



## 2012 1-26 Association Per Ardua Senior Award

This award is recognition for the most outstanding flights and/or significant contributions to the 1-26 Association. Not only has Ron Schwartz has been a steadfast example of what can be accomplished by a pilot who knows how to fly their 1-26, but he's also set the standard that virtually every Association Member strives for. Not only has he, year after year, made several impressive long distance flights, but he has also mentored many others along the way.

During the 2012 1-26 Association Sweepstakes, Ron flew 2709.97miles - more than twice the Eastern Division Diamond Class average that he won and almost twice as many miles as any the next highest scoring Diamond Class competitor in any division - with the longest of these flights being 522.97 miles covered in a flight that lasted 11 hours and 57 minutes. These flights, coupled with Ron's dedicated service to the Association as the current Records Keeper and his past service in different roles including serving on the 1-26 Association Board, Ron exemplifies the "never say die" character of 1-26 pilots everywhere.

It is with sincere gratitude that the Association presents this award to Ron Schwartz for the year of 2012.

Mike Havener,

President, 1-26 Association

Cc: Bill Vickland, Secretary/Treasurer, 1-26 Association