

**Meeting of the SAMAA Management Committee in the Aero Club boardroom at  
Grand Central Airport on 11 August 2004**

Present	Mr. D Armitage	
	Mr. A Beukes	
	Mr. JL Ehlers	
	Mr. JR Godwin	
	Mr. RW Skinner	in the chair
	Mrs. M Skinner	treasurer
	Mr. E Theron	

Apologies                      Mr. J Coetzer

The chairman read the notice convening the meeting and welcomed those present.

At a proposal by Mr. Beukes, seconded by Mr. Theron, the committee adopted the minutes of the meeting of 30 June 2004.

**Matters arising from the minutes**

The treasurer reported that:

- (i) Another firm of auditors had been approached to give a proposal to audit the SAMAA accounts.
- (ii) The audit for 2003/4 was complete apart from some minor matters.
- (iii) The affairs of the SAMAA were now registered with SARS.

**Interim Committee**

The committee approved the proposal for a group consisting of Messrs. Marais, Ousman and Nicolls to approach the Aero Club to attempt to negotiate affiliation fees more favourable to the SAMAA.                      RWS  
RWS undertook to advise the group.

**Finances**

- (i) The treasurer tabled the financial figures.
- (ii) The committee agreed that proficiency patches will be distributed at DA cost via the NMFFA account.

**Administration**

- (i) RWS reported a continuing influx of new members and club registrations.
- (ii) RWS undertook to discuss with Steve Filby the current insurance excess of R5 000, which the committee thought was too high.                      RWS  
The committee felt that it would be useful to involve Interim Committee members in these discussions.
- (iii) RWS reported that ICASA had granted the SAMAA access to frequencies from 35.000Mhz to 35.500Mhz, a total of 51 spots in all. DA speculated on the possibility that pilots using single conversion receivers might experience interference between the highest and lowest spots in the range. He undertook to investigate further.                      DA

(iv) The committee noted that use of the 60Mhz band will become illegal at the end of November 2005.

### **SAMAA News**

(i) The treasurer reported that credit control on advertising payments had brought in useful funds.

(ii) The treasurer undertook to advise JRG if any Local Dealer ads should be removed due to non-payment MS

(iii) JRG reported that he had discussed with Peter Joffe printing and distributing the News. It seemed likely that a small saving in cost might be achieved. He also reported that PJ was keen to take over the editing of the News. The committee approved the transfer of printing and distribution to PJ as from the September 2004 issue, with PJ assuming the job of editor from the November issue onwards.

(iv) The publication of an amended MAASA aerobatic team selection procedure to be withheld from publication, on request from Mr Pierre Marais.

### **International competition**

(i) The committee discussed the recent C/L, Scale and F3J competitions, and noted the excellent performance by the Scale Team, and Craig Goodrum in F3J.

(ii) The committee noted the possibility that five teams would possibly travel to international competitions in 2005.

### **General**

(i) The committee noted that Nick Pieterse was running a program, in his personal capacity, to train junior PDA pilots, and felt that the SAMAA should support him. RWS undertook to invite him to the next meeting to discuss this. RWS

(ii) The committee discussed the AAD 2004 Air Show, and authorized AB to look into the matter of SAMAA involvement, and report back. AB  
RWS undertook to investigate the insurance implications. RWS

(iii) The committee agreed that it should ask SIG chairmen to maintain judges registers for their activities. SIG chairmen

(iv) The committee noted that Annémarie Ehlers had been invited to produce a scoring program for use at the Scale World Championships to be held in Sweden in 2006.

### **Next meeting**

The next meeting will be at 19:00 on 1 September 2004 in the Aero club Boardroom at Grand Central.