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# Minutes

of the 2021 Council Conference of the  
Model Aeronautical Association of Australia

Held via ZOOM Video Conference  
on 15 May 2021

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**MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING OF 2021 ANNUAL COUNCIL CONFERENCE****MODEL AERONAUTICAL ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA INC.****Held on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2021****Via ZOOM Video Conference****TABLE OF CONTENTS**

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## **1 OPENING ADDRESS**

### **1.1 Opening of Meeting – opened at 09.05 am 15/05/21**

MAAA President Neil Tank chaired the meeting.

The MAAA President opened the meeting at 9.05am on Saturday May 15<sup>th</sup> and welcomed delegates and identified visitors. He advised that the proceedings are being recorded on the Zoom system.

The Chairman asked the meeting to observe a minute silence for all MAAA members who have passed away in the last year. 9.07-9.08am.

Condolences to those current and previous members who have passed away.

A minute's silence was observed by the MAAA Executive Council.

### **1.3 Attendance List**

Attendance list:

<b>Name</b>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
<b>Neil Tank</b>	MAAA	Yes
<b>Tyson Dodd</b>	MAAA	Yes
<b>Tim Nolan</b>	MAAA	Yes
<b>Gary Pope</b>	MAAA	Yes
David Misfud	MASA	Yes
Richard Field	CLAS	Yes
David Kennedy	ANSW	Yes
Reeve Marsh	VMAA	Yes
David Rose	AWA	Yes
Ross Finocchiaro	ANT	Yes
Michael	MAAQ	Yes
Roy Summersby	NSWFF	Yes
Mitch Bannink	ACTAA	Yes
Tony Sheppard	TMAA	Yes

Visitors Noted:  
Kim Ward – TMAA  
Dean Williams – TMAA

## **2 CONDUCT OF MEETING**

Format of meeting was by way of an online utilising Zoom. Members utilised the Hand up function of zoom.

In outlining the format for discussions, the President asked for constructive comment and expression of views during the meeting. The meeting was conducted in accordance with the Rules of Debate and a seconder is required to allow presentation of an item. Proposers put their proposal forward and spoke to it. The President gave all Council Delegates and Members of the Executive Committee present a reasonable opportunity to speak. During the use of ZOOM for the meeting members were required to speak clearly and succinctly.

To ensure this happened, the President acknowledged those waiting and called on them in the order in which they were identified, but the chair expected no person speak for an unreasonable amount of time or unnecessarily repeat points that have already been put to the meeting. As Chairman, he used judgement to terminate the debate after a reasonable time by asking for a motion. Where none were raised, the subject was closed.

Essential Reports and Information items for the Conference have been uploaded to the 2021 Conference Dropbox folder.

Other Agenda items e.g. Budget, Statement of Rules changes, Elections, Insurance, Submissions and other items included in the Agenda that required individual attention were included as Agenda Items.

## **3 VOTING INSTRUCTIONS**

The President informed Delegates on the conventions for voting. Voting, was conducted by the delegate present, indicating for or against. The normal convention is that on items on which there was clear agreement, it would be recorded that the resolution is carried or lost without those for, against and abstaining recorded. In the case of contentious issues, the vote of each State will be recorded.

Instructions for Executive positions voting is addressed in Section 10.

## **4 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

The President will refer the meeting to Rule 14A in the Statement of Rules requiring delegates to declare *'any involvement that may constitute or hold the potential to constitute a conflict of interest between the affairs of the Association and that of their own personal or commercial interests'*.

The Chairman will invite Delegates and Observers to introduce themselves and declare if there is a conflict of interest.

MAAQ	Michael Hobson – NCOI
VMAA	Reeve Marsh – NCOI
TMAA	Michael Rut – NCOI
ACTAA	Mitch Bannink – NCOI Trevor (Observer) -
MASA	David - NCOI
ANT	Ross Finocchiaro and Greg – NCOI
ANSW	David Kennedy – NCOI VP
CLAS	Richard- NCOI
NSWFF	Roy – NCOI
AWA	David - NCOI
SO	Secretary currently undertaking role
VP	Tim NCOI
Tres	Gary no conflict
Pres	President - NCOI
Sec	Employee with no voting options – Declaration not considered as a COI – Small hobby

## 5 MINUTES OF THE 2020 ANNUAL COUNCIL CONFERENCE

### 5.1 Acceptance of 2020 Council Conference Minutes

VMAA proposed that **“the Minutes of the 2020 Council Conference be accepted”**.

