



SAMAAnews

Our Mission: To add value to your flying experience through communication, information, promotion, education, and the support of dialogue.

Club visits: Southern Cape, Western Cape, and West Coast

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A former management committee member of the SAMAA used to say: "We don't fly at SAMAA...we fly at clubs". This is absolutely true, since the SAMAA office manages the administration of our association, correspondence, memberships, insurance, permits for airshows and fly-ins, proficiency recording, our newsletter, and any other issues. One function of the SAMAA office, is to facilitate the registration of our clubs and flying sites. Now, this is where the flying happens!

The SAMAA management committee consists of five elected members, managing affairs like compliance, development, proficiencies, approvals, airspace, competitions and special interest groups, regulations, manuals of procedure, and, club matters. I was tasked two years ago with looking after club affairs, helping and advising clubs on best practice, and ensuring that our clubs create an environment where their members may operate in a safe and enjoyable environment.

In the last two years, I have visited many SAMAA-registered clubs, in many parts of the country. I have met with club managements, and members, and you will have seen regular reports and photographs on these visits in the SAMAA News. Earlier this year, the SAMAA management committee tasked me with visiting clubs in the Southern and Western Cape. Since I'm based in Johannesburg, it did not make sense to visit only a handful of clubs, and to then at a later stage arrange another visit, and another. In October each year, I arrange a fly-in at the Gariep Dam, and I proposed to the SMC that I will use the opportunity to travel to the Cape, since Gariep is halfway there, and it could save on costs. The objective was to bring the SAMAA to the clubs, to meet with club administrators, find out how the SAMAA may assist the club and its members, see what their facilities are like, and generally promote the SAMAA and aeromodelling, and club activities.

Here then, is a comprehensive report-back on this visit. I hope this provides useful information to all SAMAA members in the country, and if perhaps you are in the vicinity of one of these clubs, give the contact person a call, and pay the club a visit. - Editor

A total of 26 flying sites have been visited and this report covers around 21 of those. The trip of around 5700km was a lot of fun. Paula and I were very well accepted at every club we visited. The club chairmen went out of their way to meet us at short notice, and if the chairman was not available, he arranged for a club representative to meet us.

The facilities at the various clubs range from basic, just a runway, to awesome facilities with tar runways, club house, toilets, etc. The most impressive thing was the dedication and camaraderie between the club members and between the various clubs. An interesting thing that was brought to my attention, which I have not come across with my previous club visits around the country, is that members travel and visit other clubs on a regular basis and are well received. Most of the clubs do not charge a landing fee.

The scary thing is that the majority of club members are elderly pilots, with very few juniors or young pilots to help keep this awesome sport of ours alive for the years to come. This is an issue which the SAMAA management committee has identified as well.

A special thanks to all who helped us with accommodation and food on this most enjoyable trip through an awesome part of our country. We thoroughly enjoyed every moment of this two-week travel experience and club visits. We are grateful for the new friendships we have made, and look forward to visiting you again in the near future.

Safe flying and a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year to you all. Boet Denysschen.

Albertinia Radio Control Flying Club

The Albertinia RCFC is situated just on the outskirts of Albertinia, north of the N2, and north of the town. The club is located on private land belonging to a local farmer. To reach the club, start on the corner of Main and Home, at the municipal offices, leave the town, and drive north for 2,6km. Turn right into the gravel road, and then 500m to the entrance of the club, on the right.

Flying is done on a grass field with fairly short grass. The field is suitable to fly most sport planes. The club was founded in 2006 by Bernard Odendaal, who also owns the local hobby shop in town, which serves most of the community in that area and surrounds. The club has six paid-up members who are all actively flying, any day of the week. The members of Albertinia RCFC share the same passion with members of the Blombos Bush Pilots Club, and visit one another frequently to fly together. The club has no facilities in the form of toilets or shade, but plans are in place to re-erect a toilet that was previously vandalised.

Day visitors are welcome; please make prior arrangements with Bernard for access to the field, contact him on 082-756-6640. The exact co-ordinates of the club are S34 10 51 E021 34 35.



Not much visible; we may not yet erect permanent structures...just beautiful views!

