



OFFICIAL CLUB ACTIVITIES REPORT

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Prez Sez: Well here it is, 6 months into our year; the job of president half done and I'm sorry to announce that I'm resigning. There are several reasons, none of which taken singularly would necessarily have determined this decision, collectively however, they add up like this.

1. New developments in my job will require more of my time and energy in the coming months. I cannot comfortably predict when this will change. I will not be available for club meetings etc.

2. I think it is apparent that my Presidential role has been one of a "Figure-head" nature. I have not (with any confidence) been able to assert my personal philosophies into the club's operation as would a president whose personal "platform" was well known by other members when he was elected. I was "appointed" in a last ditch effort and not really elected. (Ed: In 13 years association with the AGS that was the first time I can remember ever having more than one person on the ballot for any position) My personal platform would have included such things as working toward the elimination of nearly all organized activity. As a matter of fact, about the only activity I can fully support is a field repair and maintenance program. If you think I'm onto something tell the next administration.

3. I made a self-promise when I dropped out of R/C about 7 years ago and that was if I ever returned to R/C it would be for the fun of it and relaxation it affords, nothing more, nothing less! The stresses and irritations that go with these positions are not for me.

Good Luck, Fred, ex-prez

Ed: Due to the new Pez printing his column in a different format it will be found on the next page along with proposed Solar Flight rules.

Minutes of April meeting. #432 Wed 4-13-83

Project Night: only a very brief meeting was held to update the membership on status of land sale and to give an abbreviated treasurers report. Approx \$2,000 currently in the till.

Projects: There were 23 registered projects. 4 Gallons of fuel were given away as door prizes. Anyone who registered a project was eligible to win. Following are the trophy winners:

Best of Show: Don Godfrey- Stearman

Largest: Don Godfrey- Stearman

Smallest: Terry Terrenoire- Ace GLH

Best Sport: Dan Luchako- Sportster

Best Glider: Don Leaf- O-II

Best Junion: Sorry I did not get name of owner or plane.

Minutes of April Board Meeting April 26, 1983.

The Board meeting was convened at 7:40 PM at the home of Joe Felice. Present were Fred Miller, Bill Sebesta, Terry Terrenoire, Joe Felice, and Ed Haley.

Fred Started the meeting by announcing his resignation as President. The discussion that followed was to determine the reason and ~~to~~ to determine if there was some way to encourage Fred to reconsider. He was very definite that his basic philosophy of how a club should function does not mesh with the activity of the AGS. (Ed: This seems to be a real paradox as we have spent much time trying in the past few years to make the club MORE active and to provide MORE projects and events)

Bill Sebesta took over leadership of the remainder of the meeting.

It was announced that Gordon Gottlieb had volunteered to be Activities Chairman, see calendar in this issue. Bill announced that Bud Grant will be our Field Chairman for 1983.

Some concern was expressed by several Board Members concerning some "liberties being taken in reporting the minutes of meetings in the Connector. Terry assured the Board that Editorial comment would be plainly designated as such and not necessarily reported as Minutes Per-se. (Ed: My apologies to last month's "Target")

Terry reported that the Kiwanis Club is awaiting their Incorporation papers to come through before signing the Land-Lease agreement.

The field opening was discussed and it was decided to implement the phone notification list to remind everyone.

Terry presented some sample awards and plaques to be ordered to have on hand for future use. One item coming up in June is the Flight Training Graduation. A \$ 40.00 expenditure was authorized.

The vacancy in the board was discussed and Bill said he would approach some candidates.

Bill also brought up our Tax-Exempt status again and said he would pursue it further. If you would like to assist and have some accounting background I'm sure Bill could use some help.

Connector advertisers were discussed. Terry agreed to take a portion of last year's advertisers if 3 other members would agree to take a comparable number. Joe Felice and Fred Miller agreed to help. Terry will write a proposed approach.

Solar Powered Flight: The rules were refined, See page 3.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40.

Proposed approach for contacting advertisers:

Mr. _____ This is _____ from the AeroGuidance Society, INC. You Advertisised in our monthly newsletter this past year. We are renewing our advertisers for this coming year and I wondered when it would be convenient for me to stop by and pick up your check. (\$25 for 1200 issues) OK! I'll see you then. Thank you.

