

## SA MODEL AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the meeting of the Management Committee held on 4 December 2002 at 19:45, at Pickfords, Midrand.

1. **WELCOME** The chairman, Bob Skinner, welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. **APOLOGIES** Boet Denysschen (BD), John Godwin (JG), Felicity Meyer (FM)
3. **PRESENT**  
Bob Skinner (*BS*) – *chairman, secretary, finances, aerobatics, growth, admin*  
Johan Ehlers (*JE*) – *vice-chairman, scale, proficiency*  
Dave Armitage (*DA*) – *Fun-fly, Proficiency, Sunday flying*  
Roston Dugmore (*RD*) – *Control line*  
André Beukes (*AB*) – *Helicopters, proficiency*  
Russell van der Westhuizen (*RVDW*) – *Pylon racing, growth*  
Joe Coetzer (*JC*) - *Gliding, constitution, transformation, development*  
Ian Edwards (*IE*) - *Large aircraft, safety*  
Peter Eagle (*PE*) – *Development, transformation*  
Marietjie Skinner - *Guest*
4. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**  
E-mailed to committee members for approval. Two items to be included: SARS registration for SAMAA and tax situation. Minutes accepted on proposal from JC, seconded by JE.
5. **MATTERS ARISING**  
Cheque register forthwith to be issued with minutes and financials. **BS**
6. **FINANCES**  
Detailed financial report presented and circulated to committee. R30K insurance is in-out as result of date error/1-day PD cheque! Protea colours award ceremony over budget. Still three payments outstanding. Heli nats financial situation discussed. Request for judges reimbursement should have been accompanied by budget. Nats' usually self-funding. Meeting agreed to reimbursement of R900 for 9 officials. JE and JC to establish principle of funding judges' travel. Recommendations at next meeting. **BS**  
  
HRF request for loan discussed. JC mentions risk to property, since Gauteng branch of Boys Town closed. Need surety. SAMAA's main business is not lending, but support to aeromodelling. Ad hoc grant is possible. Local authorities also able to help. Why did request not come through WPAA, who is supposed to be coordinating affairs in the W Cape? Still no acknowledgement of WPAA grant from SAMAA. No financial record of expenditure to date. Reason for concern.  
  
International Civil Aviation Day on 14 December – small budget. P Eagle to handle. Costs (documented) likely to be minimal.

MGA Budget presented and approved. Strong accent on development. Details available from JC.

**7. ADMINISTRATION**

All in hand. Copier still needed. Gradual acquisition of equipment.

BS

**8. DATABASE**

Only one adverse comment received regarding database and public accessibility.

BS  
JG

**9. CONSTITUTION**

SGM on 1 February 2003, Aero Club boardroom, Grand Central, Midrand.

All

**10. GROWTH**

Workgroup met and meaningful progress made. Key to success is partnership with dealers. Details made public in new year.

BS  
BD  
RVDW

**11. SAFETY**

JG still to contact Howard Callaghan as likely candidate for safety portfolio. All management committee members to attend to safety matters meanwhile. Visiting full-size (owned by modeller) at Barnstormers caused a stir due to low (considered by some as unsafe) pass.

JG  
All

**12. PROFICIENCY**

DA to advise Noel Booyesen of status as instructor judge. Also to consider second person (Martin Erasmus) to relieve workload. All regions to have instructor judges to test mainly instructors, for system to perpetuate. DA to supply existing patches to office for issue.

JE, JG  
AB,DA  
RVDW  
RD,BS

**13. PUBLIC RELATIONS**

FM to start activities in 2003.

BS  
FM

**14. LOCAL COMPETITIONS, AIRSHOWS, DISPLAYS, EXHIBITIONS**

14 Dec Civil Aviation display. BS to attend, and development group of MGA. Float Fly at Cinderella. Hermanus Slope event attended by JG.

BS  
DA  
JE

**15. NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Scale and Aerobatic Nats 21/22/23 March 2003 at Formula One, north of Pretoria. BS and JE to draft entry form. Pylon and Large Scale to remain at RMAC for 2003 at least. Glider Nats 1-3 May. Details to follow.

BS  
JE

**16. JET WORLD MASTERS**

All in hand. First selection event contested by 4 fliers. More expected in January.

BD

**17. SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP REPORTS**

Scale Masters 1 & 2 March at F1, Pretoria approved  
Jets – All under control.

BS

Helicopters – First meeting in Jan 2003. Passengers off of bus. Time for action.  
Pylon – Successful event at Noodsberg but small entry (2 KZN, 4 Gaut).  
Large scale – Telephonic report ex IE re cancellation of TOC.  
Aerobatics – Quiet time. First event 25/26 Jan at Klerksdorp.  
Soaring – F3B team trials for Kirchheim-Teck W/C completed. Vaal Triathlon  
Jamboree scheduled 8 December.  
FunFly Masters successful. Series starts in Jan.

**AB**

**BS**

**18. GENERAL**

BS to arrange Bethlehem visit. Also test for proficiencies. (1 March)  
T-shirts. Quote to be obtained from Magda Britz. BS to supply artwork.  
Memorabilia sales: Stickers now available. Promotion needed.  
Monitoring device ex Bob Underwood sourced. BS to supply details.  
JC to establish contact with SA Sport Commission. BS to set up meeting with CAA  
to establish possibility of more self-governance.

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**19. NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday 15 January 2003, unless advised otherwise.

**All**

The minutes were proposed for acceptance by: -----

Seconded by: -----

Secretary: -----