



Model Aerosport SA Inc. Newsletter— July 2025



Jonathan Routley photos—Stolen from the Skyhawks' Facebook page.

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SAFETY MATTERS

If anyone has heard of incidents that can improve the safety of our hobby, could you please send them to me at, newslettereditor@masa.org.au and I will include them in future editions of our newsletter, as a general article, de-identified, without disclosure of club or individual.

Would you carelessly handle a chef's knife or put your hand in a crocodile's mouth? If you would, then perhaps you should leave now because we don't need that behaviour in our sport.....



But, you might unwittingly be endangering yourself every time you set up a new model, especially an electric one.

While setting up the ESC and confirming the motor runs in the correct direction, the propeller should be removed and a small amount of masking tape wrapped around the shaft so you can determine correct direction etc.

Only when the setup has been completed should you affix the propeller and spinner. That way you won't be endangering yourself or others. Propellers are very dangerous things—especially the modern plastic or carbon-fibre works of art. They are VERY EFFICIENT slice-and-dice machines!

Here is a photo of one of my projects....I was setting up the control throws with the model sitting unsecured on the bench. Whilst mov-

ing my hand, I bumped the throttle and the model launched at me! Of course my hand was in the way and I suffered a nasty and painful couple of gashes as the propeller tried to eat me one blade at a time!

After cleaning my wounds and admonishing myself for being so stupid, I decided to leave the blood on my model as a reminder for the future. Now, you might think that's ghoulish or unsanitary, but sometimes I just need to be reminded that I'm dealing with a dangerous piece of equipment.

You'd think that 45 years of flying full-size aircraft would have given me some better survival skills - really!



Changing of the Guard

Well, by now you all will have noticed a change in appearance as from last month's newsletter. You might even have noticed a change in writing style. That's because you now have a different newsletter editor! From this edition, I've taken over from Ron, allowing him more time to spend on



his own projects and life. From time to time, I'm sure he'll still pop up with a report from Port Lincoln or even an article or photo, and he'll be welcome anytime he needs or wants.

By way of introduction, my name is Greg Thompson and I learned to fly last century! Actually, it was 1972 when I first flew an RC model, and prior to that it was free flight and control-line. I started flying gliders at 13 while in the air cadets. Yes, I'm that old. Additionally, I've been a "full-size" pilot since 1978 and a Commercial Pilot since 1987.

For now, I'm going to spend some time settling into the role of newsletter editor, but ultimately I'd like to get more involvement from

all the clubs and individual fliers out there! If you have an interesting story to tell, a model to show off, or an event to promote, please drop me a line and send photos where possible.

As this newsletter is distributed by email, there's no real limit to the size I can make it.....if I have sufficient photos or words, I can make it 30 pages long! Equally, if nobody helps out, it will be much shorter! Here's your chance to contribute to YOUR newsletter!

I'd rather have too much information for one newsletter than not enough. I can always put it in the next issue or move things around.

My email is newslettereditor@masa.org.au

Looking forward to hearing from you!

Greg Thompson



MASA 2025 Quick Guide

This document is a quick guide to information about MASA and MAAA operations and activities.

MASA EXECUTIVES AND APPOINTEES

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MASA COMMITTEE MEETINGS

MASA Committee meetings are held on the SECOND THURSDAY of the month at 7:30pm.

Meetings are held every month EXCEPT January and June. See table below for dates.

ALL meetings are held by Zoom. A Zoom invitation and agenda will be e-mailed to clubs beforehand.

In Person meetings (+ Zoom) are also held in February, May (AGM), August and December at the Restless Dance Theatre, 195 Gilles Street, Adelaide.

Items for the agenda must be e-mailed to the MASA secretary no later than Friday BEFORE the meeting.

DATE	TYPE	ZOOM	IN PERSON
10 JULY 2025	MASA Committee	✓	
14 AUGUST 2025	MASA Committee	✓	✓
11 SEPTEMBER 2025	MASA Committee	✓	
9 OCTOBER 2025	MASA Committee	✓	
13 NOVEMBER 2025	MASA Committee	✓	
11 DECEMBER 2025	MASA Committee	✓	✓
JANUARY 2026	NO MEETING		
12 FEBRUARY 2026	MASA Committee	✓	✓
12 MARCH 2026	MASA Committee	✓	
9 APRIL 2026	MASA Committee	✓	
14 MAY 2026	Annual General Meeting (AGM)	✓	✓
JUNE 2026	NO MEETING		
9 JULY 2026	MASA Committee	✓	

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MASA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

The AGM is held In Person and by Zoom on the LAST FRIDAY in May at 7:30pm at the Restless Dance Theatre, 195 Gilles Street, Adelaide.

The next AGM is scheduled for Friday 29 May 2026 at 7:30pm.

A Zoom invitation and agenda will be e-mailed to clubs before the AGM.

All MASA members are encouraged to attend the AGM.

MASA EVENTS CALENDAR

<https://www.masa.org.au/events>

MASA NEWSLETTERS

<https://www.masa.org.au/newsletter>

MASA FINANCIALS

<https://www.masa.org.au/financials>

NOTE. Member only access using e-mail address and password (AUS number).

MASA ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES (MAP)

https://www.masa.org.au/policy_documents

NOTE. Member only access using e-mail address and password (AUS number).

MAP 1 - *MASA Constitution*

MAP 2 - *Provisions of Trophies*

MAP 3 - *Travel Reimbursement*

MAP 4 - *Loans to Clubs*

MAP 5 - *Code of Practice - Fire Danger Season*

MAP 6 - *Promotional Assistance for Clubs*

MAP 7 - *Working with Children*

MAP 8 - *MASA Equipment Hire*

MASA PROMOTIONAL ASSISTANCE FOR CLUBS

Refer to MAP 6 - *Promotional Assistance for Clubs* - contains a link to the application form.

MASA can provide financial assistance (grants) to help clubs promote club activities to the general public in order to attract new members and increase public awareness of ,and interest in, aeromodelling.

In 2025-2026, the maximum amount available per club per annum = \$500.00.

In 2025-2026, there is NO requirement for a club co-contribution. Encouraged, but not required.

The club maximum and other requirements are reviewed annually at the first meeting after the AGM.

MASA CLUB LOANS

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Refer to MAP 4 - *Loans to Clubs*

MASA can provide loans to clubs for capital projects and major equipment purchases e.g. mowers, power systems, development of club facilities.

The total annual allocation for club loans in 2025-2026 = \$120,000.00.

Loan interest rate in 2025-2026 = 2.0% per annum.

The annual allocation and interest rate are reviewed annually at the first meeting after the AGM.

