



SCALE MODEL COMPETITION AND EXHIBITION

# SCALEACT 2021 OCTOBER 30 - 31

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Welcome to the first edition of the ScaleACT21 Bulletin.

The object of this bulletin and a few others that will follow will be to communicate with everybody on how we are progressing with the Committee's plans for the event. We intend to share what information we have, and what progress we have made, widely so as to keep everyone informed in the lead up to October.

To address the elephant in the room, yes COVID will still be a thing. We will endeavour to make sure we remain compliant with whatever guidelines are mandated throughout the event, but COVID will mean that there will be an additional impost on us all. These range from having COVID Marshalls in attendance to paying for a COVID clean of the venue and facilities each day. The latter will result in a small increase in fees in a number of areas, but the Committee will be keeping the same admission prices – there will be no price increase for visitor admissions, whether they be individuals or families.

The Club recently held a one-day event (a mini expo if you will) which provided the committee with many lessons and validated some new processes which will be adopted and implemented for ScaleACT21. These centred heavily around the conduct of the competition aspect, and involved measures such as electronic online entries only, competition tables layout, new triage-judging process, and winner/commended awards. The list of competition categories has also been rationalised to ensure things remain manageable for the organisers. Having said that, we will be introducing an additional category to the Gundam genre, this to cater to the ever-increasing popularity of Gunpla in the model building community.

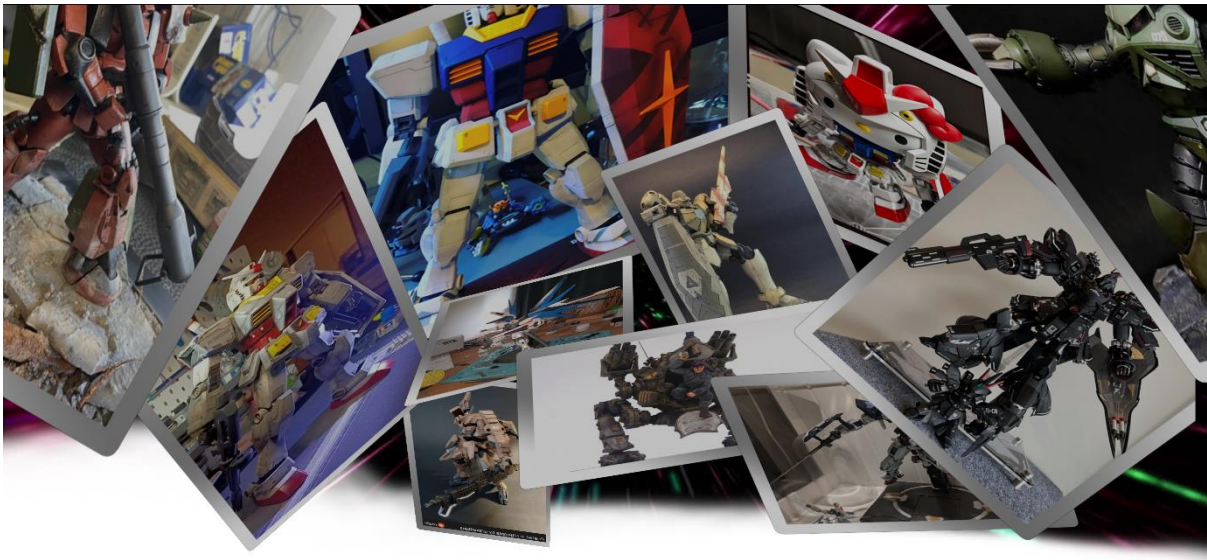


## SWAP AND SELL

One area that will differentiate us from other competitions is that we will be running our popular Swap and Sell throughout the weekend. However, there will be a few changes – for example, to combat the theft that occurred during the last ScaleACT, bags will not be allowed in the Swap and Sell sales area. You will be required to leave any bags and/or earlier purchases in your car or with a mate beforehand, entry will be strictly 'empty hands' only.

Additionally, to ensure that Swap and Sell is COVIDSafe, there will need to be restrictions on the number of people allowed in the sales area at any one time. Also, COVID compliance comes at a financial cost – COVID cleans as previously mentioned. Consequently, there will a small fee increase for all sellers (including ACTSMS members), and an entry fee for the first few hours of entry into the Swap and Sell area (part Saturday only, Sunday will be free). The intent here is two-fold: to help offset the cost of COVID cleans for the event, and to reduce the numbers of people queuing to enter during the initial 'crush'.

## GUNPLA BUILDERS ASSEMBLE



A fan of Gunpla? Join other likeminded modellers by entering this year's Gundam category at ScaleACT! We are expecting a good number of entries from builders of different skill levels. Whether you're just starting to paint, or a seasoned Gunpla builder, we would love to see your entries!

This year, we're also pleased to introduce a new category for our Gundam competition – the **Gundam Straight Build** category. Sponsored by the newly minted Canberra Hobby Centre, this category is perfect for new Gunpla builders, or those new to scale modelling in general. With no painting or modification skills needed to enter, we're hoping that newcomers can experience the excitement of joining a competition, while learning valuable skills along the way.

In the future, we're hoping to further expand the Gundam category to include other aspects such as kitbashing and a strictly repaint only category. This would further cater to every Gunpla builder out there with different budget and skill levels. We believe Gunpla is freedom, and that builders should not feel "limited" by their skills or budget, and be rewarded for their creativity. Stay tuned for more updates, and we hope to see you at ScaleACT this year!



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