



The AMA History Project Presents: Biography of CLIFF PIPER



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Cliff Piper

AMA District I Vice-President (Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont,
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Clifton A. Piper has been involved in air modeling activities for 36 of his 46 years. Living in the small community of Atkinson, New Hampshire, Cliff's work takes him across the state line to Malden, Massachusetts, north of Boston, where he is manager of a chain store for the W.T. Grant Company. Cliff and his wife, Charlotte, are the parents of a married daughter, Margaret; Patricia, a 15-year-old; and 8-year-old Robert C. Piper. Showing his complete devotion to the hobby, Cliff called attention to the fact that his son's initials are "RC," but frankly, it is doubted if Cliff and Charlotte were thinking of model planes when Robert was named!

Radio Control is Cliff's present main hobby interest, but Free Flight and Control Line held his attention in past years. Adding variety to Cliff's leisure time activities, he enjoys ham radio and camping outdoors.

Piper is serving his second term as vice-president of District I and has held a Contest Director's rating as a Leader member in the Academy for several years. Among other qualifications, Cliff is a charter member of the Boston South Shore RC Club, life member of the Hampshire County (Northampton, Massachusetts) RC Club, Hampshire County RC Rally Conference founder, and is 1971 vice-president of the New England RC Modelers, Inc. Cliff has accepted the responsibility of directing tabulation operations for the past several years at the National Contest. He was a write-in candidate for the AMA presidency last year.

In civic and community activities Piper has been a Lion and a Rotarian, is past president of the Chamber of Commerce of Easthampton, Massachusetts. Cliff brings a businessman's wisdom to our Executive Council, also an enthusiasm for youth programs in AMA activities.

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