MODEL AERONAUTICAL ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA (MAAA)

MAAA Manual of Procedures (MOP)

<https://www.maaa.asn.au/mops>

MAAA Insurance Certificates / Documents

<https://vinsurancegroup.com/maaa/>

MAAA Club Assistance Scheme (CAS)

<https://www.maaa.asn.au/club-support/2024-2025-club-assistance-scheme>

Clubs can request a maximum of \$7,000 + GST from the MAAA for capital projects e.g. mowers, power systems, development of club facilities.

It is important that clubs contribute to the cost of the project (the more the better) and the project must meet MAAA criteria to achieve a good score and therefore have a strong chance of success.

MASA will contribute part of the project cost. For 2025-2026, this was increased to 33% of the total project cost or a maximum of \$2,000, whichever is lower.

Clubs must fill out the CAS application form and send the application and supporting documents to MASA for endorsement. MASA will review and then forward the application to the MAAA.

MAAA Club Activity Scheme

<https://www.maaa.asn.au/club-support/club-financial-support>

The MAAA can also provide financial assistance for club activities that promote aeromodelling and encourage new members and/or member participation e.g. club events, club social days, inter-club events, come and try days, guest speakers.

Clubs can apply for \$250, \$500, \$750 or \$1000.

Clubs must fill out the application form and send the application and supporting documents to the MAAA.

AREA APPROVALS

MAAA MOP 004 - *Model Aircraft Operations Above 400ft AGL*

MAAA MOP 019 - *Model Flying Displays*

MAAA MOP 067 - *Assessment of Club Field for MAAA General Instrument*

MAAA 001 - *Application for a Permit to Conduct a Display*

An area approval is required for: (i) flying aircraft above 400 feet AGL, (ii) flying aircraft in controlled airspace, (iii) ALL public flying displays.

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In the past, area approvals were issued by CASA and there were significant delays. The MAAA now has a legal instrument from CASA that enables it to issue "blanket area approvals" for flying above 400 feet AGL in uncontrolled airspace. Clubs that apply for an area approval and meet the specific requirements can be registered under the blanket area approval. The registration can be renewed each year without a new area approval application providing that the club continues to meet the requirements and the flying circumstances don't change.

Refer to MOP 067 for information, guidelines and application templates.

If clubs fly in controlled airspace or don't meet the criteria for the blanket area approval, then an area approval must be issued by CASA. This requires submission of a CASA area approval application.

The same information and documentation (e.g. risk assessment) is required for both pathways.

Clubs send their area approval application and ALL supporting documents to MASA. Do NOT send them to the MAAA or CASA. After checking, MASA will endorse and forward the application to the MAAA, which will process the application for the blanket area approval or submit the application to CASA.

For CASA-issued area approvals, there may be lengthy delays, so it is important that clubs submit renewal applications well in advance of the expiry date.

Renewal applications should reach CASA at least 3 months before the expiry date to ensure that the existing area approval remains valid until the application has been processed by CASA, even if that doesn't happen until after the expiry date. In practice, that means the application should reach MASA at least 4 months before expiry, so we recommend that area approval renewal applications are submitted to MASA 4-6 months before the expiry date to allow adequate time for review, submission and processing.

SAFETY AND INCIDENT REPORTING

Refer to the following MAAA MOP and forms:

MOP 001 - *Accident/Incidents Reporting and Actions Procedure*

MOP 022 - *Risk Assessment Procedure*

Form MAAA 010 - *Incident Report Form*

Form MAAA 031 - *Risk Assessment Template*

All safety incidents must be reported to MASA as soon as possible after the incident occurs, regardless of whether or not anyone was injured and no matter how insignificant you may think the incident.

MASA is required to forward the reports to the MAAA.

Incidents may include, but are not limited to, the following:

Injury to persons or damage to property at the club. The most common injury is from propellers.

Injury to persons or damage to property outside the club flying area (on other properties).

Lost aircraft - missing and unable to be located.

Aircraft which crash outside the club flying area (on other properties).

Incidents should be investigated thoroughly and carefully documented:

Incident reports should include a detailed description of what happened, when, where and who/what was involved. Include maps, diagrams and/or photos showing where the incident happened in relation to club facilities, public, pits, pilots etc.

Interview pilots and witnesses. Include that in the report.

Leave nothing to be questioned by the MAAA or CASA.

Indicate what can be done to minimize or prevent recurrence or similar incidents.

MASA 2025 Calendar

For the Full Calendar Please refer to the MASA Web Site.

Date	Details	Location	Organiser
JULY			
13	MASA TROPHY Southern	Holdfast	MASA/Holdfast
13	Pylon Racing	Constellation	SAMPRA
13	Skyhawks Side Walk Sale	Bentley Rd, Blakeview	Skyhawks
13	Scale Glider, Aero Tow	Milang	SSL
19	Indoor at Goolwa	Goolwa Community Stadium	GIMFC
20	Precision Aerobatics	Constellation	SAPA
20	Scale Society Fun Fly Day	Barossa	SASOSA/BVMAC
AUGUST			
2	Indoor—Cornerstone College	Mt Barker	SMAC
2 – 3	3D Fun Fly	Bentley Road, Blakeview	Skyhawks
3	HMAC Pylon and Club Comp.	Holdfast	HMAC
3	F5J Electric Thermal Glider	Milang	SSL
10	Southern Chapter Scale Fly In	SCMAC – Clayton Bay	SCMAC/SASOSA
10	Pylon Racing	Constellation	SAMPRA
16	Indoor at Goolwa	Goolwa Community Stadium	GIMFC
16	Precision Aerobatics - Saturday	Barossa	SAPA/BVMAC
17	MASA TROPHY Northern Group	Reeves Planes	MASA/Concorde
17	Scale Glider, Aero Tow	Milang	SSL
17	Scale Fun Fly Day, Multi Engine Day	Constellation	CMFC
29 – 31	JETS OVER MONATO	Monarto	AMA
SEPTEMBER			

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7	HMAC Pylon and Club Competition	Holdfast	HMAC
7	FATHERS DAY		
7	F5J Electric Thermal Glider	Milang	SSL
12 – 14	Border Model Flyers Fun Fly	Pinnaroo	BMF
13	Indoor At Cornerstone NOTE 2 nd Saturday	Mt Barker	SMAC
13 - 14	Precision Aerobatics	Clayton Bay SCMAC	SAPA
14	Pylon Racing	Constellation	SAMPRA
14	GPS Glider and 2m RES	Milang	SSL
20	Indoor at Goolwa	Goolwa Community Stadium	GIMFC
21	MASA TROPHY Southern Group	Strathalbyn	MASA/SMAC
21	Glider Fun Fly	Barossa Field	BVMAC
21	Scale Society Fun Fly Day	Moonta	MMAC
27	Instructor Training Course	TBA	MASA
28	Biplane Day	Constellation	CMFC
28	Scale Glider, Aero Tow	Milang	SSL

