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75th Anniversary Celebration rocks IAC



The International Aeromodeling Center at AMA's Muncie IN Headquarters held a party last month. A big one! The Academy's 75th Anniversary Celebration, July 14-17, was a four-day aeromodeling festival that drew members from 36 states to fly and enjoy displays and demonstrations in both aviation and aerospace. Click the link below to check out photos. [And go here to see pictures from the Diamond Anniversary Gala](#) that drew 230 celebrants to the local convention center. And checkout the Gala's closing video featured at right on AMA TV. It's a great infomercial for AMA club use that you can [order for just \\$3](#).

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FAI World Championship draws 31 countries

The IAC and AMA hosted an FAI World Championship for the third year in a row the last week of July. The F3A Pattern contest was held during a good ol' Midwestern heat wave with temperatures flirting with 100 degrees. [Go here to see results from that contest](#) - particularly for **Andrew Jesky and his third-place finish** and the **US team for winning gold**. Click the link below to see photos from the event.

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IRCHA Jamboree will bring hundreds of heli pilots to IAC

The International Radio Controlled Helicopter Association's annual Jamboree is slated for Muncie August 10-14. With 800-900 registered pilots, it challenges the Joe Nall event as the nation's largest gathering of aeromodelers. Always exciting, IRCHA Jamboree is a great place to see the premier helicopter pilots in action.

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Member alert! AMA balloting for district and national officers coming

During mid-September, all AMA members will receive what is traditionally known as the "bill and ballot." That is, your renewal notice and opportunity to vote in applicable district elections as well as for two national offices: president and executive vice president. Watch for this in the mail. In the meantime, click the link below to see the slate and process. And it's also a good time for you to consider AMA's alphanumeric program that helps you customize your AMA number unique to you. [Go here to learn more](#).

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Commemorative Air Force and AMA in talks on youth

The Commemorative Air Force(CAF) has approached AMA to discuss potential joint youth outreach programming. According to AMA Education Director Bill Pritchett, AMA's recent success in inking agreements with the EAA and Civil Air Patrol has sparked interest from this famous historic, full-scale organization. Click the link below to learn more about the CAF.

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Sneak preview: September Model Aviation feature - Joe Nall 2011

Later this month the September edition of Model Aviation is in the mail. In the meantime, check out one of its features beforehand by clicking on the link below. You'll see a nice spread that covers this year's Joe Nall fly-in at the famed Triple Tree Aerodrome, which was named an AMA International Aeromodeling Center this year. [Read the PDF here](#).

Stay up-to-date with AMA Government Relations issues



The government relations section of the AMA website is your information center for all things involving model aviation and government issues. Rich Hanson, AMA's Government Relations and Regulatory Affairs person, provides frequent updates not only on the FAA issue but on other topics as well. Click the link below to get background and answers on these important developments that affect you and the National Air Space.

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Put your name on it - AMA's commemorative Walk of Fame

The Academy's Walk of Fame at its Muncie Headquarters is filling up, but space is still available for you to show your support of model aviation. What better way to honor a club member, a loved one, or to celebrate your club than to sponsor a symbol of support for your national organization? This gift to the Academy is not only tax deductible, it is a permanent sign of your dedication to aeromodeling. Click the link below to learn more.

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