

Minutes of the meeting of the United Kingdom Airsoft Players Union
held at the Manor Farm
on Saturday July 24th 2010

Present: Matt Furey-King (Chairman), Hayden Morgan (Registrar), James Williams (Treasurer), Mike Prosser, Dan Furey-King

Apologies: Dave Murphy (Secretary), Chris Neill (Press Officer)

Progress Reports

Chairman: Not an overly busy period, newsletter to be sent out shortly, with an article on lethality needed for it.
No response back from either the AOBA or the EAA.

Press: Everything is in hand.

Treasurer: Been to HSBC to open a new account, looks more promising than Lloyds and waiting to be contacted.

Registrar: Broken the 100 member mark.
Some delays from sites over verification leaving some 20 people in limbo. Players may need to prompt their site to vouch for them.

Document Approval

Constitution: Small change to section on forum owners and also in regards accepting postal votes for the AGM.
Change notice periods of 8.3 and 8.4

Changes proposed Matt, Seconded Mike

Code of Conduct: In line with ACPO recommendation, members should treat those replicas over 1.35J as air weapons.

Changes proposed Matt, Seconded Hayden

Recruiting Rules: Matt has drafted guidelines for this and they seem acceptable.

Proposed Matt, Seconded James

Press Policy: Few small changes which Chris is happy with.

Proposed Matt, Seconded Dan

Affiliate Groups: Drafted rules have been looked at and accepted.

Proposed Matt, Seconded James

Group Signup rules: Drafted rules have been looked at and accepted

Proposed Matt, Seconded Hayden

Schedule of Subscription: Proposed Matt, Seconded Mike

Organisational Diagram: Proposed Matt, Seconded Dan

Lethality Testing

A document has been written to spread awareness of this issue and so full discussion should be postponed until next meeting to allow general member input.

Ground Zero Weekend

Zero one owners are happy with us being there. Info has been sent and Gareth will chase it up.

James is to look at what tents he has available, also lighting and music equipment. Try and avoid renting marquee if possible.

Idea of picture competition for best load out.

Newsletter Release

More articles are needed and so we should try to come up with more.

Its felt that something should be received by members at least every two months to keep us fresh in their minds.

Bimonthly issue proposed Matt, Seconded Hayden

Definition of an Airsoft Replica

At present the definition of airsoft is unclear. Due to upcoming lethality and RIF discussions UKAPU will form a definition of what it considers an airsoft replica is, and forward this concept to UKARA and UKASGB. The following limitations were discussed;

- Should be non-lethal
- Appearance seems to be irrelevant but it is usually a replica of a real world firearm.
- Generally uses a non-metallic solid projectile above 5.5mm in size.
- Power source is unspecific but typically comes from a battery pack. Spring models exist which require hand cocking, but currently no models use a break-barrel or underlever method. Gas or compressed air items exist with such items having the ammunition stored mechanically separate from the power source so as to be a separate entity from “Brocock” style replicas.
- Airsoft replicas are usually made of plastic or weak metal and are incapable of conversion without serious fabrication or modification or all mechanical and stress bearing parts.

Next meeting

Date of next meeting to be post GZ game