OCTOBER

3 – 6	Precision Aerobatics APA Championships	Warracknabeal	APA
4	Indoor at Goolwa	Goolwa Community Stadium	GIMFC
4 – 5	Ringmaster Fly-a-Thon	South Coast MAC	SCMAC
4 - 6	Fun Fly at Port Lincoln	PLMAC Field	PLMAC
5	Colin Reedman DeHavilland Scale Day	Constellation	CMFC /SASOSA
5	HMAC Pylon and Club Competition	Holdfast	HMAC
5	Landing Contest	Skyhawks	Skyhawks
11	Indoor At Cornerstone College Note 2 nd Sat	Mt Barker	SMAC

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11 – 12	Float Fly Weekend at Lake Leak	Lake Leak – Mt Gambier	BLAM
12	F5J Electric Thermal Glider	Milang	SSL
12	Scale Competition (in association with SASOSA)	Bentley Rd, Blakeview	Skyhawks/SASOSA
12	Pylon Racing	Constellation	SAMPRA
18 - 19	Annual Birthday / Night Fly / Fun Fly	Reeves Plains	Concorde
18 - 19	John Watters Memorial Scale Fun Fly	Strathalbyn	SMAC/SASOSA
19	GPS Glider and 2m RES	Milang	SSL
26	MASA TROPHY – FINAL Fly Off	Venue TBA	MASA
26	Retro, Vintage, Old Timer, C/L Day	Constellation	CMFC
26	SSL/Skyhawks Annual Glider Festival	Bentley Rd, Blakeview	Skyhawks/SSL
26	Fun Fly / Come & Try Day	Monarto	AMA



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MASA Trophy—Northern Group

The MASA Trophy competition (Northern Group) was held at Skyhawks on Sunday 23rd June, and looked set to be a blow-out! With strong winds in the morning, getting worse as the day progressed, the competitors lined up to give us their best. There were indeed some great performances, and a couple of crashes unfortunately. Significant difficulty was experienced by models being blown downwind and having little penetration to achieve a landing anywhere near the spot.

Nevertheless, a good time was had by all, followed by a BBQ lunch of hamburgers and hot chips!

Results were as follows:-

MASA Trophy—Leaderboard

NORTHERN CHAPTER		R1	R2	R3	R4	SCORE	RANK	
Barossa Valley MAC		19		25		44	1	
Moonta MAC		9		9		18	4	
Skyhawks Aeromodellers		23		17		40	3	
Concorde MFC		21		21		42	2	
SOUTHERN CHAPTER		R1	R2	R3	R4	SCORE	RANK	
Noarlunga MAS		21	25			46	1	
South Coast MAC		25	15			40	2	
Holdfast MAC		15	19			34	3	
Strathalbyn MAC		11	13			24	4	
COUNTRY COMPETITION		R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	SCORE	RANK
Blue Lake Aero Modellers		13	3				16	5
Broken Hill MFC		25	25				50	1
Naracoorte MAC		10	10				20	4
Port Augusta MAC		10	21				31	3
Port Lincoln MAC		17	16				33	2



MASA COUNTRY CLUB CHALLENGE

Round Two Results

1st Broken Hill = 25 pts

2nd Port Augusta = 21 pts

3rd Port Lincoln =16 pts

4th Naracoorte = 10 pts

5th Blue Lake =3 pts

PROGRESIVE SCORE for May and June

1st Broken Hill =50 pts

2nd Port Lincoln =33 pts

3rd Port Augusta =31 pts

4th Naracoorte =20 pts

5th Blue Lake =16 pts

Winner of the Round two Voucher was Ron Grosser

Thanks to Model Flight MASA and MAAA



Kym Graham's 55 cc Wot 4 managed 14 loops in Timed Loops

At Port Lincoln in Roud 2



JET-OBERFEST

18th & 19th October 2025



RC Jets and EDF's flying all day
Sealed 160m Runway, Shade & Charging Facilities

Flying open to MAAA affiliated pilots

Food & Drink available for purchase

On-site Camping available

enquiries - secretary@concordemfc.com

815 Boundary Rd, Reeves Plains, South Australia

Club Profiles—Skyhawks Aeromodellers

Beginning this issue, we will be profiling clubs around South Australia, along with contact details and some of their upcoming events. Many of you have perhaps already visited these clubs and know all about them, but others of us are not aware of them, or have little knowledge. This way, when you see the club mentioned on the events calendar, you can make an informed decision about attending their event. They may be just around the corner!

This month, it's time to look at..



Skyhawks Aeromodellers Inc.

Skyhawks Aeromodellers started in 1984 with a core group of only four members, though they quickly expanded and are now thriving with over 80 members.

With this number of members, it's not surprising that models cover the full range from Plug-n-Play, ARF, and kit-built, and there are plenty of different models flying on any given weekend, as well as during the week for those lucky enough to have the time.

The facilities are great, with two large runways (one irrigated for year-round operations) and plenty of space to fly. As the airspace above is controlled by the RAAF, Skyhawks currently needs to obtain approval to operate above 400 feet, but for competitions this is always available (up to 1000 feet). They have a great relationship with the RAAF and hopefully that continues.



With an active core, Skyhawks are able to put on some great and popular events, and can be relied upon to provide a fun and safe flying environment, along with the occasional BBQ sausage etc.

They have an annual Sidewalk Sale that is well attended (next one is 13th July).



Club Details

- Location:- Corner of Smith and Bentley Roads, Blakeview.
GPS:- -34.66556858760445 : 138.71804058551788
Email:- skyhawkssecretary@gmail.com
Instructors:- 6 MAAA qualified and 3 club
Models:- Fixed wing sport, scale, nitro/gas/turbine, electric and gliders, helicopters and multi-rotors (including FPV).
Disciplines:- IMAC, F3A, 3D, pylon, scale and sport
Website:- <http://skyhawksaeromodellers.org/>



Club Profiles—Skyhawks Aeromodellers



Photos this page supplied by Terry Dunn. See his Facebook page for any orders. Thanks for supporting us Terry.



Skyhawk's newest (and youngest) member! Meet Ethan. He and his dad are training now, both showing plenty of promise and they recently went solo!



