

# "The Connector"

**OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER**

Our Thirtieth Year

ENDWELL, NEW YORK

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## Our *PREZ* sez : | SPECIAL Meeting...

October marks our annual meeting and the end of the term for the current officers and board members of the AGS. I'd like to thank everyone who contributed to the MANY successes of the past year. Great job, everyone!!

Remember, the slate of officers for the coming year has been proposed, and will be voted on at the October 9th meeting at NYSEG. The slate includes:

Jerry Skrekoski (for) President  
 Gordy Gottlieb (for) Veep  
 T. Terrenoire, Sr (for) Secretary  
 Grover Ellis (for) Treasurer  
 Jim McKeown..Bd. Member at Large  
 Roy Weidman..Bd. Member at large

Other nominations will be taken from the floor. Come,...vote, and be ready to pitch in and help out your new officers. Keep it safe.....

Ron Gauthier, AGS President

PS: Above all, keep it fun,...and  
 HAVE A GOOD NEW YEAR!

\* \* 10/9/85 \* \*  
 will be at N.Y.S.E.G., Old Vestal  
 Road, Johnson City, NY at 7:30PM.

\* \* NOTICE \* \*

Until further notice, Bob Noll's  
 Ground School is cancelled. Watch  
 for fall re-start, next Connector.

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The new "Connector" Editor for  
 next year is none other than...  
 JOE FELICE. Joe was editor in '84.  
 Let's all give Joe as much input  
 as possible. He has a tough act  
 to follow.

### —Program will be —

A very special VHS program on  
 OSKOSH '85 by Bill Tomsa. You  
 simply cannot afford to miss this!

### —Show 'n Tell! —

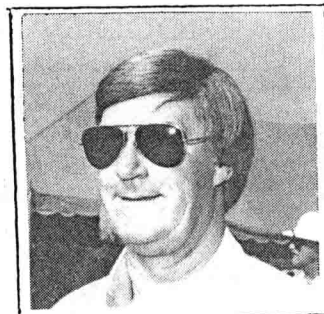
Hey guys,...not very many projects  
 showing up at meetings! The last  
 meeting brought in a decent showing.  
 Let's keep 'em coming.

Minutes of the last Board meeting  
 will be read by the club secretary  
 at the October 8th meeting.

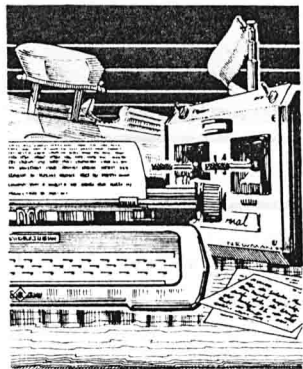
**AMA****Strength in Numbers**

# editorial

By Don Godfrey



Well troops, the past 13 months have flown by like a pattern bird with a perfectly tuned pipe! I've really enjoyed putting together a quality "Connector" for you, one that you could be proud of during the AGS' 30th anniversary year. Thankyou!



"Connector" editors are usually hard to come by, and as usual, no one wants the job,...but low and behold you're gonna have an old standby as your editor for 1986,... none other than Joe "rev up" Felice.

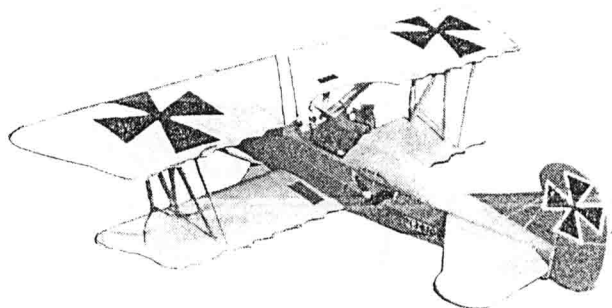
Joe has had the experience of being Connector editor in 1984, so its not like he's new at the job. I'm sure that Joe will delight us with his editorial format.

