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Letter from the Chairman

The prestigious President's Trophy Air Race held at Tempe again, was a huge success and enjoyed by most, but as they say – only the winners are happy with their handicap speed! A lot of test flying was done again this year, and we believe we are moving closer to the magic answer on handicapping. The bottom line is that that the attendance was up by about 50% from the two previous years and I have to thank everyone who has been involved in this year's race.

The Imperial Bank Precision flying Championships was also held at Brits and it was a real tester to all and a very good practice run for the coming up World Championships in Croatia – see the article elsewhere and also keep one eye on the web site for daily news on that.

I would like to wish the team going to Croatia for the 15th World Precision Flying Championships all the best. They are Adrian Pilling (captain), Paul Barter (Manager), Nigel Hopkins, Jan Hanekom, Hans Schwebel and Barry de Groot. Ron Stirk is also going with as International Judge.

We, The SAPFA Committee nowadays find ourselves busy with more and more projects and tasks where we need the support of our members, because we are basically fighting for you, our members. Please support these efforts when asked to.

Keep you wings level. Jan Hanekom.





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EVENTS 2002

9\11\08\02	Senekal	Cancelled		
21\24\09\02	Port Elizabeth	Rally Flying		
09\11\02	Brits	SAPFA Committee Meeting 10h00		
	Brits	SAPFA AGM 11h30		
	Brits	Lunch 12h30		
	Brits	New SAPFA committee meeting at		
		13h30		
JULY 2003	Pilansberg	World Rally flying Championships		

AGM 2002

PLEASE TAKE NOTE THAT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SAPFA WILL TAKE PLACE AT BRITS AIRFIELD ON 09\11\2002 AT 11H30.

PROXY FORMS PROVIDED ON THE LAST PAGE OF THIS ISSUE



IT IS WITH SADDNESS THAT WE GREET OUR FRIEND

DON MACINTYRE

WHO PASSED AWAY ON 28 JULY 2002 AFTER SUFFERING FROM CANCER THE LAST FEW MONTHS.HE WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS SENSE OF HUMOUR AND SPORT-FLYING WILL MISS HIS PRESENCE.

WE HEREBY EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS, MAY THE LORD BE WITH YOU ALL.

DON WAS COMMITTEE MEMBER AND SECRETARY OF SAPFA FOR MANY YEARS AND REPRESENTED SOUTH AFRICA IN RALLY FLYING.

Brits Mikrolig ontbyt - 20/04/2002

In Desember 2001 het Rob Nortje van Microland, Brits besoek en by die terrein opsigter, Oom Paul, gehoor van die "Fly-in" ontbyte wat Brits Vliegklub van tyd tot tyd aanbied.

Dadelik was hy geïnterrseerd en het hy aan die werk gespring en onder die Mikrolig vlieëniers van verskye klubs begin reklame maak en gou is die datum op 20 April vasgestel vir die Brits "Microlight fly-in breakfast".

Lede van die Brits Vliegklub was voor ligdag al besig met die voorbereiding van die ontbyt en van 06h30 gereed vir die eerste kliënt. Kort voor 07h00 het die eerste stem oor die radio sy "approach" op124.4 aangekondig en kon die tydelike ATC hom verwelkom in inlei na aanloopbaan 20, Rashoop vliegveld. Baie gou het die hemel gewemel van Microlights wat uit alle windrigtings op Rashoop neergedaal het. Om die koue hande te vewarm het Oom Paul gesorg vir 'n groot Bosveldvuur en in klubhuis het warm koffie gewag om enige moontike oorblywende stukkie koue te vedryf. Die besoekers is onthaal op 'n regte Bosveld ontbyt van pap, sous, mushrooms en uie, spek, worsies, eier en roosterbrood, voorafgegaan deur suiwer vars vrugtesap. Alles teen 'n skamele prys van R20!

Ongelukkig kon sommige vliëniers uit die suide dit nie maak nie agv digte mis aan die Rand. Later die oggend kon 'n klompie Gyro's gelukkig deurkom en het die besoekertal gedruk na 35 Microlights, 10 Gyro's, 1 Minicopter en 4 vaste vlerk vliegtuie wat die aantal ontbyte wat bedien was op oor die 90 laat staan het.

Tussen die etery deur het Rainer met die Samba en Leon met die Kiss elk 'n inividuele vliegvertoning uit die boonste rakke gelewer.

Van die Microlights het, getrou aan microlight tradisie, vroeg reeds begin vertrek en met die Gyro's se massa formasie verbyvlug teen ongeveer 11h00, kon die lede van Brits Vliegklub ontspan na 'n suksesvolle, voorval vrye "fly-in" ontbyt.



