



Annual General Meeting

Saturday 16th May 2026

Midland Air Museum, Rowley Road, Baginton, Warwickshire CV3 4FR

The International Plastic Modellers' Society (UK) Ltd.

Annual General Meeting of The International Plastic Modellers' Society (UK) Ltd.

SATURDAY 16th MAY 2026 at 13.00

Agenda

1. Notice to Convene the Meeting.
2. Apologies for absence.
3. President's Opening Remarks.
4. To approve the Minutes of the 2025 AGM (Appendix 1).
5. Matters Arising from the 2025 AGM.
6. To receive the Officer's reports (Appendix 2);

President (<i>Paul Regan</i>)	Scale ModelWorld Manager (<i>Richard Middleton</i>)
Honorary Secretary (<i>Antony Horton</i>)	Honorary Treasurer (<i>John Hebditch</i>)
Magazine Editor (<i>David Berryman</i>)	National Competition Secretary (<i>Andrew Brown</i>)
Technical Advisory Service (<i>Alfie Bass</i>)	Membership Secretary (<i>Keith Goldsworthy</i>)
UK Liaison Officer (<i>Pat Lewarne</i>)	Overseas Liaison Officer (<i>Chris Marston</i>)
Publicity Officer ~ <i>no report received</i>	Webmaster (<i>Peter Readman</i>)
Kit Instructions Library (<i>Brian Cameron</i>)	Decal Bank Administrator (<i>Paul Regan</i>)
7. To approve the 2025 Accounts (Appendix 3).
8. To Re-appoint The Sargeant Partnership as Accountants and fix their remuneration.
9. To Elect Officers:

Nominee	Proposed by	Seconded by
President Richard Middleton (4766)	Paul Regan (5467L)	Harriet Langridge (9690)
Treasurer AnneMarie Ryall-Gould (18800)	Ian Hartup (6517)	Lee Elliot (17064)
Honorary Secretary Antony Horton (6501)	Kevin Baxter (5660)	Dominic Stevenson (10329)
Competition Secretary Andrew Brown (7616)	Adam Waistell-Brown (11296)	Neil Gilbourne (19428)
SMW Manager John Tapsell (5857L)	Michael Davey (4793L)	Chris Ayre (7117L)
Overseas Liaison Officer Chris Marston (11565)	Carl Daniels (19123)	Lee Powell (17846)
Webmaster Peter Readman (5802)	Tom Husband (14399)	Paul Husband (12188)
Publicity Officer No nomination received		

Election addresses are included at Appendix 4.
10. Any other business.
11. Date and venue of next Annual General Meeting.

Minutes of the International Plastic Modellers Society (UK) Ltd. Annual General Meeting, Saturday 24th May 2025

This meeting was held at the South Yorkshire Air Museum, Doncaster, Yorkshire. In attendance 23 Members of IPMS (UK).

Notice to convene

Meeting was convened at 1300 hrs BST. The President opened the meeting by thanking all of the members who were in attendance.

Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Huw Richards (12829), Dave Berryman (8830), Andrew Brown (7616), Andrew Armstrong (7870), Mark Sanderson (20529), Neil Robinson (616L), David Jane (2018), Martin Briggs (4336).

President's opening remarks

Paul Regan welcomed all the Members present and opened his comments with a statement that the past twelve months has been completed and the Society is looking very healthy with over 5,000 Members at this date.

The Membership Secretary confirmed that as of 25th May 2025 the membership was 5034.

Paul went on to explain how membership has bounced back since Covid as during the pandemic approximately 800 memberships were cancelled. So the current trend is really positive.

Paul continued to say how successful SMW24 was, with a very positive pre-Covid vibe about the event with many overseas traders and members now returning to the show; consequently, the Society is in a very strong position going forward for 2025.

A comment from William Flook (21307) was noted, congratulating the Executive Committee on a job well done.

Paul reassured the meeting that past increases in membership fees have seen no overall decrease in the numbers of Members currently in the Society.

To approve the minutes of the 2023 AGM

The Minutes as they appeared in the booklet had two minor typing errors, which were highlighted by Harold Hanna (8775). The Members present accepted these minor errors and the minutes were proposed by William Flook (21037). Seconded by Harold Hanna (8775).

Voting for the approval of the Minutes for the

AGM of 2024 was;

Votes	For	Against
Online	797	1
Meeting	12	
Postal	1	
Total	810	1

This item was approved.

Matters arising from 2024

There were no matters arising from the previous Annual General Meeting.

Officer's Reports

All officers reports were published in the AGM booklet, a printed paper copy of which was available to all Members attending the meeting. An electronic version had also been made available to all Members (with an email address on the Society membership system), via an emailed link (as had been proposed the previous year by the Honorary Secretary).

All present agreed that this was an efficient and cost saving way of circulating information to the membership.

Approval of the accounts for 2024

The accounts had been presented to the membership prior to the meeting, along with the online booklet.

The Treasurer accepted any questions or comments from the Members present, and with no undue issues, acceptance of the accounts was proposed by John Hebditch (12291) and seconded by Harold Hanna (8775).

Votes	For	Against
Online	797	1
Meeting	12	
Postal	1	1
Total	810	2

This item was approved.

To Re-Appoint the Sargeant Partnership as Accountants

Voting to reappoint the accountants.

Votes	For	Against
Online	791	2

Meeting	12	
Postal	1	2
Total	804	4

The accountants were approved.

Election of Officers

Honorary Treasurer

Only one candidate was nominated:
John Hebditch (12291)

Votes	For	Against
Online	787	7
Meeting	12	
Postal	1	
Total	800	7

John Hebditch was appointed as Honorary Treasurer.

Membership Secretary

Only one candidate was nominated:
Keith Goldsworthy (16754)

Votes	For	Against
Online	789	4
Meeting	12	
Postal	1	
Total	802	4

Keith Goldsworthy was appointed as Membership Secretary.

UK Liaison Officer (UKLO)

Only one candidate was nominated:
Pat Lewarne (7854)

Votes	For	Against
Online	788	6
Meeting	12	
Postal	1	
Total	801	6

Pat Lewarne was appointed as UKLO.

Magazine Editor

Only one candidate was nominated:
Dave Berryman (8830)

Votes	For	Against
Online	785	9
Meeting	12	
Postal	1	
Total	798	9

Dave Berryman was appointed as Magazine Editor.

Technical Advisory Service (TAS) Officer

Only one candidate was nominated:

Alfie Bass (5703)

Votes	For	Against
Online	787	8
Meeting	12	
Postal	1	
Total	800	8

Alfie Bass was appointed as TAS Officer.

Publicity Officer

No Nominations Received

Prior to the meeting, Mark Sanderson (20529) had been co-opted in the role of Publicity Officer for the previous 12 months. Mark wished to continue in this role, but not having the required years of membership under the Articles of Association, he was co-opted for another 12 months.

Overseas Liaison Officer (OLO)

No Nominations Received

Prior to the meeting Chris Marston (11565) had been shadowing the previous OLO to take the role as a co-opted Member, as no Member had come forward for this role. Chris Marston was co-opted into this role for 12 months.

The President added thanks to Gary Wenko (5579) the previous Overseas Liaison Officer for all his hard work over the previous 10 years serving on the Executive Committee.

Ordinary Resolution 1

Andrew Armstrong (7870) had presented a proposal to add the following paragraph to section 5 of the Club Rules for the International Plastic Modellers Society.

The Honorary Secretary shall prepare and arrange for a report on that years AGM to be published in the first available issue of the society magazine following the meeting.

The EC did not support this proposal on the grounds that this already happens, and it was a rule for no reason.

Votes	For	Against
Online	293	496
Meeting	0	12
Postal	0	1
Total	293	509

The Members in attendance agreed and with the proxy vote from the online voting, this resolution failed.

