



Africa Aerospace and Defence 2012

Africa Aerospace and Defence 2012 featured many international exhibitors and visitors during the Trade days but it was mostly the South African participation that entertained the crowd on the public air show days. Although I was originally disappointed by the absence of the Americans and Europeans, South Africa once again demonstrated that we are independent and can stage a world class event if it is with our own inventions developed during the the years of isolation.



I am not sure what the most fascinating part was? Was it the flying, the thundering sound or the colour schemes?

Africa Aerospace and Defence showcased the first “simulated war” (excuse the pun). During this exercise we saw a C130 deploying troops, a Casa dropping supplies, an Oryx delivering small army vehicles, Rooivalk attack helicopters providing air support, an Onifant tank performing ground attacks, a Rooikat, a Ratel and explosions galore. WOW, this was truly well done and to all those involved we want you to know that this was way beyond what we have seen before.





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The first phase of the ARO status of the EAA has been completed how this came about was that the Civil Aviation Authority, (CAA) changed the way it deals with recreational flying, through the Aero Club of South Africa and its sections (EAA which is one of the sections under the Aero Club of SA) recognising the specific requirements of each subsection. The focus is on national safety and moves the responsibility for operations to the Aero Club, which in turn ensures that the EAA as a flying discipline has defined rules under which it operates. To be approved as an ARO the EAA needed to have: 1 A Manual of Procedure, (MoP) that defines how the EAA operates, with clearly defined responsibilities, which has been completed with the help of EAA of South Africa exco and has been submitted and approved by RAASA and sent to the CAA for final rubber stamping and issuing of the ARO Certificate. With this we have achieved a major milestone, as this is where we are recognised as an ARO within the regulating authorities. 2 A Quality Control System to ensure adherence to the MoP. We are working on Phase 2, which will define the rules under which the EAA operates. The focus is on national safety. This quality control system will map the landscape of safe flying for everyone involved in the EAA. The ARO also positions the EAA to handle all interactions via the CAA as the recognised ARO and not just a sub-section of the Aero Club. This gives us a vantage point to deal with specific concerns directly as the EAA, and will ensure that our contributions and concerns as a sub-section are recognised within the regulating authorities.

Revival of the dormant EAA Chapter 592 in Cape Town:

We have been in discussion with an EAA enthusiast at Morningstar (Cape Town) who is a pilot and licensed AME and has indicated that he would prepare to head up the Chapter. Chapter 592 in Cape Town has been dormant for some years, despite the fact that we have a host of enthusiasts who deserve to

By : Paul Lastrucci



FLY SAFE CAMPAIGN

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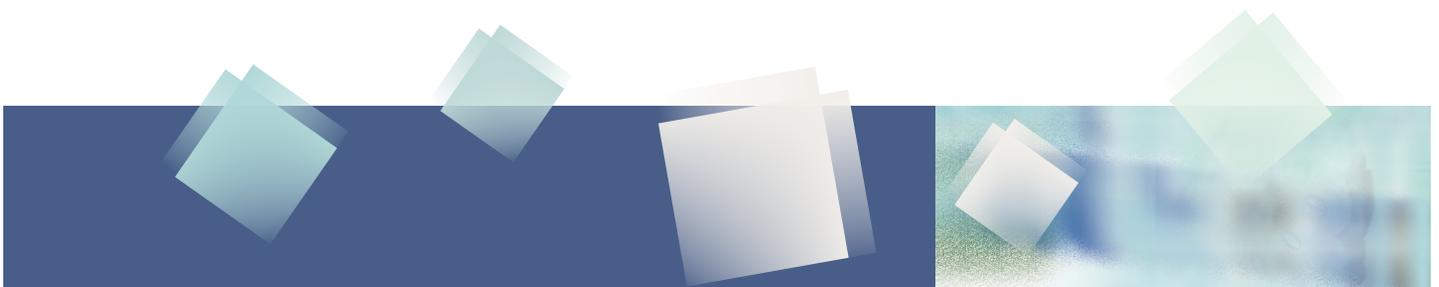


Year on year especially during the holiday periods we see the impact with terrain and obstacles coming to the fore. Often it is taken for granted the actual skills that are required for low flight. Often low flying happens on the spur of the moment without certain self-preservation rules being adhered to. Often without knowledge of the real dangers and observations needed to make this safe.

Low flight in it self is not dangerous. However it is often planned and conducted in a safe manner. "Fly bys" and "beat ups" normally happen where there is a gathering of aspects. Often part of the reason for flying low over a crowd and over a beach gathering is really for us to say "hey check us out" check how cool we are" where in reality all is okayish until we impact.

Remember our idea of looking cool is often other's idea of "there flies an idiot". We need to think about the "off the cuff" decisions made and how we approach our low flights. It again reverts to us aviators to display good airmanship and live safety first aviator credos. Have fun but plan any low flight carefully and with a full back up plan in place.

