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The Following Channels Must Not Be Used At The AGS Field: 02, 04, 13, 27, 36, 42, and 49

THE NEXT AGS MEETING WILL BE ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 1ST AT 6:45 PM AT THE ENDICOTT LIBRARY

Changes to time or location will be noted in this newsletter

The Prez Sez....

Jeff Hatton

This past month we have made some improvements up at the field. The pavilion has been enclosed. Thanks to all of you who came out to help with construction but, it is in need of a paint job before winter. There will be another work party shortly to get that done. Also, the new mower has been moved up to the field. Please see Frank or someone with experience with the mower before attempting to operating it.



October Program

The program for October will be a review of the 2012 season. Bob Noll, our club Historian, will be giving a presentation covering the events and activities that took place this year.

In the past, it was customary for the Historian to present the year in review to the membership, but in recent years this has not been done, so Bob has decided to revive the tradition for our October meeting.



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Coming Events

AGS Meeting
October 1st, 6:45 PM
ENDICOTT LIBRARY



Cancellation of AGS Meetings

In the event of poor weather, call the Library at 757-5350. If the library is closed, you will receive only the hours of operation.

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29th Annual Fall Float Fly

by Bob Balsie - CD

Another Float Fly is in the books and unfortunately the event was disappointing from an attendance standpoint. On Saturday, we only had seven entrants, but this was most likely due to the weather conditions. It was quite chilly with temperatures in the high fifties (**whatever happened to "global warming" ...???**) and to make matters worse, there was a lot of wind. Only a few of the participants actually flew, and most of them dunked their models at least once. Vern and Brian Ziegler were kept busy using the boat to retrieve models. **Thanks, guys!**

Joe and Bev Perucci served lunch around noon and this was enjoyed by all. **My thanks to Joe and Bev for purchasing all of the food and taking on the catering duties on Saturday!**

The wind only got worse in the afternoon, so no one flew but, everyone had a good time socializing. We had our first prize drawing and due to the fact that I had collected almost one-hundred prizes for the event, each person received a number of goodies of various types.

Sunday saw slightly warmer temperatures and a little less wind so a lot more flying took place. Derek Gioffredo and his friend, Trevor, provided model retrieval duties and even succeeded in getting Bob Johnson's Super Cub out of a tree when the wind got the better of it. **Thanks Derek and Trevor!**

Frank and Derek Gioffredo provided the food on Sunday and once again, it was a hit with the participants. **Thanks Frank and Derek!**

After lunch there was another prize drawing and everyone got several more modeling items. The grand prize, an ARF model from G.J.'s, was won by Paul Race, one of our out-of-town fliers. **Thanks, G.J.'s, for your help and generosity!!!**

In spite of the cantankerous weather, all of the participants stated that they had a good time, and that's really the bottom line to an event like this. Maybe next year we will be more fortunate from a meteorological standpoint.

Pylon Racing Report

by Bob Balsie – Event Director

Well, another pylon racing season has drawn to a close and due to weather and other factors, it was somewhat less dramatic than some past seasons. We had just enough time to complete the desired six races which make up a season. The final points standing is given below. All we need now to make everything complete is the yearly Racers Appreciation Banquet that is traditionally held at Kristofor's. So if you worked at the races this year, expect a correspondence from Bob Noll telling you when the event will take place. Thanks again to everyone who made the season a success.

Race Dates		05/22/12	07/10/12	08/21/12	08/28/12	09/04/12	09/09/12	
Name	Class	Best 6	Race #1	Race #2	Race #3	Race #4	Race #5	Race #6
Bob Noll	Sprint	43	9	4	7	8	6	9
Todd Kopl	Sprint	40	0	8	8	8	8	8
Frank Gioffredo	Sprint	21	7	8	0	0	6	0
Terry Terrenoire	Sprint	15	8	7	0	0	0	0
Don Shugard	Sprint	13	6	7	0	0	0	0
Bill Markovitz	Sprint	10	5	3	0	2	0	0
Jim Quinn	Sprint	5	4	1	0	0	0	0
Scott Wallace	Sprint	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brent Bryson	Nationwide	17	3	4	0	4	2	4
Jeff Hatton	Nationwide	8	0	8	0	0	0	0
Mike Harris	Nationwide	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



Did You Know...?

by Bob Noll – Club Historian

AGS members constructed the large pavilion at the AGS Airport on July 4, 1976 as the country celebrated its 200th birthday. Materials were purchased from Wicks Lumber in Campville and Wicks drilled the post holes. The cost was \$800 which was covered entirely by member pledges.



