



# MAASA AGM Meeting Minutes

**Date:** 25<sup>th</sup> April 2026  
**Time:** 13h00  
**Location:** Barnstormers Model Flying Club

Item	Description
1. Welcome	RM welcomed all to the meeting.  Attendees: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joshua Twomey</li> <li>• Abré Smit</li> <li>• Rui Martins</li> <li>• Neil Twomey</li> <li>• Elaine Martins</li> <li>• Kas Hamman</li> <li>• Daniel Levy</li> <li>• Pieter Botha</li> <li>• Andre Stockwell</li> <li>• Martin Knoetzen</li> <li>• Burt Botha</li> <li>• Jacques Botha</li> <li>• Mauro Franceschini</li> <li>• Gerhard Venter</li> </ul> Proxies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Charl Jooste Snr (Andre Stockwell)</li> <li>• Charl Jooste Jnr (Andre Stockwell)</li> <li>• Dale Jaeger (Rui Martins)</li> <li>• Stuart Nix (Kas Hamman)</li> <li>• Eugene Mabile (Kas Hamman)</li> <li>• Rory Netterville (Kas Hamman)</li> <li>• Andre Vogel (Kas Hamman)</li> <li>• Dean Grobbelaar (Neil Twomey)</li> <li>• Walter Lin (Neil Twomey)</li> <li>• Rodney Potter (Martin Knoetzen)</li> <li>• Jonathan Starke (Martin Knoetzen)</li> </ul>
2. Apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> </ul>
3. Acceptance of Previous Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proposed by Andre Stockwell. Seconded by Neil Twomey. Accepted</li> </ul>
4. Matters Arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> </ul>
5. Chairman's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• See report attached (Appendix 1)</li> </ul>
6. Treasurer's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The state of the Finances was presented by NT</li> <li>• Figures presented for 2025/2026 to date. The finances are looking healthy.</li> <li>• In 2025, there was a healthy surplus of R9,142, due to the Masters being held in Gauteng and saving funds, due to not catering for extra judges.</li> <li>• For 2026, the statements were drawn up a week before the Nats, so bear in mind that some of the items did not transpire by then and</li> </ul>

