



The Aero Club of South Africa

Preserving Free Flight

Aero Club Communique # 21 of 2026

Good day to all our Aero Club members, and to all of the general and recreational aviation community.

We bring you news of how the Aero Club's Aero Assist programme will be able to help with renewals of Certificates of Airworthiness and Authorities to Fly.

Spring is here and the weather for flying is much better. September is also traditionally the month when we have a number of recreational and other aviation events taking place. There is news in this edition about some great events.

Aero Assist

The Aero Club's Aero Assist programme is designed to ease the work involved with the submission of applications for ATFs and CofAs.

We can now also assist with applications for ATFs and CofAs for aircraft that need to be inspected in terms of the Condition Monitoring Programme as determined in terms of the recent General Notice published by the SACAA.

Our Aero Assist system is supported by an online document capture capability. We submit all your forms and supporting documents to the CAA. Regular follow-ups are done to ensure effective and timeous completion of the applications.

Please contact us if you need more information.

See below for more information and the contact detail.



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NEED HELP GETTING ONTO THE CMP PROGRAMME?

We help you get your documents in order.



Organise the required documents



Check your application pack



Keep aircraft records ready for future use



Friendly support through the process



CONTACT US TODAY >



THE AEROCLUB
OF SOUTH AFRICA



www.aeroassist.org.za

Aero Club of South Africa

Upcoming Events

In the next few months, there is a lot to look forward to.

There is a “menu” of events to choose from that should suit all recreational aviation enthusiasts.

Here is information on some of the planned events.

Experimental Aircraft Association – Sun ‘n Fun

The yearly EAA Sun ‘n Fun to be held at the Krugersdorp airfield from 24 to 27 September 2026 promises to be a super event with informative talks and the launch of the Aviation Youth Development initiative.

Apart from good information Sun ‘n Fun will, as the name says, also be a lot of fun.

Please register for Sun ‘n Fun at <https://forms.gle/HNXTXa6LnHaWWrRDA>



EAA
THE SPIRIT OF AVIATION

SUN 'N FUN

KRUGERSDORP AIRFIELD
24 - 27 SEPTEMBER 2026

EXHIBITOR OPPORTUNITIES NOW OPEN

EXHIBITOR LAUNCH SPECIAL

-  PRIORITY EXHIBITOR SPACE & VIP NETWORKING ACCESS
-  PROMINENT LOGO PLACEMENT ON ALL EVENT MATERIALS
-  EXTENSIVE SOCIAL MEDIA COVERAGE TO THE INDUSTRY

 A HISTORIC MILESTONE FOR SOUTH AFRICAN AVIATION!

COMET AVIATION SUPPLIES | **ROTAX** | *Sling* |  **HOSTED BY KRUGERSDORP FLYING CLUB**

Here is more information.

 SUN 'N FUN TALKS & WORKSHOPS 		
TIME	FRIDAY 25 SEPTEMBER	SATURDAY 26 SEPTEMBER
08h30	Air Navigation Rally plotting and briefing with SAPFA  EAA 973 Hangar E10	 Live Stream from Alaska- Jon Kotwicki: Float Planes and Back Country Flying EAA 973 Hangar E10
10h00	Century Avionics - New Garmin Axis followed by Q & A EAA 973 Hangar E10 	Megan Stevenson - Factors Impacting Human Performance EAA 973 Hangar E10 
11h00	Aviation Youth Development Launch and Workshop Sponsored by ExecuJet EAA 973 Hangar E10 	Aviation Displays
13h00	Pieter Geldenhuys -Axella Aeronautical Engineering: Composite Workshop Hangar E29	Niren Chotoki - Comet Aviation Supplies: Best fuel for Rotax, Maintenance Schedules Carburetor Synchronisation Workshop Hangar E29 
15h00	Pilot Briefing for Orion STOL EAA 973 Hangar E10 	Talk by Kevin Hopper, developer of the Orion Cub, and factory tour 










S A Power Flying Association – Flyfest

SAPFA are hosting FlyFest at Brits airfield on 10 to 11 October 2026. This is in celebration of the first ever International Day of Air Sports, launched by the FAI. Saturday will be all about showcasing air sports of any kind, all AROs welcome and we encourage anyone who is curious to fly in or drive in and find out what it's all about. Sunday SAPFA will host a mini rally for anyone wanting to try their first competition.

Apart from this being a celebration of Air Sports the mini rally is a great test of piloting and navigational skills.



SAPFA
SOUTH AFRICAN POWER FLYING ASSOCIATION

SAVE THE DATE

FLYFEST

Two days of demonstrations, learning, competition and flying
— and the people who do it all.

10–11 OCTOBER
SATURDAY & SUNDAY · 2026

Brits Airfield
NORTH WEST, SOUTH AFRICA

Whether you fly, or you have only ever watched an aircraft taxi past with numbers taped to the door and wondered what it was doing — **this one is for you.**

PROUDLY PART OF



**INTERNATIONAL
DAY OF AIR SPORTS**
An initiative of FAI 

FULL PROGRAMME COMING SOON

#InternationalDayOfAirSports
sapfa.co.za

Africa Aerospace and Defence Expo – AAD 2026

The biennial AAD Expo is at Waterkloof from 16 to 20 September 2026.

This is Africa's premiere defence and trade aviation expo. But it also offers a lot to the general aviation community. And there is an air show to look forward to as well.

Please access the website for all information and to get tickets to the air show at

<https://www.aadexpo.co.za/>

Contact detail is: [+27 84 840 3214](tel:+27848403214) | admin@aadexpo.co.za

Please support the events. Fly safe and enjoy the coming of summer .

See information below on Aero Club membership renewal and safety contact detail.

Have a good week,

Regards,

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Chairman, Aero club of SA,

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The 2026 Aero Club membership renewal commenced on the 1st of December. Please visit the Aero Club website at <https://aeroclub.org.za/membership/> to renew or to register as a new member. We list below the information on our Aero Assist system whereby you can easily renew your Authority to Fly.

The Aero Club Membership Support Initiative **ATFs and Licences**

The Aero Club has created a Member Support Initiative to assist active Aero Club members in their Recreational Licence & ATF application submissions to the CAA at a cost of R 300 per submission, discounts for multiple submissions and referrals.



AeroAssist

<https://www.aeroassist.org.za/>

AeroAssist is a web based system that can be used by members of Aero Club to facilitate Authority to Fly applications with CAA.



The functionality of the system allows for the upload of all required documentation that must be submitted with the application. Aircraft details and applicable documentation will be saved to a master document set for the aircraft and will be available for subsequent applications; making it easier for the user the next time an application is submitted.

Applicants are kept up to date with regards to application progress via their preferred communication method - sms or e-mail. When the Authority to Fly has been issued by CAA, it will be stored in the system and automatically e-mailed to the applicant. As an additional service, we also send a reminder at the appropriate time when an Authority to Fly is due.

For more information contact The Aero Club of South Africa
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Sections of The Aero Club of South Africa



Also, please see below the contact numbers for the SACAA confidential hazard reporting system and the Aeronautical Rescue Coordination Centre.

Safety Contact Information

The SACAA Confidential Aviation Hazard Reporting System (CAHRS) reporting link:
<https://www.caa.co.za/information-for-the-public/reporting/#cahrs>

ARCC

Aeronautical Rescue
Coordination Centre

SEARCH AND RESCUE



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Report **ANY** Aircraft Accident
Immediately to the ARCC

This includes Paragliders



ARCC
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