



1974 Memorial Grant

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

The Grant was established by the Victorian Branch to commemorate four of our members who were lost in aircraft accidents in 1974 and is to provide assistance towards the cost of a rating or endorsement to support the advancement of practical flying skills. The value of this scholarship is \$2,000.

SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA:

1. Applicants must be an Australian citizen, a permanent resident or reside in Australia.
2. Be an AWPAA member or have applied for AWPAA Membership prior to application and maintain membership for the duration of the scholarship
3. Have RPC or RPL as a minimum and a minimum of 50 hours flying experience on powered aircraft
4. Hold a current CASA Medical Certificate or RAAus medical declaration

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:

All scholarship applications must include the following items:

1. Essay – Please include:
 - a. How you intend to use the Grant;
 - b. How this training will enhance your practical flying skills;
 - c. Describe how the training aligns with your aviation ambitions
 - d. Describe how you demonstrate your commitment to encouraging and inspiring other women pilots or aspiring pilots both through AWPAA and other venues
 - e. Please limit essay to a maximum of 500 words and refrain for sending other items not requested (e.g. photos)
2. Copy of the last two pages of your pilot's logbook (both sides of the last two pages of your open log book) ensuring that the record of your most recent flight review is included.
3. Copy of CASA pilot licence or Recreational Pilot's Certificate
4. Copy of CASA Medical Certificate or RAAus medical declaration
5. Signed copies of references
6. Evidence of your Australian Citizenship, Permanent Residency or Australian address.
7. Copy of Estimated Costs

SCHOLARSHIP CONDITIONS:

1. The Grant monies will be paid on a dollar-for-dollar basis, on presentation of invoices or validated receipts to the Grant/Award Coordinator. (see also condition 2)
2. Grant funds may either be paid directly to Part 141 or 142 Flight Training Operators or the applicant may have grant funds reimbursed to them if proof of payment to a Part 141 or 142 Flight Training Operator is provided.
3. The Grant must be used within twelve months of it being given.
4. The Grant was specifically set up to improve the quality of a Recreational or Private Pilot's (or equivalent) flying, preference will be given to applicants **not** intending to go on to a Commercial Licence.
5. Applicants may already be undertaking the rating or endorsement being applied for but only those invoices for training taken after the application closing date will be considered under the award.
6. In the event there are NO suitable applications for Freda Thompson and Claire Embling Aviation Award your application may also be considered for that award, subject to you meeting the criteria
7. Additionally, any relevant training conducted after applications close but prior to announcement may be claimed against the scholarship funds – this effectively widens the term of the scholarship from 1 February 2026 to 30 June 2027.
8. All applications will be judged at the complete discretion of the selection committee and no correspondence or discussion will be entered into after the scholarship recipient has been announced.
9. The successful applicant will be announced at the Awards and Presentation Dinner on Saturday 9th of May 2026 at Airlie Beach QLD.

SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS:

Applications are to be submitted electronically via the website.

Should you require a paper form of the application please Email:
scholarship.coordinator@awpa.org.au

Closure date: **31st of January 2026**

Note: Late applications will not be accepted.

If you need technical assistance please contact the Scholarship Coordinator.

For further information about this scholarship please contact the VIC Scholarship Coordinator: vic.scholarships@awpa.org.au

Multiple scholarship applications will be accepted but an applicant can only be awarded one scholarship.