

'76 AWARDS



Grand Champion Awards

- GRAND CHAMPION CUSTOM BUILT** —
Verne Menzimer, Vista, CA for his Cavalier 102.5, N10VM. Sponsor: EAA
- GRAND CHAMPION ANTIQUE** —
Robert Groff and Claude Gray, Northridge, CA for their 1927 American Eagle, N3738. Sponsor: EAA
- GRAND CHAMPION CLASSIC** —
Bill Amundson and Dick Peterson, Stoughton, WI for their Piper PA-15 Vagabond, N4402H. Sponsor: EAA
- GRAND CHAMPION ROTORCRAFT** —
Ed Krusche, Boca Raton, FL for his Scorpion 2, N235EK. Sponsor: EAA
- GRAND CHAMPION WARBIRD** —
Max Hoffman, Ft. Collins, CO for his Curtiss P-40, N40PE. Sponsor: EAA

Special Awards

- PROFESSOR AUGUST RASPET AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE DESIGN OF LIGHT AIRCRAFT** —
Burt Rutan, Mojave, CA. Sponsor: EAA
- GEORGE GRUENBERGER MEMORIAL AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING LITERARY CONTRIBUTION TO SPORT AVIATION** —
Molt Taylor, Longview, WA. Sponsor: EAA Chapter 18, Milwaukee, WI
- STAN DZIK MEMORIAL AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING DESIGN CONTRIBUTION** —
O. A. Togle, Reno, NV. Sponsor: Daryl Dzik, Milwaukee, WI
- MICHAEL SEYMOUR MEMORIAL AWARD - BEST CASSUTT** —
Charles Lemmond, Cushing, OK for his Cassutt, N12CL. Sponsor: William Seymour Family
- JOHN LIVINGSTON MEMORIAL AWARD** —
C. G. Taylor, Somis, CA. Sponsor: EAA Chapter 227, Waterloo, IA
- DEWEY BRYAN YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT AWARD** —
John Maxfield, Dearborn, MI. Sponsor: EAA Chapter 384, Brighton, MI
- JEANNE PIPER MEMORIAL AWARD - OUTSTANDING SWIFT** —
Charlie Nelson, Athens, TN for Temco Buckaroo, N68773. Sponsor: Swift Association, Inc.
- MECHANIX ILLUSTRATED AWARD** —
Lu Sunderland, Apalachin, NY for folding wing design for the T-18. Sponsor: Mechanix Illustrated, New York
- OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN AVIATION EDUCATION** —
Henry S. Proescher, Jr., Norfolk, VA. Sponsor: EAA
- SPECIAL EDUCATION AWARD** —
Tony Bingelis, Austin, TX. Sponsor: EAA
- RECOGNITION AWARD** —
Darrell Skurich, Ft. Collins, CO for the restoration of the XP-51. Sponsor: EAA

EAA LONE EAGLE AWARD

—
Buck Hilbert, Union, IL for his United Air Lines Bicentennial goodwill tour of the U.S. in a Swallow

EAA AMATEUR RADIO NET CONTROL - (2 awards)

—
Fred Flood, Milwaukee, WI and Howard W. Henderson, Kirkwood, MO. Sponsor: EAA

Custom Built Aircraft Awards

- OUTSTANDING NEW DESIGN AWARD** —
Geoffrey Siers, Sumner, WA for his Baracuda, N19GS. Sponsor: EAA
- OUTSTANDING WORKMANSHIP** —
Robert Gettig, Phoenix, AZ for his Pitts Special, N7RG. Sponsor: EAA
- RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION** —
Dennis Polen, Gresham, OR for his Polen Special, N11DP. Sponsor: EAA

