



**Australian Women Pilots' Association**  
**FLIGHT TRAINING SCHOLARSHIP – 2021**  
*Sponsored by Airservices Australia*

**SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION**

Australian Women Pilots' Association, through the sponsorship of Airservices Australia, is offering four Flight Training Scholarships up to the value of **\$8,000** each to women who wish to pursue careers in aviation as pilots. The funds are to assist with flight training costs associated with gaining any stage of flying proficiency in either fixed wing or rotary aircraft from the early stages of training through to Commercial Pilot Licence. Applicants must be training with a Part 141 or 142 flying school.

There are two categories of scholarship with two scholarships available in each category:

**Category 1** is open to student pilots who have reached their first solo flight.

**Category 2** have logged at least 5 hours cross country flight as PIC in their training enroute to CPL.

## **BACKGROUND**

**Airservices Australia** is the national air traffic control organisation and a global leader responsible for the provision of air navigation services. It has a responsibility under the Airservices Act 1995 to 'Foster and Promote Aviation'.

Airservices Australia believes it is in the long term interests of the aviation industry to assist young people to pursue a career in aviation. To this end, it has donated funds to provide four scholarships that will be awarded on merit to successful female applicants, and each scholarship is to assist with the flight training costs of the successful candidate.

**Australian Women Pilots' Association (AWPA)** is a national representative body of women pilots. Its objectives include the encouragement and advancement of women pilots in career and recreational pursuits in aviation. Each scholarship provides one woman with the opportunity to advance her flying career. AWPA is particularly appreciative of the opportunities this sponsorship by Airservices Australia provides.

Women wishing to apply must use the official application form and ensure they meet the following criteria and understand the conditions of the award should they be successful.

**APPLICATIONS CLOSE 31 JANUARY 2021**

## **SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA**

To be eligible for consideration, an applicant must meet the following criteria:

1. Category 1 – have achieved first solo flight in an aeroplane or helicopter;  
Category 2 – have logged at least 5 hours cross country flight as PIC in their training enroute to CPL.
2. Hold a current CASA Class 1 or 2 aviation medical.

3. Be a financial member of AWPA and remain one for the duration of the scholarship term (Note that applications from non-members to join AWPA must have been received by the Membership Secretary by **1 January 2021**).
4. Be at least 15 years of age (Note: Where an applicant is under 18 years of age, the application must be accompanied by a letter of consent signed by a parent or guardian).

In addition, an applicant will be expected to provide:

5. Details and evidence of educational achievements where applicable.
6. A recent letter of recommendation from a flying instructor or other aviation person detailing proficiency and aptitude for aviation.
7. An essay.
8. Other background information.

## SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION PROCESS

Applicants will be considered for their ambition to pursue an aviation career as a pilot and their plan for how they intend to realise that career. Other factors that will be considered include aptitude for leadership and community involvement.

All applications will be assessed at the discretion of the selection panel whose decision will be final. No correspondence or discussion will be entered into after the announcement of scholarship recipients.

The winners will be announced by Airservices Australia at the AWPA Conference Presentation Dinner on 24 April 2021 in Broken Hill NSW.

## SCHOLARSHIP CONDITIONS and FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS

The scholarship funds will be available from the date of announcement of the successful applicants on 24 April 2021 to 30 June 2022.

A short period of scholarship retrospectivity will be available to recipients. Any relevant training conducted from when applications close will be eligible to be claimed against the scholarship funds – so the practical term of the scholarship is 1 February 2021 to 30 June 2022.

The scholarship funds are to be used for **flight training only**. Funds are not to be expended on the purchase of equipment, books, apparel or flights not directly supervised as part of the training program.

Flight training must be with a Part 141 or 142 flying school.

The scholarship funds of up to \$8,000 per scholarship comprise two components:

1. \$6,000 to meet flying training costs – paid by AWPA to the flying school after the training has occurred and once fully itemised invoices have been provided to the AWPA National Treasurer by the school; any retrospective claims will be reimbursements to the recipient on submission of fully itemised invoices that have been paid.
2. \$2,000 available as bonus payments on attainment of certain achievement milestones as follows:
  - Category 1: Student Pilot:**
    - a) \$1,000 on achievement of the proficiency level required to start navigation training as verified by the flying school
    - b) \$1,000 on achieving PPL or equivalent as verified by CP or HOO/CFI
  - Category 2: Post 5 hours cross-country flight time Pilot in Command:**
    - c) \$1,000 on passing all CPL subjects

- d) \$1,000 on achieving CPL.

Each recipient may also be requested to provide a photograph of themselves for use by Airservices Australia in promotion of their sponsorship.

## **SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS**

Please note that incomplete applications will not be considered – a checklist is provided as part of the application form to help guard against this.

These scholarships always attract a strong field of applicants. Accordingly, applicants are encouraged to attend to the detail required in making a complete and thorough application.

Applications must be submitted both electronically in PDF format and in hardcopy by post. Please do not bind the paper copy or put in any sort of presentation folder.

Note that the total file size of the electronic version must not exceed 5 MB. Any application exceeding 5 MB will be rejected.

**Late applications will not be accepted.**

**Enquiries:** [scholarship.coordinator@awpa.org.au](mailto:scholarship.coordinator@awpa.org.au)



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**APPLICATION FORM**

**Closing Date – 31 January 2021**

**Section 1 – Name and Contact Information**

Please use **black ink** when completing this form

Full Name: ..... Title: .....

Address:  
.....

City..... State.....Postcode.....

E-mail: .....