Seconded by ACTAA

“Passed Unanimously”

### 5.2 Business Arising from 2020 Council Conference Minutes

Nil

### 5.3 Additional Business Arising from Council Conference Minutes

Nil

## 6 TREASURER’S REPORT

### 6.1 Acceptance of Treasurer’s Report Annex D

NSWFF moved that **“the Treasurer’s Report be accepted”**. Seconded MAAQ

“Passed Unanimously”

### 6.2 Financial Statements

### 6.3 Acceptance of Financial Statements

NSWFF moved that **“the Financial Statements be accepted”**. Seconded by NSWFF

“Passed Unanimously”

### 6.4 Business Arising from Financial Statements

Nil

## 7 Executive REPORTS

### 7.1 Acceptance of Presidents Report Annex A

NSWFF moved that **“the Presidents Report be accepted”**. Seconded MAAQ

“Passed Unanimously”

### 7.2 Acceptance of Vice President Report Annex A

Treasurer moved that **“the Vice Presidents Report be accepted”**. Seconded MAAQ

“Passed Unanimously”

### 7.3 Acceptance of Secretary Report Annex B

MASA moved that **“the Secretary’s Report be accepted”**. Seconded MAAQ

“Passed Unanimously”

### 7.4 Acceptance of Registrar Report Annex B

NSWFF moved that **“the Registrar Report be accepted”**. Seconded MAAQ

“Passed Unanimously”

## 8 State Reports

### 8.1 Questions or Comments Related to State Reports and Information Document

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8.1.1 ANT moved and MAAQ seconded **“the Reports and Information as published be accepted in Annex K”**.

“Passed Unanimously”

Questions: reports from each State noted where supplied. All State reports received at the date of the preparation of the Agenda are included for members' review.

## **9 MARKETING FUNDING**

### **9.1 Funding for Marketing - Standing Item**

In 2015 Council increased the Marketing allocation to \$75,000 for 2015/16 for promotional activities. The Executive therefore requests that Council retain this allocation for ongoing promotion and marketing activities for MAAA. As per Marketing Report – Annex F.

In 2015 council voted that “this amount is to be shown in the budget, but not used in the calculation of membership fees. The funds will be taken out of consolidated revenue.” In 2019 the Executives identified that Marketing budget be included in the budget calculations for transparency of reporting. Annex Q provides the Survey results of the MAAA members and non-members.

#### **8.1.1 Executive moved and ANSW seconded that “maximum of \$75,000 be available for marketing”.**

“XXXXXX”

Motion LOST:

Discussion:

- Marketing report from Sustainable Marketing
- Survey Reporting.
- Allocation from the normal operating procedures.
- MAAQ – Not sure that the change of the trend. Not sure they are demonstrating the most important information
  - o Continue to drive how we get best use.
- VMAA – Confirms the added information from MAAQ
  - o Making sure we have a link to what drives the right results.
  - o We should try and build a mechanism to achieve the outcome we desire from marketing and determining the linkages/outcomes.
  - o Why the chose of Google my business, why, what will this provide, was it responses from surveys;
  - o Other recommendations are either self-evidence.
  - o Finding a way what we need to spend it on.
    - A survey participation rate of our membership of x%
    - How do we get members to open coms?
- ANT – Current marketing tries to deal with the directions and target groups that we need.
  - o Supports moving this item to a line item for the purposes moving forward.
- Treasurer – Deliverables – and dollars allocated to line items.
  - o Line item KPI's like how many clicks onto wingspan etc.
  - o How do we increase clicks.
- MAAQ – Recommend
  - o Amendment MAAQ support the budget of \$75,000 determine in the next 6-months how we are extracting best value out of the marketing budget. Provide outcomes and changes to the strategy moving forward. Combining the executive together with the Marketing group.
  - o Motion: MAAQ moves that **the incoming Executive with-in 6-months provide advise on extracting the best value marketing strategies with Sustainable Marketing for the MAAA and provide specific outcome reporting required within the best strategy moving forward.** Seconded AWA.

“Passed Unanimously”

**10 NATIONALS**

**10.1 72st Nationals Proposals**

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No proposal to host the 72nd MAAA Nationals has been received to date.

10.1.2..... moved and ..... seconded that “.....” will host the **2022 MAAA 72nd Nationals.**

No Proposal or Motion received prior to/or during the Conference.

