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Chairman's Report



It gives me great pleasure to present my first report as your Chairman. I took over from Sandy Howard at the Annual General Meeting, held in Brisbane this year in early March. At that time there were a few changes in the Executive and I thank those changing roles and particularly Doug Stott (retiring at the end of his term) for their past efforts – and my thanks to those are continuing in their roles: Pete

Norford as Secretary, John Eacott as Treasurer, Rob Dicker as Aviation Careers and Education Committee chair, Peter Raven as Trophies & Awards and Livery Committee chair, Tony Hall-Matthews as Chaplain and Welfare Officer, Harold Walton as Newsletter Editor, Spencer Ferrier as Legal Officer and Barbara Parish and Paul Tyrrell as general Committee members.

Sandy Howard is now the Immediate Past Chairman, and my first job as Chairman was to present him with a Past Chairman's badge. Sandy has set me a very high standard to try to match.



We welcome Matthew Harriott to the Council as chair of a re-formed Victorian Working Group, alongside Tony Alder in Queensland, Pete Norford in the ACT, and Rob Moore in South Australia. At our first teleconference Council meeting we invited Simon Ewart to join us as Technical & Air Safety Director – expect more news from these new Executive Council members later.

My vision for the Honourable Company includes wider awareness and support for our Education Trust fund so that we can add our own scholarships to those donated by the sponsors who currently support us. I would like to think we can award significant scholarships in our own right within the next 12 months. Our Aviation Careers and Education Committee, led by Rob Dicker, is the primary contact here.

I would also like to increase our membership Australia-wide to at least 250 (an 8% increase on present numbers) by bringing in new members from all areas of aviation from the recreational to the military and airline sectors, particularly the rotary-wing fraternity; and to expand into regions beyond the Brisbane-Sydney-Melbourne-Adelaide “J-curve”. We currently have very few members in Western Australia, the Northern Territory, Tasmania and inland areas of the continent. Included in this would be to encourage younger pilots to take an interest in our professional development opportunities, and particularly younger female pilots. The best way to increase our numbers is by personal invitation from existing members, so please invite your pilot friends to join our Company.

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Along with this I would like to involve a greater number of members in the work our Honourable Company undertakes. This can be in promoting us in their local aviation community, joining in the activities of the State Working Groups or helping activate new Working Groups, offering their expertise to the Technical Committee by responding to the Skills Register and indicating your areas of interest and experience, or helping in our welfare work by maintaining contact with older members or those in ill-health.

Important roles for the Technical Committee include being a part of the RAPAC which meets two or three times a year in each capital city plus North Queensland and occasionally more remote/less populous areas like Broome/Port Hedland or Northern NSW, and discusses items relating to airspace use and classification on a State-by-State basis as well as national issues; being involved with consultations with CASA, Airservices and the Bureau of Meteorology; or input to international issues including communications/navigation/surveillance and Air Traffic Management issues. The way we involve members here is to use their preferences from their skills Register input.

Occasionally we could use other skills such as legal, medical or accountancy qualifications, or a knowledge of military or airline recruiting processes. My experience is that the more you put into any club, the more you get out of it, so please get involved and get to know your fellow members.

I look forward to meeting many of you over the next year, as I move around Australia.

Mike Cleaver *chairman@airpilots.org.au*

Technical & Air Safety Report

I am pleased to advise that Captain Simon Ewart, who has been a member of the Technical Committee for the past few years, has offered to take over the role of Technical & Air Safety Director.

Simon is Chief Pilot for Cobham in Adelaide with the Boeing 717 fleet, providing aircraft and crewing for QantasLink services

Meanwhile, I have continued to run as Technical Director since the AGM, and have provided CASA with our response to the Aviation Medical Discussion Paper, advocating a review of how the standards are applied in a way that removes "gold plating" with unnecessary embellishment of standards or additional frequency of diagnostic testing and screening. Many of these embellishments are contained in the Clinical Practice Guidelines which advise DAMEs as a form of Manual of Standards to demonstrate how a pilot can be shown to meet the relevant standards.

