



## The AMA History Project Presents: Biography of TONY STILLMAN

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“...Tony Stillman, 45, has been a major participant in the RC arena. He has planned and developed several model airplane events and education programs.

As past president of the National Society of Radio Controlled Aerobatics (NSRCA), Tony was granted lifetime membership. He conducted a judge training and certification school for several years at the Weak Signals' Toledo Show for NSRCA.

Tony designated and ran three school aviation programs and flew both airplane and helicopter demonstration flights for the Pensacola, Florida school system.

He works in the model aviation industry, spending 27 years at Radio South where he is currently president.

Tony's other accomplishments include working as technical advisor measuring airframes at the Tournament of Champions in Las Vegas, Nevada. He has been published in *K Factor*, the newsletter of NSRCA, and *Radio Ramblings*.”

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### **AMA Appoints Flying Site Assistance Coordinator**

The AMA is pleased to announce the appointment of Tony Stillman of Brunswick, Georgia, as its new Flying Site Assistance Coordinator (effective June 1). Tony has been the Academy's District V vice president (VP) for the past five-and-a-half years. The interim District V VP is Jose Soto of Apopka, Florida.

“According to surveys conducted by the AMA staff, concerns about flying sites is the number-one issue for our members,” said Tony, a native of Pensacola, Florida. “I really want to help club officers procure and keep those flying sites.”

Tony intends to put much emphasis on helping clubs with best practices, such as being good community citizens and all the things necessary to position them within their communities as viable, recognized, and respected hobbyists.

“I want to help clubs look down the road, plan ahead,” said Tony. “In case of trouble, they should have the dollars, people assigned, and the desire to create options for themselves before something negative happens, not just after.”

He cites both proactive and reactive reasons to be on top of this issue.

“I’d also like to thank Wes De Cou and Joe Beshar for doing such good work as my predecessors – especially in the area of EPA Superfund work,” said Tony. “They did a great job.”

Tony has been flying RC since 1971 and doing so competitively since 1974, and he has earned two second-place finishes and one third in national competition. He was a four-time manager of the F3A RC Aerobatics team and has twice been a CD for World Championships competitions.

Tony owns Radio South ([www.radiosouth.com](http://www.radiosouth.com)), which is one of the Southeast’s most recognized radio repair and supply businesses.

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