

SOUTH AFRICAN HANG GLIDING AND PARAGLIDING ASSOCIATION

Incorporating Powered Paragliding & Hang Gliding

Non-Profit Organisation – Empowering the Free Flight Community of South Africa

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SAHPA NEWSLETTER

Dear SAHPA Members,

The new year has started off with a bang and we are nearing May already.... Time flies. We would like to inform you of the following notices so please read through the newsletter.

NEWS FROM THE SAHPA OFFICE:

IMPORTANT NEWS:

Submission of applications and Renewal form:

Renewal forms are sent via mail to all the members 2 months prior to their licence expiry dates. It is important that you renew your licence at least 30 Days before your licence expires as all pilots must be in possession of the National pilots licence to be allowed to fly legally. The **SAHPA card is only a membership card and IS NOT A PERMIT TO FLY.**

Please contact the SAHPA office if you are not in possession of your National Pilots licence as there are still quite a few licences at the office and we have had no response to emails sent.

With regards to the application/ Renewal forms, there are a lot of pending applications and renewals that cannot be finalized due to outstanding paperwork, fees, outdated forms, etc. If you have received an email kindly send in the outstanding items as soon as possible so that the licenses can be issued timeously. ***Please make sure that all the documents are in order and signed off by an instructor before sending in the paperwork.***

Please note that if you have not received a current National Pilot licence, you are not legal to fly.

SAHPA CLOSED:

Please note that the SAHPA office will be closed on **Monday 30 April 2018.**

COMPETITIONS

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL COMPETITION PILOTS

The FAI sporting licence (competitors licence and not the SAHPA sports licence) expired on 31 December 2017 and will need to be renewed prior to the competition for your results to be accepted. You cannot register this at the competition as it will be too late to validate the sporting licence.

SAHPA recommends that all competition pilots pay their Aeroclub fees and competition licenses preferably by end of every January or at least a month before your first competition of the year.

Please pay here:

<http://aeroclub.blueboxonline.com/>? and select no section i.e. just R500 AeCSA fee + R185 FAI sporting license

***Note the system tracks you by ID number & email address, so to pay you need to login, if you have never logged in you will need to click forgotten password to reset your password by entering your ID & it will send the new password to the email address AeCSA has on file – if that does not work please call aeroclub on +27 11-0821100.

Please also make sure that your licence is current and if it needs to be renewed the forms are sent in at least a month before the competition to ensure that you have a valid licence on hand to show the organisers at the competition.

2018 BARBERTON OPEN

The competition will be held on **24 – 30 June 2018** www.livetrack24.com/events/2018BPO

2018 South Africa Open- Porterville (2018 SAO)

The competition will be held on 8 – 15 December 2018

NEWLY APPOINTED HOTS

Congratulations to the new 2018 NSTO's who will also be the Head of Training for their disciplines/Sections

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| Paragliding | Chris Van Noord |
| Hang Gliding | Lennox Olivier |
| Powered Section | Basjan Van Heerden |

Thank you for making yourselves available.

SAHPA AGM

The SAHPA AGM will be held in Porterville at the Gatskop Competition which should take place from 25/10/2018 to 28/10/2018. The AGM date will be confirmed shortly.