



BULLETIN 1 - 28 February 2018

PLEASE READ ALL OF THIS INFORMATION CAREFULLY!

This Bulletin conveys important information for competitors, officials, and organisers. It serves no purpose if it is not read, and carefully studied. If you have any general questions, please get in touch with the SAMAA GM, Bob Skinner, or the Event Director, Johan Groenewald, or Linda Dold, or SIG chairperson Danie Potgieter. Boet Denysschen is working very closely with the site owner, and he will help where he can, but he will not be present at the Nats. For SIG-specific questions (operational matters, rules, procedures), please contact your SIG chairperson.

Recent history

The main motivation of a combined Nationals, is to create an opportunity where we may grow the competitive aspect of the SIGs, at an affordable level. The 2015 Aerial Concepts Combined Nats was an unqualified success, with six disciplines being contested. The 2016 Nats was even bigger, and the four days proved to be too little for the nine disciplines. For the 2017 Nats, the entry numbers were somewhat smaller, and for 2018 we hope to have a larger entry, and the venue has changed to the Henley Model Airfield & Family Entertainment (4kms south of the village of Henley-on-Klip, and 5kms east of Meyerton).

Invitation

Every paid-up member in good standing with the South African Model Aircraft Association, is invited to participate in the 2018 Aerial Concepts SAMAA Combined Power Nationals. Specific membership to each of the Special Interest Groups (SIGs) is waived, but only for this event. The spirit of the event is one of inclusivity. However, members competing in the Nats are required to have specific SIG membership for those SIGs that are in a team selection process, to select teams to compete at world championships. Of course SAMAA membership is mandatory.

Organisers

The South African Model Aircraft Association, and eight Special Interest Groups: MAASA (RC Aerobatics), SAMPRA (Pylon Racing), SAMJA (Jets), NASA (Scale), LSA (Large Scale Aerobatics), F3C/N-SA (Helicopters), FLY-FPV-SA (FPV Racing), and SAMPE (Parachutes). The organising committee is Johan Groenewald, Danie Potgieter, Bob Skinner, Linda Dold, with support from Boet Denysschen, and the owners of the Henley Model Airfield & Family Entertainment, Marius and Susan Vosloo. And of course each SIG chairman and their respective committees. Each SIG will provide its own operational needs (judges, equipment, scoring, etc), and there has been general agreement to share equipment, personnel, flying locations, and airspace where possible and practicable.

Sponsors

In these difficult economic times, we are extremely grateful to Aerial Concepts and Dean Grobbelaar for sponsorship towards the costs of the Nationals. This sponsorship is welcome relief with limited finances available to us, and it has enabled the organisers to keep the entry fee the same as in the past. Thank you very much!

Venue

The competition will be conducted at the Henley Model Airfield and Family Entertainment, for eight of the disciplines.

The site is located 4kms south of the village of Henley-on-Klip, and 5kms east of Meyerton, east of the Klip River. The GPS coordinates are S26 34 42 E028 04 22. The main runways are 370m x 14m, 290 x 14m, and the northern runway is 150 x 10m. Additions are planned for the pylon racing take-off area.

Dates





The dates of the Nats are Friday 27th April 2018 to Tuesday 1 May 2018. Friday 27th April is a public holiday (Freedom Day), as is Tuesday 1 May (Workers Day).

Programme (tentative, more details to follow when entries have closed).

Thursday 26 April 2018	Arrival. Practice. Pilots briefing	Henley Model Aircraft & Family Entertainment
Friday 27 th April	Competition flying: 07:00 to 17:00 Banquet/Spit Braai in hangar of Henley Model Aircraft & Family Entertainment	Henley Model Aircraft & Family Entertainment
Saturday 28 th April	Competition flying: 07:00 to 17:00	Henley Model Aircraft & Family Entertainment
Sunday 29 th April	Competition flying 07:00 to 17:00.	Henley Model Aircraft & Family Entertainment
Monday 30 th April	Competition flying 07:00 to 17:00.	Henley Model Aircraft & Family Entertainment
Tuesday 1 May 2018	Departure	

Eight SIGs have committed to participation at Henley Model Airfield & Family Entertainment. The SIG chairmen have requested a flying programme to suit their projected entry numbers, with mutual consideration for time, flying locations, and personnel use.

If you have any questions regarding the rules, procedures, and requirements of the disciplines that you wish to participate in, either as a competitor or an official, please contact the SIG chairpersons or the contest directors, if they have already been appointed.

