

## 2002 AirVenture Aircraft Awards

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### **CUSTOM BUILT (Plans)**

Grand Champion: Bernard Fried, San Antonio, TX - T-18 (N18XS)  
Reserve Grand Champion: Paul Dannenberg, Holland, MI - Monocub (N37PD)

#### Champions:

James Patillo, Fremont, CA - Q200 (N46JP)  
Larry Flagg, Lee's Summit, MO - Larry's Mixture (N10251)  
Joseph Dixon, Malone, WI - Tailwind W10 (NX34JD)  
Jim Hayden, Richmond, TX - Starduster Too (N10JH)  
Dennis Hall, Brodhead, WI - Pietenpol (N1138D)  
Robert Crook, Nepean, ON Canada - Hatz (CF-HTZ)

#### **Outstanding Workmanship:**

Kenneth Terrio, Higganum, CT - Pober Jr. Ace (N37KT)  
Ronald Wilson, Lake City, FL - Cozy Classic (N99RX)  
Kenneth Dannenberg, Holland, MI - Cougar (N42KD)  
Carlene Mendieta, Pinole, CA - Parakeet A-4C (N63950)

### **CUSTOM BUILT (Kit)**

Grand Champion: Alan Webb, Medford, OR - Harmon Rocket (N281AW)  
Reserve Grand Champion: David Howe, Stratford, CA - Harmon Rocket (N540HR)

#### Champions:

Michael James, Castaic, CA - Glasair II S RG (N41MJ)  
George Meketa, Canyon Lake, TX - RV-8 (N444TX)  
Charles Hayes, Vista, CA - Lancair IV-P Turbine (N751HP)  
Don Muhlnickel, Goshen, IN - GlaStar (N287G)  
Wally Anderson, Eugene, OR - RV-6A (N12WN)  
Bob Sinclair, Lafayette, CA - Lancair 320 (N320S)

#### **Outstanding Workmanship:**

David Scharfenberg, Maquon, IL - Velocity: RR1 (N424DS)  
Marvin Brott, Mackinney, TX - RV-8 (N707TX)  
Jim Scales, Newburgh, IN - ES-0 (N98AF)  
Lynn Elsner, Sun Lakes, AZ - Velocity (N8761S)  
Patrick Allender, Iowa City, IA - RV-4 (N36PA)

John Plavcan, Newbury, OH - Lancair 235 (N235U)  
John Hughes, Huntington Beach, CA - RV-6 (N164JH)  
Jim Hergert, Los Gatos, CA - Lancair IV-P (N6XE)

**Stan Dzik Memorial Award for Design Contribution:** David Howe, Stratford, CA -  
Harmon Rocket (N540HR)

**Paul Poberezny Award for Classic Homebuilt:** Maynard Ingalls, Dayton, NV -  
Starduster Too (N38PM)

## **ANTIQUUE**

Grand Champion: Vernon Vick, Dublin, OH - 1942 Boeing PT-17 Stearman (N75SV)  
Reserve Grand Champion: Herbert Clark, Weirsdale, FL - 1942 Boeing Stearman  
(N55511)

Champion Replica Aircraft: Jim Moss, Graham, WA - Laird Super Solution (N22ML)  
Champion World War II Military Trainer/Liaison: Jay Anding, Bryan, TX - 1941 Boeing  
Stearman, A75N1/N2S1 (N341AA)

Champion Customized Aircraft: Larry Beck, Canby, OR - 1944 Beechcraft G17S  
Staggerwing (N1944B)

Champion Golden Age: none awarded in 2002

Champion Silver Age: Ronald Price, Sonoma, CA - 1929 Fleet, Model 1 (NC8616)

Champion Bronze Age: Robert Penny, Versailles, MO - 1935 Pasped Skylark W1  
(NC14919)

Bronze Age Runner Up: David Stark, Weatherford, TX - 1937 Stinson SR-9F (N18425)

Champion World War II Era (1943-1945): Steve Craig, Lawrence, KS - 1946 Beechcraft  
G-175 Staggerwing (NC80321)

