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Hello Dear Member,

Following the Annual General Meeting held on the 27th February, this is the first Newsletter for the current year. Greetings and welcome to the Committee 's new members and a big thank you for the ones who left, who together with the others managed the Association with great dedication, personal sacrifice and valued guidance.

The new Committee will consist of the following members for the year 2019:

President: Martin Mifsud

Members: Stephen Galea

Mario Micallef

Johann Micallef

Elton Gauci

Rainier Xuereb

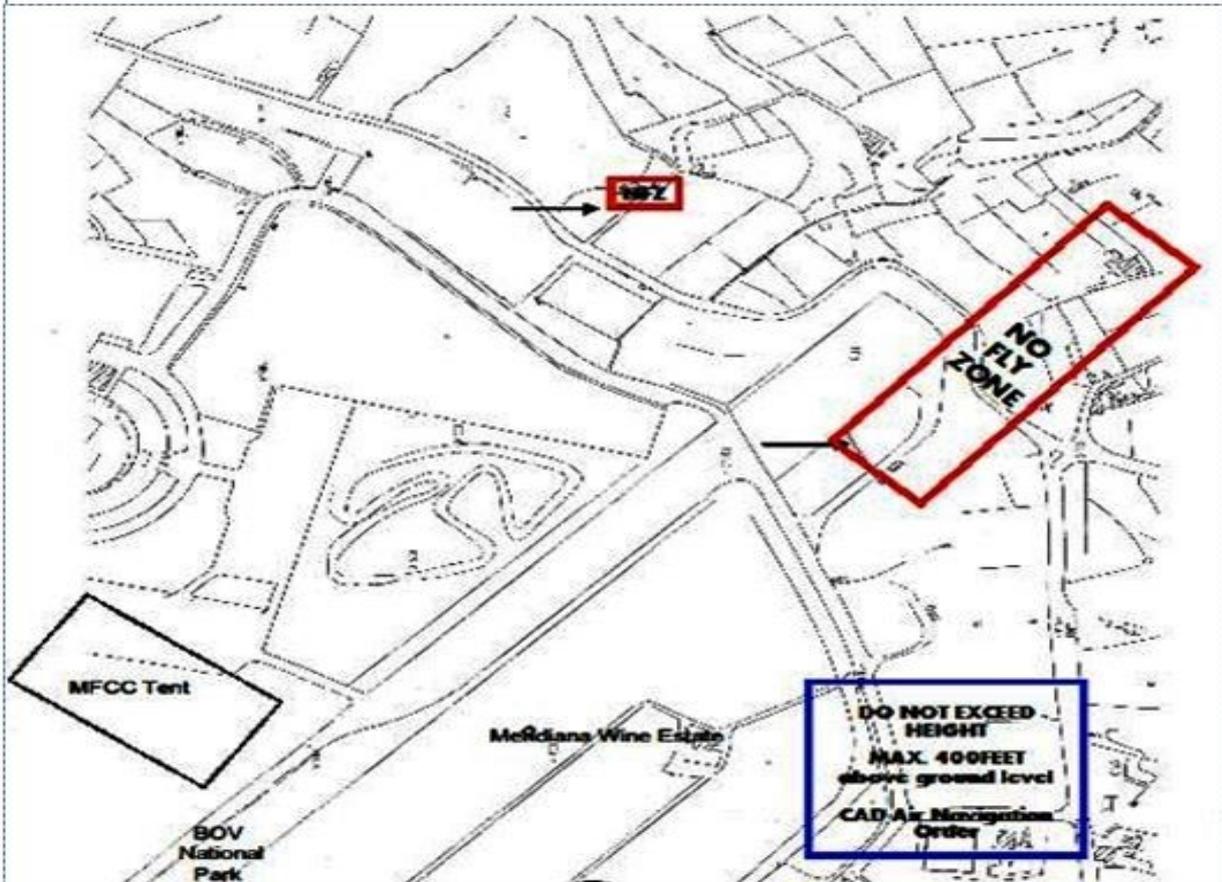
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Officers are not yet nominated pending the first Committee Meeting due to be held shortly. However, for the time being, last year 's officers (except the ones who left) are continuing with their last year 's role for the sake of continuity and smooth transition.

We do hereby appeal to all members of the Association to help us as Committee to succeed in our effort to maintain and improve on what we have already achieved throughout the Association 's existence. Nothing comes easy. We have to work together to make our hobby as safe and enjoyable as much as possible, without forgetting the social aspect of members. One for all and all for one should be the way ahead.

NOTICE BOARD

Respecting Fly Zones is not an option: It's mandatory!



No Newsletter is complete without repeating the importance of avoiding no fly zones. Your continuous observation has indeed proved fruitful last year. This was reflected in a drastic reduction of complaints from sensitive areas. This is the way forward to protecting the Association's interests. It is obvious that our flyers have now developed the necessary skill to fly past and avoid a fly over these sensitive locations to the benefit of all parties concerned. Well done and keep it up!

Please keep the place clean and safe. Together, we can make it better. We should consider ourselves lucky to have such a nice flying site with all essential amenities that we can stay there practically all day long. Let us appreciate what we have and cherish each other's company. This is your Association. Enjoy it.



Noticeboard

The February storm:

This was the first task which the newly elected Committee had to put up with.

The site and site furniture suffered lots of damages which had to be looked into with vigor and urgency.

The weather station was blown down, canopy lights were dislodged from their holders and thrown on the floor. Part of the fence was blown down and the whole place was littered with branches thorn away by the force of the wind. By the time of writing this, everything has been repaired and the place cleaned; thanks to the 'morning watch' flyers who volunteered to clean the place themselves. Thanks goes to our President Martin, who salvaged the weather station from incurring further damage during the storm and for repairing it in record time.

What's on our mind:

We hope to organize some events for the current year. The Calendar of events will be discussed during our first Committee meeting and published as soon as possible.

This year, will mark the 70th Anniversary of our Association. So we're thinking about organizing an event to commemorate this. We would like to have your input on this one so we could do something nice. Just remember that organizing events takes lots and lots of resources, so please consider what you propose carefully. The Committee would of course welcome helpers to turn your dreams into reality!



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Our first priority is safety for all Club members, third parties and property. This is closely followed by considerate behavior towards all fellow members. Respect the guidelines and regulations issued from time to time by the Committee. Regulations are there to protect you. Pilots who break rules either to show off or to bully others may be held personally responsible for any damages as well as disciplinary action by the Committee. It is sincerely hoped that common sense will prevail.

We take this opportunity to welcome new members
and wish them many happy hours of flying.

**Proud to form a part of Malta's Greatest
and Oldest Model Flying Club in Malta**

Fly Safe and enjoy