



Salisbury Model Centre Named Hornby Hobbies' Model Shop of the Year 2025

Hornby Hobbies is delighted to announce that **Salisbury Model Centre** has been crowned **Model Shop of the Year 2025**. Selected from nearly 150 nominated shops, Salisbury Model Centre secured the title following a public vote and evaluation by an expert judging panel.

The awards recognise independent model shops that go above and beyond in **supporting their local model communities, highlighting the wellbeing benefits of hobbies, and inspiring the next generation of hobbyists**. Salisbury Model Centre, owned by **Clive "Oz" Osbaldeston**, stood out for its deep community engagement and commitment to making hobbies accessible to all.

Andy Parkins from Men's Sheds, one of this year's judges, praised Oz's approach to model retailing: *"Oz's offers a place for everyone and is clearly an important social hub. We were impressed with Oz's introduction into model shop ownership, being inspired through his work with Models for Heroes and very much carrying on this mantle. His further plans for outreach modelling workshops, with the Scouts, is exciting as an opportunity for youngsters to get involved, where so many are now missing the wellbeing benefits of hands-on making and modelling."*

Hornby Hobbies extends its congratulations to Salisbury Model Centre and to all the finalists—Jadlam Toys & Models, Great Eastern Models, Rails of Sheffield, and Chester Model Centre—for their outstanding contributions to the model hobby industry.

For more information about the awards, visit <https://www.hornbyhobbies.co.uk/hornby-hobbies/model-shop-of-the-year/winners>.

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