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Meetings of the AGS are held the 1st Tuesday of every month at the Main Endwell High School
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 year will soon be over, and a new one will begin, bringing new hopes, dreams and plans for improvement.

I hope all of you have a very Merry Christmas, and a joyous New Year. With the New Year fast approaching, now is the time to get your plane ready for the January 1st flying session to be held at the soccer fields behind Ann McGinnis school in West Corners. The big problem this year is what will we need for "shoes"; Skis for snow, or keep the wheels on for no-snow. I'll have my Falcon 56 on wheels, and my Sig Fazer perched on some new skis I picked up at GJ's last year. That should cover all the bases.

Progress is being made on the tractor repairs. While we have it apart we are doing some preventive maintenance. It looks like the total for parts will approach \$1000. the repair crew will give a detailed report once all work is complete. Speaking of the

crew, we could use some help. So far it has been just Rick Curtis, Bob Noll, Frank G. and myself. You will note that we are all Board members. Come on guys!!

We are also in need of some energetic volunteers to fill some critical positions, Field Maintenance, Activity Chair, and Public Relations. Non of these have to be done single handedly. They can be hared by 2 or 3 guys, especially the Field. It would be nice to have one person coordinate the mowing, another work on the road, and another to oversee the general field maintenance and improvements. If you have been in the club for a year or more, and have not stepped up to help with some of the work load, now is the time.

Since we do not yet have an activities chair, I will attempt to keep you informed of activities coming up. New Year's day fly: Jan 1st, see above for location. frank G. will have goodies to keep us warm.

Mall Show: Jan 20-21st. We had a number of people sign up at the last meeting, but we can always use more.

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can be obtained free via e-mail or at a minimal cost of \$8.00 annually via US mail by contacting the editor.

Coming Events

New Years Day Fly...Jan 1
10:00 AM - BC United Soccer Fields

Mall Show.....Jan 20-21

WRAMs Show
Feb 23-24-25

Cancellation of AGS Meetings:

In the event of poor weather, listen to the radio or television for local closings and cancellations. If Maine-Endwell High School classes are cancelled, then the AGS meeting is cancelled.

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We will also have a designated flying area in one of the empty store fronts, so plan to take your new helicopter, or "indoor" fixed wing to show off to the expected spectators.

WRAMs show: Feb 23-24-25. If you have not attended one of the national RC trade shows, this is a great place to start. I have attended this show for most of the 37 years I have been flying RC, and I find new stuff every year. That is especially true now, with the rapid advances being made in electric flight.

One of the items discussed at the Board meeting was the possible purchase of a modern laptop for the Secretary. There are many advantages to the organization having a dedicated computer, so the Board will pursue this. If you have any input or suggestions, please contact one of the Board members.

See you at the meeting on Tuesday, Jan 2nd, if not at the New Year day fly on the 1st!!



LATE DUES NOTICE

Frank Gioffredo Treasurer

Attention members, I would like to ask all members who have not paid their dues for this year to please do so. All dues were to be paid by November first and we are now just days away from January and several persons have not yet paid. Please take a moment to fire off that check so I can present completed financial info to the board for this years budget planning. Thank You



**AGS Meeting #713
December 5, 2006**

The meeting was held at Maine Endwell HS Library. AGS President Terry Terrenoire started the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Present at the meeting were approximately 21 members. There was 1 guest also present.

Meeting Minutes

October meeting minutes approved as published. Comments were made and noted as what to include and exclude from future Connectors.

Officer Reports

President's report:

President Terry Terrenoire stated that the logging contract was signed. We expect the cutting to begin this winter after ground has frozen. The contract allows Robinson Lumber 2 years to remove all the marked trees.

Terry welcomed Scott Wallace and Rich Allabaugh as new membership chairs. Scott Wallace will be the primary. Terry also welcomed Don Shugard as the club's new safety chairman.

Vice President's report:

Vice President Jim Rogers summarized discussion relating to the upcoming Club Banquet.

Tioga Downs

Sherwood Inn private dinner and show Jail House

Train Trip, Tioga Railway & Wellsboro Pa

Warplane Museum in Elmira.

If anyone has other thoughts or recommendations please contact Jim Rogers.

Secretary's report:

Secretary Rick Curtis stated the following were the key items discussed at last month's board meeting:

Signing of the logging contract,

Social Member status

Resignation of 1 member from the Board and 1 from the Committee.

Welcomed 3 new Committee Members
Upcoming Banquet.

Next Board Meeting is Dec 19th at 7:30 PM. Contact Terry Terrenoire for location.

Treasurer's report:

Terry Terrenoire reported that half of the income from the logging sale was put into higher yield cds.

Committee Reports

Membership

Membership Chairman Scott Wallace contacted both the Press and Times Warner Cable. Both are running periodic articles.