A copy of the response is available on request to the Secretary.

I also attended what may be the final project team meeting for the post-implementation review of CASR Part 139, including updating and trimming the Manual of Standards to conform to the latest

version of the ICAO Annex 14 as far as practicable and identifying and separating requirements for aerodrome operators, aircraft operators and instrument procedure designers: these can get quite complex in relation to obstacle clearance considerations for IFR flight procedures.

The 2017 RAPAC season is well under way, and I attended the ACT RAPAC meeting. My thanks to those Technical Committee members who represent us at the RAPACs.

I will continue with our response to the Discussion paper on VHF radio frequencies at low levels in Class G airspace, due by 26 April, and thank Doug Stott for his assistance on that topic. Future consultation responses will fall to the new Technical Director to co-ordinate and Technical Committee members to provide him with input.

Late March I travelled to Victoria, attending the Royal Federation of Aero Clubs' Flying Training Conference along with Adrienne Fleming from the Aviation Careers and Education Committee. The conference was attended by committee members and CFIs of around 40% of the Aero Clubs in Australia, with most of the significant flying training clubs well represented. They were addressed by speakers from a number of government agencies, with CASA featuring prominently with Board Chairman Jeff Boyd, Principal Medical Officer Dr Michael Drane and Flight Crew Licensing Manager Roger Crosthwaite from Flight Standards Branch addressing the conference.

There is still plenty to be done to properly implement the Flight Examiner role fully and also return some testing roles to CFIs and other Approved Testing Officers.

Ashwin Naidu from the Bureau of Meteorology spoke on the upcoming Graphical Area Forecasts; AMSA (the search & rescue organisation) gave a presentation on their new Challenger jets which replace the Dornier 328s and vastly increase our SAR surveillance capability; our own member Greg Hood presented for ATSB; and Airservices Chairman Sir Angus Houston was guest speaker for the conference dinner.

I was able to display one of our banners and offer promotional material, so we may gain some new members from the exercise. A few other of our members were there, including 'Peter' Lloyd, a former RFACA President who retains all his facilities and interest in matters aviation at the age of 96, and Peter Raven representing Safeskiies.

I also attended the future planning meeting of the Bureau of Meteorology in Melbourne, which was a follow-on to the consultative meetings.

Whilst I have greatly enjoyed my two years as Technical Director, and will continue to input to our work in this field, it is now time to thank all of you who contributed to this important function that the Honourable Company performs, and encourage you to support Simon in the future as he eases into the Technical Director role.

Mike Cleaver Past T&AS Director April 2017

Aviation Careers and Education (ACEC) Report



In the first six months of the year the focus of the Aviation Careers and Education Committee is on our Scholarship Program. This year's scholarship offering was finalised at the end of last year and details have been on our web site since the beginning of the year.

Once again, with the help of our generous sponsors, Assessment Services Ltd, Advanced Flight Theory, Online Aviation Theory and Aerowasp Helicopters we are offering scholarships covering ATPL Theory courses and exams, CPL Theory courses and exams and Diploma in Aviation (CPL(H)).

Applications for this years scholarships opened at the beginning of March and will close on the 15th May. Should you know of anyone who might benefit from one of these scholarships please direct them to our website where they can get more details and download an application form.

It was pleasing to learn recently that one of our 2015 Scholarship recipients was accepted by Network Aviation (part of the Qantas Group) as a First Officer on the F28 - something he says would not have been possible without the assistance of the scholarship offered by the Honourable Company.

The Australian Region, Education Trust, was launched late last year and despite articles on the Trust in our Regional Newsletter as well as direct email communication with members on this subject it is apparent that our message is not getting through as support for the trust from members has, so far, been disappointing.

The aim of the Trust is to, over time, build a capital base which, through investment income, will be able to support scholarships and prizes in our own right without having to rely entirely on the sponsorship of third parties. Whilst we are most grateful for the support of our current sponsors, should circumstances dictate that they are no longer able to support us then we would have nothing to offer! We therefore need your support and, as you can see from above, our scholarships can make a material difference to the careers of those fortunate enough to receive them.

