

TROPHIES AND AWARDS

presented at

The 23rd Annual U. S. National Soaring Championships

Trophies and Awards were presented at the Contest Awards Banquet, Thursday Evening, August 9, 1956, held in the Terrace Room, The Hilton Hotel, Fort Worth, Texas.

The principal speaker for the event was Lt. Col. Floyd J. Sweet, USAF, Washington, D. C., President of The Soaring Society of America.

Distinguished guests, TSA, SSA Officials seated at the head table were: Major General Albert Sidney Johnson, Division Commander, 49th Armored Division, Texas National Guard, and Mrs. Johnson; Brig. General Clayton Price Kerr, Artillery Commander, 49th Armored Division, Texas National Guard, and Mrs. Kerr; Mr. Othmar Schwarzenberger, President, TSA; Capt. David A. Sooy, Commander, U. S. Naval Air Station, Dallas; Capt. Ralph S. Barnaby, U.S.N. (Ret), Director and Honorary SSA Vice-President; Mr. Uel Stephens, Sr.; Mr. and Mrs. Jon D. Carsey; and Mr. E. J. Reeves, who acted as Master of Ceremonies.

Also introduced were: Capt. H. C. Aherns, USAF, Hensley Field, Dallas; Mr. Ted Lange, Contest Meteorologist; Mr. and Mrs. Philip Easley; Mmes. Helen Navoy, Betty Jeanne Reynolds and Sonya Yanowitch, Official Contest Scorers; Stephen and Ruth Nephew; Marshall and Betty Claybourne; Dick and Alice Johnson; Eric Craik; Jock Powell, Lt. Col. and Mrs. Rex Usher, CAP; Miss Tony Paige; Messrs. Paul Bikle, Paul Schweizer and Stan Smith, SSA Directors.

A reception, hosted by Messrs. Jon D. Carsey, J. W. Simmons, Jr., and E. J. Reeves, was held on the Terrace preceding the banquet, with more than two hundred persons attending both functions.

SSA Perpetual Trophies and Awards, presented by Capt. Ralph S. Barnaby, U.S.N. (Ret), Chairman, SSA Awards Committee.

1. THE RICHARD C. du PONT MEMORIAL TROPHY AND MEDALLION
TO: Mr. Lyle Maxey, Downey, California
FOR: National Soaring Champion for 1956
Total Contest Points—8,595
2. THE LARISSA STROUKOFF MEMORIAL TROPHY AND CASH AWARD OF \$150
TO: Mr. Lyle Maxey, Downey, California, 1st money—\$100
Mr. Paul Schweizer, Elmira, New York, 2nd money—\$50
FOR: 1st and 2nd performances accomplishing best Goal and Return Flights during Contests.
3. THE DONALD W. DOUGLAS TROPHY
TO: Southern California Soaring Association
Accepted for SCSA by: Mr. Gus Briegleb.
FOR: Best performance by a Club Entry.
4. THE WARREN E. EATON MEMORIAL TROPHY
TO: Mr. Earl Southee, Athens, Pennsylvania



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Tall and shapely Miss Mary J. Perkins, Queen of the Meet, poses with the Richard C. du Pont Memorial Trophy and the Silvaire Trophy.

- FOR: His contribution to the art, sport and science of soaring during past years.
5. THE LEWIN B. BARRINGER MEMORIAL TROPHY
TO: Mr. Paul Bikle, Edwards, California
FOR: Best distance flight of the year launched other than by aero tow.
6. THE PAUL TUNTLAND MEMORIAL TROPHY
TO: Dr. Joachim Kuettner, Arlington, Massachusetts
FOR: The most important contribution to the science of soaring during the year.

Nominations to the HELMS ATHLETIC FOUNDATION, HALL OF FAME.

1. Mr. Jack O'Meara
2. Mr. Jay Buxton
3. Dr. August Raspet
4. Mr. Richard H. Johnson

THE HAROLD McELFISH AWARD—A Pioneer Parachute and Case