

FEDERATION AERONAUTIQUE INTERNATIONALE

NOMINATION FORM

THE FRANK EHLING DIPLOMA

for outstanding accomplishment, by an organisation or individual, in connection with the promotion of aviation through the use of flying models

From NAC: Academy of Model Aeronautics _____

Date: 14 November 2022

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Name of Nominee: Arthur H. "Trip" Barber

(Only one person from a country may be nominated annually by that candidate's National Airsport Control.)

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FULL INFORMATION ABOUT THE CANDIDATE'S ACTIVITIES UP TO 31st DECEMBER OF THE PRECEDING YEAR - Please Print

Arthur H. "Trip" Barber, a retired naval officer is one of the leading personalities in US spacemodelling. Active for more than fifty years, Trip achieved many successes and medals on international level, having several individual and team medals from World Championships in spacemodelling. During this time he also actively helped to introduce the electronic altimeters in spacemodelling and was one of the authors of the first EDIC rules for such kind of device. He always actively participated in FAI spacemodelling activities and currently is leading the Safety in spacemodelling working group, where under his guidance new improved safety rules were included into the Sporting Code.

Beside technical activities, Trip has organized several national and international competitions where he introduced several hundreds of young people into the spacemodelling sport. His effort and devotion helped that in the USA and Canada new people started building model rockets. Trips active presentations of his current technical achievements at national and International meetings and online videos are for many people a big inspiration and help to start with the spacemodelling sport. Trip was never hesitating to share his knowledge, always willing to help. His activities and leadership helped to get a better international cooperation within people. His current activities include an general safety training for current and future FAI Range Safety Officers (RSO's), which is planned for the end of the year.

Richard D. Hansen

