, Challenger and the mighty BigBoy 4-8-8-4 locomotive.

B7. Crikey! It's a Shed (HO/OO) – Peter Boyt



A unique tram layout featuring a tram shed with working traverser and inspired by the Crich Tram museum. Featuring a fun fair complete with Faller Ferris wheel, Faller house with moat, drawbridge and countryside area.

B8. Willows Green (OO9) – Andrew Smith

Willows Green is a junction station on the fictitious Braintree (Rayne), Leighs, Terling Light Railway (commonly known as the BLT). This railway was built to provide access to the gravel extraction pits that this part of Essex is known for. Many gravel pits over this vast, mostly empty area of the Essex countryside are connected to this railway and when the pits are no longer viable the railway tracks are lifted and used elsewhere. However, some lines are quite viable in other ways and some that serve the local villages remain to become a 'lifeline' to the local inhabitants to help them get to the main conurbations.

B9. Small n Working (N) – Ian Redman



A selection of N gauge layouts in a variety of different containers and cases.

B10. Arras Glen (N) – Glen Baldock

An N gauge running DC on the inner circuit and DCC sound on the outer circuit. The middle scenery section changes with different drop-ins and drop-outs.

B11. The Blitz (OO) – Roy Emery

From September 1940 to May 1941 the Luftwaffe attempted to pound Britain into submission by bombing economic and civilian targets with hardly a night's break.

The scars of this bombing have now been built over and a new generation has by and large forgotten the hardship the wartime generation went through. Britain remained unconquered, but at great sacrifice and hardship. We must never forget the debt we owe this generation. The layout is showing an area of East London with a underground station acting as a bomb shelter a interactive map shows you where the main bombing raids were carried out over the UK.

B12. Little Colne (OO) – Steve Knight



Little Colne depicts a typical country branch terminus in East Anglia during the late 1950s “transition” period where steam locos still prevail, but new “Pilot Scheme” diesels are beginning to make inroads into the area. All the buildings are scratch built, and several are models of actual GER buildings. The station is Rayne and the Goods Shed modelled on Marks Tey. A detailed forge and workshop area towards the front and a working windmill on the hill delight visitors. It can be operated as DCC or DC. Track is SMP and C&L fine scale. The layout has featured in British Railway Modelling and Hornby magazines.



B13. Für Immer Drehen/ Subarashi Tochi (N) – Roland Crisp

Unique German and Japanese revolving layouts.

B14. Heathbury (N) – Jeff Davies



Heathbury is an N gauge modern image shelf layout based in Warwickshire. It was built to show how much detail could be captured in such a small space.

B15. Holland Beck (OO) – Ben Adlington



Holland Beck depicts a fictional station on a real railway, namely the branch line between Barton upon Humber and Cleethorpes in North Lincolnshire. Though the station itself is little more than a halt for passenger services between Barton, Lincoln and Cleethorpes there are freight sidings serving a quayside. Imported timber, steel and paper are tripped from Holland Beck to Immingham for dispatch across the country.

B16. Kramrenklua Station (OO) – Mark Faulkner

Find out more on Mark's YouTube channel: Kramrenklua Station.

B17. Abbott Darcy - Together at Christmas (OO) – Steve Harrison



Abbott Darcy depicts a heritage railway during its first year of operation, who are holding their first Santa Special event to celebrate Christmas.

B18. Fürenalpbahn (Oe) – Friso Dijstelbergen



The Fürenalpbahn depicts a small narrow-gauge terminus somewhere in the Alps. Traffic is tourists, wood and milk.

B19. Wharfs End (OO) – Jack Latchford



The layout is based on a fictional Canal wharf exchange, edging towards the end of steam, it is a small shunting layout and can be used to do shunting puzzles.

B20. Bayou Scie (On30) – Andrew Chant



A US narrow gauge logging railway on the Louisiana / Texas border in the 1920's. Logs are floated down the Sabine River, loaded on to the railway at

the pier and taken to the log pond where they are processed at the nearby sawmill. The sawn lumber is then taken to the mainline via rail along with sawdust to be used to manufacture chipboard. A small yard also makes pit props from the smaller timber.

