



MOUNTED ARCHERY ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH AFRICA

MAASA OGM MEETING MINUTES

DATE	Saturday 4 February 2023
VENUE	Plot 86, Dam Road, Mooiplaas, Pretoria (Hybrid, via Zoom)
TIME	Followed on from AGM at 12:00pm

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MINUTES:

	POINTS	DISCUSSION/DECISION	TASKS
1.	Meeting Formalities		
1.1	Opening of meeting and attendance register & apologies	The president welcomed everyone. It was established that a quorum is present. Voting process: It was confirmed that Ordinary Members (Provincial Presidents) were in possession of a mandate from their provincial clubs in order to vote at the meeting. Athletes Rep did not get a mandate from athletes, therefore cannot vote on motions. Apologies received.	
1.2	To read and confirm minutes of previous OGM	The minutes from the previous OGM was accepted. Petro Accepts, Callie Seconds	Deirdre: to send to Diane to sign. Then upload to website & send signed minutes to members.
2.	Finances		
2.1	Finance budget presented by MAASA Treasurer	Budget for 2023 emailed to members by treasurer. Callie Accepts, Diane Seconds	

3. Motions brought forward by members in writing 30 days prior to meeting			
3.1	GMAA Motion1_2023_Record Status Events	Gauteng – Accepts KZN – Accepts North West – Accept Callie – Accept Petro – Accept Diane – Accept Motion is passed	Deirdre: Add Record status events to rulebook & send updated rulebook to members & upload to website.
3.2	GMAA Motion2_2023_Amendment of Grading Matrix	Gauteng – Accepts KZN – Accepts North West – Accept Callie – Accept Petro – Accept Diane – Accept Motion is passed	Deirdre: Add updated grading matrix to rulebook & send updated rulebook to members & upload to website.
3.3	GMAA Motion3_2023_Add Article 21 to the Bylaws	Gauteng – Accepts KZN – Accepts North West – Accept Callie – Accept Petro – Accept Diane – Accept Motion is passed	Diane: Add article 21 to bylaws & send to Deirdre Deirdre: upload bylaws to website.
3.4	GMAA Motion4_2023_Amendment of MAASA ByLaws_Finances	Gauteng – Accepts KZN – Accepts North West – Accept Callie – Accept Petro – Accept Diane – Accept	Diane: Amend bylaws & send to Deirdre Deirdre: upload bylaws to website.

		Motion is passed	
3.5	GMAA Motion5_2023_Amendment of MAASA ByLaws_Clubs	Gauteng – Accepts KZN – Accepts North West – Accept Callie – Accept Petro – Accept Diane – Accept Motion is passed	Diane: Amend bylaws & send to Deirdre Deirdre: upload bylaws to website.
4.	General		
4.1	Question from Gauteng members: Being affiliated with IHAA, what is our prospect/chance to get national colours?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We can send a MAASA (Unofficial South Africa) team to any international competitions. • If we want to send an official Protea team to an international competition there are certain criteria we need to adhere to. • The IHAA World Champs and the WHAF World Champs as international competitions do not meet the criteria for us to be able to get our Protea colours should we attend these competitions since these competitions are open to individuals and there are no formal teams that have gone through the same selection criteria as we have in SA. • In order to get our Protea colours we need to attend a competition where all teams competing have gone through a similar selection process set out by their Horseback Archery Association and approved by their country's equestrian federation and government. Alternatively we need to arrange a test match against a country that has similar selection criteria processes in place. The only national team that we are aware of that have the same selection process as SA is France. Their Association is affiliated to their Equestrian Federation and they have similar selection criteria and selection processes governed by their Equestrian Federation and government. • We are currently trying to arrange a test match against France, they are planning on coming to SA in Nov/Dec. • To get protea colours we have to apply through SAEF who contacts the other country's equestrian federation to arrange, send invitations etc. 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SAEF National Colours Policy: <p><u>THE FOLLOWING EVENTS ALLOW FOR NATIONAL COLOURS:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An INDIVIDUAL who through a selection process represents South Africa at an event where other nations have undergone a similar selection process • A TEAM who through a selection process represents South Africa at an event where other nations have undergone a similar selection process • The following competitions where teams have been selected at the HIGHEST level: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A test match against another country (Team disciplines e.g. Polo & Polo Crosse) ➤ A triangular or multiple team events (Team competition as well as Individual competition) ➤ A World Cup ➤ A World Championship 	
4.2	<p>Question from Gauteng members:</p> <p>What caused the decision to not enter a MAASA Team in the WHAF Qualifier held in SA recently?</p>	<p>The decision was made for individuals to be able to enter in the WHAF qualifier but not to send a formal MAASA/SA team because the competition was an unaffiliated competition.</p> <p>MAASA is not affiliated to WHAF and we do not ride any WHAF tracks in our qualifiers. The WHAF competition was not organized through MAASA, no tracks that appear in the MAASA rulebook were used and therefore the competition was unaffiliated.</p> <p>Since it wasn't organized through MAASA and no MAASA approved tracks/styles were used we could not apply to participate in this competition as a formal SA team and could not get Protea colours for the competition, therefore the decision was made to</p>	

