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Meetings of the AGS are held the 1st Tuesday of every month at the Maine-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 Plez Sez Terry Terrenoire

On Monday, 4/7, Bob Noll and I traveled to Elmira to meet with Atty, Chris Denton. He spent over an hour with us and answered a lot of questions we had. In short, he recommended that we send a letter to Whitmar making a counter offer. I will read that letter at the May meeting, and any response we may get from Whitmar. Once we come to terms, the Secretary will draw up a "Corporate Resolution" which will be signed by all Board members, then presented to the general membership for an up or down vote. Once approved by the membership, the President, and Secretary will sign the lease agreement. Our atty will either draw up this lease, or review the lease provided by Whitmar, prior to the signing. I do not want to go into a lot of detail here as I have spent about 10 hours researching and meeting with various individuals. If you have ANY questions, PLEASE give me a call and we will discuss it, but I do NOT want to take up a lot of valuable club meeting time with this topic.

We are getting into the flying season real fast now. The temp today was near 60 degrees. Too bad I had to put brakes on one of my cars, so I did not get a chance to fly. Maybe tomorrow!! I hope all of you have cycled your flight batteries, and checked your TX as well. Now is the time to check your fuel system by blowing into the tank to see if it is still air tight. If it is not, then remove it and check all fittings by starting with the stopper. Very frequently you will find that simply by tightening the screw in the

stopper you will reseal the system. Give all of your hinges a tug to make sure they have not come loose. Change your glow plug, check your flight box batteries! You probably have at least 2...one for the glow and one for your starter.

I find that a good way to check it all is to do a run-up in my back yard. I do it in the middle of the day so there is minimal neighbor disturbance. Midnight is NOT a good idea.

The program for May is two fold. First we will have the obligatory reading of the field safety rules by our safety officer, Don Shugard. then we will have our annual "project night". Please have available any projects you have completed, or are working on, over the winter. This is a BIG show and tell. In the past we have awarded a gallon of fuel to 4 random drawing winners. You get an entry for each project you show. Since so many are now flying electrics the Board decided to give gift certificates to GJ's in the amount of \$15 instead. The more projects you bring, the better your chances, but we limit it to just one certificate per person.

So...Bring your projects...or if you have no new projects to show, just come and see what your fellow club members have been up to. and what you can expect to see at the field this year.

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Coming Events

May 6th AGS Meeting
7:30 PM ME High School

May 10th Pattern Primer

AGS Field

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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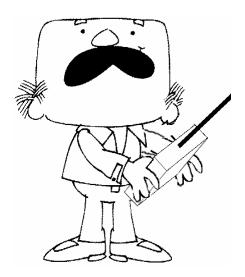
New AGS Board Member at Large

Paul Slocum

I think it is safe to say that the majority of the AGS membership does not know whom Paul Slocum is that now sits on the board. The Connector is an excellent form to inform what I bring to the table at board meetings and the club. I belong to another club Binghamton Amateur Radio Association where I have served on that board since January 1993 as the club treasurer, served as Co-Chairperson for 13 years for our annual Hamfest fund raiser as well as other duties that befall board members like making sure the coffee is made at the general meeting. This is the background that I bring to the board and club.

As background Andy, my son, and I joined the club back in June of 2007 and neither of us had flown an RC airplane. Andy is the tall young guy that is a counter or cut person at the pylon races or the young person at the general meetings. We both have not landed or soloed yet but have given Terry and Scott some heart stopping moments, but mostly it's been me. We both are looking forward to being able to come to the field and fly with out the use of the buddy box!

Now as a newbie to this great hobby I am here to listen, learn and serve this club in any capacity that I can.



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Aeroguidance Society Meeting 726

President Terrenoire called the meeting to order promptly at 7:30 on Tuesday, April 1, 2008.

Guests: Rick Allabaugh Sr.

Minutes of meeting #725 Approved by Art Program Riegal and seconded By Doug Breneman. Approved by all.

Vice President Hatton reported on a delightful Dinner Party attended by 26 members and guests.

Jim Quinn read the Board Minutes from 2/9/2008 and 3/18/2008. The March meeting dealt primarily with selling AGS mineral rights.

Committees:

Activities: Bob Noll looked for committee members for some activities.

Indoor: Matt Struck spoke of a successful indoor season, although there were more non-AGS pilots than AGS pilots.

Membership: Scott Wallace brought Associate member, Lee Danielson up for vote.

The vote was approved. The secretary will send a letter to Lee.

Old Business

President Terrenoire made comments on the survey from a Connector in the fall.

New Business

Jim Quinn passed out Officers' tags for our Charter Club status. Frank Gioffredo asked all members to check the current roster for accuracy.

There will be a Float Fly on May 3, 2008 sponsored by the MOB. President Terrenoire extensively explained the possibilities of selling our mineral rights.

By-Laws changes were voted on and both were approved.

Show and Tell

Bob Noll showed a Falcon 56 Mark II ARF, which he will auction off.

Frank Gioffredo showed a Tensor 4B kit for sale.

Tony Cammarata showed a Cap 21 for sale.

Terry Terrenoire showed a rudder only Lancer.

Bob Noll presented a program on AGS Racing, using the our history book as a starting point explaining the rich history of AGS racing, concluding with some of the 2008 fleet of Quickie 500 racers

Meeting 726 adjourned at 9:20PM and several members met at Kristofers for food and fun.



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 5/23/08.

Pattern Primer

Sportsman 401 Intermediate 402 Advanced 403

May 10, 2008

10:00

Aeroguidance Society R/C Airport Endicott, NY

Directions:

The AGS Flying Field is at the end of Warrick Road in Endicott. Warrick road is off Day Hollow Road which runs between Endicott and Owego. From Route 26 turn West on Day Hollow Road for 3.4 miles and look for the AGS sign on the road leading to our R/C airport. Following the road as it curves left between the two houses drive all the way up the hill to the top.

10:00 A.M. **Ground School** with **BOB NOLL**

The ground school will be hosted by Bob Noll and other veteran aerobatic competition pilots. They will give a courtesy check to all airframes, checking for good linkages, proper throws, etc. They will also review all maneuvers in the Sportsman sequence, giving tips, flying strategies, and possible down grades. They will make appropriate AMA rule book comments.

11:00 A.M. Lunch

11:30 A.M. Aerobatic Contest for AMA 401, 402, 403 ALL AEROBATIC CONTESTANTS WILL JUDGE

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Cost: \$20.00 which includes lunch

MAY PROGRAM



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