**11.0 ELECTIONS & APPOINTMENTS**

**11.1 Returning Officer and Scrutineers**

**ZOOM MEETING Procedure:**

For election of members of the Executive (President and Vice President), the following rules are to be observed:

1. The Chairman shall appoint the Secretary as the returning officer and two scrutineers.

**2. President Vote:** 1 nominee has been received and is to be voted in favour by majority. The Chairman will request if the ordinary members require a secret voting procedure in which case voting instructions are to be sent to the secretary within 15 min.

[secretary@maaa.asn.au](mailto:secretary@maaa.asn.au)

**3. Vice President Vote:** Each nominee will be given 5 minutes to speak to their nomination (if desired). Following the conclusion, the Chairmen will request that one (1) email is to be sent to the Secretary, Treasurer and President with the vote from each Ordinary Member within 15 minutes of the vote call.

Emails to be sent to:

[president@maaa.asn.au](mailto:president@maaa.asn.au)

[secretary@maaa.asn.au](mailto:secretary@maaa.asn.au)

[treasurer@maaa.asn.au](mailto:treasurer@maaa.asn.au)

4. The returning officers shall count the vote emails and advise of the vote following a short break or advised further in meeting.

**10.2 Status of MAAA Executive positions**

The Executive terms are normally 3-years.

Status of Position:

President 2024

Ratification of Secretary Appointment 2021

Safety Manager 2020 – Standing Item; Secretary to fill position.

Decided not to take up 149 until regulation 101 is changed, but there is no specific benefit needed to be changed.

Treasurer 2022

Vice President 2022

Emails to be sent to:

- [president@maaa.asn.au](mailto:president@maaa.asn.au)

- [secretary@maaa.asn.au](mailto:secretary@maaa.asn.au)

- [treasurer@maaa.asn.au](mailto:treasurer@maaa.asn.au)

President Election Result:  
**Tim Nolan – President elected unanimously**

VP vote has been conducted in accordance with the procedures:

There were three nominations and the names have been redacted

MAAA President called for voting from the Executive Council for the position of VP.  
 Vice President Election Result:

**Michael Hobson appointed MAAA Vice President**

## **11 APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENT TO SPECIFIC POSITIONS from 2021**

International Aeromodelling Commission (FAI) Delegate	T Dodd
Alternative	Tim Nolan
Australian Sport Aviation Confederation	Tim Nolan
Alternative	T Dodd
Public Officer	Neil Tank (as Neil Tank resides in SA where MAAA is Incorporated).
MAAA Safety Manager	T Dodd until dedicated role established*

From 2021 Conference date:

**11.1.1** Executive moved “**those nominated be appointed to the MAAA Specific Positions**”. Seconded by AWA

“Passed Unanimously”.

Discussion Notes on elections, appointments:

- Secretary be reappointed as per the contract on offer. Reappointed as per the 3-year term.

ANT moves that the recommended appointment by the executive of **Tyson Dodd as the secretary of the MAAA for the next 3 years be enacted**. Seconded by NSWFF.

## **12 LAND PURCHASE SUBMISSIONS**

**12.1** Land Purchase received under MOP013 from MASA:  
 - Possible Land Purchase documentation received from MASA as uploaded to the Conference Material. Annex O.

Discussion: Continue the discussion with the new owner

- A Land Purchase team will be established to review in accordance with the MOP once further information, business case and documents are provided.
- Land Purchase team will review and provide recommendations.

NSWFF move the motion AWA Second that the club continue negotiations with the Land Owners.  
 “1 abstain – carried by majority”

## **13 CONSIDERATION OF INSURANCE SUBMISSION**

Note: The report of accidents and incidents was contained in the Secretary’s report. See Annex B.

### **13.1 Introduction**

The Secretary presented the insurance terms offered to date 15<sup>th</sup> May 2021.



Note: Secretary provided increased reporting and supporting documentation for the association to the MAAA Insurance Brokers for consideration of the providers offering terms.

