



Model Aerobatic Association  
of South Africa

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

Venue: Andre' Stockwell's Home

Date: 2006-08-07

### **1. Present**

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

### **2. Apologies**

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

### **3. Welcome**

Pierre Marais welcomed everyone at the meeting.

#### 4. Agenda

1. Approval of Minutes from previous meeting
2. Finances
3. Approval of new members
4. National Scoring summary. Masters status
5. Rules Book Updates
6. Judging
  - a. Training program - WP
7. Transformation
8. Contest Calendar
  - a. For 2007 Monthlies, Leagues Master and NATS
  - b. NATS 2007 – bids received from TMFC and Extreme.
9. General
  - a. Advertise for 2007 Team Manager Application
  - b. Team invited to Blinkpan Model Flying Field. 24 September
  - c. Action plan to grow Aerobatics SIG
  - d. 2006 Masters advertising
  - e. GAA Constitution
  - f. Preparation for the next SIG meeting.

## 5. 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 2006-06-06 was accepted as correct and approved by the chairman. The correction for the next meeting date was corrected as the date was scheduled a day earlier.</li> </ul>	Info	
2.	<b>Finances</b>			
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bank balance is currently at R17755.60. The R5000 grant for 2006 from SAMAA was received. Thanks to SAMAA for the contribution.</li> </ul>	Info	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The existing account is to be closed by Danie Potgieter and Chris Bessinger. Pierre to follow it up with the bank to see if the account can be closed without having the parties present.</li> <li></li> </ul>	Danie Jnr Pierre	ASAP Next Meeting
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Define the criteria for a contest to be classified as a Provincial contest.</li> </ul>	Regional reps, committee	Next meeting
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regional reps to ensure that all pilots are MAASA members.</li> <li>A joining fee is under consideration to ensure that member do pay their annual subs.</li> </ul>	Reps Info	Ongoing
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Fund Raising</b></li> <li>Little progress has been made thus far with fund raising. Investigate the possibility to work with / through the Aero club, coordinate calendars and contribute at air shows. Pierre to discuss the matter with Bob and the Aero club..</li> <li></li> </ul>	Pierre	Next Meeting
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contact a professional fundraiser for assistance. Ivan reported back that the contact could not help.</li> <li></li> </ul>	Info	
3.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MAASA cannot be used to handle provincial finances.</li> </ul>	Info	

4.	<b>Approval of new Members</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All new membership applications were approved. Nazeem Attar to complete an application form and send it to Nick.</li> <li>Nick to send the MAASA membership register to Bob Skinner to verify SAMAA membership.</li> </ul>	Info Quintin Schroll Nick	ASAP  30/08
5.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regional reps to ensure that the Membership register is complete with SAMAA numbers, postal addresses as well as contact details.</li> </ul>	Regional Reps	Ongoing
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> <li>A total of 32 pilots have qualified for the Masters so far. Well done guys.</li> </ul>	Info	

7.	<b>Contest Calendar</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>2007 NATS</b></li> <li>TMFC submitted a bid to host the MAASA 2007 Nationals. The bid was discussed and more details will be requested for clarification.</li> <li>A bid was also received from Extreme R/C Academy (North of Pretoria) to host the 2007 Nationals. More info will also be requested form them.</li> </ul>	Andre'	30/08
8.	<b>Rule Book</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Thanks to Burt Botha for generating the new MAASA Sporting code. This is a comprehensive document covering all aspects of the sport. The draft document will be sent to all regional reps for distribution and feedback before it will be made official.</li> <li>Any feedback can be sent to Burt or Nick.</li> <li>Nick to discuss rulebook updates with Burt.</li> <li></li> </ul>	Regional reps	30 /08

9.	<b>Judging</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Training Program for judges</b></li> <li>• A very successful Judging clinic was held for judges and pilots at the Aeroclub Boardroom (Midrand) on the 22 July. Pierre thanked Ivan for arranging the event and for a very professional and polished presentation.</li> <li>• We would also like to thank Bob Skinner for his presentation and feedback on the international scene and future trends.</li> <li>• A similar Clinic is scheduled in Cape Town for the 9 September 2006. Kas and Christo to finalize the arrangements. MAASA to pay for Ivan's flight ticket to attend the clinic.</li> </ul>	Info	
10.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Judges Remuneration</b></li> <li>• As a general guideline, the judges should not be out of pocket to judge at contests. The recommendation for judges remuneration is R150 /day or R1.50/km plus toll gate fees for travelling. Contest organizers to confirm payment with judges prior to event in cases where the travelling distances are far.</li> <li>•</li> </ul>	Info Contest Organizers	
11.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Judging Assistance</b></li> <li>• It is recommended that judges must be given scribes for the F3A and the Experts classes. These scribes should be pilots from the next lower class. This will give the pilots good exposure to judging and how it is applied. Contest organizers to make these arrangements at the pilot's briefing.</li> <li>•</li> </ul>	Info	
12.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Judges to be re-certified on an annual basis. Judges workshop attendance, completion of questionnaires and judging analysis ( TBL) to be used as criteria.</li> <li>•</li> </ul>	info	
13.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non League events to be used as interactive practical training sessions for judges and pilots alike.</li> </ul>	Info	
14.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review current list of Judges for 2007 after the 2006 Master .</li> <li>•</li> </ul>	Ivan	30/11

15.	<b>Transformation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SAMAA allocated R1600 of the LOTTO grant to MAASA for transformation.</li> <li>• Any proposals as to how MAASA/ SAMAA can assist with transformation in the aerobatics fraternity can 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.</li> <li>• Pierre to discuss the matter with Ludwig.</li> </ul>	Info  Regional reps  Pierre	30/08  30/08
16.	<b>Contest Calendar</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contest dates for 2007 must be finalized by end August 2006.</li> <li>• MAASA committee to ratify all date at national level.</li> <li>• Pierre to follow dates up with the reps.</li> </ul>	Reps Info Pierre	30/08
17.	<b>MAASA Promotion</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thanks to Claude Mackrill and Stuart Nix for the 2006 NATS report. They have now set the standard for future reports. Well done.</li> <li>• Thanks to Pierre for his Chairman's report. There will be lots more from Pierre's pen in future.</li> </ul>	Info  Pierre	ASAP
18.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please submit a contest report ( with photos) with the contest scores to Nick for League and Provincial events. These reports will be published in the SAMAA News and the Website.</li> <li>•</li> </ul>	Regional reps	Ongoing
19.	<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
20.	<b>General</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>2007 F3A Team Manager</b> The job description was sent out to regional rep for distribution. No feedback or applications were received. The appointment needs to be made by October 2006. WC is scheduled for November 2007.</li> <li>•</li> </ul>	Info	30 /10

21.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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> </ul>	Claude Mackrill	30/10
22.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>GAA</b></li> <li>• MAASA to assist in getting a full GAA committee in place with a constitution.</li> </ul>	Henry / Pierre	30/08
23.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>2006 Masters</b></li> <li>• Arrangements and entry fee to be finalized. We are expecting approximately 30 pilots to be competing at this Prestigious Championship.</li> <li>•</li> </ul>	Nick/ Walter vH Andre'	30/08
24.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Growth of MAASA SIG</b></li> <li>• The regional reps to forward suggestions as to how we can grow MAASA further especially in the areas where there is very little or no activity on the go.</li> </ul>	Regional reps	30/08
25.	<b>Committee Meeting Dates</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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>		
<b>26.</b>	<b>Next Meeting</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Next Meeting at Pierre's house on the 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2006</b></li> </ul>		

The meeting closed at 22:45