	Model Aerobic Association of South Africa (MAASA)	Contact MAASA chairman Rodney Potter 082-228-0278 chairman@maasa.co.za or vice-chairman Clinton Carter-Brown on 0836300626 clintoncarterbrown@gmail.com or Contest Director Danie Potgieter on 082-809-4461 dmpotgieter4@gmail.com
	Helicopters (F3C/N-SA)	Flying four classes on Friday 27 th April at HMAFE. (Class 1, Class 2, Class 3, and FAI-F3C) Contact F3C/N-SA chairman Johan Sieling 082-898-8810 johans@acs.altech.co.za
	South African Miniature Pylon Racing Association (SAMPRA)	Flying four classes on Friday 27 th April, Saturday 28 th April, Sunday 29 th April, and possibly Monday 30 th April. Contact SAMPRA chairman Matthys Botha 073-895-9909 bothamj@hotmail.com or vice-chairman Russell van der Westhuizen 083-629-7589 ruswest@eject.co.za
	National Association of Scale Aeromodellers (NASA)	Static judging in hangar on Friday 27 th April. Flying on Saturday morning 28 th April, Saturday afternoon 28 th April, and Sunday morning 29 th April. (alternating mornings and afternoons, in conjunction with Jet flying). Contact NASA chairman Koos Pretorius 082-928-0368 jadriaan9@gmail.com
	South African Model Jet Association (SAMJA)	Static judging in hangar on Friday 27 th April (for F4J class). Flying on Saturday afternoon 28 th April, Saturday morning 28 th April, and Sunday afternoon 29 th April. Alternating mornings and afternoons, in conjunction with Scale flying. Contact SAMJA Chairman and CD Dean Jakins 082-990-2823 deanjakins24@gmail.com
	Large Scale Aerobatics (LSA)	Flying all classes on Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday Contact Owen Vuyk 083-276-9861 owen-vuyk@hotmail.com or
	Drone Racing (Fly-FPV-SA)	Flying on Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, with Tuesday as an optional competition day. Contact Fly-FPV-SA chairman Roland Suhrmüller 082-827-8410 roland@zoocentral.co.za or vice-chairman Alan Ball 082-070-7261 alan@flyingrobot.co.za
	Parachuting (SAMPE)	Flying on Friday afternoon, Saturday, and possibly Sunday. Contact SAMPE chairman Pieter Mulder 082-828-5719 easyupenterprises@gmail.com

Entry details

Please complete the fillable PDF entry form (use Adobe Acrobat Reader, or download a free copy at <https://get.adobe.com/reader/>) or request a live MS Word entry form from the SAMAA office, or fill in by hand and transmit to the SAMAA office, on e-mail samaa-admin@mweb.co.za, fax-to-email on 086-607-8733, or by fax on 011-973-3679. **Closing date for entries to be received, is close of business on Friday 30th March 2018.** Entry fees of R450 must accompany your entry, and may be done by electronic fund transfer. Please, please, please; identify your payment of entry with your **NAME + NATS ENTRY.**

Officials

Most of the judges and officials for the Nats for the various disciplines have been contacted for their availability by the SIG chairmen. The list of names is tentative, pending final appointment.

RC Aerobatics	Bruce Clark. Kas Hamman. Martin Knoetzen, Bernus van der Westhuizen (in conjunction with contestant judges).
Helicopter aerobatics	Freek Hennop, Danie van der Linden, Pieter Mulder
Pylon Racing	Negotiations with Henley Model Aircraft for timekeepers and flagmen.

Scale	Andrew Hirst. Kenny Morey. AN Other (all for static and for flying).
Jets	To be confirmed by SAMJA chairman
Large Scale Aerobatics	Bruce Clark, Arthur Coleby, Errol Bakker. Gavin Walton. Neil Twomey, Ian Edwards.
FPV Racing	To be appointed by FlyFPV-SA.
Parachuting	Freek Hennop, Danie van der Linden, Raymond Myburgh, Caroline Myburgh, and others

Accommodation is being sourced for judges/officials at members of HMAFE or other competitors. It must be stressed that cost-saving is an absolute necessity. Reasonable reimbursement for transportation is possible, but we ask that judges from the same location endeavour to travel together, or if you have company transportation, to please make use of that benefit.