Flightline Etiquette

Ensuring Safety, Respect, and Enjoyment for All Enthusiasts

Radio-controlled (RC) model airfields are more than just places to fly miniature aircraft; they are hubs for hobbyists to share their passion, hone their skills, and enjoy the camaraderie of fellow enthusiasts. However, as with any group activity, observing proper etiquette ensures a safe, respectful, and enjoyable experience for everyone. This article outlines the key principles of etiquette to follow at an RC model airfield.

Safety First

Safety is paramount at an RC model airfield. Observing safety protocols not only protects pilots but also ensures the well-being of onlookers and the airfield itself.

Preflight Checks

Before taking your model aircraft to the skies, perform a thorough preflight check. Ensure all components, including batteries, transmitters, and controls, are functioning correctly. DO A RANGE CHECK at least the first flight of the day, or after a hard landing or crash. This reduces the risk of accidents caused by equipment failure.

Follow Airfield Rules

Each RC airfield has its own set of regulations tailored to the specific location. Familiarize yourself with these rules, including designated flying zones, speed limits, and acceptable aircraft types. Adhering to these guidelines helps maintain order and safety.

Frequency Management

The great majority of models flown now, are operated on the 2.4GHz spectrum. However, RC aircraft may still operate on other specific radio frequencies. Ensure your frequency does not interfere with other pilots. Some airfields use a frequency board system where pilots register their frequency before flying. Always double-check to avoid signal conflicts.

Respect Physical Boundaries

Do not fly near restricted areas such as parking lots, spectator zones, or other pilots. Maintain a safe distance from people and property to prevent accidents.

Mind your propwash

If you are running or tuning a nitro or gas engine, be aware that you are possibly blowing your fumes/smoke/debris into the pit area, or over somebody else's model. Move your model further away and make sure you point it in a safe direction.

Respect for Fellow Hobbyists

An RC airfield thrives on mutual respect among its members. Treat others courteously, and you'll contribute to a positive atmosphere.

Wait Your Turn

Airfields often have limited space, and multiple pilots may wish to fly simultaneously. Avoid hogging the airspace or interrupting someone else's flight. Use common sense and follow any queueing system implemented at your field. Check with other pilots to see if they're comfortable with another joining the circuit.

If you wish to fly an aerobatic or 3D sortie, you might like to wait until all others have landed so you don't cause any problems. Most people are happy to sit out a flight and simply watch an aerobatic model, but be sure to ask first! Don't just push in and expect everyone else to make space for you.

Keep Noise to a Minimum

While RC aircraft can be noisy, excessively loud models can disrupt the experience for others. If your aircraft is particularly noisy, consider reducing engine intensity or scheduling flights during less crowded times.

Offer Assistance

If you see someone struggling with their aircraft or setup, offer help if appropriate. A supportive community benefits everyone and can turn a frustrating experience into a learning opportunity.

Avoid Criticism

Every pilot is at a different skill level. Avoid harsh or unsolicited criticism of someone's flying or setup. Instead, encourage and



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provide constructive advice if asked.

Professional Conduct

Treat the airfield as a shared space and conduct yourself professionally.

Clean Up

Always clean up after yourself. Dispose of trash responsibly and take all equipment home. Leaving debris or litter not only reflects poorly on you but also risks damage to the airfield. Remove that wreckage and replace your divots!

Respect Scheduled Events

Many airfields host events such as competitions, demonstrations, or training sessions. Respect these schedules and adjust your flying time accordingly to avoid disrupting organized activities.

Maintain Equipment

Poorly maintained aircraft can pose dangers to others. Regularly inspect your equipment and address any issues before arriving at the airfield.

Communicate Effectively

Good communication prevents misunderstandings. Inform others when you're about to take off, land, or perform an intricate manoeuvre. Clear signals are essential, especially at busy airfields.

Consider the Environment

Many RC airfields are located in natural areas or near residential zones. Be mindful of your impact on the environment and surrounding community.

Minimize Environmental Impact

Avoid disturbing wildlife or damaging vegetation near the airfield. Respecting nature ensures the airfield remains open and accessible for the long term.

Respect Noise Regulations

If your airfield is near residential areas, abide by noise restrictions. Flying early in the morning or late at night may cause complaints and jeopardize the airfield's continued use. Be aware that most clubs now have a noise meter available, and you may be asked to stop flying if you are creating too much of it!

Building a Positive Community

Etiquette goes beyond rules; it's about fostering a welcoming and friendly atmosphere.

Network and Share

Take time to interact with fellow hobbyists. Share experiences, tips, and stories to create a sense of community.

Support Newcomers

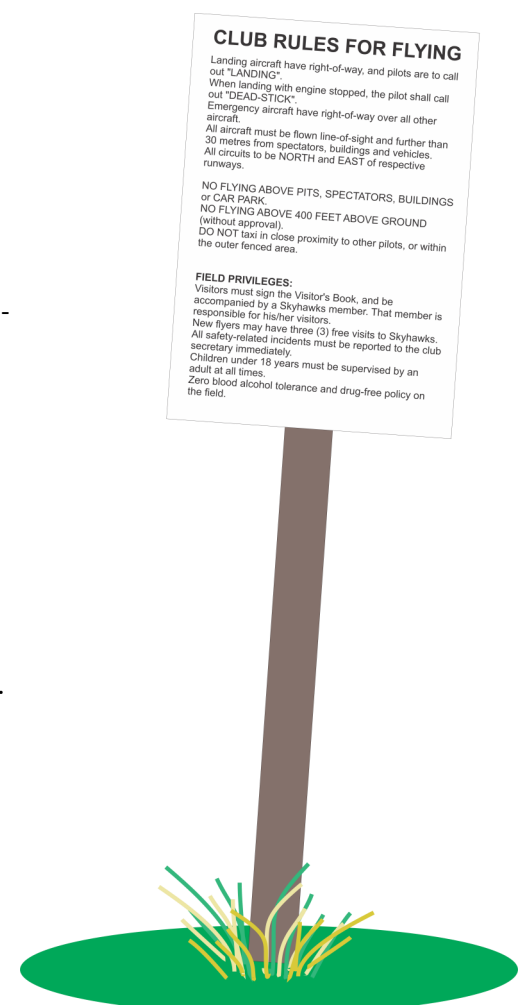
Encourage beginners and make them feel welcome. Offer advice, invite them to participate, and help them navigate the rules.

Participate in Events

Join competitions, training sessions, or casual meetups to strengthen bonds within the community. Your participation contributes to the vitality of the airfield.