Ordinary Resolution 2

Andrew Armstrong (7870) had presented a proposal to add an addition to paragraph 6.5 of the Club Rules for the International Plastic Modellers Society.

The Honorary Secretary or any other appointed director shall produce a report of the Executive Committee meeting to be published on the Society web site within 14 days of the Executive Committee meeting taken place. This will not be the full detailed minutes of the meeting as these at the time will not have been approved by the Executive Committee.

The EC did not support this proposal on the grounds that this was not in the best interests of the Society as the web site is open to the public, and any Member can request a copy of the minutes of any EC meeting once they have been approved.

Votes	For	Against
Online	271	521
Meeting	0	12
Postal	0	1
Total	271	534

The Members in attendance agreed and with the proxy vote from the online voting this resolution failed.

Ordinary Resolution 3

Andrew Armstrong (7870) had presented a proposal of an addition to the Club Rules under the title of Communication of the Club Rules for the International Plastic Modellers Society.

All members of the Executive Committee shall be required to respond to any communication from a member, received electronically or by post, within 21 days. Where the committee member is unable to do this due to unforeseen circumstances it shall be the responsibility of the President to ensure a response is sent within 28 days. Where it is not possible to give an immediate answer to a members query a response acknowledging the question must be sent within the deadline. This response must include an indication of when the answer will be sent to the member.

The Executive Committee wished to add the following sentence, which was acceptable to the proposer.

It shall also be the responsibility of any Branch or SIG leader to abide by these rules if any communication is received from a member of the Executive

Committee.

The EC did not support this proposal on the grounds that this was not workable at certain times of the year, when email traffic is extremely high and many EC members would fall foul of this rule.

Votes	For	Against
Online	263	527
Meeting	0	12
Postal	0	1
Total	263	540

The Members in attendance agreed and with the proxy vote from the online voting, this resolution failed.

Ordinary Resolution 4

John Hebditch (12291) presented a proposal which was amended prior to the meeting and under the Articles this was allowed by the Chair of the meeting.

Resolution to remove rule 12.2 section (b) and the addition of a new section.

The lettering of the sections under rule 12.2 have been incorrectly lettered with duplicate sections A and B. This resolution refers to the second section (b)

Section (a) stipulates 'A register of all gifted review items received is to be maintained.' However, no catalogue has been maintained of the books which have been received and thus the Society does not have a record of the asset that the books constitute. It is estimated it will take the Technical Advisory service eighteen months to produce one. If, and when, a catalogue were to be produced the practicalities of travel to the library, providing access to it in a private house and maintaining a lending record make likelihood of its use very low, if at all. Thus, making the task of continuing to add to it of questionable value.

Two additional factors in considering the best final recipient of review samples going forward are the current practice for reviews of kits and accessories, and the standard practice in the wider publishing world. Currently Members who review kits and accessories are tasked with assembling them and as a consequence keep them. In the publishing world when a review is complete the reviewer retains the book or periodical.

Consequently, this resolution seeks to align the rule for books and periodicals with that for kits and accessories and the general norm in publishing of retention of the review item by the review-

ers, thus also aiding finding suitable willing reviewers of books and periodicals.

Resolution

- Remove rule 12.2 (b) second occurrence.
- Addition of a new rule stating 'All review samples distributed by the editor for review will become the property of the first recipient of the sample from the editor. Any further distribution of the sample by the first recipient, to aid the review, will not alter the final ownership being with the first recipient.'

The EC did not have any opinion on this and were guided by those Members in attendance.

Votes	For	Against
Online	729	55
Meeting	12	0
Postal	1	0
Total	742	55

The Members agreed to the resolution and with the proxy votes this resolution passed.

Any Other Business

The Meeting was opened to the Members present for AOB.

Paul Regan (5467L) started by announcing that in recognition of their services to IPMS (UK) the Executive Committee awarded Gary Wenko (5579) and Stella Wenko Life Membership of the Society.

All Members present agreed this was a well-deserved award.

Paul Regan (5467L) then put a question to the Members present with regards to Scale Model-World having a date change at some time in the future. Whereby instead of being held over the Remembrance weekend, would it be beneficial, to change the date so as to enable those who otherwise cannot attend SMW due to attending a Remembrance service elsewhere, to attend?

Mixed comments were presented and the majority present felt that the service already carried out at SMW is an integral part of SMW and should continue.

John Marriott (99837) asked with regards to security at SMW and referred back to an incident in 2017 when a model went missing from the Competition Area. Paul stated that the security from the TIC staff had been increased and as the competition is now hosted in the Ludlow Suite at the TIC, better security measures are in place.

Mark Brierley (10216) made a complaint that

sometimes information in the magazine is too sparse to inform the Members; he specifically cited the competition rule changes for SMW24; and communications with and for volunteers who set the show up.

Paul stated that the Society tries to publish any criticism and take comments onboard, but information written for the magazine can typically be 6 weeks old when it is received by Members; and more up to date relevant information can be gained from the website.

This was backed up by Pete Readman (5802), the Webmaster, that all relevant information passed to him or his team is available on the website.

Mark added thanks to Rich Middleton (4766) the SMW Manager for his communication with the set-up crew for SMW 24 and the Members present agreed with additional comment from Harold Hanna (8775) saying every volunteer for SMW was very helpful.

William Flook (21037) asked if anything can be done with the help of TIC with regards to prepaying for car park space at Telford. Paul Regan and Rich Middleton said they would ask TIC if this can be arranged for the car park operated by TIC, but they could not do so for the multi-storey car parks as these are run by the local authority.

Paul closed the meeting at 15.50 BST and thanked all the members who attended.

Date and time of next meeting

The next AGM will be in May of 2025 and the venue is yet to be decided but in line with the policy of having the meeting in different parts of the country, next year's meeting will be in the northern part of the country.

The meeting closed at 15.00.



Annual Reports of Officers of the Society for 2025



President's Report

This booklet is the annual snapshot on the position and activities of the International Plastic Modellers Society (UK), and within it you will be able to read much more than I could cover here in the reports from the Board and other parts of this booklet.

As you read through this, I'd like to remind you all that IPMS (UK) is a strange hybrid organisation which is a Limited Company with all that that entails, but remains at its heart a club dedicated to our slightly eccentric hobby of sticking pieces of plastic together. Please bear this in mind as you review the Society's year of 2025.

Firstly, one of our most significant metrics stems from the club part of the organisation and is simply our membership level. This has continued to stand up well with the trend being broadly stable with a small upward trend being in excess of five thousand Members. This is a seriously large number and takes a huge amount of work from the membership team to keep on top of the level of administration which needs to keep control of, which is handled wonderfully. We know that every person joins the Society for different reasons, but the strength of the Membership figures shows that we do truly offer things which modellers relate to and want to be part of.

Extending that thought, our network of Branches and Special Interest Groups is continuing to grow slowly but steadily, covering ever more parts of the nation and sectors of the hobby. Outside of the UK, the IPMS family stays strong, and although not directly connected to IPMS (UK), is a powerful statement of the validity of what our forefathers created in 1963.

We staged a successful Scale ModelWorld event in November which was fully back to the scale of the largest events from the glory days prior to the Covid reset. The event had a huge buzz and was given a pretty much universal thumbs up by all who attended, the models displayed were as stunning as ever, the competition world class and the traders appeared *en masse*. However, it would be remiss of me not to mention that we do see

potential issues going forward as costs remorselessly rise, whilst numbers paying to attend - both public and trade - are not increasing, whilst the demand for display space does seem to be continuing to grow, but these don't contribute to the income stream.

