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NEXT MEETING: JAN. 19, 1988 @ 7:30 PM NYSEG BUILDING -OLD VESTAL RD.

## AGS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	TIME	PLACE	EVENT
01-03-88	12:00 PM	IBM OWEGO	GLIDER FLYING
01-19-88	7:00 PM	NYSEG BUILDING	GROUND SCHOOL
01-19-88	7:30 PM	NYSEG BUILDING	AGS REG MEETING
01-23-88	7:00 PM	OAKDALE MALL	AGS MALL SHOW-ALL DAY
01-24-88	10:00 AM	OAKDALE MALL	AGS MALL SHOW-ALL DAY
01-26-88	7:30 PM	GIOFFREDO'S RESIDENCE	AGS BOARD MEETING
02-07-88	12:00 PM	IBM OWEGO	GLIDER FLYING
02-14-88	11:00 AM	MOORE PARK	SNOW FLY
02-16-88	7:00 PM	NYSEG BUILDING	GROUND SCHOOL
02-16-88	7:30 PM	NYSEG BUILDING	AGS REG MEETING
02-23-88	7:30 PM	ALLEN'S RESIDENCE	AGS BOARD MEETING
02-27-88	10:00 AM	YONKERS RACEWAY	WRAM'S SHOW
02-28-88	10:00 AM	YONKERS RACEWAY	WARM'S SHOW
03-15-88	7:30 PM	NYSEG BUILDING	GROUND SCHOOL
03-15-88	7:30 PM	NYSEG BUILDING	AGS REG MEETING
03-22-88	7:30 PM	?????????? RESIDENCE	AGS BOARD MEETING

## ATTENTION !!!

MEETING CANCELLATION WILL BE TIED TO BROOME COMMUNITY COLLEGE1488888ING CLASS CANCELLATIONS. IF BCC CANCELS THEIR EVENING CLASSES DUE TO BAD WEATHER, THEN THE AGS MEETING IS CANCELLED ALSO. MONITOR YOUR RADIO STATIONS FOR THE WORD.....

## REMINDER

AGS MEETING NIGHT IS NOW 3rd TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH !!!

## THE PREZ SEZ by Bob Noll

**Highlights of December Meeting** - The last meeting was a notable one for several reasons. First, we accepted eight associate members into regular membership. The club is fortunate to have these members who have fulfilled their associate membership period and now have attained regular membership status. Their names and other pertinent information will appear later in this issue. Second, we had eight people participate in the "Show and Tell" portion of the meeting showing a variety of projects with Wynn Aker winning the drawing of the GJ's gift certificate. And third but not least, Dick Fish presented a great program on building and mounting floats. Dick was very ably assisted by Bud Grant. Thanks to all who added to our exciting meeting.

**Know Your Officers** - This month I have included a note from your secretary Joe Felice. He writes;

I have lived in this area my entire life. I have been married to my wife Mary for five years. We have two children - Jason, 4 yrs. and Caitlyn, 2 yrs. (both possible future flyers). We have lived in our Vestal home for 3 years.

I started building and flying in the mid 60's with a Dumas Sioux, then flew scale WWII control line models with my cousins for many years (racing, dogfighting, formation flying). I then built a Live Wire Champ and joined the AGS.

I wasn't able to learn to fly, however, until the flight training school was started by the AGS. After discussing the best trainer with many long time club members, I decided on a Train-Air 40. By June 1979, I was flying solo thanks to my instructor Bob Noll. Since then I have been STRCA coordinator for 3 years, board member at large for 2 years, Connector editor for 2 years, publisher for 1 year, and presently I am serving my second year as secretary.

Joe Felice

**Recommended By-Laws Changes** - The Board of Directors is recommending several changes to our By-Laws. These recommendations will be voted on at the January meeting.

### \* Article 3 - Membership

#### Section 1 - Regular and Associate Members

REMOVE: They must be FCC and AMA licensed.

REPLACE WITH: They must be AMA licensed and FCC licensed if required.

REASON: FCC no longer requires licensing for R/C operation except for operation on the amateur radio frequencies.

### \* Article 3 - Membership

#### Section 2 - New Members - starting with the fourth sentence;

REMOVE: Former members applying for membership shall be immediately eligible for Regular Membership at any regular meeting.

REPLACE WITH: Former Regular Members applying for membership shall be immediately eligible for Regular Membership at any regular meeting.

REASON: Immediate eligibility for Regular Membership is intended for past Regular Members only. Former Associate Members must fulfill another six months associate period.

\* Article 3 - Membership

Section 4 - Social Membership - starting with the forth sentence;

REMOVE: A Social Member must have completed at least one year as a Regular Member.

