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Welcome to the
FAI Aeromodelling Commission
E-Plenary Meeting 2020

FAI Aeromodelling Commission In Memoriam

- Noel BARRET
- Bob BROWN
- Miodrag CIPCIC
- Dag ECKOFF
- Gerald GREGOREK
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- Zygmunt JANECKI
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- Oleg KRASNOV
- Aleksandar MADZARAC
- Lars-G OLOFSSON
- László PATOCS
- Eugene VERBITSKI

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■ Noel BARRET Ireland



- *Noel Barret passed away on 14 August 2019 (84)*
- *Noel was an Irish F3A pilot who competed in F3A World and European championships from 1983 to 2007. He was also one of the organisers of the World Championships in Ireland in 2001.*
- *After 2007 he was an international F3A judge for many years.*
- *He was a great aeromodeller in Ireland going back to his childhood in the 1940's and was involved in the Model Aeronautics Council of Ireland and his local Cork Model Aero Club.*



■ Bob BROWN

USA



- *Bob Brown passed away on May 14, 2020, age 75.*
- *Long service as District III Vice President of the Academy of Model Aeronautics and as chairman of the Academy's Publications Committee*
- *He has been District III Vice President since [1988], servicing seven consecutive three- year terms. As Flying Site chairperson from 1985-1988, he was instrumental in helping acquire the current AMA Headquarters and National Flying Site. As chairperson of the Property Acquisition and Development Committee (PADCOM) from 1990 through 2005, he led the effort to obtain and develop property adjacent to the flying site.*
- *Involved in RC Pylon Racing almost since its inception, Bob was part of the deBolt-Brown team that held several world Pylon and Speed records from 1972 through 1982. He and fellow Model Aviation Hall of Fame member Hal deBolt competed in the 1974 Aero Olympic placing eighth before the FAI officially recognized Pylon Racing as an organized world competition.*
- *On the international level, Bob has chaired the FAI F3D Subcommittee since 1982 and was selected as the F3D World Championships Jury Chairman 10 times since 1985. Currently a member of the FAI Executive Committee, he was appointed to that position in 1992. Bob helped organize the four F3D World Championships that have been held in the United States.*

Aeromodelling Honors:

He had 8 Honors including:

- *2006: AMA Model Aviation Hall of Fame Award*
- *2009: AMA President's Award*
- *2017: FAI Paul Tissandier Diploma*
- *2017: FAI Aeromodelling Gold Medal*



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■ Miograd CIPCIC Serbia



- *On December 1, 2019 Miograd Passed away.*
- *Miodrag “Micko” Cipcic (56) – great spacemodeller, producer of the famous “Ultra” rocket motors and former parachutist joined spacemodelling history*
- *With “Ultra” rocket motors, over 70 medals from World and Continental championships, over 10 World Records only by the Serbian national team plus few dozen medals and World Records achieved by competitors from USA, China, Spain, Slovakia and many other countries.*
- *Micko was Balkan Champion in 1993, brother Vladimir and nephew Miodrag jr. were both individual World Champions in S5 -Scale Altitude in 2012, with Miodrag jr. being individual World champion again in S3A – Parachite Duration in 2016. Niece Christina is the current individual Junior European Champion in S3A.*
- *He was awarded in 2001 by the FAI with the Antonov Diploma, which his brother Vladimir received two years later*



■ Dag ECKOFF

Norway



- *On January 7, 2020 Dag Passed away.*
- *Dag was involved with R/C helicopters starting in the early 1980s developing national competitions in Norway as well as other Nordic countries. He joined the FAI F3C subcommittee in 1992 and became one of the most active members. As F3C S/C chairman I always considered Dag as my right-hand man in all matters F3C and later in F3N.*
- *Dag served twelve times as F3C judge at continental and world F3C championships between 1996 and 2011. He served as a member of the FAI Jury at eight FAI F3C continental and world championships and as president of the FAI Jury at three FAI F3CN championships. Dag also served three times as the Norwegian delegate to the FAI CIAM.*
- *In 2011 Dag took over as chairman of the F3CN subcommittee and served until 2017, he then stepped down due to health problems.*
- *In 2016 Dag received the FAI gold medal for his many achievements.*



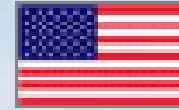
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■ Dr Gerald Gregorek

USA



- *Dr. Gerald M. "Jerry" Gregorek (September 7, 1931- October 3, 2019).*
- *He was a student and faculty member of the Department of Aeronautical and Astronautical Engineering at Ohio State University for over 66 years. He was innovative researcher of aerodynamics, aircraft flight-test, and airfoil design, and high-speed vehicle design - always motivating and encouraging his beloved students.*
- *He served as Chair of the Department of Aeronautical and Astronautical Engineering from 1991 to 1999, Director of the Aeronautical and Astronautical Laboratory, and Director of the OSU Don Scott Airport. Jerry was elected as a Fellow of the American Institute of Aeronautics & Astronautics in 1999, was a member of the Supersonic Wind Tunnel Association, American Society of Engineering Education, International Astronautical Federation (awarded the Melina Medal), Federation Aeronautique Internationale, Ohio Executive of the Year for Industry and Technology, Experimental Aircraft Association. The Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering established the Gerald M. Gregorek Excellence in Teaching Award in his honor.*
- *Jerry became the advisor to the newly formed Columbus Society for the Advancement of Rocketry.*
- *Jerry organized the first USSR space modeling competition and worked in Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia, Bulgaria, and Poland. Jerry represented the United States in international competitions as a member of the USA Space Modeling Team and served as a contest official for many national and world rocketry championships.*



