



To: All SAMAA members

Date: 5 March 2021

## **Communique # 19**

Dear SAMAA Member,

Welcome to the latest addition of our Bi-weekly communique as we say goodbye to Summer and hello to Autumn.

**AGM time** – Remember the AGM planned for the 11<sup>th</sup> of March 2021, hosted via Team's electronic platform.

Meeting detail:

- Title: Linda Dold SAMAA's Teams Meeting. Time: Mar 11, 2021 6:00:00 PM.
- Join on your computer or mobile app [Click here to join the meeting](#)

### **Events / Competitions planned.**

- RMAC Jet Fly-in
  - Date: 07 March 2021
  - Organizer: James Bennett 082 409 2493.
  - Jet Fly In at RMAC field (Alberton).
- LSA Extravaganza competition 2021.
  - Date: 27 & 28 March 2021.
  - Organizer: Justin Gomersall.
  - Contact: 084 465 1000
  - Where: Barnstormers
- Pylon Racing competition.
  - Date: 27 & 28 March 2021.
  - Organizer: Mathys Botha
  - Contact: 073 895 9909
  - Where: RMAC
- LSA Pilot / Judging workshop
  - Date: 6 March 2021 08:00 to 17:00
  - Organizer: Justin Gomersall.
  - Contact: 084 465 1000
  - Where: RMAC.

**COVID-19 Update** – South Africa is now in Lockdown Level 1. Important notes to consider for all clubs.

- Submit your week attendance registers every Monday. Please note that we have very poor compliance in this instance. Club's are urged to do their bit and submit.
- Wearing of masks. It is important to note that this remains a Legal requirement. Please be





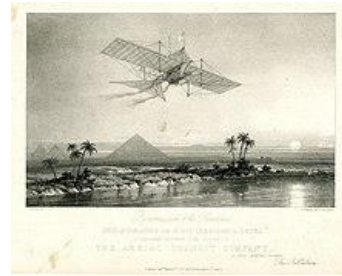
mindful on this to avoid unnecessary situations.

- Note: "An owner or operator of any indoor or outdoor facility where gatherings are held must display the certificate of occupancy which sets out the maximum number of persons the facility may hold". – This will prove vital for any unannounced visits.
- Maintain a distance of at least one and a half metres from each other.
- Adhere to Curfews.
- Adhere to Protocols.

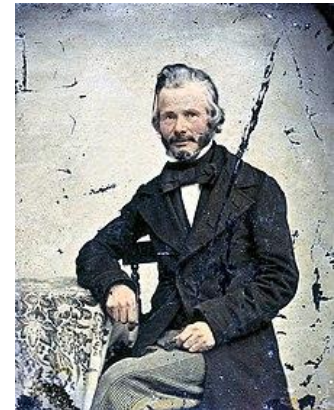
## Aviation history.

**John Stringfellow** (1799 – 13 December 1883) was born Sheffield, England and is known for his work on the Aerial Steam Carriage<sup>[1]</sup> with William Samuel Henson.

1843 artist's impression of Stringfellow's plane "Ariel" flying over the Nile, with the pyramids in the background



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Stringfellow worked in Chard, Somerset, England as a maker of bobbins and carriages for the lace industry. Together with Henson, he had ambitions of creating an international company, the Aerial Transit Company, with designs showing aeroplane travel in exotic locations like Egypt and China. Despite their efforts, the designs were flawed with Stringfellow's ideas centred on monoplane and triplane models and Henson's ideas centred on an underpowered steam-powered vehicle. In 1848 Stringfellow achieved the first powered flight using an unmanned 10 ft wingspan steam-powered monoplane built in a disused lace factory in Chard, Somerset. Employing two contra-rotating propellers on the first attempt, made indoors, the machine flew ten feet before becoming destabilised, damaging the craft. The second attempt was more successful, the machine leaving a guide wire to fly freely, achieving some thirty yards of straight and level powered flight. Stringfellow was also a keen photographer in his spare time, having run his father's photography business in Chard, of which Stringfellow was one of the first to produce a wet print of an image in his studios. The studio in Chard, and his home in Crewkerne is where some of his flying machines were photographed.

**Winner of Communique # 18** – Nico Brummer, from Irene Radio Flyers, is the winner of our last competition. Congrats!! Below the current standings.

Club Name	Club winnings		Winnings
Durban Model Aircraft Club	1	R	100.00
Maritzburg Model Aircraft Club	1	R	200.00
Modderfontein Model Aero Club	1	R	200.00
Capricorn Model vliegklub	2	R	400.00
Irene Radio Flyers	1	R	200.00
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This week we have a Word search – Find the word, mentioned below, circle it, and sent it back to us for review.





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We have received feedback from some of our members regarding the application below. Great to see the interaction and what could be learned. Please contact us should you require more details on this.

We sign of today with the following “Great things never came from your comfort zone” Stay strong and keep those dreams alive.

Best regards  
The SAMAA Management Committee

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