REPLACE WITH: Social Members who have not been Regular Members will be required to fulfill a Social Associate membership of six months.

REASON: As presently written it would take 1 1/2 years for a person who is not nor has not been a Regular Member to become a Social Member (6 months Associate and 1 year Regular) and for him to join AMA even though he does not have or desire flying privileges. Also, AMA membership is not a requirement for Social Membership.

\* Article 9 - Assessments

Section 6 - Social Members

DELETE: Social Members shall pay only the membership assessment per Article 9 Section 1.

ADD: Social Members shall pay only an annual membership assessment of twenty dollars.

REASON: The present assessment of \$40.00 for a Social Member is considered to be excessive based on the fact that he has no flying privileges. The cost of the newsletter and several other incidental mailings can easily be covered by the \$20.00 being proposed.

The recommended changes to the membership and assessment requirements for Social Members is intended to provide a less expensive alternative to those people who do not intend to fly RC but continue to have a sincere interest in the club and the hobby.

\* Article 9 - Assessments

Section 9 - new section

ADD: Any Regular Member, excluding Junior and Senior Members, paying annual assessments in full in October will be given a five dollar discount.

REASON: This discount is intended to be an incentive for Regular Members to pay their assessments annually which would simplify the assessment collection process for the majority of our membership. Junior and Senior assessments are already significantly lower than other Regular Members.

Please be prepared to accept these recommendations by reading them carefully and calling me prior to the meeting if you have any questions.

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## SAFETY CORNER

By Tony Cammarata.....Editor

It is 1988 and all during 1987, to my knowledge, there were no life threatening accidents at the field. Of course, there were several incidents of propeller slashes to the hands (fingers only that I am aware of.) What this tells us is that we CANNOT BE TOO SAFE in our flying activities and at home. All in all we had a safe year at the field. I congratulate you.

### Cyanoacrylate (CyA) glue.

I know all of you are members of the AMA. I suspect you all get Model Aviation. I direct your attention to John Prestons column on CA's in the January 88 issue. The information on mixing CyA accelerator and CyA glue is scary. Incidentally, if you do use CyA, keeping a bit of CyA Ultra Super Solvent (you can get it at G J's) is a must. There is bound to be an occasion when you glue some parts of your body to another part of your body, or to some other object. It works to satisfaction, but it is not instant in it's releasing ability. This is not to say someone else in your family may need its ungluing qualities.

Regarding the incident of mixing CyA Accelerator with CyA, the person that experienced the "explosion" wrote to Preston: "The lesson here is that safety starts long before you get into the air. Make all your moves one at a time, and think your way through each move. Nothing is completely automatic except an accident looking for a place to happen."

Speaking of CyA, Preston also printed an article by a ophthalmologist that talks of people putting CyA in their eye unsuspectingly, thinking it was eye drop of some sort. Where in heavens name are they storing their CyA? Unbelievable!

### Batteries

In the same column (John Preston's Safety etc. al) he talks about mixing nicad cells and alkiline batteries. The message is don't, not in toys, flash lights or anything that is battery powered.

Just a note on jumping automobile batteries. Never connect the jumper cables across the target battery (the one you are jump starting). Connect the positive cable from the source battery positive to the target positive terminal and the ground cable from the source ground (frame of the car) to the frame of the target car. Protect your entire face when doing this especially your eyes. If your not sure of what your doing, call for a professional or competent help, at a minimum. That's it for this month.

Safety is no accident, make it not happen

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From The Vice-President.....Frank Gioffrido

Well Christmas and New Years are over and its time to think of other things. The annual party is only a few months away and I'm elected to set this party up. What I'm looking for are some hints, suggestions and volunteers to help with the details. If there is something you would like to try, let me know at a future meeting. But don't wait too long. I'm hoping to schedule the event for either the first Saturday (March 5) or the third Saturday (March 19). I will be speaking to you at the January meeting. Until then I hope every one had a safe and merry holiday.

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January Program.....Ralph Jackson

Dick Fish will finish the program on floats which he started in the December meeting and Bud Grant will present a program on how to install skis.

Program Coming Attractions.....Ralph Jackson

February Program Frank Gioffredo will present the program on gasoline engines originally scheduled for January. His discussion will include disassembly, assembly and maintenance of the carburetor. This will be of special interest to giant scale modelers and owners of chain saw and leaf blowers etc.

Shared Program.....Ralph Jackson

On December 4, Dick Allen and Ralph Jackson traveled to Sayre to give a program on Electric Flight to the Valley Flyers club. The presentation included a slide show, talks and demonstrations of electric planes and equipment. A question and answer period followed the program.

