



AIRSERVICES AUSTRALIA AUSTRALIAN WOMEN PILOTS' ASSOCIATION 2009 FLIGHT TRAINING SCHOLARSHIP

Australian Women Pilots' Association, through the sponsorship by Airservices Australia, wish to offer four flying training scholarships to the value of \$6,000 each (+ GST) to a woman who wishes to pursue an aviation career. The scholarship is to assist with flight training costs associated with initiating and pursuing a flying career, with the objective of facilitating women's entry into aviation.

BACKGROUND

Airservices Australia is the national air traffic control corporation and a global leader responsible for the provision of air navigation services. Owned by the Commonwealth Government, Airservices Australia operates as a commercial business earning revenue from the charges applied to the provision of products and services to the aviation industry. It has a responsibility under the Airservices Act 1995 to 'Foster and Promote Aviation'. The organisation believes it is in the long term interests of the aviation industry to assist young people pursue a career in aviation. To this end Airservices Australia has donated funds to provide a scholarship which will be awarded on merit to a successful female applicant, and each scholarship is specifically to help meet the flight training costs of a successful candidate.

Australian Women Pilots Association (AWPA) is the nation's peak representative of women pilots. Its objectives are focused on promoting aviation and women pilots in career and recreational pursuits. Each scholarship provides one woman with the opportunity to 'kick-start' their flying career. AWPA is particularly grateful and appreciative of Airservices Australia in providing this opportunity.

Applications are available from AWPA website www.awpa.org.au

The deadline to submit your application is 31 January 2009.

SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

SPECIFIC CRITERIA

- 1) **Prior to GFPT/PPL** (in addition to standing criteria) –
 - a. Copy of your Pilot Log Book page confirming a minimum of 5 hours flying with a GA instructor;
 - b. Current student license and aviation class 2 medical;
 - c. Instructor's recommendation detailing proficiency and aptitude for aviation; and
 - d. A member of AWPA at the time of applications closing.
- 2) **Post PPL** (in addition to standing criteria) –
 - a. Copy of last two pages of Pilot Log Book;
 - b. Current license and aviation class 1 or 2 Medical;
 - c. Instructor's recommendation detailing proficiency and aptitude for aviation; and
 - d. Membership of AWPA at the time of applications closing.

STANDING CRITERIA:

- The scholarship recipient must be a financial member of the Australian Women Pilots' Association (AWPA) at the time of applications closing (31st January 2009).
- Applicants will be considered for their scholastic achievements, ambition to pursue an aviation career, leadership skills, community involvement, aptitude and passion to fly as a career.
- Applicants must be 16 years of age or over and able to comply with the Civil Aviation Safety Authority's requirements to obtain a pilot's licence. Where the applicant is less than 18 years of age the application must be accompanied by the parents/guardian's consent in writing.
- The scholarship funds must be used for flight training at a CASA approved flying training school. The Flying School is to provide AWPA with quarterly progress reports on the recipient during the year of the scholarship.
- The scholarship recipient must successfully complete all required ground school training, including examinations, prior to commencing the next stage of flying training.
- Applications will only be accepted on an official application form and must be returned to AWPA by last mail on the closing date. NO EMAIL or FAXED applications will be accepted.

- Applicants must provide AWPAs with the original application plus 7 copies of the completed application form and relevant supporting documentation. (Two original photos or a cd with a digital jpeg is acceptable)
- The closing date is the 31st January 2009. The winner will be announced by Airservices Australia at the AWPAs Conference Dinner on the 2nd of May 2009 at Port Lincoln, in South Australia.
- The scholarship funds of \$6,000 plus any applicable GST, will be available for reimbursement of training costs from the date of the announcement of the winners, until 30th of June, 2010. It will not be possible to back date the payment of funds to the scholarship winner, prior to the announcement date of May 2nd, 2009.
- All applications will be judged at the complete discretion of the selection committee and no correspondence/discussion will be entered into after the scholarship recipient has been announced.