10 GYROCOPTERS HET OPGEDAAG VIR DIE MICROLIGHT ONTBYT EN HET OOK LEKKER GESPOG MET HUL MOOI SPEELGOED



N' GEDEELTE VAN DIE GROOT GROEP
MICROLIGHTS WAT OPGEDAAG HET. DIE
DAG IS 95 ONTBYTE BEDIEN EN ONS SIE
DAARNA UIT OM HIERDIE MENSE WEER
OP BRITS TE ONTVANG

LIST OF AWARDS PTAR

TROPHY NAME AND DESCRIPTION

A.T.N.S. TROPHY - TO THE YOUNGEST COMPETITOR ?

RACE # 46 REGISTRATION: ZS-NXE CREW: DANA BENSCH - NICHOLAS BENSCH

AIRCRAFT: PIPER PA28RT201T

MOTIVATION FOR AWARD: NAVIGATOR 13 YEARS OLD

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 154.00 ACTUAL 155.01

DOLPH KRUGER TROPHY - TO THE FIRST HOMEBUILT AIRCRAFT HOME

RACE # 111 REGISTRATION: ZS-WBT CREW: LUCAS WIESE - JB BURGER

AIRCRAFT: GLASAIR III

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 217.30 ACTUAL 218.37

C.A.A. TROPHY - FOR PROFESSIONALISM

RACE # 111 REGISTRATION: ZS-WBT CREW: LUCAS WIESE - JB BURGER

AIRCRAFT: GLASAIR III

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 217.30 ACTUAL 218.37

KASSIE KASSELMAN TROPHY - TO THE FIRST FATHER & SON TEAM HOME

RACE # 46 REGISTRATION: ZS-NXE CREW: DANA BENSCH - NICHOLAS BENSCH

AIRCRAFT: PIPER PA28RT201T

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 154.00 ACTUAL 155.01

BADIAN BOSCH MEMORIAL TROPHY - TO THE FIRST PORT ELIZABETH PILOT HOME

RACE # 42 REGISTRATION: ZS-MOR CREW: ROD CRICHTON - JIM TUCKER

AIRCRAFT: CESSNA 210N SCIM

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 161.70 ACTUAL 162.15

JOHN SAYERS TROPHY - TO THE CREW OF THE FIRST TURBOCHARGED AIRCRAFT

HOME

RACE # 46 REGISTRATION: ZS-NXE CREW: DANA BENSCH - NICHOLAS BENSCH

AIRCRAFT: PIPER PA28RT201T

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 154.00 ACTUAL 155.01

PROFESSIONAL AVIATION TROPHY - BEST HANDICAP PERFORMANCE ON DAY TWO

RACE # 11 REGISTRATION: V5-RUD CREW: ESSIE ESTERHUYZEN - WYNAND WESSELS

AIRCRAFT: CESSNA 182RGII ST

MOTIVATION FOR AWARD: WON DAY ONE BY ONE SECOND

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 150.90 ACTUAL 153.11

BLOEMFONTEIN FLYING CLUB TROPHY - TEAM WITH LESS THAN 1000 HOURS

RACE # 56 REGISTRATION: ZS-ITL CREW: THEUNS VAN RENSBURG - JOHN WRIGHT

AIRCRAFT: BEECH V35B VORTX

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 167.00 ACTUAL 166.93

CHRIS SWART KRUGERSDORP TROPHY - TO THE FIRST KRUGERSDORP PILOT HOME

RACE # 4 REGISTRATION: ZU-APZ CREW: DIETER BOCK - JACK ONDERSTALL

AIRCRAFT: LANCAIR 320

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 187.00 ACTUAL 187.02

STAYER'S TROPHY - TO THE CREW CONTINUING AND FINISHING UNDER

EXCEPTIONAL CONDITIONS

RACE # 58 REGISTRATION: ZS-EFK CREW: JACOUE GRIESSEL - JOHAN FERREIRA

AIRCRAFT: PIPER PA28-235

MOTIVATION FOR AWARD: AFTER LANDING WHEELS UP, FOUND ANOTHER A/C TO RACE

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 139.30 ACTUAL 137.24

GATSBY TROPHY - BEST HANDICAP PERFORMANCE ON FIRST DAY

RACE # 17 REGISTRATION: ZU-BKK CREW: JOHN PETRIE - LEON JOUBERT

AIRCRAFT: KIS CRUISER

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 155.00 ACTUAL 152.09

PRELLER GERMISHUYS TROPHY - HANDICAPPING COMMITTEE AWARD
RACE # 60 REGISTRATION: ZS-EHG CREW: PAUL VAN DER KOOI - JACO STROH