Details of the Education Trust Deed and how you can make a donation can be found in the Member Area of our website (<http://www.airpilots.org.au/MemberArea.aspx>).

Robert Dicker *Chairman, Aviation Careers and Education Committee*

Australian Region Council for 2017

The AGM of the Australian Region was held at the Queensland Club in Brisbane in March. As noted above the new Chairman is Mike Cleaver who takes over from Captain 'Sandy' Howard who automatically stands down after the magnificent job he has done over the last two years.

Most current Councillors and Appointed Officers were re-elected with the exception of Doug Stott who stands down and Captain Simon Ewart who has subsequently taken the role of Director, Technical and Air Safety.

The position of Deputy Chairman, vacated by Doug Stott, will be filled later in the year. Ordinary Council Members, who were appointed during 2016, Barbara Parish and Paul Tyrrell were reappointed to the Council joining Rob Dicker.

Pictures from the AGM is attached below.



Masters Visit 2016

The Master for 2016, Captain Peter Benn together with his partner Christina, visited Australia for two weeks in November. A detailed report by the Master of the visit to Australia and elsewhere is in the February 2017 Issue of Air Pilot.

Whilst in Australia the couple visited Brisbane, Sydney, Canberra, Melbourne and Adelaide. Formal Dinners were held in Brisbane and Adelaide and less formal functions elsewhere.

The Master presented awards at the various functions and officiated at a Livery Ceremony in Adelaide where Chairman Mike Cleaver was clothed.

Some Pictures from Adelaide and Brisbane during the visit are below.





Masters Visit 2017

The Master for 2017 is Captain Chris Spurrier. The Master's message from the London website is attached. We look forward to seeing him and his wife Paula in November.

Further information in the next Newsletter.

Harold Walton,

Editor

Trophies and Awards

The Honourable Company of Air Pilots presents aviation industry awards each year to mark achievement and excellence within the industry. These prestigious awards are usually presented at the annual Black-Tie Trophy's and Awards Dinner in October at Guildhall, London frequently by, or in the presence of, a member of the Royal Family. Over 700 individuals involved in military, airline and general aviation are usually in attendance.

A copy of the terms-of-reference of each award is available on the Honourable Company's London website. The Honourable Company also awards Master Air Pilot and Master Air Navigator certificates - and a recently introduced Master Rear Crew certificate - throughout the year in recognition of long and distinguished professional aircrew achievement.

The Master presented three 2016 Awards while in Australia in November last.

The Grand Master's Australian Medal awarded to: MATT HALL

The Australian Bi-Centennial Award awarded to: TEMORA AVIATION MUSEUM and the TEMORA HISTORIC FLIGHT CLUB

The Master's Australian Region Trophy awarded to CAPTAIN JOHN EACOTT

Nominations together with sincere and well-drafted citations in support should be sent to the Chairman of the Australian Region Trophies and Awards Sub-committee, Captain Peter Raven [awards@airpilots.org.au] marked CONFIDENTIAL as soon as possible please. It is not necessary for the submission to specify a specific award. A list of the UK awards of the HCAPA is attached.

Other Awards

It is a pleasure to report that a member of our Aviation Careers and Education Sub-Committee, Adrienne Fleming, was awarded an Order of Australia Medal [AOM] in last year's Queen's Birthday Honours list for service to the aviation industry.

Adrienne is currently CFI of Tristar Aviation and has been involved in many other activities including as a past National Vice-President of the AWPA, past President of the Victorian AWPA and with the Australian Air League.

Vale

It is with great sadness to report the passing of a past member and friend, Captain Ian Brown during 2016. We also lost current members Dr Ian Davies and Captains Mal Wheaton, Lloyd Fleming, Geoff Green, John MacKellar and Peter Kent.

