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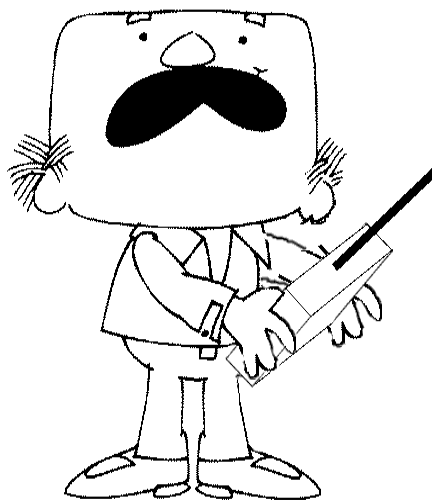
AGS are held the 1st Tuesday of every month at the Main Endwell High School at 7:00 P.M.
Changes to time or location will be noted in this newsletter .

The Prez Sez

Frank Gioffredo

Wow there just never seems to be enough time to get things done. That or I just can't help but procrastinate getting to it. The Holidays are upon us, remember there are those less fortunate than we are so be thankful for all that you have. We will be holding our 2009 Christmas party at the next meeting; I hope all have replied to Bob Balsie. He and Jackie will again be putting on a wonderful get together for us I am sure. Bring those Show and Tells for the meeting as well we will keep the business side to a minimum which is pretty easy as things are quiet right now so there should be plenty of time for these and Bobs activities. It's time to wish for all those new goodies you want Santa to bring. Make sure you let Mrs. Santa know what the latest and greatest things are you just got to have. The finance committee has been very busy and I am sure they will have some ideas forth coming about the direction we should take with our financial future. If you have not already done so, please get those dues payments in

so Don does not have to chase people around. I don't have much more to input this month, Derek and I have been steadily cleaning the workshop up I put three large boxes of magazines out to the recyclables. It is tough for me as I have been collecting model aviation since I first joined in 1981. Let me tell you that is a lot of magazines I no I will wish I didn't get rid of them but the space is nice. Well enough for now see you all at the Dec meeting don't forget show and tells and Christmas party. YEAH



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Coming Events

AGS Meeting

*December 1st
7:00 PM Main Endwell High School*

New Years Day Fly

*January 1st
BC United Soccer Fields*

Mall Show

January 16th 17th

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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NewYears Day Fly

Frank Gioffredo

It is drawing ever nearer another year is passing and a hopeful fresh start to the next and to do it right we will again be hosting the traditional NYD fly at the BC United Soccer Fields behind the Ann McGuinness School in West Corners. We had a really nice time at the Binghamton Aeros Chili Fly so I have decided to give another go at inviting the area clubs to come fly with us> I will be asking both the Aeros and the MOB to attend. The AGS will supply the eats and drinks so plan on coming out. It is usually a great time. I would like to start around 11:00 and run until 2:00 weather permitting. Please don't forget to bring your current AMA card with you, might just be checking them.. Hope to see you there

From The VP

Terry Terrinore

Mall show: Once again the show is scheduled for January 16th and 17. Will have a sign up sheet at the next two meetings.

Winter fly's: We will once again be having our New Years day fly in West Corners, behind AGM school. Contact me or Frank if you have any questions.

Jim Quinn will once again be hosting the February Winter Fly, also planned of West Corners on the 13th &/or the 14th of Feb. I say &/or the 14th because for the past 2 years we have had one day of indoor and one day of outdoor. We have not lined up an indoor site for this year yet, so we may only have the outdoor. Since Matt had arranged the indoor sites the past 2 years, and he is no longer in the club, we may be a little short this year. If any of you have an idea of a possible site let one of the officers know, or contact Jim Quinn.

Gas update: Nothing new since last meeting. NYS has extended the period for public comment from 11/30 to 12/31. So nothing will happen until the second quarter of next year. On that same topic...The Finance Committee met for the second time on 11/17. Four of the 5 members were able to attend and we discussed more ideas on just how the Committee should work and what it's interaction with the BOD and members will be. As a first step we will be proposing the first of several by-Laws changes next month for voting on in February. The scope of these first few changes will be just to "establish" the Committee as a permanent Committee and to define who the members will be. Stay tuned....there will be lots more coming down the pike!

I've soloed, now what?