I cannot remember a better year for the AGS, a great Xmas party, a super spring anniversary party that honored the founders of the AGS, a pattern meet that came off really well, and a Giant scale event that broke all records for attendance and profit. Inbetween all that, there was a lot of flying at the club field. My only basic concern for the AGS is one of NOISE. I have a strong feeling that if you good people do not do something about the HIGH PITCH NOISE being put in the air by 20 to 60 size glow engines, that "scream" that irritates so many laymen living closer and closer to the club mountain, you good people are going to lose your flying site. I would never want to say, "I told you so!". So, this is my very last sermon on the subject of noise and safety at the AGS Club field. Tis up to you now.



Winter and the building season is ahead.

This might be a good time to plan your project(s) for next year, only because you know how fast the winter will go by! Thansgiving will be here in six weeks, then Xmas in the next four weeks after that!



This may be a good time to consider building a larger model, something in a Giant Scale subject, and the reasons are many:

They look more realistic, they fly slower and better, much easier to see, cost LESS to build than smaller models (a fact!), and basically make a nice addition to your fleet of models. (You do have a few, don't you?).

Nowadays, you can purchase just about any aircraft subject in 3" scale. A VERY popular size is the 1/5th size that take the larger 4-stroke engines. A beautiful combination!

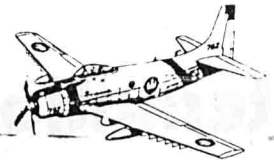
Speaking of GIANT SCALE, this area is beginning to abound with enthusiasm for the larger birds. In fact, to take up the slack, a new R/C club has been formed that is 100% Giant scale oriented!

The Club was formed by 9 men on Sept. 18th and grew overnight to over 20 members with many waiting to get in this new Club. It is called the BINGHAMTON AEROS, Chapter 98 of the....

The Best SAFETY DEVICE in any Aircraft is a well trained PILOT.....

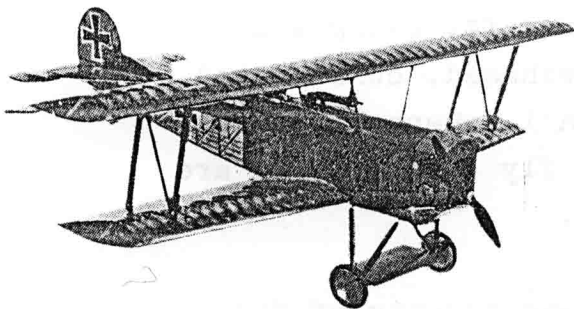
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By Don Godfrey



International Miniature Aircraft Association. The club will be AMA chartered and community involvement by holding annual events will be its prime concern. No competition, no prizes,...just relaxed fun-flying and "air show" format. The club will also be concerned with regulating giant scale recruitment, safety, and over-all guidance if the giant scale format.

The Binghamton Aeros' president is Chris Dascano of Hancock, NY, coupled with a good slate of officers to align the club with the needs of its beginning 25 members. Being a "giant scale" oriented club, the Binghamton Aeros will fly their... large models exclusively at the Chenango Bridge Airport, one of the finest facilities for giant scale flying anywhere! And you guessed it! Don Godfrey is going to be their newsletter editor, with the missle being named, "AERO-SPACE". You'll find AERO-SPACE on the counter at G.J.'s in quantity for those interested in the Big Birds. Neee more info? Call 724-0115. Glad to oblige!



RALPH JACKSON is feverishly constructing a new upper wing for his 1/5 scale D-7 and the Lozenge pattern is driving him nuts!! He probably framed the wing up in one week (or less) and it will take three months to paint the lozenge on just one wing. (For those of you who are wondering why Ralph "Lozenge" Jackson is building a new top wing,

his top wing was stolen at Chicopee, Mass. during the Nats). Dick Allen (Nick-name is Triple A Allen) had the fuse from his Fokker Tri-plane stolen at the same time. Sadistic burglars.....!!

You can steal my wallet, my dog, my camera, my TV set, but don't steal my airplanes!! None of us enjoy losing the labor of LOVE.