This is why we consciously looked to remodel the Society's finances to move from the event subsidising the membership, to the membership contributing to the event's income stream. We tried the "pay for tables" route, but instead have moved to a situation where an element of the membership subscription goes towards SMW, in particular the competition which after all is the only part of the event written into the Society's purpose. The Board continue to believe that this is the best way to balance our activities as this pulls all our activities into rather more of a single basket.

Overall, our finances remain strong and the full accounts and notes to them follow, so I will not address them too much here. However, what is important to say is that IPMS (UK) is a genuine medium sized business, with all that goes with that. As a group, the directors continue to look hard at all elements of cost, but simply we have to have the courage to handle these significant sums, and do our best to manage them for the benefit of the Society - which is of course our Members. We set out many years ago to consciously build a level of financial reserves which buffer us from worrying about single years or individual issues - Covid being the obvious one - and to have the confidence to remain in a three year contract for our biggest single cost (the hire of The International Centre for SMW).

It would be remiss of me here not to single out the work of our Honorary Treasurer, John Hebditch, who has brought his business acumen to the role for several years, and will be standing down at the Annual General Meeting in May. We owe him a sincere vote of thanks.

Of course the Society continues to face challenges into the future, and we would be naïve to ignore them. The hobby itself is changing with the arrival of 3D printed items, both home produced or commercial ones, which is starting to be more widely seen in the mainstream, but over the years we've seen the arrival of white metal, short run garage kits, resin and so on which have all be-

come accepted as routine parts of the hobby.

Similarly, the topics being modelled continue to evolve, with for example a swing towards larger scale kits across all themes, and the appearance in the UK of Gundam style models as a mainstream interest.

Additionally, we must accept that our membership is of an ageing demographic, and trying to attract younger members to the hobby and Society proves a challenging issue. Outreach and showing we are welcoming to all interests, abilities and backgrounds continues and needs to continue.

However, the Society continues to adapt to these changes and challenges, and I am sure that over time, these will become normal parts of IPMS life. Some years ago, we defined the Society as "IPMS UK - the Society for Scale Modellers", since when we have made significant movement which has undoubtedly contributed to the growth in membership numbers. We must continue with that drive and look to make our Branches, events, and thus the Society as a whole, as THE place which every modeller in the land wants to be part of.

Before closing, I want to remind everyone, that this Society is entirely managed by volunteers, be they the Directors on the board mentioned in this booklet, the numerous people who back up those people, those who run Branches, SIGs or events. Everything the Society does is down to them, and all contribute time and effort around their day to day domestic and working lives for nothing in direct return. Every modeller - including non-Members who benefit from these activities - owes them a debt of thanks.

Personally, I want to thank all of those people, but especially I want to thank the members of the Board for their work - it is an honour to hold the role of President of IPMS UK, and to be part of such a dedicated team.

Yours aye,

Paul Regan
President IPMS (UK)



Honorary Treasurer's Report

This is my last report as Treasurer as I am standing down following the AGM. Over my five years I have worked to improve the governance of our accounting in particular ensuring it is compliant with

our status under HMRC regulations regarding VAT and corporation tax. The introduction of a modern accounting package has made the role easier and given a professional look to our dealings with our customers, particularly the Traders who attend Scale ModelWorld. Hopefully this will ease the work for those that follow me. There are some changes, related to governance, as to how the accounts are now presented in the accompanying reports. These are detailed on page 2 of the statutory accounts under review of the business. It is important that these are read in company with the spreadsheet showing income and expenditure.

The challenge to maintain profitability of Scale ModelWorld is growing harder. Price pressure and emerging competitive shows, in the UK and Europe, add to that challenge. I have done my best to guide the Executive Committee on the finance of the Society but now the time has come to hand over to a successor. I wish her luck in the role.

John Hebditch
Honorary Treasurer



Scale ModelWorld Manager's Report

The feedback to the show has been overwhelmingly positive, and that reflects well on the Society but also the contributions made by all those participating in whatever capacity. We believe the primary niggles from 2024 were successfully ironed out in 2025 and we look forward to building further on this for 2026.

Attendance for Scale ModelWorld 2025 flat lined compared to last year with a reduction in both trader and Member numbers being counterbalanced with an increase in public through the door. The feedback has been that the halls felt less busy, but the numbers suggest they were roughly the same.

For a variety of different reasons some traders chose not to attend this year, some indicating they hoped to return in 2026. The current economic conditions over the previous months certainly had a large part to play in some of the decisions made. Attending SMW for traders is not a cheap commitment but on the whole, those that do have a good show.

The advanced ticketing for public attendance worked well again, and whilst not overtly advertis-

ing the fact, we did provide cash options and on the day purchases to a few who still preferred it. As has now become customary here are the comparative attendance figures. Note that Members includes overseas IPMS Members. Due to a misalignment of available appropriately coloured wristbands, the precise breakdown of who wore what was lost in 2022:

Wristbands/Attendance figures

	SMW 2019	SMW 2021	SMW 2022	SMW 2023	SMW 2024	SMW 2025
Members	2506	1803	3026	3189	2989	2954
Overseas	274					
Exhibitors/Setup	809	564		1010	1144	1100
Public	2645	1751	2305	2097	1939	2038
Traders	734	258	400	540	567	532
Total	6968	4376	5731	6836	6639	6624
Non trader attendance	6234	4118	5331	6296	6072	6092

Number of Traders attending (using the Show Guide)

	157	83	110	121	134	117
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The Sunday Remembrance ceremony was led by Andy Brown and Steve Hanley once more. The sounding of the whistles returned this year and despite the halls being hushed well in advanced, they certainly initiated the proceedings in their usual manner. Being able to stand on the gantry is indeed an honour, but I would extend an invitation to all veterans who wish to participate to do so. It is not a formal invitation process.

We were also able to host a number of seminars on the Saturday this year and thanks go to those that gave up some of their time to do so. This is an area where we could develop and if the membership has any suggestions please let the EC know.

The show programme was produced by Guideline Publishing again this year and lessons learned from 2024 were applied to 2025. It was felt to be a good step forward, but still with room for improvement as a show guide.

Looking ahead and the larger displays pencilled in to-date are as follows:

2026 No volunteers.

2027 Potentially, A Celebration of the 50th Anniversary of Star Wars, coordinated by the Movie & TV SIG (TBC).

2028 40 years of the Airbus A320 Family in commercial service (Airliner SIG for more details).

My thanks go to the non-EC team in yellow who

commit their weekend to ensuring that everyone else can enjoy theirs. They are at the coalface in ensuring that any issues are dealt with swiftly. Thanks also go to those who arrive on Friday to set up the tables, etc., so that displays can be set up in good time. They are a phenomenal team who really do pull out the stops. I believe this year was an all-time record. A particular thanks this year to those that stay after the show to help with banksman duties as the show is cleared down. Working with the TIC staff, again I think we cleared the show in record time too this year. If you are interested in volunteering, as a group or individually, please contact the UKLO.

I have now come to the end of my third term as Scale ModelWorld Manager. My first show should have been in 2020, but the pandemic put paid to that. In the 5 subsequent years I think we have managed to get to the show back to its previous levels of anticipation and enjoyment. It certainly felt over the past couple of years that the ambience of the show is superb, friendly and relaxed. Hopefully all those involved in every stage of the organisation, planning and delivery have contributed to those feelings. My thanks go to them all for their contribution to the team.

You will read elsewhere in this booklet that I am standing for a different role this year, but I am sure that my successor will develop the show further and better still.

Richard Middleton
SMW Manager



Honorary Secretary's Report

Last year in 2025 has seen the Society grow in membership numbers again, a trend that keeps on happening year on year. This is mirrored with Scale ModelWorld as this is still the number one event in the world for seeing the best in scale models and the most varied traders from all over the globe. This event is truly the biggest on the planet.

