

The AMA History Project Presents: Biography of AARON ("A.J.") SEAHOLM



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The following was published in the June 1996 issue of Model Aviation magazine. Aaron was a 1995 Sig Scholarship winner.

This \$2000 award, provided by Sig Manufacturing of Montezuma, Iowa, went to Aaron Seaholm.

Aaron attended Billings West High School in Billings, Montana and plans to work toward a degree in aeronautical engineering at Arizona State University in Tempe, Arizona.

The Sig Award is based on two factors: modeling performance and financial need. Aaron's modeling experience covers a wide range of activities. In addition to recreational flying with Free Flight rubber and Radio Control models, he also participates in competitive events. These include Pattern, Q-500 (in which he set a Junior national record), and 1/12-scale Combat.

The following was published on the Model Aviation magazine website, describing this columnist for the magazine, at http://www.modelaviation.com/ajseaholm.

A.J. Seaholm

I live in Rapid City, South Dakota, with my lovely wife, 6-year-old daughter, and 4-year-old son. During the day, I am Manager of Software Development for Northrop Grumman and hold a Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering.

My primary RC interest is Pylon Racing, but I have engaged in many areas of the hobby throughout the last 25 years. I have competed in Pattern and Combat. I have Slope Soared, flown gliders, electrics, 3-D, Scale warbirds, and anything else I could get my hands on.

I grew up in Billings, Montana, and was taught to fly RC by my father, Earl Seaholm, at age 8. I have many wonderful memories from Pylon Racing as a kid in



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Montana. I am fortunate to be making new racing memories with my own family, in Montana and around the country.

I spent 10 wonderful years in Kansas City involved with the Kansas City Radio Control

organization. This is a dedicated and passionate group of modelers and I thoroughly enjoyed every minute spent with my KCRC family. I was vice president and president of KCRC in 2008 and 2009. A group of us helped rejuvenate Pylon in the region and I am happy to say it is still going strong.

My competition accomplishments include the 2009 and 2010 Q-40 National Championship; 2009 Overall Pylon National Championship; 2009 Florida Gold Cup Championship; 2002 RC Combat National Championship, and 2003 RC Combat National Championship.

I am thrilled to have the opportunity to share my passion for RC every other month in *Model Aviation*.

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