

Burseldon Brickworks Museum, Christmas Event

26th November 2017.

On Sunday 26th November members of Area 4 put on a display of their models at the Burseldon Brickworks Industrial Museum Christmas Open Day and Fair. The museum is located alongside the River Hamble just outside Southampton.

As well as our display there were lots of craft stalls and other stands, the museum had their steam machinery running and there were outside displays with Traction engines etc. Father Christmas was also in attendance for the children.

Our display was located in one of the training rooms and consisted of 17 models ranging from Battleships to Frigates from WW2 to the present day. Geoff Young had brought along his 1/96 scale HMS Invincible which attracted lots of attention and together with a Type 45 destroyer, Type 23 frigate, Hunt Class Minehunter and other modern warships it made up a eye catching show of the ships of the modern Royal Navy in contrast with the WW2 warships of yesteryear.



Alan Gamblins HMS Antrim



Alan Gamblins HMS Somali



Alan Hall's HMS Active



Alan Hall's HMS Falmouth



Dave Reith's HMS Quorn



Ken Winter's HMS Southampton
and Dave Reith's HMS Mauritius



David McNair Taylor's HMS Dauntless



David McNair Taylor's HMS Curacoa



Geoff Young's HMS Duke of York



Geoff Young's HMS Invincible



John Hawley's HMS Nelson



John Hawley's MTB



We ran our Children's Xmas Quiz, which was very well received, by the younger visitors and their family members, this kept us busy throughout the day. The packets of sweets awarded for completing the quiz went down very well.

We had a constant stream of visitors all day, so busy at times that we were considering limiting the number of people coming in but we managed to cater for all in the end.

We also received lots of compliments on the display and the standard of the models.

We hope to return to participate in the 2018 event.

Member attending were John Hawley, Geoff Young, Dave and Andrea Reith, Ken Winter, Alan Gamblin, Alan Hall and myself.

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