AIRCRAFT: CESSNA 172

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 105.80 ACTUAL 0.00

SOUTHERN AFRICA / MOONEY TROPHY - TO THE PILOT OF THE FIRST MOONEY HOME RACE # 18 REGISTRATION: ZS-CBD CREW: SIMON SYKES - HANNES GROENEWALD

AIRCRAFT: MOONEY M20C

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 144.50 ACTUAL 140.31

CARLETONVILLE TROPHY - TO THE PILOT OF THE FIRST BARON HOME RACE # 20 REGISTRATION: ZS-SLW CREW: WILLIAM EINKAMERER - JOHNNY SCHOLTZ

AIRCRAFT: BEECH E55 2-BL

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 197.30 ACTUAL 192.92

BEECHCRAFT TROPHY - TO THE PILOT OF THE FIRST BEECHCRAFT HOME

RACE # 27 REGISTRATION: ZS-FSR CREW: HUMAN WENTZEL - ARNO STOFFBERG

AIRCRAFT: BEECH A36

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 166.00 ACTUAL 169.89

PLACO TROPHY - TO THE PILOT OF THE FIRST PIPER HOME

RACE # 19 REGISTRATION: ZS-FVH CREW: SEAN HUGHES - H MOOS

AIRCRAFT: PIPER PA28-180R

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 140.00 ACTUAL 140.38

COMAIR TROPHY - TO THE PILOT OF THE FIRST CESSNA HOME RACE # 11 REGISTRATION: V5-RUD CREW: ESSIE ESTERHUYZEN - WYNAND WESSELS

AIRCRAFT: CESSNA 182RGII ST

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 150.90 ACTUAL 153.11

STELLALANDER TROPHY - TO THE FIRST CAPE PILOT HOME RACE # 42 REGISTRATION: ZS-MOR CREW: ROD CRICHTON - JIM TUCKER

AIRCRAFT: CESSNA 210N SCIM

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 161.70 ACTUAL 162.15

HOOFSTAD PERS TROPHY - TO THE FIRST TRANSVAAL PILOT HOME RACE # 27 REGISTRATION: ZS-FSR CREW: HUMAN WENTZEL - ARNO STOFFBERG

AIRCRAFT: BEECH A36

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 166.00 ACTUAL 169.89

NATAL MERCURY TROPHY - TO THE FIRST NATAL PILOT HOME RACE # 30 REGISTRATION: ZS-VYI CREW: HARRY ANTEL - BARRY DE GROOT

AIRCRAFT: GRUMMAN TRAINER

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 128.20 ACTUAL 128.82

NEWSLETTER OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN POWER FLYING ASSOCIATION

VINCENT MACLEAN TROPHY - TO THE THIRD PILOT HOME

RACE # 23 REGISTRATION: ZS-LXU CREW: BRAAM VAN GREUNING - DIRK FOURIE

AIRCRAFT: BEECH F33A

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 168.00 ACTUAL 169.13

AIR CHARTER TROPHY - TO THE SECOND PILOT HOME

RACE # 11 REGISTRATION: V5-RUD CREW: ESSIE ESTERHUYZEN - WYNAND WESSELS

AIRCRAFT: CESSNA 182RGII ST

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 150.90 ACTUAL 153.11

WAKEFIELD TROPHY - TO THE FIRST WOMAN PILOT HOME

RACE # 24 REGISTRATION: ZS-FDZ CREW: CHRISTA GREYVENSTEIN - JOHAN VAN DEN BERG

AIRCRAFT: PIPER PA28-235

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 139.30 ACTUAL 137.80

VICKERS TROPHY - TO THE COMPETITOR GIVING THE MOST MERITORIOUS

PERFORMANCE

RACE # 44 REGISTRATION: ZS-LAR CREW: GEOFFREY BOOT - SUZIE BOOT

AIRCRAFT: PIPER PA28-R200

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 141.40 ACTUAL 136.23

NATAL ADVERTISER TROPHY - TO THE COMPETITOR COVERING THE COURSE IN THE

FASTEST TIME

RACE # 111 REGISTRATION: ZS-WBT CREW: LUCAS WIESE - JB BURGER

AIRCRAFT: GLASAIR III

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 217.30 ACTUAL 218.37

PRESIDENT'S TROPHY - TO THE PILOT GAINING THE MOST TIME ON HANDICAP

RACE # 27 REGISTRATION: ZS-FSR CREW: HUMAN WENTZEL - ARNO STOFFBERG

AIRCRAFT: BEECH A36

SPEEDS: HANDICAP 166.00 ACTUAL 169.89

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2002 PRESIDENT'S TROPHY AIR RACE