HONORABLE MENTION

—
Herbert Keim, Mt. Carroll, IL for his Midget Mustang, N121K. Sponsor: EAA

HONORABLE MENTION

—
Don and Carol Phillips, San Jose, CA for their BD-4, N11DV. Sponsor: EAA

BEST CANADIAN HOMEBUILT

—
Bob Froebel, Toronto, Ontario for his Thorp T-18, C-GRAF. Sponsor: EAA

OUTSTANDING CHAPTER PROJECT

—
Chapter 443, Columbus, OH for Pober Pixie, N443PX. Sponsor: EAA

Vintage Aircraft Awards

- RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION** —
Eugene Morris, Dundee, IL for his American Eaglet, NC548Y. Sponsor: EAA (Tie)
- RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION** —
Tom Macario, Malvern, PA for his Ryan PT-22, N46805. Sponsor: EAA (Tie)
- GOLDEN AGE (1918-1927) CHAMPION** —
Buck Hilbert, Union, IL for his 1927 Swallow Mailplane. Sponsor: EAA
- SILVER AGE (1928-1932) CHAMPION** —
Jack Lysdale, St. Paul, MN for his Hamilton Metalplane, NC879H. Sponsor: EAA
- SILVER AGE RUNNER-UP** —
Lee Parsons, Carrollton, OH for his Waco QCF-2, N11427. Sponsor: EAA
- SILVER AGE - OUTSTANDING OPEN COCKPIT BIPLANE** —
Dale Crites, Waukesha, WI for his Waco ASO, N6930. Sponsor: EAA
- SILVER AGE - OUTSTANDING CLOSED COCKPIT MONOPLANE** —
Gary Hanson, Minneapolis, MN for his Star Cavalier, N14860. Sponsor: EAA
- CONTEMPORARY AGE (1933-1946) CHAMPION** —
Alfred Nagel, Montello, WI for his Rearwin Sportster, N20723. Sponsor: EAA
- CONTEMPORARY AGE RUNNER-UP** —
D. Collier and D. Kulman, Coraopolis, PA for their Piper Cub Coupe J-4, NC26716. Sponsor: EAA

CONTEMPORARY AGE OUTSTANDING OPEN COCKPIT BIPLANE

—
Charlotte Parish, Tullahoma, TN for her Stearman, N44JP. Sponsor: EAA

CONTEMPORARY AGE OUTSTANDING CLOSED COCKPIT BIPLANE

—
Vince Mariani, Findlay, OH for his Waco VKS-7F, N31653. Sponsor: EAA

CONTEMPORARY AGE OUTSTANDING OPEN COCKPIT MONOPLANE

—
Ruth McMakin, Rockton, IL for her Ryan PT-22, N47210. Sponsor: EAA

CONTEMPORARY AGE OUTSTANDING CLOSED COCKPIT MONOPLANE

—
Dr. J. T. Paterson, Louisville, KY for his Spartan Executive, NC17615. Sponsor: EAA

INTERNATIONAL AWARD

—
Ian Bennie, Eastern Beach, New Zealand for his Tiger Moth, ZK-BFX. Sponsor: EAA

VINTAGE REPLICA

—
Mercury Aircraft, Inc. of Hammondsport, NY for their 1908 Curtiss June Bug II. Sponsor: EAA

JUDGE'S CHOICE

—
Preston Snyder, Ringtown, PA for his Bellanca Skyrocket, NX237. Sponsor: EAA

OIL BURNER AWARD

—
John Innes, Los Angeles, CA for his Porterfield, NC17029. Sponsor: EAA

OUTSTANDING WORKMANSHIP

—
Al Anderson, Grossville, MI for his Piper J-4, N30340. Sponsor: EAA

Classic Aircraft Awards

RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION

—
Ron Kramer, Pella, IA for his Stinson 108-3, N8074. Sponsor: EAA

BEST CLASS I CLASSIC (Under 100 hp)

—
Alan LaForge, Upland, CA for his Luscombe 8A, N72087. Sponsor: EAA

BEST CLASS II CLASSIC (101-164 hp)

—
Bob and Colleen Nickles, Joplin, MO for their Stinson Voyager, N4082M. Sponsor: EAA

BEST CLASS III CLASSIC (165 hp and up)

—
Stan Smokovitz, Detroit, MI for his Cessna 195, N3045B. Sponsor: EAA

BEST WORKMANSHIP

—
Phillip M. Cashmer, Addison, IL for his Piper PA-16 Clipper, N5335H. Sponsor: EAA

