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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, NOVEMBER 4TH AT 6:45 PM AT THE ENDICOTT MUNICIPAL LIBRARY

Changes to time or location will be noted in this newsletter



It's that time of year when flying starts to slow down and the winter building project is being planned. If you're like the typical modeler, you probably have more projects planned for the winter than you have time. I always look forward to our Project Night when members bring in what they've been working on during the winter.

The club is still searching for members to volunteer for the following Committee Chairs: Activities, Program, and Public Relations. As we try to grow our hobby and membership, these positions will be very important over the next year.

The Board will be tasked this year with addressing several issues. One of the most important will be looking at our income vs. our expenses. In reviewing the final financial report from the previous year, if you were to simply take our membership dues for the year and subtract out the annual known expenses such as taxes, our charter, and insurance, we are running a deficit budget. This simply isn't sustainable. The Board is open to all suggestions from members on how to grow our membership or cut expenses.

If you've been following your

e-mails, a group of members took the time to clean out and organize the shed. I'd like to thank Bob Noll, Don Shugard, John Carril, and Bob Johnson. We actually have an area set aside so that we once again can use the shed for serving up breakfast to work parties during field winterization, field opening, and other events.

One club asset still remaining in the shed is the large 40'x20' pole tent. We offered it to club members and no one was interested. We placed it on Craig's list and only one person was interested, but they thought it was an easy open tent. For anyone who remembers using this tent, it took several club members to set up. It's huge. With this said, we are offering it one last time to any club member who wants it. The only caveat is that it must be out of the shed no later than November 10th. After that date, if it's still in the shed, it will be going to the Broome County Landfill.

See you at the November general meeting!

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Coming Events

AGS Meeting November 4th, 6:45 PM ENDICOTT LIBRARY

Field Winterization November 9th, 12:00 Noon AGS AIRPORT



The Field is Open. Remember to keep your speed under 10 MPH on the access road. The Aero Guidance Society, Inc. P.O. Box 39 Vestal, NY, 13850-0039

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Vice President: Scott Wallace (D-H)

Secretary: Bob Noll (I-L)

Treasurer: Todd Kopl (M-R)

Board Members at Large:

Brent Bryson (S-Z)

Bob Johnson

Committee Chairmen Membership: John Carril Program: Open Activities: Open Field: Jim Quinn Historian: Don Green Public Relations: Open Sound: Ed Lancki Safety: Frank Gioffredo Librarian: Open Editor: Bob Balsie e-mail: RC_flyer@stny.rr.com

November Program

The program for the November meeting is entitled "B-17 Emergency Procedures" and will be presented by Bob Balsie. At the September meeting, we all learned to fly the B-17. Now we get the chance to test our knowledge of our ability to handle emergencies in the plane.

Okay, not really, but I believe that you will find this program both interesting and informative. It will consist of a military training film, produced by Boeing and using flight officers, and will give examples of some common in-flight problems and how to solve them. Included in the film are some interesting topics on aerodynamics that we should all find useful.

So mark your calendar for the meeting on November 4th and stop by the Endicott Library at 6:45 PM for our monthly meeting and another flight training course. Previous military service not required!



Happy Thanksgiving from the AGS

The V.P. Soap Box

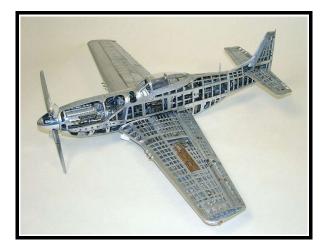
by Scott Wallace - Vice President

Thank you for your support by electing me as Vice-President. I think we have an energized Board of Directors and we'll make some positive strides in the coming year.

I don't generally spend much time reading Model Aviation (the AMA's magazine), I'll thumb through it but usually it ends up in the recycle bin pretty soon. Not so this past issue; it was refreshing to see articles focused on building RC models. Yes, it's fun to shake the box and fly that BNF model the same day, or spend a few days assembling an ARF, but there's nothing like seeing something you've built from your own labor take to the skies. As the outdoor flying season draws to a close, I hope everyone will at least consider building a new model this winter and bring it to display at the show and tell portions of our meetings.

