

UKUUG Treasurer Report - AGM 2006

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Financial Year 2005

The year-end accounts for the calendar year 2005 have been distributed to members.

On the retirement from Council of James Youngman at the AGM 2005, I became the UKUUG Treasurer and one of two Directors of UKUUG Ltd. alongside Ray Miller. Jane Morrison continues as Company Secretary.

The accounts for 2005 show UKUUG made a small overall profit and a smaller operating loss - effectively giving a balanced financial state for the year.

We were fortunate to gain a significant amount of sponsorship in the year from IBM and we thank them for their support. We spent £1621 on investigating the creation of an "All Party Open Source Group" which has continued into 2006. Due to the 2004-2005 council being less geographically dispersed, the expenditure on UKUUG council meetings (the main variable part of which is travel expenses) has significantly decreased while the number of meetings was largely unchanged.

2005 included a highly successful Winter Conference primarily organised by Ray Miller and a well attended Linux conference. Also in 2005 was UKUUG's involvement in the OpenTech event which generated a small profit and was such a success due to the sponsorship from the backstage.bbc.co.uk project (particularly Ben Metcalfe) and the incredible amount of work put in by Dave Green. While this event did not run again in 2006, it may return in 2007.

UKUUG Council is committed to investing the UKUUG funds wisely and looking after the reserves for the benefit of members and the long term interest of the group, whilst also looking at new projects.

Overall, 2005 was a successful year for UKUUG and the group remains in a healthy financial position.