

M.M.A.F.A

Newsletter



November 2022

New Committee New Commitment

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New Committee: Following an EGM held on the 2nd September 2022 an interim committee was elected to run the M.M.A.F.A. As there were only seven nominated members to sit in and carry out responsibilities, no election took place. The seven members are: Martin Mifsud (President) Ivan Marmara; (V. President), Anthony Debono (Hon. Secretary), Stephen O Neill (Hon. Treasurer), Joswel Cini (P.R.O), Elton Gauci (Site Manager) and Kevin Azzopardi ((PRO and Site Management Assistant).

We truly hope to succeed in giving all associated members our full support and to fulfil our responsibilities to the best of our abilities. Please do not hesitate to approach members of the

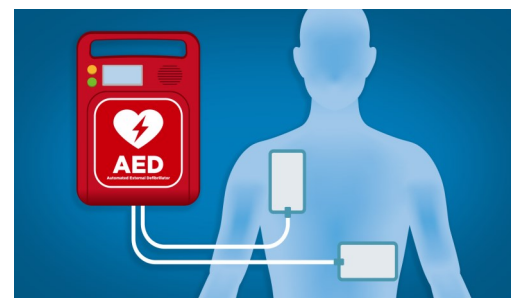


Picture taken by Alan Scerri at Jet & Pro Germany

committee to forward suggestions or concerns against any shortcomings.

The A.E.D.

Captain Lino Xuereb is, at the time of writing, looking after the maintenance and upkeep of the A.E.D, which is stationed in the Club House. We cannot emphasise enough the importance of such equipment at our disposal. It could indeed save a life. This is an appropriate time to thank Lino for all his effort in raising money for the A.E.D. Thank you **Lino**.



Fly For Fun Event

“If this event proves successful it could help us secure the lease for our treasured site. “

We have scheduled a fun event to be held on Saturday 19th November 2022. Keep the day free and don't miss out. Bring your models over as we need to make our presence felt - a show of strength in number of active members- . If this event proves successful it could help us secure the lease for our treasured site. More details regarding the full program will be issued in the near future by the organizing committee. Let's fill in the registration form and go for it!

In The Pipe Line

I am sure you are all looking forward to celebrate the festive season. The Club will be having the usual Christmas drinks party and lunch. These are scheduled for the 12th December and the-18 December. Also in the pipeline, for some time in January 2023, is a swap meet or car boot sale. If all goes well we are also planning to re-establish The Flying Over Ta'Qali meeting. This is scheduled for some time in the month of May next year.

Safety First

So sorry to have to include in the newsletter this very serious subject but this is the most important issue. As we all know it is of utmost importance for every pilot to know the safety regulations. We are surrounded by populated areas and therefore we have to be vigilant when flying. Please ensure that your equipment is up to scratch. Any serious accident would mean the end of our site. We might need a disciplinary board in the near future as well as a number of qualified instructors to examine the flying models and introduce new members to the beauty of flight with an emphasis on safety and self discipline.



Site Management

Elton Gauci and Kevin Azzopardi are doing a great job to make sure that our site is up to scratch. We also have to show our appreciation to Ranier Xuereb who had approached the Minister for Works and managed to convince the competent Authority of the need to resurface our runway.

It is indeed a pleasure to visit our site and admire the state it is being kept. This is no small matter as these people often sacrifice their quality time for the common good.

Thank guys; thank you Dude.

It would greatly be appreciated if all members visiting the site would look after it and keep the place clean

The P.R.O

Joswel Cini has been appointed our P.R.O. Any member who has a query is welcome to approach Joswel who will then bring it over to the committee. Joswel has been busy lately welcoming new members and introducing them to the fray. Together with Elton and Kevin they also help new members in choosing the way forward, whether the rookie is interested in helies or fixed wing. They make sure that the new model is safe to fly and they are also willing to give flying instructions. Thank you Joswel for all the good work.

“..... They introduce new members to our wonderful hobby and make sure that the new model is ready to fly.”

Tips on Building an RC Plane

By Stephen O Neill

Part 1 Introduction

I have been building flying model airplanes since my early teens and to this day, I am still learning. My first build was a KeilKraft tow line glider with, I think, 36-inch wingspan. The model was built on the dining-room table over the plan. In those days, the normal covering

material was tissue which had to be coated with cellulose dope in order to stretch and toughen the tissue and although I enjoyed the smell of wood glue and dope, it did not go down well with my parents.

Years later when I started

building RCmodels, my building technique had not changed. What I mean is that the construction was pinned to the building board and I was using very basic tools.

Stephen will explain a revolutionary of model building in part 2. next issue

Program of events 2022- 2023

- ◆ FLY for FUN meet – Saturday 19 November 2022
- ◆ MMAFA Annual Family Christmas Dinner – Monday 12 December 2022
- ◆ Members Christmas drinks – Sunday 18 December
- ◆ Swap and Booth sale – Saturday 14 January 2022
- ◆ MMAFA Annual General Meeting – February 17 February 2022

