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## MALTA MODEL AIRCRAFT FLYING ASSOCIATION



20th EDITION  
OF

# Wings Over Ta' Qali

Event in aid of  
the Malta Community Chest Fund

15th - 16th  
NOVEMBER 2014

- ◆ Flying and Static Displays by a variety of RC model aircraft and helicopters
  - ◆ Toffee Dropping sessions for kids
  - ◆ Participation by Armed Forces of Malta - Air Wing
- ◆ Exhibition of restored aircraft by the Malta Aviation Museum Foundation
- ◆ Pyrotechnic display (Air Raid Simulation)

OPENING TIMES - SATURDAY - 14:00 to 17:00 SUNDAY - 10:00 to 17:00  
M.M.A.F.A. FLYING SITE AT TA' QALI

## INSTRUCTIONS TO MEMBERS—WINGS OVER TA ' QALI TIMETABLE

Friday 14th Nov (afternoon) - Initial set up of Gazebos and other structures .

Saturday 15th Nov (from early morning till noon) - Finalize setup above and positioning of all STATIC display models. Arrival of Malta Aviation Museum FIAT G91 R for static display ( ETA 7.30am )

NOTE : All static display models must be in place by latest NOON . All other set-up structures to be completed by this time too. THE MORE MEMBERS THAT CAN OFFER TO HELP THE BETTER.

Late comers may have to wait with no guarantee of parking within the site.

PARKING (both days) : Long term parking beyond the clubhouse. Short term parking before the clubhouse. NO Parking in front of the clubhouse ( attending VIPs only ).

Saturday 15th Nov. between 12.45 and 13.45 - Official visit by H.E. The President of Malta Marie Louise Coleiro Preca also in her capacity as Chairperson of the Malta Community Chest Fund.

- During this time the AFM Helicopter is planned to arrive and conduct a “ Flag Flypast ” and land.
- Shortly after a brief flying display of selected model categories will take place in honour of the President. This short program shall include an aerobatic display to music, a jet turbine display and a helicopter display.
- Official Address by H.E. and official group photo with Association members with the President of Malta. (Do not miss this unique opportunity! )
- 3.00pm - Official inauguration of the Open Day Event by the Hon. Chris Agius MP Parliamentary Secretary for Research, Innovation, Youth and Sport . The Hon. Luciano Busuttil MP Chairperson KMS will also attend .

## Time Table (cont' d )

### Saturday 15th Nov.

3.30pm - Toffee run for kids

4.00pm - Display by AFM / MICCD Augusta Bell 212 Heli rescue display .

Finale - Professional pyrotechnic display SIMULATED AIR RAID with accompanying warbirds (The more the merrier ).

6.30pm - Holy Mass for those who wish to attend.

7.10pm – Reception for attending members and their families.

### Sunday 16th Nov.

10.00am - start of event / 10.30 am arrival AFM Alouette.

12.00 pm - Toffee run for kids

Lunch Break

3.00pm - Display by MICCD Augusta Bell 212 Heli rescue display and departure.

4.15pm Finale - Professional pyrotechnic display SIMULATED AIR RAID with accompanying warbirds (The more the merrier ).

4.40 Departure AFM Alouette.

4.50 - Best of Show Lottery Draw and presentation of Trophies.

- Note: Timings may be subject to change according to prevailing conditions and necessity.

### FLYING OF MODELS (Saturday and Sunday ).

On both days flying of models shall take place in between the fixed slots above under a very simple formula . All those pilots wishing to fly their models irrespective of type shall line up their prepared (ready to start ) model in a “flight ready area ” to be indicated by the flight line marshals. The flight line marshals have full authority to decide the sequence of models to fly taking into consideration the available models , pre-planned sponsor demo slots etc. and to ensure variety in the air for the spectators.

## FLYING OF MODELS (Saturday and Sunday) cont 'd

Similar models may also be allowed to fly in groups eg. Quads (at the flight line marshals' discretion only) The aim is to ensure that flying is flowing and continuous and every flier gets a chance to fly, more than once if possible. It is important to give some information (preferably written in brief point form) about your model in advance to the PA announcer so that this is explained to spectators.

### Flight Safety (monitored by 2 MMAFA safety officers and CAD official)

- All fliers must attend the pilots' briefing on both event days when called otherwise they will not fly.
- All fliers shall use the RUNWAY as a display reference line and pilots shall position themselves between the spectators area and their model at all times. (ie facing away from spectators and clubhouse).  
**“ Never exceed height ” is 400 feet ( 123 mt ).**
- Any flying over static full size displays and surrounding spectators is strictly forbidden.
- No pilots are allowed to fly from the Mdina side of the runway because of the pyrotechnic installations.
- Groups of fliers must adopt a common circuit and no head on flying is allowed.
- Any pilot who is deemed to infringe safety in any way shall be ordered to land immediately and shall not fly again during the event.
- The flight line marshals and event safety officers' decision is final at all times.

## FLYING OF MODELS (Saturday and Sunday) .....cont' d from p 4

- Any instructions by the flight line and safety marshals to clear the airspace and land are to be followed without question or delay.
- All existing standing safety rules and any additional specific safety instructions by flight line and safety marshals must be followed.
- Current “No fly zones ” must be respected.
- Flyers should also be prepared to ACTIVELY avoid flying over potentially crowded areas such as the runway area beyond our fence.
- Flyers should make extra sure that their models are airworthy – Flight and Safety Marshals have the final say whether a model or pilot may fly or not.
- Frequencies - Preferably 2,4 Ghz (NB any 35 Mhz TX must be reported to the flight line and safety officers in advance of use and operated strictly per standing instructions and meanwhile impounded. )
- **NO COMPROMISE SHALL BE MADE WITH REGARD TO FLIGHT SAFETY DURING THE EVENT.**

**Finally, thanks must go to all those members who have already offered their help to set up and to run the various event activities on site. Extra hands are always welcome and needed of course . Fingers crossed for the weather. The Committee.**

Encouraging message of support received from Lt. Col. Luca Mariz , Officer Commanding Italian Military Mission in Malta following the Association 's request to the Officer Commanding AFM & Air Wing to participate in the Open Day which will also include participation by the AFM Alouette. Our Association 's grateful thanks .



ITALIAN MILITARY MISSION

Head of Mission

Luqa, 05 November 2014

*Corneliano Stephen*

*ho ricevuto con piacere l'invito a partecipare alla manifestazione "Wings over Ta Qali", in programma nei giorni di Sabato 15 e Domenica 16 Novembre p.v., e ho già dato disposizione alla Sezione SAR, che gestisce i due elicotteri AB212 e il personale, di organizzare l'evento, contattandola per le vie brevi o tramite i nostri colleghi delle Armed Forces of Malta e definire insieme le modalità e le necessarie predisposizioni per la sicurezza.*

*Come sempre, faremo ogni sforzo per essere, ancora una volta, vicini al popolo degli appassionati di Aeromodellismo e Aviazione, per dimostrare e condividere la nostra passione per il volo con un'esibizione in volo.*

*Corneliano Stephen*

*Luca Mariz*

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*See you at Wings Over Ta Qali!*

*With your participation & help*

*let's make this another memorable*

*Event!*

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