Outstanding Customized Aircraft: James Hardie, Heber Springs, AR - 1939 Taylorcraft  
BC-65 (N23892)

Customized Aircraft Runner Up: Larry Boehme, Hillsboro, WI - 1941 Waco UPF-7  
(N180LN)

## **Silver Age (1928-1932)**

Outstanding Open Cockpit Biplane: John Coussens, Stanwood, WA - 1929 Travel Air,  
Model 4000 (N9024)

## **Bronze Age (1933-1941)**

Outstanding Closed-Cockpit Monoplane: Max Davis, Waconia, MN - 1935 Stinson, SR-6  
Reliant (NC15127)

Outstanding Open Cockpit Monoplane: Carlene Mendieta, Pinole, CA - 1936 Ryan  
Aeronautical, STA (NC16039)

Outstanding Closed Cockpit Biplane: Les Chasmere, McAlester, OK - 1936 Waco ZQC-6

(N16203)

Outstanding Open Cockpit Biplane: none awarded in 2002

## **WWII Era (1942-1945)**

Outstanding Open Cockpit Biplane: Jim Jones, Newton, IA - 1942 Meyers OTW-145 (N34323)

Closed Cockpit Monoplane Runner Up: Raymond Johnson, Buffalo, MN - 1943 Boeing Stearman (N65691)

Continuously Maintained Aircraft: Bradley Larson, Excelsior, MN - 1938 Ryan SCW-145 (NC18912)

Judges' Choice: Arngrimur Johannsson, Iceland - 1943 Piper L-4/J-3 (TF-CUP)

## **CLASSIC**

Grand Champion: Paul Gould, Sardinia, OH - 11AC Chief (C9526E)

Reserve Grand Champion: Stephen Culler, Winston-Salem, NC - Tri-Pacer PA-22-150 (N2311P)

Best Classic I (0-80 HP): Raymond Cook, Spring Grove, IL - Taylorcraft BC12D (NC43645)

Best Classic II (81-150 HP): Mark Holliday, Lake Elmo, MN - Swift Temco GC-1B (N2353B)

Best Classic III (151-235 HP): Edward Monoski, Kent, CT - 108-2 (N9609K)

Best Classic IV (236 HP & Up): Charles Luigs, Bandera, TX - Cessna 195 (N4426C)

Best Customized Classic: Marty Lochman, Newalla, OK - Cessna 140 (NC773SH)

Customized Class A (0-80 HP): none awarded in 2002

Customized Class B (81-150 HP): Bob Reuther, Nashville, TN - Luscombe (NC144BR)

Customized Class C (151-235 HP): Raymond Miller, Taylors, SC - Swift GC-1B (N80856)

Customized Class D (236 HP & Up): Rod Hill, Carefree, AZ - C-195A (N9869A)

Best Customized Runner Up: Frank Sperandeo, Fayetteville, AR - Pacer PA-22/20 (N3383A)

Best Aeronca Chief: Patricia Early, Palmyra, PA - 11AC (NC3729E)

Best Beechcraft: Roland Schable, Janesville, WI - Beech E-35 (N3490B)

Best Cessna 170/180: Rodney Erickson, Fairmount, ND - Cessna 170 (N2600V)

Best Cessna 190/195: Mike Barron, Perry, MO - Cessna 195 (N3040B)

Best Ercoupe: Robert Davis, Anacotes, WA - 415-E (N94805)

Best Luscombe: Garrett Nievin, Ashburn, VA - 8A (N71102)

Best Navion: Luis Olaguibel, Mexico City, Mexico - XB-BEM

Best Piper J-3: Madonna McMahan, Wausau, WI - J-3 (NC88456)

Best Piper Other: Eric Presten, Vineburg, CA - PA-16 (NC5875H)

Best Stinson: Steven Smith, Santa Rosa, CA - 108-1 (NC97979)

Best Swift: Donald Woodhams, South Haven, MI - GC-1B (N3866K)

Best Taylorcraft: Lee Bowden, Independence, IA - BC12-D (N39911)

