

### **Display at D Day Story "Airfix Build a Model Day" Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

Members of Area 4 put on a display of models at the D Day Story Museum in Southsea in support of their Half Term children's event . "Airfix Build a Model Day".

Tables were put up in the centre of the conference area and furnished with paint and glue etc, for the princely sum of £3 the children are given a Airfix Kit to build and keep. Helpers are on hand to assist the children (and parents!) in building their kit. This year they had a choice of a 1/72 WW2 Gun and tractor, Japanese Zero fighter or a Spitfire. (The kits are supplied to the museum for the event by Airfix ).

The event was very well attended and the modelling tables were fully occupied all day , the museum helpers were assisted by our members and we all had a great time helping and experienced great interaction with some very enthusiastic children and parents .

The SWA members display comprised a selection of kit built models to give the visitors an idea of larger models available on the market, a second set of tables contained a selection of scratchbuilt models and Dave Reith's newly acquired unbuilt Trumpeter RMS Titanic at 1/200 scale opened up to show the contents of the kit , we also had several part built models on show .

After the event the Museum informed us that the feedback forms had given the event a very positive report and the SWA members were complimented on for their valuable help given to the participants.

Members attending were John Hawley, Dave Reith, Ken Winter, Geoff Young and his Lady wife, John Wills, Alan Gamblin and Myself.

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