Also Members may be aware that one of the world's best stick and rudder men, Bob Hoover, passed away during 2016. Anyone who has seen his demonstration in a Strike Commander with both engines feathered will appreciate his skill. He was 94.

Gliding News

HCAPA Member Wins FAI Australian Qualifying Gliding Grand Prix.

After competing against 15 Top Australian and International pilots over seven days Geoff Brown won The Australian Qualifying Grand Prix. This win will qualify Geoff to fly for Australia in the 8th FAI Sailplane Grand Prix in Vitacura Chile in January 1918.

Members assist at World Gliding Championships

Six HCAPA members were in attendance at the FAI 34 World Gliding Championships in Benalla Victoria. Jenny Thompson was the Meteorologist and met briefing officer and was a radio officer involved in glider finishers, Stuart Ferguson was attending to technical areas of the contest and Rob Moore was an FAI Steward. Mike Cleaver and Chris Thorpe attended the OSTIV Conference and were involved in technical lectures relating to Sailplane Development, Meteorology, Instrumentation and flight safety. Jeremy Thompson, Geoff Brown and Jim Barton, a long-serving President of the Gliding Club of Victoria, also put in an appearance.

One Hundred and fifteen Gliders competed in three Classes over 13 days – tasks were flown on 8 days.



Queensland Working Group

A RAAF Amberley visit was scheduled to take place on the 30th March. The visit was facilitated by David Wilson who is a HCAP member and C17 Instructor. Everything was in place with eight members attending and the visit was going to include not only the C17 simulator but the RAAF Amberley Museum and thereafter Lunch.

As you are all aware the 30th March saw Cyclone Debbie run down to the South East Queensland area and basically dropped up to a metre of water in some places. The wind at Amberley was gusting to 60kts and many of the roads in the area were under water. So at 0700 on the day we made an executive decision to postpone the event until the end of June.

A RAPAC meeting was held here in Brisbane on the 14th April. Tony Alder with Peter Boughen attended on behalf of the HCAPA.

The next meeting for the Queensland Working Group is scheduled for May.

Tony Alder. Chairman, Queensland Working Group

Barossa SA Airshow Report

The HCAPA had quite a presence at the Barossa Airshow on Sunday 2 April, not only was it a very pleasant day to be on an Airfield but the aircraft displays were most enjoyable.

Chris Sperou, Warren Stewart and Jim Whalley all flew displays. Chris always wows the crowds with help from Warren and Jim kept us all entertained displaying his CAC Boomerang, helicopter and Marchetti S211 jet trainer.

Thanks to Chris and Jim we also managed to get the Honourable Company of Air pilots mentioned by the commentary team.

On the ground we had a small recruiting display where I was ably assisted by Steve Nelson when he was not helping the SA Sport Aircraft Association with their Static display.

We again were invited to join with the SA Women Pilots' Association and locate in their Marquee, they also provided a trestle for our Brochures etc. thanks to HCAPA Councillor Barbara Parish and to all your members for your generosity.

Simon Ewart was there with his family for the day and mentioned that his daughter is off to the USA to attend the Space Camp, what a great opportunity to be involved. Simon, as noted above, has agreed to take on the role of Director of our Technical and Air Safety Committee

The visit to the Aviation Museum was enjoyed by our members who attended and Steve Nelson as you would expect was an excellent guide the next lecture is on April 25 at Mawson Lakes.

On another matter I have been advised by our Secretary that Subscriptions for the year are overdue and notices will be resent in the near future so can you please pay promptly if you should receive such a notice.

Rob Moore South Australian Working Group Chairman

Avalon 2017

An impressive display of aircraft was on show at Avalon in early March. A number of members were on duty or displaying aircraft at the show as the following attests.



Capt Darryl Hill and his impressive
Ex Vietnam C180



Guess What!

A pitot
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member.



Editor's Corner

Back in September 2015 I took the unusual step of including an Editor's comment regarding a subject very dear to my heart, Air Traffic Control in Australia. I noted that my comments were primarily related to small aircraft general aviation activities and not necessarily to the "big" end of aviation and that the views were my own and do not necessarily represent the views of the HCAPA.