TEMPE - BLOEMFONTEIN 13 - 15 JUNE 2002

FINAL RESULTS

(MAIN AIRCRAFT CATEGORY)

TOTAL DISTANCE: 650.68 NAUTICAL MILES (A "-" indicates time gained)

RACE H/CAP SPEED

PILOT PROVINCE

OS NO REG. AIRCRAFT HP (KTS) GAIN/LOSS (KTS)

NAVIGATOR CLUB

Newsletter of	the South A frica	n Po	wer Fly	ing A sso	DCIATION
1 27 ZS-FSR HUMAN WENTZEL	BEECH A36 W/TVL	285	166.00	00:05.24-	169.89
ARNO STOFFBERG	WEST TRANSVAAL F.S.				
2 11 V5-RUD ESSIE ESTERHUYZEN	CESSNA 182RGII ST NAMIBIA	235	150.90	00:03.44-	153.11
WYNAND WESSELS	WINDHOEK FLYING CLUB				
3 59 ZS-RMA J MAYER (JNR)	BEECH F33A TVL	285	168.00	00:02.23-	169.74
J MAYER (SNR)	KRUGERSDORP F.C.				
4 46 ZS-NXE DANA BENSCH	PIPER PA28RT201T TVL	200	154.00	00:01.39-	155.01
NICHOLAS BENSCH	J.L.P.C.				
5 23 ZS-LXU BRAAM VAN GREUNING		285	168.00	00:01.33-	169.13
DIRK FOURIE	WEST TRANSVAAL F.S.				
6 30 ZS-VYI HARRY ANTEL	GRUMMAN TRAINER NATAL	160	128.20	00:01.29-	128.82
BARRY DE GROOT	PIETERMARITZBURG F.C				
7 111 ZS-WBT LUCAS WIESE	GLASAIR III O.F.S.	300	217.30	00:00.53-	218.37
JB BURGER	BLOEM FLYING CLUB				
	PIPER PA28-180R O.F.S.	180	140.00	00:00.45-	140.38
H MOOS	BLOEM FLYING CLUB				
9 42 ZS-MOR ROD CRICHTON	CESSNA 210N SCIM CAPE	285	161.70	00:00.40-	162.15
JIM TUCKER	ALGOA FLYING CLUB				
10 4 ZU-APZ DIETER BOCK	LANCAIR 320 TVL	160	187.00	00:00.02-	187.02
JACK ONDERSTALL	KRUGERSDORP F.C.				
11 43 ZS-JTU WESSEL VERMAAS	PIPER PA28-235 N/TVL	250	139.30	00:00.01-	139.31
PIETER LORDAN	LOUIS TRICHARDT F.C.				
12 56 ZS-ITL THEUNS VAN RENSBURG	BEECH V35B VORTX NATAL	285	167.00	00:00.06	166.93
JOHN WRIGHT	NONE				
13 66 ZS-JYB RAY GLEIMIUS	BEECH V35B TVL	285	165.20	00:01.13	164.36

