

AAR WEBMASTER'S REPORT 2025 AGM

There have no issues to mention with the new host of the AAR web. However, maintaining the web and uploading files has not been as simple as with the former host. This is because the web builder program being used is not compatible for transferring files due to having a different protocol. The web builder still compiles web pages that are functionally compatible, but upload is now done via a third party application. While the previous web builder mapped the web site in its entirety to the folder on the Club's computer, the third party file transfer application requires mapping by sub-folders and doesn't auto updating the mapping when make changes within the open sub-folder. Trick is to close the sub-folder and re-open it to reflect the latest update.

Unlike the form host that offered unlimited storage he new host charges annual hosting fees based on specific storage capacity, which for the same price as the former host meant reducing the web files to half that the Club previously had. The forced a clean out of old redundant files, but further cleaning is necessary. As the Club only needs to retain financial, membership and administration information for seven years, files older than seven years, such as minutes of meetings, membership databases and financial records will no longer be backed-up on the website. Files constructed for advertisements and rallies that are no longer current will also be culled, but this is a slow process as most stored documents are listed by title (numerical and alphabetically) and not stored on the computer in chronological order. These files will remain in the back-up drive.

Members who have/or had advertisements on the website are request to please inform the webmaster when they are no longer required.



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