



NEWSBEAT

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From the President

For the benefit of those members who did not attend the discussion regarding the Aviation Museum's project for Ta' Qali, here is a short resume of what happened:

The meeting was attended by about 40 members of the Association and the events which led to the present situation regarding the remaining stretch of runway from the Adventure Park to our boundary wall was explained by Ray Polidano.

After several interventions by members it became apparent that before the Association's members could decide whether to back the project or not, the Aviation Museum should seek whether the project was feasible with the authorities, which was in fact the same conclusion that the MMAFA Committee arrived at in previous meetings.

It was also resolved that although the Museum Foundation had already acquired a General Development permit of the area in question, an application to acquire the same area on an emphyteusis basis was in order.

A discussion on this subject will also be held during the forthcoming AGM.

AGM Motions for discussion

Two motions were received for discussion were received.
Mr Reuben Saliba submitted the following motion:

"The MMAFA club members shall resolve that any previously defeated motion cannot be considered during any present and future club AGM or Extraordinary club AGM before the expiry of a five-year term. Presentation of a motion which contains a different wording/statement but has the implication or effect of a previously defeated motion shall also not be considered. This motion excludes any previously defeated motion/s for member subscription increases."

The principal aim of this motion is to avoid repetitive presentation of defeated motions under a different wording or cover in order to save time.

The second motion was submitted by JoJo Bonnett :

Since it is a known fact that the number of helicopter flyers has increased considerably during last year, and in an effort to increase safety during them period that helicopters are flying, the following motion shall make it possible to squeeze in two flying sessions in the time requested :

"That the allocated time for helicopter flying shall be increased by 7 minutes to 22 minutes in order to allow separate flying times for different helicopter pilots."

Committee nominations

Eight nominations have been received by members to sit on the committee for 2010. These are
Busuttil Brian, Dalmas Laurence, Delicata V. George, Vella Emmanuel, Warrington Stephen, Xuereb Archer Roger and Zammit Haber Franz.

A word about the AGM rules of Order

Members please note that

1. No new motion can be presented during the AGM. Only motions to amend the submitted motions can be discussed
2. Unless there is no alternative solution to a particular situation during an AGM, motions for suspension of the rules should not be presented.

Qrendi Airstrip

The Committee has been invited to join a pressure group formed recently to put pressure on the authorities for the restoration of the wartime airstrip situated in an area known as San Nik-law, limits of Siggiewi and Qrendi.

The ultimate objective of this pressure group is to restore the only remaining wartime airstrip, presently in a deplorable and hardly recognizable state to an active small airfield for eventual use as wartime heritage and a leisure and sport aviation centre.

The Committee has accepted this invitation and will be represented by a Committee member during the meetings of this group.

See you at the AGM

RIP

Victor Psaila

A fellow member and avid aeromodeller, Victor passed away on Saturday 30 January. Our condolences to all his relatives.

He will be surely missed from our community
May the Lord grant him eternal peace.

IMPORTANT PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

I am currently attempting to update the list of e-mail addresses of members as I have noticed that a considerable number of emails sent to members are being returned. There are also a number of members who have never submitted their email address.

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Agenda

Annual General Meeting

Friday 26 February 2010

- 1. Reading of minutes of previous Extraordinary General Meeting**
- 2. Matters Arising**
- 3. Other matters**
- 4. Report by the Association's treasurer**
- 5. Presidential address**
- 6. Discussion—the Aviation Museum's future plans for Ta' Qali.**
- 7. Motions / Statute amendments**
- 8. Election of Tellers and Auditors**
- 9. Election of new Committee**

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**MMAFA
Annual General Meeting
Friday 26 February
At the
Topaz Aparthotel Bugibba
Starting 6pm**

**SATURDAY 13 MARCH
SCALE MEET STARTING 2PM**
The event is being filmed by the Kunsill Malti għall isport for eventual showing in Sportlink on TV
Members are urged to bring their scale models even if they are not flyable