Newsletter of	THE SOUTH AFRICA	n Po	wer Fly	ing A sso	OCIATION
DIRK COETZEE	KRUGERSDORP F.C.				
14 29 ZS-JYM DAVID FORSTER	CESSNA 210 O.F.S.	285	166.20	00:01.46	164.96
WYNDHAM FERREIRA	BLOEM FLYING CLUB				
15 32 710 CHRIS FERREIRA	CESSNA 185 N/TVL	260	136.80	00:02.11	135.76
JURIE VAN WYNGAARDT	DEFENCE FLYING CLUB				
16 55 ZS-MED PIET FERREIRA	CESSNA 210L O.F.S.	285	161.70	00:02.15	160.21
JOHAN VAN GRUTING	BLOEM FLYING CLUB				
17 49 ZS-KCK JOHN SAYERS	BELLANCA SCOUT TVL	180	116.00	00:02.18	115.21
CILLIERS MANSER	STELLENBOSCH F.C.				
18 24 ZS-FDZ CHRISTA GREYVENSTEIN	PIPER PA28-235 TVL	250	139.30	00:03.04	137.80
JOHAN VAN DEN BERG	NONE				
19 14 ZS-LTP HENK SCHEEPERS	PIPER PA32R-301T N/TVL	300	168.00	00:03.57	165.19
JOHAN SCHEEPERS	NONE				
20 36 ZS-KHX ROBERT L MYBURGH	PIPER PA34-200T TVL	200	173.60	00:04.09	170.46
ROBERT C MYBURGH	NONE				
21 58 ZS-EFK JACQUE GRIESSEL		235	139.30	00:04.13	137.24
JOHAN FERREIRA	NONE				
22 20 ZS-SLW WILLIAM EINKAMERER	BEECH E55 2-BL W/TVL	285	197.30	00:04.29	192.92
JOHNNY SCHOLTZ	WEST TRANSVAAL F.S.				
23 17 ZU-BKK JOHN PETRIE	KIS CRUISER TVL	200	155.00	00:04.49	152.09
LEON JOUBERT	EAA CHAPTER 322				
24 3 ZS-IWV EUGENE SWART	PIPER PA32-300ST TVL	300	136.00	00:04.59	133.67
JAN VISSER	KURUMAN FLYING CLUB				
25 2 ZS-NFU ANDRE KOEN	PIPER PA28-140 NATAL	150	118.40	00:05.21	116.51
WYNAND J/V RENSBURG	DURBAN WINGS CLUB				

Newsletter of	THE SOUTH AFRICA	N PO	MED FLV	ING ASS	
26 22 ZS-RTB ERNST GRUNOW	PIPER PA28-R200 O.F.S.	200	141.40	00:05.44	138.52
CHARL LOTRIET	NONE				
27 28 ZS-NBB KOBUS VD COLFF	CESSNA 177RG O.F.S.	200	145.60	00:05.50	142.49
WALTER WALLE	BLOEM FLYING CLUB				
28 1 ZS-KMN CHRIS BRIERS	BEECH 58 N/TVL	285	198.50	00:05.55	192.70
DRIES BRIERS	PRETORIA FLYING CLUB				
29 5 ZS-KSZ GEORGE BRINK	CESSNA 182RG TVL	235	151.30	00:05.59	147.87
WALLY BRINK	VRYBURG FLYING CLUB				
30 45 ZS-KOW DIRK VAN REENEN	CESSNA 182Q O.F.S.	230	139.50	00:06.01	136.56
EDWIN SPENCE	NONE				
31 69 ZS-KTF HERMANUS VAN NIEKERK	PIPER PA32-RT300 TVL	300	161.00	00:06.18	156.92
THEUNS DE BRUIN	LANSERIA FLIGHT CTR				
32 33 ZS-LLS MARK VOGET	CESSNA 177RG TVL	200	141.20	00:06.54	137.76
JOHAN SCHOEMAN	NONE				
33 50 ZS-WLO KOOS COETZER	BEECH E55 O.F.S.	285	198.50	00:07.30	191.20
AT SHEPPARD	BLOEM FLYING CLUB				
34 38 ZS-JCO CAS JOUBERT	CESSNA 210L SCIM NATAL	300	171.60	00:08.01	165.76
THYS JOUBERT	NONE				
35 18 ZS-CBD SIMON SYKES	MOONEY M20C O.F.S.	180	144.50	00:08.04	140.31
HANNES GROENEWALD	NONE				
36 7 ZS-LVH TREVOR CUFFIN	PIPER PA28-200 TVL	200	139.00	00:08.58	134.70
NIGEL KEMPER	KRUGERSDORP F.C.				
37 15 ZS-JTR KOBUS LOUW	PIPER PA28-R200 TVL	200	141.40	00:09.03	137.88
MARCELL DAMES	PRETORIA FLYING CLUB				
38 12 ZS-FJV FRIKKIE LUBBE	CESSNA 172K CAPE	160	118.40	00:09.21	115.13
NIEL SLABBERT	UPINGTON FLYING CLUB				

