



The AMA History Project Presents: Biography of JAMES TROUTMAN



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This award is for involvement in Free Flight activity. This year it was presented to James Troutman of Marion, Texas, in the amount of \$1,000. Jim [attended] Texas A&M University where he [graduated with] a degree in marine biology.

His 1995 modeling activity featured placing first in Senior in all nine Nats events he entered. Three times he has been a team member at the United States Junior World Championships as an F1C flier. His highest individual placing was fourth. In 1994, he was first in F1C at the Antonov Cup in Kiev, Ukraine. He also won ten events at the 1994 Nats in Lubbock, Texas.



James Troutman

Jim's record of wins in Free Flight is lengthy. In some cases, due to lack of Senior classifications at smaller contests, he had to fly in the Open category; his wins are impressive at that level as well.

As a member of the Tri-City Flyers Club, he was voted Modeler of the Year in 1990. Jim has utilized his own designs in several of his wins. [Jim continues to compete in Free Flight contests to this day and has won numerous contests in many categories of AMA/NFFS Free Flight events.]

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