

THE AFTERMATH CLUB

Wargaming and Modelmaking Since 2005

Welcome to the Aftermath Club!

The Aftermath Club meets every Tuesday night at the Lazar House, Sprowston Road, Norwich to play fantasy, science fiction and historical tabletop war games within a convivial and friendly atmosphere. The Club, however, is more than just about playing war games and involves painting, scenery building, imaginative writing and historical research. Aftermath Club members are enthusiastic to share knowledge and ideas and to help and encourage each other in any aspect of their hobby.

If this sounds like your sort of club and you accept the Club's terms and conditions, then please sign the agreement form and return it to the Club Secretary and you will be issued with your membership card.

The Aftermath Club values members' input. This is OUR Club and it will only ever be as good as WE want to make it. So feel free to talk to any of the Aftermath Club committee members if you have any questions, suggestions, ideas or problems; we can't help if we don't know.

All the best and happy gaming!

MEMBERSHIP DETAILS

Full Membership Fee

By becoming an Aftermath Club member, you are agreeing that you can commit to attend the Aftermath Club on its regular Tuesday club night - indeed, that your keenness for wargaming is why you joined the Aftermath Club in the first place! Aftermath Club meetings are only open to those who are members of the Aftermath Club. The club has an age 18+ policy.

Aftermath Club membership costs £120 per year which, for your convenience, can be paid in either 4 quarterly instalments of £30 or 12 monthly instalments of £10, payable to the club treasurer upon the first meeting of each quarter or month respectively.

The Aftermath Club Committee believes this represents very good value and entitles Aftermath members to continue using the Club facilities; the use of the wonderfully evocative Lazar House; the use of Aftermath Club gaming resources such as gaming boards and scenery and also benefit from public liability insurance cover. If for whatever reason a member is unable to attend some meetings, the full annual membership fee is still due - the club is still required to pay the hall hire fee irrespective of how many members attend and the facility to pay quarterly or monthly is simply a way for members to spread the annual fee over the year - it is not to be a member on a monthly basis.

Inevitably, situations occur (illness, holidays, etc.) that prevent attendance on the occasional club night and this is, of course, unfortunate. However, even taking into account missed club

nights, the Aftermath Committee consider paying a membership fee which is the equivalent of £10 per month still very reasonable.

The continued existence of Aftermath Club and its associated benefits is therefore reliant on membership fees being kept up to date by the Aftermath Club member.

Half Membership Fee

The committee realises that some people may only be able to attend Club nights a couple of times a month due to shift work commitments. As we do not wish to preclude anyone from taking part in Club activities, for those members who have shift work commitments the Aftermath Club offers a discretionary Half Membership, with applications for such to be presented to the Aftermath Club Committee. Half membership costs £60 per year which, for convenience, can be paid in 12 monthly instalments of £5.00. This entitles the member to attend alternate meetings. If the member wishes to attend any extra meetings, these will be charged at an extra £3.00 per session.

Half membership is NOT a way of attending the Aftermath Club on an “ad hoc” basis. It is for those with a keenness to attend the Club but who GENUINELY cannot make every Tuesday due to work commitments.

Visiting Guests

Sometimes an Aftermath Club member may wish to arrange to play a game on club night with a friend who is a non-member or against a member of another war gaming club. In such an instance, the non-member will be a “visiting guest” and a one-off membership payment of £3.00 is payable to the Aftermath Club treasurer on the night of attendance.

Again, this is NOT a way of attending the Aftermath Club on an “ad hoc” basis.

Non-payment of Membership Fees

The majority of Aftermath Club members are considerate in paying their membership fee on the first club night of the month; thank you for doing so. It is this income that enables the Club to pay the hall rental promptly to the Assist Trust each month and also allows the club to make provision for the replacement of scenery and other club costs.

Of course, once in a while, everyone forgets to bring their money on the first club night of the month. Again, any member who has done this usually pays at the next meeting.

Persistent non-payment of the monthly subscription throws up two main considerations:

- It shows a lack of respect towards fellow paying Aftermath Club Members because a non-paying member is using paying members to subsidise their enjoyment of the facilities on offer at the Aftermath Club.
- A non-paying member is unfairly leaving it to paying members to keep the Aftermath Club solvent and able to meet club outgoings and this is unfair on those who pay their fees on time.

New Members

Interested prospective new members, after initially contacting the Aftermath Club via one of the committee members, may attend a free club night to “meet the gang”. For any further meetings in the same month that the prospective new member attends whilst deciding if Aftermath is “for him”, an attendance fee of £3.00 per session will be made, payable to the Club treasurer on the night. If the prospective new member wishes to join the Aftermath Club, a pro-rata membership fee will become due on the first meeting of the next month which will provide membership until the end of the current calendar year.

New members will be able to spread their fee over the remaining months in the same way as Full or Half members.

CLUB RULES AND CϕNDIϕIONS

1 Identity

- 1.1 The club’s name is The Aftermath Club.
- 1.2 The club meets at Lazar House, Sprowston Road, Norwich, Norfolk.

2 Purpose

- 2.1 To provide an environment for adults (18 and over) to participate in the hobby of collecting, painting and gaming with tabletop miniatures and game systems.

3 Membership

- 3.1 Membership is gained by attending the club introduction night. The Aftermath committee will grant membership once the new member has agreed to the club rules and conditions by signing the agreement form. A membership card will then be issued.
- 3.2 Club meetings are open only to those that are members of the Aftermath Club, visiting guests and prospective new members.
- 3.3 Visiting guests and prospective new members must have their attendance confirmed in advance by a committee member.
- 3.4 Membership is open to those of 18 years and over.
- 3.5 Membership is for a calendar year, starting from 1st January.
- 3.6 Full membership details are found in the Aftermath Club Membership Details section listed separately.

