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CONSTITUTION

1. The name of the club

The name of the club shall be "Middelburg Aero Club" herein after referred to as the "Club".

2. Principle objective of the Club

- a) To encourage and promote the sport of flying in its various disciplines.
- b) To carry out all the normal functions of a sporting and recreational club.
- c) To control the operation and safety of flying in any area where the Club may have jurisdiction.
- d) To maintain the discipline of Club members within the rules and constitution of the Club.
- e) To function as a controlling body (Middelburg Aero Club) of the Middelburg Airfield and facilities in terms of the contractual agreement entered into with the Middelburg Municipality.

3. Membership

- a) Membership shall consist of

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- i) Honorary Member – one who has been appointed by unanimous resolution of the Committee and who shall be entitled to all privileges of the Club without payment of subscriptions, but will have no voting rights or be eligible for Membership to any of the Management Committees.
 - ii) Flying Member – one who has full voting rights and is affiliated to the Aero Club of South Africa or any of its affiliate bodies, which actively participate in aviation. Membership of M.A.C is compulsory for any person making use of the Middelburg Airfield facilities on a regular basis.
 - iii) Social Member – one who shall be entitled to all privileges of the Club, with membership payment, but will have no voting rights or be eligible for Membership to any of the Management Committees.
 - iv) Executive Member – one who has been elected by the Flying members amongst themselves to serve on the management committee concerned with the management of the Club.
- b) Each applicant for admission to membership of the Club shall be proposed and seconded by members of the Club. The proposal shall state the Applicants address and shall be signed by both the Proposer and by the Applicant.
- c) The Executive Committee shall not be required to give any reason for the rejection of any Applicant from membership and the decision shall be final and entirely at the Executive Committee's discretion.
- d) Visitors – reciprocity may be extended to any person approved by a Committee Member.





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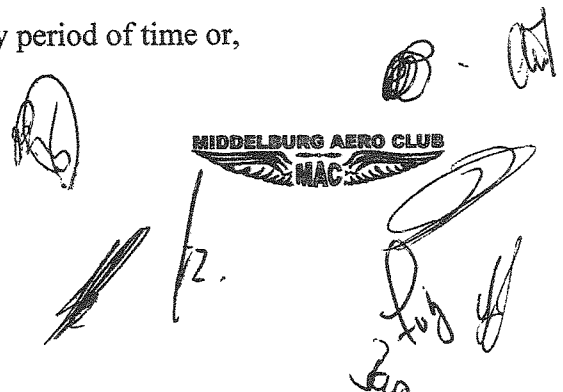
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- e) Membership of the Club does not and shall not give any Member of any class any right, title, claim or demand in or to any of the monies or assets of the club, but only confers upon such Members the rights and privileges of entering such areas under the jurisdiction of the Club, and of using facilities managed by the Club in accordance with the use of which some are deviated by the Executive Committee of the Club, and subject to such restrictions and changes as the Executive Committee may from time to time impose, and subject to the Constitution and Rules of the Club.
- f) Liability of Members – the payment of a subscription shall imply acknowledgement that such Member accepts and is bound by the :
 - 1. Constitution of the Club.
 - 2. Rules and Regulations of the Club.
 - 3. The rulings of the Club Management and Committees.
- i) Proof of membership
Each member will receive a club membership card certifying the person as a member of Middelburg Aero Club. Such membership card may be used to qualify for the privileges and discounts as is negotiated by the Club from time to time.

4. Disciplinary powers and actions

Either of the following procedures may be applied in the event of any Member failing to abide by the Constitution or Rules of the Club, or jeopardizing the safety of Aviation in any way.

- a) Caution and warning by any officer of the Club.
- b) Appearance before the Executive Committee who shall have the powers of:
 - i) Suspension of membership for any period of time or,





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- ii) Expulsion from the Club for flagrant and for repeated offences or,
- iii) A fine payable to the club according to the ruling of the Executive committee.

A member who has been expelled or suspended from the Club shall have no right of refund of any subscription which he/she paid to the Club and shall hand in his membership card to the Middelburg Aero Club. Normal landing fees shall be payable by any such person as is published in the Government Gazette.

5. Subscriptions/entrance fees

- a) A full membership (flying and executive members) fee of R250.00 per annum (July –June) is payable by any member approved in joining the club. (these fees may be amended by the Committee from time to time).
Membership fees will cover all landing fees payable by any member in terms of the Contractual Agreement with the Municipality and as is published in the Government Gazette from time to time. Non members will be eligible for payment after use of facilities.
- b) A membership fee of R150-00 per annum is payable by any social member approved in joining the club.(these fees may be amended by the Committee from time to time.)
- c) Subscriptions are due on application for Membership and thereafter on the 1st day of July each year.
- d) Applications made from the last day of any month following July of any year, will pay pro rata subscriptions, calculated in 1/12ths of the annual subscription fee.

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- e) Any member who has not paid his subscription within one month after it becomes due, shall automatically, without verbal or written advice, cease to be a member of the club.
- f) All subscriptions payable shall be determined by the committee.
- g) The committee shall have the discretion to award any refund, should any Member at any time resign from the club.
- h) Members shall be advised in writing prior to renewal date of the due date and the amount of subscriptions payable.
- i) Such membership fee will be catering for landing fees etc. and special rates and privileges as are negotiated by the club from time to time, and the use of the facilities under the management of the club.