BEST CUSTOM RESTORATION

—
Milo Turner, Frankenmaith, MI for his Ryan Navion, N5312K. Sponsor: EAA

BEST LIMITED PRODUCTION

—
Orvil Fairbairn, Sunnyvale, CA for his Johnson Rocket, N90204. Sponsor: EAA

BEST AERONCA CHAMPION

—
Melvin Hill, Danville, IL for N83633. Sponsor: EAA

BEST AERONCA CHIEF

—
John Pringle, Tolono, IL for N9715E. Sponsor: EAA

BEST BEECH BONANZA

—
Waldese Malouf, Palm Harbor, FL for Beech 35, N3244V. Sponsor: EAA

BEST BELLANCA

—
Richard L. Burns, Louisville, OH for N512A. Sponsor: EAA

BEST CESSNA 120/140

—
Ronald G. Degwan, Canfield, OH for Cessna 140, N76688. Sponsor: EAA

BEST CESSNA 170

—
George Mock, Anderson, IN for Cessna 170B, N3543C. Sponsor: EAA

BEST CESSNA 190/195

—
Joe Rickel, Geneva, OH for Cessna 195, N9344A. Sponsor: EAA

BEST ERCOUCPE

—
Rick and Beall Andersen, San Marcus, CA for N3968H. Sponsor: EAA



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BEST LUSCOMBE —
 Marc Balzao, Janesville, WI for Luscombe 8F, N2126B. Sponsor: EAA

BEST NAVION —
 L. Allan Carlsmith, Milford, NH for N5117K. Sponsor: EAA

BEST PIPER CLIPPER —
 Bill Schmidt, Wichita, KS for N5843H. Sponsor: EAA

BEST POST WAR J-3 —
 Art Eads, Pt. Pleasant, WV for N70745. Sponsor: EAA

BEST STINSON —
 Geoffrey Bertoldo, Newhall, CA for Stinson 108, N97654. Sponsor: EAA

BEST SWIFT —
 Steve Wilson, Manassas, VA for Swift GC-1B, N13SW. Sponsor: EAA

BEST TAYLORCRAFT —
 Knight/Disch/Joranlien, Brodhead, WI for NC96818. Sponsor: EAA

Rotorcraft Awards

RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION —
 John Bond of Portland, OR for his original design rotorcraft, Bond RXB2, N44JB. Sponsor: EAA

BEST ORIGINAL DESIGN —
 Martin Hollmann of Cupertino, CA for his HA-2M Sportster, N158. Sponsor: EAA

BEST WORKMANSHIP - UNDER CONSTRUCTION —
 Frank Marchetti, Chicago, IL. Sponsor: EAA

BEST BENSEN GYROCOPTER —
 Clair Snyder, Breinigsville, PA. Sponsor: EAA

Warbird Awards

RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION —
 Preston Parish of Hickory Corners, MI for his Grumman FM-2, N1PP. Sponsor: EAA

1976 Custom Built Aircraft Judges. Kneeling, left to right: Jim Miller of Kansas City, Paul White of Vista, California and Herb Combs of Bedford, Indiana. Standing, left to right: George Gibbons of Highland, Illinois, Cliff Gould of Milwaukee, Bob Ladd, EAA Awards Chairman of Milwaukee, Fred Blom of Timonium, Maryland and John Beetham of Indianapolis.

BEST P-51 —
 James Leeward of Ocala, FL for his P-51D, N55JL. Sponsor: EAA

BEST AT-6/SN-J —
 John C. Harrison of Sacramento, CA for his North American AT-6A, N94444. Sponsor: EAA

BEST T-34 —
 Ruth Sanders of Santa Ana, CA for her Beechcraft T-34, N311H. Sponsor: EAA

MOST IMPROVED WARBIRD —
 Canadian Warplane Heritage for its North American B-25, C-CGWM. Sponsor: EAA

BEST MILITARY CLASSIC —
 James Leahy of Galesburg, IL for his Stearman N2S3, N9914H. Sponsor: EAA

MOST UNUSUAL WARBIRD —
 Geert Frank, East Kingston, NH for his Antonov AN-2, N22AN. Sponsor: EAA

JUDGE'S CHOICE WARBIRD —
 W. M. Whittington of Ft. Lauderdale, FL for his FG1D Corsair, N46WB. Sponsor: EAA

PUBLIC CHOICE WARBIRD —
 Dr. Richard Dieter of South Bend, IN for his North American T-28A, N28100. Sponsor: EAA

RARE WARBIRD —
 Charlie Nelson of Athens, TN for his Temco T-35 Buckaroo, N68773. Sponsor: EAA

