

Minutes Maidenhead Reapers Committee Meeting 27/1/18

Present: Mick (Chairman) Mark, Eric, Leon, Richard (Minutes)

Apologies: Chris (Observer)

1) Financial Summary and Report(Mark)

From September 17 (the start of the club year)

Income:

Profit from club nights (after rent etc deducted) £169

Memberships £110

Terrain hire £10

Expenditure:

Insurance £99

Terrain £325

Club Banner £54

Tournament Prize £4

Current Balance: £1,268

Mark's new record keeping system shows that attendance has been growing slowly, though unevenly since September. There have only been a few weeks where we have lost money on club nights. Most of the terrain expenditure has been on the Deepcut mats that are expected to last a long time and be well used.

2) Leon Allen voted into the committee.

This was passed 4 votes to 0. Leon takes up the vacant position of events officer

3) Membership Cards

For members to benefit from the discounts (that have been negotiated with Eclectic games in Reading and Berkshire Dollhouse and Model co in Twyford) we need to have a system of membership cards. In addition, this avoids the potentially problematic point of sending a list of members to 3rd party traders and the data protection issues that arise. Eric has investigated Vistaprint who will do 250 cards for £10 and a custom reapers stamp for £10. Mick and Richard both have laminating machines they are willing to let the club use. It is thought that the £20 expenditure is acceptable, and this is passed 5-0. **Action for Eric.**

4) New Committee Operating Rules

To avoid future misunderstandings among the committee the following points are here codified:

The quorum of the committee is 3, at least 3 of 5 committee members must be present for the meeting to be valid.

Decisions can only be made with a majority of the committee, present or not (i.e. 3 in favour)

Meetings will continue to be held in person with published, approved, minutes (like these) acting as a definitive record of decisions taken

Any committee members can call for an online discussion to be paused and recommenced in person without the need to justify themselves, they are encouraged to do this if they feel there has been a misunderstanding or there is a potential for significant disagreement.

Vote in favour 5-0

5) Survey Results and Report and Suggestions (Richard)

28 people answered the survey, an increase of 7 from last year.

These results, published separately are used to inform the choice of upcoming events, particularly the strong interest in weekend big games. There are also a number of good suggestions that are debated in turn. In summary the most popular games are 40k and Bolt action, with Fantasy, Blood Bowl, Necromunda, and Frostgrave in a second tier. A sizeable number of people are looking forward to the release of Star Wars Legion.

5.1) Trip to Nottingham

This is a good idea we will do it early in the summer. Visit Warhammer world, North Star and Warlord games. (passed 5-0) Discussion as to whether this should have a 40k apocalypse game mixed in, inconclusive as many potential players have non-GW parts that might be problematic.

5.2) More varied Terrain

We will prepare a detailed shopping list and pre orders for Salute in April to get more terrain, opinion from attendees will be sought prior to this. (agreement 5-0)

5.3) Paying by PayPal/Bank Transfer

This is difficult given we have just had a referendum that retained the pay per night system. Pay pal charges in this situation and there will not be an easy way to check bank transfers till after the fact. This is not adopted for now. (agreement 5-0)

5.4) Monday News Announcement/Discussion

This is similar to the newsletter idea previously discussed (but not yet implemented). There is concern that to get the maximum number of people involved will require an announcement in the middle of the evening that could be disruptive to people's games. The newsletter will be produced and people wishing to discuss things should stay till the end of the evening to chat as the tables are being cleared away. **Action for Richard** to produce a simple newsletter with events and so on.

5.5) Publish Accounts Regularly

This is a good idea and was accepted unanimously (passed 5-0) See above for accounts summary.

5.6) Marketplace to Sell/Swap Unwanted Miniatures.

Although the Berks Model co visit was popular, there is some concern about having a 'trading' table on Mondays would be against the spirit of our use of the room. A separate Facebook page (linked from the website) is proposed for people to swap or sell things on. **Action Eric**

6) Events

6.1) Upcoming Shows/External Events

3rd March Overlord (Abingdon) Tiger 131 table to go

25th March WAR vs Reapers Bolt Action Tournament

14th April Salute (London) Terrain Shopping

27th May Vanquish Bourne End (we want to do two tables this year, one Bolt action, one 40k)

6.2) Monday Night Events

Feb 12th Tank War mini Tournament (**Action Mick**)

12th March 40k/Apocalypse Big Game (**Action Leon + Mark**)

16th April Bolt Action Big Game (**Action Richard + Mick**)

14th May Sigmar Big Game\Intro Sessions depending on interest (**Action Leon**)

6.3) Weekend Events

Early April (7th + 8th?) Fantasy Big Game, possibly combine with a smaller different game depending on the overlap and available space. Doodle will be used to finalise a suitable date and attendance (**Action Eric**)

40k Apocalypse game tbc (**Action Leon + Mark**)

BA big game in the summer (**Action Mick**) date tbc

Trip to Nottingham. Date tbc

Potentially a Blood Bowl Cup event tbc (**Action Richard**)

6.4) Campaigns

Blood bowl League about to kick off. Many thanks to Alex B for running this.

Pacific Bolt Action theatre campaign underway. Many thanks to Chris W for this – after this may try and do a more inclusive quasi competitive one covering all theatres. (**Action Mick + Richard**)

40k mini campaign leading up to Apocalypse game (**Action Leon, Eric and Mark**)

Necromunda Campaign to wait till BB league has a hiatus and more gangs are released

7) AOB -> Website

Some things need adding to the website:

Events Calendar page, Campaigns Page, Link to trading page (**Action Richard**)