

THE CHIEF OF AIR FORCE WRITING AWARD
**THE WRIGLEY
PRIZE**



TERMS & CONDITIONS



The Wrigley Prize

The Wrigley Prize was introduced in 2010 to promote air power analysis. Submissions contribute to the bodies of work on air power theory, and education. Space power theories and concepts were added to the competition in 2021.

The objective of the Wrigley Prize is to inspire personnel from military, academia, and other professional disciplines to consume, contribute and contest contemporary air power and space power issues beyond the future force.

Prizes

The winner of The Award will receive:

- A \$3000 prize
- their entry published and promoted on the Air and Space Power Centre (ASPC) and/or related websites
- an opportunity to work with the ASPC furthering their topic or area of interest

The ASPC will also publish and promote any other high quality submissions identified as part of The Award. Additionally, the ASPC will work with identified authors to prepare submissions for entry into the Wrigley Prize if a parallel entry was not already submitted.

Recognition of commendable entries

Submissions deemed to be of sufficiently high quality by the assessment panel may receive one or more of the following:

- publication of their entry on the ASPC or related websites
- waiver of one or more Program Wirraway air power modules (up to level 2 inclusive),¹ or
- waiver of the Joint individual PME air power module (up to JPME level 1)
- a short term secondment to the ASPC in support of an air and space power project

Entrant Eligibility

The competition is open to:

- Australian and visiting foreign military personnel
- Australian Public Service staff
- Australian Defence Force Cadets and Staff
- Australian Residents
- Entrants must not have published anything more substantial than journal papers

Submission & Deadline

The competition runs annually. Submissions are to be lodged by the time on the date specified on the Air and Space Power website.

Submissions are to be lodged electronically via [Contribute | Air and Space Power Centre \(airforce.gov.au\)](https://airforce.gov.au/contribute)

Only one entry per person may be submitted.

Submission Requirements

Word limit

Papers are to be no more than 3000 words. There is no specified lower limit.

Originality

Submissions must be original works and must not have been previously published or submitted for publication.

Entries that have been previously submitted for academic assessment may only be entered with a written release provided by the relevant academic institution. Such a release must transfer IP and ownership claims on the submission to the Air and Space Power Centre.

Declaration

Each submission to the Wrigley Prize acts as a declaration that:

- The entrant has read, understands, and accepts the terms and conditions within this handbook
- If under 18, a parent or guardian has submitted the entry on the minors behalf
- The submission is the entrants own unassisted work
- The submission has not been formally published
- The entrant accepts as final, the judgment of the individuals appointed by the Chief of Air Force to judge the competition
- The entrant hereby transfers their copyright and IP claims over the papers to the Air and Space Power Centre
- The entrant agrees to be published by the Air and Space Power Centre

Once submitted amendments will not be possible.

Language

All submissions must be written in English.

Where confusion occurs in relation to a definition or use of language the Macquarie Concise Dictionary will be employed as the definitive source.

The [Australian Government's Style Manual](#) provides guidance and advice, topics covered are:

- Clear language and writing style
- Inclusive language
- Structure
- Style rules and conventions, and
- Referencing

Topics

Topics must focus on a future or contemporary air power or space power issue, national strategic research topics or from the Air and Space Power endorsed products.

Security Classification

Submissions are not to contain classified material. Official is the maximum level of security protected material that will be accepted.

Format

Electronic Submissions are to have the following format:

- Papers and filenames are not to include names of authors
- Paper Size: International size A4 (297mm x 210mm)
- Font: Times New Roman or Arial,
- Font size: 12 point
- 1.5 line spacing
- File format: Portable Document Format (pdf)
- Referencing (if applicable) – [Australian Government Style Guide \(Author – Date\)](#) in text, similar to APA or Harvard academic referencing standard.

Referencing

Papers footnotes and bibliography must give full acknowledgment to source material, using accepted layout and referencing systems that cite the author, date and page of the book, article or other text from which the material is derived. Any recognised referencing system will be accepted.

AVM HENRY WRIGLEY

Air Vice Marshal Henry Neilson Wrigley, CBE, DFC, AFC (1892 – 1987)

Wrigley's essays and notes on air power, written during the 1920s, are considered to be the earliest expression of Australian air power doctrine.

