



Competition Timetable 2026

Date	Title	Dioramas Allowed	Theme
21 Jan	'Random Kit' comp	No	Open only to participants of the 'Random Kit' swap held June 2025.
18 Feb	February comp	Yes	None
29 Apr	April comp	No	None
24 Jun	Memorial Trophy comp and swapping of 'Random Kits' <i>(Note: the Random Kit Competition will be held on 20 January 2027)</i>	No	The Memorial Trophy this year is an open competition with no theme, this ties in with the 'No theme' decision for this year's SMW
22 Jul	July comp "John's models"	Yes	A one off this year to remember John Allison by building/finishing one of his many kits
19 Aug	August comp	Yes	None
30 Sep	Scale Model World "IPMS Branch Competition" Selector	Yes	None
28 Oct	October comp	No	None

9 Dec	Christmas comp	No	None
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Shropshire Scale Modellers - 2026 Competition Rules

1. All entries must be the work of the club member named on the entry form.
2. All entries (except entries in the 'IPMS Branch Competition' Selector), must be a new build that has not been displayed before at a club night.
3. Members may have only **one** entry in each competition (incl. the 'IPMS Branch Comp' Selector).
4. Members cannot vote for their own models.
5. Entries must comply with the competition theme, where one is specified.
6. Models may be displayed on a base no longer than 1.5 times the size of the model's largest plan dimension or 150mm, whichever is the largest. The 'plan dimension' of a model shall be taken as its length or breadth, not its diagonal dimension. The base may include other items (for example figures), but none of these supplementary items may overhang the edges of the base. Entries that do not comply with the requirements of this clause will be categorised as 'dioramas'.
7. Dioramas may only be entered into competitions that are designated as such (as indicated in the Competition Timetable). Additionally, one item from a diorama (for example a vehicle), may be entered separately into a 'non-diorama' competition, provided the work content of the item clearly represents less than 50% of the work content of the diorama as a whole. If the item is entered into a competition before the diorama is complete, then the diorama may only subsequently enter a competition if its total work content is clearly more than twice the work content of the relevant item.
8. Any diorama base should be no more than 500mm by 500mm, unless previously agreed with the Competition Secretary.
9. The Memorial Trophy competition commemorates all the members that we have lost over the years. The winner will receive a suitably engraved memorial trophy which they will keep.

- 10.** To be eligible to enter the Christmas competition, a member must have entered at least two previous competitions in that year (not applicable to members joining in that year).
- 11.** Entry into the SMW 'IPMS Branch Competition' Selector is restricted to IPMS members who are willing (if successful), for their entry to represent the club in the IPMS Branch Competition at Scale Model World 2026. There are no restrictions on the type or prior competition history of the entries, others than those that may be imposed by the IPMS (for example, the maximum size for a diorama).
The club will pay any fee that may be levied by the IPMS for entry into the IPMS Branch Competition.