However it has been suggested that other members may wish to comment similarly and we are encouraging members to send in 'letters to the editor' for inclusion in forthcoming Newsletters.

Two issues that have generated a lot of controversy are Part 61, and RAPAC. Please feel free to comment.

Note however the Company makes no guarantee that your letter will be published and all will be considered by the Company Council for appropriateness.

Harold Walton

Editor

Subscriptions

Members will be aware that the year for subscriptions in the Australian Region runs from October to September. As a result, **subscriptions for 2016-2017 are past due and if you have not already paid, please do so as soon as possible.** If you have mislaid your renewal notice and need a further one please email the Secretary as below.

Website

The Honourable Company of Air Pilots Australian Region website is: www.airpilots.org.au The site is constantly being updated and contains much information on the Honourable Company, including Membership Application Forms, Latest News, Trophies and Awards Information, MAP/MAN Certificate Application Forms and much more.

Secretary Peter Norford has been doing much of the work with the web but ask if another member with the appropriate skills would be prepared to take over or assist with this role. Expressions of interest to the Office or to any of the Councillors please.

Articles for this Newsletter

Articles are sought from members for inclusion in this Newsletter. These may cover any subject that are judged to be of interest to Company members in Australia and ideally should be limited to around 500 words. Pictures may be included and are encouraged.

The Australian Region Chairman and the Editor reserve the right to refuse to publish any article offered, to make minor editorial changes or shorten the article.

Australian Region Contacts

The Company has undertaken a restructure of the administrative functions and chosen to bring them in-house. So after some 6 years our former Administrator Hayley Rodrigues has left our employ and our Secretary, Group Capt Peter Norford now also acts as Administrator and is based in Canberra.

Mail should be sent to: PO Box 4333, Hawker ACT, 2614, Australia

The office phone number is 0431 591 434, and the e-mail address secretary@airpilots.org.au

All members of the Executive may be contacted via this email and phone number.

The Masters' Message



Every new Master is faced with this, their first challenge even before taking office. Write the Master's message. I suspect every new Master has felt as I do now, sitting in front of a blank screen, wondering what on earth have they let themselves in for and, more importantly, what are they going to achieve for the Honourable Company in the next twelve months. Before I move on to that, though, let me add my voice to those that have already praised the work of my predecessor, IPM Peter Benn and his partner Christina. Theirs has not been an easy year but Peter has conducted himself, and the business of the Honourable Company, admirably in the face of problems that would have daunted lesser men. Much of what he has done and achieved has been in the background and will not be realised by many of our members. Much more is still work in progress and will, we hope, come to fruition in the next year. We owe him a debt of gratitude and I offer him and Christina my sincere thanks.

Much has changed in the last few years. The Royal Charter and name change were, at times, difficult and controversial, although eventually reaching a successful conclusion. The working committees have restructured and are moving forward, using remote working via email and video links. We have seen changes in the office staff. The new Audit Committee presented its report to the GP&F and thence to the Court. Our continued stay at our home, 9 Warwick Court, has come under threat and, as I write, that matter has still to be completely resolved. And, finally, the Strategic Review of five years ago is in the process of being updated. All of these have created extra work for the office staff, already working hard just to keep up with the usual administrative burden of a busy livery company whilst organising the two annual showcase events, the Livery Dinner and the Trophies and Awards Banquet. In all of this the Learned Clerk and his staff have been exemplars of efficiency and I know I can rely on them in the coming year. It is, though, time to take our collective foot off the accelerator for a while, to finish what we've started and to consolidate.