Policy	2021/22 - V Insurance – Premiums	2020/21 - V Insurance – Premiums	2019/20– V Insurance – Premiums FINAL	2018/19– V Insurance
Public Liability/ Professional Indemnity	\$34,650.00	\$37,400.00	\$23,980.00 – Reduction on estimate due to MOP Advertising to provider by Secretary	\$16,660.19
Personal Accident	\$31,928.60	\$30,250.00	\$32,974.59	\$33,079.09
Management Liability	\$7,445.79	\$6,762.36	\$5,059.78	\$5,164.28
Brokerage	\$22,000 negotiated discount for MAAA for 3 years	\$22,000 negotiated discount for MAAA for 3 years	\$22,000 (secretary neg discount)	\$23,100.00
Corporate Travel	\$896.67	\$1,473.59	\$1,430.67	\$1,535.17
Cyber Risk	\$2,558.54	\$2,230.80	\$2,230.80	\$2,239.28
Industrial Special Risk	\$69,943.75	\$60,801.44	\$43,920.37	\$31,063.31
<b>Total including GST</b>	<b>\$169,423.35</b> <b>(\$154,956.59 Ex GST)</b>	<b>\$160,918.19</b>	<b>\$131,596.21</b>	<b>\$112,841.82</b>

Note: The above premiums include GST and Stamp Duty.

### 13.2 Discussion:

- discussion on the ISR\* policy for clubs which is to be continually reviewed by the MAAA Executive for the 2022/23 year. Given the leverage that clubs use to obtain top-up policies, appropriate future consideration and impact of not renewing this policy is to be carefully considered.

\*This policy provided clubs with some coverage for club buildings and other assets, additional top up coverage can be obtained at competitive rates, further details available from the Federal Secretary.

### 13.3 Consideration of Insurance Quote

Executive moved that “**the MAAA accept the quote for the Association’s insurance requirements as provided by MAAA Executive**”. Seconded by MAAQ

**ACTION:** Secretary

“Passed Unanimously”

## 14 PROPOSALS AFFECTING THE BUDGET

### 14.1 Standing Items

#### 14.1.1 Decision on Invested Funds - Standing Item

The Executive moves that “**the MAAA policy for invested funds remains as being deposited with an approved bank at the highest secure interest rate/term deposit**”. Seconded AWA

“Passed unanimously”

**ACTION:** MAAA Treasurer

#### 14.1.2 Review of Federal Treasurer Conditions - Standing Item

The President to ask the Federal Treasurer and Council if there are any issues with the current conditions.

## Discussion:

- Treasurer provided overview of the time allocation/month associated with the Treasurer role;
- Detailed Financial Reporting, critical analysis and sensitivity analysis of projections;
- Action: Executive establish a supply any updated contract of expectations as a result of discussions with the MAAA Treasurer and provide outcome to Executive council;
- Suggested increase to \$1500/month as a service provider + GST. Provides benefit for expenses associated with the service;
- Service Agreement does not impact on the role/duty of Treasurer as per MAAA SOR.
- Discussion and comments from Council Members as per video recording;

**Executive** move that the treasurer service fee be increased to \$1500+GST/month. Seconder **AWA**.

“Carried Unanimously”

#### 14.1.3 Commercial Instructors - Setting Fee for Professional Instructors - Standing Item

At the 2003 Council meeting it was agreed that a fee be charged for commercial instructors to be listed on the MAAA insurance policy.

The fee for 2020/21 was set at \$50.00. As at March 25 2021 there were 3 Commercial Instructors listed.

Executive moved “**the fee for Commercial Instructors to be listed on the MAAA Insurance Policy for 2021/22 be set at \$50**”. Seconded by ACTAA

**ACTION:** Secretary/Treasurer to invoice.

“Passed Unanimously”.

#### 14.1.4 2022 Council Meeting Venue & Cost - Standing Item

At the 2011 Council Conference, the rotational basis for hosting of Council Conferences was reviewed and it was agreed that it be retained. In 2008, Council decided that the rotation would be: 2014 ANT, 2015 MAAQ, 2016 AWA, 2017 TMAA, 2018 MASA, 2019 ACTAA 2020 NSW, 2021 VMAA etc.

- 2020 Conference was to be held in Sydney (ANSW) at the Central Rydges. Deposit for venue is being held by venue to be used for the next Mid-year meeting due to the 2020 Conference Agreement that the MAAA Conference (May meeting) be held via Zoom.
- Mid-year presidents meeting to be held at the most economical location moving forward.
- MAAA Executive move **that the rotation of venues proposed at the 2011 Council Conference be replaced with the selection of either Melbourne or Sydney venues for Mid-year Executive Council meeting at most economical cost**. Seconded by ANSW. – Change back motion

“Passed Unanimously”

**Action: Executive to manage the locations.**

#### 14.1.5 Secretary’s Attendance at the 2022 CIAM meeting

As required by Council, (2003 Council item 9.1.7), a decision is to be made each year whether the MAAA Secretary is to attend the CIAM Plenary meeting. The next

CIAM Plenary meeting is scheduled to be held in April 2022 in Switzerland. Confirmation as to occurrence of traditional meeting yet to be confirmed.

