



The AMA History Project Presents: Biography of PHIL CARTIER



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The following was written by Keith Marks as a letter of support in Phil Cartier's AMA Model Aviation Hall of Fame application. Phil was inducted into the Hall of Fame in 2015.

During my association with Phil Cartier, I find him to be a person of outstanding quality. We are both active members of the Harrisburg Aeromodeling Society, an AMA chartered club, and I have been friends with Phil and his family for close to forty years. Among his numerous outstanding attributes are his keen interest and enthusiasm to introduce, help, and mentor newcomers to the broad spectrum of model aviation. In this regard, Phil, during his long standing tenure as president of our club, has recruited, inspired, and mentored many people who would have otherwise been lost to our sport/hobby.

Phil's passion and significant long-standing contributions to model aviation are in the design, construction and flying of Control Line Combat aircraft. He is universally regarded as an expert in the production of computerized foam wings. He has published numerous articles about the know-how and construction of his designs, and many are now available in kit or ARF form. Phil is an accomplished Control Line pilot and has competed in the AMA Nats Control Line Combat competition several times, winning twice.

He designs, builds, and flies his own aircraft, and is recognized nationally as a top-twenty pilot in Control Line Combat circles. Phil has shown an unwavering commitment and support of AMA sanctioned events, and has been the Contest Director (CD) of countless AMA-sanctioned contests at the local, national, and international level.

Phil has a pleasing personality. He is easy to get along with and is well liked and respected by his colleagues. His many contributions over the years have led to the enjoyment, prestige, and improved stature of model aviation. Without reservation or hesitation, I recognize Phil Cartier as an outstanding candidate and nominate him for induction into the AMA Model Aviation Hall of Fame. Members of the Harrisburg Aeromodeling Society voted unanimously to support his nomination.

The following information was gleaned from the History Project files.

Some of Phil's Nats Participation (This list is not comprehensive)

Nats Year	Nats Event	Place
1999	328 Combat	6th

1999	329 Slow Combat	8th
2001	328 Combat	1st
2002	328 Combat	1st
2003	328 Combat	6th
2007	328 Combat	2nd
2007	331 F2D Combat	1st
2008	328 Combat	1st
2009	328 Combat	5th
2009	331 F2D Combat	5th
2010	328 Combat	4th
2010	331 F2D Combat	5th
2011	328 Combat	3rd
2012	328 Combat	8th
2012	331 F2D Combat	14th
2012	A328 Combat (A)	4th

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