It is always the same old pilots and bold pilots, no old bold pilots. The history tells this tale - its time we learn from it 🙏





***Aero Club
Annual Awards 2012***

3 November
Wanderers Club
Illovo
Johannesburg
18:30 - 19:00
R 350 (incl Vat) **limited space available**

Black tie

R.S.V.P by 19 October 2012
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Jackie Harmse

The Annual Awards Dinner

The Annual awards' function is staged to recognise those members of Aero Club who have excelled in their particular aviation discipline over the past year. This years dinner will be held at the Wanderers Club in Illovo, Johannesburg. We have 35 extra seats available to Aero Club members who would like to join us on this prestigious evening in their own capacity as a Aero Club member 





National Skydiving Museum weekend celebration !

Hall of Fame Reception / Dinner and induction Ceremony

On Saturday evening, November 10, we will be inducting seven skydiving legends into the National Skydiving Museum Hall of Fame joining 17 others into this prestigious club. The Hall of Fame celebration, sponsored by the Parachute Industry Association, recognizes and honor those wh, through leadership, innovation and/or outstanding achievements, have defined, promoted, inspired and advanced skydiving at the highest and sustained levels in the past, present and for future generations of skydivers.

Remember you need to pre-register the Hall of Fame Dinner. We already have more than 200 people joining us. Come and congratulate this year's inductees and meet current members of the Hall of Fame.

We will be inducting these skydiving legends into the National Skydiving Museum Hall of Fame in 2012

Carl Boenish (posthumous)
Bob Buquor (posthumous)
Claude Gillard
Dan Poynter
Hank (posthumous) and Muriel Simbro

And, as of today (03/10/12), the following members of the Hall of Fame will be joining us...

Lew Sanborn
Lenny Potts
Joe Kittinger
Jerry Bird
Cheryl Bird
Cheryl Stearns
Tee Taylor
Bill Booth

Join us !!!!

We have set up a website exclusively with the event info and registration
www.nsm2012.org



The Aero Club of South Africa 

71st Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given :

That the 71st Annual General Meeting of members of the Aero Club of South Africa will be held at

24 October 2012 18:30
Havard Conference Centre
Rand Airport
Germiston

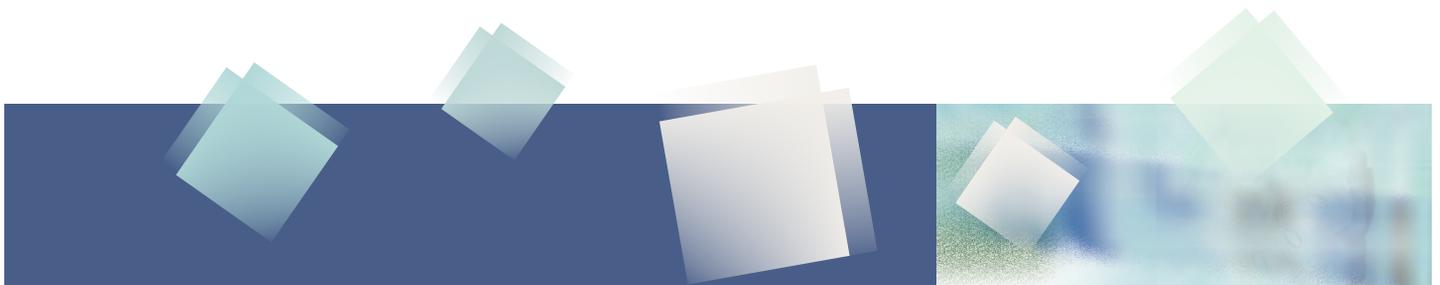
For the following purposes:

- 1) Verify and sign the minutes of the 70th Annual General Meeting held on the 26th of October 2011.
- 2) To consider the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2012, together with the reports of the Auditors and Directors.
- 3) To receive the Chairman's report
- 4) To elect a maximum of Four members to serve on the Board in terms of Paragraph 7.8.4 of the Articles of Association.
- 5) To transact such other business as may be transacted at an Annual General Meeting, and which is provided for in the Articles of Association.
- 6) Section Reports will be documented in the Annual yearbook.

An Ordinary member is entitled to appoint another ordinary Member as his proxy to attend, speak and vote in his stead except that a proxy may not vote on the election referred to in paragraph 2.1.1 and 7.8.4 of the Articles of Association. Proxy forms appointing a proxy must be filled with the Chairman or Secretary before the meeting commence. The vote of an ordinary Member whose subscription is in arrears will not be taken into account.