Wrigley's prescient advocacy of integrating naval, land and air elements in operations, including naval reconnaissance from the air was well ahead of its time. Wrigley's theory on the advantage of 'long range firing' from aircraft—has been realised by stand-off and beyond visual range aerial weapons

Wrigley, as the Air Officer Commanding RAAF Overseas Headquarters, London between 1942 and 1946 is believed to have employed his theories to influence several operations during WWII.

AVM Wrigley died in 1987 at the age of ninety-five, following which his notes and theories were donated to the Royal Australian Air Force.



Adjudication Process

Following submission, papers will be reviewed by an assessment board comprised of members of the Air and Space Power Centre's staff and editorial board. Entries will be placed in a recommended order for final assessment and selection by CAF.

The board may elect not to award a prize if there is insufficient competition (quantity and/or quality) for a given year. Likewise, the board reserves the right to recognise in an appropriate manner papers of a high standard that do not win.

Blind Adjudication

The assessment panel will not be provided with a name or pseudonym—a random number will be generated to facilitate a blind adjudication and peer review process.

The entrant/author is to ensure their legal name and appropriate contact details are completed when finalising their entry. Winning and high-quality essays will be published under the author's name unless they specifically request to remain anonymous.

Adjudication Matrix

The table on page 5 provides the matrix used in determining the winner of each section of the competition.

Announcements

The Chief of Air Force will advise all winners and high-quality papers entrants in writing at least one week prior to the announcements being made at an appropriate function as specified on the Air and Space Power Centre website.

Where practical the Air and Space Power Centre will endeavour to ensure the winner is available either in person or through technological means for the announcement and for a discussion on their submission with Chief of Air Force.

Financial Considerations

Individuals may incur a tax liability if they receive benefit as a result of their entry to the Wrigley Prize. Individuals are encouraged to discuss their personal circumstances and the associated financial impacts with their tax/finance professional advisor. Advice provided

in this document does not take into account specific circumstances or the potential financial and/or tax implications.

Publication, Copyright and IP

Copyright of all submitted papers will rest with the Air and Space Power Centre. All papers may be published on the Air and Space Power website. Those deemed of suitable quality, may be promoted over social media. Unless requested otherwise the author's name will be used on published content.

Element	5 Points	3 Points	1 Point
Strength of idea and discussion	<p>Implications and underlying assumptions of the argument have been discussed.</p> <p>There are clear and strong arguments which extend the submissions scope.</p>	<p>Implications and underlying assumptions of the argument have been identified.</p> <p>There are discernible arguments but may be sometimes fall into description.</p>	<p>Implications and underlying assumptions of the argument have sometimes been identified or are not logical.</p> <p>There is an underlying arguments but often falls into description.</p>
Realistic, feasible and considered argument	<p>The topic, argument and analysis presented is imaginative, considered and feasible for the Force in being or future force.</p> <p>Demonstrates a nuanced understanding of the topic.</p>	<p>The topic, argument, and analysis presented considered and feasible with modifications to the Force in being or future force.</p> <p>Demonstrates an understanding of the topic.</p>	<p>The topic argument and analysis is sound, however, feasibility is high risk or partially supported by the submission.</p> <p>Minor errors in understanding that do not contribute to the contest of ideas.</p>
Understanding of air power or space power	<p>The submission explores air power or space power in depth challenging the reader and encouraging discussion on application.</p>	<p>The submission explores air power or space power discussing application.</p>	<p>Minor lapses in how the concept could be applied to an air power or space power concept.</p>
Structure, language and writing	<p>The use of narrative and language assists the reader's understanding and avoids confusion. Varied sentence style.</p> <p>Precise, interesting, and vivid word choice supports effective examples to illustrate concepts.</p>	<p>Minor errors in spelling and language. Minimal impact on readers understanding.</p> <p>Uses examples to illustrate ideas.</p>	<p>Multiple errors in spelling and language. Some impact on the readers understanding</p> <p>Does not illustrate ideas effectively.</p>

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