Scott Wallace

Several of our members have made their initial solo flights recently, and have asked the question "what next"...meaning what is a good choice for a second airplane.

I like to answer this in a couple different ways. My first recommendation is not to stop flying your trainers! Learning to solo is a huge accomplishment, but really is just the beginning of one's RC career. There is much to learn in the next several flying seasons. Yes, we all want the latest and greatest model but the truth is there's much life left in the old trainer planes. Fly them as often as you can, in all types of wind conditions. Learn to land effortlessly from any direction, and continue to practice putting model exactly where you want it, not merely reacting to what the airplane does. A typical trainer is far more maneuverable than many think, and is also fun to fly at winter events, or add floats for water flying. In short, you never really outgrow one, and they can still teach a lot.

As for that next model, here are a couple of tried and true suggestions.

The Goldberg Tiger II and Sig 4-Star 40 are both great sport airplanes, aerobatic yet stable and predictable on landing approach. Both are available as good quality ARF's, and both are still available as kits. With the long winters we have, building a kit can be enjoyable and rewarding (and in the AGS we have many very talented builders that are always willing to help answer any questions). Yes, it will cost more to complete the kit as opposed to an ARF, but it is fun and you will learn much more about the hobby and how your aircraft works by building instead of "assembling". Either model can be successfully powered by a good ball bearing 40-46 sized engine, which is what most of our current new pilots have available. The same radio gear used in the trainer will work in these aircraft, but if you have a basic 4 channel radio it might not be a bad time to upgrade to a 6 or 7 channel set that you can grow with for many years (if you do buy a new radio 2.4 GHz is the way to go). If you leave enough hints, Santa might even surprise you with a kit, radio, or engine for Christmas.



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 12/25//09.

AGS General Meeting Minuets – November 3, 2009

Meeting #745 brought to order by President Frank G. at 7:17 PM. There were 16 members and one guest.

Frank asked that a motion be made to pass the minuets of the October 2009 general. Motion made was 2ed and passed.

Don Shugard gave the treasurer report Terry T. our V.P. had nothing to report

John Carril – Field Chairperson talked about field winterization would be on November 7 with rain date on the 8th. Passed around a sign up list and list of things needed to be done at the field.

Frank stated that he is talking to Don our neighbor about brushing hogging

Scott Wallace Talked about this years Pylon racing and passed out awards First Place in Nationwide was Andy Curtis and his Dad Rick accepted on Andy behalf First Place in Sprint was Frank Gioffredo

Activities – Frank talked about the fly-in that the Chenango Bridge field. Our New Years fly with be at the BC United and he will be inviting the other clubs in the area to attend

Frank stated that there still was a problem with getting e-mails out to the membership and Mark Lecher was going to look into the problem. Terry stated that the Mall Show will be on January 16 and 17 and will have sign ups at the next 2 meeting for the show. Also mentioned what is needed for the show in particular planes.

Old Business – Terry T. talked about the latest on the Gas drilling. AGS is a member of the Tioga group with 92,000 acres and around 5,000 people. New York State may be ready by Jan/Feb. 2010.

New Runway – Frank stated that Bob Jennings had rolled down the new runway. Jim Q and Scott W had both flown and had no problems. Bob Noll suggested that maybe the new run way needs some small adjustment because of concerns of wind and the trees. Don S. passed out a map showing where the trees are to be cut that might make a difference. Talked about clearing around 150 feet on the North side. Other trees will be identified and the property owners will be contacted for their per-

mission.

Finance Committee – Terry T. stated that they will be meeting at his house on Nov. 4 to start putting the detail together on how this committee will operate and have something ready for By-Law change around January or February of 2010.

Show & Tell – Tony Cammarata came with his Pick-15, a work in progress. Since the wing span is 90 inches he is going to make a 3 section wing and plans on have a fly weight of 15 pounds. Gib Vandling brought an unfinished bi-plane for sale. Terry T showed his new Sig Little Rascal electric powered with a fly weight of between 7 to 9 ounces. Tony was the winner of the certificate to GJ's.

