

**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE
FORCE WARGAMING ASSOCIATION (ADFWGA) HELD AT HEROCON 2015 ON
11 DEC 15**

Attendees:

MAJ D. Hill	Chair	PTE T. McCheane	
CPL T. Casey	Vice Chair	PTE A. McDowall	
MAJ L. Tracey		PTE D. Morris	
CAPT L. Baldacchino		CFN B. Rappo	
CAPT G. Gepp		PTE C. Smyth	
SGT S. Webb		PTE J. Torsney	
CPL W. Bamford		PTE A. Umetskiy	
CPL M. Cantrell		CFN S. Vardy	
CPL D. Hyams		AC G. Vincent	
CPL M. Long		SPR C. West	
CPL R. Vandermast		CFN D. Wise	
LAC S. Strobel			
LCPL S. Livori		Mrs T. Casey (HM)	
LCPL A. Logan			
PTE J. Crockford		Mr B. Clarke	
PTE N. Dallavanzi		Mr R. Forrest	
PTE J. Degoumois		Mr M. Keep	
CFN E. Fuery		Mr M. Millar	
SIG A. Grinsted			
AB C. Long		CAPT C. Bryers	Secretary
CFN S. Marlow			

Apologies:

COL A. Gunder (ADFWGA Patron)
CAPT B. Yarrington (Committee Member)

ITEM 1: OPENING

1. At 1315h, 11 Dec 15 the Chair declared the meeting open and all members were welcomed to the first General Meeting (GM) of the ADFWGA. The Chair gave a brief introduction of the committee then gave an outline of the conduct of the meeting. The Chair explained that the meeting's primary purpose was to raise ideas for the ADFWGA, that the association exists to make members ideas on wargaming a reality. Furthermore, the Chair explained that the General Meeting's secondary purpose was to share information between the committee and the association's members.

ITEM 2: CONFIRMATION OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING'S MINUTES

2. The Chair stated that the minutes from the 2015 ADFWGA AGM had been compiled by CAPT C. Bryers and had been posted on the ADFWGA website for the previous seven months. The Chair went through the action items from the 2015 ADFWGA AGM, discussing their progress as required. These included:

- a. **Cancellation of the ADFWGA Sydney Event.** Due to the restructuring of The Combat Company, the ADFWGA's affiliated store in Sydney, there was no longer the gaming space or supporting staff for a local ADFWGA event.

- b. **Canberra Events.** In lieu of the Sydney events, multiple smaller events were conducted in Canberra. These took the form of two WINGMAN events featuring X-wing and Armada tournaments held at the Robert Poate Recovery and Reintegration Centre, at Soldier On's National HQ and a Zombicide event held at Jolt Games. The Canberra events were well received and will continue into 2016.
 - c. **Event Format.** The GM was informed that the committee is looking for feedback on the current format of ADFWGA Events. A survey to collect feedback will be promulgated through the ADFWGA Social Media pages in 2016.
 - d. **2015 ADFWGA Constitution.** The ADFWGA Constitution had been updated to operate based on a calendar year.
 - e. **Airline Support.** The Airlines were contacted in regards to supporting the event. Unfortunately there was no return of interest.
 - f. **HEROCON Name Change.** The name for the December ADFWGA Event has been changed to HEROCON. Feedback is welcome for the change and can be sent to the ADFWGA email address or facebook account.
3. The Chair motioned to have the Minutes of the 2015 AGM accepted as no comments were received on the accuracy of the minutes.

Proposed by: Rick Vandermast. Seconded by: Scott Livori. Proposal passed.

Action: The 2015 AGM minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

ITEM 3: ADFWGA UPDATE

4. The Chair used this opportunity to update the AGM on the continuing business of the ADFWGA:
- a. **ADFWGA Profile.** The Chair outlined the increasing profile of the association, particularly in regards to Soldier On. The charity has been increasingly appreciative and active in their recognition of the ADFWGA's support. This is in part due to continued communication between the committee and Soldier On's hierarchy, as well as the use of the Soldier On Centre in Canberra for WINGMAN Events.
 - b. **3 Brigade Support.** 3 Brigade has continued to support the ADFWGA through the promulgation of permission for release for members to attend ADFWGA Events coming down from the hierarchy. It is the committee's intention to spread this attitude and awareness to the other Brigades throughout 2016 and onwards.
 - c. **AHQ Sponsorship.** With a new Chief of Army, liaison will have to recommence to ensure funding for FY 16/17 and onwards. The ADFWGA Chair was confident that funding will continue in some form.