MAAQ moved that “**the MAAA Secretary attends the 2022 CIAM Plenary meeting**”. Seconded by, AWA.

“Passed Unanimously”

The 2020-1 CIAM Plenary report is in Annex J.

**ACTION:** Secretary

#### 14.1.6 Number of International Competitors - Standing Item

At the 2009 Special Finance Meeting it was agreed, for budget purposes, that the Secretary is to advise the maximum number of International Competitors who, according to the CIAM timetable of events, would be eligible for MAAA subsidy for the next two years.

Year	Events	Number of Team Members (including competitors, team managers and assistant team managers where applicable)
2021	F1A, F1B, F1C, F3A, F3B, F3C, F3D F3K, F3P, F5J, F9U	50 + 13 for women team members where applicable  Awaiting revised CAIM #. No teams indicating they will be representing in 2021.
2022	F1D, F2A, F2B, F2C, F2D, F3F, F3J, F4C, F5B, F3A, F9U F3A, F9U Asia-Oceanic	50 (possibly + 13 for women team members where applicable)
2023	F1A, F1B, F1C, F3A, F3B, F3C, F3D F3K, F3P, F5J, F9U	50 + 13 for women team members where applicable

**NOTE: COVID-19 currently has all Cat 1 and Cat 2 events unconfirmed or cancelled by the Event Organisers.**

#### 14.1.7 MAAA Funds within MOPs – Specified Amounts - Standing Item

At the 2009 Council Conference it was agreed that the financial sums provided within specific documents in the Manual of Procedures would be reviewed annually.

The following table displays the current amounts.

#### MAAA Funds within MOPs – Specified Amounts

MOP#	Amount	Purpose	Year Approved
MOP011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assistance to a Club to purchase land – \$500,000</li> <li>• MAAA loan to State bodies to purchase land which is leased to a State – \$500,000</li> <li>• Development loan on club owned site – \$100,000</li> <li>• Development loan for improvements on leased land (with provisos) – \$100,000</li> <li>• Short term loans approved by MAAA Executive \$20,000</li> <li>• State Major event funding by MAAA \$10,000</li> </ul>	Field Purchase and Loans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2013</li> <li>• 2012</li> <li>• 2013</li> <li>• 2012</li> <li>• 2013</li> </ul>
MOP024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Entry Fee Subsidy – \$750.00</li> <li>• Uniform Subsidy – \$250.00</li> <li>• MAAA International Judges when invited to officiate at World events. – \$750</li> </ul>	International Teams  International Judges	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2017</li> <li>• 2017</li> <li>• 2010</li> </ul>

**Note:** It was agreed in 2014 that the amounts shown for land purchases were for guidance only. Remain unchanged May 2021

**14.1.9 Executive move that MOP011 be amended to provide changes to relevant funding amounts as indicated in the flowing table. Seconded by "VMAA"**

"Carried Unanimously"

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**14.1.8 Changes to MOP011 – Council instructed changes to MOP011**

Executive moved that the **Club Assistance Scheme funds for 2022 be increased to \$58,214 inc GST (\$52,922 exc GST) as a result of surplus funds as a result of negotiated Insurance Savings for 2020/21 and international competitor spend. Seconded by MASA**

"Passed Unanimously"

**14.1.10 Review club assistance applications and set amount available for 2021**

**14.1.10.1 2021 Club Assistance Applications** as received by the Executive as of 1<sup>st</sup> May 2021.

Annex M

Executive provided recommendation to council for the CAS applications to approve as per the table of applications. All applications recommended for approval.

"Passed Unanimously"

**14.1.11 Reduction of MAAA Membership Fees by \$10 for FY 21/22**

Proposed By: VMAA

Financial Impact: Reduction in fees for 12-month period for FY21/22

Justification: The VMAA fields were affected by closures due to the COVID19 restriction imposed by the Victorian State Government. Many of our members were not able to use fields or their facilities for in excess of 4 months. Based on these closures, and length of time, we believe is it appropriate that some relief is provided for the next financial year. The VMAA is considering to reduce its fees by \$15 per member to further facilitate the above. The above reduction is only for previous members (FY20/21) not new members.

Motion: VMAA Proposes that the **MAAA Membership be reduced by \$10 for FY21/22, but only provided to previous financial members from FY20/21. Seconded by ACTAA**

MAAQ comments in relation to removal of the motion.