Accommodation

There are many establishments in and around Henley-on-Klip and Meyerton. Here follows a list of some. The organisers cannot vouch for the quality or standard of the establishments, but all of them are registered with the Tourism Board. We have not sourced any costs, and participants are advised to surf the Web or communicate with the proprietors to find rates that are best suited to their budget. Some of these establishments are self-catering. Naturally, you must make your own bookings. There is also camping facilities at Henley Model Airfield & Family Entertainment.

See also the website <http://www.lekkeslaap.co.za> for more establishments.

<i>Guest house name</i>	<i>Telephone</i>	<i>GPS Coordinates</i>	<i>E-mail address</i>	<i>Street address/location/town. Distance from HMAFE</i>
Lord's Signature Hotel http://www.lordssignaturehotel.co.za/	016 423 5453	S26 38 08 E027 59 02	bookings@lordssignaturehotel.co.za	53 Raymond Street, Risiville, Meyerton 18kms from HMAFE
The Village Guesthouse https://www.villageguesthouse.co.za/	016 366 0707	S26 32 33 E028 03 52	thevillage@lantic.net	1083 Regatta Rd, Henley-on-Klip, Meyerton. 5kms from HMAFE
Ducks Country House and Venue www.duckscountryhouse.co.za/	016 366 0421	S26 32 44 E028 03 59	reservations@atducks.co.za	32 Mitchell Bank Drive, Henley-on-Klip 5kms from HMAFE
Merchant Business Class Hotel http://www.merchanthotel.co.za/	016 366 7878	S26 31 42 E028 02 02	bookings@merchanthotel.co.za	Springbok Rd, Highbury, Meyerton 10kms from HMAFE
Sure Focus http://surefocus.co.za/facilities/overnight-facilities-johannesburg/	071 685 6626/69	S26 34 16 E028 03 33	info@surefocus.co.za	97 R551 (Across from Henley Model Airfield, 2km)
Johandri Self-Catering Unit	083 415 5532	S26 33 05 E028 01 03		11 Gen De Wet St, Meyerton 8kms from HMAFE
Plaaskombuis Country Estate http://www.plaaskombuis.co.za	016 364 4144	S26 35 24 E028 01 15	marisel@plaaskombuis.co.za	Boundary Road, Meyerton 10kms from HMAFE
Ikhamanzi Bed & Breakfast http://www.ikhamanzi.co.za/homeeng.htm	072 488 5204	S26 38 17 E028 04 03	info@ikhamanzi.co.za	11 th Road, Erf 79, Meyerton, Mooilande 8kms from HMAFE
De Klip Guest House http://www.deklip.co.za/	082 785 7176	S26 35 09 E028 00 48	deklip@lantic.net	20 Van Riebeeck Avenue, Kookrus, Meyerton. 12kms from HMAFE
Klip River Country Estate http://www.klipriverquesthouse.co.za	082 901 0289	S26 37 28 E027 59 00	reservations@krce.co.za	2 McKay Estates, Donald Road, Vereeniging. 16kms from HMAFE
Malonjeni Guest Farm www.malonjeni.co.za	071 103 0409	S26 36 17 E028 10 17	bookings@malonjeni.co.za	On Route R42. 18kms from HMAFE

Food and beverage

Marius and Susan Vosloo have agreed to supply a catering service for the participants at the Nats, with a kitchen operating from the hangar. There are obviously numerous options for food in Henley-on-Klip and Meyerton, including food sections of many of the retail supermarkets. There are many restaurants, fast-food outlets, franchises, and other establishments. Google for more food options, but here is a basic list of establishments that can satisfy the palate.

