

# **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,

Please find below some important information from the SAHPA office.

### **SAHPA RENEWALS**

The SAHPA Renewal forms are now available on the website if you wish to renew before you receive your forms in the post. Please click on the appropriate links: [2013 SAHPA General Renewal](#) & [TFI Instructor Renewal Pack](#)

It can also be found in the member's area

[http://www.sahpa.co.za/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=8&Itemid=6](http://www.sahpa.co.za/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=8&Itemid=6)

SAHPA will still take in the applications/ renewals and check that all the paperwork is in order before sending it to RAASA for processing. RAASA will however post your licence directly to you. If you wish to collect it from the SAHPA office please clearly mark it on the Renewal form. There will also be no extra costs as this is now all included in the SAHPA fee. The RAASA licence fee will be included into the SAHPA Fee so that only once amount needs to be paid. SAHPA will do the rest. Please ensure that all the necessary paperwork is submitted with all the appropriate signatures so that the process doesn't get delayed. A licence cannot be issued if the paperwork is not correct and with this you will NOT be allowed to fly. If you have submitted your renewal and haven't received your licence, please contact the SAHPA or RAASA office to find out if there are any delays or if your licence has already been posted.

To renew or apply for a RAASA licence directly from RAASA, it is compulsory for you to be a current SAHPA member. The SAHPA membership will still need to be paid to cover the FAI, Aero Club, Insurance and radio licence fees. Proof of this will need to be shown to the RAASA official.

### **SAHPA COMMITTEE ELECTIONS:**

The 2013 SAHPA committee ballot form is now available <http://www.qualityquotes.co.za/tmp/Ballot%20form%202013.pdf> It will also be sent to you by post. Please make an effort to cast your vote before the 16<sup>th</sup> of June and send it to the SAHPA office. A confirmation email will be sent to you once received. Only 2 sections will need to be voted on and that is the SAHPA Chairman as well as the PPG representative. The rest have automatically been appointed as no other nominations were received for these positions.

The AGM will take place in Barberton on the 17<sup>th</sup> of June 2013 and will be held at the Barberton Golf Club (Paragliding competition meet centre) at 6:30pm.

Good luck to the candidates.

### **SA PARAGLIDING TEAM:**

As you may be aware, the 2013 Paragliding World Championships will take place from the 13 - 26 of July in Sopot, Bulgaria this year.

We have six pilots who have qualified to participate in the event:

- Khobi-Jane Bowden
- Andre Rainsford
- Chris van Noord
- Nevil Hulett

- Russell Achterberg
- Stef Juncker.

Congratulations to the team representing South Africa, we wish them all the best!

You can follow the team on facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/SAParaglidingWorldsTeam2013>

We'll be holding a few fund raising events to help the team financially, please keep an eye on the facebook page and the discussion forums for more information,

**IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL TFI PILOTS & INSTRUCTORS:**

All new applications and renewals must be accompanied with a Class 4 medical. The general Medical Fitness form will no longer be accepted. The new Class 4 medical is available from the website. You may go to any Medical Practitioner for this medical. Please ensure that you do take the designated form with you.