

FEDERATION AERONAUTIQUE INTERNATIONALE

NOMINATION FORM

THE FRANK EHLING DIPLOMA

(for outstanding accomplishment, by an organisation or individual, in connection with the promotion of aviation through the use of flying models)

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(only one person from a country may be nominated annually by that candidate's National Airsport Control)

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FULL INFORMATION ABOUT THE CANDIDATE'S ACTIVITIES UP TO 31st DECEMBER OF THE PRECEDING YEAR - Please Print

András SOSZTARICH was born on January 31, 1923. He started to build model aircrafts 67 years ago in 1936. Soon he became also the designer of his model aircrafts flown at the Sopron airfield. Right after the II. World War he reorganised the aeromodelling activity in his home town. He has established a club mainly for newcomer juniors led by him and by the collected experienced modellers. After the organisation of the new local contest activity he was the organiser of the first ever Hungarian free flight nationals in 1954 that was conducted fully in accordance with the valid FAI-CIAM international rules. He was the originator and the leader of the building of control line circles in Sopron that was opened with the participation of the Chinese national team. He has designed 139 models mainly for juniors and 119 were really flown. At the beginning of the RC activity in Hungary, he has led the local juniors into the building and flying of RC models. He won several contest including two national championships as well.

He has founded the county organisation of the Hungarian Association of Modellers and later in the eighties he was a very active member of the main leading body of this organisation.

He was the author of several articles published in the Hungarian aeromodelling magazine again written mainly for juniors. He has got awards from the local authorities and from the Hungarian Association of Modellers for his activity in educating juniors and promoting all the air sport activities by aeromodelling. He had close contacts with the local representatives of the full size air sport and was flying full size gliders as well. He was interested in all local air sport activity from the beginning to nowadays. After several years of searching for the sources and documents he has published the history of the local aeromodelling and other air sport activity.

András. Sosztarich is still active in his club, participating in the education of juniors, show flights and exhibitions. Throughout his more than 60 years of activity he was all the time a volunteer.

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