



Model Aerobatic Association  
of South Africa

## **MINUTES OF THE MAASA COMMITTEE MEETING**

Venue: Andre' Stockwell's Home

Date: 2006-06-26

### **1. Present**

Pierre Marais (Chairman)  
Ivan Olivier (Chief Judge)  
Andre' Stockwell (Secretary)  
Nick Dreyer (Treasurer)

### **2. Apologies**

Danie Potgieter (Snr) (Contest Director)  
Christo Rust (Vice Chairman)  
Claude Mackrill (PRO)  
Burt Botha (Legal Adviser)  
Sharon Pretorius (Fund Raising)

### **3. Welcome**

Pierre Marais welcomed everyone at the meeting.

#### **4. Acceptance of previous minutes**

Minutes of the previous meeting dated 2006-02-23 were accepted as correct.

#### **5. Agenda**

1. Approval of Minutes from previous meeting
2. Finalize 2006 AGM Minutes and Constitution updates
3. Finances
  - a. Budget
  - b. Structure for Provinces on how can they allocate funds raised at events?
  - c. Fund raising.
4. Approval of new members
5. National Scoring summary
6. NATS feedback
7. Masters 2006 Venue
  - a. Free state, WP or North West
8. Rules Book Updates
  - a. New F3A Team Selection Criteria.
  - b. Sportsman aircraft restrictions for electric powered models.
  - c. Incentive for Sportsman to fly within the aerobatic zones.
  - d. Sportsman needs more basic input graphics of maneuvers. - Piet le Roux
9. Judging
  - a. Training program for Judges / Clinics and certification criteria etc
  - b. Review Remuneration of the judges.
  - c. Process of getting SA judges on WC panel /Bob
  - d. Scribes / caller for judges
10. Transformation
11. Contest Calendar
  - a. North West League in July. Date to be confirmed. Quintin.
  - b. GAA monthly date change from 6 to 27 August plus extra contest.
  - c. For 2007 Monthlies, Leagues, Masters and NATS

12. Committee meeting dates for the next term.

13. General

- a. Advertise for 2007 Team Manager Application
- b. Burt Botha's request to have NATS round count as a league event.
- c. Handicap system -Claude

**6. Discussion**

Ref	TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION BY:	WHEN
1.	<b>Previous Minutes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The minutes of the MAASA meeting dated 2006-02-23 was accepted as correct and approved by the chairman.</li> </ul>	Info	
2.	<b>AGM Minutes and Constitution updates</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The amendments to the constitution and the AGM minutes were finalized.</li> <li>• Distribute documents ASAP</li> </ul>	Info Andre'	10/06
3.	<b>Finances</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bank balance is currently R12514.69 and the R5000 grant for 2006 from SAMAA has not been received yet..</li> <li>• The existing account is to be closed by Danie Potgieter and Chris Bessinger.</li> <li>• New Budget for 2006/2007 to be submitted to SAMAA before 1 April to be eligible for the next year's grant.</li> <li>• Financial support for Provincial Championships:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Regional reps must submit a budget for Provincial contest to MAASA for consideration. Received Budgets from Central Radio Flyers and Capricorn Radio Flyers.</li> <li>○ Define the criteria for a contest to be classified as a Provincial contest.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Send a list of all unpaid members to regional reps to action.</li> <li>• Non-members scores will not be tallied at National level.</li> <li>• Request updated addresses from regional reps so that invoices and receipts can be posted to members.</li> <li>• Regional reps to ensure that all pilots are MAASA members</li> </ul>	Info  Danie Jnr  Nick  Reg. Reps  Reg. Reps / Pierre  Nick Info Andre'  Reps	ASAP  Done  30/08  Done  Done  Ongoing

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Fund Raising</b></li> <li>• Fund Raising done at provincial level. 10% of the funds raised at provincial level to be paid to MAASA which will be used to promote the sport Nationally and Internationally. The rest of the funds to be used within the region to promote the sport and improve infrastructure.</li> <li>• Little progress has been made thus far with fund raising. Investigate the possibility to work with / through the Aeroclub, coordinate calendars and contribute at airshows. Pierre to discuss the matter with Bob.</li> <li>• Contact a professional fundraiser for assistance.</li> <li>• Possible sponsorship from Kellogs, Cannon, Budget Rent a Car and Mapogo. An action plan needs to be presented to the sponsors as to how the funds will be used. Sharon to contact Bob Skinner for assistance. Sharon to give feedback on progress made thus far at the next meeting.</li> </ul>	Reps  Pierre  Ivan  Sharon	Info  30/06  30/08  Next meeting
4.	<b>New Schedules</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minor updates required to the Sportsman, Advanced and Expert schedules.</li> </ul>	Andre' / Marcel	Done
5.	<b>Approval of new Members</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All new membership applications were approved.</li> </ul>	Info	
6.	<b>National Scoring Summary</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The contest summary will be posted on the Website at regular intervals.</li> </ul>	Info	
7.	<b>NATS 2006 Feedback</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We would like to congratulate Klerksdorp Radio Flyers under the leadership of Quintin Schroll and his team, for hosting a top class event. With a record entry of 56 pilots from all corners of the country, flying 244 flights in three days required that everything had to run smoothly to complete all the rounds. It is going to be a hard act to follow. A BIG thank you from all who attended the Championships</li> </ul>	KRF	
8.	<b>Contest Calendar</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Masters 2006: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Bids were received form Western Province, Central Radio Flyers and Klerkdorp Radio Flyers. The 2006 Masters was awarded to</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Info	

