



# AIRSOFT AUCKLAND

## WARGAMES LIKE NO OTHER



MINUTES  
19<sup>th</sup> May 2010  
Chair: Mark

**Present:** Andrew, Oliver, Mark, Ramon, Robert, Chris, Khamtanh

**Absent:**

### 1. Previous minutes

Committee AGREED that the minutes of previous minutes accurate.

### 2. Financial Accounts Status – Andrew

a) Account balance-Bank	Bank	\$2,200.00
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### 3. Membership Report and New Members

a) Current number of full members -	91
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### 4. Website Report/Forum Report

a) Forum registrants -	806
b) New topics-	132 (April)
	74 (May)
c) New posts -	1604 (April)
	1188 (May)

### 5. Games for May / June

The following are tentative game dates based on those posted in the forums.

29 <sup>th</sup> May	-	Members only game (Tank)
5 <sup>th</sup> June	-	N.O.M.A.D (Templars to run)
12 <sup>th</sup> June	-	Induction
19 <sup>th</sup> June	-	
26 <sup>th</sup> June	-	

## **6. Welcome new Committee members**

Mark made a small speech to our two new joiners, Chris and Robert, thanking them for stepping up and helping in the running of the club. We look forward to having their input and experience added to these meetings.

## **7. Disciplinary procedure**

Chris highlighted the need to research and (if needed) seek assistance in ensuring that all current procedures do not conflict with any existing sporting legal framework. This issue was raised to ensure any action taken by the club will not come back to us in the form of legal action.

For the investigation of rule breaches, a sub committee is to be formed under the rules agreed on at the 2010 AGM. This sub committee is to consist of two committee members and one member of the club who is not an officer.

It was decided that the most fair procedure was to select a name from a shortlist of the club members who were not under investigation already, had no previous reprimands, were not a friend of the accused, and any other factors the committee feel might affect impartiality. That selected club member would then be free to choose two club officers to assist them in the investigation.

## **8. DSing / Referee**

It was decided after a short discussion to put this to the club for further consideration. The committee felt that the idea of having a red/yellow/timeout system formalised and adapted was possibly a good one but potentially has repercussions. More exploration and discussion is needed. A thread on the forum will be drafted by Oliver by Monday 24<sup>th</sup> of May for more discussion on this.

## **9. Knife kills**

Issues with this playing technique were varied. There was clearly a need to highlight the problems with encouraging close combat at games and the safety risks. Players need to understand that to get that close invites risk and, should the target be startled, fire by accident.

There is a concern among members that there is a risk of events descending into a game of tag. For those wishing to engage in stealth kills, it was felt that they should be encouraged to purchase rubber knives or other toy blade that is sufficiently safe as to not cause any injury.

It was also felt that stealth kills need to only be used when your approach is unseen by your target. Players running straight at their targets in full view without surprise will not count as a stealth kill.

A poll will be posted up no later than Monday the 24<sup>th</sup> of May by Oliver to gauge members standing although the committee wanted to stress that any opinion outcome of the poll would be a guide for a decision and not binding.

## **10. Memberships**

To assist in the renewals process Andrew asked that forum access be revoked for any members who have not yet completed the renewals process. The committee agreed that it was an acceptable motivator and that members would have until Sunday to complete the process or lose access to the forum.

Oliver is also to remove any forum accounts that have not been active for 1.5 years by Monday the 24<sup>th</sup> of May.

## **11. Division of duties**

The following list is the agreed roster for the various duties and who is in charge of, or responsible for, the various jobs.

ASNZ Primary Rep - Ramon  
ASNZ Secondary Rep - Mark

Bank Access - Mark, Robert  
Bank Authorisation (up to \$200) - Andrew, either Mark or Robert  
Armourer - Chris  
Rentals - Ramon  
Site Admin - Oliver/Khamtanh  
External Events - Chris  
Secretary - Oliver  
Quartermaster - Robert  
Accounts/Forum Admin/Memberships - Andrew  
Tasks completed - Robert

## **12. Team / Hit markers**

Various options were voiced by members for this including the administration of the markers and to have all of them signed in and out, purchase of hit markers if lost. Due to the administration involved and this being a manageable financial issue for the club it was decided that the current system would be kept and better administration and awareness put on the problem of missing markers.