Carl Goldberg Models has a nice smelling kicker, called JET SET. ...wont make your eyes run and smells like perfume! Try it! What!! You do NOT build with Hot Stuff, ZAP, or JET??? Speed up your building time by half or more.

What happened to the AGS dress code? None of the fellows that worked the static display at the Vestal Almost-fall fest wore AGS shirts or logos, therefore no one knew the difference from them to the bystanders. All in all, the display was well stocked, and Bill Tomsa has a full report on that event in this issue.

Well good people, this issue is my last. Its been a pleasure and an honor to be able to serve you as editor and, on occasion, consultant. Up until the last issue, we enjoyed ACTION AREA and Bill Underkofler's HELICOPTER articles. I'm certain that everyone has missed their last articles. Oh well, we all experience BURN OUT from time to time. Thanks to both of you fellows, Bill and Bob, for contributing to the AGS "Connector" for the benefit of all AGS members. I am certain that Joe Felice will be knocking on your desks for more articles!

See ya'all at the October 8th meeting to vote on your new officers, talk about 1986, and then soak up some suds and garlic at the Villa!

"HAVE A WONDERFUL YEAR , A PROSPEROUS YEAR, AND AN EVENTFUL YEAR!"

Don Godfrey, IMAA President.

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# International Miniature Aircraft Association inc.

Sept 16th, 1985

Sig Manufacturing Co.  
Montezuma, Iowa

Attn: Maxey & Hazel Hestor

Don Godfrey,  
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Binghamton, New York  
607-724-0115

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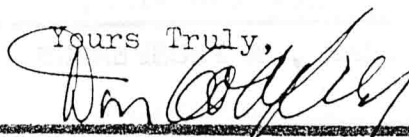
Dear Maxey and Hazel:

The International Miniature Aircraft Association extends a hardy "well done" to Sig Mfg. Co. for the recent "recall" of your Morrissey Bravo kit for the vertical tail surface problem. To the best of our knowledge, this is the first time an aeromodel manufacturer has publicly declared to the modelling world that a "defect" was found to exist in one of its products, offered to provide parts free of charge to correct that defect, and further recommended "grounding" of the model until the repairs were accomplished.

We of IMAA are particularly pleased with the actions taken by your company, since the Morrissey Bravo aircraft, being a 1/4 scale, is one very likely to have been purchased, constructed, and flown by some of our members. The recall enhances the probability that the aircraft will be safe to fly once repairs are made, all to the benefit of all concerned.

IMAA sincerely appreciates the integrity and honesty of Sig Mfg. Company in issuing the "recall" and in continuing to conduct tests of its products after initial manufacture. You are to be commended! We are in the hopes that all manufacturers of aeromodelling products take the initiative and follow the course set by Sig Mfg. Co. Quality and safety should be the prime concern of everyone.

Yours Truly,



Don Godfrey, IMAA President FS-1

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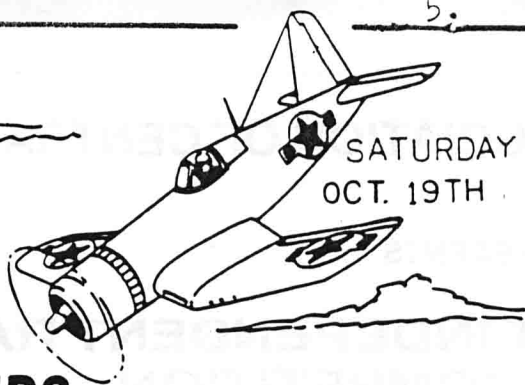
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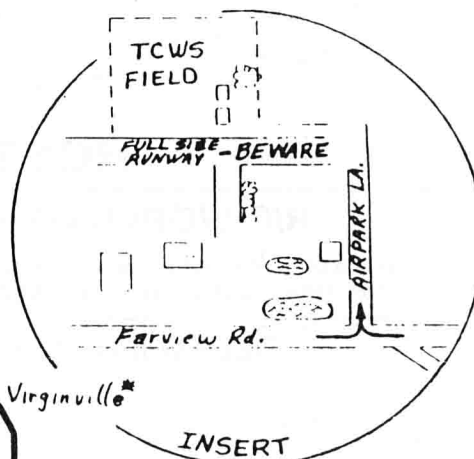


