

AGM 2025 – Chair's Report

Good evening and Welcome to the Milton Keynes Sea Cadets AGM. It's lovely to see you this evening.

I haven't received anything in advance for Any Other Business, so if you have anything could you please save it until the AGM is closed where one of the Trustees would be happy to help.

Since our last AGM, the unit has been as busy as ever, with the Trustee supporting the staff and cadets at many events, competitions and community engagements.

As you are likely all aware since the last AGM we have won the Stephenson Trophy for the best unit in the Southern Area for the third year running. This meant that we represented Southern Area in the Canada Trophy, and have been awarded the Captain's Cup, which we are being presented on November 11th. This is a huge achievement, and the Trustees would like to thank all the cadets and staff for their continued dedication, hard work and commitment to excellence.

Since last year's AGM we have signed a 10 year lease on the compound at Emberton Park and the trustees have purchased two 20ft containers. Work has now started to move the boating equipment over, ahead of our larger move. I would like to thank Graham, David and Stuart for their work to get them onsite.

In the last month we have also signed a 25 year lease on Millmead Hall, while we are still in the planning stage of making the move, we will advise you all when we have a full plan. Securing the new premises would have not happened without the tireless work of the Trustee team lead by Stuart. We also would like to extend a huge Thank You to Dentons Solicitors who provided first class legal work Pro Bono, saving us thousands of pounds.

2025/2026 looks like it will be an equally busy year as we close down the Kiln Farm unit and move all operations to Millmead Hall.