

MOUNTED ARCHERY ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH AFRICA

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES



DATE	Monday, 22 November 2021
VENUE	Zoom
TIME	18 30

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MINUTES:

	POINTS	DISCUSSION/DECISION	TASKS
1.	Meeting Formalities		
1.1	Opening		
1.2	Apologies	Vicky is having problems with her Wifi. Deirdre did get feedback from her.	
1.3	Matters arising from previous minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Northwest: still waiting for feedback regarding expenses on qualifiers Jacques van der Westhuizen and Dalene Baksa have agreed to serve on the National Team Selection Committee. Christa Botha and Marethe De Vos were contacted but are both unable to serve. Suggestions for a third person to be contacted are Abdullah Safodien, Karen/Martin Kruger, Moira Ferreira, Cindy Kruger 	<p>DIANE to follow up with Vicky</p> <p>DEIRDRE to check with Sharlene from SAEF if we will be allowed to announce our team</p> <p>DEIRDRE to recruit a 3rd member for the Selection Committee</p>
1.4	Acceptance of previous minutes	Accepted by all	
2.	AGM / OGM		
2.1	Feedback SAEF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can't do elections over Christmas period. Confirmed with SAEF that members can rather go over term than run election process over Christmas. Sharlene will be the electoral officer and the email address will be elections@saef.org.za Hybrid meeting will be allowed (we need to formally request this from the SAEF); Only provincial presidents are allowed to vote; outgoing Exco does not have voting rights at an election (Only Gauteng President, KZN President, NW President, crucial that all 3 provinces attend to have quorum) Associate Representative on the Exco are nominated and elected by Associate Members, ie SANESA will nominate someone Need to be very clear in election procedure notification which positions are available and the condition regarding the treasurer. 	

2.2	Elections	<p>New timeline accepted by the Council for AGM/OGM:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AGM on Thursday, 10 February • 12Dec (30 days), 11 January (5 Days), 16 Jan (25 Days) 	
3.	Rulebook Changes		
3.1	Age categories define	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We need to decide what to do when an 18-year-old Junior is selected for the National team but then has to compete as a Senior internationally to achieve colours. • IHAA has a category, Young Riders, for 18 to 21-year-olds, but it won't make sense to implement it into MAASA. Also, most international competitions only have Junior and Senior categories. • There is no limitation to the number of riders we select for our national teams. Currently we base selection on level achieved. • According to our current selection criteria, Juniors need to achieve HA2 and Seniors HA3 meaning that an 18-year-old who qualifies under Junior criteria will not be eligible for the Senior team and will be also not be allowed to compete internationally as a Junior. • Achieving the desired level to be selected for the National team should not be easy, it should take effort and dedication. In that regard adults do not have any advantage over Juniors. After a long discussion, the Council has decided to put forward a motion to change the criteria for Junior team selection to HA3 meaning that both Seniors and Juniors will be evaluated on the same criteria form next year. This will resolve the matter as mentioned in the first point. • This decision will not cause a disadvantage for Juniors in International competition. • We might need to consider moving up the bar in the future but HA3 is a very fair level to achieve and it is not easy. 	DEIRDRE to change the wording and send to council for approval
3.2	Selection criteria define	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our current criteria allow for the average between the 2 tracks (Raid and Tower) to be used on a day. It does not stipulate that HA3 need to be achieved on both. If the average is HA3 for 2 Qualifiers and for Nationals, the rider qualifies for the team. • This is however not how we grade our riders. Riders need to achieve the same level for both tracks on the same day and in 2 competitions in order to achieve the grade. 	DEIRDRE to change the wording and send to council for approval

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council agreed that National Team selection should be done using the same criteria and it needs to be defined accordingly in our rulebook. • Changes need to be approved in time for the AGM • This year we will still work on average scores. 	
4.	Finances:		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was decided in 2019 that clinics should be hosted independently from MAASA. • For individuals hosting clinics in far-reaching provinces (e.g. EC and WC) and with the aim of developing the sport, travel expenses are a problem and hard to incorporate into clinic fees as it becomes unaffordable. • MAASA has set aside an amount for development after the Lipizzaner show in 2019 and a request has been made that MAASA subsidizes travel costs specifically for clinics hosted in these far-reaching provinces. • This is a matter that need to be handled with the utmost discretion as there are a lot of grey areas. • We need to make a distinction between clinics with the aim to create awareness and developing the sport in new areas vs clinics in established areas. • Ideally, provincial bodies (where they have been established) should take responsibility for clinics in their provinces. • This matter needs to be clearly defined and re-discussed. 	DIANE to draw up a proposal and present to Council
5.	SANESA		
		No feedback received from SANESA, moving over to next meeting	
6.	MAASA year-end games		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sufficient response was not received therefore it will be cancelled • Would like to have an award ceremony at some point • We need to find a way re-motivate our members. Archery tag could be a good option • We will reschedule as an opening event, tentatively on 29 January. 	