Today we have some challenges in that there isn't a viable local hobby shop, and major hobby companies have deemphasized kits in favor of ARFs and BNFs. On the other hand excellent 'cottage industry' kits are available for everything from giant scale to micro electric R/C. A few sources worth checking out are WW1 era electric kits from Aerodrome R/C (aerodromerc.com) and a great selection of laser cut short kits from Lazer-Works (lazer-works.com). An excellent source for small electric sport scale short kits is Pat's Custom R/C. These Pat Trittle designs are featured in magazines almost every month – they look and fly great. Kits designed by R/C legend Joe Bridi are available from www.bridiairplanes.com. I have personally built and flown many of these designs over the past 30 years. If you are looking for something as a step up from a trainer I highly recommend either the Chaos 40 or Warlord 40 – both around \$75 and feature excellent quality balsa parts and they build up light. They are for .40 sized glow engines but today's modelers could easily adapt to electric if desired.

You can spend as much or as little as you like but I really hope we get the membership involved with a project this winter, and it would be great if guys would bring their models to show and tell when framed up, and again when they're completed.



AGS General Meeting Minutes

Aero Guidance Society Meeting # 792

October 7th, 2013

President Hatton called meeting 792 to order at 6:51 PM.

A typing correction was made to September's minutes by Bob Jennings. Drvine Turbulent, was corrected to be Druine Turbulent.

President Hatton welcomed Ray Phillips, a long time pilot at Tri-Cities airport and a long time R/C flyer as well.

Old Business:

Our Leader Club status has been brought up to date with thanks to Bob Jennings. Leader Club patches were distributed to all members.

A vote was taken on Field Rule #1's updated wording. The new wording was approved.

<u>Nominations</u>: Scott Wallace passed out ballots for the election of officers for the new year at AGS. Congratulations were in order for our new President, Rick Allabaugh, Vice President, Scott Wallace, Secretary, Bob Noll, and Treasurer, Todd Kopl.

Bob Johnson gave a Treasurer's report.

Note: Since this newsletter is distributed to persons outside the club, the Editor has deleted the specifics of the Financial Report from this version of the meeting minutes. Please see the Treasurer for detailed information.

New Business

Swap Shop in Connector: Bob Balsie would like to start a membership swap shop with free advertising in the Connector. The membership approved this idea. It was also decided to allow members from other local R/C clubs to participate in the swap shop as well.

Free Magazines: Don Shugard offered magazines free for the taking at the exit after the meeting.

Show and Tell:

Bob Noll showed his newly built deBolt *Live Wire Trainer*. Bob will fly this model after the WRAM's show next year.

Jim Quinn showed a large photo of "*Biplanes over Ithaca*," a recent fun fly which was attended by three AGSers.

<u>Program</u>: Jeff Hatton demonstrated a very interesting telemetry system he is developing. Jeff could actually set up a cube of air over the AGS airport and the plane would not fly outside the cube.

The meeting adjourned to Kristofer's.

Respectfully Submitted,

James Quinn, AGS Secretary

The Golden Eagles – VR/CS Chapter III

by Bob Noll, VR/CS President

All AGS members know that the longest running Vintage R/C Society Reunion is hosted by the AGS. This year we hosted the 24th Spirit of Selinsgrove Reunion, having taken over as host club from a Delaware club many years ago. What you may not know is that some AGS members became a VR/CS chapter in 2002 and called themselves the "Golden Eagles". Here is a list of the charter members of the "Golden Eagles" VR/CS Chapter III;

- Dick Allen
- Steven Bard
- Tony Cammarata
- Mike Harris
- Ralph Jackson
- Bob Jennings
- Bob Noll
- Jim Quinn
- Terry Terrenoire
- Scott Wallace