Best Limited Production: Edward Sweeney Jr., Black Forest, CO - Aerocar (N102D)

Preservation: Donald Claude, Poplar Grove, IL - Taylorcraft BC-12D (NC96440)

## **CONTEMPORARY**

Grand Champion: Paul Erickson, Novato, CA- 1960 Cessna 310D (N6817T)  
Reserve Grand Champion: Ronald Hyde, Kenedy, TX - 1959 Beech E18S (N317MH)

### **Outstanding in Type**

Beech Single Engine: Nicholas Zirolì, Mt. Sinai, NY - 1965 Beech S-35 (N6016F)  
Cessna 150: Michael Wotherspoon, Barrie, ON Canada - 1966 Cessna 150 CF-SZD  
Cessna 170/172/175: Ed Wischmeyer, Redmond, WA - 1959 Cessna 175 (N59175)  
Cessna 180/182-210: Mike Forney, Lambertville, NJ - 1965 182-H (N940W)  
Mooney: Donald McGettigan, Mesa, AZ - 1962 Mooney (N6242U)  
Piper PA-18 Super Cub: Jack Menier, Coon Rapids, MN - 1959 PA-18 (N9796D)  
Piper PA-24 Comanche: William & Susan Harryman, Marion, WI - 1965 PA-24-260 (N8582P)  
Piper PA-28 Cherokee: Donald Downin, Mesa, AZ - 1965 PA-28 (N6874W)  
Limited Production: Robert Gutteridge, Santa Rosa, CA - 1957 Champion (N7557B)  
Best Continuously Maintained: Jim Simmons, Nashville, TN - 1962 Piper PA-24-250 (N8071P)  
Most Unique: Jan Christie, Ft. Atkinson, WI - 1958 Percival (N747JC)  
Custom Class I Single Engine (0-160 HP): Darion Swartz, Vernon, BC - 1961 PA-18 (CF-HCG)  
Custom Class II Single Engine (161-230 HP): Gerald Turney, Oakland, CA - 1963 Mooney M203 (N175KT)  
Custom Class III Single Engine (231 HP & Higher): Steven Oxman, Riva, MD - 1959 Beech BE-35 (N12711)  
Customized Single Engine: Chuck Milton, Independence, OR - 1957 Cessna 180A (N6180)

## **ULTRALIGHT**

Grand Champion: Warren Baier, Fond du Lac, WI - Skylight  
Reserve Grand Champion: none awarded in 2002

Honorable Mention: Del Cross, Groves, TX - 1981 Kolb Flyer  
Innovation Award: Stuart H. Fuller, Sebring, FL - Krucker Amphib

## **LIGHT PLANES**

Grand Champion: Patrick J. Spanaus, Hartland, WI - RANS S-18  
Reserve Grand Champion: Rod Cowgill, Ontario, OR Canada - Mifyter  
Champion: Ken Swasas, Frankfort, IL - Challenger

Honorable Mention Light Plane: none awarded in 2002  
Flex-Wing Champion: Jim Franzen, Hortonville, WI - Skymaster Excel  
Flex-Wing Honorable Mention: Kevin T. Daniels, Forest Lake, MN - Gemini Twin  
Powered Parachute

## **ROTORCRAFT**

Grand Champion: Dan Cole, Temperance, MI - Safari (N557XS)  
Reserve Grand Champion: Jim Liss, Mchenry, IL - Rotorway 162F (N63969)  
Champion: John Spurling, Cleveland, OK - Mini 500 Turbo (N101PT)

### **Ken Brock Outstanding Workmanship Award:**

Greg Gremminger, Sainte Genevieve, MO - Magni M16 (N216MG)  
Russell E. Gerrish, Calgary, AB Canada - Rotorway Jet Exec (C-GXHT)

