

### **The Wargame Developments Constitution (Draft 05 10 2025)**

1. The group shall be known as WARGAME DEVELOPMENTS (also abbreviated to and known as WD).
2. The group shall be a non-profitmaking organisation, and any surpluses shall be used to further the group's aims.
3. The group's aims shall be:
  - a. To develop and propagate a wide variety of wargaming ideas and techniques and to develop new and existing methods of wargaming.
  - b. To publish a regular journal (which shall be known as THE NUGGET) as a forum for discussion and for the exchange of ideas and information.
  - c. To organise an annual conference (which shall be known as the CONFERENCE OF WARGAMERS, also abbreviated to and known as COW) for members of the group.
  - d. To organise an annual Virtual Conference of Wargamers (VCOW) for members and guests of the group, an annual Autumn Virtual Gathering (AVG) for members of the group and other events for members of the group and their guests as appropriate.
  - e. To maintain a web site and other forms of digital presence as necessary to promote WD and to act as forums for communications, discussion and the exchange of ideas and information.
4. The group's Principal Officers shall be:
  - a. The **Chair** whose duties shall be:
    - i. To chair meetings of the WD Governing Committee.
    - ii. To chair the Annual General Meeting and any plenary session at the annual conference.
  - b. The **COW Organiser** whose duties shall be:
    - i. To organise COW, with the assistance of the Membership Secretary and Treasurer and other committee members as appropriate.
    - ii. To ensure that all members are notified of the COW programme and informed of its outcomes by means of reports in the group's journal.
  - c. The **Editor**, whose duties shall be to edit the group's journal and to ensure that it is published at least six times each year.
  - d. The **Membership Secretary and Treasurer**, whose duties shall be:
    - i. To keep an accurate record of all monies received by and expended by the group in pursuit of its aims.

- ii. To keep an accurate record of all members of the group.
  - iii. To assist the COW Organiser in the organisation of the annual conference.
  - iv. To assist the Editor in the despatch of the journal to members of the group.
- e. The **General Secretary**, whose duties shall be:
- i. to prepare the agenda for meetings of the General Committee and produce minutes of such meetings.
  - ii. to produce minutes of the Annual General Meeting.
  - iii. to assist organisers of WD events.
  - iv. to assist the Treasurer and Membership Secretary by circulating information to members.
- f. The **Digital Co-ordinator**, whose duties shall be:
- i. to maintain a web site and other forms of digital presence.
  - ii. advise the committee on matters relating to the Internet and to IT generally.
5. The group's other Officers shall be:
- a. **Vice Chair**, whose duties shall be to carry out the Chair's duties in their absence.
  - b. **Display Team Organisers**, whose duties shall be to co-ordinate on a regional basis WD's presence at wargame events.
  - c. **Colour Supplement Editor**, whose duties shall be to assist the Editor by producing an online colour supplement to THE NUGGET as and when required.
  - d. **Assistant Membership Secretary and Treasurer**, whose duty shall be to assist the Membership Secretary and Treasurer.
  - e. **VCOW Organiser**, whose duties shall be to organise and chair the annual VCOW.
  - f. **AVG Organiser**, whose duties shall be to organise and chair the annual AVG.
  - g. **Organisers of Other Events**, whose duties shall be to organise any other events run by WD.
6. The term for each Principal Officer shall be one year. Elections shall be held at the Annual General Meeting. A member may hold more than one Principal Office or Office.
7. The **Governing Committee** shall comprise the Principal Officers. Its duty shall be the running and administration of Wargame Developments between Annual General Meetings. For this purpose it may:

- a. Appoint members of WD as "Other Officers". The names of those appointed shall be reported in The Nugget.
  - b. Co-opt members of WD to serve on the committee or remove such members, as necessary. The names of those co-opted or removed shall be reported to the Annual General Meeting.
  - c. Replace any Principal Officer who:
    - i. Resigns during their year in office.
    - ii. Becomes incapable of continuing to discharge the duties of their office through illness or - in the unanimous opinion of the other Principal Officers - other incapacity.
8. The Annual General Meeting shall be held after the final sessions of the annual conference and shall be open to all members. Agenda items and nominations for the election of members as Principal Officers shall be submitted to the Chairman one month in advance of the Annual General Meeting.
- The agenda for the Annual General Meeting will include an invitation to members to volunteer to be Other Officers or to serve on the Governing Committee.
9. The Membership Secretary and Treasurer is empowered to open an account with a British Bank or other deposit-taking institution for the purposes of the group and to ensure the safekeeping of its funds. There shall be a minimum of three signatories on the account. The Membership Secretary and Treasurer may sign cheques or make payments as a sole signatory.
10. The annual subscription of the group shall be set by the committee and reported to the Annual General Meeting.
11.
  - i. Amendments to the Constitution can be made by the Committee.
  - ii. Any such amendment:
    - a. Must be notified in the next available Nugget.
    - b. Expires at the end of the next AGM unless approved by a vote of the members at the AGM.
12. Any resolution to wind up the group shall require the support of two thirds of the members voting at a General Meeting. If the group is wound up any remaining funds, or if any funds fall to be returned to members generally in any other way, such funds, shall be donated to The Royal British Legion. No member shall be entitled to any share of the remaining group assets. If the group is wound up the committee will seek to archive its papers in an appropriate place.

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