- Consider the discussion on fees

“Motion Lost”

#### 14.1.12 **Increase Heavy Model Category 7 kg to 10 kg**

Proposed By: VMAA

Financial Impact: Nil

Procedure Impact: Change the current MOP to reflect change in HM weight category to 10 kg

Justification: The current 7 kg weight limit has been in existence for many years and has not kept pace with current development with aeromodelling. Statics have shown there have been minimal incident regarding aircraft heavier than 7 kg. Modellers that are flying heavy models, would normally use better quality components and electronics to protect and safeguard against failures due to the cost of these models.

**Motion:** VMAA moves that **the current Heavy Model weight classification of 7 kg be increased to 10 kg**. Seconded by MAAQ

Motion Withdrawn

Discussion:

- Preparation of a Risk case to support the modification to the 10kg.

**VMAA** moves that the current MOP review committee consider the raising of the limit from 7kg to 10 kg for Heavy models in MOP015. Seconded by **MAAQ**  
“Passed Unanimously”

#### 14.1.13 **Seek bulk purchase of AED for all CAS applications**

Proposed By: MASA

Financial Impact: As per CAS 2021 year

Procedure Impact: Nil

Justification: Having established through the MAAA survey that our community is aging, there appears to be a need for AED's to be located at more club venues. With this in mind and with AEDS rating high in the selection criteria as a must have item, many clubs across the states have being successful in their applications. On this basis, it would seem feasible to expect an increased demand for these devices through the MAAA CAS applications this year.

In order to meet the perceived demand, could MAAA investigate the possibility of acquiring these devices in bulk thus avoiding full retail costs on individual purchases which could result in overall savings and allow the MAAA CAS allocated funds to stretch further.

**Motion:** MASA moves that **the MAAA Secretary seek to establish a Bulk buy agreement for AED's on behalf of the CAS applicants and savings allocated to the purchase of additional AED units for allocation to clubs by ordinary members**. Seconded by NSWFF

“Passed Unanimously”

**Discussion:**

MASA: Spoke to the motion raised.

VMAA: Offered to assist in decisions and review of the type and quality the purchase determined.

- Battery life/warrantee may vary. Seek appropriate flexibility and suitability.

ACTAA: Secretary to organise a communication to Ordinary members if clubs wish to buy under a bulk purchase of an AED to be included/opt-in.

**14.1.14 Major Event Proposed for 2021-22 as per MOP011****14.1.14.1 – NSWFF – West Wyalong Nationals – Annex J**

Proposed By: NSWFF  
 Financial Impact: Requested \$6,392.00 MAAA Major Event funding from MAAA  
 Documents: Lodged business plana and documentation

**14.1.14.2 – VMAA – Avalon Air Show (centenary celebration) – Annex J**

Proposed by: VMAA  
 Financial Impact: Requested \$5,000.00  
 Documents: Lodged request and draft budget.

**14.1.14.3 – ANSW and MAAQ (Combined Major Event) – Richmond Valley Fly-in – Annex J**

Proposed by: MAAQ and ANSW combined  
 Financial Impact: Requested \$9,100.00 (\$5000 from Qld budget allowance and \$4100 from NSW budget.  
 Documents: Lodged request and draft budget/business plan.

**14.1.14.4 – ASAA National Championships – Cootamundra 17th – 19th September 2021 – Annex J**

Proposed by: ASAA NSIG  
 Financial Impact: Requested \$3,000.00  
 Documents: ASAA Formal Request.

**14.1.14.5 – MAAQ Come Fly and Come Try Fly-in October 2021– Annex J**

Proposed by: MAAQ  
 Financial Impact: Requested \$5,000.00  
 Documents: MAAQ Formal Request.

**Discussion:**

Treasurer: Made discussion on the locations and runs through;

MAAQ: Spoke in support of the ASAA.

Treasurer:

- indicated that the events be supported with the additional information supplied by the State Associations and SIGs.
  - All be approved
  - Materially compliance with 7.2.1. reviewed at the executive
  - Approved in principle subject to resubmission substantially in accordance within 2 weeks.
- Seconded

Executive moves that **the Major events lodged be supported, subject to further details being provided to the executive with the executive to finalise and approve.** Seconded by AWA.