Program – Bob N and Terry T presented the program on VRCS (Vintage R/C Society). First was a video of VRCS presentation of Ed Kasmerski's Taurus to the AMA Museum. This was the plane that Ed won the 1963 National Pattern Contest. Bob talked about his rudder only Lancer that was a Dick Allen design and his Beach Comer both vintage aircraft. Terry came with his Whiplash at 3 cell electric at 2 pounds, Falcon 56 and Debolt Chief that was scratch built. Don Harington, our

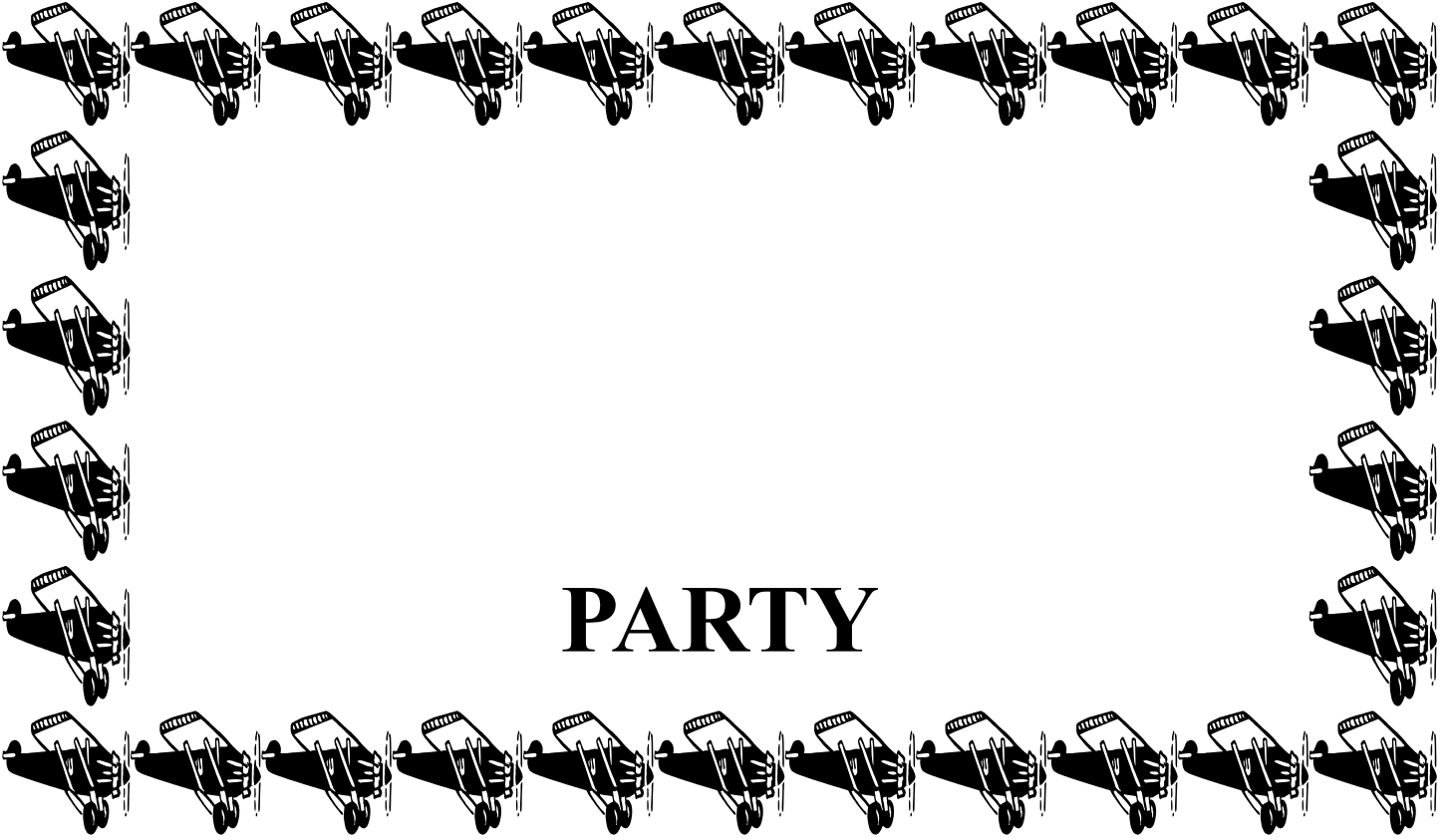
guest, talked about his Berly Buckner B that he built in 1941 powered by a McCoy 35.

Meeting Adorned at 9:15 PM

Submitted by Paul Slocum Secretary



DECEMBER PROGRAM



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