



MODEL AERONAUTICAL ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA

ARE YOU READY FOR

# TAKE OFF?



EXPERIENCE THE THRILL OF FLIGHT AND BE PART OF AN EXCITING  
SPORT THE WHOLE FAMILY CAN ENJOY!

Ready for take-off? Have a fun, safe flight, with the MAAA.  
The leading national aeromodelling organisation.

# Welcome to the MAAA!

## A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT NEIL TANK

The MAAA is the largest aeromodelling organisation in Australia. We encourage and support Australians to enjoy aeromodelling in a safe, fun environment.

Aeromodelling is a fantastic sport for the whole family to enjoy. You can fly for fun or compete in club, state, national or international competitions across a range of categories, from the latest in remote control multi-rotor aircraft to free flight, control line and scale models of real aircraft.

As the leading national aeromodelling organisation in Australia, the MAAA have a long and proud history. At our clubs you access the best advice, instructors and knowledge base so you can safely learn to fly and enjoy the sport. You can undertake pilot training, or even become an Instructor or Inspector.

If you are a member, or club, with safety concerns the MAAA is the only national body in Australia that is recognised by CASA as a model aviation Recreational Aviation Administrative Organisation.

With more than 300 clubs and thousands of members we innovate, lead and protect the future of our sport.

**To learn more about how to experience the thrill of flight visit [www.maaa.asn.au](http://www.maaa.asn.au)**

Until next time, have a fun, safe flight.

**Neil Tank**

# Experience the thrill of flight with the MAAA!

**Experience the thrill of flight at an MAAA club. Take a look at the types of model aircraft you can pilot and the categories of flying you can enjoy.**

## **Radio Control**

RC Models have revolutionised aeromodelling. RC aircraft are operated remotely by a hand-held radio transmitter and can be bought “off-the-shelf” from a local hobby shop. For many flyers this category offers the ultimate in excitement with models ranging from helicopters to scale models (like the spitfire) or even acrobatic and racing models. RC is challenging, exciting and lots of fun. But it's not as easy as it appears, don't lose heart if at first you don't succeed. Join a local club to get the best flying tips.

## **Free Flight**

Free flight is the oldest form of model flying. It offers fun and exercise in the open. With models ranging from gliders to rubber powered and diesel or glo-plug engine types they are built from plans or kit sets. Gliders can be launched by a towline or hand launched with a pair of fast feet.

After release they are free to soar in the rising air currents. Rubber powered models are popular both as a competition class and for sport flying.

## **Control Line**

Control line (often abbreviated to CL) is the original 'remote control' where a model aircraft is flown within a hemisphere by a pilot holding a handle that is connected to the model's mechanical control system via two thin steel cables. Control line offers the possibility of aerobatics, racing and even duelling in a deadly streamer chopping bout with models powered by either diesel or glo-plug engines.

## **Indoor Flying**

With the advent of powerful lightweight batteries for electric motors, interest is growing in indoor flight. You can fly a wide range of aircraft including aerobatic, scale WWII and helicopter models indoors.

RADIO CONTROL



LEARNING TO FLY CONTROL LINE

FREE FLIGHT



SOME OF THE MANY TYPES OF AIRCRAFT YOU CAN PILOT



HAND LAUNCHED FREE FLIGHT





# Welcome to the MAAA!

The MAAA is known for our insurance but we provide so much more. Our clubs will help you with advice on the best models, education and technical expertise. They provide a safe place to fly and even have recognised flight instructors to help you get your wings!



The MAAA support more than 300 clubs across the country to deliver everything you need to take to the skies. Join a club now to make new friends and join a local, supportive sports community.

Find out more about the MAAA at [www.maaa.asn.au](http://www.maaa.asn.au) and enjoy Wingspan, our digital magazine at [www.maaa.asn.au/wingspan](http://www.maaa.asn.au/wingspan)

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