Unfortunately, some of these charter members have moved away, are no longer AGS members, or as in the case of Ralph Jackson, are deceased. As VR/CS President, I am in the process of updating the VR/CS chapter rosters including our chapter. Today we have only the following AGS members to list on the chapter roster;

- Tony Cammarata
- Bob Jennings
- Bob Noll
- Jim Quinn
- Scott Wallace
- Don Shugard

The VR/CS is always looking for new members so if you would like to join, please contact me. I would like to expand the Golden Eagles roster back up to the 2002 level. You might also be interested to know that Scott Wallace is now the VR/CS treasurer, having taken over for Terry in September. Frank Gioffredo is the VR/CS Secretary and Newsletter Editor. Frank has been publishing the *Vintage Flier*, our great newsletter. You might also like to know that Jim Quinn was the publisher of the *Vintage Flier* for 10 years beginning in 2001 when I became President.

Please go to the VR/CS web site at <u>www.vintagercsociety.org</u> and learn more about the Vintage R/C Society. You can join us from the web site.

Club Activities for 2013

* ACTIVITIES CALENDAR FOR 2013 *				
Activity	Date	Chairman		
New Year's Day Fly	January 1, 2013	Frank Gioffredo		
Winter Fly	March 9, 3013	Don Green		
Field Opening	April ??, 2013	Jim Quinn		
Pylon Race	May 14, 2013	Todd Kopl		
Pylon Race	May 28, 2013	Todd Kopl		
Pylon Race	June 11, 2013	Todd Kopl		
Pylon Race	June 25, 2013	Todd Kopl		
Pattern Primer	June 29, 2013	Jim Quinn (CD)		
Pylon Race	July 9, 2013	Todd Kopl		
Pylon Race	July 23, 2013	Todd Kopl		
Model Aviation Day	August 10, 2003	Rick Allabaugh		
Pylon Race	August 13, 2013	Todd Kopl		
Pylon Race	August 27, 2013	Todd Kopl		
VR/CS Reunion	8/31 – 9/1, 2013	Bob Noll (CD)		
Fall Float Fly	September 7 & 8, 2013	Bob Balsie (CD)		
Pylon Race	September 15, 2013	Todd Kopl		
AGS Pattern Contest	Sept. 21 & 22, 2013	Frank Gioffredo (CD)		
Field Winterization	November 9, 2013	Jim Quinn		
Annual Holiday Party	December 2, 2013	Bob Balsie		

Pylon Racing Appreciation Dinner

by Todd Kopl

For all those who donated their time to help run pylon races this season the pilots will be hosting the end of season pizza bash at Kristofer's Tuesday, November 12th at 6:30 pm. We look forward to seeing you.

AGS Mowing List

Date	Mower Driver	Helper #1	Helper #2
November 2	Gioffredo, Frank	Gioffredo, Derek	Allabaugh, Rick
November 9	Wallace, Scott	Lancki, Ed	Peeling, Harold
November 16	Shugard, Don	Ziegler, Vern	Ziegler, Bryan
November 23	Noll, Bob	Carill, John	Johnson, Bob
November 30	Hatton, Jeff	Hatton, Charlie	Green, Don

Airport Activities

by Jim Quinn – Field Chairman

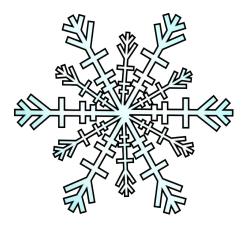
WINTERIZING TIME is here. October started out fine, but it is ending on a cold note. Standard Time is back with us so evening flying is out of the question. So it is time to prepare our R/C airport for winter weather.

WINTERIZING: Saturday, November 9 at 12:00 noon.

Many hands will make light work, so please join your fellow AGSers and lend a hand.

Thanks to all of you who volunteered so graciously to make the 2013 flying season a delight.

Finally, our runways are always open. Please use them regularly.







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