B21. Davedale Sheds (OO9) – David Churchyard



At the heart of Davedale Sheds is a 10-shed roundhouse served by an automated turntable (inspired by the roundhouse at St Blazey).

At the back of the sheds is a scrapyard containing various locomotives hoping for major restorations.

The layout has a main loop passing through a tunnel. There is a passing loop at one of the 2 stations allowing trains to take it in turn around the rest of the single track. There are a few sidings and industrial buildings being serviced by the trains.

All buildings, locomotives, rolling stock etc are scratch built, designed and 3D printed by the owner.

B22. Have O Go (O) – East Grinstead Model Railway Club



An interactive layout encouraging visitors to roll up their sleeves and “have a go” at driving trains.

B23. Brightlingsea (N) – Fred Gallone



It is a model of the Brightlingsea railway station at around 1960 a few years before closure of the line. It is a basic end to end operation with a run around at the station end.

B24. D'Ikeakato Dioramas (N) – Dean Halls

A fun collection of 190mm dioramas depicting various scenes which are then joined together to run short trains.

B25. The Shunting Puzzle (OO) – The Double O Gauge Association

Try your hand at arranging the loco and wagons in a specific order – a puzzle that will put your shunting skills to the test!

TRADE STANDS AND ASSOCIATIONS

A1. Andy Lynch Model Railways

Second hand / pre-loved locos, rollingstock, accessories.

A2. ALLWHEELS

New and pre-loved model railways

A3. The Wagon Yard

Wide range of wagons, rolling stock and model rail accessories, including Rapido, ModelU, Deluxe, Dapol, Kadee, Gaugemaster and more.

A4. The Double O Gauge Association

Support & knowledge for OO gauge modellers.

A5. Bits and Bobs

Transport items: Corgi, Dinky, Hornby, etc.

A6. Sudbury Model Railways

Model railways bought and sold.

A7. DoubleM Models

Designer and maker of 3D printed locomotive and rolling stock kits in multiple scales.

A8. Andy Wright

Second hand model railway equipment

A9. NMRA (BR)

An association supporting railway modellers across all gauges, scales and worldwide scenarios.

A10. Harrison Brown Model Railways

Toys and Collectables

A11. Railway Memories

Railway/Tram/Ship DVDs, railway-themed T-shirts and Birthday/Christmas Cards all made from my own video/photographic material.

A12. MUD

Metal, paints and tools.

A13. Black Cat Trains

Pre-owned, (mostly) N gauge models and accessories.

A14. Kitmaster Collectors Club

Buying, selling, and swapping all brands of collectable plastic assembly railway subjects.

A15. Dream Steam

We sell new OO, OO9, TT and N gauge locos, rolling stock, track and everything else for your railway.

A16. Plus Daughters

N gauge new and second hand

A17. Model railway signs

A wide range of signs and posters for your model railway – a variety of eras, gauges and countries.

ABOUT MODEL RAILWAY QUEST



Model Railway Quest is an exciting YouTube channel for everyone who is passionate about model railways.

Created and presented by Dawn Quest - a model railway enthusiast, TV producer and journalist, it features model railway shows, interviews with leading figures in the industry, layout and scenery tutorials and much more.

She is helped along the way by Grumpy Camera Man - though "helped" might be too strong a word.

Dawn's exhibition layout - Brief Encounter Monochrome - which has been created entirely in shades of grey (more than 32 at last count) made its debut on the exhibition circuit in 2023 and has been exhibited across the UK and at shows in mainland Europe. Her second model railway layout also has a film theme – based on the 1955 Ealing comedy The Ladykillers.

Dawn is an advocate for encouraging more women into the model railway hobby and runs the Women Railway Modellers Facebook group. She is a member of the Double O Gauge Association and the NMRA.

Model Railway Quest currently organises three model railway shows a year – in Hastings, Sevenoaks and now Clacton on Sea.

Find out more at: www.youtube.com/@modelrailwayquest

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