The Society continues to grow but with the changes that are happening on the Executive Committee the board still has to keep a check on its costs and be more efficient in the way it operates.

More legislation may come into effect in the next few years and the Society has to operate as a small business and comply with all the legislation that

comes with being a small business. The Members will see some changes that the board will have to make to keep in line with legislation and how the Society can work in the business world in the current climate.

The Executive Committee meetings are held on the online platform of Zoom with all the officers only meeting physically once or twice a year and these are generally at the Annual General Meeting or a pre-planning meeting before Scale ModelWorld. There are occasions when a future planning meeting will be held; this is to chart the course of the Society for the next few years, and recently one was held where some vital decisions were made on the future direction of the Society.

Last year the AGM booklet was delivered to the Members via email and the cost reduction was significant, especially in the postage which only seems to rise every year. With the success of communicating this booklet to the Members in this way we will be doing the same again this year. Also the same as last year, hard copies will be available at the Annual General Meeting or via post with a request sent to myself.

With that, I hope that we will see a good attendance at the AGM which this year is being held at the The Midland Air Museum, Rowley Road, Baginton, Warwickshire, CV3 4FR, on the 16th May 2026, with a start time of 13.00 and free entry to all Members on production of a current membership card.

Tony Horton
Honorary Secretary



Magazine Editor's Report

The year 2025 was another successful one for the Society, and in turn for the Magazine. With Covid now being a bad memory, model shows and other events are more or less back to normal, although a few have fallen by the wayside. Members of the Society have been being able to showcase their work and socialise, as we did before that bad dream occurred. This has also meant that we have all been able to network at shows and events, which has resulted in the generation of much new material for the pages of the Magazine.

As Editor I have been aiming to continue to maintain the production of the Magazine as a high

quality publication that fulfills its role as the journal of a World-class organisation. From what I have been informed by the vast majority of Society Members that I have been in contact with, the magazine is to their satisfaction, but that does not mean that there is not room for improvement! I am always looking at ways to do just this, and am often prompted by ideas from Members.

As per usual I have been ably assisted over the past year by Chris Ayre for the artwork and laying out the articles and other material appearing on the page of each issue. We try to achieve a mix of articles, regular columns, book and kit reviews, competitions and Society news and business in each issue. In covering modeling activities, we do try to feature a variety, not only in terms of subjects, but also modeling approaches, from getting back to basics with Golden Oldies, to middle of the road and more advanced projects, along with the latest developments, such as 3D Printing.

I would like to thank our numerous contributors for their high quality input, as we do currently have a healthy flow of contributions from Members. As ever though, I could always do with more, to maintain the momentum, and particularly in order to publish a variety of subjects to cater for the wide interests of Members. If you would like to write an article, please do get in touch and I'll advise you on how to go about it!

Dave Berryman
Magazine Editor



Webmaster Report

I have responsibility for the technical operations of the Society website, the email system, the Survey Monkey survey system, the Dropbox file sharing system and the membermojo membership system.

In 2025 there were 360 changes, updates and fixes to the above. In addition, many thanks to the Deputy Webmaster, Martin Kershaw, for processing a further 106 adds and changes of model shows for the website Events Diary.

The Branch and SIG Annual Return was conducted online. However, once again this was made much more difficult because of having to chase a minority of Branches and SIGs who are slow to respond.

AGM Voting was also conducted online, with votes cast more than double compared to 2024.

Over 1,200 photos were taken at Scale Model-World, with about 150 of these being captioned, resized and uploaded to the website, and others provided for the Magazine.

The ongoing battle with temporary web server unavailability ("outages") continues. One problem is bad people trying to take over the server, while another is the training of Artificial "Intelligence" by trying to download the entire contents of our website. This consumes a lot of my time and means little else gets done. Despite this the server was available 99.92% of the time.

To try and improve things I would like to recruit extra help. Ideally, in addition to general website and events areas, I'd like to have persons with responsibility for:

1. Branches and SIGs on the website.
2. Survey Monkey (annual returns, AGM voting and surveys).
3. Email, Dropbox and membermojo.

None of this is very technical, and any offers of help would be most welcome.

Pete Readman
Webmaster



Membership Secretary's Report

This is my second annual report as Membership Secretary, the first since being formally elected.

Year-on-year membership numbers on the 31/12/25 are outlined below. These are a snapshot in time with totals recorded on the 31st December each year. The reader will note a slight reduction in overall membership numbers (5007 in 2025 compared with 5030 in 2024). This masks an all-time high of 5036 in November 2025. Data shows membership numbers peak in October/November of each year. At the time of writing this report (5/2/26) the total membership sits at 5028 and demonstrates the variation of totals across the year due to a membership period running from the month of renewal rather than a fixed point in the year.

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
UK Adult (18 years and above)	3001	2486	2902	3002	3313	3301
UK Junior (under 18 years)	16	8	14	11	9	8

UK Family, 2 members	1090	795	969	1043	1142	1139
UK Family, 3+ members	302	226	266	268	338	332
European Adult	130	110	96	95	94	94
European Family, 2 members	32	26	32	24	34	34
European Family, 3+ members	3	3	8	9	9	9
Rest of World Adult	49	49	44	45	49	48
Rest of World Family, 2 members	6	7	8	8	8	8
Life Member	33	33	37	33	32	32
UK Affiliate Club	1	1	1	1	1	1
Life Member's Family	1	1	1	1	1	1
European Affiliate Club	1	1	0	1	0	0
Total Membership	4665	3746	4378	4541	5030	5007

Membership is very much a team effort, and I wish to express my thanks to Neil Wood and Stella Wenko who, between them, do all the printing and posting of membership cards. My gratitude also goes to Doug Hughes who continues to support the Society in the role of Direct Debit Administrator. Without their help the membership function would be difficult for one person to do, especially in a voluntary capacity.

The significant change related to membership is a price increase that is effective from April 1st, 2026. The new membership fees are outlined in the table below and have been published in the IPMS Magazine. The increase, as previously outlined, is due to inflation. This is the first increase since 2024.

Membership Type	2026
UK Adult	£35.00
UK Junior	£15.00
UK Family (2)	£44.00
UK Family (3+)	£50.00
Europe Adult	£46.00
Europe Family (2)	£54.00
Europe Family (3+)	£61.00
Rest of World Adult	£54.00
Rest of World Family (2)	£61.00
Rest of World Family (3+)	£70.00
Life Member's Family	£9.00
UK Affiliate Club	£50.00
European Affiliate Club	£70.00

Keith Goldsworthy
Membership Secretary



UK Liaison Officers Report

This last year has been more stable from a UKLO perspective. Annual returns got better but some Branches and SIGs still did not reply on time. An overwhelming number of Branch and SIG Leaders therefore voted in November that any group failing to respond in time, as covered in the rules, should not be offered space at the next SMW.

There are still numbers of new Branches/SIGs applying to join. The procedure is to email UKLO for a form. The sub-committee meets twice a year to vet and approve applications. Applicants are then emailed sub-committee decisions.

Volunteers at SMW. We had a brilliant Friday morning and set up went incredibly well. We kept up to speed all day with only a few hiccups. Knowing that we would have a few no shows, Saturday and Sunday volunteers were increased to cover this - and it worked! One small point - if you send an email with a statement like 'sorry cannot cover that volunteer task' - do not expect a reply because we now must rush email others to find cover. If you saw the number of emails in the lead up to SMW, you will understand. The general feeling of Members was that SMW 2025 was the best ever. We are trying to find a smoother procedure to allocate volunteer tasks at SMW. Currently it relies on some data from annual returns and some from knowledge of which Branches/SIGs are reliable. This means that each new UKLO volunteer must start from scratch with the previous years lists. I have put it back to members that perhaps there is a better way - and asked for ideas. Perhaps February is too early to commit to being at Telford or how many Members are coming. We must however express our grateful thanks to all those volunteers to SMW 2025 who made it such a success.