Conclusion

By observing proper etiquette at an RC model airfield, you ensure a safe, enjoyable, and respectful environment for all. Whether you're a seasoned pilot or just starting out, your actions contribute to the community's overall experience. Remember that the airfield is a shared space, and treating it with care and consideration benefits everyone. Fly responsibly, respect others, and enjoy the skies!





INDOOR FLYING

Come and join us on Saturday evenings once a month for a fun night of indoor flying in Mount Barker:

Inbarendi Gymnasium
Cornerstone College
68 Adelaide Road
Mount Barker, SA 5251

Enter Cornerstone College using the eastern entrance off Cameron Road, Mount Barker.

Open to all MAAA members. Pilots must be insured.

Pilot registration \$15.00.

Spectators are welcome.

Tea, coffee and light refreshments provided.

Xmas BBQ in December.

2025 SCHEDULE

FIRST or SECOND Saturday of the month, February to December.

7:00 to 10:00pm

6:00 to 10:00pm (December only)

For dates and additional information, please refer to the SMAC website:

<https://strathalbynmodelaircraft.club>

E-mail the club from the website.

Models seen around the clubs....



These photos were taken at Constellation just recently.



Editor's note: I used to fly the full size VH-IXE in Canberra, way back in 1989!

Lovely aeroplane, but VERY slow! Also, difficult to get in or out of the cockpit with any grace.....I left skin on the compass more than once! Wearing a hat didn't help either...

Photos this page supplied by Terry Dunn. See his Facebook page for any orders. Thanks for supporting us Terry.



Border Model Flyers
Invites You to our



Pinnaroo Fun Fly Weekend September 12, 13 & 14, 2025

\$10 flying fee per person for the weekend.

Located Mallee highway, 1km south of Pinnaroo.

Camping available at flying field.

Lions Club providing lunch and dinner Saturday, drinks available.

Trading and swap table will be set up.

All flyers must have current MAAA affiliation.

Heavy models must have permits.



"We fly for FUN"

RSVP to Rob Golden, 0429 020 415
Or Marty Morgan, 0427 337 633

Builder's Corner



Starting this issue, I'd like to run a photo or two of building projects being undertaken. Now this will necessarily be limited to plans-build, or scratch-built models of course, but there are lots of models still being built out there... how about you guys send in a photo of your model so we can all check it out....

This month's effort might seem a little self-serving as I designed it, but Ron sent the following details for inclusion. Thanks Ron. It's great to see people building my designs.

This Groover 46 designed by Greg Thompson is being built by Ron Martin of Denial Bay

Ron is a member of PLMAC and he is building from the free plan kindly made available by Greg and available from

horizonsnz.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/Groover-46-plans.pdf





ABOUT US

Model Aircraft have been flown in Port Lincoln for many years.

The Port Lincoln Model Flying Group was officially formed in 1975 by twelve aero model devotees.

Model flying and Slope soaring activities were conducted at various places in the Port Lincoln Area until an agreement with the owners of our present site was arranged in 1998

At our Coomunga field we have 23 hectares of cleared land to fly over and a prepared runway running NW/SE 250 meters long and 20 meters wide with plenty of room to take off across the runway into wind if necessary.

We also have a designated slope soaring site on Winters Hill a short distance away suitable for East North-Easterly winds on private property with Kind permission of the owner.

In addition we have an area of water even closer to our club which has been used by some of us on wetter years for electric float planes.

Club Profiles—Port Lincoln



Some Members Indoor Flying at the Port Lincoln Leisure Centre available when the Weather is not suitable to fly at Coomunga.



Our team for the June MASA Country Club Competition.

Come and join us for our Fun Fly Weekend Oct. 4th to 6th and help us celebrate 50 years of Model Aircraft Flying in Port Lincoln. Full details available in the flyer later in this Newsletter.

Ron Grosser





Multi Engine and Scale Fun Fly

Sunday 17th August 2025

This is a fun fly day for any scale aircraft.

The theme of the day is '***Multi Engine***'

Any scale model and any model with more
than one motor is welcome.

All MASA members are welcome and a BBQ lunch will be available along
with cool drinks. Flying to commence at 9am.



CMFC Field. 338 Brooks Road, Waterloo Corner



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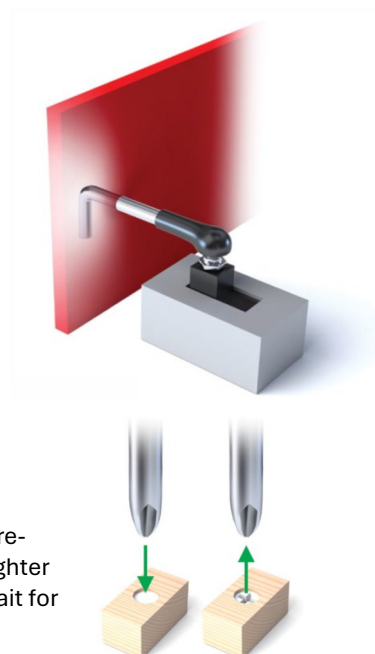
Workshop helpers

From time to time, we'll be including some handy hints and tips for modellers new and old. They are intended to assist in the workshop or at the flying field, and mostly are taken from old magazines, so many of you have possibly already seen them. Nevertheless, they will still help some. If you have anything you'd like to share, simply send a description and/or photo to me at newslettereditor@masa.org.au and we'll run it in a future issue.

External Switch

For that next scale project, or simply to put the switch inside for safety, why not do this? Start by drilling a small hole in the top of the switch and threading in a duBro ball link and carefully securing it with a dab of CA. Thread on a short length of wire so you may now operate the switch from outside.

The wire can be disguised as an antenna or some such scale detail, or you can simply mount it in an inconspicuous place and leave it as-is.



Nylon bolt removal

Ever broken a nylon wing bolt in a slightly firm landing? Well if you have, you'll know that removing the remaining section is sometimes difficult to manage. Try heating up (using a lighter or match etc.) the business end of a Phillips screwdriver and pressing it into the nylon, wait for it to cool, and simply now unscrewing it. Job's right!



Plane Wax

If your model has a gloss finish that is always getting covered in finger-prints or other greasy marks, especially if it's fuel-powered, use a car polish and a microfibre cloth to restore the high gloss finish and provide some protection against future marks.



Filling Gaps

If you have some unsightly gaps in your pride and joy and you want to use a liquid filler compound to fill them, consider decanting a small amount to a disposable syringe so you can better control the amount and location of the filler. Once the job is done, just remove the needle and dispose of the syringe. If you can't clean the needle and need to dispose of that, you can place some masking tape over and around it, and dispose of it in your regular rubbish bin. Just be careful that it won't provide a stick-hazard for somebody!

