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THE PREZ SEZ: Len Wallace

With spring officially here, we should all be ready to get in gear for the start of this year's AGS RC activity.

The first thing off is Project Day on April 23 and from all reports it is going to be some day. The signs are up at Hobby Craft as to the competition categories. Let's talk it up and have a Great Day.

Second is the start of flying and our field. We are now in the process of planning our spring maintenance of the road to make and keep the field accessible for this year's flying season. We are in need of a culvert drainage pipe and fill dirt. If you have any leads, contact me or Dick Allen.

Third is membership. As all our AGS needs are supplied by the membership, a larger membership means less work for all, a stronger organization, and more interesting and varied flying with the new members. So let's put out our best effort to get new people interested in RC and AGS.

For those of you who were unable to attend the annual AGS Dinner Dance, it turned out to be a super affair. Thanks to Bill Sebesta for a

fantastic job on short notice.

A special thanks to the Models for the Dinner Dance door prize.

See you all at the meeting.

MODELS' CORNER: Mary Wallace 748-7139

The April Models meeting will be held on Friday, April 14, at 8:00 pm at the home of Lanny Noll, 2317 Acorn Drive, Vestal.

The Models couples social activity for this month will be a Monte Carlo night on Saturday, April 15, at the home of Lanny and Bob Noll at 8:00 pm. We would like at this time to offer an open invitation to any and all who are interested in joining the Models organization to join us for a night of games and fun along with your spouse.

Sharon Grodevant is president of the Models. If you would like more information about the group or would like to attend, please call her at 625-4153.

MEETING PROGRAM: Don Godfrey

The program for the April 11 meeting will be a "Spectacular Slide Show" featuring the Quarter Scale airplanes built by the STARS club of Allegheny, N.Y. Quarter Scale is America's newest RC fad.

FOR SALE:

Joy Kit - Aeronca C-3.

Call Terry Terrenoire 748-8146

PROJECT DAY: Roger Sanwald.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, April 23, 1 to 6 pm. The 1978 AGS Project Day will be held that day in the Hooper School gymnasium. Bring all of your planes for display whether finished or not. There will be many prizes for 10 categories of competition. The categories will cover all types of airplanes. Enter as many as you wish. The Olean club will have seven Quarter Scale models on display. In addition to the displays, there will be the

following attractions:

- * Swap Shop
- * AMA Movie
- * Club Display
- * Bake Sale
- * Building Demonstration of Quickie 500 followed by raffle of completed plane.

ROAD REPORT: Dick Allen

I have walked up the club road twice this year and am happy to report that most of it survived the winter very well. There are three problem areas, however, which require immediate attention as follows:

1. The ditch where our road joins Warrick road is an impassable quagmire of mud. The water comes from springs as well as run-off. The only permanent solution is a steel pipe which the town has offered to install if we will purchase it. Len Wallace and I plan to pursue this with all possible haste. If anyone knows where we can get 20 feet of 10 or 12 inch pipe (delivered) for less than \$160, let me know immediately.
2. The caved in area .4 miles above the gate is still passable and not much worse than last fall. I believe we are living on borrowed time here, however, and am getting bids on filling it in. Again - if anyone knows of a source of suitable fill delivered to our problem area for less than \$300, let me know immediately.
3. The last 300 feet from the end of the road to the parking area by the flying site is muddy and probably still impassable. I plan to get bids on laying gravel in this area, rolling it, and rolling the field at the same time. Money may limit us here this year.

Do Not attempt to drive up the club road until you here from me or from Len Wallace that it is officially open. When you do drive up, don't follow the ruts. Drive on the high spots. Skillful driving can save a lot of road work filling in ruts.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Ben Rubright

Savings Account:	\$605.09
Checking Account:	476.84
Cash on Hand	<u>100.00</u>
Total	\$1181.93

Note: Anyone who has not paid his 1978 dues should send them to Ben Rubright immediately in order to be included in the new membership list which will be published next month.

MINUTES OF AEROGUIDANCE SOCIETY INC. MEETING #371

The meeting was called to order by President Len Wallace at 7:35 pm on March 14, 1978 at the New York State Electric & Gas, Vestal, N.Y.

The following guests were recognized by membership chairman Wolfgang Rohde.

Mike Gazy	Steve Hess	Rick Carman
Ray Yeager	Gerald Hess	Rick Nelson
Nanette Wallace	Karl Heinz Pflueger	Gerry Cole
Jim Meara	Fritz Zaiser	Ron Cole
Bob Hoag	Hugh Galt	
Cecile Roe	Carlton Smith	

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Len Wallace reported a balance of \$1068.18 in the treasury and that the annual party cost the club \$56.13.

Roger Sanwald stated that the club library had been found and will be available at each meeting for members to borrow books. A deposit equal to the cost of the book is required.

Sanwald also mentioned several details about Project Day. It will be held on Sunday, April 23 at the Hooper School gymnasium from 1 to 6 pm. It will include static displays, AMA movies, a swap shop and special demonstrations. Everyone is encouraged to hurry and finish their new plane and enter it into the competition. Modelers from the STARS club of Olean are expected with several quarter scale airplanes.

Len Wallace stated that the April meeting will be held in an upstairs room in the NYSEG building because of scheduling problems.

Dick Allen reported that Al Richardson has accepted the complimentary associate membership given him by the club.

Bob Noll reported the results of the STR/CA planning meeting held on March 5. Four clubs will participate in a summer program of two activities. The Clubs are: the Aeroguidance Society, the Ithaca R/C Society, the Valley R/C Club and The Barnstormers of Delaware County. The Aeroguidance Society will be the hosts for the June 4 get-together and the Barnstormers will host the September 17 activity.

Don Cromer asked for four people to run the club fun flies planned for this summer. Dick Allen was the only volunteer.

Bob Noll displayed the "Annual Pattern Trophy" and explained how it can be won for the 1978 season. The trophy is awarded annually to the club member who competes in AMA sanctioned pattern competition for the first time. There was no winner for 1977 since there was no first time AMA competitor in the club.

Len Wallace asked members to inform him of their feelings about the following two questions involving club meetings:

1. Do you like Tuesdays or would you prefer another night?
2. Do you prefer the present 2 program concept or should only one program be presented per meeting?

SHOW AND TELL

Dick Allen distributed product sheets he brought back from the WRAM'S show.

Hank Farrell explained that he has found a very acceptable nylon fabric for covering at a local fabric shop.

After a ten minute break, Bill Sebesta gave the beginners program on a mini-flight box and Bob Noll put on the main program by demonstrating the technique of finishing with glass cloth and finishing resin.

Respectfully submitted,
 Bob Noll
 Acting Secretary