

EXHIBITION INFORMATION

Name of Layout **THE CLYDACH RAILWAY**

Gauge: **9mm**

Scale: **4mm to 1 foot
(009 Narrow Gauge)**

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Layout details: **Space required 4m by 3m (see plan overleaf)**

It is ideal for positioning in a corner of an exhibition hall.

The layout is free-standing with its own lighting and digital photographic display panel.

Number of operators: 3 or 4 depending on size and duration of exhibition

Insurance value : £7200

Power supply : 1 x 13amp socket

Travelling expenses: **Trailer hire plus cost of diesel for return trip from Shepton Mallet to exhibition venue.**

Overnight accommodation **(if required) for three (or possibly four for a very large exhibition)**

Parking **Space required for one car + trailer
(If 4 operators are used, an additional car will be required)**

'CLYDACH' was awarded 'Best in Show' at the Letchworth M.R.S. Exhibition in November 2012 and received a special award at the Barnsley M.R.C. Exhibition in November 2013. The layout was awarded the David Glascott Trophy at the 2014 Warley National Exhibition at the NEC for 'Best Narrow Gauge Layout', and won the Tolworth Showtrain Trophy for the 'Best in Show' at the Hampton Court Model Railway Exhibition in November 2015. Another 'Best in Show' award was received in September 2017 at The Heart of the Midlands Model Railway Exhibition at Loughborough, organised by the Soar Valley Model Railway Club. In October 2018, CLYDACH was awarded a trophy at Railex Fareham for "Outstanding Scenic Features".

More photos & two videos of this layout, and details of Richard's other exhibition layouts, can be seen on the website:

www.richardholder.org.uk

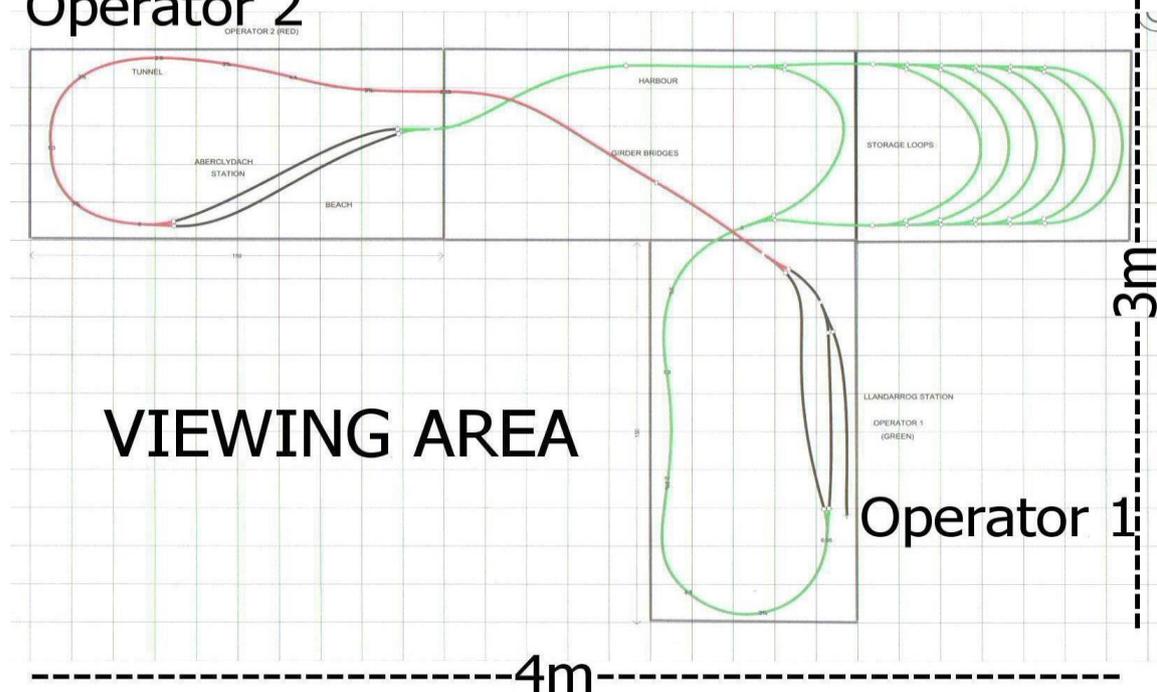
Richard is a member of [The 009 Society](http://www.009society.com)
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See next page for layout description and track-plan.

The layout represents a fictional preserved tourist railway situated somewhere on the coast of north-west Wales. Richard has imagined that the original line was built to carry slate from quarries in the mountains to the port of Aberclydach. After commercial operation ceased, the *Clydach Railway Preservation Society* took over the ownership of the railway in 1954 and re-opened it. The line later expanded onto the track-bed and bridges of a standard gauge branch line which had closed in the 60's. The new section was opened in 1979 and since then passenger numbers have grown, new stock has been built and now the Clydach Railway (Rheilffordd Clydach) is undoubtedly one of the "Great Little Trains of Wales". A wide variety of stock is run on the layout representing a variety of narrow gauge lines. Locomotives include a number of Garratt articulated designs. There are two stations on different levels with inclines and an impressive girder bridge across a river estuary. The layout also features a colourful beach scene and many other scenic details.

The depth of 3m includes 0.75m space for Operator 2



The layout was featured in the November 2010 and the May & June 2012 issues of **RAILWAY MODELLER**, the February 2018 edition of **BRM Magazine**, and the June 2018 edition of **Narrow Gauge World Magazine**