		only enter as individuals and not an SA/MAASA team.	
4.3	Question from Gauteng members: Selection criteria is it in place.	Selection criteria is in place, it is published in our rulebook and sent to SAEF for approval. If we send an SA team to Gauchoux in August then selection criteria will be applied to the competitive year of 2022 (since we wouldn't have ridden our nationals yet for 2023). If we arrange a test match against France here in November then selection will be made using scores from 2023 competitions and nationals.	
	<p>Question from Gauteng member Jaco Jacobs:</p> <p>Is France the only country that complies? What about some of the countries that competed in the WHAF qualifier e.g. Syria, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Qatar etc.?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • France is the only country that we are currently aware of that complies with the criteria, that are affiliated to their equestrian federation and has similar selection criteria as we do. • Jaco mentioned at one point that Turkey also complied and had a formal national team. Deirdre sent out a formal invitation to Turkey in August of 2022 in order to arrange a test match and has still received no reply to her mail. • Apparently Italy also recently has become compliant and has a formal team. • The challenge is that most countries equestrian federations don't recognize horseback archery as an equestrian sport. E.g. in Spain they have no legal terminology for Horseback Archery, it is not legalized in Spain (any activity that involves weapons is governed by their military force) so technically any public displays with a weapon that hasn't been approved/recognized by the military force is illegal. • Jacques vd Westhuizen asks if we can't do it through SANA, do we have to do it through SAEF? Answer yes, all sport that involves horses must be governed through the SAEF, if not then SASCOC and SAEF will not formally recognize the sport. • Jaco Jacobs undertook to investigate whether there are other countries that comply & report back to Diane. • Question from Jacques vd. Westuizen; since Deirdre is on the IHAA board can she find out which countries comply? • Deirdre will investigate and find out if any other countries comply. 	<p>Jaco: Find out whether there are other countries that comply & report back to Diane</p> <p>Deirdre: To find out which countries would comply and have similar selection criteria and are formally affiliated to their equestrian federation.</p> <p>Diane: When the information has been received, Diane will contact SAEF formally and enquire as to whether the countries meet their criteria.</p>
4.4	<p>Question from Gauteng member Amali:</p> <p>What about sending a team</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IHAA had their AGM on 28 January where the World Champs was discussed. It seems that despite extremely high costs (airfare prices) the competition is set to go ahead. 	

	to IHAA World Champs in Mongolia, is that competition still happening?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We can look at sending a MAASA team. • Amali encourages that even if we can't send a formal SA Protea team that we should still try to send a MAASA team to represent SA in big international competitions. 	
4.4	<p>Question from Gauteng members:</p> <p>Why do we not want to be affiliated with WHAF and why don't we affiliate to all 3 international bodies WHAF, WFEA & IHAA at the same time?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removing the WHAF affiliation from the constitution is merely a formality. We were only affiliated to them for a short period when MAASA was first constituted - the reference to WHAF in the constitution is no longer applicable. They've sent us no communications, we've never paid membership fees and we aren't listed on their website. • We cannot be affiliated to all 3 international bodies (although we would have liked to be). It was made very clear to us that if we wanted to be affiliated to WFEA (Kassai) then we would need to use the Kassai tracks in our qualifiers and if we used that track in our qualifiers we would not be allowed to hold any IHAA events on that specific track. • IHAA has no problem for us to be affiliated with other international bodies but from the WFEA side we would not have been able to be affiliated to all 3 international bodies. 	
4.5	<p>Question from Gauteng members:</p> <p>There could be 6 commissions on the council, how do these commissions get appointed?</p>	<p>The MAASA constitution makes provision for the appointment of 6 commissions/sub committees or portfolios on the council.</p> <p>These portfolios are optional (to help alleviate the amount of work of the National Council) so it's not a must. But the council MAY appoint portfolios (it's not an elected position) therefore there is no formal procedures as to how to appoint/ select the members on these commissions or in these portfolios.</p>	
4.6	<p>Comment from Gauteng member Jaco Jacobs:</p>	<p>Jaco wishes to thank the MAASA Council for all the work they've done and all the effort and personal time they've put in. Thanks on behalf of the athletes. Marli Jacobs seconds.</p>	

4.7	Question from KZN President: What are the next steps in making changes to their constitution?	The KZN council has made changes to their constitution. They will need to send proposed changes to MAASA National Council for approval. Once it's been approved they would need to submit it as a motion to be voted on and ratified at their KZN AGM. They would need to go through the process of giving 45 days' notice for their AGM and send motions out 30 days prior to the AGM.	
5.	Closing		
5.1	Set date Next OGM	Same time next year, we will select a different venue.	
5.2	Closure of the OGM	The president thanked everyone and closed the meeting.	

Greetings

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Diane Horn (Chairman)."

Signed at Pretoria on _____ day of _____ 2023.

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