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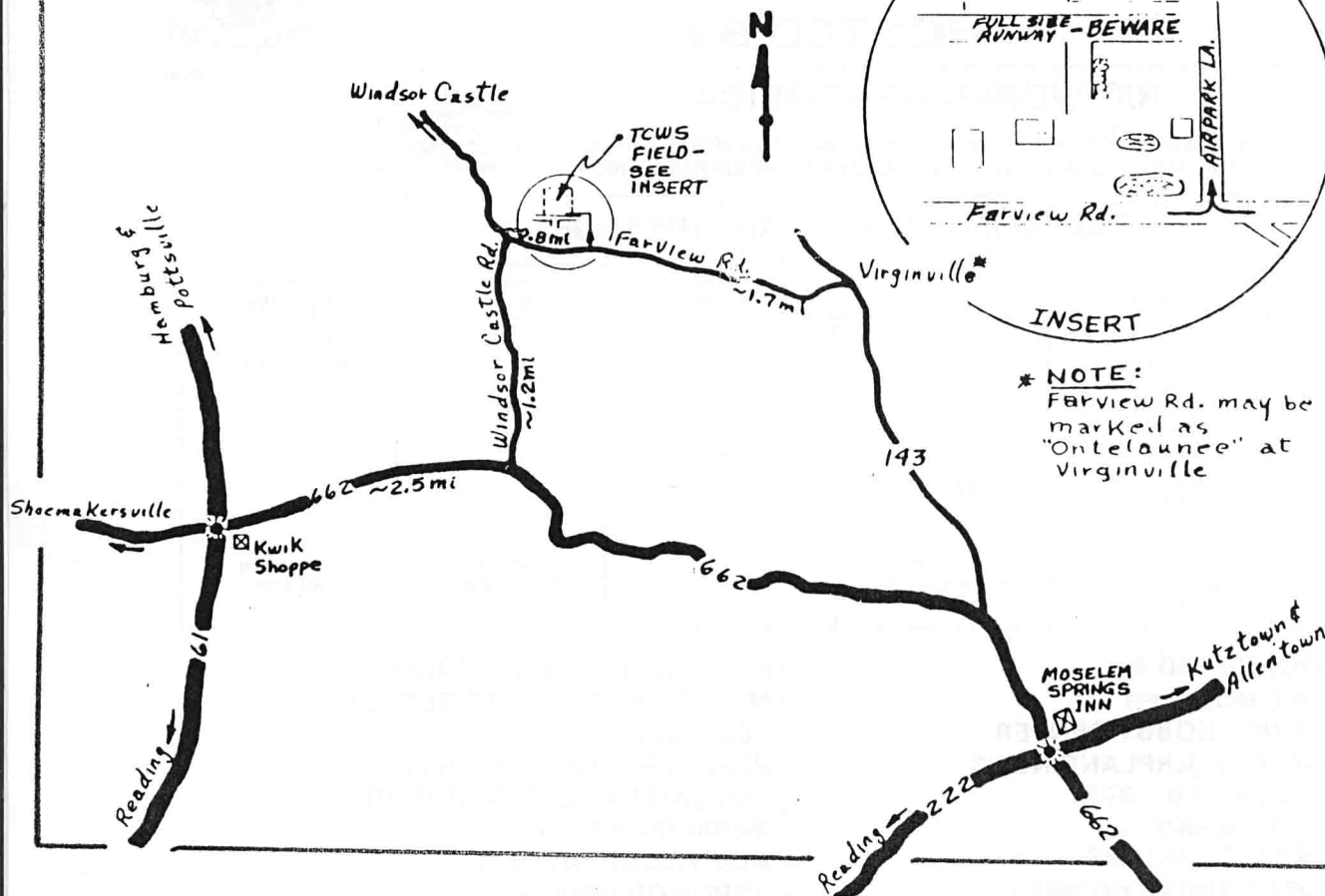
SEE MAP