Newsletter of	THE SOUTH AFRICA	N PO	WER FLY	ING Asso	OCIATION
39 8 ZS-HEO SIAS DELPORT	BEECH 55 CAPE	285	198.50	00:09.57	188.94
JAMES TREGENZA	VAALHARTS F.C.				
40 40 ZS-MTR JOHAN LA GRANGE	CESSNA 210N CAPE	285	168.00	00:10.12	160.93
THOMAS VAN ROOYEN	KIMBERLEY F.C.				
41 57 ZS-CRT THOMAS HAGEN	CESSNA 172 CAPE	145	105.80	00:10.16	102.93
THYS GROENEWALD	NONE				
42 44 ZS-LAR GEOFFREY BOOT	PIPER PA28-R200 U.K.	200	141.40	00:10.28	136.23
SUZIE BOOT	ROYAL AERO CLUB				
43 6 ZS-CXC LE RICHE COETZER	PIPER PA22-108 O.F.S.	108	91.50	00:12.07	88.97
RIAAN FOLEY	NONE				
44 21 ZS-IML PEET VAN DER WALT	PIPER PA24-260C CAPE	260	163.50	00:12.22	155.44
BENNIE DU PLESSIS	NONE				
45 35 ZS-FHM ADRIAN BARRY	MOONEY M20G TVL	180	145.50	00:13.30	138.53
TERTIUS MYBURGH	NONE				
46 39 ZS-IYC PIETER BURGER	CESSNA 182P CAPE	230	139.50	00:14.09	132.78
ALBIE VAN ZYL	VAALHARTS F.C.				
47 34 ZS-DZR FRIKKIE BOLTMAN	CESSNA 210FM SCIM	300	168.00	00:16.37	156.79
WILLEM MARAIS	CENTRAL FLYING ACAD.				
48 26 ZS-NXO LEON EHLERS	CESSNA 172 O.F.S.	160	116.00	00:18.23	109.99
ANDRE LOTTER	BLOEM FLYING CLUB				
49 16 ZS-DOB DANIE MATHEWSON	BEECH G35 CAPE	225	149.00	00:21.12	137.84
JAN HUMAN	VAALHARTS F.C.				
50 31 ZS-JEO CLAYTON WILLIAMS		235	139.50	00:22.24	129.16
DANIE ERASMUS	NONE				
51 52 ZS-OSZ IAN DOS SANTOS	PIPER PA28-161 TVL	160	123.00	00:27.30	113.19

MICHAEL OBERHOLZER	F.T.C.A.				
52 54 ZS-OSW JAYBEZ BARTHOLOMEW	PIPER PA28-161 TVL	160	123.00	00:28.02	113.02
SHANE PIRIE	F.T.C.A.				
53 48 ZS-OSX RICHARD GARNETT	PIPER PA28-161 TVL	160	123.00	00:28.17	112.93
BRAD GEDDES	F.T.C.A.				
54 51 ZS-OSY NICO VAN DEN BERG	PIPER PA28-161 TVL	160	123.00	00:31.17	111.96
HYNRO SCHOEMAN	F.T.C.A.				

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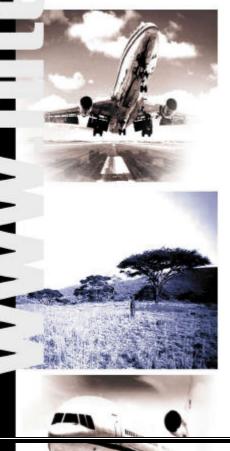
THE WINNERS OF THE PTAR ; HUMAN WENTZEL AND ARNO STOFFBERG RACE 27 BEECH A 36





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SECOND PLACE; ESSIE ESTERHUISEN AND WYNAND WESSELS; PHOTO OF 182 RG UNDERNEATH



THIRD PLACE ; J. MAYER JNR AND SNR BEECH F33 A



SECOND PLACE; THE AIRCRAFT

Imperial Bank National Precision Flying Championships Brits Town -16th to 18th May 2002

Story By Adrian Pilling

Well before you know it another year has passed and all of a sudden the Precision Flying Nationals are upon us again. This year it was held at Brits which seems to be the centre of precision and rally flying activity at the moment.

I think that the work commitments of most participants, and the state of the economy put pressure on everybody, yet it is a tribute to all that there was a great turn out – originally 23 entrants and lots of marshals and helpers. As the competition drew closer the numbers dropped slightly, but the final turn out was a marked improvement on earlier years. Well done all.

The Brits airfield is ideally suited to this sort of event as it is out of controlled airspace and yet close enough for most people. The most important aspect is the locals who are very aviation orientated and only too willing to help – this is a real bonus and has certainly put Brits on the map – flying wise. Now when it comes to hospitality – these people are world class – taking friendliness to a new level.

Dale de Klerk (Competition Director) and his team did a great job of putting together a competition that was world class. This is important, as the team to the World Precision Flying Championships in Croatia, would be taking part – and there would be no holds barred. Another aspect is that South Africa was the first country in the world to standardize on the new electronic logger system – a tribute to Jan Hanekom who developed the Air Observer system, a world first), and these were used to devastating effect.