Blombos Bush Pilots Club - Jongensfontein

The Blombos Bush Pilot's Club was established in 2013, when the Albertinia RC Flying Club lost its flying privileges on the farm north of Albertinia. The members of ARCFC went on a search and were offered the location on Etienne Venter's farm. To reach the BBPC, leave Stilbaai West on Main Road, and directly after the cemetery, turn right at the sign Jongensfontein. Travel for 6,5km, and take the gravel road to the right, at the sign Blombos. Travel for exactly 4,5km and find the gate to the club on the right.

The current chairman is Albert Monk, and he may be contacted on 082-441-5640. The runway is a mown grass field, of 120m x 15m, and is suitable to fly most sport aircraft, but is most suited for tail-draggers. The club has seven paid-up local members, and eight members from surrounding areas. They also have 23 members who are holiday-makers from further north of the country, who fly there during the festive season.

Flying takes place any day of the week, and a few social club get-togethers are organised annually. On social flying days, during lunch time, all flying is ceased and all congregate under two large trees for a social lunch, joined by friends and family. The trees are on the opposite side of the runway, so no flying takes place while members are relaxing under the trees. The club does not have any toilet facilities nor is there any shade next to the runway. Visiting pilots are welcome, but must please contact Albert to arrange for access and entry. The coordinates are S34 23 40 E021 18 11.



With continuous mowing, the grass has matted to make it flyable.



Vehicles are parked well clear, and parallel to the flight line.

Jongensfontein Slope Soaring Site

This picturesque slope soaring site enjoys registration with the SAMAA, even if it is not very active during the year. It is occasionally used by the Blombos Bush Pilots, but more so over the festive season when there are up-country visitors to the Southern Cape.

To reach the site, leave Stilbaai West on Main Road, and at the cemetery, turn right to Jongensfontein/Blombos. Follow the road for 9km to Groot Jongensfontein. To the right of the main road in town, on the hill, are cellphone towers, and flying takes place either left, or right of these installations, depending on the prevailing wind direction at the time.

The access to the hill is controlled, and a call to Albert Monk (see contact under Blombos) or Johan Sieling, 082-898-8810 will result in access being arranged by the local authorities. The GPS coordinates of the site are E021 19 52 S34 25 47.



View of Jongensfontein and the resort and caravan park.

Shark Coast Radio Flyers - Gansbaai/Franskraal



The Shark Coast Radio Flyers club is situated on the outskirts of Gansbaai. When travelling from Hermanus on the R43, drive through Stanford, de Kelders, and Gansbaai. 7km outside Gansbaai, at Franskraal, turn left at the signboard Elim/Bredasdorp. To the right is the resort and caravan park, Uilenkraalsmond. Follow the tar road, direction Baarskeerdersbos, for approximately 700m to the sign Selah on the left, and you will find the gate on the left, with a gravel road leading to the field.

The flying field is situated on a grass strip owned by Nick Loubser, a pilot with a full size aircraft. The club has a small club house and there is also a hangar erected on the property. The club has three paid-up members, and all types of sport aircraft can be comfortably flown at the field. The chairman is André Barkhuizen, and he may be contacted on 081-580-5371. Visitors are welcome, if accompanied by a club member. The coordinates are S34 35 41 E019 24 40.



The Flying Shark announces rules to all members and visitors using the facility.

Two Light Sport Aircraft (microlights) are hangared on Nick Loubser's farm property, Selah.

The runway is dirt, but perfectly adequate for model aircraft of most types. Mountains of Napier and Bredasdorp in distance.

Walker Bay Radio Flyers - Hermanus



Club is strict on SAMAA membership.

The Walker Bay Radio Flyers is actually a fair distance away from Hermanus (15km), and caters for members in a wide area of the Overberg, from Betty's Bay, Kleinmond, Fisherhaven, Onrusrivier, Hermanus, and beyond. This is a very active club, and boasts a large membership.

Travelling east from Cape Town, leave the N2 freeway at Botrivier. Take exit 90 on the by-pass and continue on the R43 in the direction of Hermanus/ Kleinmond. Travel for 16km on the R43, crossing the Bot river, and the Arabella Estate on the right. At the sign board Karwyderskraal, turn left, and about 400m on the right, is the entrance road to WBRF.