Scott Wallace also stated that we are looking for additional new member sponsors. Interested?, contact Scott Wallace.

Scott Wallace also donated a new trainer to put on show at G.J.s and the Mall show. Also to be used at Model aviation Day or other events that require a Trainer.

Connector Editor Jeff Hatton talked about a new AMA program. "TAG" which is design to attract new members. Board will review this program at the next Board Meeting.

Unfilled Committee Positions

The Board is looking for volunteers to serve as committee chairs or members of the following committees. Please contact Terry Terrenoire if interested.

Activities

Field

Flight School

Historian

Librarian

Public Relations

Program

Program Chairman Guillermo Leon outlined the program for this evening's program (skis). Also reviewed program for the upcoming year. He asked for volunteers to present and/or aide in the presentation. Please contact Guillermo Leon if interested in volunteering

Old Business

Terry Terrenoire reminded the group that the tractor repair is ongoing at

Rick Curtis's house. Volunteers are required to help clean parts. No mechanical skill required. Contact Rick Curtis if interested in volunteering.

Terry Terrenoire discussed "Social Membership" and suggested that they continue to come as guest until the Board makes a formal decision

New Business

Webmaster, Mark Letcher announced that AOL Members will no longer receive Webmaster E-Mail. AOL treats it as spam. (Note: For e-mail to be sent Members with AOL accounts, they need to go the AGS website (agsny.org) sign in, and go to the member's only section to obtain the members email address and e-mail them directly)

Phone numbers and email addresses for Board members need to be included on the connector. Jeff Hatton to update.

An AGS web site has an event calendar. Terry Terrenoire needs to provide event data to Webmaster Mark Letcher

Terry Terrenoire reminded the group that the Mall Show is scheduled for Jan 20 & 21st. This will be the 24th anniversary. Terry passed around sign up list. Discussion followed on flying demonstrations during the show. Terry Terrenoire said he would contact the Mall representatives to see if an empty store front could be used for this activity.

Terry Terrenoire initiated a discussion on date for Winter Fly. Weekend of February 16th-18th was selected. Doug Breneman to verify the availability of the BC United Soccer Field.

Terry Terrenoire informed the group that one of its long members has had a significant lost during the last flood. Contact Terry Terrenoire if interested in volunteering and/or contributing.

Show and Tell

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The Deadline for Connector articles is two Fridays before the meeting. Please have submissions to the editor before then.

Electronic submissions are preferred, E-mail them to jeff@priusonline.com

Deadline for Next Connector is 1/26/07.

Membership

Scott Wallace

Following Jim Quinn's resignation, Scott Wallace and Rick Alla-baugh will serve as membership cochairmen for 2007. AGS meeting announcements will appear in the Press & Sun-Bulletin on the weekend before each meeting. We are also working to get meeting announcements on Time-Warner cable channel 4.

Scott Wallace purchased a new 40 size trainer aircraft and engine at GJ's then donated it to the Aeroguidance Society! The model will be on display at GJ's along with AGS promotional materials. The club will also use this model at the Mall Show, Model Aviation day and other events. A big "Thank You" to GJ's Hobbies for allowing us the display space.

If club member has a 4 channel Futaba radio sitting unused please consider donating to the club for use in this club aircraft. Contact any AGS Board member.

New Years Day Fly

Frank Gioffredo

Hey Gang, New years Day is right around the corner and we may or may not have snow, but hopefully either way the weather will be nice for flying. Don't forget to mark your calendar and set your clock to be at the BC United Soccer Fields around 10:30 am or so and we will go to around 2:00 if interest holds out. There will be plenty to eat and drink to stay warm, so come out and have some fun. See you all there.

NEED HELP?

by Bob Noll

I will again be at the next meeting at 7 PM to help anyone with a building problem or questions. This half hour session is an opportunity for anyone to get help to the best of my ability. If you need help, please bring your project WITH PLANS. Knowing how to read the plans is an important skill.

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Scott Wallace displayed his 3rd of 5 Hurricane pylon racers.

Matt Struck displayed 2 planes Xcalibar a fun-fly foam bi-wing and a mini YAK an extremely light quick plane. Matt also reminded the group of an indoor fun fly program in Sayre. Contact Matt Struck if interested.

Tony Cammarata displayed his Tiger Moth in process. Tony Cammarata also displayed another of his other projects, a Pik 15.

Jim Quinn displayed his Kiwi

Terry Terrenoire showed off his new flight box and some of his new small/electric/inexpensive planes.

