

No Tuntland Memorial Award for 1962

The SSA Directors, upon recommendation of the SSA Awards Committee, have voted not to award the Paul E. Tuntland Memorial Award for 1962. This award is intended for the person who, during the preceding year, is deemed to have made a soaring flight yielding the most scientific information recorded or written by the pilot. A review of published literature did not reveal a candidate who met the intent of the award hence the recommendation that no award be made. It was the desire of the Directors that this situation be called to the attention of all soaring enthusiasts in the hope that some would try to strive for this award in the future.



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Letters

Variometers and Knots

Dear Lloyd:

May I endorse Sinbad's very lucid argument for having variometers calibrated in knots.

Several years ago another sailor, Nick Goodhart, introduced me to the advantages of measuring both horizontal and vertical velocities in knots. I have found this system particularly convenient on cross-countries.

I should like to add a further thought to Sinbad's 1 knot almost equals 100 fpm. It is this: 1 meter per second almost equals 2 knots, or 200 fpm.

I hope this handy ratio may give a new lease on life to those old but excellent metric variometers that have been going out of style because of their unfamiliar markings.

GRAHAM THOMSON

11409 Waterford, Los Angeles 49, Cal.

Sad News From LISA

Dear Lloyd:

This is a letter of bad news, in that three Long Island soaring pilots have recently died in light plane crashes.

You have perhaps already heard of the death of Melvin H. Stickney, Silver badge #221, in an accident which occurred I believe at the EAA meet at Rockford. My information is vague but I understand he was with another pilot stunting in a specially strengthened light plane when the engine tore loose and Mel crashed in the ship.

Willets Roed (Silver badge #480) and Peter Montanez, both members of LISA, flew a charter flight in a Cessna the night of July 29th taking parents from Long Island to Albany to their son who had been shot in an accident at camp. On the return flight after midnight they encountered severe thunderstorm activity and the Cessna was later found to have flown straight into the side of a mountain near Tannersville, N.Y. (in the Catskills), killing Bill and Pete instantly.

Bill was one of our best and most faithful tow pilots, and both were fine soaring enthusiasts and will be sadly missed.

MILES COVERDALE

46 Old Estate Rd., Manhasset, N.Y.

Barnaby's Thanks

Dear Friends:

Many thanks to those of you who were in attendance at the 30th Annual National Soaring Championships and signed the beautiful "get well" card executed by Frank Hurtt, which was sent to me recently. It is a souvenir I shall always treasure, both for Frank's fine art work, and for the signatures of so many of my friends in soaring which it bears.

Marg and I had been looking forward to attending this year's contest, and it was a great disappointment to us both that I had to choose this particular time to "fall apart." I am glad to report, however, that, according to my doctors, I am coming along satisfactorily.

RALPH S. BARNABY

2107 Chancellor St., Philadelphia 3, Pa.

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