6. Executive Committee

- a) The control and management of the Club shall be vested in a Executive Committee of Management consisting of eight persons:
 - i) Chairman
 - ii) Vice Chairman
 - ii) Secretary
 - iii) Treasurer
 - iv) Safety Officer
 - v) Co-ordinator – Microlights
 - vi) Co-ordinator - PPL's
 - vii) Co-ordinator - Gliders
- b) The Executive Committee shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting for a year's term of office. Retiring Members are eligible for re-election.



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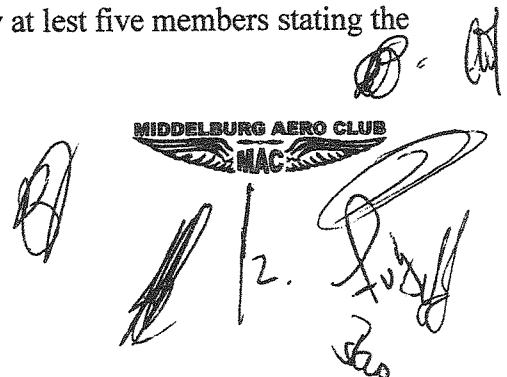
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- c) The decision in all other matters not dealt with in the Constitution shall be made by the Executive Committee.
- d) The Committee may, for any purpose, appoint a Sub-Committee, at least one member of which shall be a Member of the Executive Committee . Any decision taken by the Sub-Committee must be ratified by the Executive Committee.
- e) The Executive Committee may co-opt at any time up to and including five additional Club Members to serve on the executive Committee.

7. Meetings and Procedures

- a) If at any meeting the Chairman shall not be present at the time appointed for holding same, the Vice Chairman will chair any such meetings. If none of the above Members of the Committee is present members of the Committee present shall vote one of their numbers to the Chair.
- b) A vacancy arising in the Committee before the next succeeding Annual General Meeting, shall be filled by the normal voting procedure.
- c) The decisions of the Committee to the interpretation of the Constitution, Rules and Regulations shall be final and binding.
- d) The conduct of all meetings shall be in accordance with normal rules of procedure. The Secretary shall minute all proceedings and circulate these minutes to all paid up members.
- e) The Annual General Meeting shall be held in June of each year. Notice of the A.G.M. shall be posted not less then fourteen days to all members prior to the meeting.
- f) A special General Meeting may be called by the Committee at any time and they shall do so upon the requisition signed by at lest five members stating the



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purpose for which the meeting is requested. Notice of any such special meeting shall be given at least fourteen days prior to the meeting, in writing to all Members and shall specify the object for which the meeting is called.

- g) The Committee shall be empowered to deal with the business of the Club according to the Constitution and Rules.
- h) The Committee shall meet at least once every three calendar months.
- i) The Chairman shall have a deliberative and a casting vote.

8. *Quorum for all meetings*

- a) Seven members present and entitled to vote shall be a quorum for any General Meeting, or 50% of the Members, should the membership be less than 10.
- b) Five Executive Committee Members present and entitled to vote, shall be a quorum for any Executive Committee Meeting.

9. *Voting*

- a) At all General or Special Meetings, every member present and entitled to vote shall have one vote and all business shall be transacted on a majority of votes.
- b) In the event of any equality of votes, the Chairman shall have a casting vote in addition to that which he is entitled to as a member.
- c) There shall be no votes by proxy.



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10. Finance

- a) The Club is to be managed as a non profit association. All funds generated and available will be used to the benefit of the club.
- b) The funds of the club shall be deposited at such Bank or Building Society as the Committee from time to time determines.
- c) All withdrawals from any account shall be signed by two Committee Members designated by the committee.
- d) The Treasurer shall keep the accounts of the Club and shall have custody of all financial documents belonging to the Club.
- e) The Treasurer shall prepare the Annual Financial Statements for the 30th June in each year, which shall be presented at the Annual General Meeting.
- f) The Committee is hereby authorised to spend such monies as may be required for the running and improvement of the Club.

11. Indemnity

The Committee and all other Officers of the Club are hereby indemnified and held harmless out of and from the funds of the Club from and against all actions, losses, charges, costs or damages which they or any of them may incur or be put to concerning or about the execution of their duties as Officers of the Club. None of them shall be held answerable for any act of default of the one or other of them or for any deficiency or insufficiency in any titles or security. Nor shall they be liable for any loss occasioned by any Bank or other person with whom monies or securities may be deposited or entrusted. Nor for any involuntary loss, misfortune or damage which may happen to take place in the execution of their respective offices or as a result thereof, provided that any such loss, misfortune or damage be not occasioned by the mala fide of such Officer or through his/her willful neglect or default.



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12. Amendments to the constitution

The Constitution shall not be added to, amended or rescinded except at the Special or Annual General Meeting and any resolution shall require a two thirds majority vote of Members present, provided Rule 8 (a) has been complied with.

13. Dissolution

If at any meeting a resolution for the dissolution of the Club be passed, the Committee shall call a special Meeting to be held not later than 30 days thereafter, at which two-thirds of the Members at that time must be present, to confirm the resolution which shall require a two-thirds majority vote. If the resolution is passed, the Committee shall proceed to realise the properties of the Club and after the discharge of all liabilities shall transfer the remaining same to the remaining members in terms of this constitution. Thereafter the Club shall be dissolved.

This constitution accepted at the General meeting held on this

THIRD day of AUGUST 2002 at MIDDELBURG.

Executive Committee : 1)

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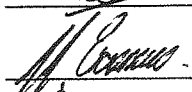






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Members Present:

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