Program

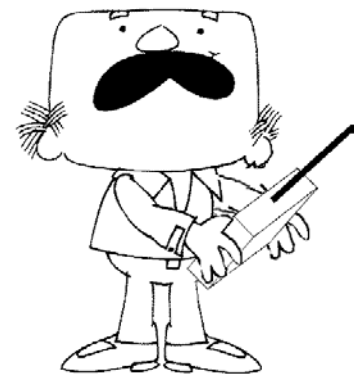
Program Chairman Guillermo Leon opened tonight's program on Winter Skis by Terry Terrenoire. Highlights of the program include:

Floats need to be rigidly attached with no movement. Skis do not have the same requirement.

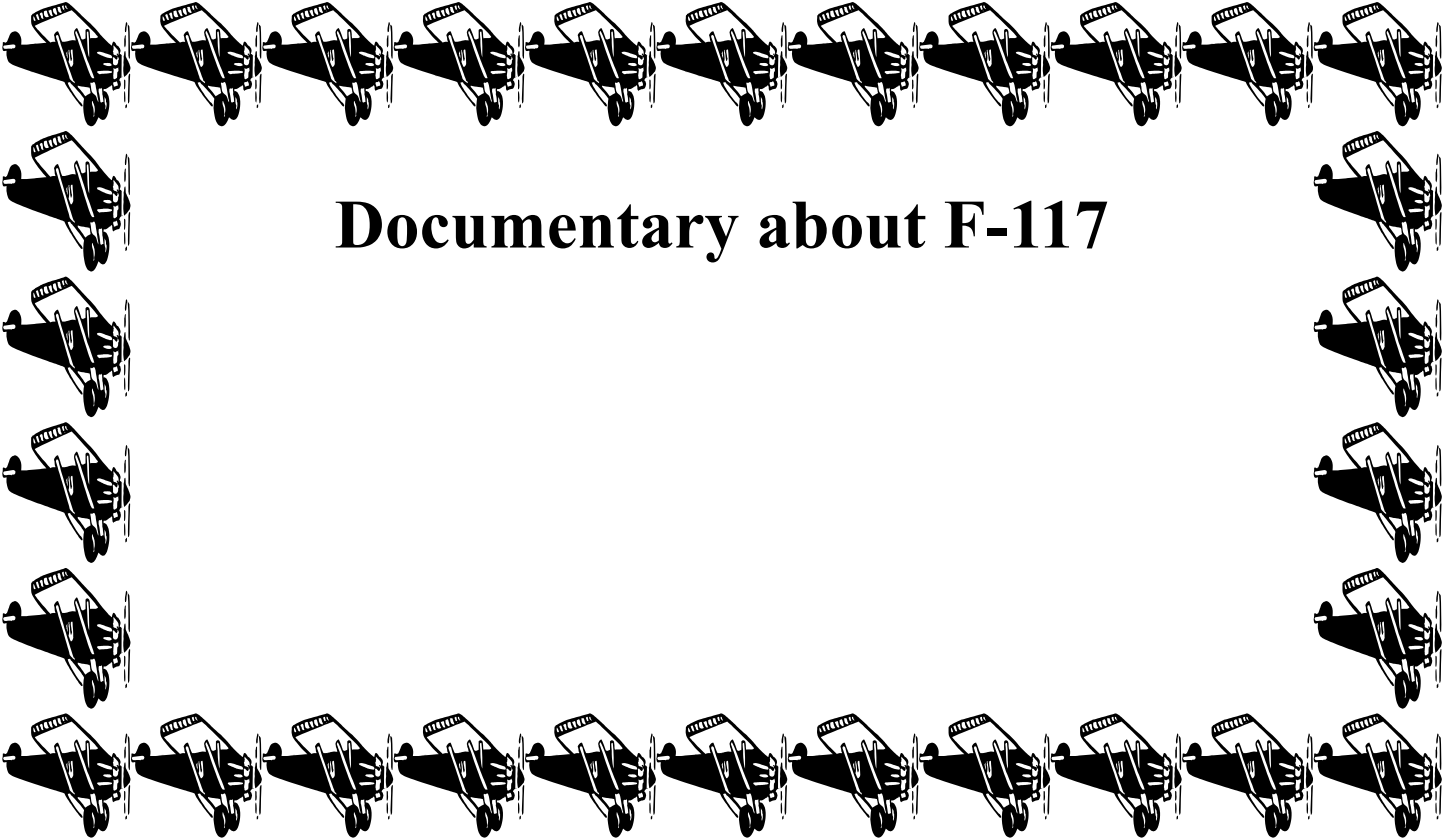
Skis can be made using a variety of materials, fiberglass, Plexiglas, plywood using a template made from a piece of rigid material like a piece of 2x4.

How big? Trial and Error. Need to trim to desired function. Fluffy snow need larger skis, dense snow need smaller skis.

Recheck CG balance once skis have been installed on the plane. Recommended that weight associated with balance of the skis on the ski.



JANUARY PROGRAM



Documentary about F-117

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