“Passed Unanimously”

**14.1.15 Allocations of budget funding for Stage 1 of the development of a MAAA App (Application)**

Proposed By: MAAA Executive  
 Financial Impact: Allocation in the 2021-22 Budget  
 Procedure Impact: Allocation of \$20,000+GST

Justification: Including a digital presence for the MAAA through a smart phone-based application (app) for future administration operations directed at \*but not limited to):

- Wings forms and assessment and lodging in real-time;
  - Heavy model/Giant mode forms and permits in real-time;
  - Membership direct membership (future);
  - Instructor assessments;
  - Etc.
- Executive moved an initial allocation for the preliminary stages of the APP Development (\$20,000). Seconded by MAAQ

“Carried unanimously”

## **15 PROPOSED UPDATED MAAA STATEMENT OF RULES**

As proposed at the 2020 Mid-year presidents meeting, a review of and suggested changes to the MAAA Statement of Rules was to occur for the inclusion of reference to MAAA Clubs.

History: Previous versions of the MAAA SOR had MAAA Clubs absent. This resulted in the inability of the MAAA to refer to or require clubs and their Executive Committees to ensure that the MAAA Policies and Procedures were adhered to.

Recommended additions to the 2019 SOR includes (as highlighted in the amended SOR in Annex S.

Executive move that the **proposed changes of the SOR’s as detailed 5.1-2 to read affiliate club members and 5.7 be affiliated clubs, Section 7 and 12 and any reference to any affiliate members affiliate clubs are added. are finalised and lodged with the SA OFT as highlighted in yellow.** Seconded by CLAS

“Carried unanimously”

Affiliates and inclusion of section 12

MAAQ: Catch all clause: cross-reference changes

**Action: Secretary to check: Cross-referencing with the updated numbering.**

## **16 MAAA 2020 MEMBERSHIP SURVEY REPORT**

Sustainable Marketing undertook a full Membership Survey on the MAAA, Ordinary Member and Clubs performance. Attached in Annex Q is the full survey reporting and findings.

Acknowledged.

Executive move that **the Membership Survey undertake for the 2020/21 year be accepted.** Seconded by TMAA.

Discussion:

- All state encouraged to review and read the survey and comments from members.

## **17 CONSIDERATION OF NOMINATIONS FOR MAAA AWARDS**

According to Rule 46.1 of the Statement of Rules, the Council may, on the recommendation of the Executive, induct any person into the MAAA Hall of Fame without a secret ballot on recognition of:

- (i) Gaining 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> place in World Championship events
- (ii) Setting a World Record

Delegates are asked to refer to the information in the envelope handed to them on the first day of the Conference for nominations for awards. ZOOM Voting Action: Emails with nominees will be forwarded to the Ordinary Member Presidents for voting return:

### 17.1 Hall of Fame Award

Nil

### 17.2 Life Membership

Stephen Vickers from ANSW was nominated and the award was conferred by Council.

### 17.3 MAAA Service/Merit Medallion

It was agreed at in 2013 that a Service medallion be produced for presentation to MAAA members who have volunteered their services without request, to advance and promote the MAAA and model aviation in general.

Nominees:

Service Medallion	
MAAQ	Chris Gratton
MASA	William (Bill) Kent
TAS/MAAA Executive	Tony Sheppard
MASA	Mal Pring
VMAA	Henry Hutchinson
ANSW	David Lewis
MAAA Executive	Nel Tank

“Carried Unanimously”

## 18 FINALISATION OF 2021/2022 BUDGET

### 18.1 Finalisation of Budget

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### 18.2 Acceptance of 2021/22 Budget

Treasurer moved the motion “**the budget for the 2021/22 financial year as presented by the Treasurer) be accepted**”. Seconded by MAAQ

“Carried unanimously”

**MAAQ: noted that the discussion on the setting of fees is imperative.**

## 19 SETTING OF FEES

The MAAA Secretary advised that the 2020/21 MAAA fees were:

Seniors	\$90.00 (including GST) – Early Bird Discount to \$80
Juniors	\$45.00 (Including GST) – Early Bird Discount to \$40

Discussion Note: Discussion on fee’s included in setting budget and as per Section 17.1 and 17.2.

### 19.1 Determination of Number of Affiliate Members on which to base Fees

The Secretary advised the Council of the current member numbers as of April 28 2021. See table below. The number of members at 15<sup>th</sup> April 2020, April 15 2019, and March 30 2018 are also recorded for comparison.

