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Letter from the Chairman

With all the Centenary celebrations taking place in the form of Air Shows and various other events, it is surely a bumper year.

The 2003 National Rally Flying Championships took place at Rustenburg. We have had wonderful weather right through and it was a very tough competition. A very strong team has been announced to represent South Africa at the 13th World Rally Flying Championships in July. Congratulations to each and everyone – you have worked hard and will have to work even harder to prepare to the World's. Please see the detailed article elsewhere in this issue. On this note, we have to date received 48 entries from international teams as expected and planning for this event is also in the final stages.

According to this year's Race Organizer, Les Daley the planning is going very well. We have seen a marked increase in early enquiries and entries this year. Being an optimist, I wish that this year might be one of those where we will have to limit the entries to 80 as in the good old days! Be sure to enter asap.

Most of you will also be glad to hear that with the help of Aero Club, the basic weight for ATNS fees have now been increased to 900KG. Quite a cost saving to our members and I often wonder how much more we can do if we could have the support of more general aviation pilots.

So please try and talk your friend into joining SAPFA!!

Keep you wings level.
Jan Hanekom.



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SAPFA EVENTS 2003

24 – 25 January 2003	Brits	Committee “Bosberaad”
22 February 2003	Rustenburg	Inter Provincial Rally (compulsory for WRFC selections)
3 – 5 April 2003		2003 SA Rally Champs
10 May 2003	Rustenburg	Inter Provincial Rally
12 – 15 June 2003	Tempe, Bloemfontein	President’s Trophy Air Race
21 June 2003	Brits	Practice/Club Rally (compulsory for WRFC team)
4-6 July 2003	Brits	WRFC Training Camp
11-13 July 2003	Brits	WRFC Training Camp
<u>26 July – 3 Aug 2003</u>	<u>Pilanesberg</u>	<u>13th World Rally Flying Championships (WRFC)</u>
5-6 September 2003	Cato Ridge	Inter Provincial Precision
3-4 October 2003	Tempe	Inter Provincial Precision

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**AIRCRAFT WRFC
PILANSBERG 2003**

We will need about 50 aircraft for the above event.

Cessna 172 ; Xp Hawk Reims or similar; Cessna 182; will all be considered and good rates offered.

If you are interested , please contact Chris Booyesen . You will find his telephone number at SAPFA Committee Members

HANS AND RON

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY GOES OUT TO YOU ON YOUR LOGGER FAILURE – DAY 2 AND YOUR STOPWATCH -DAY 3.

ERNIE AND WENDY

AFTER YOU NEARLY GAVE US ALL A HEART ATTACK , WE WERE SO PLEASED THAT ALL WENT WELL AFTER ALL AND YOU LANDED SAFELY

NATIONAL RALLY CHAMPIONSHIPS ; RUSTENBURG 3-5 APRIL 2003

RESULTS OPEN CLASS

- 1ST A PILLING AND R MOOLMAN ; 3207 POINTS – PROTEA COLOURS
2ND N HOPKINS AND D DE KLERK ; 3230 POINTS – PROTEA COLOURS
3RD B DE GROOT AND M DE KLERK ; 3992 POINTS – PROTEA COLOURS
4TH F ECKARD AND Q TAILOR ; 6356 POINTS – PROTEA COLOURS
5TH E ALEXANDER AND W BARTER;6605 POINTS – B TEAM
6TH W WALLE AAND J LIDDARD ; 7002 POINTS – PROTEA COLOURS
7TH R AND C SPENCER- SCARR ; 7156 POINTS – B TEAM
8TH H SCHWEBEL AND R STIRK ; 7495 POINTS – PROTEA COLOURS
9TH W BOND AND M BIERMAN ; 7985 POINTS
10TH M. CATHROW AND M GREGSON ; 9254 POINTS

WINNER LANDINGS : H. SCHWEBEL AND R STIRK

RESULTS SPORTSMAN CLASS

- 1ST D WARDEN & H MEYER
2ND M FRIEBOESE & P BARTER
3RD D JOUBERT
4TH B KNOLL & R SCAMOTTA
5TH R FRIEBOESE & B FRIEBOESE
6TH T DE BRUYN & A VAN TONDER
7TH B WILLIAMS & C WILLIAMS

WINNER LANDINGS : D JOUBERT

TO THE PROTEA AND B- TEAM

CONGRATULATION ADRIAN (TEAM CAPTAIN) AND PAUL BARTER (TEAM MANAGER)
ON YOUR ELECTIONS;

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU BEING ELECTED TO THE PROTEA AND B- TEAMS,
IT IS INDEED A GREAT HONOUR. FROM ALL THE MEMBERS OF SAPFA WE WISH YOU ALL
THE BEST FOR THE UPCOMING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS TO BE HELD AT PILANESBERG IN
JULY 2003.

GO FOR GOLD

PRACTICE HARD AND YOU WILL BE REWARDED

WE KNOW YOU WILL BE GOOD AMBASSADORS OF SOUTH AFRICA AND BE HUMBLE IN
VICTORY.





2ND AND 1ST PLACED TEAMS - OPEN CLASS L/R DALE DE KLERK, NIGEL HOPKINS, RENIER MOOLMAN AND ADRIAN PILLING.