Election 2012

It's that time of year when we all get together at the October meeting to vote in a new slate of officers for the coming year. Listed below are the members who have volunteered to give their time to represent you and to support the club and its interests in 2012-2013.

- **President - Jeff Hatton**
- **Vice President - Bob Johnson**
- **Secretary - Frank Cease**
- **Treasurer - Doug Breneman**
- **Board Member at Large - Brent Bryson, Bob Jennings, Bob Noll**

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 RC_flyer@stny.rr.com
Deadline for the next Connector is 10/26/2012

**AGS General Meeting Minutes
September 10, 2012**

Meeting No. 779, called to order by Jeff Hatton at 6:47PM.

The meeting opened with a motion by Tom Kopl to accept the minutes of the August meeting as published in the Connector; seconded by Bob Johnson. The motion was approved.

Treasurer's Report – Bob Johnson gave the Treasurer's report, including bank account status, unreported funds/petty cash status, pattern contest results, and the status of the mower pledges.

New Mower – Brent Bryson reported that the new mower worked fine, but suggested that we could use safety glasses/goggles because of wind blown clippings. John Carril announced that the shed enclosure project was rescheduled for the weekend of September 22/23 and passed out a sign-up sheet for helpers.

Activities – Bob Balsie reported that pylon racing has resumed, but had a relatively low turnout of pilots and helpers. The Float Fly is scheduled for September 15 and 16 at Greenfield Park.

Officer Nominations for next year – Jeff Hatton reported that we have nominations for all vacant positions; however, since we did not have a quorum, voting was postponed until the next meeting.

Road Status – The status of the road was discussed; it is holding up well. It needs some minor repair work in a few areas. We may consider getting Wayne Kunsman to do repairs – it should be about a half-day of work for him.

VRCS Event – Bob Noll was not present but Frank Gioffredo reported that it was a good event. There were 14-15 pilots and about 30 planes.

Annual Audit - The Board will meet at Don Shugard's house on Sept 17th. The audit will be done at the meeting and will incorporate the inventory. It was noted that Mark Lecher has the cooking grills.

Program - Bob Balsie gave a Power Point presentation on float planes. He then demonstrated the floats on his Sunny Boy and discussed how to install and set up floats on airplanes, including techniques for setting up and connecting servo control for float rudders. Jeff Hatton demonstrated the float installation and set-up on his LT-40.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:40pm

John Carril
AGS Secretary



Club Activities for 2012

by Bob Balsie – Activities Chairman

As you can see from looking at the calendar below, activity-wise, the year is almost over. The only thing still on the list is the annual Holiday Party that will be held during our monthly meeting on December 3rd.

I hope that all of you got to participate in at least one activity this year, and I'm looking forward to seeing you at the Holiday Party

* ACTIVITIES CALENDAR FOR 2012 *		
Activity	Date	Chairman
New Year's Day Fly	January 1, 2012	Frank Gioffredo
Winter Fly	February 11, 2012	Scott Wallace
Swap Shop	March 24, 2012 (AM)	Terry Terrenoire
Spring Fling	March 24, 2012 (PM)	Jim Quinn
Oakdale Mall Show	April 28 & 29, 2012	Bob Balsie
Pylon Race	May 8, 2012	Don Shugard
Pylon Race	May 22, 2012	Don Shugard
Aerobatics Primer	June 9, 2012	Jim Quinn (CD)
Pylon Race	June 12, 2012	Don Shugard
Pylon Race	June 26, 2012	Don Shugard
AGS Pattern Contest	July 7 & 8, 2012	Frank Gioffredo (CD)
Pylon Race	July 10, 2012	Don Shugard
Pylon Race	July 24, 2012	Don Shugard
Pylon Race	August 7, 2012	Don Shugard
Pylon Race	August 21, 2012	Don Shugard
VR/CS Reunion	September 1 & 2, 2012	Bob Noll (CD)
Pylon Race	September 9, 2012	Bob Balsie
Fall Float Fly	September 15 & 16, 2012	Bob Balsie (CD)
Pylon Race	September 23, 2012	Bob Balsie
Annual Holiday Party	December 3, 2012	Bob Balsie

Mowing List for October

Shown Below is the mowing list for the month of October. Please check it to see when (or if) you are scheduled and let John Carill know if you need to make any modifications.

Date	Tractor Driver	Helper #1	Helper #2
10/06/12	Bob Frey	Doug Breneman	Jerry Riegal
10/13/12	Tom Kopl	Todd Kopl	Matty Kopl
10/20/12	Bob Noll	Michael Gazy	John Carril
10/27/12	Charlie Hatton	Jeff Hatton	Matt Hobart



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OCTOBER PROGRAM

2012 IN REVIEW

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