WE'VE MOVED! VISIT OUR BRAND-NEW RC STORE IN MARLESTON

After 17 years at our Goodwood Road location, we're excited to welcome you to our new, bigger and brighter RC retail store with more stock, easier parking, and the same expert RC advice!

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Open Tuesday - Friday from 10:00 AM - 5:30 PM
and Saturday from 9:00AM - 3:00PM



E-flite DHC-6 Twin Otter 1.4m RC Plane

Twin brushless motors, LED lighting, and authentic scale details for adventure-ready flights. Perfect for intermediate pilots looking for realistic twin-engine fun.

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A Special Edition of one of the best-selling RC trainer airplanes of all time to celebrate the 25th anniversary of HobbyZone and the 40th anniversary of Horizon Hobby!

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Friday, Saturday & Sunday

29th - 31st August 2025

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Adelaide Model Aerosport welcomes you to a free, low key Jet Fun Fly at its Monarto field. Come and enjoy the camaraderie of other like minded aeromodellers.

- 130 metre long sealed runway
- Operating Ceiling to 2000'
- Onsite Camping available - \$10/night (includes hot shower & access to BBQ facilities)
- Toilet and Shower facilities available
- Pilots must be a member of a MAAA affiliated Club
- Recommended local accomodation at:-

www.adelaiderdmotorlodge.com or www.bridgeporthotel.com.au

Please note, that due to CASA requirements, all models must have a maximum take off weight of no more than 30 kgs. including fuel.

The AMA Field is located at 3661 Old Princes Highway Monarto

For more information contact:-

David Wearing-Smith on 0414 725 264 or

Greg Leigh on 0417 834 945

If you are planning to attend, please text David or Greg. This will assist in ensuring that we are adequately catered for the weekend.





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For more info and to register contact:
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1249 Flinders Highway
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MASA Meeting Minutes—July 2025

MINUTES OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE OF MASA INC

Held on Thursday 10 July 2025 by Zoom

Meeting opened by the President at 19:30 hrs

PRESENT: ☒ President/Secretary ☒ Vice President ☒ Treasurer ☒ Newsletter Editor

CLUBS

Adelaide Aeromodellers Club (AAC)
Adelaide FPV Racing (AFPVR)
Adelaide Model Aerosport (AMA)
Barossa Valley Model Aero Club (BVMAC)
Blue Lake Aero Modellers (BLAM)
~~Border Model Flyers Pinnaroo (BMF)~~
~~Broken Hill Model Flying club (BHMFC)~~
~~Concorde Model Flying Club (CONC)~~
Constellation Model Flying Club (CMFC)
~~Goolwa Indoor Model Flyers Club (GIMFC)~~
Holdfast Model Aero Club (HMAC)
~~Moonta Model Aircraft Club (MMAC)~~
Naracoorte Model Aero Club (NMAC)
Noarlunga Model Aero Sports (NMAS)
~~Onkaparinga Radio Aero Modellers (ORAM)~~
Port Augusta Model Aero Club (PAMAC)
Port Lincoln Model Aerosport Club (PLMAC)
Port Pirie Model Flying Club (PPMFC)
~~SA RC Helicopter (SARCH)~~
Skyhawks Aeromodellers (SHA)
South Coast Model Aero Club (SCMAC)
South Hummocks Model Aero Club (SHMAC)
Southern Soaring League (SSL)
Strathalbyn Model Aircraft Club (SMAC)
~~Whyalla Model Aero Club (WMAC)~~

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SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Control Line

~~Scale Aircraft Society of South Australia (SASOSA)~~

~~South Australian Model Pylon Racing Association (SAMPRA)~~

VISITORS

Noarlunga Model Aero Sports (NMAS)

Strathalbyn Model Aircraft Club (SMAC)

APOLOGIES

Bob Roper - Moonta Model Aircraft Club (MMAC)

Trevor Woolfitt - Strathalbyn Model Aircraft Club (SMAC)

Kirk Winters - Holdfast Model Aero Club (HMAC)

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

*Moved SCMAC, seconded SHMAC, that the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted - **CARRIED.***

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Welcome back the Port Pirie Model Flying Club (PPMFC).

CORRESPONDENCE IN

Broken Hill Model Flying Club (BHMFC) - MASA trophy event photos.

Noarlunga Model Aero Sports (NMAS)

Military day incident investigation enquiry.

Area approval certificate enquiry.

Request for AGM slides.

Concorde Model Flying Club (CONC)

Area approval application as per MOP067.

Area approval MAAA received .

Skyhawks Aeromodellers (SHA)

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Incident report - fly away.

Cancelled glider day.

Request for model symbol on VTC charts.

Port Pirie Model Flying Club (PPMFC)

Questions about constitution.

Constitution certificate.

First minutes and elected executives.

South Coast Model Aero Club (SCMAC)

Kevin Wright - FW25 endorsement MAAA approval.

Scale society event.

Holdfast Model Aero Club (HMAC)

Cancellation of fun fly.

Incident report - fly away.

Adelaide FPV Racing (AFPVR)

Request for insurance certificate.

Membership enquiry.

Whyalla Model Aero Club (WMAC) - Enquiry about membership register system.

Port Augusta Model Aero Club (PAMAC) - Enquiry about MASA AGM minutes.

Moonta Model Aircraft Club (MMAC)

Enquiry about junior members.

Draft area approval application.

Blue Lake Aero Modellers (BLAM) - MASA trophy event photos.

Strathalbyn Model Aircraft club (SMAC)

Enquiry about heavy model inspector Paul Wilkinson.

MAAA

Reeves Plains and Finniss lease invoices.

Finniss vine recovery invoice.

Bremer Aerobic Services - Septic service - Finniss property.

Auditor's report

John Copeland - request for MASA sponsorship for GPS Triangle Racing World Masters.

New Public Officer - Brett Oakley

MASA Treasurer / Registrar - Multiple enquiries about membership system.

CORRESPONDENCE OUT

Multiple replies to correspondence IN.

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Moonta Model Aircraft Club (MMAC)

Email to competing clubs re: cancellation of MASA Trophy R2 event at MMAC.

Holdfast Model Aero Club (HMAC)

Cancellation of fun fly - sent to all clubs.

Incident report about fly away emailed to MAAA.

Skyhawks Aeromodellers (SHA) - Incident report about fly away emailed to MAAA.

South Coast Model Aero Club (SCMAC) - Septic tank maintenance invoice for 12 months.