The club has two tar runways, and the large pit areas are fully-shaded with working tables and starting blocks. All types of model aircraft can be successfully flown at this club, including jets and large scale aerobatic aircraft. The club has played host to several very large and successful fly-ins and airshows, at least one per annum, and in the past they have staged flying extravaganzas, with international display pilots from various parts of the world participating.

Visitors to WBRF are always welcome, but must be acutely aware that no flying is allowed to the north of the club in view of noise-abatement measures. This is where the Afdakrivier Nursery and Tango Coffee Shop is located, and we respect the sanctity of these establishments and their patrons. Please observe the caution of the No-Fly zone. The chairman of WBRF is Kobus Louw, and he may be contacted on 082-465-7687. The club is located at these coordinates: S32 21 32 E019 08 49.



Beautiful pit areas are fully shaded, and assembly tables are a great asset.



Both WBRF runways are 100m long, perfectly adequate for all types of model aircraft.



View to the west from WBRF, with the Botrivier lagoon visible to the left.

Atlantic Flying Club - Hermanus Slope

The mountain overlooking the picturesque town of Hermanus, offers the most magnificent views, and is a great flying site for slope soaring. Driving to Hermanus on the R43, turn left just after the Hemel en Aarde housing estate, into Rotary Way (Malva Street is on the right) and follow the Rotary Way scenic route to the top of the mountain. Once a year, the very large Hermanus Slope weekend is organised at this site, and draws slope soaring enthusiasts from all over South Africa.

The person to contact regarding any slope soaring activity on this site, is Simon Pfothauer, and he may be contacted on 082-436-9882. The general co-ordinates are S34 24 36 E019 13 48 (the "bowl" area). There is no access control but visitors to the site are asked to park their vehicles responsibly, and to not block the road to other traffic. Extreme care must be taken to keep to the footpaths and for pilots to not destroy Flora at the site, as several sensitive plant species are found in the nature reserve.



Beautiful view of 17km long beach of Walker Bay Nature Reserve.



Flying does not actually take place here, at the tower, but 800m further along the road.

Helderberg Radio Flyers - Somerset West

The club is situated on the western outskirts of town, just off the N2. It is reached via the R102 Old Main Road at Croydon. Turn into Kramat Road, and travel south, over the N2 bridge, and 300m on, turn right at the sign that reads "Girls and Boys Town South Africa".

The airfield is located in the middle of a large instant-lawn farm, with horses and cows roaming the grass field. The club has 65 paid-up members, and flying takes place all days of the week with mainly pensioners flying on weekdays, and working people on weekends. The airfield has a 150m x 8m concrete runway with a very nice run off on all sides which makes it totally suitable for all types of aircraft. The only obstruction is the power lines that are 120m from the edge of the runway. The club has a very nice club house, with an outside storage cupboard area. It is equipped with electricity, toilets, and running water. The club hosts a very successful fly-in/airshow once per annum, and is also the home of the Western Cape Aerobatic Association.

Day visitors are welcome at all times; please contact the chairman Michael Basson to arrange. Michael can be contacted on 072-266-7199. The co-ordinates to the club are S34 02 48 E018 44 26.



Frequency peg board is mature...spots on brown and red seldom used!



Club house is well-maintained, and great for members' comfort.



Power lines are a deterrent from flying near the road.



Under-roof braai area.



Very cosy club house interior.



The concrete runway is long and wide enough for any flying activity...these views are looking south towards Macassar Beach and the marine protected area.



Stellenbosch Model Aircraft Academy - Wild Clover Farm

This beautiful airfield is situated just outside Stellenbosch on the R304 Klipheuveld Road, on the Wild Clover Game Farm. On the farm there is self catering accommodation which can be rented on a daily basis, as well as two full-time restaurants that serve meals daily.

The chairman is Nic van Rensburg who has been in the chair for the last six years. The club has a total of 38 members; they do not charge an annual membership fee but make use of a prepaid landing fee system. Every pilot who flies there does an electronic transfer (snapscan) of R50 per day as a landing fee. The club has two grass runways which are mowed regularly. The runways are 110m x 7,5m. All types of aircraft are flown, and there is an understanding that turbine jets may not be flown during the dry season. The club has a 220V power supply for charging facilities, under a large sheltered pit area. Members may use the toilets at the restaurant, a short walk of 100m away.

