

# MERG Tayside Area Group



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## How do I contact the Area Group



Please indicate Tayside Area Group in your message [Contact MERG](#)

## Who are the leaders of the group?



Fraser Smith - Leader  
Jim Lynch - Deputy  
John Walker - Communications

## Would you like to join today?

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then sign up to Tayside Area Group.



[Join the Tayside Area Group](#)

Already a member? Then Select **Tayside Area Group** from the drop down list in **Other Area Groups** and press the **Subscribe to Area Group** button.

We currently have over 60 members in the Group, with around 16 - 20 participating in our meetings.

## How do you meet?

The group normally meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month (currently between 7:30pm and 9:30pm using Zoom)



Dates for meetings are held in the [MERG meetings diary](#) unless otherwise stated or see **When are the next Meetings?** below.

Members wishing to attend a meeting can get directions from the group via the contact form or subscribe to the area group.

## When are the Next Meetings?

Date	Event	Description	Location	Link
19:30 15-May	Tayside Area Group Zoom session	Tayside members meet via Zoom to discuss what they have been working on.	Online Zoom Meeting	
10:00 01-Jun	Tayside Area Group Workshop	Tayside AG members meet to work on a group or their own project. All those registered to the group are welcome to attend. Come along and get solutions to those problems that are holding you back.	The Friary, Tullideph Road, Dundee, DD2 2PN	
19:30 19-Jun	Tayside Area Group Zoom session	Tayside members meet via Zoom to discuss what they have been working on.	Online Zoom Meeting	



**DEC 2021 - GOVERNMENT RESTRICTIONS ON GATHERINGS** - Due to the re-emerging COVID-19 restrictions all our meetings are reverting to online using Zoom video conferencing software. Zoom is easy to use so please join us online. You should find that we normally have a 90 minute meeting (fortnightly) on a Wednesday evening.

This situation will continue until at least Mar 2022, when it will be reviewed in line with the Scottish government guidelines at that time.

We will return to our face to face meetings, when it is considered safe to do so

## How do Zoom Video Calls Work?

The calls will last 90 minutes or so. To participate, members need a mobile phone, tablet or a PC / Mac with a camera and microphone.

Topics are agreed in advance.



When it is time to start a call, a voice and video conference is opened up which has thumbnails of each video participant and any shared presentations or desktops. The call leader facilitates the call and the discussions and tries to get through the agenda in the agreed time. Zoom has two views available. The first is the speaker view which selects the video stream from the person speaking. The second is Gallery view which shows streams from all participants.

If you would like to try out Zoom, then there is a test meeting service where you are the only participant and you can experiment with the various options available.

[Test Zoom](#)

This link is available to anybody, not just members of the area group.

## Local Links



### **Model Railway Clubs**

[Dundee Model Railway Club](#) Runs Exhibition in Dundee

[Perth Model Railway Group](#) Runs Exhibition in Perth

[Cupar Model Railway Club](#) Runs Exhibition in Cupar

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