Makery http://www.makery.co.za/	083 711 5379	S26 32 28 E028 04 12	2 Mapledurham Ave, Henley on Klip
The Kliphouse	016 366 0829	S26 32 27 E028 03 45	5 Shillingford Rd, Henley on Klip
Montagues	016 366 7008	S26 31 41 E028 03 37	Henley Drive, Highbury, Henley on Klip
Cancun Spur Steak Ranch https://www.spur.co.za/restaurant/family/meyerton/cancun-spur-ex-rocky-springs/	016 362 1177	S26 33 32 E028 01 24	Shop 1, Meyerton Piazza, Corner Mitchell & Pieterneef Street, Meyerton
Debbie's Deli & Diner	082 371 9084	S26 31 52 E028 04 12	Henley on Klip Bowling Club, 4 Winchester Road, Henley on Klip
Dine With Debbie	082 371 9084	S26 32 13 E028 0316	1603 Charlgrove Rd, Henley on Klip
The Hound	016 366 0084	S26 33 01 E028 03 38	106 Ewelme Rd, Henley on Klip
Biekie Bos http://www.biekiebos.co.za/	016 363 1602	S26 36 43 E028 00 13	Donald Rd, Glen Donald Agric. Holdings, Meyerton
Campanella Pizza	016 362 2502	S26 33 31 E028 00 52	Marda Mall, 19 Loch St, Meyerton
Steers https://steers.co.za/	016 362 2890	S26 33 38 E028 01 21	Shop 6, 3 Oaks Professional Centre, Pieterneef Street, Meyerton
Xianghe Sushi & Chinese Takeaway	078 657 1301	S26 33 03 E028 02 05	Golf Park Shopping Centre, 8 Mimosa Dr, Golf Park, Meyerton
Fat Cake City http://fatcakecity.co.za/	076 563 6092	S26 33 03 E028 02 05	Golf Park Centre, Mimosa Dr, Meyerton
KFC Meyerton https://kfc.co.za/Our-Restaurants?store=KSA041	016 362 3260	S26 33 26 E028 00 39	Meyer Road, Loch St, Oakdene
Pizza Perfect	016 362 4080	S26 33 37 E028 01 06	Pick 'n Pay, 37 Loch Street, Meyerton
About Time Coffee Shop	016 366 0020	S26 31 49 E028 03 50	3 Ewelme Road, Henley-on-Klip
Irish Harp Pub	016 362 3773	S26 33 33 E028 01 07	40 Loch Street, Meyerton
Rock 'n Sole Restaurant	010 010 6166	S26 33 40 E028 01 19	Cnr Loch and Pieterneef Streets, Meyerton
Wimpy	016 362 0796	S26 33 29 E028 00 51	16c Loch Street, Meyerton
Shooters Coffee Shop at Sure Focus	071 685 6626	S26 34 16 E028 03 33	Across road from Henley Model Airfield

The banquet is scheduled for Saturday afternoon/evening, details of which will be communicated in a next bulletin. The costs will be advised in a future bulletin.

Validity of competition

It is generally accepted that three entries in a class constitute a competition. At least three competitors must show intent to compete, by at least turning up with their equipment, ready-to-fly, on the day of competition in that class, with realistic intent of competing. Where there are less than three entries, the participants will be allowed to compete but no trophies (organiser or floating) will be awarded. However, certificates of participation will be awarded.

Prizegiving

There will be a combined prizegiving on Tuesday afternoon 1 May 2018, for all disciplines. At the prizegiving, recognition will be given to all participants, with the full results read to the audience. Please note that these are tentative arrangements, pending the final programme of events.

Storage of aircraft and parking

A large hangar is available to store models overnight, and with a supervisor on site, equipment is secure. However, for your own safety, we recommend that valuables are safely locked or stowed away, out of sight. The organisers, and the owners of Henley Model Airfield and Family Entertainment cannot accept liability for equipment or property that may be damaged or stolen. Please park your vehicles with consideration for other participants. When you have offloaded your equipment from your trailer, please move it to the general parking area, where it will not cause an obstruction to others.

Camping

The beautiful facilities at HMAFE are at the disposal of participants. The camping area is serviced with electricity, and the organisers are arranging for portable ablution facilities, to augment the permanent facilities on site. Camping fees are R50 per person per night, payable directly to Susan Vosloo. Please make sure that you pitch your tent or park your caravan sensibly, so that you do not block access roads. See the map of the general layout for the campground. The swimming pool is at our disposal. Please do not litter the beautiful flying site...dispose of your trash in the bins provided.

Headquarters

The owners of HMAFE have graciously made the chalet on site available for administration and scoring. Please note that this building is the owner's residence, and is absolutely out of bounds to those who have not received permission to enter. It also provides the scoring personnel some privacy to do their job and get your scores processed promptly.

Medical care

Two facilities are available should there be minor medical issues: the Kookrus Clinic, corner of Marthinus Oosthuizen and Pierneef Roads (S26 33 20 E028 00 58), and the Meyerton Municipal Clinic at 28 Mitchell Street, Meyerton (S26 35 20 E028 00 13). Both may be reached on 016-360-7400 (main board of the Midvaal Municipality).

Annual General Meetings

At least five SIGs have indicated that they will be having their Annual General Meetings during the Nats, but please check with your SIG chairmen, and make sure that you attend to support the activities, and cast your vote.

Location of Henley Model Aircraft & Family Entertainment



General layout of Henley Model Aircraft & Family Entertainment