Telephone: ..... Mobile: .....

AWPA Member Y / N If no, date of application for membership / /

Please Note: If you are not already a member of AWPA, you must have lodged with the AWPA Membership Secretary a membership application by **1 January 2021**.

AWPA members must be financial with 2021 membership fees paid.

Are you applying for any other AWPA scholarship this year, and if so which one?

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**Section 2 – Personal Profile**

**Occupation:** .....

**Education:**

1. Are you a student?  Yes  No If Yes, please complete A or B below as relevant

A. Name of high school: .....

Which year will you be in during 2021? .....

B. Name of tertiary institution (university, TAFE, etc)

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**Please note: An applicant may apply for no more than two scholarships in any one year.**

Course and year enrolled .....

**Please attach a copy of official documentation of your most recent results, i.e. grade attainment, school report etc.**

2. Please provide details about the Part 141 or 142 flying school you are doing your training with:

Name: .....

Address: .....

Phone no: .....

HOO/CFI: .....

### Section 3 – Flying Training Record

There are **two categories** of scholarship. Please indicate here which category you wish to be considered for and provide the flying details only for that category. Note that training must be with a flying school operating under CASR Part 141 or 142.

**Category 1: Student Pilot (minimum first solo in powered aircraft):**

Hours flown: Dual:.....In command:.....Total hours:.....

OR

**Category 2: Post 5 hours cross-country flight time as pilot in command:**

Hours flown: Dual: .....In command: .....Total hours: .....

Cross country hours flown: Dual: ..... In command: .....

Aircraft type(s): .....

Endorsements: .....

List here any CASA tests/exams attempted and the result:

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### Section 4 – Aviation Documentation

Your application must be accompanied by the following:

- 1) ARN \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) Copy of CASA pilot licence if held.
- 3) Copy of CASA Aviation Class 1 or 2 medical – Note that out of currency medicals will result in rejection of the application.
- 4) Copy of the last two pages of your pilot’s logbook recording flying experience.  
Copy both sides (left & right sides) of each of the last two open pages of your logbook.

Ensure that any completed pages have been verified in accordance with your flying school's procedures, eg signed by your instructor or HOO/CFI.

In addition, **Category 2** applicants must provide certification from their Chief Pilot or HOO/CFI that they have completed five hours cross-country flight time as pilot in command.

## Section 5 – Letter of Recommendation

Please attach a recent reference from a flying instructor or other aviation person who can attest to both your character and personality and your interests and aspirations in regard to aviation. Do not ask relatives or any other person connected to you personally to provide this reference. Recommendation letters must bear the date on which they were written, be signed, and include the length of time the referee has known you and in what capacity.

**Referee's name:** .....

How does this person know you? .....

**Contact details:**

Phone: ..... Email: .....

## Section 6 – Essay

A short essay of no more than 700 words is required from applicants and should cover at least the following points:

1. Your plan for achieving your CPL and the strategies you will adopt to implement that plan.
2. Your present and future goals, and how you anticipate achieving them.
3. How you anticipate obtaining your first flying job.

## Section 7 – Declaration

I hereby certify the information in this application is true and correct.

I acknowledge and accept that neither Australian Women Pilots' Association nor Airservices Australia or their respective office bearers, members or employees, will be under any liability whatsoever during any phase of the scholarship arising from or in any way relating to the scholarship or the training pursued by me, should I be awarded this scholarship.

Additionally, in the event of my application being successful, I consent to AWPA releasing to Airservices Australia my name, age, town or suburb of residence and a photograph of myself, for the purposes of promoting Airservices Australia's sponsorship.

I understand that if my application is successful, and I accept a scholarship, I will be required to commit to conditions of the scholarship as described in the application documentation and my letter of confirmation. In particular I understand that:

- the term of the scholarship ends on 30 June 2022
- AWPA membership must be retained throughout the period of the scholarship
- any funds not used by me during the term of the scholarship will be forfeited
- a final report prepared by me is required at the end of the scholarship term.

Signature: .....Date: ...../...../.....

## Section 8 – Submission

Incomplete applications will not be considered - please make use of the checklist to guard against this.

Do you have all of the following that apply to you:

- The completed application form (*as above*)
- Copies of the relevant pages of your pilot's logbook
- A copy of your CASA pilot licence if applicable
- A copy of your current CASA aviation medical
- Recent letter of recommendation – signed and dated
- If under 18 years, a signed letter of consent from your parent or guardian (*refer Information Sheet*)
- A copy of official education documentation as applicable
- Category 2 applicants: CP/CFI/HOO certification of completion of 5 hours cross-country flight time as pilot in command
- Essay
- AWPA membership – 2021 membership paid

**Applications must be submitted electronically in PDF format – if more than one document all must be in PDF format.** Applications that include imaging (eg JPEG) or word processing (eg Word) formats will not be accepted.

Note that the total file size of the application – if more than one document add all the individual sizes together – must not exceed 5 MB.

**Any application exceeding 5 MB or which is not in PDF format will not be accepted.**

**DO NOT LEAVE THIS TO THE LAST MINUTE** in case technical help is required.

**NOTE: If any details are found to be incorrect the successful candidate may forfeit the scholarship.**

Submit your application:

**Email** by 31 January 2021 to: [scholarship.coordinator@awpa.org.au](mailto:scholarship.coordinator@awpa.org.au)

**Paper** – please do not bind these – must be mailed **with post mark no later than 31 January 2021** to:

AWPA Scholarship Coordinator  
PO Box 832  
EARLVILLE QLD 4870

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