That doesn't mean I don't intend to do anything. For many years I have despaired at the way in which mathematics and sciences were being taught in our schools. At last there has been some recognition that this must change if we are to produce the pilots, engineers and scientists that our country needs. My wish is to reach out into schools by whatever means and to encourage those who are already doing just that. Assistant Professor Marion Wooldridge is already working on a STEM initiative and I hope to encourage more and broader work in that direction from other members. The Air Cadet organisation has suffered greatly under recent budget cuts and from problems with their aircraft. The University Air Squadrons are more accustomed to looking at pictures of aeroplanes than actually flying them. Anything we can do to assist these organisations will be at the forefront of my efforts. The IPM has already started work on this and he will receive my active support and assistance as it moves forward. Of course, we are already directly involved helping people into the air. Our charities will be continuing their work both in assisting those who need help and in allocating funding for our scholarships. The awards team will be sifting and interviewing applicants. All these tasks take time – lots of time - and the application of willing and very able volunteers. Fortunately, as Master I only have to keep a watching brief over these activities because they are in the hands of very capable people.

I am greatly concerned with the potential problems of small drones. In irresponsible hands these have the potential to pose a serious threat to aircraft and this will inevitably require some form of legislation, if only to require them to be registered. Likewise, laser pointers. It's good to see that legislation is now under consideration to criminalise those who point lasers at ships, aircraft and trains. Nevertheless there is no current proposal to limit the power of these devices and it will remain difficult to catch those who think it amusing to shine them into flight decks and control cabins. If we can use our influence to incorporate a power limit into the current legislation we shall have achieved a worthwhile outcome.

The Strategic Working Group under Warden Malcolm White will present its findings. I cannot guess the outcome of their deliberations but I am sure there will be new ideas which will need implementation and which will further enhance our influence and relevance.

Finally, and this is much more difficult, I abhor unnecessary rules, controls, legislation or requirements. That seems like a highly tautological sentence but the words are carefully chosen. I guess it reveals that I'm an anarchist at heart. Aviation authorities, governments and employers are very good at gold plating sensible suggestions and thus introducing unnecessary restrictions to combat non-existent threats. Employers, constantly wary of vexatious litigation, insist on covering their corporate backs with requirements that do nothing to promote safety but would look good should there be an incident. I'm not going to give examples. I'm sure you've all met plenty of your own. Previous Masters have made similar efforts on the subject. If we can debunk a few of these impositions during the coming year, that would give me immense satisfaction.

Those, then, are my ambitions for the year. They are for me to work at. But probably the best reason for belonging to a livery company is to have fun and enjoy the company of like-minded people. So my next ambition is for you, the members, to enjoy the year. Our visits team under the guidance of Liveryman David Curgenvin has a full and varied programme planned. My wife, Paula, is planning some events for partners. We would be very pleased to see you at any of them. For Liverymen there is the Livery Dinner and for everyone, the Trophies and Awards Banquet. Past Master Chris Ford is organising another informal supper, this time at Tallow Chandlers' Hall and, of course, there will be our usual garden party in August and our Carol Service and supper in December. There are many of you I've not met. If you've not attended any of these events before, make this the year you do. Please do come, do introduce yourselves and do enjoy the year. Paula and I are looking forward to it. We hope you are, too.

Chris Spurrier
March 2017

TROPHIES AND AWARDS CRITERIA FOR INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

Any nomination for an award in any category which, in the opinion of the Committee, should rightly be brought to the attention of HM Government for a national award or other recognition will be so referred with the endorsement and support of the Court of the Company.

LIFETIME CONTRIBUTION TO THE AEROSPACE INDUSTRY

The Honourable Company of Air Pilots Award of Honour

Awarded to an individual who has made an outstanding lifetime contribution to aviation.

FLIGHT TEST

The Derry & Richards Memorial Medal

Awarded to a test pilot who has made an outstanding contribution in advancing the art and science of aviation.

TRAINING

The Sir Alan Cobham Memorial Award

Awarded to the most meritorious student pilot graduating from a college or school of civil or military aviation and nominated by the Principal or Commanding Officer. Particular consideration will be given to the candidate's progress during the course, including qualities of character, leadership, involvement in sport, recreation and voluntary service, in addition to flying and academic achievement.