## **WARBIRDS**

Grand Champion WWII: Ken Wagnon, Wichita, KS - North American P-51D Mustang (N151KW)  
Gold Wrench: Midwest Aero Restoration Ltd.  
Grand Champion Post WWII: Eddie Kurdziel, Delmar, CA - Fairey Firefly (NX518WB)  
Gold Wrench: Q.A. Aviation of America  
Returning Grand Champion: Ronnee and Minard Thompson, Steilacoom, WA - Cessna L-19 Birddog (N1172D)  
Returning Grand Champion: Frank Borman, Fair Acres, NM - North American TF-51 Mustang (NL50FS)  
Reserve Grand Champion Post WWII: Lewis Shaw, Dallas, TX - Temco TT-1 Pinto (NX4229)  
Gold Wrench: Ezell Aviation  
Reserve Grand Champion WWII: Kermit Weeks, Polk City, FL - North American B-25J Mitchell (N1943J)  
Gold Wrench: Aero Trader  
Best P-51: Chuck Greenhill, Mettawa, IL - North American P-51D Mustang (N5500S)  
Silver Wrench: Square One Aviation & The Aeroplane Factory  
Most Authentic: John A. Roxbury Jr., Princeton, MN - Hughes OH-6A Cayuse (N6252F)  
Phoenix Award: Alexis I. Du Pont, Toughkenamon, PA - Ryan PT-22/NR-1 (N47082)  
Best T-6: James W. Dorris, Ocala, FL - North American SNJ-5 (N3286)  
Silver Wrench: James W. Dorris  
Best L-4: Keith Hibbett, Lewisville, TX - Piper L-4J Grasshopper (N75708)  
Silver Wrench: Keith Hibbett  
Best Primary Trainer: Joe and Mark DeNest, West Chester, PA - Fairchild/Cornell PT-26 (N75463)  
Silver Wrench: Joe and Mark DeNest: M.D. Aero  
Best O-2: John Austin, Ontonagon, MI - Cessna O-2 (N57BB)

Silver Wrench: Commodore Aerospace

Best L-19: Guy Moman Jr., Northport, AL - Cessna L-19 Birddog (N60604)

Silver Wrench: Air Repair Inc.

Best Trainer: Raymond E. Plote, Algin, IL - Beech AT-11 (N508MH)

Silver Wrench: Plote Aviation

### **Judges' Choice Awards:**

Frank Vranicar, Corona Del Mar, CA - Cessna L-19 Birddog (N5199G)

Tom McCormick, Sante Fe, NM - Aero Vodochody L-39 (N455TM)

David Paquette, Luverne, MN - Aeronca L-16 (N4256E)

Ernie Green, Wellington, FL - Focke Wulf 149D (N149FK)

Jon Fowler, Hallock, MN - Antonov AN-2 (N4643W)

Leroy Lakey, Wichita Falls, TX - Beech T-34 Mentor (N6CL)

Cedric Pearce, Chapel Hill, NC - Yak 52 (N520CP)

### **Preservation Awards:**

Carol and Jim Shuttleworth, Huntington, IN - North American TF-51 Mustang (N93TF)

Ray Diechman, Corona Del Mar, CA - Goodyear FG1D Corsair (N773RD)

David Bauer, Bellevue, WA - North American T-28B (N215SF)

Stephen "Mark" Hardin, Terrell, TX - ERCO PQ-13 (N37143)

Syd and David Rothenanger, Carmel, IN - Beech T-34 Mentor (N134DR)

Dick and Rick Brown, Excelsior, MN - Piper L-4 Grasshopper (N50364)

William L. Greene, Groveland, IL - North American T-6G Texan (N3172G)

### **SEAPLANE**

Grand Champion: none awarded in 2002

Reserve Grand Champion: none awarded in 2002

Champion: none awarded in 2002

Outstanding Fabric Float Plane: Dennis Boden, Ocala, FL - RANS 57 (N352DB)

Outstanding Homebuilt: Roberta Hegy, East Troy, WI - SeaRey (N244H)

Outstanding Amphibian: Keith Walljasper, Normal, IL - Seawind (N80CC)

Workmanship: Jack Avery, Trego, WI - GlaStar (N103A)

### **Judges' Choice:**

Brad and Glenn Larson, Sarasota, FL - Cessna 165 Airmaster (NC19498)

Stuart H. Fuller, Sebring, FL - Krucker Amphibian