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Meetings of the AGS are held the 3rd Tuesday of every month at the Endicott Meeting Center, Changes to time or location will be noted in this newsletter. Business meeting at 7:30 P.M., program to follow.

The Prez Sez
Terry
Terrenoire



The Mall show is just around the corner. This year's dates are January 24-25. This will be the first time in a long time that it has not been the same weekend as the Superbowl. As we have done for the past 20 years, the sign up sheet will have 5 time slots to fill. Saturday from 9 to 1, 1 to 5, and 5 to 9. Sunday will be from 10 to 2 and 1 to 5. In addition, we will need 6 to 8 workers to set up on Friday night, and a similar number to tear down on Sunday. And of course, we need airplanes to display. We have room for 60 or so planes to display, so don't be shy. We can use all types to show the public our diversity. I would really love to have the electric helicopter do a demonstration as well as a TV and VCR so we can show tapes during the show. If anyone has a computer with a flight program, that would be nice too.

The December meeting place will be the same as November, in Endicott across from the library. The January and February meetings will be at the Main Endwell High School on the corner of Hooper and Farm to Market Roads. **These meetings will be the first Tuesdays so mark your calendars!**

At this point we have not finalized a program for December. We tried to get the jet flyer, but he just 'informed Rick that he could not make it.

If you have any suggestions, contact me, and that brings me to a point of request. We are looking for a program chairman to take care of this for the next 10 months. This is a great job for a new member because he can arrange to see the programs that will benefit him.

Scouts: We had our 3rd meeting on the 25th, and the 4th will be on the 9th of December. If you can help, please let me know. Right now, Steve Bard, Charlie Pearsall, and Brian Balliet are the only ones assisting. Would be nice to have a couple more helpers.

December meeting at
Endicott Meeting Center

January Meeting at
Maine-Endwell High School

Starting January 2004, Meetings will be held on the FIRST Tuesday of the month

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Coming Events

- December 16 - - - - - 7:30 PM**
Monthly Meeting
Endicott Meeting Center
- December 17 - - - - - 7:45 PM**
Indoor Flying
Vestal Junior High Gym
- January 1 - - - - - 11:00 AM**
New Year's Day Fly
Location: TBA
- January 5 - - - - - 6:00 PM**
Indoor Flying
T.J. Watson Elementary
- January 6 - - - - - 7:30 PM**
Monthly Meeting
Maine-Endwell High School
- January 12 - - - - - 6:00 PM**
Indoor Flying
Root Two Aerodrome
- January 24,25 - - - - - 9:30 AM**
Mall Show
Oakdale Mall

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AGS Board Meetings

Board meetings of the AGS will generally be held monthly on the Monday of the week following the general membership meetings and are open to all members who wish to bring business to the board. Please contact our President prior to the meeting to notify him of your interest and to get the location of the meeting.



THE TREZ SEZ
Paul
Cushing

I collected the mail from the post office box on the way home from work tonight, as I do every Monday. It is the 1st of December and I still have not received some membership renewal payments for 2004. Those 10 members will be receiving a letter from the Treasurer, possibly before this article is published in The Connector, because they have not met one of the obligations of club membership, as described in the AGS Bylaws. The AGS Board will be addressing this issue at the next Board meeting in December. Please understand that I am not trying to browbeat anyone, but we need to know how many dues-paying members we have for the coming year, so we know what our operating budget limits are.

Thank you

**REMINDER
THE NEXT MEETING
IS AT THE
ENDICOTT MEETING CENTER
DECEMBER 16th @ 7:30 pm**

Membership Report

By Tony Cammarata

Greetings to you all. Let me preface my regular report by a few words. As membership chairman for the AGS over the past two years, let me say that it has been rewarding to welcome, and usher in many of our new members. I am now ready to take a breather from this office. I know there are at least a few of you out there that might like to take a turn at making an important contribution to this club. If you have been thinking of the same, let me encourage you to volunteer your services to this administration and volunteer to be our new Membership Chairman. I know they (our officers) will be extremely appreciative of your efforts, and you too will be rewarded with a sense of significant contribution to the club. I will be glad to show you the ropes.

New Regular Members: We have one new regular member this month. He is Brian Thurmond. Congratulations Brian and welcome to the club. May you have countless years of amicable fellowship and fun flying, as a member of our club.

