

# VMAA Statement of Purpose

The Purposes of the Association are:

1. To promote, protect, organise and encourage model aircraft building, flying and development in all its aspects.
2. To promote, develop and encourage an interest and involvement in aviation and associated pursuits in all their aspects.
3. To promote communication with and involvement of city and country clubs in the activities of the Association.
4. To act on behalf of the Model Aeronautical Association of Australia as the accredited representative of the Federation Aeronautique Internationale (F.A.I.) in Victoria, to carry out the aims of the F.A.I. and M.A.A.A. as far as they are applicable to model aeronautics.
5. To promote National and State model aeronautical meetings, contests and exhibitions under the jurisdiction of the F.A.I. and the M.A.A.A.
6. To control and record model aircraft safety and performance within the areas under the jurisdiction of the Royal Federation of Aero Clubs Australia.

Solely for the purpose of furthering the purposes set out above the Association shall have the power:

- (a) To promote, hold and conduct all kinds of athletic sports, games and competitions and all forms of recreation and entertainment or assist in holding or conducting any of the same and to utilise the property of the Association for all or any of the said purposes and to give or contribute towards prizes, cups or other rewards.
- (b) To subscribe to, become a member of and co-operate with any other foundation, association, club or organisation, whether incorporated or not, whose objects are altogether or in part similar to those of the Association.
- (c) To purchase, take on, lease or in exchange, hire and otherwise acquire any lands, buildings, easements or property, real and personal, and any rights or privileges which may be requisite for the purpose of, or capable of being conveniently used in connection with, any of the objects of the Association - provided that in case the Association shall take or hold any property which may be subject to any trusts the Association shall only deal with the same in such manner as is allowed by law having respect to such trusts.
- (d) To enter into any arrangements with any Government or Authority that are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the objects and the exercise of the powers of the Association; to obtain from any such Government or Authority any rights, privileges and concessions which the Association may think it desirable to obtain, and to carry out, exercise and comply with any such arrangements, rights, privileges and concessions.

- (e) To appoint, employ, remove or suspend such managers, clerks, secretaries, servants, workmen and other persons as may be necessary or convenient for the purposes of the Association.
- (f) To construct, improve, maintain, develop, work, manage, carry out, alter or control any houses, buildings, grounds, works or conveniences which may seem calculated directly or indirectly to advantage the Association's interest, and to contribute to, subsidise or otherwise assist and take part in the construction, improvement, maintenance, development, working, management, carrying out, alteration or control thereof.
- (g) To invest and deal with the money of the Association immediately required in such manner as may from time to time be thought fit.
- (h) To take, or otherwise acquire, and hold shares, debentures or other securities of any company or body corporate.
- (i) To lend and advance money or give credit to any person or body corporate, to guarantee and give guarantees or indemnities for the payment of money or the performance of contractors or obligations by any person or body corporate, and otherwise to assist any person or body corporate.
- (j) To borrow or raise money either alone or jointly with any other person or legal entity in such manner as may be thought proper and whether upon fluctuating advance account or overdraft or otherwise to represent or secure and moneys and further advances borrowed or to be borrowed alone or with others as aforesaid by notes secured or unsecured, debentures or debenture stock perpetual or otherwise, or by mortgage, charge, lien or other security upon the whole or any part of the Association's property or assets, present or future, and to purchase, redeem or pay off any such securities.
- (k) To draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, execute and issue promissory notes, bills of exchange, bills of lading and other negotiable or transferable instruments.
- (l) To sell, improve, manage, develop, exchange, lease, dispose of, turn to account or to otherwise deal with all or any part of the property and rights of the Association.
- (m) To take or hold mortgages, liens or charges, to secure payment of the purchase price, or any unpaid balance of the purchase price, of any part of the Association's property of whatsoever kind sold by the Association, or any money due to the Association from purchasers and others.
- (n) To take any gift of property whether subject to any special trust or not, for any one or more of the objects of the Association but subject always to the proviso in paragraph (c).
- (o) To take such steps by personal or written appeals, public meetings or otherwise, as may from time to time be deemed expedient for the purpose of procuring contributions to the funds of the Association, in the shape of donations, annual subscriptions or otherwise.
- (p) To amalgamate with any one or more incorporated associations having objects altogether or in part similar to those of the Association and which shall prohibit the distribution of its or their income and property among its or their members to an extent at least as great as that imposed upon the Association under or by virtue of the Rules.
- (r) To purchase or otherwise acquire and undertake all or any part of the property, assets, liabilities and engagements of any one or more of the incorporated associations with which the Association is authorised to amalgamate.

- (s) To transfer all or any part of the property, assets, liabilities and engagements of the Association to any one or more of the incorporated associations with which the Association is authorised to amalgamate.
- (t) To make donations for patriotic, charitable or community purposes, or for any other purposes consistent with the purposes of the Association.
- (u) To transact any lawful business in aid of the Commonwealth of Australia in the prosecution of any war in which the Commonwealth of Australia is engaged.
- (v) To do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the purposes and the exercise of the powers of the Association.