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Winter Fly.....by Jim McKeown

It's 1988 and time for the annual AGS winter-fly. I have talked with the weather man and he assures me that there will be plenty of snow on Valentine's Day so it is set for then. Get those skis ready and come along to the Valentine's Day Massacre. Time is slipping by and if we are not careful, the snow fly will be upon us before we are ready.

Here are the details:

February 14, 1988  
11:00 am  
Moore Park

Refreshments will be available at the field. There will be no formal events, but if you wish, when we get together, we can arrange to do something in this line. Don't forget to mark this event on your calendar and come for a great day.

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## January Trivia

1. Who won the \$100 for Electric flight Achievement?
2. In what year did the AGS host it's first Greenwood Float Fly?

All correct entries will be eligible for a drawing. the winner will receive a gallon of fuel.

## Welcome New Members

At the December Club meeting, the following people were voted on and accepted as new members of the AGS.

- o Michael C. Ballog Jr, 332 Main St. Apt 8, Johnson City N.Y. 13790
- o Joseph Iacovazzi, 41 Fayette St. Binghamton N.Y. 13901
- o Ted Osier, R.D. 1 Box 234, Owego N.Y. 13827
- o Marshal W. Linder, R.D. 3 Box 218, Carmichael Rd, Owego N.Y. 13827
- o Tim Grewe, 3111 Robins St. Endwell, N.Y. 13760
- o John Tomassetti, 18 Mill St. Binghamton N.Y. 13903
- o Ted Wilmot, 6 Boulevard Terrace, Binghamton, N.Y. 13905
- o Solomon Hui, 925 Lehigh Ave, Binghamton N.Y. 13903

Congratulations and welcome to the AGC!

## Guests For December 9, 1987 Metting

The following were present at the meeting as guests:

- o Donald Cromer, RD 1 Box 361, Newark Valley N.Y. 13811
- o Bob Ward 2nd meeting
- o Steve Ward 2nd meeting
- o Doug Kerr 2632 Purdue Dr. Vestal N.Y. 13850
- o Bob Frey RD 5 Box 224, Vestal N.Y. 13850
- o Mike Saracino, 3790 Cafferty Hill Road, Endicott, N.Y. 13760
- o Harry Bañes, RD3 Box 13, Newark Valley, N.Y. 13811

Welcome Guests.

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## Coming Events.....Terry Terrenoire

Believe it or not, spring is, just around the corner!! The days are getting longer. The Syracuse Symposium will be the last weekend of this month, and February 27th and 28th is the annual WRAMS show in New York City. With these winter activities to look forward to as well as our own activities like the Mall Show, Ski Fly, and Project night, can spring be far behind? Now that we've gotten through winter in such fine shape it's time to start thinking about our first club flying event to be held on May 22nd at Greenwood Park. Yes, it will be our first annual spring float fly. We have the date reserved with the park, but have not submitted for AMA sanction yet. It is up to the membership if you want to have this event or should we just stick to the fall meet? We are also considering making the fall event into a two day affair. This will allow some socializing on Saturday night by those who camp at Greenwood for the week end. Let the board know what you think about both proposals. The fall meet is scheduled for September 17 and 18.

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## The Mall Show Reminder

The Mall Show is scheduled for January 23, 24th. See the December Connector for details. For questions contact Dick Fish Committee Chairman Telephone 642-3378.

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### Kit Reviews.....Terry Terrenoire

We now have 6 reviews on hand and 8 to 10 more being worked on. If you are working on a new project, why not let the other club members know how you feel about it. I will have blank forms at the meeting so you can get one, fill it out, and return it to me. It will be kept on file so that anyone may request a copy. If you are considering a new project, and it is listed below give me a call and I'll get a copy of the report to you.

I currently have the following reviews on file:

Great Planes PT .40	Bridi Utter Chaos
Great Planes Super kaos .60	Bridi XTL
Sig Kadet	Northeast Trainair .40

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Kit Summaries

Summaries of the above reviewed kits follow. For complete information on the kits contact Terry Terrenoire.

Sig Kadet I and II. Basic Trainers. Wing span 57 inches, recommended engine .25 - .40. Basic materials: balsa and plywood. Building instructions excellent. Plans excellent. Flying- possibly the best flying mid-size trainer ever designed. Highly recommended as a first project for beginners.