Visiting pilots are most welcome; prior to arrival, please contact Nic on 082-700-1856 to make arrangements. The GPS coordinates for SMAA are: S33 50 53 E018 47 56.



Tx pegboard of SMAA.



One of the chalets on Wild Clover Farm.



Brewery and restaurant on the left, and chalet at right.



Grass runway of SMAA to the north.



Shade/shelter of the Stellenbosch Model Aircraft Academy.

Kraaifontein Electric RC Park Fliers

This northern suburbs park-flying club is commonly known as KraaiFly. From Cape Town/Bellville, travel on the N1 and take the M15 off ramp (exit 32 Kraaifontein) Brighton/van Riebeeck Road, and turn left. Travel 1,8km to the intersection of Langeberg Road and Okavango, and turn right at Imperial Toyota, direction Uitzicht. Travel for 1,8km along Okavango, general direction north, and at the traffic lights, turn right into Amadeus Road. Travel for 750m, to the entrance to KraaiFly, on the right, at the two small dams. (sport-shooting club is on the left). Follow the dirt road to the shade/shelter area. The club is situated on the Kraaifontein Sports complex, where there is rugby, cricket, jukskei, golf, bowling, and other activities.

There is another route through the suburb of Bonnie Brae, to Sarel van Deventer Road. Also, from Brighton Road, turn right and travel north via Darwin Road, through Windsor Park Estate. Exact GPS coordinates are S33 49 13 E018 42 26.

KraaiFly is only electric model aircraft and helicopters. For access to the club, please contact chairman Cornel Reineke 082-411-8229.



Runway looking south to the other sporting activities; well removed.



Shelter for club members when it's rainy, or too sunny!

Southern Soaring Club - Dreyersdal Farm

This club is situated in the southern suburbs of Cape Town, south of the suburb of Bergvliet, on the farm Dreyersdal. The airfield is situated on private property, and the club has use of a section, as long as they obey the rules of the owner.

The club has only one runway which is made out of shade net. The pit area is situated between trees for shade. The area adjacent to the runway is beautiful mowed lawn, good enough to fly from, with a view overlooking a farm dam. It is apparently one of the areas in the Cape with the least amount of wind. Day visitors are welcome as long as you are a fully paid-up SAMAA member; no landing fees are charged. A separate section is allocated for flying of helicopters.

The club has been operating here for the last four years. Prior to that, it used to operate on the Rondebosch Common, and mostly glider activity. Only electric aircraft and helicopters are allowed to fly as long as they are not of the noisy type. Flying takes place any day of the week. The chairman of SSC is Ed Fox, and he may be contacted on 084-956-4840. The co-ordinates of the field are S34 03 15 E018 27 05.



Information for SSC club members and visitors.



Shade net perfectly adequate as runway.



Farm dam with orchards on opposite side.



Homestead of Dreyersdal Farm, about 300m away. No-fly zone.



Pit area of SSC; pilots look south-west most of the day, with sun in late afternoon.



Nice shady spot for assembly and pit area.

Fish Hoek Electric RC Flyers - Fish Hoek

This club's activities are exactly as described by the name; electric flying only. The club's airfield, is situated between the suburbs of Silverglade and Sun Valley in Fish Hoek. It is affiliated to the Fish Hoek sports club, with other sports activities like squash, athletics, football, baseball, etc. The property on which the runway is located is leased by the club from the municipality. FHERCF is very fortunate, as the mowing of their runway lawn and surrounds is done by the local municipality.

The club has only one runway, approximately 80m in length, with very nice run-off at all ends of the runway. The pit area is partly shaded, but there are no toilet facilities, and no water at the field.

To find the club, leave the town of Fish Hoek at the traffic circle. Travel due west on the Kommetjie Road (M65) for 6,5km, and turn right from the dual-carriageway into 20th Avenue. Turn left at the t-junction with Nelson, to the end of the road. Turn right and follow the dirt road for 500m around the western perimeter of the sports fields, and the club is situated on the left. Parking is on the right of the road.