This is only a starting point, you may want to modify it to your taste.

MAY MEETING the 9th. PROGRAM: Gordon Gallagher showing old films.

THE PREZ SEZ-----

Well here I am again--President. Fred Miller has decided to "abdicate the throne", and the next in line is DA VEEP. Thanks Fred, you have done a nice job with the presidency--I hope that I can maintain the momentum that you have established. On with it! (Position available--VP of local model aircraft club inquire within!). A quick summary of where we are:

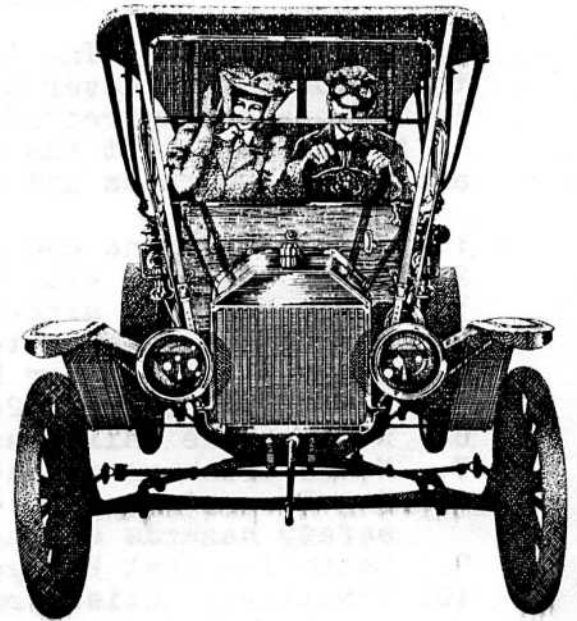
1. We have a contract with NYTEL which is a 90 day option--also have \$500.00.
2. Christmas Tree option with Kiwanis--have agreed to changes as recommended by our attorney. Ball now in their court for signature and return.
3. Solar Powered Flight Rules--contained within this issue.
4. Opening day--rain out. The field was rolled however. Bud Grant will reschedule the opening pancake breakfast and work party.
5. Bill Sebesta (thats me!) has volunteered to handle getting club in tax exempt status. (tax stamp, income tax forms etc.)
6. Gordy Gottlieb has volunteered to cook pancake breakfast--he has also agreed to personally treat any reported cases of ptomaine.
7. Terry Terrenoire is spearheading the drive to re-commit our advertisers for the coming year. If your interested in helping out please contact him.

Things to look forward to are THE FIRST ANNUAL AGS CROSS COUNTRY FLIGHT
if ya want to be a part of this spectatular event, see Terry!
THE ANNUAL AGS PATTERN AND SCALE? CONTEST
we want all of the members to participate and have a good time
see a Board member or myself to volunteer.(experience not needed)
See yawl at the next meeting-----
da prez--Bill Sebesta

AGS SOLAR POWERED FLIGHT RULES

In order to stimulate interest and imagination in heavier than air Radio Controlled Model Aircraft, a cash award of \$100.00 will be presented to the first AeroGuidance Society Inc. member to successfully build and fly a solar powered, radio controlled, heavier than air model aircraft. The rules that must be adhered to are:

1. The Aircraft, or plans prior to construction, shall be reviewed by the AGS Board of Directors to assure that the intent of the project is not violated. In addition, the aircraft or plans shall be evaluated to assure that unsafe conditions will not be created.
2. Aircraft to be powered by Solar Energy, with no battery or mechanical assist. The radio control equipment on board must be battery powered.
3. The aircraft must be a RC model with less than a 200 inch wingspread. (There will be no limit on wheel size)
4. The location of the flight will be the AeroGuidance Society Inc. property located off Day Hollow Road. The field rules are:
 - a) The takeoff site may be modified or dressed. No permanent changes may be made
 - b) The aircraft must make an un-assisted takeoff.
 - c) The aircraft must follow a figure eight pattern around two pylons which will be at each end of the selected runway.
 - d) The aircraft must attain a hight equal to a distance of one half of its wingspread.
 - e) The landing point must be on the runway selected for takeoff, and be within a 50 foot wide path parallel to the takeoff run, and centered upon that run .
 - f) The AGS Board of Directors must be present for the flight.
5. In case a situation arises which is not seemingly covered by the rules, the AGS Board of Directors shall assure that the intent of this project shall not be violated, and shall be the sole arbitrator.