A fun opening ceremony with local fare was held on the Wednesday night – most of the pilots retiring fairly early as the first briefing was at 07h30 with take offs shortly after that.

Thursday 16th May

Competition Day 1. The day was the usual winters day – brilliant blue sky, cold in the morning and great at lunch time. The first batch of pilots had their briefing and then went into flight planning. As it was run to world standards, Renier Moolman was allowed to assist the Sportmans class competitors with the flight planning.

This route was an eye opener for the crews. The standard was definitely at world level, soon had the pilots working very hard to stay on track and find the ground markers and photographs. An aspect of this new electronic era is that you can place a secret checkpoint anywhere – you don't need ground marshals to be there. The same goes for turning points and so on. The system even measures track errors and in flight misdemeanors that previous generations of competitors got away with. Wow what a different world this is. Within minutes of the final crews

returning the provisional results were ready, but due to the first set of landings being run, they were held back till later.

After a hearty lunch the first two landings were run, using the electronic scoring grid or Bingo Box as it is commonly known – this measures your landings accurate to the nearest meter. The field lined up on RWY02 and the competition was on. The first landing was the freestyle (engine & flaps permitted) and the second was the glide approach. Much fun was had by all with the pilots standing on the side lines watching their comrades landings.

Back at the clubhouse the provisional results were released to the competitors. Wow what an eye opener it was. The pilots could not believe the number of timing penalties they had incurred, the new electronic system monitoring the tracks and times every second – phew.

Later the results were posted – Adrian Pilling 180 penalties, Nigel Hopkins 204, Hans Schwebel 206, Jan Hanekom 295, Ron Stirk 340, Barry de Groot 347, Frank Eckard 360, Mike Cathrow 430, Walter Walle 820, Ernie Alexander 980, A Kluyts 1182, Wendy Barter 1887, Frikkie Lubbe 2147, T Kluyts 2236. This was just the open class, then there was still the Sportmans class to consider (P.V d Velden, G.Brink, Gary Grant)

Now here's where it gets interesting. Adrian asked to look at his logger route and there it was discovered that he had in fact flown just three meters outside the electronic gate – the equipment had faithfully recorded the fact. This was devastating as it meant that Adrian now received a maximum penalty for this point, in fact putting him in 4th position with 339 penalties, and making Nigel, Hans and Jan 1st, 2nd and 3rd respectively. Wow get used to it guys this is how it will be worldwide form this year onwards.

Friday 17th May

Competition Day 2. With the start order the same as the previous day, the pilots went through the motions and soon after an interesting route were back on the ground. After debrief and lunch it was back out to the runway for the landings – this time on RWY 20. This caught most of the pilots off guard as they had not used this runway for quite some time.

At the club house the provisional results were handed out again and again it was amazing to see how the electronics was catching people out. There were many complaints of high timing scores, but the reality is that the Flight Recorder is accurate and the pilots not – hmmnnn food for thought. The observation had proved challenging as well, with the photos proving difficult and the ground markers cunningly placed.

Results for the day (first 10 places) were: Nigel Hopkins 248, Jan Hanekom 371, Adrian Pilling 530 (another electronic surprise), Ron Stirk 534, Barry De Groot 560, Hans Schwebel 606, Frank Eckard 636, Earnie Alexander 819, Mike Cathrow 823, A Kluyts 831. This really set up the positions for the next day.

Saturday 18th May

Competition Day 3. This was the make or break it day for some and for others an opportunity. Dale had mentioned to us that this was the difficult route and would really sort out the men from the boys. As the start order was the same as for previous days, the pilots new the routine and got on with the job of giving Dale and his team a real go.

Fun and games was had during this time as Barry de Groot had experienced a spot of fuel starvation in his Jabiru at checkpoint 2. This forced him to abandon his navigation. Earnie returned to Brits as a radio relay in case the situation got serious, and was allowed to restart the competition. Hans delayed his progress for some time to make sure that Barry was OK and to act as the radio sender. After quite some time Barry and his plane made it back to Brits and the plane was checked and readied for Mike Cathrow to fly, although by now very much later in the afternoon.

After all this the provisional results for the day were announced. There needed to be some adjustments made in order to allow for Barry's emergency – Hans had his penalties reduced to redress the penalties incurred for his slowing down along the leg in order to radio for help. After all the adjustments were made the results for the day were (top 10 only): Nigel Hopkins 203, Adrian Pilling 228, Hans Schwebel 289, Ron Stirk 312, Jan Hanekom 336, Earnie Alexander 422, T Kluyts 544, Frank Eckard 619, Mike Cathrow 746, A Kluyts 836. Barry unfortunately by default got almost maximum for this day.