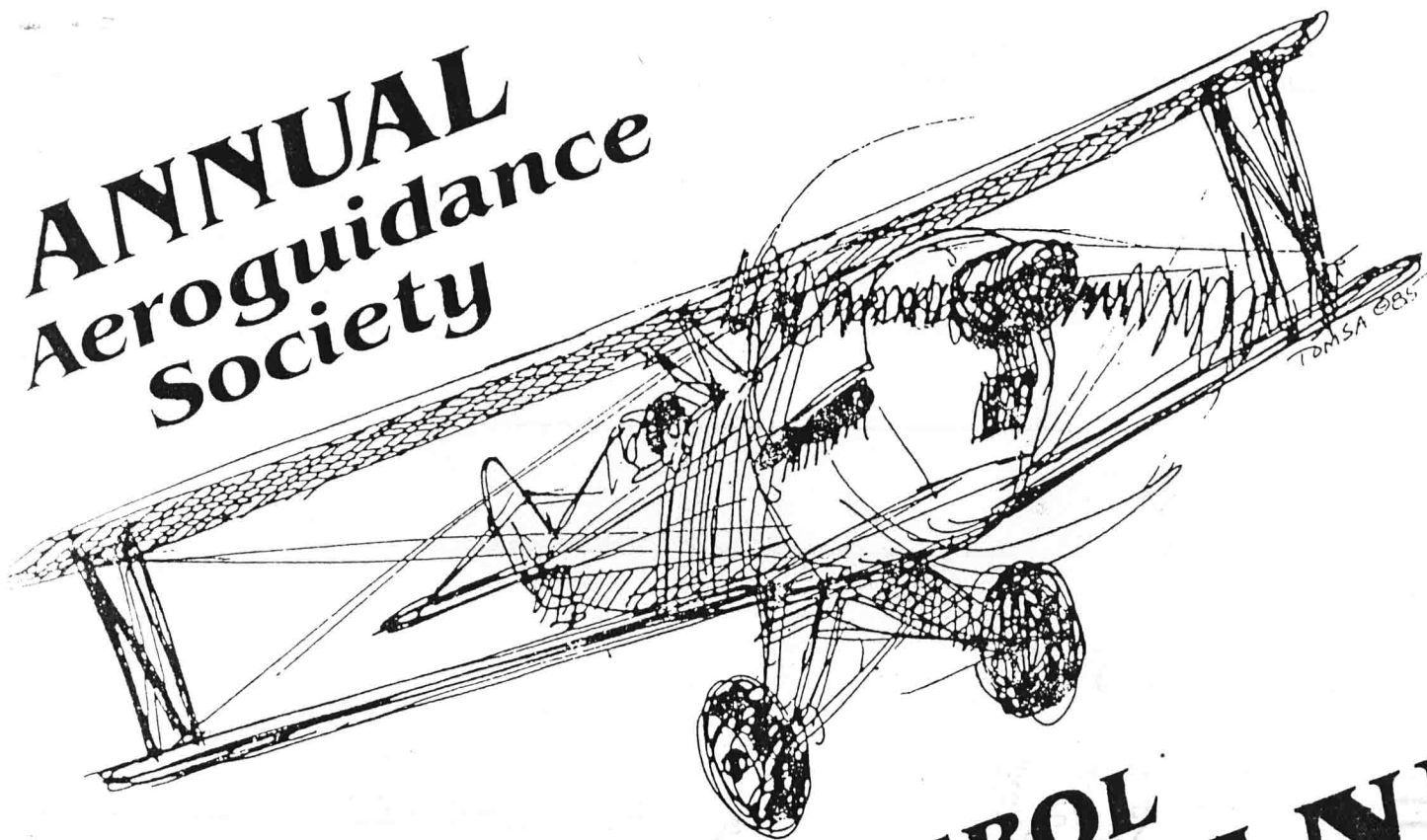
Trainair .40. Advanced Trainer. Wing span 58 inches, recommended engine .40. Basic materials: balsa and plywood. Building instructions are o.k. for the experienced builder, but tough for the beginner. Plans, same as instructions. Flying -rugged good flying airplane. Not recommended for a first time project.

Utter Chaos. Pattern Trainer. Wing span 63 1/4 inches, recommended engine .60. Basic materials: balsa and plywood. Building instructions excellent but the material list does not match the materials supplied. Plans excellent. Flying -could not be better. Recommended for third or fourth airplane project.

XLTL Pattern. Wing span 65 inches, recommended engine .60. Basic materials balsa, foam, plywood and fiberglass. Building instructions very good. Plans are excellent. Flying is super, even though when it comes out heavy it performs very well.

Model PT .40. Primary Trainer. Wing span 60 inches, recommended engine .40 standard. Basic materials balsa and plywood. Building instructions foolproof!!! The only way they could be better is if they came with a little man who would do the building for you. Plans just as good as the instructions!!! Flying excellent.

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