Let's talk SAFETY. The 'ole cliché' is, "Safety is NO accident", and truer words were never spoken. Even though the AGS Club has a near impeccable safety record, if certain precautions are not taken, then it is possible that the record could get tarnished. Follow these simple and effective rules and everyone will have a good, enjoyable year:

1. Never fly alone and always carry a first-aid kit in your auto.
2. Never take off with an unreliable engine or intermittent radio.
3. Never build an aircraft that does not match your ability.
4. Rely on your peers to obtain information, attend meetings!
5. The average modeler knows that his radio equipment must be serviced a minimum of every 24 months or less.
6. Never smoke while fueling or flying your aircraft.
7. Never drink an alcoholic beverage during flying sessions.
8. Regular maintenance on your aircraft to check for loose or potential safety hazards are mandatory.
9. Batteries must be cycled every 60 days, not more than every 90 days.
10. Practise-practise-practise-practise, then enjoy-enjoy-enjoy-enjoy!

When it comes to big airplanes, no one facet of RC has a better safety record. The slower the aircraft the less dangerous. And keep in mind the BEST rule of thumb: Build to fly, not to crash! Heavy aircraft in any size are always more dangerous.

Giant scale is growing more and more, and in fact, at a staggering rate. And yet, we have the die-hards in the AGS Club that are dubious as to this new state of art called "giant scale". Although many already famous modelers in RC have turned to the fun and relaxation of the giant model theme, the whiz-bang trophy hunters are still looking at the more realistic large aircraft as though they were some sort of fad that will surely go away if they close their eyes long enough. Come on out of your shells fellows. Giant scale is here to stay and the sooner you get with it, the sooner you will begin enjoying this new tributary of RC. Giant scale is not a disease that one gets stuck with, no sir! Giant scale is more of

a desert that one turns to after the whiz-bang appetite is satisfied. Some of the finest pattern flyers in the world also enjoy building and flying large aerobatic aircraft (Laser, Cap 20's) as well as nostalgic old timers.

The moral of the story is:

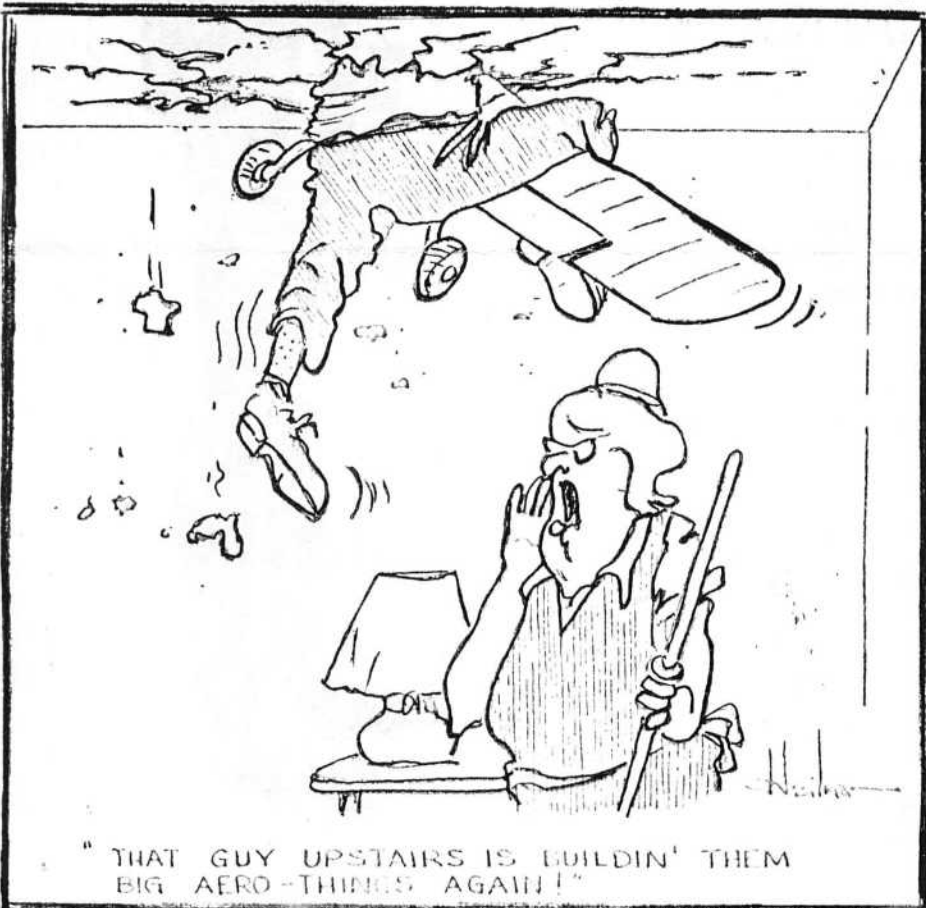
Don't knock it til you've tried it

In the June "Connector" I will list some of the better giant scale IMAA sanctioned fun flies that you should try to get to. To view over 100 giant steppers having a great time in a non-competitive scene is a sight to behold. It won't take you long to understand why.....

BIG IS BETTER

Don Godfrey

PS: Need help? Advice? Call me anytime: 724-0115



"THAT GUY UPSTAIRS IS BUILDIN' THEM BIG AERO-THINGS AGAIN!"

AERO GUIDANCE SOCIETY ACTIVITIES CALENDAR 1983

	WEEKEND 1	WEEKEND 2	WEEKEND 3	WEEKEND 4	WEEKEND 5
MAY	5/4 Flight School 5pm Chief Inst. R. Jackson 5/6 Flight School 6pm C.I. B. No11	7/8 7/7 Flight School 10am D.Allen 7/10 AGS Meeting Sat.7 th Field Open. 8:00am PancakeFeed	14/15	21/22 STRCA Cross County Fly--Owego to Nichols	28/29 Uncontest Scale E.Longmeadow, Mass.
JUNE	4/5 Soaring Contest Gibsonia, PA	11/12 14 th AGS Meeting 1st Annual 4-stroke Meet Ring Field Berwick, ME	18/19 Fun Fly, Towanda, PA The Budweiser Pattern Classic. Easton, PA Father's Day Fly Helicopter Fun Fly Cicero, NY	25/26 Fly-in Scale-Sport Rhinebeck, NY Giant Scale FunFly Kutztown, PA	
JULY	2/3 All Scale Fly In Brooklyn, NY	9/10 STARS Giant Scale Olean, NY 12 th AGS Meeting	16/17 ARCS Pattern Meet Tully, NY 16 th Soaring Meet Lincroft, NJ	23/24 Valley R/C Fun Fly Nichols, NY AMA NATs, Westover, Mass.	30/31 Fun Fly, Ithaca, NY Uncontest Fly Phelps, NY
AUG	6/7 9 th AGS Meeting	13/14 AGS Contest Blue Swan Airport	20/21 Fun Fly, Massena NY Pylon Races Harrisburg, PA	27/28 28 th AGS Family Picnic	SAFETY ON ALL FLYING DAYS
SEPT	3/4 GCA RC Contest Jamesbury, NY	10/11 13 th AGS Meeting Rhinebeck Contest	17/18	24/25 COME FLY AT OUR FIELD	
OCT	1/2 Giant Scale Fly-in Stratford, CT	8/9 11 th AGS Meeting	15/16	22/23	29/30

NOTE: This calendar can be revised as needed. Please contact Gordie Gottlieb
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HALF-PRICE SALE ON MONOCOTE

TWO WEEKS ONLY: SALE ENDS MAY 21, 1983.

ECONOCOTE:.....Reg: \$8.50.....\$4.25

SUPER:.....Reg: \$10.50.....\$5.25

METALICS.....Reg: \$12.30.....\$6.15