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Dear Members,

AUCTION SALE OF MODELS—EDWIN VAN DER MAAT

As most you may already be aware the planned auction of beautiful (mostly scale models) generously donated to the Association by Edwin Van der Maat took place on Tuesday 3rd November at the Aviation Museum. The committee is pleased to inform that everything was sold and the very nice sum of €2510 sale proceeds were generated for club funds.

Some keen bidding took place. *Thank you Edwin !*

Finally our sincere thanks for the support (once again) go to Ray Polidano, Curator of the Aviation Museum who patiently stored the models , and for the auction to be held on site.

CLUB FUNDS UPDATE

In addition to above, funds were also generated from annual fees, generous sponsorship initiatives (to be announced) & members ' donations PLUS successfully negotiated substantial EU funding & Heli Pad film rental. The committee assures members that by prudent cost , expenditure and budget control, the planned major projects will be adequately covered. Also within budget are day to day maintenance costs and quality upgrades to our site , from which all members have been benefitting for some time.

WINGS OVER TA' QALI 2015

The present situation with regard to public displays is known to all. For this reason the Committee has decided to take additional prudent and precautionary safety measures in the running of this year' s event . The main objective shall again be to MAXIMISE THE FLYING BY ALL MEMBERS WHO WISH TO PARTICIPATE and for all members and visitors to enjoy the show as safely as possible. We look forward to your attendance.

The Committee.

GUIDANCE NOTES TO MEMBERS—WINGS OVER TA ' QALI

Friday 20th Nov (afternoon) - Initial set up Flagpoles , public “no go ” areas and any other structures etc. HELP FROM AS MANY MEMBERS AS POSSIBLE WILL BE WELCOME.

Saturday 21st Nov (from early morning till noon)

All static display models should be in place by latest NOON in the pits adjacent to the clubhouse . Any other set-up structures to be completed by this time too. Flying models will be placed in a separate cordoned area further down the pits and should also be in place by noon.

PARKING (both days) : Long term parking beyond the clubhouse. Short term parking before the clubhouse closer to the gate. NO Parking in front of the clubhouse please. These measures are being taken to avoid as much as possible cars driving through the public area . Please follow directives.

Saturday 21st Nov.

- 3.00pm - Official inauguration of the Event by the Hon. Luciano Busuttill BA. LL.D MP Chairperson KMS .

Time Table (cont 'd)

Saturday 15th Nov.

1.15 **FLIGHT BRIEFING (all pilots)**

1.30 onwards till sunset continuous flying as directed by the flight marshals.

(see flying of models below).

3.00pm - brief intermission during inauguration ceremony.

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

The evening reception will not be held this year .

Sunday 16th Nov.

9.45 am - **FLIGHT BRIEFING (all pilots)**

10.00am - start of event with flying as directed by marshals.

(see flying of models p 4).

1.45 - Lunch Break & voting for Best Model on show.

4.30 - Best Model Aircraft of Show Award

This year it has been decided to give members only the opportunity to vote for the Best Model on show (whether static and/or flying based on their own personal choice) with a runner up and third place also awarded. A small donation of €2 is being requested for each model entered by its owner to challenge for the Trophy. Each participating model shall be given a number and every member a single vote.

FLYING OF MODELS (Saturday and Sunday).

On both days flying of models shall take place under the same very successful formula adopted last year . 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" . The flight line marshals have full authority to decide on safety issues, the sequence of models to fly taking into consideration the available models , any pre-planned sponsor demo slots etc. and to ensure variety in the air .

Similar models may also be allowed to fly in logical groups (at the flight line marshals' discretion) The aim is to ensure that flying is flowing and continuous and every flier gets a chance to fly, as much as possible.

NO COMPROMISE WILL BE MADE WITH REGARD TO SAFETY IN THE AIR AND ON THE GROUND DURING THE EVENT.

Finally, big thanks are due to all those members who have already offered their help to set up . Extra hands are always welcome and needed of course . Fingers crossed for the weather !



See you at Wings Over Ta Qali!

Success depends on your participation

cooperation & help

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