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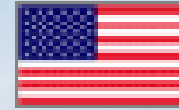
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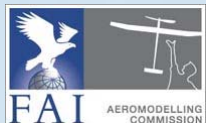
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■ Dr Laird Jackson

USA



- *ONE OF THE first members of the AMA Foundation Board of Directors has passed away. Dr. Laird Jackson, age 89, died October 17. He served as the foundation board's first chairman.*
- *Laird was a physician certified in internal medicine, clinical genetics, and clinical cytogenetics, with a principal interest in prenatal diagnosis.*
- *As an AMA member, he flew Control Line and Free Flight for many years. He also worked with the AMA and FAI in national and international competitions. At one time, he served on the AMA Model Aviation Hall of Fame Selection Committee.*
- *He was inducted into the National Control Line Racing Association Hall of Fame in 1977 and was awarded the FAI Gold Medal in 2010. The AMA Foundation was started in 2015.*



▪ Zygmunt Janecki

Poland



- *He passed away on 2nd of October 2019 (82)*
- *He was active in Spacemodelling from the beginning as one of the first in Poland and World.*
- *An active sportsman he soon joined the Polish national team where he had many successes.*
- *At the first unofficial WSMCh in 1970 in Vrsac he achieved 2nd place in Parachute duration and 8th in scale competition.*

■ Tadeusz Kasprzycki

Poland



- *He passed away in April 2020 (72)*
- *He devoted his whole life to two things - educating children and young people and as a boy-scout he was in the section for aviation.*
- *He was a great teacher and modeler show the countless medals which his students achieved at the highest competitions.*
- *He shared with his students his love for the modeling sport, precision, fairness and friendship.*
- *He was for many years in the head of the Krakow Aeroklub.*
- *His professional modelling career spans from active Space Subcommittee member for decades, team manager up to Jury member at several World and European championships, the last time in Poland 2018. On all his functions, despite being it a local competition or World Championships he showed high professionalism and exactness.*

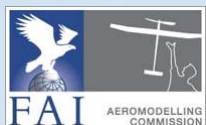


■ Oleg KRASNOV

Russia



- *He passed away in June 2020 (58)*
- *Former President of Russian Spacemodelling federation and Space Subcommittee member.*
- *Oleg Krasnov was a “universal talent” in Spacemodeling – from modeler, teacher, team manager of the Russian Spacemodelling team, organizer of highly ranked International events up to Jury member at several World and Continental Championships.*
- *As Team manager, he contributed a lot to the successes of the Russian team.*
- *In 2020, he helped to organize the 2020 World Spacemodelling Championships in Baikonur, which count as one of the most spectacular champions in Spacemodelling history with around 10 000 spectators at the opening ceremony!*
- *A year later, in 2021, he helped to organize the 1st open Asian Spacemodelling Championships, again in Baikonur, and again on a very high level.*
- *As Space Subcommittee member he helped in active Russian participation and organization of World Cup competitions.*



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▪ Aleksandar Madzarac

Croatia



- *He passed away in December 2019 (81)*
- *Sasa was one of the founders of Spacemodelling in Europe - Magister of Science, Aleksandar Madzarac*
- *Sasa was active in our sport since its introduction in the early 60's. As a student in Belgrade, he was one of founding members of ARAK (Club of Amateur Rocketry and Astronautics) which made the link with the Yugoslav Aeronautical Union, and found understanding and support there.*
- *Aleksandar Madzarac - Sasa was the "main motor" in all activities around spacemodelling and its development in Yugoslavia.*
- *His long and successful sporting career started back in 1966. Since then, for a long time he is a successful member of the Yugoslav national team at many International and World Championships, being mostly focused in Scale.*
- *his biggest sport successes :*
 - 2nd Place individual in S7 (Scale) at 1st Unofficial WSMCh in Vrsac 1970*
 - 3rd place Team S3 (Parachute Duration) at 1st WSMCh in Vrsac 1972*
 - 2nd place Team S5 (Scale Altitude) at 2nd WSMCh in Dubnica nad Vahom 1974*
 - World record holder in S1D (Altitude), S2A and S2B (Payplad Altitude) in 1975*



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▪ Lars-G OLOFSSON

Sweden



- *He passed away in may 19.*
- *He was world champion in F1C 1975 (see picture)*
- *He worked in the Swedish NAC many years involved in FreeFlight matters*

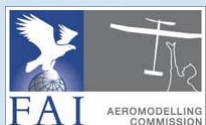


▪ László Patócs

Hungary



- *He passed this year (56 - 1964-2020).*
- *He was a member of the world and European champion Hungarian F1C free flight team.*
- *He was an active organizer as well, a European (2018) and a world (2017) free flight championship and an F3K DLG world championship (2019) plus several free flight world cup events (Budapest Cup) were organized by him*

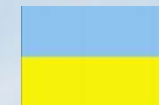


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■ Eugene VERBITSKY

Ukraine



- *F1C competitor in Championships for 50 years and 3 times World and 6 times European Champion*

