

Tony Laubser

I grew up in the Eastern Cape in Queenstown. After matriculating from Queens College in 1981, I started at the SA Air Force and spent 7 and a half years in the SAAF where most of my flying was on DC3 Dakotas. After leaving the SAAF in 1989 I started working with SAA. My career path followed the usual stint on B747 Classics as in flight relief. I then moved onto the B737-200 as a co-pilot for 2 years and then onto the A320's for just over 4 years. During this time on the domestic, I spent 3 years serving the SAAPA Executive Committee. I then moved back onto B747 Classics for 4 years and then onto B747-400's for a little over 2 years. My command upgrade was back on the B737-200 and after 2 years with the B737-200 being phased out I moved onto the A319 fleet on which I currently serve as a Check Captain.

My involvement with ALPA-SA started while I served on the SAAPA Executive Committee as the official SAAPA representative. In 2003 I was elected onto the ALPA-SA ExCo and from 2004 I served as the Vice President under Gawie Van Rooyen. In 2006 I was elected President of ALPA-SA and served in this position until October 2009.

During my tenure on the ExCo I had dealings with many of the technical issues including that of airports and ACSA. As the AGE committee was left without a chairman, I made myself available and hope that with my understanding of airport matters, I will be able to add value to this sector.

I am married to Ursula and we have a son, Nathan. My hobbies are mainly mountain biking and collecting red wine (and sampling).