RARE WARBIRD —
 Canadian Warplane Heritage for its Fairey Firefly, CF-BDH. Sponsor: EAA

RARE WARBIRD —
 Lawrence Irvine of San Antonio, TX for his Bell P-39, N40A. Sponsor: EAA

HONORABLE MENTION P-51 —
 Robert Shaver of Mays Landing, NJ for his P-51, N988C. Sponsor: Warbirds of America

HONORABLE MENTION AT-6 —
 William R. Pryor of Keego Harbour, MI for his AT-6, N66WP. Sponsor: Warbirds of America

MOST AUTHENTIC WARBIRD —
 Elmer F. Ward of Santa Ana, CA for his P-51, N44727. Sponsor: Warbirds of America

WARBIRD SPECIAL AWARD —
 EAA Air Museum Foundation for its XP-51, NX51NA. Sponsor: Warbirds of America

WARBIRD SPECIAL AWARD —
 Confederate Air Force, Harlingen, TX for its Boeing B-29, N4249. Sponsor: Warbirds of America

SERVICE TO WARBIRDS —
 James Heiland
 Don Hoover
 Fred Webster
 Howard W. Frey
 George Melter

Designer's Awards

OUTSTANDING RV-3 —
 Art Chard of Bronson, MI for his RV-3, N27RV. Sponsor: Van's Aircraft

BEST ZENITH —
 Orgel Dever, Chico, CA for his Zenith, N18RD. Sponsor: Zenair, Ltd.

BEST MONO Z —
 Gerry Boudreau of Bolton, Ontario for his Mono Z, C-GNYM. Sponsor: Zenair, Ltd.

BEST DYKE DELTA —

Dave Williams of Irvine, CA for his Dyke Delta, N18DW. Sponsor: John Dyke

BEST DYKE DELTA - 2nd Place —

Robert R. James, Denver, CO for his Dyke Delta, N4RJ. Sponsor: John Dyke

BEST COOT —

Warren Eding of St. Louis, MO for his Taylor Coot, N107D. Sponsor: Aerocar, Inc.

BEST T-18 —

Bob Weeks of Long Beach, CA for his T-18, N88BW. Sponsor: Thorp Engineering

OUTSTANDING TURNER T-40 —

Don Eide, Shakopee, MN for his Turner T-40A, N4DE. Sponsor: Gene Turner

BEST SONERAI I —

Bill McGraw of Memphis, TN for his Sonerai I, N4X. Sponsor: Monnett Experimental Aircraft, Inc.

BEST SONERAI II —

Mel Lambe of Merrillville, IN for his Sonerai II, N4ML. Sponsor: Monnett Experimental Aircraft, Inc.

BEST MIDGET MUSTANG —

Robert Carpenter of Kalamazoo, MI for his Midget Mustang, N800. Sponsor: Bushby Aircraft

BEST MUSTANG II —

Kent Paser of Boulder, CO for his Mustang II, N5672. Sponsor: Bushby Aircraft

BEST SKYBOLT —

Joseph San George of Dunkirk, NY for his Steen Skybolt, N77SG. Sponsor: Steen Aerolab

BEST TAILWIND —

J. W. Benjamin of Lancaster, PA for his Tailwind, N4JB. Sponsor: Steve Wittman

Specialty Awards

BEST ERCOUCPE —

F. S. Gombar of Brodhead, WI for his Ercoupe, N93395. Sponsor: Univair, Aurora, CO

BEST SWIFT —

Bill Shepard of New Orleans, LA for his Swift, N10SS. Sponsor: Univair, Aurora, CO

BEST RAZORBACK COVERING - CUSTOM BUILT —

Hale Wallace of Johnson City, NY for his Steen Skybolt, N1HW. Sponsor: Razorback Fabrics, Manilla, AR

HIGH FLIGHT AWARD —

Shinichi Takenouchi of Kansas City, MO. Sponsor: Scot-Air

BEST AUTO POWERED HOMEBUILT —

Chapter 443, Columbus, OH for their Pober Pixie, N443PX. Sponsor: Joe Durham

BEST INSTRUMENT PANEL/INTERIOR LAYOUT —

Don and Carol Phillips of San Jose for their BD-4, N11DV. Sponsor: Joe Durham

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS —

Karen Lynn Jones of Allen Park, MI, Duane Royer of Lockport, NY and Robin Marohn of Oshkosh, WI. Sponsor: Teledyne Continental Motors

