MAASA AGM Minutes

27th April 2024 19h30 Date:

Time:

Middelburg Airfield and Teams Online Meeting Location:



Item	Description
1. Welcome	RM welcomed all to the meeting
1. Welcome	Attendees: André Stockwell Joshua Twomey Cadin Kieck Abré Smit Pieter Botha Robin Martins Bernice Kieck Craig Bell Terence Kieck Rui Martins Neil Twomey Elaine Martins Jacques Botha Kas Hamman – via Teams Martin Knoetzen – via Teams Stuart Nix – via Teams Proxies: Jan van der Spuy (Rui Martins) Mark Hubbard (Rui Martins)
	 Dylan Prentice (Rui Martins) Callum Prentice (Rui Martins) Burt Botha (Jacques Botha) Roston Dougmore (Neil Twomey) Doug Kay (Neil Twomey) Walter Lin (Neil Twomey) Grant Brooke (Neil Twomey) 16 members are present, with 9 proxies, which gives a quorum for the AGM
2. Apologies	• None
3. Acceptance Previous Minutes	Proposed by Terence Kieck, Seconded by Stuart Nix, - Accepted
4. Matters Arising	• None
5. Chairman's Report	See report attached (Appendix 1)
6. Treasurer's Report	State of Finances presented by Neil

	 Figures presented for 2023 /2024 to date. The finances are looking healthy. Budget presented for 2024. This is a thumb-suck from last year and working on a current loss of R3,000. Details attached to the Minutes. (Appendix 2) Masters event still needs to be organized that will affect the
7. Fees for 2024:	 R5,500 profit indicated on the current Income summary. 2024 will stay the same. In 2025 an increase of 10 % was proposed by Stuart, 2nd by Neil and Approved unanimously. Sportsman – R11 increase to R121 Advanced – R22 increase to R242 Masters – R33 increase to R363 F3A – R33 increase to R363 Classic – R33 increase to R363
8. Honorary Life Membership	• None
9. Earlier Team Selection Criteria Process	 The Team is only known at the Nats in April and the World Championships are in August / September of the same year. RM made a suggestion to have the team selected in 2 events. TK commented to have a shortlist of names for the team by the Masters of the prior year and commitment by these members that they are willing to participate in the World Championships. Flights can be booked as a group, no names are necessary then. Funding is a challenge. Appointment of the Team Manager needs to be done earlier and to create a Team Management Committee to support and assist with the arrangements. For now, Team selection will still occur over 3 events, but with a few minor changes.
10. Masters Rotation with Western Cape	 The competition still needs to be central, to be accessible to all participants. Currently due to WC Venues and RCASA, there are not proper facilities in the WC to host the Masters. However, with SAMAA and RCASA communicating this may be resolved and rotation will be looked at when the Contest calendar is drawn up for 2025.
11. Election of Office Bearers	 Chairman – Rui Martins Vice Chairman – Kas Hamman Treasurer – Neil Twomey Secretary – Elaine Martins Chief Judge – Abre Smit Contest Director – Terence Kieck National Register upkeep – Robin Martins CIAM Rep – Joshua Twomey CIAM Rep Assistant – Cadin Kieck Junior CIAM Rep – Robin Martins National Regional Rep – Stuart Nix RM thanked MK for his years' of service and welcomed AS, KH and CK to the Committee
10. 2024 Masters	 Venue of the Masters Invitationals is at CRF in Bloemfontein. Dates: 26 & 27 October 2024

11. General	 Whatsapp Group for all MAASA Members The reason for creating a Whatsapp group, is to make the Pattern community more close-knit and show camaraderie, which is currently segmented. Champion of Champions Floating Trophy All classes will be competing against each other, known as an Inter-class competition. The scoring will be based on the Normalised scores. Other - None
12. Close	 RM thanked everyone for their support over the last year and hopes the next year will be productive and that Pattern will grow. Meeting adjourned at 20:36

Appendix 1

Chairman's Report

I spent a big portion of my first year, as Chairman, finding my feet. I need to thank the Committee who assisted me, during this time, especially Grant who, during his tenure, put a lot of things in place, making it easier.

