

2023 Maintainer Scholarship Application Form



About Recreational Aviation Australia Scholarships

RAAus actively supports the future of aviation in Australia with scholarships being just one of the ways we support people in the aviation industry.

Applying for a Scholarship

Please ensure that you read this form carefully before submitting your application. Incomplete applications will not progress.

Scholarship categories

Maintainer scholarships are offered to members of RAAus. The number of scholarships awarded is dependent on available funds. Applicants may only nominate in one category in any scholarship year, including flying and instructor scholarships.

Applicants must be a full financial member of Recreational Aviation Australia.

Submitting your application

Applications can be submitted either electronically to scholarships@raaus.com.au (bearing the subject line "Scholarship Application"), or by post to Scholarships, Recreational Aviation Australia, PO Box 1265, FYSHWICK ACT 2609.

To assist us in correctly assessing each application please ensure that the application is complete before submitting it to our office. If for any reason requested information is not applicable, please mark the form accordingly.

Applications must be received no later than 5pm on 31 March 2023.

Availability of scholarship funds

If you are a successful applicant, funds will be made available from 1 July 2023. Payment for maintenance fees before 1 July 2023 remain the responsibility of the applicant.

Applicants must complete their training within **12 months** of receipt of scholarship funds. However, in exceptional circumstances, students who require more time can apply to the panel for an extension.

Ineligible Applicants

1. Previous recipients of an RAAus scholarship
2. Close relatives of current RAAus Board or staff members
3. Applicants with foreknowledge that they may, for scholarship purposes, have to undergo instruction or testing by a relative

Application Evaluation Process

Applications will be assessed by an independent panel and will be graded solely on the basis of the selection criteria. All applicants will be advised of the outcome of their application in writing. The panel's gradings will remain confidential, applicants are welcome to request feedback.

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Personal details		
RAAus Membership Number	Date of birth	Age
Last name	Title Mr / Mrs / Ms / Miss / Other:	
Given names	Gender	Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/>
Residential address		
Suburb	State	Postcode
Postal address (if different)		
Suburb	State	Postcode
Phone (M)	Phone (H)	
Email		
Previous scholarship applicant Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		

Flight Training School or organisation where intended training is to be conducted

Applicant Declaration or Parent/Guardian Consent (for applicants under 18)

I, _____, understand that Recreational Aviation Australia (RAAus) will accept no liability during any phase of my or my child's scholarship training. In the event of my application being successful, I consent to RAAus publishing my or my child's name, age, town, photograph and training progression details for related promotional and reporting purposes.

Parent or Guardian consent (for applicants under 18)

I, _____, certify that I fully and unconditionally agree to indemnify RAAus, its officers, directors and members against all liability resulting from any injury, death or damage that may be sustained by myself or my child while undergoing maintenance instruction or related scholarship-funded activities.

Signature _____

Date _____

Parent/Guardian signature _____

Date _____

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Application Requirements and Selection Criteria

1. ☐ I am a full financial member of Recreational Aviation Australia.
2. Provide a self-authored essay (limit of 1,000 words) on why you wish to become an aircraft maintainer and how you propose to use the experience (or qualification) when it is gained.

3. Provide insight, in your own words (limit of 500 words) as to your need for financial assistance.

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4. Two references (limit of 500 words) from non-family members (e.g. RAAus L2 maintainer, LAME, school teacher, community leader etc.).
☐ Two references attached
5. Be able to demonstrate that you possess an aptitude to become an aircraft maintainer, either actual (evidenced via student or STEM progress records) or potential (evidenced via an independent aircraft or helicopter maintainer equivalent's written attestation) or other supporting documents from like industry.
☐ Attached
6. Be able to demonstrate a sustained commitment to aviation in general. Evidence of this could take the form of ongoing organisation membership (e.g. Air Cadets), member of an RAAus club, hobbies or school/ education subject selections. Please provide details below.

7. Under the age of 18 years, must provide a written and signed parental/guardian consent to allow you to undergo RAAus maintenance training in addition to the above-mentioned application form. This may also include maintenance training interstate.
☐ Attached (if required)
8. If not a holder of a driver's licence, provide written and signed confirmation (from a parent/guardian if under 18) that you meet the medical requirement for the issue of a motor vehicle driver's licence
☐ Copy of driver's licence or written confirmation attached

Expectations

RAAus expect that scholarship recipients will:

1. Use scholarship funds exclusively for the purposes of covering costs associated with training and education required to become a maintainer
2. Inform RAAus (preferably, in advance) of extenuating circumstances that have (or could) delay or prevent their training progression
3. Possess the necessary English language skills and general aptitude to facilitate their education
4. Scholarship winners will also agree to participate in ongoing surveys and evaluation activities after completion of your scholarship.

☐ I have read and acknowledge the above expectations