Pazmany Efficiency Contest

1ST PLACE —

Barry Sanders of Knoxville, TN in his Beech 35 Bonanza, N3150V

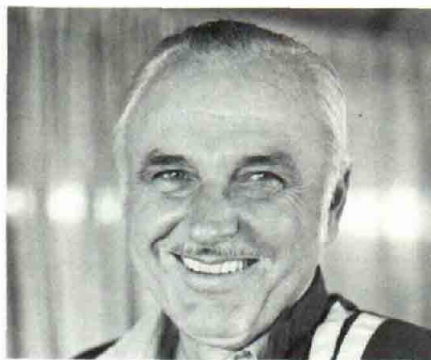
2ND PLACE —

Kent Paser, Littleton, CO in his Mustang II, N5672

3RD PLACE —

Dick VanGrunsven of Forest Grove, OR in his RV-3, N17RV

(Note: Complete Pazmany Efficiency Contest results will be covered in a separate article.)



(Photo by Dick Stouffer)

Tony Bingelis, "Mr. Designee", himself, was winner of a Special Education Award and a Major Achievement Award.



(Photo by Jack Cox)

Molt Taylor of Longview, WA in his MiniIMP — winner of the George Gruenberger Memorial Award for Outstanding Literary Contribution to Sport Aviation.



(Photo by Jack Cox)

L. D. "Lu" Sunderland and his wife — Lu was the 1976 winner of the Mechanix Illustrated award for his folding wing design for the T-18.



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Burt Rutan of Mojave, CA, 1976 winner of the Professor August Raspert Award For Outstanding Contribution To The Advancement Of The Design Of Light Aircraft.

Service to EAA Awards

Art Froehlich, Lisle, IL
Jeanette Roemer, Manitowish Waters, WI
Gene and Ann Morrison, Rockford, IL
Herman Rose, Loves Park, IL
Tim Casserly, Rockford, IL
W. Brad Thomas, Pilot Mountain, NC
Bob Mick, Waukesha, WI
Dave Clark, Red Hook, NJ
Jim and Betty Guthrie, Belvidere, IL
Emogene Davis, Kokomo, IN
B. F. Brokaw, Leesburg, FL
William J. Ehlen, Tampa, FL
Larry Fitzgerald, Bristol, WI
Frank Marchetti, Chicago, IL
Mike Berg, Appleton, WI

EAA Major Achievement Awards

Bert Beverly, Blue Grass, IA
Dave Engleman, O'Fallon, IL
Edward Gorski, Lake Kinnelov, NJ
George Economos, Washington, DC
Donald Grapp, Katonah, NY
William Fike, Anchorage, AK
Ted Lambasio, Knoxville, TN
M. L. "Mont" Mendenhall, Thomasville, NC
T. J. "Joe" Champagne, Houma, LA
Tony Bingelis, Austin, TX

1976 President's Awards

Gogi Goguillot, Richmond, B.C., Canada
George Rotter, Oshkosh, WI
Will Schaich, Oshkosh, WI
Ernest Moser, St. Augustine, FL
A. J. Chickos, Opa Locka, FL
Connie Marsh, Lovettsville, VA
J. R. Nielander, Ft. Lauderdale, FL

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EAA Chapter 13, Detroit, MI
EAA Chapter 18, Milwaukee, WI
EAA Chapter 50, Sandusky, OH
EAA Chapter 54, St. Paul, MN
EAA Chapter 60, Beloit, WI
EAA Chapter 64, Columbia, IL
EAA Chapter 78, Delaware Valley, PA
EAA Chapter 122, Harrisburg, PA
EAA Chapter 166, Hartford, CT
EAA Chapter 210, Columbiana, OH
EAA Chapter 227, Waterloo, IA
EAA Chapter 246, Red Hook, NY
EAA Chapter 305, Dartmouth, Nova Scotia
EAA Chapter 320, Watertown, WI
EAA Chapter 384, Brighton, MI
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EAA Chapter 492, Ellensburg, WA
EAA Chapter 524, Frederick, MD
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Monnett Experimental Aircraft, Elgin, IL
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Molt Taylor, Longview, WA
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