	<p>are not reflected in the statement. The SAMAA Nats grant of R6,000 was received after the statement was drawn up, so this can be included. Accommodation, the balance was paid in the week of the Nats, bringing the amount to R5,000. There will be a car rental amount that still needs to be reimbursed to KH. The Masters later in the year will be another expense.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Budget was also presented for 2026.</li> <li>• Details attached to the Minutes (Appendix 2).</li> </ul>
7. Fees for 2027	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BB suggested that the fees be increased with at least the inflation rate and a decision was made to increase approximately 5% <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Sportsman R10 increase to R160</li> <li>○ Intermediate R15 increase to R265</li> <li>○ Advanced R15 increase to R265</li> <li>○ Masters R20 increase to R420</li> <li>○ F3A R20 increase to R420</li> <li>○ Classic R20 increase to R420</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Proposed by BB and seconded by Abre / Martin. Approved</li> <li>• Pilots can request a payment plan on these fees</li> <li>• Notautomatic systems – purchasing of new / spare systems and batteries – this will be looked at and prices sourced. The batteries were sponsored by Aerial Concepts and NT will speak to DG about new sponsorship of these batteries in future. Prices included in Appendix 3</li> </ul>
8. Honorary Life Membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nominations for Kas Hamman and Martin Knoetzen were discussed. This was accepted by AS and Seconded by PB. Certificates will be issued at the Masters</li> </ul>
9. Election of Office Bearers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All Offices Bearers are willing to stand again.</li> <li>• A nomination for Contest Director has been received for Daniel Levy, which was accepted.</li> <li>• AS wanted clarity regarding the SIG Chair position and how this would impact the Chairman role currently filled by RM. RM did indicate that if he suspects any friction or double standards, that NT or KH will stand in as Chairman in the SIG Meetings for MAASA.</li> <li>• Chairman – Rui Martins</li> <li>• Vice Chairman – Kas Hamman</li> <li>• Treasurer – Neil Twomey</li> <li>• Secretary – Elaine Martins</li> <li>• Chief Judge – Abre Smit</li> <li>• Contest Director – Daniel Levy</li> <li>• National Register Upkeep – Robin and Elaine Martins</li> <li>• CIAM Rep – Joshua Twomey</li> <li>• Junior CIAM Rep – Robin Martins</li> <li>• National Regional Rep – Stuart Nix</li> <li>• No seats were contested and were approved by all members</li> <li>• BB suggested that a budget should be put in place for the Contest Director to travel to different provinces, this will bring the competition standard together</li> </ul>
10. 2026 Masters	
a. Venue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We currently have no venue yet.</li> <li>• CRF is keen to hold the Masters again, but it is not safe or a good option at this stage.</li> <li>• There may be other fields available in Bloemfontein.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gariiep is a better option. However, further enquiries need to be made to see the viability of the field and what the costs would be to host the Masters here.</li> <li>• Firm commitment needs to be received from participating pilots by end July 2026.</li> </ul>
11. General	
a. Initiative to MAASA by organizing Clinics / Outreach Programs at various Clubs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pilots to indicate willingness of their clubs and interest from prospective pilots at their clubs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ We have to grow the SIG and find new pilots.</li> <li>○ Setting up outreach programs at flying clubs introducing Aerobatics to potential pilots.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
b. Changes in flying schedules from CIAM – Implementation of grace period	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A grace period was suggested, due to non-correspondence received in time of the Nats.</li> <li>• It has been decided to keep it as is, if a change is made, it gets implemented immediately.</li> <li>• A request needs to be submitted to CIAM to send correspondence immediately, so all participants know of any changes in advance.</li> </ul>
c. Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RM suggested having MAASA caps, jackets and shirts made for the members that can be purchased. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Neil will ask his wife if she can come up with a design, and also ask Stuart for his input</li> </ul> </li> <li>• MAASA Logo also needs a remodeling. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Neil will ask his wife and Stuart to look into this as well.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
12. Close	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RM thanked everyone for their support over the last year.</li> <li>• Meeting adjourned at 14:05.</li> </ul>

## **Appendix 1 – Chairman’s Report**

Thank you to all the members for their support and participation in the competitions throughout the year, as well as the organisers and helpers, making these events successful.

MAASA is one of the only SIGs showing a small growth in membership. We are also one of the only SIGs that have a working competition calendar, which is well attended by the pilots. However, we do need to grow the SIGS to ensure the viability of MAASA. As mentioned in last year’s Chairman’s Report, we still have barriers to overcome. Slow and steady wins the race. There are no big gains but increasing our membership one-at-a-time is how we will grow. We cannot sit back and wait for new members. We need to go out and recruit them.

Changes made last year, which included changing the F3A Team Selection criteria, have proved positive results. With our last competition, 6 of 7 pilots were participating. The Sportsmen’s class has also seen an increase with 3 pilots participating. The Intermediate class has not seen much traction yet, but it is still early days.

We did not participate in the World Championships, due to the financial constraints on the willing participants and not having the required number of reserves available. This will be alleviated with the F3A Team Selection change, as the participating pilots have already seen a substantial increase.

As you may have heard, I have been appointed as SAMAA SIG Chair. This, so far, has been quite a roller coaster in the short time I have been elected. Please remember that although I now must look after all the SIGs interests, I will not let MAASA down. Where I feel a conflict of interest may arise, I have asked Neil Twomey or Kas Hamman to stand in as Chairman of MAASA, to ensure the integrity of our SIG is maintained and we have an equal voice in the decision-making.

Once again, I take this opportunity to show my appreciation to the Committee for the time and effort they gave during the last year. May 2026 / 2027 see MAASA grow from strength to strength.