Pat Lewarne
UK Liaison Officer



Technical Advisory Service Officer's Report

I have continued to serve the Society as best I can during the past year and was the Society's

representative at 13 provincial Shows. The result of which was 81 membership renewals, the recruitment of 20 new Members (membership total £2992) and £377.50 in merchandise sales.

I have carried out as much research, as I was able to on behalf of those Members seeking assistance with their modelling projects, and have endeavoured to answer those queries to the best of my ability. Where I was unable to do so, I requested information via the TAS Matters column in the Society Magazine or the Society's FB pages. I made several journeys (at my expense) to collect various donations of old models and magazines for disposal at SMW 25.

I ran the SMW 25 Merchandise Stand that realised sales of £941.10 and organised the Charity tables that were located in the entrance foyer (Give an Old Model a New Home). Donations from those tables amounted to £1920.00, which were passed on to Marie Curie Cancer Care.

I have taken over the role of procuring Society merchandise from John Tapsell and I hope to expand our range in 2026. Finally, and hopefully by the time that this is published, I will have completed my major TAS writing project - "IPMS (UK) The First 60 Years".

Alfie Bass
TAS Officer



Overseas Liaison Officer's Report

I stepped in and took over the role of Overseas Liaison Officer on a co-opted basis in early 2025 as no one had come forward to stand for the post, and after many years of sterling service on the EC the outgoing officer felt the time right to stand down. Shadowing the work that Gary did, in the run up to the 2025 AGM was incredibly useful and I was very grateful for the opportunity to do this to gain an insight into what was involved.

I was unaware of just how much work and commitment of my time, this one role involved, and would otherwise have naively thought it an "easier" role on the committee. The handover of all the paperwork and files occurred in Doncaster on the AGM weekend in May 2025.

After the AGM it was sink or swim, but I did still have a lifejacket, as Gary was still there at the end of an email for assistance, and I tried very hard not

to rely on that.

The workload for Overseas is a steady one all throughout the year, with a lot of activity at the start of the year with invitations for SMW going out, replies to those, and a myriad of other queries coming back all throughout the year. Naturally though, the workload does step up a lot come September and in the run up then to early November and the show weekend.

SMW 2025 saw 23 overseas clubs and national bodies present in the building; sadly a few had to withdraw in the run up to the event for various reasons, but we had a great turnout from the overseas teams, and it is not a cheap weekend away for these people with their flights and ferries and hotels. We were delighted to have representatives from IPMS Ukraine present at the show, and to acknowledge both the effort they had made to attend, and for their dedication to the hobby despite the adversity that the Ukraine is living with, I was pleased to present them with a small special engraved plaque for their efforts.

IPMS (UK) always presents two awards to the overseas delegates; one to those who travel the furthest, as globetrotters; and another for the best display in the section. In 2025 that Globetrotting award, was received by representatives of IPMS Israel, and the award for best display of the year was awarded to IPMS Portugal.

All in all, I had a great year in the role and feel that I have just about got bedded in, and so I am now looking forward to the challenges that 2026 brings with it, and naturally with that have chosen to stand for a term of office on the committee in the Overseas Liaison role.

Chris Marston
Overseas Liaison Officer
(co-opted)



National Competition Secretary's Report

The 2025 Scale ModelWorld Competition ran well, as the processes refined over the past few years are now well rehearsed. The continued use of the Ludlow Suite is a significant help as the layout does not have to be redesigned each year and the setup crew are now very familiar with the most effective layout. Despite entry numbers being lower than in the years before 2025, table space is still being fully used by the increasing number of

large models being entered. The decision to host the Agora Models Big Scale Diorama Competition provided valuable publicity to an audience that might otherwise be unaware of Scale ModelWorld, but the table space consumed by the Agora entries was at the expense of the best of category and show winners. Additional table space was created for the Best of Category and Best of Show winners, and the same arrangement will be used in 2026 as it proved to be effective.

Participation in the SMW 2025 Competition was slightly up on 2024 with 867 entries, but notably below pre-2025 levels. As in 2024, the marked dip below the 1000 entries threshold was accounted for in large part by the absence of entries from Czech modelers. Routinely, Czech entries number 150 to 200 models and though the Czech contingent was expected to return in 2025, a lack of affordable travel options again prevented their attendance. The Overseas Liaison Officer has since spoken to her Czech contact and it would appear that the organised group visit to Telford will not take place in the foreseeable future, which will deprive the competition of many excellent models. Entries by category in 2025 were made up as follows:

Category	Entries	Percentage
Aircraft	283	32.6%
Military Vehicles	146	16.8%
Civilian Vehicles	85	9.8%
Figures	76	8.8%
Ships	31	3.6%
Science Fiction	88	10.1%
Space	1	0.1%
Miscellaneous	24	2.8%
Diorama	112	12.9%
Junior	10	1.2%
Branch	11	1.3%
Total	867	100%

The judging process improves each year as the team continues its post pandemic reconstitution and only a few more judges will be required in 2026. The team now has a healthy balance of experienced and new judges, ensuring that corporate knowledge is retained while simultaneously drawing in new blood to help promote fresh ideas and objective criticism. The enthusiastic, committed and very flexible attitude of all the judges is highly valued. The total time to judge the competition was significantly reduced in 2025 allowing

more time for the paying public to view the entries. A more detailed judging guide is planned for 2026 to help standardise the process, while preserving the essential artistic subjectivity required to judge models of such outstanding quality.

Flow management of public entry was again implemented in 2025 and despite a lengthy queue outside the competition area, the viewing public were happy to have more time in an uncongested Ludlow Suite to peruse the competition. That said, competition entrants were asked to join the queue, which was unnecessary and in future, they will be given an entrant's wristband to facilitate direct access.

While the lighting in the Ludlow Suite is satisfactory, there are still several dark areas of the competition, especially on dull days and during the latter parts of Saturday and Sunday. Table lighting options are being researched but cost will ultimately determine whether additional lighting is purchased. If the competition is to develop in the future, it must strive to become self-subsidising. The membership will ultimately have to decide whether the competition remains a closed event for IPMS Members only, or whether it is opened to a wider modeling constituency and an entry fee charged.

The Competition remains a very popular component part of SMW that provides an excellent showcase for the UK hobby. The success of the event is down to the selfless contributions of a growing number of volunteers, without whom, a competition fitting of SMW would not be possible. Applications from IT literate volunteers to assist with the administration of the competition will be warmly welcomed by the Competition Secretary, who can be contacted at competition@scalemodelworld.co.uk.

Andy Brown
Competition Secretary



Decal Bank Report

The year has seen activity levels continuing at similar rates to previous years, still with an undoubted focus on aviation both in terms of requests and donations, although enquiries show something of a movement towards bigger scales coming through.

As ever, we rely hugely on the generosity of Members who provide donations in some cases any-

mously, and I also have quite a number of "specialists" who I turn to for specific help from time to time, and we offer our grateful thanks to them all.

Sadly, many requests cannot be met, particularly in the fields which we do not have wide stocks for (mainly cars and military), or where the request is too specific - after-market small run sheets are a problem here, but I'm pleased to say that we have helped a fair number of projects get over the line during the year.

I look forward to helping more modellers in the coming year.