7.	Cosmei Clinic
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Someone in the WC is opening up an archery academy "Qaswaa"(both mounted and ground archery). He is a student of Griffins MA but he and his son are also MAASA members. He wants to register his academy as a club with MAASA & SAEF. • He is planning a massive grand opening of his academy and as part of the opening he has organized for Mihai Cozmei to come to SA next year to do a clinic and demo's for them. • He asked whether MAASA would like to make use of Mihai coming to SA and have him do clinics in Gauteng as well. • Deirdre met with him to discuss details. • He is covering all the costs of flying Mihai to SA and accommodation etc. in CT. • Wanted to do a profit share with MAASA. • Deirdre proposed that MAASA charges the same fee as previously (R1000 per day per rider). Deon & Deirdre will house Mihai and Katarinna for free while they're in Gauteng. Part of the clinic costs for Gauteng can go towards food & drinks for them whilst in Gauteng, part can go towards paying for Mihai's plane ticket from JHB to CT (Katarinna will pay for herself) and the remaining funds can be paid over to Qaswaa to contribute to the cost of helping to bring Mihai over. (Deirdre doesn't feel that MAASA needs to make a profit from this although Qaswaa is open to the idea of profit share). • Dates discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 March - Mihai Arrives in Gauteng 12-13 March - Clinic Gauteng 14-18 March - Camping with Deon & Deirdre 19-20 - March International competition (see agenda point 8. below) 21 March - Travel to CT 22-25 March - CT Clinics 26-27 March - Market days & demo's 28-30 March - CT Tour 31 March - Fly back • Suggested venue for Gauteng clinic - Botha-Wil stalle • Council in favour.

8.	International Competition		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When Jaco was in Iran he had discussions with Turks, Iranians & Kazakhstan. They are keen to come compete in SA. • Kazakstahn has sponsored 500 dollars in prize money for such a competition (provided Kazakh style is part of the competition). • They discussed possibility of arranging a competition in March. • Turkey has a national team and a competition can be organized with them in which we may be able to obtain Protea Colours. • Not sure if they have a Junior team. • Ideal opportunity to organize an international competition while Mihai is here. • Invitation only / limited amount of entries because limited amount of horses. • Council in favour. 	
9.	MAASA response SAEF unaffiliated shows		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SAEF sent out newsletter highlighting new general policies for SAEF that were accepted at SAEF OGM in October. • Clause stipulates that riders affiliated to SAEF that attend unaffiliated shows (training shows) can be banned up to 6 months from competing in affiliated shows. • This has big implication for all equestrian sport and the equestrian community is very upset about it. • A 389-page document was sent to SAEF council 16 days before SAEF OGM. • MAASA president forwarded to MAASA council 9 days before SAEF OGM asking for feedback, acceptance/rejection. No feedback received. (Provincial council did not forward to clubs & clubs didn't forward to individuals) so no individual members had a chance to see policies. • Policies were accepted at SAEF OGM, MAASA President abstained from voting as no mandate was received. • MAASA needs to decide how to handle the situation. • Suggest to open up conversation with individual MAASA members & 	DEIRDRE and DIANE to draw up an email to SAEF and send to Council for approval

		<p>Athletes about it and then write a letter to SAEF.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council in agreement. 	
10.	General		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SANESA KZN qualifying dates: Last date for qualifiers need to be 6 weeks before Nationals. KZN gave a date that was within the 6-week period. They are still waiting for core league dates before a new date can be confirmed. • At the moment there are no SANESA mounted archers in KZN. 	
11.	Next meeting date and closing		
		Closing for 2021	

Greetings



 Deirdre Janse van Rensburg (Chairman).”

Signed at Pretoria on 10th day of February ~~2021~~. 2022