NOTHING SEEMS to beat the glitter and richness of gleaming trophies for exciting participants at the EAA Convention, with most people looking to take home for one reason or another an award in recognition of their efforts.

As in the past, a grand collection of awards was gathered and worthy recipients selected by a team of competent individuals that made up the Awards Committee. Stanley J. Dzik was again the chairman of the Judges and Awards Committee.

Judges for the Sport Aircraft and Special Awards Division worked under Co-Chairmen Bob Burbick and Bill Hansen. They included Wallace Carlberg, Harold Dale, Nick D'Apuzzo, Fred Davis, Stan Dickson, Cliff Ernst, Carl Hughes, Gus Limbach, Pete Myers, Russell Norma, Tony Spezio, and George Welsh.

In addition to the awards in this category, the EAA also sponsored model contest awards and antique aircraft awards... these were reported in the September, 1968 SPORT AVIATION.

Each year, the Awards Committee is faced with an increased challenge. How do you fairly judge better than 500 airplanes within a period of a few days? Obviously, this phase of the Convention will, of necessity, have to be thoroughly studied to keep it workable in future years.

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(General Awards)

Eugene Anderson, Service to the EAA; Harvey Anderson, Service to the EAA; Gil Baker, Most Outstanding Amphilb, N-4283C, Baker BCA-1-3; John Berwick, President's Award for Outstanding Leadership in Sport Aviation; Terry Bohr, EAA Achievement Award; Dick Bowers, Service to the EAA; Peter Bowers, Dr. August Raspet Award for Outstanding Contribution to the Advancement of Light Aircraft; Peter Brucia, Contributions to the EAA and Warbirds of America; Helen Brugger, Outstanding Devotion and Service to the EAA; Chris Brumbach, Outstanding Contribution to the EAA by Youth; Bob Carver, President's Award for Outstanding Leadership in Sport Aviation and Promotion of the EAA and General Aviation; Jack Cox, President's Award for Outstanding Promotion of Antique Aircraft and EAA Activities; Louis Darvassy, Outstanding "Gyrocopter" Static Display, N-59355; Ginny Davis, Outstanding Contribution to the EAA and Sport Aviation; Richard Day, Construction of a Replica Sporwi with "Camel"; Troy Dodd, Outstanding Contribution to the EAA and to Antique Aircraft; Don Farrell, Best All-Wood Homebuilt, N-6859G, Joel D-11; Dean Garlock, Service to the EAA; Dick Gleason, Outstanding Effort in the Promotion of Sport Aviation through EAA Chapter 300; Clement Harvey, Outstanding Workmanship on a Stihl "Playboy", N-2671; Roy Hegy, His 10 Trips to Rockford totaling 26,000 miles in "Chuparosa"; Joseph Ilmikowski, Outstanding Technical Assistant to the EAA; Robert and Laura Irvine, Contribution to the EAA and Antique Aircraft; James Kocarides, Outstanding Effort in the Promotion of Sport Aviation Through EAA Chapter 182; Richard Kostle, Outstanding P-31D and Contribution to the EAA Warbirds, N-6303T; Dave Knap, President's Award for Outstanding Leadership and Contribution to Sport Aviation; L. G. Koetkmeyer, Outstanding Workmanship on a Keleher "Lark", N-25006; Rex La Breche, Perseverance Award; Mary Lake, Service to the EAA; Louis Lassnierz, Outstanding EAA "Bi-plane", N-4775G; Gus Limbach, A Difficult Job Well Done; James T. Luckey, EAA Grand Champion Homebuilt Aircraft Award, N-4030G; Senior Aerob Sport D-260; Pete Mackay, Service to the EAA; Dave Malm, Service to the EAA; Connie Marsh, Construction and Test Flying of her Smith "Miniplone"; Dave Mason, Outstanding Effort in the Promotion of Sport Aviation through EAA Chapter 12; Duddell R. 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Don Farrell received the EAA award for the Best All-Wood Homebuilt.

Herbert Cunningham took home a set of wheel pants presented to him by Champion Aircraft Co. for his outstanding contribution to Sport Aviation in Canada.

Chet Wellman congratulates James Luckey upon receiving the EAA Grand Champion Homebuilt Aircraft Award.

The Best Breezy Workmanship Award was presented by Carl Unger to Elmer Knudsen.

Directors Award for her Executive Leadership to the EAA and Sport Aviation: Bonnie Poberezny, Youth Achievement Award; Iggy Polirotto, President’s Award for his Time and Personal Efforts in Assisting Members in Building and Inspecting Their Aircraft; Lawrence Rodgers, Fastest Speed around a 100 km Triangle of 69.3 mph, HP-14 sailplane; Donald Sankey, Contribution to the EAA and Sport Aviation; Wes Schmid, Contribution to the EAA and Sport Aviation; Richard Schredder, Best All-Metal Sailplane Design, N-1372; Curt Schuets, Devotion to the Principles of the EAA; Jim Slick, Service to the EAA; Bill Sweet, Promotion of the EAA and Air Shows in America; Ray Sytek, Service to the EAA; Dean Todd, EAA International Aviation Writers Award; Thomas Towe, Contribution to Aircraft Design and Development; Ray C. Wicker, Construction of a Replica Nieuport 24; Walt Wittke, Service to the EAA.

(Precision Flying Awards)

John Gosney, 3rd Place, Advanced Division; Bob Heuer, 2nd Place, Unlimited Division; Mike Neyer, 1st Place, Primary Division; Jim Hill, 3rd Place, Primary Division; Dale Kopt, 2nd Place, Primary Division; Ed Mahler, 1st Place, Unlimited Division; Zachary Reynolds, 1st Place, Advanced Division; Gene Saucy, 2nd Place, Advanced Division; Wilard Teft, 3rd Place, Unlimited Division.

(Warbirds Awards)

Henry Best, Outstanding T-6G and Contribution to EAA Warbirds, N-9883; Peter Brule, Outstanding F6F and Contribution to EAA Warbirds, N-1033V; William Ross, Champion Warbird, N-8R, “Spitfire” and Outstanding Restoration of a “Spitfire.”

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ZACHARY REYNOLDS—Sponsor

JOSEPH HALSMER received the Continental Motors Corp. award from the sponsor’s representative for the outstanding Continental Engine Installation in a Sport Aircraft.
OUT OF APPRECIATION OF THEIR AIRCRAFT, THE CURTISS-WRIGHT "JUNIOR" OWNERS SPONSORED AN AWARD PRESENTED BY PAUL POBERENZY TO KARL H. WHITE FOR BEING THE DESIGNER OF THE CURTISS-WRIGHT "JUNIOR."

THE BEST "TAILWIND" AWARD, SPONSORED AND PRESENTED BY STEVE WITTMAN, WAS RECEIVED BY REX LA BRECHE.

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JOE IMILKOWSKI TAKES CONGRATULATIONS AND AN AWARD FROM CHET WELLMAN FOR HIS OUTSTANDING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO THE EAA.

DOROTHY PATRICK, BEING INTERVIEWED BY CHET WELLMAN, WAS GIVEN THE BEECH AIRCRAFT CORP. AWARD FOR CONSTRUCTING THE "FRAU MEISTER."