Type of Member	Numbers as of 28 <sup>th</sup> April	Numbers as of 15 April 2020	Numbers as of 15 April 2019	Numbers as of 30 March 2018
Senior – Full year	8341	8237	8642	8814
Junior – Full year	355	349	348	406
Life Member	19	19	20	13



Senior - Half Year	305	185	350	273
Junior - Half Year	34	29	48	40
Total Number of Members	9054	8819	9408	9546
Number of <b>equivalent full Senior Members and ½ full Junior</b> (excluding Life Members) for computation of the Insurance cost per member.	<b>8518</b>	<b>8354</b>	<b>8991</b>	<b>9163</b>

Treasurer moved “**the agreed number of members on which to base the 2021/20 fees is 8518 Full members.** Seconded by NSWFF

“Carried Unanimously”.

## Discussion:

### 19.2 Setting of Fees

Discussion:

- Setting Fee's:
- Executive moved and NSWFF seconded “the Senior fee be \$90 (2020 \$90)”.
- Executive moved and AWA seconded “the Junior fee be \$45 (2020 \$45)”.

Passed unanimously

Discussion on early bird fee.

VMAA: still believe the discount should be provided due to the last 12 months of Covid restrictions.

MAAQ: Qld still propose to provide a discount on the State Membership fee.

NSWFF: Concerned that the continuation will create expectation long-term.

**MAAQ** move that **the MAAA fee is not early bird discounted for 2021-22 year.** **MASA** Seconded.

VMAA against

“Motion is carried”

Discussion:

MAAQ: view the surplus shared across the 2 years.

Treasurer: Providing the ability to allocate to members through the work of the MAA Council.

- Was the early bird discount a winner for members.
- Benefit and exposure for the wider membership.
- Early bird saving of \$10 but increase the fee by \$5.
- VMAA - Why our fees gone up and being able to justify this. CPI etc.

## 20 DATE AND VENUE OF THE MAAA CONFERENCES

### 20.1 2022 Annual Council Conference

#### 18.1.1 Date of Next Council Conference

The 2022 Council Conference will be held on **Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2022** - ZOOM

## 21 CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 4.23pm on Saturday May 15<sup>th</sup>.

**List of Annexes**

<b>Annex</b>	<b>Description</b>	
A	President's Report	Yes
B	Secretary's Report	Yes
B	Registrar's Report	Yes
C	Treasurer's Report	Yes
C	Balance Sheet – Budget Variance-	Yes
C	Field Loan Account Statement	Yes
C	Profit and Loss Statement	Yes
D	Budget – 2021/22	Yes
E	V-Insurance Group Insurance Submission	
<b>Marketing Report</b>		
F	Marketing 2020/21	Yes
<b>MAAA National Special Interest Groups</b>		
G	Australian Free Flight Society	Yes
G	Australian Pattern Association	Yes
G	Australian Scale Aerobatics Association	Yes
G	Australian Miniature Pylon Racing Association	
G	Pulse Jet Aeromodellers of Australia	
G	Jet Aerosport Association of Australia	
G	League of Silent Flight	Yes
G	Old Timer	Yes
G	Electric - AEFA	Yes
G	Control Line	Yes
G	FPV Racing	
<b>MAAA Fields and Clubs with Loans Reports</b>		
H	Report from TARMAC (Qld)	
H	Southern Soaring League Report	
H	Report for Goulburn Valley Flying Field Co-operative	
H	South Coast SA	Yes
H	Reeves Plains SA	Yes
H	Sale & District Aeromodellers Club Report	Yes
H	AWA State Field Report	Yes
H	Victorian State Field Bairnsdale	Yes
H	Victorian State Field Baccus Marsh (Mt Wallas)	Yes
<b>World &amp; Continental Championships Reports</b>		
I	All world Champs (Cat 1) events cancelled due to COVID.	
<b>General</b>		
J	Secretary's 2021 CIAM Meeting Report	Yes
J	No Nationals Proposal received	
J	Approved/registered Statement of Rules	Yes
J	Vice President Report	Yes
J	Major Events	
<b>State Association Reports</b>		
K	ACTAA	
K	ANT	Yes
K	AWA	Yes
K	CLAS	Yes
K	MAAQ	Yes
K	MASA	Yes
K	ANSW	Yes

K	NSWFFS	Yes
K	TMAA	Yes
K	VMAA	Yes
L	MAAA Executive Nominations:	
M	Spreadsheet – list of clubs and assistance applications	Yes
N	SFI Reports	Yes
O	Field Purchase Proposal	Yes
P	Award Nominations	Yes
Q	MAAA Membership Survey	Yes
R	MAAA Award Policy	Yes
S	Updated SOR (Draft)	Yes