



The AMA History Project Presents: Biography of JEFF LOVITT



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The following was published in the April 1993 issue of Model Aviation magazine. Jeff was a 1992 Charles Hampson Grant Scholarship Award winner.

Jeff Lovitt was awarded \$2,000 to help him at the University of California-Davis, where his goal is a degree in aeronautical engineering. Jeff attended Willits High School in his hometown in California, graduating with a GPA of 4.0.

Listed in *Who's Who in American High School Students*, he was also a member of the National Honor Society, active in student council affairs, and won several awards for math and science. He played in the jazz band, took part in two musicals (*The King and I* and *Anything Goes*), and was nominated for the California Boys State Senate. A good athlete, he won letters in golf and baseball, playing on varsity teams, and was a team member in the statewide Academic Decathlon Competition in 1991.

He was an active Boy Scout, earning the rank of Eagle Scout in 1990. He served that association as a Patrol Leader in several categories and finished as Junior Assistant Scoutmaster.

Jeff worked at a local pharmacy as a clerk, stock boy, and deliveryman. He is still employed by the store during vacation.

Having a father who is an active scale modeler, he had lots of exposure to the sport and, as he got older, wanted to build and fly. His first aircraft was a *Falcon 56*, which he built himself. Having mastered the skill of Radio Control flying with an instructor and the *Falcon*, he turned to Scale projects and now he and his Dad enter contests together. His university entrance "back burned" a rebuild project of a *Spezio Tuholer*. Always a willing volunteer, Jeff has worked at contests and graduated to judging a year ago.

He chose his degree course because of his involvement with model aircraft. He really enjoys the sport, all aspects of aviation, and looks forward to a rewarding career.

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