## Appendix 2 – Financials

### Model Aerobatic Association of SA Income Summary From 01 January 2025 - 17 April 2026

	<u>2025</u>		<u>2026</u>
Bank opening balance (1 Jan 2025)	88,177	Bank opening balance (1 Jan 2026)	97,319
Income	21,730	Income	9,182
Membership Fees (2025)	7,860	Membership Fees (2026)	8,000
SAAMA NATS Grant	6,000	SAAMA NATS Grant	
Masters Entry Fees	3,150	Interest Earned (Bank and Invest)	1,182
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Expenses	12,588	Expenses	9,427
NATS Judge Flight	2,846	NATS Judge Flight	5,946
NATS Officials Accom	4,000	NATS Officials Accom	2,500
NATS Judges Car Rental	1,884	NATS Judges Car Rental	
Masters Trophies	2,325	Nats Medals	863
Website Hosting	605	Website Hosting	
Stationary	480	Stationary	
Bank Charges	448	Bank Charges	118
Closing bank balance (31 Dec 2025)	97,319	Closing bank balance (20 April 2026)	97,074
Profit/(Loss) to date	<u>9,142</u>	Profit/(Loss) to date	<u>-245</u>



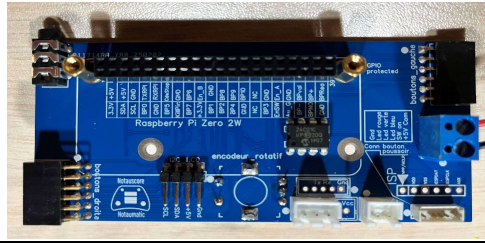
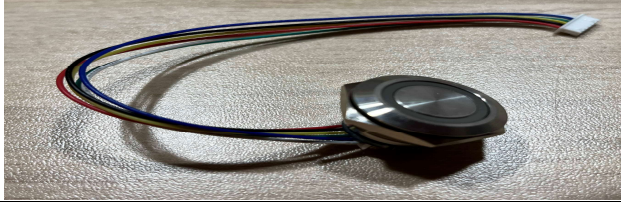


## Model Aerobatic Association of SA Budget 2026

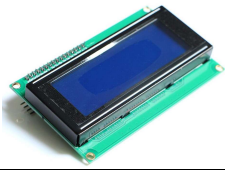


<b>Income</b>	<b>23,500</b>
Membership Fees (2025)	9,000
SAMAA Contribution	6,000
Masters Entries	4,000
Interest (Bank and Invest)	4,500
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>28,710</b>
Nats Officials Accom	6,000
Nats Officials Travel including Car Rental	6,500
Nats Judge Parking	1,500
Nats Medals	605
Masters Judges Flights	6,000
Masters Judges Accom	2,500
Masters Trophies	3,000
Masters Judge Parking	1,500
Website	605
Bank Charges	500
<b>Profit/(Loss) for 2026</b>	<b>-5,210</b>

### Appendix 3 – Notautomatic prices

#### Spare parts and supplies

**(Prices in € TTC, shipping not included)**

		<b>Prices in €</b>	<b>Prices in ZAR at R20.00 exchange rate</b>
<b>Notautomatic v2</b>		<b>250.00</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>
<b>Battery 2S LiPo 2700/3000 mAh</b>		<b>31.00</b>	<b>R620.00</b>
<b>Mother board (without Raspberry and SD card)</b>		<b>90.00</b>	<b>R1,800.00</b>
<b>Main switch with RGB leds</b>		<b>30.00</b>	<b>R600.00</b>
<b>PCB 5 buttons (buttons and connector soldered)</b>		<b>25.00</b>	<b>R500.00</b>
<b>PCB 11 boutons (boutons and connector soldered)</b>		<b>35.00</b>	<b>R700.00</b>

<b>LCD screen</b>		<b>15.00</b>	<b>R300.00</b>
<b>Printer</b>		<b>45.00</b>	<b>R900.00</b>
<b>Spare case (without front plate)</b>		<b>40.00</b>	<b>R800.00</b>