ITEM 4: REPORTS

5. **Sponsors Report.** Sponsorship has continued to expand with the committee contacting multiple wargaming companies to request sponsorship. This sponsorship has contributed significantly to the sizeable raffle prize pool and contributes to the increasing amount of money raised for Soldier On each year. New sponsors include such prominent gaming companies as Cool Mini Or Not, Corvus Belli and Privateer Press. Details of the sponsorship provided to the ADFWGA are included in each event's Financial Report.

6. **Financial Reports.** Financial reports for ADFWGA events, covering the period Jun – Dec 2015 are attached to these minutes, as follows:

- a. WINGMAN II (Oct 2015) – attached at enclosure 1
 - b. Zombicide Canberra event (Oct 2015) – attached at enclosure 2
 - c. HEROCON 2015 (Dec 2015) – attached at enclosure 3.
7. In 2015 the ADFWGA has donated a total of \$17,118 to Soldier On.

ITEM 5: 2016 ADFWGA EVENTS

8. The Chair discussed the proposed details of the upcoming events for 2016. The current schedule of events is as follows:

- a. **WINGMAN III.** The first WINGMAN Event for 2016, featuring X-Wing and Armada Tournaments will occur on 26 Jan 16 in Canberra. Additional WINGMAN Events will be conducted throughout the year at Soldier On.
- b. **ANZAC Cup 2016.** The Chair explained the issue with running the event in April 2016 due to the unavailability of the ADFWGA Committee to organise the event. The Chair proposed that the event be moved to a more suitable time for committee involvement, most likely September but with the potential to run the event earlier if staff were available. Proposed by Dave Hill. Seconded by Scott Livori. Proposal passed.
- c. **HEROCON 2016.** HEROCON will continue to be held in Townsville during December in 2016. Exact dates have not yet been established.

ITEM 6: GENERAL BUSINESS

9. **Honorary Members.** The ADFWGA Committee has reviewed the Honorary Members list and identified one possible addition; Luis Lopez from Jolt Games. The Chair highlighted the logistics and prize support provided by Jolt Games to the WINGMAN Events and proposed Luis be made an Honorary Member of the ADFWGA.

Proposed by Dave Hill. Seconded by Charles Bryers. Proposal passed.

Action: Luis Lopez (Jolt Games) is added to the ADFWGA Honorary Members list.

10. **2016 AGM Location.** It has become apparent that the number of members available for the AGM differs little between Brisbane and Townsville events. Indeed most members who attended the Brisbane AGM in 2016 also attended the Townsville AGM in 2015. In line with the previously discussed plan to rotate the AGM, the Chair proposed that the AGM rotate back to Townsville for 2016.

Proposed by: Dave Hill. Seconded by: Courtney Long. Proposal passed.

Action: The 2016 AGM will be held at HEROCON 2016 in Townsville.

ITEM 7: OPEN FLOOR FOR GENERAL BUSINESS.

11. **Shirt Designs.** The Vice-Chair confirmed that the ADFWGA Shirt designs had been completed. The ADFWGA Facebook page will be utilised to organise orders. More information to follow in early 2016.

12. There being no other business, the 2015 HEROCON GM was concluded at 1335h, 11 Dec 15 with all matters closed.

13. **Trophies.** The GM was briefly reopened at 1355h, 11 Dec 15 to discuss the ADFWGA trophies. The ADFWGA owns three trophies; an Army Helmet (Flames of War), a Medieval Sword (WHFB) and an 'Eviscerator' (40K). These trophies had not been updated since 2012 and two of the game systems were now no longer played at ADFWGA events. As such the Committee had discussed possible options and proposed the following for each of the of the trophies:

- a. The Army Helmet was to be refurbished and returned to the Army Museum at Lavarack Barracks.

Proposed by: Dave Hill. Seconded by: Dean Morris. Proposal passed.

Action: The Committee are to refurbish and return the helmet to the Army Museum.

- b. The Medieval Sword was offered to Michael Cantrell, as he was the last recipient of the award, for a donation to Soldier On (\$50).

Proposed by: Dave Hill. Seconded by: Courtney Long. Proposal passed.

Action: Michael Cantrell made a donation to Soldier On (\$50).

- c. The previous two recipients of the Eviscerator (Dave Hill and Charles Bryers) were offered to the opportunity to make a donation to Soldier On for the Eviscerator. Dave Hill offered \$500 and Charles Bryers declined the opportunity.

Proposed by: Ty Casey. Seconded by: Dean Morris. Proposal passed.

Action: Dave Hill made a donation to Soldier On (\$500).

14. There being no other business, the 2015 GM was concluded once more at 1405h, 11 Dec 15 with all matters closed.

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D. HILL
MAJ
Chairman

10 Feb 16

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T. CASEY
CPL
Vice Chairman

10 Feb 16

Enclosures:

1. Financial Statement – WINGMAN II
2. Financial Statement – Zombicide Event
3. Financial Statement – HERCON 2015