The current chairman is Doug Ross and he may be contacted on 083-286-3452. All paid-up SAMAA members are welcome to join them on any day to fly. The club has 35 paid-up members. The co-ordinates are S34 07 30 E018 24 30.



FHERF has limited space available, and members adhere to the limitations.



Houses are 500m away, and at the back of the club's no fly zone.



Model workbenches are at a comfortable height.



Grass runway is mown often for a smooth surface.

Peninsula Radio Flyers - Zeekoevlei

Peninsula Radio Flyers is situated within the Zeekoevlei Nature Reserve, west of Pelikan Park. The area is also proclaimed as a bird sanctuary and also has some roaming hippos that can be spotted at times. To gain access to the airfield you need to contact the chairman or a member, as access is controlled by an electrified gate. To reach the club, travel south on the M17 Strandfontein Road, and at the Pelikan Park Shoprite Centre, turn right into Dollarbird Road. At the circle, take the second exit into Flowerpecker Road, and follow the road for just over 3km along the eastern and southern shores of Zeekoevlei Dam, to the gate of PRF.

The club does not have the greatest runway; it is made from concrete slabs, but serves the purpose for those who have hours of fun every weekend. To make up for the downfall in quality of runway, they can boast three containers which have been modified with a serious locking system, to guard against vandalism. One container serves as a store room, the second as a toilet facility, and the third as a kitchen. The kitchen is fully-equipped with a stove, fridge, cutlery and crockery, and everything else needed for the members to have a great social time together. All three the containers are equipped with electricity and running water.

The club has 40 paid-up members, and day visitors are welcome, but you need to arrange for access. The current chairman is Andrew Wheeler and he may be contacted on 082-332-4627. The co-ordinates of the club are S34 04 23 E018 30 36.



Club's sign at the entrance gate.



Well-appointed toilet facilities.



Three containers of PRF, with all the amenities the club's members may need.



Concrete slab runway may look rough, but is adequate for club's activities.



Kitchen caters for all needs.



Braai area between two containers.

Tygerberg Model Flying Club - Malmesbury Farms

TMFC is located in the Paarl region, and has been operating at this facility for the last 12 years. The club moved from the previous facility in Durbanville. This is another one of those clubs in the Cape, that can boast with a magnificent view of the surroundings. When travelling from Cape Town, exit the N1 at the R304 Klipheuwel/Stellenbosch off-ramp (exit 39). Turn left onto the R304, and travel for c14km in the direction of Malmesbury. Look for the white TMFC sign on the right-hand side. Follow the dirt road for 1km to the entrance, on the left. Alternatively, from the town centre of Durbanville, travel on the R312 (Wellington Road) in the direction of Klipheuwel, for 18km. At the crossing (Slent Road) with the R304, turn right and 2,4km on the left, is the entrance road leading to TMFC.

The club has 55 paid-up members, of whom the majority only fly over weekends, with one or two retired gentlemen in the week. TMFC has two magnificent tar runways, of 150m and 120m length, with beautiful run-off on either end as well as the sides. The runway area is fenced off to prevent the cows from the farm walking on the field. There is a sheltered area at the pits, as well as toilets and running water. There is a separate flying site for helicopters, about 50 metres away from the main flying area.

The current chairman is Tollie Vosloo, and he may be contacted on 082-714-8111 for anyone who would like to visit this club, as all paid-up SAMAA members are welcome. Visitors are allowed to fly free of charge for the first three times, and thereafter are charged a landing fee. The co-ordinates of TMFC are S33 42 18 E018 43 54. Please note, you need to contact Tollie prior to arrival to gain access at the farm gate.



Look for this marker at the entrance.



General view of the TMFC facilities.



Posted clearly, just in case!



Helicopter enclosure.



Facilities at TMFC are neat.



Intersection of the two main runways.

Boland Model Aircraft Club - Paarl



Useful information for members and visitors.



Two-level clubhouse.



Beautiful view looking towards Hottentots Holland range.