After a fairly rushed afternoon and some amazing work by the helpers the clubhouse was readied for the evening banquet.

The evening was absolutely great with lots of fun speakers and great speeches. Lots of thank you's and remembrances. Specifically; Mr Dick Sumpter was remembered (He was a member of the New Zealand Team that often flew against us in international competitions. He was also a great manager who sadly passed away due to cancer.) and a special presentation was made on behalf of the pilots by Adrian to Nigel for his courage and determination in fighting his way back from his ordeal last year. Later there was a Mitsubishi draw and Uli Gerth won a Pajero – OK it was a small one but it looks great. After a hearty meal the overall results were announced.

Position	Name Score	Additional Trophies		
1 st Place	Nigel Hopkins 672	1 st Place Landings Navigation Trophy		
2 nd Place	Jan Hanekom 1033	2 nd Place Landings SA Private Pilot Champion		
3 rd Place	Hans Schwebel 1136	3 rd Place Landings		
4 th Place	Adrian Pilling 1157	5 th place Landings Observation Trophy		
5 th Place	Ron Stirk 1229	4 th place Landings		
6 th Place	Frank Eckard 1741	7 th place Landings		
7 th Place	Mike Cathrow 2255	•		
8 th Place	Ernie Alexander 2723			
9 th Place	Andre Kluyts 3015	10 th place Landings		
10 th Place	Barry de Groot 3741	8 th Place Landings		
11 th Place	Walter Walle 4283	9 th Place Landings		
12 th Place	Tim Kluyts 4995	, and the second		
13 th Place	Frikkie Lubbe 5363			
14 th Place	Wendy Barter 5831	6 th Place Landings 1 st Place Lady Trophy		
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1 st Place	Peter Van Der Velden	2168 Sportsman Trophy		
2 nd Place	G Grant 3259			
3 rd Place	D Warder 3394			
4 th Place	G Brink 4722			

A special presentation was made by Jan in his capacity as Chairman of SAPFA to two pilots who qualified for their Gauteng provincial colours: Ernie Alexander and Andre Kluyts.

Well done to both of you as this is the first step to National colours. Excellent performance – well done.

Two other fun trophies were awarded: Adrian awarded the Pisspot Trophy for an interesting!!!!!! landing to Ernie Alexander, and Adrian's propeller head hat was awarded by Nigel to Barry for his interesting return home on day 2 (he actually found himself temporarily uncertain of his position on the way back).

A great time was had by all and the competition was run to world standard. A compliment to the organizers. A special thank you must go to Dale de Klerk (Competition Director), Deon vd Berg (Chief Judge), Tony Peeters (Chief of Jury), Renier Moolman (Jury Member), Thys Hermann (Chief Marshal) and all his team, Oom Paul Hermann for the refueling and bar service, Tannie Truia for the fantastic lunches, Imperial Bank for the head sponsorship, Mitsubishi for their sponsorship, Brenda vd Berg for her sponsorship, Jan Hanekom for the extra loggers and of course all the ladies for making sure that this event was one to remember. And last of all the competitors who came form far and wide – Augrabies, Durban, Bloemfontein, Johannesburg, Pretoria, and from around the corner.

Well done to you all. We are proud to have been part of another Brits – well run event.



P.v.d. Velde; Winner Sportsman Class



Nigel hopkins,Jan Hanekom and Hans Schwebel;1st,2nd,3rd Below;The team of red Indian Marshals





ALL THE COMPETITORS

NOMINATION FORM

Please make a tick () against the names you want and a cross (x) against the names you don't want. Also feel free to nominate someone new.

Current committee members	New Nominations
Jan Hanekom (Chairman)	
Barry de Groot (Vice-chairman)	
Chris Booysen (Treasurer)	
Don Macintyre (Secretary)	Vacant
Ron Stirk	
Deon van den Berg	
Walter Walle	
Hans Schwebel	
Dicky Swanepoel	
Dave Perelson	
Wyndnam Ferreira	

PLEASE fax back to 012-6667343 or e-mail to: mail@sapfa.org.za **before 30 October 2002**All nominations will be treated as confidential.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ${\bf SAPFA~AGM}$ (ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING) WILL BE HELD AT $\,$ BRITS

Date: 9 November 2002 Time: 11h30

Venue: Brits Flying Club

PROXY FORM

Date: Signature:

For the sole purpose of to obtain a quorum for the AGM.