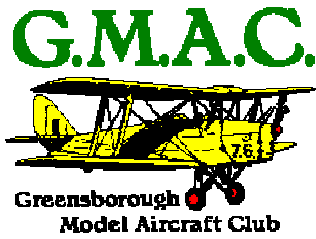




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# **Cooperative Agreement**

**Between**

**Greensborough Model Aircraft Club,  
Yarrambat Horse and Pony Club,  
and  
Yarrambat Adult Riding Club**

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## 1. Agreement Background

1.1 This Co-operative Agreement reflects the ongoing cooperation between the Greensborough Model Aircraft Club (GMAC), the Yarrambat Horse & Pony Club (YHPC) and the Yarrambat Adult Riding Club (YARC). The agreement relates to the shared use of the land at Yarrambat Park and follows the 'Risk Management' policy adopted by GMAC, YHPC and YARC to reduce the risk of injury and to put in place protocols to enhance safety.

## 2. Definitions

- 2.1 **'Hatched Area'** ..... The area south of the boundary fence, marked with 'Hatching', as shown in Appendix 1.
- 2.2 **'Visual Warning Sign'** ... A folding sign located on top of the GMAC Transmitter Compound displaying the words "CAUTION HORSES AND RIDERS ON COURSE".  
As shown in Appendix 2.
- 2.3 **'Normal Flying'** ..... GMAC members may operate model aircraft within their nominated area at Yarrambat Park, (which includes the 'Hatched Area'), subject to normal safety requirements.
- 2.4 **'Modified Flying'** ..... Will involve the following:
- a. No low flying over the 'Hatched' area;
  - b. Concentrating general flying away from the hatched area;
  - c. New pilots (non solo) who are under instructor's supervision are not to take off/land towards the hatched area.
  - d. Testing of new aircraft is not to take place towards the hatched area.

## 3. Timings for use of 'Hatched' area

- 3.1 The 'Visual Warning Sign' may be displayed on:
- The first Sunday of the month, and
  - The second Saturday of the month.

3.2 GMAC members will respect the requirement to adopt 'Modified Flying', as described above, during times when the 'Visual Warning Sign' is displayed at the GMAC site.

3.3 It is acknowledged that GMAC members may adopt 'Normal Flying' of model aircraft over the 'Hatched' area on days when the 'Visual Warning Sign' is not displayed

3.4 YHPC and YARC members may use the 'Hatched' area on any other days, with due caution.

#### **4. 'Visual Warning Sign'**

4.1 On the days nominated in paragraph 7, YHPC and YARC may activate the 'Visual Warning Sign' located on top of the Transmitter Compound to alert GMAC pilots the 'Hatched' area is 'active'. GMAC Pilots will then observe the requirements for 'Modified Flying'.

4.2 It will be the responsibility of YHPC/YARC to ensure the 'Visual Warning Sign' is opened prior to the 'Hatched' area being activated and closed at the conclusion of training or an event. If the sign is not opened, it will be deemed the 'Hatched' area is not 'active' and 'Normal Flying' operations will continue, observing normal safety requirements.

#### **5. Agreed Event Dates**

5.1 YHPC and YARC may have exclusive use of the 'Hatched' area, for up to three nominated events per year, comprising a maximum total of five days. GMAC runways will be closed to all flying operations.

5.2 These days will be used by YHPC & YARC to conduct equestrian events and nominated by calendar dates. YHPC/YARC to contact GMAC at least 60 days prior to the event being conducted.

#### **6. Club Communications**

6.1 All clubs will ensure that information contained in this Cooperative Agreement is made available to their members.

## **7. Incident Reporting**

7.1 If an incident does occur for whatever reason, then their respective club secretary should be informed, so that appropriate action may be taken.

## **8. Conclusion**

8.1 This agreement has been put in place so GMAC, YHPC and YARC can enjoy their respective sports in a safe and friendly environment. It is designed so the respective clubs can cooperate and coexist at Yarrambat Park.

8.2 This signed agreement may need to be revised on a yearly basis or when required to ensure procedures and protocols are maintained. The agreement highlights the good neighbour policy so park users can continue to enjoy their respective sports safely.

## APPENDIX 1.

### Yarrambat Park.



- Clubhouse and Runways of GMAC
- Hatched Area used by YHPC & YARC

## APPENDIX 2.

### ‘Visual Warning Sign’



- This sign is mounted on top of the GMAC Transmitter Compound.