Paul Regan
Decal Bank Co-ordinator



Kit Instruction Library

The Kit Instruction Library has received only four requests in the past year although the volume of fresh donations has remained high. It is interesting how the proportion of these now being made on line as pdf files is increasing, saving on postal charges for the donees and avoiding the storage space required to hold the ever increasing number of paper copies. Retrieval is also easier when meeting requests and, interestingly, no request for a printed version to be sent by post has been raised for over two years. Are we all finally embracing modern technology, however reluctantly?

Brian Cameron
IPMS (UK) Kit
Instruction Library



Publicity Officer's Report

No report received.

IPMS (UK) Statement of Accounts 1st January to 31st December 2025

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THE INTERNATIONAL PLASTIC MODELLERS'
SOCIETY (UK) (REGISTERED NUMBER: 03222907)

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**THE INTERNATIONAL PLASTIC MODELLERS'
SOCIETY (UK)**

**COMPANY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

DIRECTORS:	MP Bass P D Regan P W Readman D G Berryman Wg Cdr A D Brown P Lewarne R J Middleton J C Hebditch K Goldsworthy
SECRETARY:	A D Horton
REGISTERED OFFICE:	5 White Oak Square London Road Swanley Kent BR8 7AG
REGISTERED NUMBER:	03222907 (England and Wales)
ACCOUNTANTS:	Sargeant Partnership Limited Chartered Accountants 5 White Oak Square London Road Swanley Kent BR8 7AG

**THE INTERNATIONAL PLASTIC MODELLERS'
SOCIETY (UK) (REGISTERED NUMBER: 03222907)**

**REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

The directors present their report with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 2025.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the company in the year under review was that of operating a society for the purpose of helping members derive pleasure from and broaden their interest in the hobby of modelling in plastics and to assist those who do such modelling in their activities.

REVIEW OF BUSINESS

Before reviewing the business there are some changes to how the accounts have been prepared. It has been custom to divide them into two. The Society and the Scale Model World show. The Society's have been treated as exempt from corporation tax. This has been based on HMRC regulations which make any surplus in club subscriptions, after providing the membership entitlements, as exempt from taxation. While any surplus from trading is subject to corporation tax. An examination of past practice has shown that the allocation of income and expenditure have not followed completely the correct division between the two categories.

The Articles of Association define the benefits as being a club magazine and an annual competition. The magazine costs have correctly been allocated to the Society side. Whereas the competition has been allocated to the Scale Model World side. This has increased the surplus on the Society side and incorrectly reduced the taxable profit in the Scale Model World side. This has now been corrected and in these accounts the competition costs have been allocated to the Society.

In the same way the sales of merchandise and advertising in the magazine have been moved to the Scale Model World side as they constitute trading and are not a membership entitlement. Thus the Scale Model World side now covers all trading done by the Society.

Since COVID Scale Model World has been trading around the break even point. In 2024 the surplus was £1512. In evaluating 2025 performance against this it is important to compare like for like. In 2025 the Scale Model World figures have benefited from the addition of the sales attributable to merchandise and advertising and the transfer of the competition costs to the Society side. To compare like for like the 2025 Scale Model World operating surplus of £8,033 needs to be adjusted. The competition costs reduce this by £3805. Removal of the merchandise and advertising sales reduces it by £13,618. Making the 2025 surplus, like for like with 2024, a loss of £8,690.

This continues a worrying downward trend. Continued pressure of rising costs and the possible negative effect of price increases on public and trader attendance, make it a challenge to keep the show at a break-even point. Increasingly the membership subscriptions will have to be relied on overall to keep the Society in the black.

**REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

DIRECTORS

The directors shown below have held office during the whole of the period from 1 January 2025 to the date of this report.

MP Bass
PD Regan
PW Readman
DG Berryman
Wg Cdr AD Brown
P Lewame
RJ Middleton
JC Hebditch

Other changes in directors holding office are as follows:

CG Wenko - resigned 24 May 2025
K Goldsworthy - appointed 24 May 2025

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:


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JC Hebditch - Director

Date: 23/04/2026

**CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ON THE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF
THE INTERNATIONAL PLASTIC MODELLERS'
SOCIETY (UK)**

In order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Act 2006, we have prepared for your approval the financial statements of The International Plastic Modellers' Society (UK) for the year ended 31 December 2025 which comprise the Income Statement, Statement of Financial Position and the related notes from the company's accounting records and from information and explanations you have given us.

As a practising member firm of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), we are subject to its ethical and other professional requirements which are detailed within the ICAEW's regulations and guidance at <http://www.icaew.com/en/membership/regulations-standards-and-guidance>.

This report is made solely to the Board of Directors of The International Plastic Modellers' Society (UK), as a body, in accordance with our terms of engagement. Our work has been undertaken solely to prepare for your approval the financial statements of The International Plastic Modellers' Society (UK) and state those matters that we have agreed to state to the Board of Directors of The International Plastic Modellers' Society (UK), as a body, in this report in accordance with ICAEW Technical Release 07/16AAF. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than The International Plastic Modellers' Society (UK) and its Board of Directors, as a body, for our work or for this report.

It is your duty to ensure that The International Plastic Modellers' Society (UK) has kept adequate accounting records and to prepare statutory financial statements that give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit of The International Plastic Modellers' Society (UK). You consider that The International Plastic Modellers' Society (UK) is exempt from the statutory audit requirement for the year.

We have not been instructed to carry out an audit or a review of the financial statements of The International Plastic Modellers' Society (UK). For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the statutory financial statements.


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Date: 23/04/2026

INCOME STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
TURNOVER	264,898	246,700
Cost of sales	<u>73</u>	<u>2,572</u>
GROSS SURPLUS	264,825	244,128
Administrative expenses	<u>227,219</u>	<u>220,989</u>
OPERATING SURPLUS	37,606	23,139
Interest receivable and similar income	<u>700</u>	<u>945</u>
SURPLUS BEFORE TAXATION	38,306	24,084
Tax on surplus	<u>180</u>	<u>180</u>
SURPLUS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR	<u><u>38,126</u></u>	<u><u>23,904</u></u>

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
31 DECEMBER 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks		3,000	1,500
Debtors	4	32,709	34,006
Cash at bank		<u>288,759</u>	<u>240,528</u>
		324,468	276,034
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	5	<u>143,730</u>	<u>133,422</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>180,738</u>	<u>142,612</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u><u>180,738</u></u>	<u><u>142,612</u></u>
RESERVES			
Income and expenditure account		<u>180,738</u>	<u>142,612</u>
		<u><u>180,738</u></u>	<u><u>142,612</u></u>

The company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2025.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- (a) ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 23/04/2026 and were signed on its behalf by:

John Hebditch
.....
J C Hebditch - Director

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

The International Plastic Modellers' Society (UK) is a private company, limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales. The company's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Company Information page.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" including the provisions of Section 1A "Small Entities" and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Turnover

Turnover represents income received from subscriptions, exhibitions and other sundry income for the year.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings - 25% per annum on reducing balance

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Taxation

Taxation for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the Income Statement, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity.

Current or deferred taxation assets and liabilities are not discounted.

Current tax is recognised at the amount of tax payable using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the statement of financial position date.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the statement of financial position date.

Timing differences arise from the inclusion of income and expenses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in financial statements. Deferred tax is measured using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the year end and that are expected to apply to the reversal of the timing difference.

Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to surplus or deficit on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

3. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £
COST	
At 1 January 2025	
and 31 December 2025	12,729
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 January 2025	
and 31 December 2025	12,729
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 December 2025	-
At 31 December 2024	-

4. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade debtors	31,928	33,310
Other debtors	781	696
	32,709	34,006

5. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade creditors	2,026	(176)
Taxation and social security	30,613	24,557
Other creditors	111,091	109,041
	143,730	133,422

Included within Other Creditors is £44,033 in respect of invoices issued for Trader bookings for Scale Model World in 2026, recorded as deferred income. (The figure for 2024 was £41,735). There is £65,078 (2024:£65,326) in creditors being in respect of subscriptions received in advance.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

6. SHARE CAPITAL

The company is a company limited by guarantee.