## **13. Monthly award**

Andrew agreed to draft a thread on the forum advising members that a monthly award would undergo a trialed. The award would be in the form of a free game and awarded to those helping the club (Committee excluded). This may be in any form the committee see fit for recognition and praise such as post game hospitality to DSing and promotional activity etc.

Cards will be handed to the member to be redeemed when they wish to play a day for free. Chris agreed to look into a design for these cards and will report back with ideas.

## **14. Update membership form**

Oliver brought up the need for an updated membership form. Several changes were recommended. Including a tick box to confirm that the applicant has read and understood the constitution, club and forum rules. A section for primary club affiliation is also to be added as well as the club contact email to be updated. Chris volunteered to create the new form design and complete it by Friday 28<sup>th</sup> of May.

It was also added that a forum register would greatly assist in the day to day running of the club and our relationship with ASNZ. This register would be available to the committee and contain only a bare minimum of information to protect members personal details. This information available to the committee will include: Name, Forum name, Date joined, and if ASA is their primary club.

## **15. XLAN**

Due to the low interest received from the XLAN event, the committee decided not to have a club stand there this year. The committee felt it was perhaps better to offer the position to ASGC and the Armoury and for ASA members to tend those stalls with the permission of the companies should they choose to attend.

As this was a position offered to ASA the committee would place a requirement on whoever took up the position that the only clubs that may be advertised would be ASNZ and ASA.

## **16. Other Business**

**A) Mentors** – Although no defined procedure was agreed upon on this matter there were some comments of note that came up that helped form “topics for consideration” when dealing with new players and support they should get at their first games. It was also felt that more focus needs to be put on this and organisers should try to dedicate some time in the morning rush to see to these points.

Depending on the game type and size of attendance, new players may be better served when assigned to a small team. At the very least a new joiner should be introduced to, and made to feel comfortable with, a senior player so that they may come to them with questions and ask for tips.

If assigned to an individual then that mentor should be fit to allow them to keep up with energetic new joiners. A tired mentor who stays at the cars most of the day does not paint a good picture. It was also expressed that new players should not be forced into new joiner programmes (induction excluded) if they simply don't wish it. If a player really wants to run around on their own with no guidance then they should be free to do so.

**B) Business card update and printing** - An additional point was added on due to the advertising being brought up at XLAN. ASA needs a new business card design and for them to be distributed as ASGC has run out of cards to hand out. Chris offered to do this and have a design for consideration by Friday the 28<sup>th</sup> of May.

**C) Shirt purchase** – Chris brought up that there is a clearance sale of dark green polo shirts at an excellent price and it was decided to purchase ten of these, of various sizes, for the club to be printed up at a later date and to be used during promotional events. Extra orders can be placed for club members and a thread will be created to take that extra order.

**D) Real Firearms** – ASA rules previously did not allow for real firearms to be brought to a game. However, it is recognised that some of the fields we use, do allow real firearms for hunting such as H3. As such, there is a possibility that firearms are carried onto those fields for that use outside ASA gaming times and locations. A change to the current rules and standards will allow for real weapons to be carried onto the field in accordance with the public conveyance of weapons under New Zealand law. In short, that means that firearms may be brought to the field so long as they remain unloaded and stored in a secure bag or box and not brought out and brandished during the ASA event.

**E) Game Organiser** – Consideration was put into adding an overall ASA and interclub events organiser / front person to the division of duties list. Such a person would have final say on giving the go ahead for promotional, interclub and ASA events. However, after being discussed, it was felt that the current system was acceptable. Anyone wishing to advertise a non ASA event via the club needs to contact any committee member. Any non ASA run event that does not go through the committee will be removed. If you ask permission to publish an event via ASA and you do not hear back, or nothing is being done, then please remind them or ask another committee member to bring it up with the other officers. It was also recognised that if an event is left to the last minute then it may not be possible to advertise it for you at such short notice.

## **17. Next Meeting**

The next meeting set for the 23<sup>rd</sup> June. Meeting location TBA