



The AMA History Project Presents: Biography of FRANCES J. (FRANK) FANELLI



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The following information was gathered from biographical material submitted to the Model Aviation Hall of Fame by Don DeLoach from various writers, as well as information from past Flying Models magazines. Frank Fanelli was inducted into the AMA Model Aviation Hall of Fame in 2014.

- Started building plastic scale models in the 1950s.
- Built his first balsa model in 1974, a Guillow's Piper Cherokee.
- Became Associate Editor at Flying Models in November 1982. Became Editor in 1996, and retired from that role in 2014.
- Per a letter from Eric Boehm included in Frank's Model Aviation Hall of Fame application, dated February 20, 2014:

"Mr. Fanelli's extraordinary contribution to the model aviation community has spanned a lifetime of unselfish and tireless devotion. As a contributor, Associate Editor, and ultimately Editor of Flying Models magazine for a combined 31 years he has kept alive the segments of the hobby that are at the very root of all our pursuits."

The following is an incomplete list of articles/columns/reviews written by Frank Fanelli for Flying Models magazine gathered from the museum's library collection. Frank also wrote the Left Seat column for Flying Models from 2011 until his retirement in 2014.

Article Title	Date
MiniCraft's Mighty Mites	2000/09
SMALL 2000	2000/10
Carl Goldberg Models Eagle 2 ARF	2000/12
N.E.A.T. Fair! 2000	2001/01
Bratco's SkyBaby	2001/08
Planes of the WRAM and Toledo Shows	2001/08
SMALL Fun-Fly 2001	2001/10
SMALL Fun-Fly 2001	2002/01
NEAT Fair 2001	2002/02
Planes of the WRAM & Toledo Shows	2002/08

Great Planes RealFlight G2 with USB Interlink	2002/09
S.M.A.L.L. Fly-In 2002	2002/10
N.E.A.T. Fair 2002	2003/01
Hangar 9 Sukhoi Su-31	2003/03
Birds of a Feather: Park and Slow Hawks	2003/08
Planes of WRAM and Weak Signals	2003/08
Air Scooter Corp. AirScoot	2003/09
SMALL Fun-Fly 2003	2003/10
21st Sig Mfg. R/C Fun-Fly	2003/11
ParkZone flyers	2005/03
Multiplex Magister	2005/08
Great Planes Combat Corsair	2005/11
Neat Fair 2005	2006/01
ParkZone Typhoon 3D	2006/02
Sidewalk Flyers Big Chief Mk III	2006/06
HobbyZone Super Cub	2006/12
NEAT Fair 2006	2006/12
Multiplex EasyGliders	2007/01
Great Planes P-6E Hawk	2007/03
Hangar 9's FS One Flight Simulator	2007/04
Multiplex AcroMaster	2007/05
Horizon Hobby's Spektrum DX7	2007/07
NEAT Fair 2007	2007/12
An FM Product Review: Multiplex Gemini	2008/04
An FM Product Review: E-Flite's Super Airliner	2008/05
An FM Product Review: Sig Waco SRE	2009/08
An FM Product Review: FMA Direct's Charging Solutions	2009/09
An FM Product Review: JR's 12X	2009/11
NEAT 2009	2010/01
An FM Product Review: ScaleTech's OV	2010/05
An FM Product Review: Fly Fly Hobby's F-4 Phantom	2010/07
Planes of the WRAM and Toledo Shows	2010/08
An FM Product Review: Force RC Helis	2010/12
Hitec's Aurora 9	2011/01
Flyzone's Switch	2011/02
Neat Fair 2010	2011/02
ESM/Troy Built Models Hawker Typhoon	2011/04
E-Flite's F-86 Sabre	2011/05
Pima Air and Space Museum	2011/06
An FM Product Review: ParkZone ICON A5	2012/02

Favorite Workshop Tools	2012/02
Spektrum's DX7s	2012/04
E-Flite's Cessna 150 Aerobat 250	2012/05
ElectriFly's Widgeon	2012/06
Guilow's Snap and Fly	2012/08
The Planes of WRAM & Toledo 2012	2012/08
Horizon Hobby/Spektrum DX18	2012/12
NEAT Fair 2013	2013/01
Flyzone's DHC-2 Beaver	2013/02
Hangar 9's Piper PA-18 Super Cub	2013/04
Planes of the 2013 RAM show	2013/04
ParkZone/Horizon Hobby P-47D Thunderbolt	2013/06
Retro RC's Winder Stooze and Glue Caddies	2013/06
E-Flite/Horizon Hobby UMX MiG-15	2013/07
Guide to Corrugated	2013/07
3DX Hobbies FlatFoilZ Edge540	2013/08
Flyzone's P-38 Lightning	2014/02
Hitec's Weekenders P-51D Mustang, Zipper	2014/03
HobbyZone by Horizon Hobby Firebird Delta Ray	2014/05
Planes of the WRAM Show 2014	2014/05

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