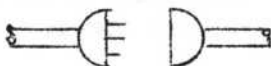


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THE PREZ SEZ: Stan Bagaczyk

At a historic meeting held September 30, Aeroguidance Society members voted overwhelmingly in favor of purchasing the 66 acre Day Hollow Road site for development as a club flying field. In the six weeks preceding this special meeting, many members showed that they wanted a good field closer to home and were willing to back this project.

Back in 1971 we began accumulating funds for the purpose of buying a larger flying site to replace the 16 acre club-owned field in Maine. With a buyer in hand for our Maine field we find ourselves with \$14000 in club assets to apply to the new site purchase cost.

Thanks to member cooperation in the club bond program, we succeeded in raising the remaining necessary funds to purchase and assure the development of our flying site beginning early in 1976.

A lot of work lies ahead, but our goal of an excellent flying site is within our grasp. It now becomes very important for each club member to lend his full support to this project, and I strongly encourage each member to get involved as we approach the development phase.

Our special thanks go to Dick Allen who was the sparkplug of the overall effort and to all who contributed to making it happen.

Now that contest and field purchase issues are behind us, the business portion of our meetings will shorten considerably. Bring your airplanes and latest creations to the meetings for Show and Tell and come to share your ideas with fellow club members. Our program committee will do its best to provide us with interesting and informative programs for our upcoming meetings.

FIELD FINANCES: Mike Rushanski

Closing for the new field purchase will occur about a week after the regular October meeting. Therefore, money committed for bond purchase and cash donations is needed immediately. Please bring checks covering amounts pledged in the field purchase questionnaire to the regular club meeting this Tuesday evening, October 14 at the Hooper school. If you cannot attend the meeting, please send checks as soon as possible to:

Mike Rushanski  
224 Oscar Terrace  
Endicott,  
New York 13760

AN ENDING AND A BEGINNING: Dick Allen

Our long search for a new flying field has ended and a new era for the AGS has begun. We will own 66 acres of land having great potential an great challenge as well. However, we have overcome great challenges before and I have no doubt that we will soon have one of the finest flying fields in the Northeast.

In many ways the Day Hollow road site is better than we had dared hope for. It is probably only a 10 to 15 minute drive for at least half of the club members. It is well isolated by our 66 acres to the South, and by steep hills and woods to the North, East and West. Of course, the price we must pay for this isolation is a major road building project. However, if access had been easy, the land would have been out of our reach financially.

We checked out the new field Sunday, October 5. Don Cromer, His sons and I flew a Taube and an H-Ray up there with no problems (other than getting the equipment up there).

So now, with a common goal let's all pitch in and lay our plans well this winter. With a little luck and a lot of work we could be flying up there by this time next year. It wont be easy, but it will be worth it - for a long time to come.

Dick Allen  
Ex New Field Committee

CLUB CONTEST REPORT: Hank Farrell

Neither cold, nor wet, nor threat of rain failed to dampen the spirits of 17 members from competing in the 1975 AGS club contest. Coffee, hot chocolate and plenty of doughnuts were available to help keep the fires burning. The first flight got off the ground at 9:45 am and one round was flown before breaking for lunch. After a round of cokes and submarine sandwiches, flying got under way once more. Two more rounds were flown and the contest was completed at 3:30 pm. At this time prizes were distributed to all who competed.

Contestants were:

Class A (novice)

Cromer  
 Grodevant  
 Sanwald  
 Taylor

Class A

Leaf  
 Dan Underkofler

Class B

Arnold  
 Bogaczyk  
 Farrell  
 Francavillo  
 Jennings  
 Sebesta  
 Seitz

Class C

Allen  
 Jackson  
 Noll  
 W. Underkofler

NEW MEMBERS

The following new members are welcomed to the AGS:

Mark Bednar 2 Pamela Drive, Johnson City, N.Y. 797-6745  
Jack Hostetler 153 E. Main St. , Apalachin, N.Y. 625-3268  
Leo Rydzewski 80 Charles St. , Johnson City, N.Y. 797-8037