BOMAC is situated on a working farm near Paarl. The club boasts a most magnificent view of the mountains and surroundings. To find BOMAC, travel on the N1 and exit at the R44 Stellenbosch/Klapmuts/Wellington exit (exit no. 47). Travel for 6km, and turn left at the Kuilenberg Road. 600m down the hill on the dirt road, turn left into the vinyards, and follow the farm road for 2km, to the BOMAC gate.

The club has three beautifully-mown runways, situated in a stunning piece of grassland with beautiful run-offs, as well as an open flying area. The club has toilet facilities, water, and a very large sheltered pit area, 12V charging station, as well as a large gas braai where friends and family can gather around for a social time. All types of aircraft can be flown here, but turbine jets are only allowed to fly in the green season to prevent fires in case of an accident. A very successful SAMAA Scale Nationals was held at BOMAC in 2012, as well as a SAMAA Gliding Nationals in 2018, the first for many years in the Cape.

BOMAC has 45 paid-up members; day visitors are welcome provided they are fully paid-up SAMAA members; no landing fees are charged. Please make arrangements with Werner should you like to visit.

The chairman of the club is Werner Mayer who is one of the founder members of this club, and has been serving as chairman for the last 4 years. He can be contacted on 0845131375. The co ordinance of the club is 18 52 27E 33 45 02S.



Tranquility in the countryside!



Pretty aerial view of the front of BOMAC...and another view showing the mown grass runways.



Weskus Radio Flyers - Langebaan

The club is situated on the road from Langebaan to Saldanha, on the property of Arcelor Mittal. WRF has been operating there for the last 11 years. WRF falls within the ATC of Langebaanweg and is sometimes visited by over flying Silver Falcon aircraft of the SAAF.

The club has 40 paid-up members, and flying takes place all days of the week. The club has two concrete runways, 100m and 110m in length. The area is fenced off to keep animals out. Day visitors are welcome as long as you are a paid-up SAMAA member. WRF offers country membership at R400pa.

The club has shaded pit area, as well as two very large enclosed club houses, with electricity, toilets, running water, and indoor braai. The club hosts a very successful air show once a year. It also has an indoor drifting track for RC cars, a track for RC Crawlers, and is in the process of building another on-road-off-road track.

There is a section set aside for caravanning and camping with its own ablution facilities and electricity points. Anyone wanting to camp there while on holiday is welcome to make arrangements to use the facility. The chairman is Herman Wiehahn and he may be contacted on 083-448-2148.

Weskus Radio Flyers also has access to a protected dune area for slope soaring, but access needs to be obtained from Kinnibaas Truter on 083-265-5613.



Weskus Radio Flyers can be proud of their facilities.



Not one, but three clubhouses!



The camping area has its own water and toilets.



Beautiful clubhouse facilities, country-club style!



Great for functions.



Got you now! Boet Denysschen detained until Paula pays his landing fees!

St Helena Bay Patryberg Radio Flyers - near Laingville

The SHBRF airfield is situated on the road leading to St Helena Bay/Stompneusbaai. To reach the pan where the members of the SHBRF enjoy themselves, exit left off the R27 West Coast Road, driving north from Cape Town/Milnerton, and drive for 9,5km. The entrance to the pan is on the right. The club has no permanent facilities, only a sign board adjacent to the tar road, and a windsock.

From the road, one looks down to the pan, which, during the rainy season becomes a vlei, teeming with wildlife. The more rain, the less runway the club members have at their disposal! The benefit of course is that they also have a float flying site, which may be utilised for both land flying and float flying. The club prides itself that there are no politics...you come to fly and enjoy yourself with whatever you can afford, and socialise with like-minded people.

The current chairman of the club is Ron Selley, but Kevin Langeveld may be contacted on 072-595-2166. The co-ordinates of the club are 18 03 46E 32 48 41S.



Tranquility in the countryside!



No aeroplane-catching trees.



Patryberg Meat is directly opposite SHBRF, hence name.

Citrusdal Radio Flyers - Citrusdal



View looking south towards the hangar. The smooth gravel runway is perfect for most types of model aircraft. Koue Bokkeveld mountain range in the background.