MAAA - MASA request for lease and vine recovery invoices.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

The new public officer, Brett Oakley, found that “MASA Model Aerosport SA” has been mis-spelt in the Consumer and Business Services (CBS) registration of the MASA constitution.

Needs to be corrected.

FINANCIAL REPORT

MAY 2025

May 2025 P&L and BS dated 30 May 2025 were tabled by the Treasurer. Available on MASA website.

Income \$379.00 - Expenses \$1,058.45 - Other Income \$766.18 - NET Surplus \$86.73.

NOTES. (i) Income - MAAA reimbursements (\$250.00), member fees (\$49.00), newsletter advertising (\$80.00). (ii) Expenses - MASA Trophy country competition (\$500.00), auditor's gratuity (\$275), sundry administration (\$100.00 - test and tag - Big Boys Toys Expo), website (\$39.27), meeting room hire (\$143.00). (iii) Other income - cash reserve interest (\$85.71), club loan interest (\$680.47)).

As of 30 May 2025:

Cash \$309,428.71 + club loans \$45,995.00 - total assets \$355,423.71.

Total liabilities \$31,930.50 (MAAA vine pull debt) - net assets \$323,493.21.

Unallocated cash capital \$155,126.51.

NOTES. (i) Cash - TWO term deposits (\$200,000.00), cash reserve account (\$99,409.46), cheque account (\$9,519.25), card account (\$500.00).

JUNE 2025

June 2025 P&L and BS dated 30 June 2025 were tabled by the Treasurer. Available on MASA website.

Income \$3,642.00 - Expenses \$6,905.11 - Other Income \$8,878.50 - NET Surplus \$5,615.39.

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NOTES. (i) Income - club affiliations (\$170.00), MAAA reimbursements (\$150.00), member fees (\$3,242.00), newsletter advertising (\$80.00). (ii) Expenses - major events budget allocation (\$500.00), MASA Trophy metro competition (\$300.00), MAAA affiliation (\$11.00), computing (\$179.00 - Office 365 subscription), website (\$40.11), Executive honoraria (\$3,900.00), MASA President's conference budget allocation (\$500.00), newsletter editor honorarium (\$975.00), world championships budget allocation (\$500.00). (iii) Other income - cash reserve interest (\$67.54), term deposit interest (2 @ \$4,405.48 = 8,810.96).

As of 30 June 2025:

Cash \$322,178.87 + receivables \$2,980.00 + club loans \$45,995.00 - total assets \$371,153.87.

Total liabilities \$26,671.89 (MAAA vine pull debt) - net assets \$344,481.98.

Unallocated cash capital \$166,376.67.

NOTES. (i) Cash - TWO term deposits (\$200,000.00), cash reserve account (\$99,477.00), cheque account (\$22,201.87), card account (\$500.00). (ii) Receivables - 2x MAAA flying field leases, (iii) MASA debt recovery payment of \$5,258.61 to MAAA for removal of vines from SCMAC field. (iv) Northern and southern fields - equity adjusted for MAAA leases and income.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Nil.

CLUB LEASE INCOME

Refer to tabled financial report.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Clubs: 25 - includes PPMFC.

To date - all but ORAM have re-affiliated with MASA for 2025-2026.

2024-2025 members: **SENIOR:** 559 **JUNIOR:** 30 **LIFE:** 3 **TOTAL:** 592

Plus 45 renewals that are currently being processed.

*Moved CMFC, seconded SHA, that the financial report and membership report be accepted as presented - **CARRIED.***

CATEGORY REPORTS

Control Line - Peter Anglberger:

World Championships to be held in WA in May 2026. A flier will be provided for inclusion in the MASA newsletter and for emailing to clubs.

Saturday flying difficult due to a soggy, muddy flying field in the Parklands.

GENERAL BUSINESS

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MASA club loan interest rate for FY2025:

Interest rate for 2024-2025 was 3.0%. Currently \$46k in club loans.

Given MASA assets, regular surpluses, recent (+future) decrease in RBA interest rate and the need to assist clubs, the MASA Executive recommended a reduction in the interest rate from 3.0 to 2.0% for 2025-2026.

*Moved SSL, seconded SHA, that the loan interest rate for 2025-2026 be set at 2.0% - **CARRIED**.*

MASA total amount available for club loans in 2025-2026:

In 2024-2025, the total budgeted amount was \$130,000.

MASA Executive recommended a reduction to \$100,000 so more money could be allocated to club promotion and club assistance schemes. See below.

There are currently 5 club loans (\$46k), plus 3 potential loans (PPMFC, SMAC, AMA) and a potential increase to the current CMFC loan, which means the total allocation in 2025-2026 could reach \$90-100k.

*Moved SHMAC, seconded SCMAC that the total loan allocation for 2025-2026 be set at \$120,000 - **CARRIED**.*

MASA Promotional Scheme (MAP06) - maximum amount per club for 2025-2026:

In 2024-2025, the amount was \$300 per club per annum and the scheme was revised to broaden the scope of promotional activities.

The scheme was under-subscribed again last year and the President wants to encourage clubs to use this scheme to promote aeromodelling and attract members.

For 2025-2026, the MASA Executive recommended:

Increase the amount to \$500 per club p.a.

Remove the requirement for a dollar-for-dollar club co-contribution.

*Moved NMAC, seconded SHMAC, that the maximum amount for 2025-2026 be \$500 per club per annum and a dollar-for-dollar club contribution is encouraged, but not required - **CARRIED**.*

MASA contribution to 2025-2026 MAAA Club Assistance Scheme (CAS) applications:

Currently, 10% of project value or \$500 (before GST) is provided by MASA.

Given MASA assets, regular surpluses and the need to assist clubs, the MASA Executive recommended increasing the MASA contribution to 33% of the project value or \$2,000, whichever is lower.

Given that only 2-5 South Australia clubs usually apply for the CAS scheme each year, this shouldn't create any financial issues.

*Moved CMFC, seconded SMAC that the MASA contribution for 2025-2026 be set at 33% of the project value or \$2,000, whichever is lower - **CARRIED**.*

Proposal for a MASA Club Assistance Scheme (CAS):

The President suggested that MASA has the resources to offer grants to South Australian clubs which could happen at a different time of the year from the MAAA CAS but would complement the MAAA CAS.

The scheme could be modelled on the MAAA CAS with blind scoring of applications, externally if possible, and a capped (but significant) budget with grants of \$3-4k.

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To be offered on a year-by-year basis depending on need and MASA budget.

It was agreed that the Executive should proceed with the development of a proposal for a MASA club assistance scheme (CAS).

Appointment of Newsletter Editor for 2025-2026:

Ron Grosser resigned as Newsletter Editor. Many thanks Ron.