FOR THE SECOND YEAR IN A ROW  
BY POPULAR DEMAND, WE ARE  
HAVING AN IMPROMPTU FUN FLY  
FOR GIANT SCALE MODELS. THIS  
IS A SANCTIONED MEET AND AMA  
IS REQUIRED. REGISTRATION  
BEGINS AT 9 AM. FLYING WILL  
BEGIN AT 10 AM TILL-----  
COME EARLY AND STAY LATE.  
BRING A FRIEND AND WE WILL  
PROVIDE A GOOD TIME.

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DUCTED FAN FUN-FLY REGISTRATION 8:00 AM	SCALE REGISTRATION AND STATIC 8 AM-NOON FLYING ASAP	SCALE ALL CLASSES	PATTERN ALL CLASSES 8 AM-5 PM	PATTERN ALL CLASSES 8 AM-5 PM	PATTERN ALL CLASSES 8 AM-5 PM
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# SPECIAL

The AGS' second annual "Float Fly" was exceptionally good this past Sept. 29th! Good in many ways:

Approx. twenty (20) "Ducks" with AMA licenses and floats on their bellies showed up to fly off from smooth water, balmy breeze, 72 degree weather and clear blue skys! There were a few minor spills, but the worst incident came when Fritz Vail of Apalachin slammed his giant scale J-3 Cub into the water, tearing the floats clean off the aircraft. Other than that, everyone had a magnificent time, and some of the fellows we only get to see once a year, right at this float fly! A GOOD float plane is lotsa fun!

I flew my Proctor Antic, even though the 4-stroke engine, a Max 61, would not turn up proper full RPM. Once airborne it did well enough. Dan Luchaco from the Valley R/C Club flew his Helicopter with floats and just awed everyone with his heli skill. (Where were you BILL UNDERKOFER?)

Dick Parshall from Holeyoke, NY flew a 1/2 scale pipe, original design, with a Max 61 4-stroker and once again, to the delight of everyone watching.

Dick Fish, AGS' newest member, flew his low-wing aircraft exceptionally well, and kept up with Bob Noll and Dick Allen quite well. Hmmmmm!

Bill Sebesta flew a batch of Hot Dogs on to a hot grill and kept us guys fed during the entire fly-in, and so that everyone would know that he was the "head chef", he wore a BIG Chef's hat! Darn good dogs!

Here's a listing of the "ducks" that came and registered to water-fly:

Fritz Vail	Apalachin, NY
Bob Noll	Vestal NY
Jerry Skreckoski	Apalachin, NY
Bill Brown	Maine NY
Grover Ellis	Apalachin, NY
Dick Parshall	Honeyoke NY
Terry Terrenoire	Endwell NY
Jim McKeown	Vestal NY
Dick Fish	Newark Vly, NY
Dick Allen	Endicott NY
Don Ebert	Endicott NY
Mike McHuire	Towanda, PA
Herb Barry	Athens PA
Carl Shay	Athens PA
Dan Luchaco	Sayre PA
Steve Luchaco	Sayre PA
Walter Kessler	Afton NY
Bob Punkar	Vestal NY
Don Manvell	Rome PA
Don Godfrey	Binghamton NY

Oops! Almost forgot to tell you that Grover Ellis had a fleet of R/C boats there and was squirting water direct from a nozzle on the deck of one of his well-equipped boats! This guy never ceases to amaze us!!

The nice weather also brought a few wives, girlfriends, and spectators. A super event! Don Godfrey, Ed.



