# **Annual General Meeting 2025**

# 20th January 2025 / 6:30 PM

Current elected Committee Members in attendance:				
<b>✓</b>	Adam S	✓ Matt W	☑ Tim D	✓ Dave R
$\checkmark$	Tom H	☑ James M	☐ Adam Y	□ Doug S
	Billy M	✓ Will W	☐ Carl W	$\square$ Dom T

There were 8 members present

# **AGENDA**

# 1. Chairman's Report

2024 has been our most successful year ever in terms of the number of people through the door and the financials. I'll cover it off in more detail in the Financials section, but we've gone from making a loss in 2023 to making a profit in 2024.

We couldn't do that without the continued support of the members who attend week in and week out, so thank you so much for that.

I'm sure you'll have all noticed the much improved website and signing in system we've had in place since the start of 2024. We've seen a huge increase in ticket sales since launching the website, and the data from sign ins is helping us to see the impact our meetup nights and leagues are having.

We started the year with the launch of "HABBL - The Hull's Angels Blood Bowl League". This was a huge success with 32 players signed up and really increased our attendance numbers and brought new faces to the club.

We welcomed the launch of AOS with a Spearhead League. Again, new faces in and growing our community.

Malifaux also saw a resurgence with a league and an event. The club has invested in some more Malifaux mats to ensure the future success of the Malifaux Scene.

Old World has been extremely successful with events and a regular community meet up night each month.

Horus Heresy has grown too with a league and another event planned for the new year.

Finally, a big shout out to Ben Taylor, who ran a slow grow 40K league which attracted loads of new players to the club. We've taken that further in 2025 and launched a new Slow Grow league which has 64 players signed up!!

None of this could be possible without the support of our committee. I'm involved less and less nowadays, and leave more up to the rest of the team. They do a fantastic job of making sure we've got a club to call that's open at least twice a week and ensuring that this community will always have somewhere to call home. For that I am eternally grateful. Thanks team.

#### 2. Financials

2023 we approximately broke even. After investing in changing our electric meter and new lighting, we had a loss of £2.3K, with £6.5K left in the bank. I was a bit gutted because I was hoping we'd break even overall in 2023. The team responded with leagues, more events than ever before and an increase in the hobby stock.

Without increasing our entry price or charging the community any more, we've made a profit in 2024 of approximately £4K. That's after investing nearly £2K in additional mats and terrain. We've finished the year with £10K in the bank. A great turnaround that has been achieved by running more events and getting more people through the door.

A tremendous effort from the team.

Heading into 2025, we do have a rent increase baked into the lease from the end of January of approximately 20%. This is going to increase our annual costs by approximately £2,000. To combat this increase, we're running more leagues and community meet ups than ever before, running regular advertising campaigns and hoping to increase attendance at events. Note that we're NOT looking to increase entry costs at present. It's a tough world out there at the moment and passing this on to our members isn't something we want to do.

Our next rent increase is in 2028 and will be in line with inflation

- 3. Data See attached Data Report
- **4.** Proposed Changes to the Constitution (see red sections of this PDF)

- Added 5.11 clarifying how events are run by committee members and how much can be spent on prize support.
   Approved
- Added section to 5.12 community members running events on behalf of the club **Approved**
- Added section in 5.13 about trial period and removal of co-opted committee members. Updated wording at end to clarify how many committee members must stand at the next election.
   Approved
- Amendment to wording approved in 5.13 to change from unanimous vote to super majority (75%). **Approved**
- 5.14 Clarification of wording on appointing safeguarding officer(s). Approved
- 5.15 Clarification of wording on committee members changing annexes. Approved
- Added 5.16 about removing committee members who don't fulfil
  Annex C. Approved
- Added 5.17 about complaints from committee members about other committee members. Approved
- Added 5.18 about keyholders. Approved
- Clarification of wording in 7.1. **Approved**

- Clarification of wording in 7.3. Approved
- Change to 7.7 to allow anonymous voting rather than voting by hand. Approved
- Amendment to change wording of 7.7 to be more generic to allow change in format while remaining anonymous. Approved
- Clarification of wording in 7.12 about what counts as damaging to the club. Approved
- Updated wording to 8.3. Approved
- Updated wording on 8.4 about safeguarding. Approved
- Updated wording on 8.5 about ages able to attend the club.
  Approved
- Updated wording on 8.6. Approved
- Updated wording on section 9.1.2. Approved
- 5. Committee Members stepping down
  - a. Doug Sedman
  - b. Billy Mason
  - c. Dom Toffolo
  - d. Carl Walker
- **6.** Elections
  - a. Adam Stephenson
    - i. For:14 Against:0
    - ii. Result: appointed

# b. William Wilkes

i. For: 14ii. Against: 0

iii. Result: appointed

# c. Paul Hutton

i. For: 9 Against: 5

Result: appointed

# d. Ben Taylor

i. For:14 Against:0

ii. Result: appointed

#### e. Dom Neuner

i. For:14 Against:0

Result: appointed

# f. Rhys Mayes

i. For: 7 Against:8

ii. Result: not appointed

# g. Mark Ward

i. For: 13 Against:1

Result: appointed

# h. James Mackenzie

i. For:8

Against:6

Result: appointed

# **7.** AOB

Discussion on how members and the club store and organise terrain.

**Actions:** Will and Tim create a system for club owned terrain and a system for members to declare their scenery is at the club, can be used by all, and if any damages/theft occur the club isn't held responsible. Further discussion needed by committee on how and if members can store terrain at the club.

Question on when door and stairlift to be fixed.

**Actions:** Adam to contact companies for quotes for doors, Dave looking into stairlift.

Discussion about posting on club socials asking if members have any contacts in the industries to help us with various jobs (such as light fittings). **Actions**: Post on socials and possibly put up "Help Wanted" signs.