Last year, October, we held the Masters Invitationals, in Bloemfontein. It was successful and well attended. However, it could have been better organised, if the original venue did not let us down at the last minute. I, again, would like to thank CRF for opening their field and hosting the Masters at the last second. Also, to Craig and his partner, for their assistance.

The World Championships which was held in Australia, last year, attracted decent results. In my opinion, it highlighted the International isolation we are in, in the Pattern circles. We desperately need to get a South African International Judge to represent us at the World Championships.

Jonathan Heath, represented SA as our Junior, and did not let us down. He did very well and placed 3rd. Our future Juniors has a high bar set for them, to achieve this result. In addition, Jonathan was also selected as SAMAA Junior of the Year – a quite prestigious achievement. This is a nice feather to have in MAASA's cap. Just a pity that Jonathan immigrated right after the World Championships.

The year started off well with new P25 and F25 schedules, and the competitions we held. One of my aims is to grow MAASA / Pattern, and at the same time, keeping an eye on the bank balance. A lot of our decisions, regarding the Nationals were financially motivated. Unfortunately, it may come across as we are isolating the Western Cape, which is not our intention.

Growing MAASA should be a big thing for all members, not just the committee. By getting the new generation of model aircraft flyers joining, will also help growing Pattern. This year we have seen growth in membership. No big gains, but bit-by-bit.

Currently, we have 2 Juniors in Masters Class vying for a spot in the World Team. There are also 3 Juniors in Sportsmen. We definitely need more pilots to join. With this said, my aim during the next year, is to try work harder to make our Pattern community in all Provinces more united and close knit, by starting up the dormant provinces again.

Economic challenges, like petrol costs, travelling, make the country larger. It is difficult to get together, as we did in previous years. But we need to overcome these challenges and support our neighbouring provinces.

I would like to thank the current and outgoing Committee for their hard work and dedication throughout the year and I look forward to the next year, growing our passion.

2023 / 2024 MAASA Financials

Model Aerobatic Association of SA Income Summary From 01 January 2023 - 25 April 2024

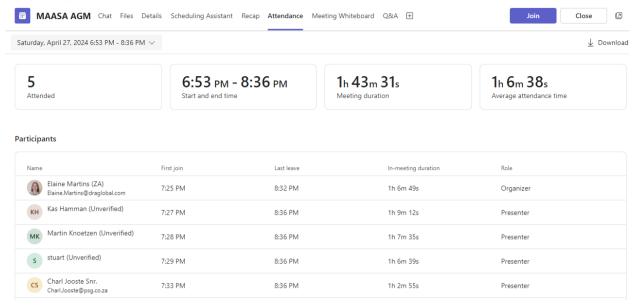
<u>2023</u>		<u>2024</u>	
Bank opening balance (1 Jan 2023)	92,894	Bank opening balance (1 Jan 2024)	86,873
Income	16,364	Income	9,277
Membership Fees (2023) Masters Entry Fees Interest Earned (Bank and Invest)	7,950 4,550 3,864	Membership Fees (2024) Interest Earned (Bank and Invest)	8,200 1,077
Expenses	22,385	Expenses	3,848
NATS Judges Travel and Accom NATS Judges Food and Entertainment NATS Braai Masters Judges Flights Masters Judges Accom Masters Judges Travel Masters Trophies Masters Judges Food Masters Host Gift MAASA Website Bank Charges	1,700 1,800 2,440 5,000 1,770 2,881 2,533 3,258 531 100 372	NATS Officials Travel NATS Officials Food NATS Medals Bank Charges	2,000 1,600 170 78
Closing bank balance (31 December 2023)	86,873	Closing bank balance (25 April 2024)	92,302
Profit/(Loss) to date	-6,021	Profit/(Loss) to date	5,429

Model Aerobatic Association of SA Budget 2024

Income Membership Fees (2024) Masters Entry Fees Interest (Bank and Invest)	8,500 4,000 4,000	Banking Details: Nedbank Northgate Branch Code: 198765 Account Number: 1165225980
Expenses	19,500	
Masters Judges Flights Masters Judges Accom Masters Judges Travel Masters Trophies Masters Judges Food Admin Website Bank Charges	6,000 3,500 3,000 3,000 3,500 100 400	
Profit/(Loss) for 2024	-3,000	

MAASA Attendance Register

Teams Online



Middelburg Airfield

