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The Spitfire Society Airfix Model Building Competition

I hope you will find the following Spitfire Society initiative of interest. It is designed as a Classroom or Extra Curricular project.



x15 - BTK Spitfire Kits

The Spitfire Society is a charitable trust and a grant-giving society with a remit to promote educational activities in the field of aviation. By way of introducing our Schools Curriculum Support Project we are inaugurating a nation-wide model Spitfire-building competition this year. We currently support projects in higher education and now wish to involve younger pupils. The intention is to stimulate interest in aviation history and to celebrate British scientific and technical achievement.

This year is the seventy-fifth anniversary of the first flight of the prototype Spitfire. We are celebrating this milestone by holding a nation-wide competition to build a model Spitfire or Spitfire(s) in a diorama.

Your school or youth group is invited to take part in the competition which will enjoy a high public profile. The competition is open only to schools and youth groups and the challenge is to complete your entry by 1st October 2011. We will send you a box of fifteen 1/72nd Airfix kit Spitfires free of charge as soon as we receive your application. Judges from the Spitfire Society will visit you as a preliminary to the National Final at the International Model Fair at Telford in November and will be available to help if you wish.



The top individual prize will be a flight in a helicopter in company with a Spitfire over the White Cliffs of Dover with "Action Stations - Fly-with-a-Spitfire Experience".

The details can be seen on the web:

www.goactionstations.co.uk



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The competition

The competition is open to individuals, pairs or groups and is in two age ranges:

Primary - Yrs 5 & 6 and Secondary - Yrs 7 & 8.

What you have to do.

Build a model Spitfire and paint it in authentic camouflage. You will have to investigate this to get it as near as possible to the correct pattern. *Tip: The Spitfire Society website or members may help you!*

You will have to support your entry with a short piece of writing (not more than one A4 page) which demonstrates your interest in or your knowledge about the Spitfire. This can be a fictional story, a piece of research, an article on a relative who worked on Spitfires or even an interview with a pilot or engineer. We want you to show us your initiative.

What category will you enter?

There are two age ranges:

If you are in Primary Years 5 or 6 you will be in Category One.

If you are in Secondary Year 7 or 8 you will be in Category Two.

In either of the above categories, you can enter as:

- an individual competitor (Category a)
- or with a friend (Category b)
- or with a helping adult (Category c)

One last piece of information:

If your group are "Artistically Minded" you can create a diorama to display your model. This will be in two separate categories and is especially suited to team entries (up to three people) they can be:

- friends (Category d)
- or helping adults. (Category e)

Prizes for the competition will include:

- a helicopter flight in company with Spitfire BM597 as first individual prize.
- various Airfix Spitfire kits,
- books and videos about the Spitfire
- various Spitfire memorabilia
- visits to see Spitfires close up
- and one or two nice things we haven't thought of yet!

Have fun and have a go!



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The Spitfire Society Airfix Model Building Competition APPLICATION FORM Use Block Capitals

School / Youth Group Name

Head Teacher / Group Leader

Address

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.....Post Code.....

TelephoneFax.....

Web site

Competition Contact Name

Position / Role

TelephoneExt.....

Email

Categories entered (tick all that apply)

Primary (Category 1)

Secondary (Category 2)

Individual (Category A)

Individual + Friend (Category B)

Individual + helping Adult (Category C)

Diorama + Friends (Category D)

Diorama + helping Adult (Category E)

Please return this form by post before the 23rd September 2011 to:

Airfix Competition. The Spitfire Society, PO Box 202, Biggin Hill, Westerham, Kent. TN16 9DA

A representative of the Spitfire Society will be in contact with you afterwards.

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Contact us via www.spitfiresociety.com on the "Contact Us" page

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The Spitfire Society Airfix Model Building Competition Competition Rules

1. Your School or youth group must provide the Spitfire Society with the required details when you enter this competition. We will contact you only via your school or youth group.
2. Only one entry will be accepted per person or in the case of a team entry.
3. Entries must be submitted using the correct form and sent to the correct postal address.
4. Unless otherwise agreed the competition is open only to UK residents in the appropriate age range for the category at the closing date.
5. Entrants must obtain permission from their parent or guardian before entering the competition.
6. Where the competition asks for a piece of written work or piece of artwork it must be entirely your own work and its originality will be taken into account by the judges. By contributing your work you agree to grant the Spitfire Society unrestricted use of the material and the right to publish. Your entries will be returned to you.
7. The competition winner(s) will be contacted via your school or youth group.
8. Prizes must be taken as stated. There will be no cash alternatives.
9. The competition will be judged in two stages:

Local level – judged at your school or youth group
National level – at the International Model Fair at Telford in November 2011
(final date to be confirmed).
10. The judge's decision is final.
12. Players must comply with all rules to be eligible for the prizes.
13. The Spitfire Society reserves the right to cancel the competition at any stage, if deemed necessary in its opinion, and if circumstances arise outside of its control.
14. Entrants will be deemed to have accepted these rules and to agree to be bound by them when entering this competition. Entrants may be asked to take part in post competition publicity.
15. This agreement is governed by the laws of England and Wales.
16. This competition is administered by the Spitfire Society

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