Greg Thompson (SHA) agreed to be the Newsletter Editor and was duly appointed.

Appointment of auditor for 2025-2026:

Colin Parsons agreed to continue as Auditor.

*Moved NMAS, seconded SHA, that Colin Parsons be re-appointed as Auditor - **CARRIED**.*

Reminder about reporting safety incidents to MASA:

Clubs should report: (i) incidents that may require insurance claims (MOP 001), (ii) injuries (e.g. propeller injuries), (iii) crashes on other properties, (iv) crashes or near misses that might have caused injuries.

Provide a detailed report of what happened and what could be done to avoid a repeat incident, including maps / diagrams showing what happened and where.

MASA will forward incident reports to the MAAA.

Reminder about the MASA Quick Guide for clubs:

The club quick guide provides useful and important information for clubs.

Guide is sent to clubs and printed in the MASA newsletter.

Information in the guide will be updated after this meeting.

Sponsorship request by John Copeland (SSL) to compete in the GPS Triangle Racing World Masters in Heudorf, Germany, from 24-27 July 2025.

Generally provide \$500 sponsorship for World Championship competitors.

John Copeland received MASA sponsorship in 2015, 2017 and 2019.

*Moved SHMAC, seconded SCMAC, that MASA provides John Copeland with \$500 sponsorship to compete in the Triangle Racing World Masters in Germany in July 2025, to be paid upon his return and upon receipt of a contest report - **CARRIED**.*

OTHER BUSINESS

Bill Kent agreed to manage the MASA events calendar for 2025-2026.

MASA Trophy update:

Northern chapter. R1 and R3 completed. Current standings are BVMAC (44), CONC (42), SHA (40) and MMAC (18). R2 was cancelled due to bad weather and will be run by the clubs with assistance from MASA, like the country competition.

Southern chapter. R1 and R2 completed. Current standings are NMAS (46), SCMAC (40), HMAAC (34) and SMAC (24). R3 is scheduled for 13 July 2025.

Country competition. R1 and R2 completed. Current standings are BHMFC (50), PLMAC (33), PAMAC (31), NMAC

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(20) and BLAM (16). R3 to be run in July.

AROUND THE TABLE

Adelaide Aeromodellers Club (AAC)

Control line events are not currently published in the MASA events calendar.

Adelaide FPV Racing (AFPVR)

AGM in June. Jeremy Porter is the new President/Treasurer.

Army cadet memberships are now registered via MASA, not MAAQ.

Work underway on the CAS-funded project.

Adelaide Model Aerosport (AMA)

Jets over Monarto on 29-31 August 2025.

Barossa Valley Model Aero Club (BVMAC)

After a long summer without irrigation, the flying field is finally greening up.

Blue Lake Aero Modellers (BLAM)

Lake Leake is starting to fill and may be OK for the October floatplane event.

May 2026 Lake Leake event may be rescheduled to the first weekend in May instead of the third weekend to avoid clashing with a bike race at Valley Lake.

Successful Bunnings BBQs.

Concorde Model Flying Club (CONC)

New kitchen building has arrived. CAS-funded project.

Constellation Model Flying Club (CMFC)

Working bee on car park to improve parking.

3 new members.

Holdfast Model Aero Club (HMAC)

Very large water bill due to circumstances that could not be controlled.

MASA Trophy R3 event on 13 July 2025. Poor weather forecast.

AGM in August. Executive changes.

New member from interstate - Gold Wings pilot.

Naracoorte Model Aero Club (NMAC)

Asked about the proposed President's conference later this year. President replied that we are waiting for information from the MAAA on the new promotion/marketing plan before the President's conference is confirmed.

NMAC should consider a joint MASA Trophy event with BLAM.

Some older members are flying without wings. Should progress to Silver Wings.

Noarlunga Model Aero Sports (NMAS)

Nothing to report.

Port Augusta Model Aero Club (PAMAC)

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AGM held 2 weeks ago.

Membership renewals are ongoing.

Enjoying the MASA trophy events. R3 this weekend, weather permitting.

Port Lincoln Model Aerosport Club (PLMAC)

Enjoying the MASA trophy events. R3 this weekend, weather permitting.

Port Pirie Model Flying Club (PPMFC)

Same location but north of the previous field. Runs E-W down to the water.

Runway nearly finished, then work on the car park and clubhouse.

Should be flying with some members by August.

Skyhawks Aeromodellers (SHA)

High water bill over summer. Difficult to manage watering.

Membership renewals ongoing. 4 new members, including one junior.

MASA Trophy R3 event held at SHA on 22 June 2025.

Sidewalk sale on Sunday 13 July 2025. All welcome.

South Coast Model Aero Club (SCMAC)

Successful working bee held last Saturday.

Laying out a new 50m x 10m weedmat runway.

Ready for the MASA trophy event at HMAC on 13 July 2025.

South Hummocks Model Aero Club (SHMAC)

AGM held with all 6 members. Same Executive.

Christmas in July.

Dawn Patrol on 8-9 November 2025 to be cancelled.

Flying field will be available for camping and flying on long weekends.

Southern Soaring League (SSL)

F5J event last weekend with 12 competitors and ideal weather conditions.

John Copeland will compete in the GPS Triangle Racing World Masters in Germany.

Strathalbyn Model Aircraft Club (SMAC)

Flying field has greened up, finally, after a dry, dusty summer.

AGM held on 15 June 2025. Same Executive as last year.

MASA Trophy R4 event at Strathalbyn on 13 August 2025.

Uncertainty about the club's future at Lot 10 may have been resolved. The Strathalbyn Harness Racing Club informed Alexandrina Council that it is no longer interested in acquiring land at Lot 10.

Meeting Closed 21:07 hrs

Next Proposed Meeting: Thursday 14 August 2025



WE NEED YOUR
HELP!

Articles and stories are needed from members! If you have a good story or lesson you learned in this sport, please forward it to newslettereditor@masa.org.au

The views expressed in this newsletter are those of the writer of the article and not those of the newsletter, nor MASA Inc. Closing date for each newsletter is the MONDAY prior to the MASA meeting, which is the first Wednesday of the month.



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ANNUAL FEES: 2025/2026

Senior: \$90.00 Pensioner: \$90.00 Junior: \$16.00
Reductions apply after 01 January for new members only.
Club Affiliation Fee: \$10.00 for all clubs

Please note:- Member Clubs of MASA must affiliate through the MAAA

CATEGORY MEETINGS

Control Line

Second Tuesday monthly at 8:00pm
Seven Stars Saloon, Angas St. ADELAIDE