

Airwaves December 2018 - Our Name Is Changing



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Welcome to a special edition of Airwaves.

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The HGFA is evolving and we want you to be leading us into the future with a new name. The reason for the change, is that the legal structure of our association is changing from an Incorporated Association to a Company

...changing from an incorporated association to a Company Limited by Guarantee.

One of the things we need to choose if we become a Company Limited by Guarantee is a new name. This might be as simple as Hang Gliding Federation of Australia Limited, but we know that many pilots would prefer a more fundamental change.

We value your contribution or ideas

As a valued member, it is important that your voice is clearly heard and that you are involved in the decision process. We want all members to have the opportunity to help us choose a name that best reflects the excitement, adventure and freedom of our sport and takes our members soaring into the future. Next week we will send you an email:

- With a short list of names and the reasons why these names are being considered
- We will be asking for your feedback on these draft names (proposed by members and the states)
- We will then be asking you to submit any additional names you would like the executive to consider.

How to evaluate the new organisation name

We want to ensure that the chosen name not only takes our sport sky high, conveying the adventure of our sport to future members, but positions our sport for years to come.

When deciding on a name, ask yourself the following three questions and then provide us with your feedback (via the survey)

- **Inclusive:** Does the name represent all of the types of gliders / powered, non-powered in our hobby/sport?
- **Adventure:** Does the name convey the excitement, adventure and freedom of our sport?
- **Sustainable:** Will the name grow with our sport and support its future?

The step-by-step process

Once you've provided your feedback, what happens next? The timeline the HGFA executive committee will follow is;

- October: Preferred names were provided by members and shortlisted by the executive
- December: Email sent to all members asking for your feedback and any additional ideas
- January: The executive will review your feedback and select the most popular name - the executive will also assess what organisation names are available via an ASIC search
- February: The most preferred name will be put to members as part of the formal Special Resolution to transform to a Company Limited by Guarantee

Let's get started

So now the fun begins! We will be sending through another email with the list of preferred names, previously suggested by members to their state associations. This is an exciting step for our sport and we are thrilled that through your input, you will be steering us towards a bright future.

Until next time, safe, fun flying

- Paul Green, President, HGFA



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