The CFS Trophy

A periodic award to an individual, group or organisation that, in the opinion of the Court of the Honourable Company and with the endorsement of the Central Flying School, has made an outstanding contribution toward the achievement of excellence in the delivery of flying training or instructional standards.

The Pike Trophy

Awarded to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to the maintenance of high standards of civil flying instruction and safety, taking into account working conditions and opportunities.

The John Landymore Trophy

Awarded to the outstanding candidate of that year for an Honourable Company of Air Pilots PPL Scholarship. The award is recommended by the Honourable Company Scholarship Committee.

FLIGHT OPERATIONS

The Sir Barnes Wallis Medal

Awarded in recognition of an exceptional and innovative contribution to aviation.

The Grand Master's Medal

Awarded to a pilot under the age of 30 for outstanding achievement and endeavour in any field of flying activity.

The Master's Commendation

Awarded at the discretion of the Master for commendable achievement in any sector of aviation.

The Brackley Memorial Trophy

Awarded to an individual, a complete aircraft crew, or an organisation, for an act or acts of outstanding flying skill, which have contributed to the operational development of air transport or transport aircraft or new techniques in air transport flying.

The Johnston Memorial Trophy

Awarded to an individual, a complete aircraft crew, or an organisation, for an outstanding performance of airmanship, for the operation of airborne systems or for the development of air navigation techniques and equipment.

The Honourable Company of Air Pilots Sword of Honour

Awarded for an outstanding contribution to any sector of General Aviation (all elements of Civil Aviation other than Air Transport), whether in the air or on the ground.

SAFETY AND SURVIVAL

The Sir James Martin Award

Awarded to an individual, a group, team or organisation, which has made an outstanding, original and practical contribution leading to the safer operation of aircraft or the survival of aircrew or passengers.

The Cumberbatch Trophy

Awarded to an individual, a team, group or organisation for an outstanding contribution to air safety, whether by the development of techniques contributing to safer flight, by improvements in ground equipment and services or by improvements in aircraft and component design.

The Honourable Company of Air Pilots Award of Merit

Awarded for meritorious service to the Honourable Company.

REGIONAL AWARDS

The Grand Master's Australian Medal

Awarded to an individual, a group or organisation involved in any branch of aviation in the Australian Region or to Australian nationals abroad, who or which has made a meritorious contribution to any aviation activity, either by displaying technical excellence or by the development of a procedure or operational technique of an outstanding nature.

The Australian Bi-Centennial Award

Awarded as an ongoing commemoration of the Australian Bi-centenary, to recognise an outstanding individual contribution to Australian aviation.

Jim Cowan Memorial Award

The recipient will be a young pilot (no specific age limit) who is an Australian citizen or a permanent resident in Australia, holding a civil Commercial Pilot Licence or higher, or military pilot qualification and is engaged in the profession as a pilot in Australia or on temporary posting overseas and has, in the opinion of the Australian Region Trophies and Awards Sub-Committee, with the endorsement of the parent Trophies and Awards Committee, made an outstanding individual contribution to aviation or whose achievements in aviation are truly noteworthy.

The Jean Batten Memorial Award

Awarded in memory of the late Liveryman Miss Jean Batten, to recognise an outstanding individual contribution to New Zealand aviation.

AVIATION MEDIA

The Honourable Company of Air Pilots Award for Aviation Journalism

Awarded to an individual journalist, publication or organisation for an outstanding contribution to the promotion or public awareness of aviation in general or of any important aspect of aviation activity.

FOR OUTSTANDING COURAGE OR DEVOTION TO DUTY IN THE AIR

The Grand Master's Commendation

Awarded at the discretion of the Grand Master for an act of valour or outstanding services in the air.

The Hugh Gordon-Burge Memorial Award

Awarded to a member or members of a crew whose outstanding behaviour and action contributed to the saving of their aircraft or passengers.

The Prince Philip Helicopter Rescue Award

Awarded to an individual member of a helicopter crew, a complete crew or the crews of multiple helicopters, for an act of outstanding courage or devotion to duty in the course of land or sea search and rescue operations.