

Vice President's Report
2026 MAAA Conference

This weekend marks five years since I was first elected as the MAAA vice president. I am incredibly grateful to have been given this opportunity to make a contribution to aeromodelling in Australia.

It is disappointing to see some issues that should have long been consigned to history reemerging at this weekend's meeting. Hopefully, these matters can be quickly dealt with so that we can focus on things that really are important to our members.

Members of council should always be mindful that our statement of rules vest management of the MAAA in council. Council should reasonably expect to be informed with regard to all matters of significance that arise from time to time so that they may diligently perform their role.

I would encourage Council to always be curious and inquisitive about the management of the MAAA and our various dealings with stakeholders including CASA and our insurers. It is with the wisdom, opinions and contributions of all members of council shared in a mutually respectful manner that we will best will we best serve our individual members. No one individual or small group has a monopoly over the affairs on the MAAA. The MAAA has prospered over it 75 plus year history due to a group of passionate council members from diverse backgrounds working together to further the interest of aeromodelling.

In closing, I would particularly like to thank those who I have enjoyed working alongside of for the last five years and longer. I look forward to catching up with you at a flying field soon.

Regards

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