



UNITED KINGDOM AIRSOFT PLAYERS UNION

UKAPU AGM MINUTES

March 8th 2023

Attendees: See separate sheet.

Apologies: None

Minutes of previous AGM: David Weston briefly ran over these and all agreed they were correct.

Reports

Chairman's Report: Tim, as his role as interim chairman has only been in the role for a few weeks, so has little to report, other than his view that the airsoft community has returned to normal after the global pandemic. He has also reported that he's not aware of anything significant happening to negatively affect airsoft during his short period in the role, to which he is thankful. He is aware that the organisation is involved with dealing with a couple of serious matters on behalf of members that are not yet able to be reported.

Registrar's Report: David Weston, acting on behalf of the registrar, was able to report continued significant increase in membership. This was in spite of UKAPU not being present at any events during the past year.

We have had a few members wishing to no longer be paid members of UKAPU and some of the reasons that were volunteered by those former members were that they were no longer playing airsoft.

Summary as of the meeting is as follows:

Bronze: 3187

Silver: 184

Gold: 493

Year	Membership
2022-2023	3817
2021	3440
2020	2865
2019	2258
2018	2265

Treasurer's Report: James Williams as treasurer has reported that the accounts remain healthy, and that income from our members has remained roughly the same.

There has been no large expenses within this reporting period, as a significant amount of assets were purchased during the previous reporting period.

The treasurer has noted that due to the delay in holding the AGM, this has in effect shifted the reporting period by approximately 5 months which therefore would cause some peculiarities, such as website fees appearing to being charged twice.

The accounts were audited by Hayden Morgan.

Election of Officers

All of the positions except the press officer role were uncontested, however during the voting process another candidate for the press officer role decided to withdraw, and volunteer themselves for another role.

Chairman	- Tim Haines
Vice-Chair	- Tom Pritchard
Press Officer	- Jacob Wright
Registrar	- (vacant, role temporarily held by secretary)
Secretary	- David Weston
Treasurer	- James Williams

Regional Representatives:

Scotland	- Robbie Hutchison
East England	- Jacob Wright
North England	- Steven Morley
South West	- Daniel Shears
South East	- Robert Quick (interim)
Midlands	- (vacant)
Wales	- Tom Pritchard
Northern Ireland	- (vacant pending further discussions)
Student	- (vacant)

Co-opt additional positions and sub committees

Benefits	- Bill Whitmore-Ryan
Assistant Press Officer	- Bill Whitmore-Ryan
Events	- Andy Peet
EAA Representative	- Tim Haines
Consultant	- Matt Furey-King

Subscription fees

Based on discussions during the AGM that informed those present that the association still gains sufficient funding from the current fee structure, the chairman laid a motion to keep the current subscription rates as follows and asks for any objections.

- Offer Bronze membership at £0.00 per annum.
- Offer Silver membership at £5.00 per annum, with welcome patch.
- Offer Gold membership at £10.00 per annum, with two welcome patches.

No objections were received therefore motion approved, confirming no changes to current scheme.

Points to be discussed at next AGM

No further points raised.

Date of next AGM

Some time during February or March 2023. The committee strongly wishes that the next AGM is to be held in person, in the manner that was prior to the coronavirus pandemic, where members of the association would attend a game day then the AGM is held.

The chairman then explained that further discussions take place at the next management meeting, asks members to take a break and come back in 10 minutes.

DW declares the meeting over. Management meeting to resume at 20:30.