Regular Members to be voted on: This month we have three Associates eligible to be voted on for regular membership. They are: Robert Murry, Jeremy R. Vandermark and Michael Kunzman

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Membership Report

By Tony Cammarata

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Robert lives in Endwell, is a mechanic and is married. His wife's name is Carla. Robert is passionate about model airplanes. He is interested in fun flying, and expresses a desire to advance to racing and aerobatics, as well as techniques in building. Robert more than satisfied his three-participation-event requirement and would like to become a regular member. His sponsors are Jerry Rosco and Art Regal.

Jeremy lives in Owego and is a student. He is primarily interested in sport flying. Jeremy has fulfilled his participation requirements and wants to be a regular member. Jeremy's sponsors are Wayne Kunsman and Scott Blazicek.

Our final candidate is Michael Kunzman. Michael lives in Endicott, is an electrician and is married. His wife's name is Caren. Michael wants a nice place to fly, and is interested, ultimately, in learning aerobatics and combat flying. His sponsors are Wayne Kunsman and Matt Struck.

New Associates: None this month.

Visitors This Month We had two visitors for auction night.

They were Chris Dascano who is the current President of the Binghamton Aeros, and Mike Budnovitch.



**AGS Meeting #677
October 18, 2003**

The meeting was held at the Endicott Meeting Center and was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by president Terry Terrenoire. Present at the meeting were approximately 45 members and 2 guests.

Meeting Minutes

Approved as published in the Connector, with a correction. It was noted that Brent Bryson's name was omitted from the list of elected Board members for the 2004 fiscal year.

Officer Reports

President's report:

Nothing to report.

VP's report:

Scott asked members for comments on the revised Field Rules, as published in the Connector. There were comments made on several items such as Spectator rules, Frequency Control, etc. The Field Rules will be reviewed at the next Board meeting before being finalized.

Secretary's report:

The board meeting minutes from October were read.

Treasurer's report:

The treasurer's report was given by Paul Cushing and was accepted.

Historian's report:

Jerry Roscoe has made some photo CD's which contain pictures of various events from 2003. It also contains soft copies of all of the Connectors from 2003. Copies cost \$5.00.

Committee Reports

Membership

Two Associate members are eligible for full membership at this meeting. Since Martin Keyes had previously indicated that he did not currently have the time to devote to the club as an active member, it was decided to postpone the vote on admitting him until a later date. The second person who is eligible for full membership is Brain Thurmond.

Activities:

Event Chairmen Needed

Brent Bryson is still looking for volunteers to chair some of the regular club events. Brent also thanked those who have already volunteered to fill one of the positions.

Old Business

Meeting Place

Since our new meeting place at the Endicott Meeting Center is costing the club \$25.00 per month, it had previously been decided that we should continue to pursue another meeting place which would have no fee associated with it. Our club has been approved to hold our meetings at the Maine-Endwell High School on the first Tuesday of each month, beginning in January, 2004. Dave Lewis is also looking into the details that would allow us to meet at the Endwell Fire Station. It was felt that if we can try several meetings at each of these two locations, we would then be able to pick the one that best fits our needs. ***The December meeting will still be held at the Endicott Meeting Center on December 16, 2003.***

Jacket, Hats, Patches

Scott Blazicek will continue to work with Jerry Riegal and Rick Allabaugh to pick more up-to-date designs for these items of club apparel.

New Business

Field

It was reported that there had been some damage done to the runways at the field by ATV's. Bob Noll volunteered go up the field and string the barrier ropes around the runways in an attempt to prevent further damage.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at the Endicott Meeting Center, across the street, diagonally, from the Endicott Public Library, on December 16th at 7:30 p.m. Please see last month's Connector for a map showing the exact location.

Show-N-Tell

Ken Maroni showed a Minimax Coupe which he built from Dick Allen plans. It is powered by an OS .91.

Jim Quinn displayed a group of custom made airplane shirts, one at a time, as he removed them from his body.

Steven Bard showed his partially constructed *Turbulent*. Expected weight at completion is 3 – 3.5 lbs.

Brian Thurmond displayed his *Ultimate Bipe* electric model which is made from foam sheets. It uses a GWS 350 geared motor and LiPoly batteries.

Show-N-Tell Winner

The show-n-tell raffle winner was Jim Quinn.

Program

Annual Auction.

Mall Show January 2003



New Years Day Fun Fly!

