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MODEL AERONAUTICAL ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA



Dear David

2016 is shaping up to be an outstanding year for the MAAA. We start the year with a bang, promoting our sport at the F1 Air Race Sandown 2016. Following this, the 2016 F2 World Championships for Control Line Model Aircraft will be held in Western Australia. There will be plenty of opportunities for you to see the best our sport has to offer.

As President, one of the things I hear most commonly is that people enjoy the camaraderie of our local clubs. It's your club that can help promote the sport and encourage Australians to enjoy aeromodelling in a safe and fun environment.

If you are not already a member, please consider joining the MAAA.

We offer insurance for your protection and peace of mind, but our services extend so much further. We lead and protect the future of our sport, giving a voice to our members.

Clubs can apply for our Club Assistance Scheme, which has previously supported the purchase of firefighting and mowing equipment and the construction of shaded areas and toilet blocks for some of our clubs across the country. We also provide low-interest loans to clubs to purchase flying fields or to

undergo construction projects.

This year, the MAAA is the main sponsor for the 2016 Luskintyre Scale Festival, providing \$20 000 in sponsorship and marketing support for the event. The festival will be one of the biggest displays of scale model aircraft ever held in NSW and Australia.

Remember, the MAAA has secured sporting status! Members of The Air Sport Australia Confederation (ASAC), which includes model aircraft flyers from the MAAA, have been recognised as a sport by the Australian Sports Commission. This is great news because it opens up funding through more state and local government grants for your club.

Save these dates in 2016!

JANUARY

Fast and furious fun!

If you are in Melbourne and feel the need for speed, make the <u>F1 Air Race</u> <u>Sandown</u> your destination this Sunday 31 January 2016.

Time: 9am – 4pm

Date: Sunday 31 January 2016

Location: Sandown Racecourse

591-659 Princes Hwy, Springvale Vic 3171

This year the F1 Air Race Sandown will be more exciting than ever with more than five pilots going to head to head in the sky at the same time!

The F1 Air Race Sandown will showcase the best of the best from world-class pilots to some of the best models in the world. As well as the Formula 1 Air Race, there will be extreme helicopters, racing jets, dragsters and extreme off-road warriors on show.

MAY

2016 F2 World Championships for Control Line Model Aircraft

Australia will play host to the 2016 F2 World Championships for Control Line Model Aircraft. This is an honour for Australia given that these events are rarely held outside of Europe.

Date:

World Cup: May 4 – 6, 2016

May 7 –13, 2016

Location:

Place: West Australia Model Aircraft Sport Centre

Address: Whiteman Park, Beechboro, Perth

Event Information:

Official website: www.cl-wch2016per.org Official email: office@cl-wch2016per.org

OCTOBER

The Hunter Region of New South Wales will come alive in October when the Luskintyre Scale Festival shows off some of the best scale model aircraft ever built and flown in the country.

Dates are yet to be confirmed, further details will be provided in Wingspan available on the MAAA website at www.maaa.asn.au

Australian Model Flying Day Date: 22-23 October 2016

In 2015, our clubs raised approximately \$10 000 for the Royal Flying Doctor's Service. The Australian Model Flying Day was a great success, and we plan to host the event again this year.

We'd like to see clubs, across the country, take to the skies to show their support for the important work of the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

Your club can be part of Australian Model Flying Day. Register your club's participation with the MAAA secretary by emailing secretary@maaa.asn.au

Remember to keep everyone informed of your events, you can register your club on the MAAA website

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