DETAILED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

	2025		2024	
	£	£	£	£
Turnover				
Subscriptions	126,312		116,936	
Exhibition	124,718		124,992	
Sundry Income	2,200		2,391	
Merchandise sales	11,668		2,381	
	<u> </u>	264,898	<u> </u>	246,700
 Cost of sales				
Opening stock	1,500		1,889	
Purchases	1,573		2,183	
	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
	3,073		4,072	
Closing stock	(3,000)		(1,500)	
	<u> </u>	73	<u> </u>	2,572
 GROSS SURPLUS		264,825		244,128
 Other income				
Deposit account interest		700		945
		<u> </u>		<u> </u>
		265,525		245,073
 Expenditure				
Magazine printing	35,715		37,648	
Magazine dispatch	37,962		35,821	
Magazine Articles	860		1,019	
Insurance	715		715	
AGM costs & hire of venues	649		5,269	
Printing, post and stationery	7,530		7,073	
Travelling	4,008		1,484	
Costs of Scale ModelWorld	132,298		121,947	
Computer costs	2,145		2,560	
Accountancy	1,980		4,210	
	<u> </u>	223,862	<u> </u>	217,746
		<u> </u>		<u> </u>
		41,663		27,327
 Finance costs				
Bank charges		3,357		3,243
		<u> </u>		<u> </u>
 NET SURPLUS		38,306		24,084
		<u> </u>		<u> </u>

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Income and Expenditure accounts 2025						
	All activity	Non SMW	SMW	All activity	Non SMW	SMW
	2024	2024	2024	2025	2025	2025
	£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME						
SUBSCRIPTIONS						
Magazine adverts	1,914	1,914		1,950		1,950
Members' Subs	116,936	116,936		126,312	126,312	
	118,850	118,850	0	128,262	126,312	1,950
SCALE MODELWORLD						
Trader income and sponsorship	87,390		87,390	83,598		83,598
Public ticket sales	36,394		36,394	38,909		38,909
Trader Power supplies	1,179		1,179	1,588		1,588
Other Income	500		500	602		602
SIG tables/Wrist bands/Guide ads	133		133	271		271
	125,596	0	125,596	124,968	0	124,968
MERCHANDISE SALES						
Merchandise sales - branded	2,245	2,245		2,118		2,118
Sale of donated goods				9,417		
Merchandise sales - magazines	136	136		133		133
Total sales income	2,381	2,381	0	11,668	0	11,668
Turnover	246,827	121,231	125,596	264,898	126,312	138,586
EXPENDITURE						
Merchandise postage				7		7
Magazine Printing/layout	37,648	37,648		35,715	35,715	
Magazine Distribution	35,821	35,821		37,962	37,962	
Magazine Articles payments	1,019	1,019		860	860	
	74,488	74,488		74,544	74,537	7
SCALE MODELWORLD RUNNING COSTS						
Venue hire	82,737		82,737	85,220		85,220
Furniture hire	10,832		10,832	11,048		11,048
Security	826		826	1,305		1,305
Venue setup	3,648		3,648	1,761		1,761
Operational costs	1,355		1,355	678		678
Stagecraft - power provision				4,326		4,326
Hotel accomm - volunteers and EC	6,386		6,386	8,532		8,532
Secure store facility	1,730		1,730	1,730		1,730
Competition trophies	2,683		2,683	3,495	3,495	
Competition Miscellaneous				310	310	
SMW IT equipment	796		796	311		311
SMW IT software/Hosting	516		516	412		412
Wrist bands	232		232	235		235
Annual dinner	872		872	675		675
Advertising				2,660		2,660
Miscellaneous	418		418	1,437		1,437
First Aid cover	1,695		1,695	2,186		2,186
	114,726	0	114,726	126,321	3,805	122,516
	189,214.00	74,488.00	114,726.00	200,865.00	78,342.00	122,523.00

Income and Expenditure accounts 2025						
	All activity	Non SMW	SMW	All activity	Non SMW	SMW
	2024	2024	2024	2025	2025	2025
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Cost of Sales						
Opening stock	1,889	1,889		1,500		1,500
Purchases	2,183	2,183				1,573
Closing stock	-1,500	-1,500		-3,000		-3,000
	2,572	2,572	0	-1,500	0	73
ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS						
Mileage	3,493	1,415	2,078	4,572	3624	948
Travel	362	52	310	252	197	55
Telephone						
Postage	282	146	136	290	85	205
Stationery	110		110	42	12	30
Printing	191	17	174	86	36	50
Subsistence	103	17	86	144	79	65
IT supplies	52	52		75	67	8
Hotel				108	108	
Sundries	46		46	10		10
	4,639	1,699	2,940	5,579	4,208	1,371
CHARGES						
Accountancy fees	4,210	2,200	2,010	1,980		1,980
Bank fees	546	546		571	571	
Transaction charge	3,181	2,142	1,039	3,389	2,244	1,145
Insurance	4,084	715	3,369	4,176	715	3,461
DD Bureau charges	557	557		542	542	
	12,578	6,160	6,418	10,658	4,072	6,586
COMPLIANCE COSTS						
Membership Cards	1,172	1,172		1,314	1314	
Membership Postage	4,461	4,461		5,360	5360	
Franking machines	384	384		384	384	
Miscellaneous	649	649		171	171	
Society IT equipment	450	450		337	337	
Website and membership database	2,058	2,058		1,741	1741	
Membership Stationery	244	244		161	161	
AGM booklet	1,706	1,706		296	296	
AGM booklet postage	3,110	3,110		0	0	
AGM and governance costs	301	301		353	353	
EC Meeting room	152	152		0		
	14,687	14,687	0	10,117	10,117	0
Less rounding	-2	-2				
Total operating expenditure	223,688	99,604	124,084	227,292	96,739	130,553
Operating surplus	23,139	21,627	1,512	37,606	29,573	8,033
Interest receivable	945	945		700		700
Net Trading Surplus before taxation	24,084	22,572	1,512	38,306	29,573	8,733
Loss brought forward			- 1,569			- 78
Capital allowance			- 21			- 91
Loss carried forward			-78			- 0
Taxable surplus		945				8,564
Corporation Tax	- 180	- 180				- 1,627
Surplus	23,904	22,392	1,512	36,510	29,573	6,937

Committee Expenses for Financial Year 01/01/25 - 31/12/2025

Committee Expenses analysed by post (not postholder) ex VAT	Mileage £	Travel £	Phone £	Postage £	Stationery £	Printing £	Subsistence £	IT Supplies £	Hotel £	Sundry Expenses £	Total £
President	983	11		85							1,079
Competition Secretary			0	0							0
Magazine Editor	114										114
Membership Secretary	790	0	0						63		854
Overseas Liaison Officer	161			61	6	36	41		45		351
Publicity Officer	512	0	0								512
Honorary Secretary	434		0	0			38	8			479
Scale ModelWorld Manager	294	162	0	144	30	14					643
TAS Officer	964	5	0	0	6	36	10			10	1,031
Honorary Treasurer	150	23	0	0			55	67			294
UK Liaison Officer											0
Webmaster	170	51	0								222
Total	4,572	252		290	42	86	144	75	108	10	5,579

Nominations for the Executive Committee Posts IPMS (UK) AGM 2026 ~ Election Addresses



Standing for the position of President

Richard Middleton

I have been a member of the Society since 1983 and like many was quite happy to sit back and let the Society be run by an active core of people and I'd tag along. I took over the reins from John Lewis in running the Car & Motorcycle SIG in 2005 and was happy enough supervising the show attendance. However, seeing the call for help, I volunteered to help to run the 2013 50th Anniversary display at SMW and from there became Secretary in 2017. In 2020 I was elected Scale ModelWorld Manager and have been in that role ever since.