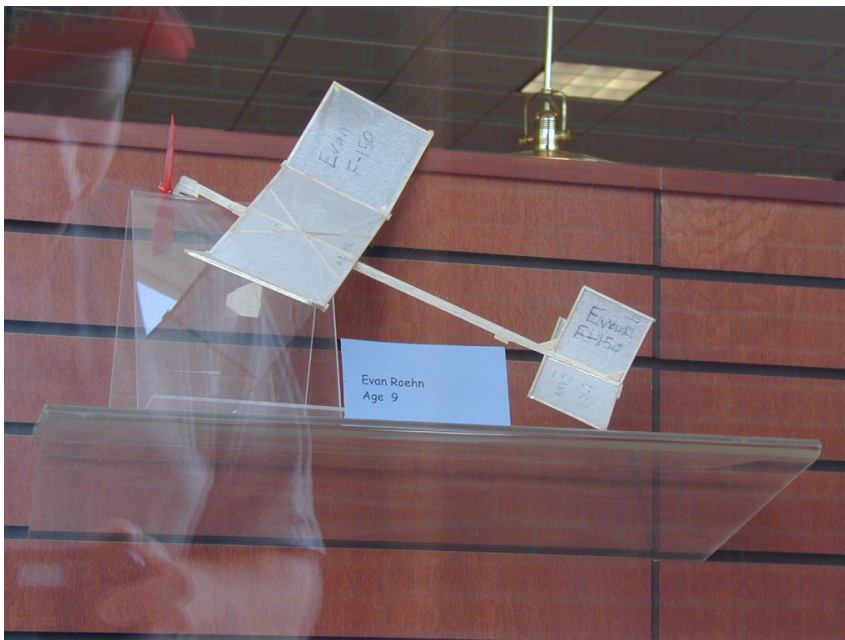
by Brent Bryson, Activities Director

Once again it is time to mount the snow tires, or skis onto your favorite winter flier, and send it hurtling upward into the chilly wintry skies, and enjoy some hot food and drink with your fellow AGS'ers at the annual New Years Day Fun Fly. The event starts at 11:00AM and the location this year will either be at Moore Park in Vestal, or the Soccer Field behind the Ann G. McGuinness School in West Corners. This will be discussed at the December AGS

Peter Brayman
The Connector Editor

FROM
THE
EDITOR

A plane Steven Bard helped youth groups build On display at Barnes and Noble—May 2003



It's been awhile since there's been room in the Connector for my meanderings. This is a good thing! I'd like to thank all of those who contributed to the Connector in 2003; without your contributions it'd be pretty dull. I'd also like to thank Doug Breneman for his proofing skills to correct my mistakes and Dave Lewis and Bill Oltmer for mailing the finished connectors out. I welcome contributions from any AGS member, whether it be an article or a picture that is of interest to the AGS membership.

Your Connector in January won't arrive until the end of the month; this will contain December and January's Meeting Minutes. We are doing this as a one-time event to accommodate the change in meeting date. From January onwards, you can expect your Connector to arrive the end of the month or the week before the meeting.

Questions, Comments or Submissions can be sent to pete@v-fib.net

Cancellation of AGS Meetings: In the event of poor weather, listen to the radio or television for local closings and cancellations. If Broome Community College night classes are cancelled, then the AGS meeting is cancelled.

AGS Library Update

As of 11/14/2003, the following items are missing from the AGS Library, located at G.J.'s Hobbies. Please check to see if you might have one or more of them, and if you are no longer using them, return them to the library.

Title	Media Type	Author	Publisher
Covering R/C Airplanes	Book	Faye Stilley	Air Age Publishing
Covering R/C Airplanes	Book	Faye Stilley	Air Age Publishing
Foam Wings	Video		R/C Modeling Magazine
Scale in Hand	Video		R/C Modeling Magazine
R/C Modeling Handbook of Gliders and Sailplanes	Video		
R/C Video Magazine Vol. 11	Video Magazine		R/C Video Magazine
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R/C Video Magazine Vol. 12	Video Magazine		R/C Video Magazine
R/C Video Magazine Vol. 12	Video Magazine		R/C Video Magazine
R/C Video Magazine Vol. 13	Video Magazine		R/C Video Magazine
R/C Video Magazine Vol. 13	Video Magazine		R/C Video Magazine
10 th Southwest Fan Fly	Video Magazine		Telstar
Striking Back	Video		Simitar Video

Flight School 2003



AGS is an AMA chartered club; to fly at AGS's field you must be covered under AMA insurance.

You can sign up or renew your membership online at

<http://modelaircraft.org>.

For 2004, the rates are:

Regular Members—\$58

Seniors (proof of age required) - \$48

Junior Members (< 19yrs old)

\$15 w/magazine

\$1 w/o magazine



DECEMBER PROGRAM



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