		<p>CRF (Bloemfontein) with contest date 28 and 29<sup>th</sup> October.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2007 NATS TMFC to submit a written request / bid to MAASA to host the 2007 Nationals detailing dates, flight lines, practice sites etc suited for approximately 50 pilots. Kas Hamman to coordinate and assist in this regard.</li> </ul>	Dirk van Rhyn Kas Hamman	20 /07
9.	<b>Rule Book</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>F3A team selection criteria were finalized. Distribute document.</li> <li>Aircraft restrictions for Sportsman Class. No specification existed for the use of electric motors and turbines in the class. It was decided to keep the Sportsman class (as an entry class) affordable and basic, not to allow electric motors or turbine propelled aircraft in the class. Should a pilot decide to use such technology, they may compete in the Advanced class by choice.</li> <li>Sportsman class - Incentive to fly within the end box zones was discussed. The decision was that the 8 minute ruling for the Sportsman class will ensure that the pilots stays within the zones. Andre to update score sheets accordingly</li> <li>Burt Botha to finalize the draft Sporting Code for further processing:</li> </ul>	Andre' Info  Andre' Burt Botha	10/06  15/06 ASAP
10.	<b>Judging</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Training Program for judges</b></li> <li>Ivan arranged a training session for Judges and Pilots in Gauteng for the 22 July ( to be confirmed). Bob Skinner to assist. The next monthly at White Hills shall be used as a practical clinic to apply and discuss issues from the clinic. A similar training session is planned in the Western Cape before the Masters. Kas Hamman to coordinate</li> <li><b>Judges Remuneration</b></li> <li>Ivan to make a recommendation regarding remuneration for the judges, as it has not been reviewed for the past two years.</li> <li></li> <li><b>SA Judges at WC</b></li> <li>The WC organizers requested CVs from Ivan Olivier, Christo Rust, Paul Hoorn, which were submitted. Final selection to be made at the CIAM</li> </ul>	Ivan / Kas Hamman  Ivan  Info	10/06  Next Meeting

		<p>Hearn, which were submitted. Final selection to be made at the CIAM Meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Judging Assistance</b></li> <li>• To improve the judging standard the following issues need to be considered: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Scribes, caller for judges, using technology (MP 3 players) to assist the judges, reduce the workload (use contestant judging) etc.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Reps and judges to make suggestions in this regard.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Judges to be re-certified on an annual basis. Define the criteria and the process to be followed to re-certify judges at all levels.</li> <li>• Review current list of Judges for 2006.</li> <li>• Judges to be encouraged to give feedback to pilots at monthly events.</li> <li>•</li> </ul>	All	ASAP
			Ivan	Next Meeting
			Ivan Info	
11.	<b>Transformation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SAMAA allocated R1600 of the LOTTO grant to MAASA for transformation.</li> </ul> <p>Any proposals as to how MAASA/ SAMAA can assist with transformation in the aerobatics fraternity to be sent to MAASA committee for further action. We need to present a plan to SAMAA to be considered for a larger contribution in this regard.</p>	Info	
			All	ASAP
12.	<b>Contest Calendar</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Klerksdorp Radio Flyers' request to host a league in July was granted on the condition that it is well advertised, a minimum of 3 judges with the required certification to judge. The Clinic on the 22 July and the GAA monthly on the 25<sup>th</sup> June to be considered.</li> <li>• Contest Calendar to be updated with new dates and venues which have not been fixed yet.</li> <li>• Contest dates for 2007 must be finalized by end August 2006.</li> </ul>	Info	
			Reps	ASAP
			Reps	30/08
13.	<b>MAASA Promotion</b>	Pierre to write an article about MAASA to be published in the SAMAA news.	Pierre	ASAP

14.	<b>Provincial Colours</b>	Pierre discussed the matter with Joe Coetzer but further discussions are needed. Pierre to contact Ludwig (WP) regarding the process that was followed in the WP.	Pierre Marais	Next meeting
15.	<b>MAASA Branding</b>	Marcel designed a new Aerobatics Logo. Sharon to forward details to committee.	Sharon	30/03
16.	<b>Committee Meeting Dates</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 8<sup>th</sup> August 2006</li> <li>• 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2006</li> <li>• 5<sup>th</sup> December 2006</li> <li>• 6 February 2007</li> <li>• 27 March 2007</li> </ul>		
17.	<b>General</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>2007 F3A Team Manager</b> Advertise the position with the job description for team manager. The appointment needs to be made by October 2006. WC is scheduled for November 2007.</li> <li>• <b>Masters 2006 Qualification</b></li> <li>• Regional reps to forward names of new pilots and or pilots that may be excluded from the 2006 Masters, based on specific circumstances, to the committee for consideration to be invited to the Masters.</li> <li>• Based on the fact that there is very little activity in the Eastern Cape with no addition league events, Burt Botha's request to use his NATS scores as a counting league round for masters qualification. His request was granted</li> <li>• <b>Handicap System</b></li> <li>• Claude Mackrill proposed that a handicap system be used to level the playing fields and to make the contests more exciting. Claude to detail such a system and implement it in the WP as a trial run after which it can be rolled out at National level.</li> <li>• <b>GAA</b></li> <li>• MAASA to assist to get a full GAA committee in place.</li> </ul>	<p>Andre'</p> <p>Reps</p> <p>Info</p> <p>Claude Mackrill</p> <p>Pierre</p>	<p>15/06</p> <p>30/06</p> <p>10/06</p> <p>30/07</p>
18.	<b>Next Meeting</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Next Meeting at Andre's house on the 8<sup>th</sup> August 2006</b></li> </ul>		

The meeting closed at 22:30