4 Club Assets

- 4.1 Club assets, scenery (gaming equipment) belongs to the Aftermath Club committee.
- 4.2 If the club closes, the gaming equipment will remain with the Aftermath Club committee apart from scenery belonging to individual members. Any money in the club bank account, after outstanding expenses have been paid, will be split between all current Aftermath Club members.

5 Club Officials

- 5.1 If a vacancy arises on the club’s committee, applicants will be sought from club members with the successful applicant chosen by the committee.
- 5.2 Committee members will attend at least three quarters of the annual club meetings.

6 **Finances**

- 6.1 Membership fees will be collected on the first meeting of each month and paid to the club Treasurer.
- 6.2 The club bank account must have 2 signatories to authorise payments of which the whole Aftermath committee are aware.
- 6.3 The Treasurer will keep a record of club finances, transactions and other relevant financial information. Any club member may request to look at the club's financial records, one week's notice to be given.
- 6.4 A receipt will be obtained for all club expenditure, recorded and retained by the Treasurer unless the Treasurer commits expenditure where upon a different committee member will check the receipt.
- 6.5 Decisions involving expenditure in excess of £100 other than the regular hiring of the Aftermath Club venue and the purchase of public liability insurance will be made by a majority vote at a club meeting. Decisions involving expenditure up to £100 will be made by the Aftermath Club committee.
- 6.6 Club accounts are audited annually by a qualified independent person prior to the club's AGM.

7 **Decisions and Voting**

- 7.1 Changes to Aftermath Club rules will be made by a majority vote of the committee.
- 7.2 The Secretary will keep a record of decisions taken at meetings.

8 **Standards of Conduct**

- 8.1 Members and visiting guests will at all times adhere to the Aftermath Club's standards of behaviour. A member or visiting guest is expected to be respectful and considerate towards any person at the club meeting as well as towards the club building and furnishings.
- 8.2 There will be no discrimination of any kind by any member or guest towards any other person at club meetings. This includes but is not limited to class, ethnic origin, nationality (or statelessness) or race, gender, age, marital or sexual status, mental or physical ability, political or religious belief.
- 8.3 It is a member's responsibility to ensure that they do not endanger the health or safety of themselves or other club members.
- 8.4 It is a member's responsibility to look after their belongings. The Aftermath Club will not be held liable for any loss or damage to personal property.
- 8.5 These standards of conduct also apply to posts on the club's message board.

9 **Disagreements between club members**

- 9.1 Any disagreements between club members must be referred to the Club Leader
- 9.2 If the club leader is unable to resolve the disagreement, or if personally involved, the matter must be referred to a GCN Knight.
- 9.3 The following procedures are to be used only if informal efforts to resolve disagreements have been made and failed.
- 9.4 Disagreements between any of the following must be referred to the GCN Council
 - 9.4.1 Two or more clubs from different areas
 - 9.4.2 Clubs and the GCN Council
- 9.5 All parties to the disagreement must be given reasonable opportunity to state their case.

10 **Suspension of members**

10.1 Suspension of membership ensures that no situation in the Gaming Club arises which could cause further concern and that no member is placed in a position which could cause further compromise. Such action may be necessary in the following cases:

10.1.1 When an allegation is made that a member has committed a serious criminal offence. In this case the member must be suspended until police inquiries and any legal proceedings have been concluded.

10.1.2 When a disagreement between adults cannot be resolved quickly. In this case the suspension is for a period of not more than 90 days in the first instance. Suspension for further periods of not more than 90 days may follow.

10.1.3 When the action of an individual could seriously harm the reputation of the Gaming Club Network.

10.2 In every case membership may be suspended only by the appropriate authority with approval from the other appropriate authority as defined in the following table:

Person to be suspended	Authority to suspend	Authority to approve suspension
Member of club	Club Official	Club Leader
Club Official	Club Leader	GCN Knight
Club Leader	GCN Knight	GCN Council Member
GCN Knight	GCN Council Member	High Castalain
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10.3 The suspended member must not participate in any activity connected with the Gaming Club Network and must not wear uniform or badges.

10.4 Any appointment held will be regarded vacant.

10.5 Suspension in the case of disagreement must be followed as soon as possible by conciliation and such further steps as are necessary.

10.6 When a person's membership is suspended or the nature of the suspension changes the appropriate official must inform the GCN Council.

10.7 Any Gaming Club Network member who is dismissed has the right of appeal (with the aid of a 'friend' if so desired) to the next higher tier of authority.

10.8 If so requested by the person dismissed, the official asked for appeal may appoint a committee to hear the appeal.

10.9 Reasonable opportunity must be given for the dismissed person to attend the meeting of such a committee to state a case against dismissal.

10.10 Following any incident of a suspension of membership to an individual censure will not be lifted without the agreement of both the officials who issued the censure, as outlined in 11.2 above.

10.11 Records of all suspensions and disciplinary actions must be maintained by all officials involved and be available for examination by the policy authorities should they be required.

11 **Data Protection**

11.1 The Aftermath Club will not knowingly divulge any personal details to any third party without the members consent.

11.2 An Aftermath Club member acknowledges that in the case of the committee organising club games, tournaments etc., then email details or telephone numbers may be passed on to another club member in order to facilitate the arrangement of these fixtures.