BELOW : 1ST TEAM SPORTSMAN-CLASS :DES WARDEN & HELGARDT MEYER



BARRY DE GROOT

**TURNED 60 YEARS
OF YOUTH**

**CONGRATULATIONS
FROM US ALL**

CHRIS BOOYSEN

TREASURER OF SAPFA AND
GOOD FRIEND WAS
HOSPITALISED AND OPERATED.

WE ARE GLAD TO REPORT THAT
HE IS NOW RECOVERING AND
WE WISH HIM AND DENISE ALL
THE BEST.

RUSTENBURG Vliegklub

ONS WIL GRAAG ONS OPREGTE DANK OORDRA AAN
RUSTENBURG Vliegklub WAT HUL GERIEWE OP KORT
KENNISGEWING AAN ONS BESKIKBAAR GESTEL HET VIR DIE
NASIONALE RALLY – KAMPIOENSKAPPE , 2003.

IN BESONDER BAIE DANKIE AAN DIE KOMITTEE , CHRIS
SPENCER-SCARR EN JOHN SCHRAADER WAT GEEN MOEITE
ONTSIEN HET OM ONS TE AKKOMMODEER NIE.

HANS SCHWEBEL

HANS GAAN WOENSDAG DIE
16 DE APRIL 2003 'N OPERASIE
ONDERGAAN .

ALLE STERKTE EN BESTE
WENSE EN ONS BID HOM 'N
SPOEDIGE HERSTEL TOE

REMEMBER

THE
PRESIDENT'S AIR
RACE
12-15 JUNE 2003



Some photos taken at Barry's birthday bash , held at the Cato Ridge Flying Club , attended by about 70 of his friends , who all had a very enjoyable evening.

I am sure you will recognise some of the people on the photos.

Panel of of
Hans Guttman's Glassair



AIR RACE ARTICLE

Net ses weke an is dit weer tyd vir die 2003 Air Race. Almal van ons hoop dat moeder natuur gaan saam speel om die weer perfek vir vlieg te maak en SAPFA en die manne wat die geleënhed reel sal sorg vir die res. Daar is manne wat al baie jare langer as ons deelneem aan die kompetisie so ek lug my mening net as entoesiastiese amateur. Kom ons kyk na 'n paar dinge (buiten die handicap komitee)waaroor deelnemers beheer het en wat hulle kan doen om so goed voorberei as moontlik te wees.

Bring al jou sportman gees en liefde vir lugvaart saam.

Los al jou werk "stress" en bekommernisse by die huis en konsentreer op die taak voor hande.

Maak seker dat jy jou vliegtuig soos die palm van jou hand ken: "Operating speeds", toerusting, noodprosedures en handelings. Daar is nie tyd vir enige iets anders as suiwer vliegekuns nie, so alles moet natuurlik kom, nie van n lys of notas af nie.

Maak seker jou vliegtuig is in uitstekende meganiese toestand, jy wil nie die ren verloor omdat iets nie wil werk of in 'n rookwolk gaan staan nie.

Laat die "rigging" van die klappe en rol roer nagaan. Dit kan genoeg verskil maak om kompetierend te wees al dan nie. Daarna kan mens ook die lug skroef laat balanseer, aan die vliegtuig verkieslik.

Gaan ry met die vliegtuig en o genade, los die GPS by die huis en kyk by die venster uit om te sien waar jy gaan. Jy sal dit in elk geval so moet doen as jy by Tempe arriveer. Dit is die rede waarom daar 'n navigator langs jou sit en help dat jy nie verdwaal nie.

Maak seker julle bring genoeg kaarte, liniale, merkpenne, kleeflint en al die nodige admin toerusting. In die aand na die "briefing" wil mens nie soek na die nodige nie.

Die res van die voorbereiding moet julle manne en dames self oor filosofer want ons wil ook graag weer probeer en as ons alles weggee begin ons agter.

Sterkte en geniet een van die groot geleenthede op die lugvaart kalender in Suid-Afrika

Groetnis

ZS-FSR (Wenner 2003)

PROGRESS REPORT ON THE WRFC

30 APRIL 2003

Dear Editor,

Time flies with the WRFC just around the corner. Detailed planning is almost finished and there are a number of exiting stories around the WRFC.

We now stand at 58 official teams (a team is made up out of a Pilot and a Navigator) entered from 15 different countries from all over the World. This is a very high number considering where we are! Looking through the entries it is quite interesting to see that some of them are multiple World Champions, active in the sport of Rally Flying since 1985.

Our own team, one of the strongest ever selected, is practicing very hard and we all believe that they will keep all the medals right here in South Africa. For the last number of years, South Africa has been placed more or less 3rd or 4th and this is the one that we have to win, seeing that the team has the advantage of practising in the competition area months before the time.

All competitors will stay at Sun City and practice flying will mainly take place from Pilanesberg during the week of 20 –26 July. During the competition week, 28 – 31 July, all flying will happen from Rustenburg Airfield where we have declared a temporary ATZ.

One of the interesting stories comes from Hans Gutmann, member of the Austrian team. Hans, who did a solo around the world in 1996 in his home built Glasair IIS-RG, will be flying from Austria to South Africa for the Championship – again solo! After the Championship, he will continue on to Australia among other places. Please see photo attached. Hans is also a founder member of the EarthRounders – visit www.earthrounders.com

Sincerely,
Jan Hanekom
(Championship Director)

Below: Hans Gutmann from Austria