Travelling south from Clanwilliam to Piketberg on the N7, exit left at the R303 Citrusdal/Ceres road. Travel for 2,4km to Citrusdal, and turn right into Voortrekker Street. The club's flying field is situated 14,5kms directly south of Citrusdal on the Keerom road. Turn right at the hangar, and right again, to drive 700m down the runway to the pilots' position. Activities take place at the round cement farm dam. Total length of the runway is 1km of smooth gravel which belongs to a local farmer, also used in emergencies by the fire rescue teams, since the entire area, as the town's name suggests, is mostly citrus orchards.

The club has a total of five members who are all very active, and they enjoy this stunning runway and view that the facility offers. There is no shaded area and they provide their own shade and a braai when they go out for a day. Various clubs in the Cape area make use of this facility to fly large aircraft as well as jets over a weekend, and make use of the magnificent accommodation options which are available in and around the area. Any SAMAA members who are in the vicinity are welcome to join the CRF, to fly as a day visitor.

The chairman of the club is Jan Horn and he may be contacted on 083-514-2618. The co-ordinates are S32 42 33 E019 03 33.

Ceres Model Aircraft Club - Ceres



Look for the sign at the entrance of the field.

The club is situated 10km out of the town of Ceres, driving north east on the R46, in the direction of Sutherland. Turn right at the sign board Bo-Swaarmoed, and the entrance of 500m on the left, where the club has shared facilities at the full size-airfield. The runway is a grass mowed area, and the same strip that the full-size aircraft take-off from. The pit area is a large covered area and braai facilities.

The chairman of the club is Peter Brewis and can be contacted on 0833629156. The co ordinance of the club are S33 19 08 and E19 25 13.



Covered pit area provides some shade.



Runway surface may look rough, but good for sport flying.

Wynland Modelvliegklub - Worcester

This Worcester club is located 3km south-west from the centre of town, and about 1km from the full-size airfield to the south of the model facility, and the club operates at the rear, out of the circuit. An LOP is in place. Depart from the centre of town via Church Street, which becomes Distillery Street, which becomes a dirt road for the last 600m.

The club has two runways, one of 100m and one of 80m. The club has 18 paid-up members, and other SAMAA members who may be in the area visiting, are welcome to join them on weekends. All types of model aircraft are normally flown here, except jets. The club does not have any shelter or toilet facilities. Wynland often organise airshows at the full-size (mostly gliding) club, and they obtain a NOTAM and apply for Flexible Use of Airspace. The club's own facilities are just too small to accommodate a large spectator contingent, parking, catering, and other requirements usually associated with an airshow. The airshows are popular with other clubs in the Western Cape, that are within easy driving distance of Wynland.

The chairman of the club is Johan Vorster and he may be contacted on telephone 078-877-7444. The co-ordinates of Wynland Modelvliegklub are S33 39 21 and E019 25 01.



Beyond the N1 is the majestic Matroosberg Mountain range.



Closest dwellings 1km away to the north.



Worcester airfield is 1km distant.



Wynland pit area; unfortunately vandalism prevents erection of permanent structures.



Beautiful mountains of the Brandvlei Nature Reserve.

Robertson Radio Flyers - Robertson

When travelling from Worcester to Robertson on the R60, pass the town on your left. When exiting Robertson, turn left at the circle at the sign Bird Paradise, into Johan de Jong Drive. Travel 1,2km to the stop, and the sign De Hoop. Turn right and drive for 1km. Turn right at the second farm gate, and drive 600m to the club's premises, on the right. The Robertson aerodrome may be visible 1,5km in the distance.

The club has a 140 x 7m tar runway. In regular, good-rainfall seasons, RRF has a very beautiful grass pit area, and lush grass around the runway, but due to the current drought, the grass is fairly dry. The property is leased from a local farmer. The club has 14 paid-up members, and day visitors are welcome to join them on any day of the week. Robertson Radio Flyers has for the last 12 years hosted a very successful Robertson fly-in, and sometimes an airshow, which is usually held on the full-size airfield in May.

RRF has a club house which is used for shelter from the sun on flying days. The toilets have been vandalised but the club management is in the process of restoring these amenities. All types of aircraft can be flown successfully at this field.

The chairman of the club is Morné Swanepoel, and he may be contacted on mobile number 082-374-6949. The GPS co-ordinates of the club are S33 48 12 and E019 54 49.



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