Since joining I have witnessed the evolution of the Society from less than 700 members, the creation and expansion in numbers of Special Interest Groups, the growth of our main model show from 18 to well in excess of 120 traders and floor space to accommodate all that growth. The hobby is the same yet very different over that time too, but that would need a book to cover it...

Paul has held a steady hand on the wheel of the society for the past 25 years and has steered us through some rough times where the future looked very bleak, the stabilisation of the financial security of the Society, to where we are today with membership exceeding 5500. The Society owes Paul a great deal for his tenure. He has now decided that the time has come to stand down, and I believe I can build on those solid foundations and take the Society forward.

IPMS (UK) is now sufficiently robust to be able to consider more clearly what our role in the hobby is and how we can help to strengthen its popularity and success for the good of all involved. Outside of providing the magnificence that Scale ModelWorld is, the Society

should be encouraging more people to open-up about their participation rather than almost be embarrassed by admitting it's what they do. There are far more people building kits than there are in IPMS (UK), so we are in certain respects extremists. We need to work with the whole hobby to encourage all age groups to at least try it and see what we get from it. The Society should begin to help shape the future of the hobby working with those with a business interest in it and liaising with those with similar interests. The Society should also be actively encouraging and helping, where requested, those using the hobby as an aid for mindfulness. We need to be proactive in the future of our hobby.

Whilst we can be focussed on our future, we also have another fabulous base on which to build, and that is the people involved. The recent Scale ModelWorld shows have illustrated that it is the friendship, fellowship and common cause that attracts and holds us together on a local, national and global basis. We are an inclusive and accessible organisation that encourages participation and having fun. If it is not fun it becomes an endurance. We should be promoting these intangible aspects of both the Society and the hobby.

These goals will not be achieved quickly and will take considerable efforts to initiate conversations and follow through on them. I believe I can do that and start the next chapter in the Society.



Standing for the position of Scale ModelWorld Manager

John Tapsell

I have put my name forward for election to the role of Scale ModelWorld Manager because it is a critical role within IPMS (UK) and it represents a challenge that I can apply my knowl-

edge and experience to.

As many long-term IPMS Members will know, I served on the Executive Committee in various roles for many years, before stepping away in 2024. However, I have remained involved in the show and now that the opportunity to take charge of it has opened up, it has tempted me to come back onto the EC.

I have been part of the Scale ModelWorld team since the event moved to Telford in 1998. I therefore have a detailed understanding of how it works, what the challenges are and the level of background work involved in its organisation. I also know the organising team and more particularly the long-serving set-up crew. In addition, in my previous EC roles, I was able to build up good relationships with a significant percentage of the trader community and indeed the Branch and SIG network.

Many of the skills required in my professional life as a procurement specialist in a large organisation are equally relevant to the running of a major public event. I am used to managing large projects, building positive relationships with a diverse range of stakeholders rapidly and working to tight deadlines whilst ensuring that all aspects of the task are properly undertaken.

Whilst I am confident that I can fulfill the role of Scale ModelWorld Manager, I am also aware that ultimately it is the IPMS (UK) membership that needs to have confidence in me and determine whether I am an appropriate candidate for the role by voting in my favour.



Standing for the position of Honorary Treasurer

AnneMarie Ryall-Gould

My name is AnneMarie Ryall-Gould, and I am standing for the role of IPMS Honorary Treasurer

I started modeling in July 2016 after a car accident. In April 2019 I moved to Doncaster and joined the Yorkshire Black Sheep IPMS club. I was voted onto the committee in June 2020 and became the treasurer in July 2022. I am

also a member of Sutton Spartans IPMS club and attend several non IPMS model clubs to learn from others.

My career has always been in business administration, and I have worked in accounts departments in several of my roles. I gained my Level One AAT qualification and went on to own my own business in the early 1990s.

I am standing for the role of treasurer because I want to become more involved in the Society and help move it forward.



Standing for the position of Honorary Secretary

Antony Horton

Having now served on the Executive Committee for over 15 years, first as the Competition Secretary and now as the Honorary Secretary, I feel that I have contributed to the efficient running of the Society, in its business side of the organisation. Several cost cutting measures I have implemented to reduce the cost of running the Society, have achieved a healthy saving and I hope to continue keeping an eye on costs and efficiency from the Executive Committee in general. The Society is healthy at the current time with over 5,000 members and continues to grow and Scale ModelWorld is always the highlight of the Member's calendar and the Executive Committee as well.

There is still more work to do on keeping SMW at the pinnacle of events across the globe and for the business to stay in a healthy condition, which may require some more automation of certain communication tools. The Society will need to keep pace with the times.



Standing for the position of Competition Secretary

Wing Commander Andrew Brown

The Scale ModelWorld competition remains the premier annual event at which the very

best examples of our hobby are on show to the wider modelling community. The quality and quantity of models entered into the competition provide a barometer for contemporary British modelling and the participation of international competitors is a great opportunity to see at first hand the trends, styles and techniques being employed by modellers elsewhere in the world. The competition continues to be a focal point for both the competitive and casual modeller, providing a source of inspiration or an opportunity simply to admire the excellence of the models on show each year. To win any award in the competition should represent the highest accolade for any modeller. During my tenure the competition has seen consistent improvement to the setup, registration, administration, judging and prize giving, and with ambition to continue that improvement I am again seeking nomination to be the IPMS (UK) Competition Secretary once again. As a lifelong model maker and career RAF officer I hope to make a substantial contribution to the running of future events and to the invaluable work of the Executive Committee.



Standing for the position of Overseas Liaison Officer

Chris Marston

Having been an IPMS Member for over 15 years, and a member of numerous IPMS (UK) Branches and SIGs throughout that time, as well as forming a SIG some 8 years ago now; and for two of those years I was show organiser for (what was at the time my local Branch) Salisbury IPMS and on the back of that experience was asked if I would be interested in getting involved with the running of another model club and annual show...

As there were no candidates in 2025 for the role of Overseas Liaison I agreed to take the role in a co-opted capacity and in doing this I had a good opportunity to gain an insight into the operations and running of the IPMS without the commitment and formal legality that Officership carries.

A year on, and I have no regrets, I have met

and made a lot of new friends within the overseas clubs who quite honestly almost treat me like a member of family now when they email or message me, they are all so lovely and keen and engaging; and that alone has made me keener to want to make the commitment, to both look after and work with those people and also help the EC move forward with developing the Society for the next generation of modelers.

Overseas Liaison as I now can contest, is certainly not an easy option in terms of commitment to a role, as there are emails and questions and queries coming along on a very regular and daily basis, and I am proud of how everyone has thanked me for my promptness in dealing with them when they write in.

I had a great year, made a lot of new friends within the overseas modelling community, and the opportunity to meet and greet all our overseas members who make the pilgrimage to Telford each November was a good highlight and culmination to the year. The Telford weekend is certainly a different weekend when one is wearing yellow, and it was a very full on non-stop three days for me in the International Centre, like it is for the majority of the committee.



Standing for the position of Webmaster

Pete Readman

I have been responsible for the Society's web presence and various other IT functions for nearly ten years now.

In that time I have upgraded the website, performed the technical implementation of the membermojo membership system and provided automation of the AGM voting and the Branch and SIG Annual Returns. These have reduced costs and saved our volunteers' and officers' time.

If re-elected I will continue to maintain the existing systems. However, I must stress the ever-increasing demands of web security means that without some assistance, I am unlikely to be able to implement further improvement.





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