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# UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

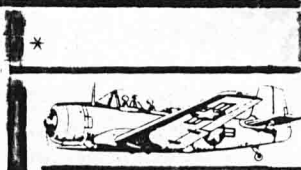
By Bill Tomsa

Saturday, Sept 21st, was a beautiful day for R/C flying, however....for several AGS members it was also a very pleasant day to be at the Vestal "Almost Fall Festival" where the Aeroguidance society was represented by a dozen aircraft, a very nice stern wheel paddle boat (Creole Queen), a tank and an off road vehicle. The beautiful "Almost fall weather" brought hundreds of curious people past our display booth, many of whom had questions about building and flying R/C models.

GROVER ELLIS entertained passer-bys with demonstrations of the steam engine in his "Creole Queen" and frequent forays into the crowd with his tank and off road vehicle. One of the most asked questions concerned the cost of GORDY GOTTLIEB'S very beautiful Bell Helicopter in NYS Police markings. (I believe that one of the inquiries came from his wife, Doreen!).

DON GODFREY and CHRIS DASCANO represented the IMAA by showing Don's well-crafted Proctor ANTIC and Chris' big red SUPER FLY. Another big plane was brought by DICK FISH, one of our newest AGS members. Dick's red Mig-15 in Russian markings was a big attention getter.

JOE FELICE'S Fockewulf represented the WWII "war bird" types and TERRY TERRENOIRE, SR. represented pattern with his white and red modified Kaos. He also exhibited a 1/4A racer, a flying wing and an unfinished float plane, which he claims WILL be ready for the float fly on Sept 29th! Wanna take some bets? (You're on!!)



JERRY SKREKOSKI'S Cessna Citation with its twin-ducted fans also turned a lot of heads, while "yours truly" represented the silent majority with an olympic 650 sail-plane.

Your Board of Directors decided at a board meeting, earlier in the season, that the proposed site between Vestal Sr High School and Rt 26 would not be condusive to putting on a flight demo for the festival. However, the static exhibit was okay'd, as it would provide us with another opportunity (besides the Mall show, pattern meet, giant scale fly-in, etc) to promote our sport/hobby through better public relations and understanding. Its my personal view that we can never have too much of that!

I would like to express my deep appreciation to all of those who helped to make this effort a complete success. Special thanks to GEORGE BROOKS for the use of his table, extension cord, and electricity to operate GROVER ELLIS' VCR/Monitor.

PS: I took pictures of the exhibit for this article, but unfortunately, (after taking photos for almost 20 years) I still sometimes operate my camera about as well as I do my transmitter! The photos did not come out. Sorry!

Bill "I aint got it!" Tomsa

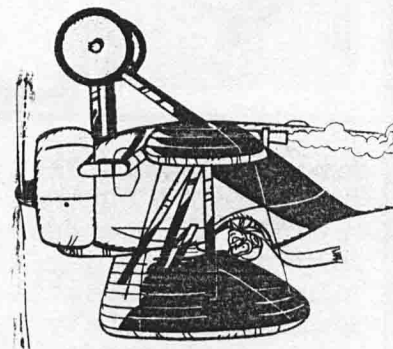
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GENIUS, like Humanity, rusts for want Of Use .....

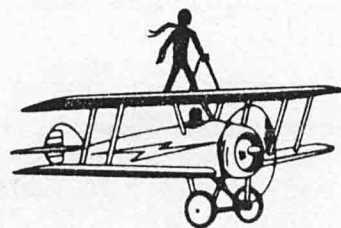


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  - You see a 60 Minutes News team waiting in your office...
  - Your birthday cake collapses from the weight of the candles...
  - Your son tells you he wished Anita Bryant would mind her own business...
  - You want to put on the clothes you wore home from last night's party, and there weren't any... and you can't remember who's party it was!...
  - Your twin brother forgets your birthday...
  - Your horn goes off accidentally and remains stuck as you follow a group of Hell's Angels on the freeway...
  - Your wife wakes up feeling amorous and YOU have a headache!
  - You wake up on Wednesday morning looking forward to the AGS meeting...
- See ya all Tuesday, October 8th, NYSEG, 7:30PM, Cafetteria...

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