By order of the board

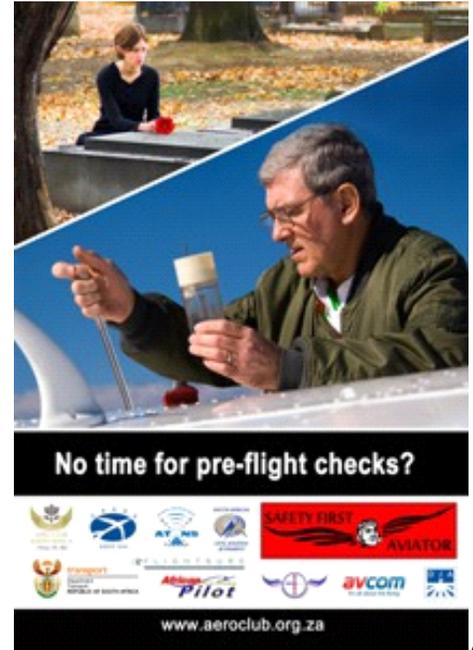
Date : 11 September 2012





Safety First Aviator

Kevin Storie will launch the 2nd Phase of the Safety First Aviator at the seminar. Do not miss This.



6th National Safety Seminar 2012

Weaver birds are the artisans extraordinary of the bird world. As their name suggests, they fashion intricate nests out of plant material, carefully threaded and woven into solid structure. All of it is done in the name of Safety, quite literally, without lifting a finger. By picking the best structure, a female gets not only the most comfortable home but some assurance about the generic standards of the safe and most secure home-maker. To protect the nest from predators, the nest hang above streams and are attached to flimsy tree branches, and have a long downward-pointing entrance tube, which is also an anti-thief feature.

Safety begins with ME !!!!

You are cordially invited to the 6th National Safety Seminar 2012

Date : 16 - 17 October 2012

Time : 08h30 - 16h30

Venue : Midrand Conference Centre

RSVP : ngwenyat@caa.co.za

Please mention any dietary requirements that you may have

Contact : Thembi Ngwenya

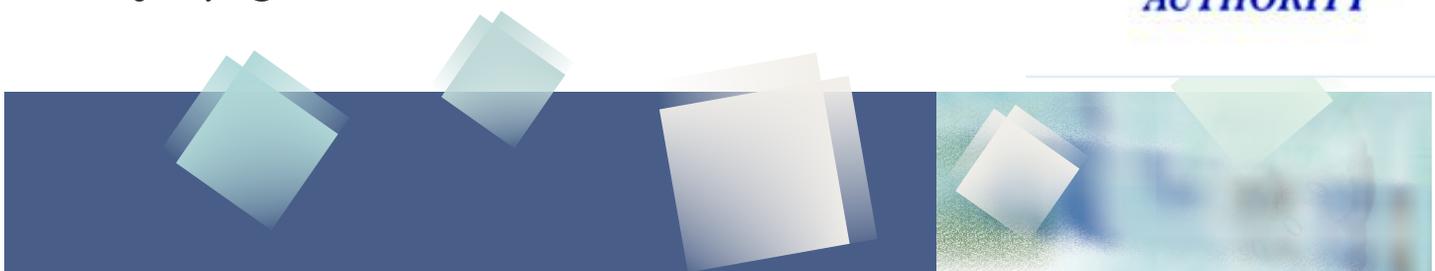
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The Aero Club of South Africa and the Affiliated sections

All recreational pilots wishing to operate need to be part of a section with relevant ARO as per 94.06.1(2) in volume two(2) of the CAR's and if the section does not have an ARO be members of the relevant disciplines' National Body. The sections are responsible for operating their discipline as per the MOP, developing applicable standards and ensuring that RAASA is advised of these standards via the MOP's. RAASA uses the section's MOP's to administrate and provide oversight of each discipline and approves the respective MOP's along with adjustments necessary for uniformity. If the MOP is not to the required standard, then RAASA cannot approve the MOP.

The Aero Club of South Africa assists with the following:

- Averting incorrect and unsafe rules prematurely placed in law without sufficient and correct consultation.
- Providing the annual event to recognise excellence within each section and ward national and provincial colours if applicable.
- Raising awareness of recreational aviation by assisting sections to remain informed and showcase their marketing plans.
- Provide savings with agreements using the Crew Cards when overseas.
- Ensuring we are active role playing members of the FAI with equal status amongst the bigger nations to allow smooth movement of our sporting pilots to compete fairly in international events and direct our individual disciplines internationally.
- Actively defending our stance against the mandatory use of transponders and limitations on our aviation activities and airspace.
- Actively defending our stance on the abolishment of landing fees for recreational aviators.
- Actively defending against the environment organisations and governmental bodies who wish to curb our right to use the airspace above certain areas often using misconceptions and without proper or effective consultation.





Membership renewals for 2013

Members will be able to renew their 2013 membership early November.

FundiCRM will send reminders to renew your membership with a Link to your membership. This link will have all your details like the sections you renewed for 2012 and your contact details. A member will be able to remove any section he/she do not wish to belong to and select a new section, and change contact details. Remember you need to renew your Aero Club and affiliated section membership.

You will once again be able to pay the membership fees online via your credit card or EFT. Please do not hesitate to contact the Aero Club office if you require assistance with renewing your membership. Your Credit Card payment will reflect the payment immediately where EFT payments will have a bank waiting period.

Once your membership is confirmed by Aero Club staff you will automatically receive your membership certificate, this certificate will be proof of your membership status.



	
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