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NEXT MEETING: May 17, 1988 @ 7:30pm

NYSEG BUILDING - OLD VESTAL RD.

AGS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	TIME	PLACE	EVENT
05-14-88	10:00 AM	DAMASCUS	FLOAT FLY
05-17-88	7:00 PM	NYSEG	GROUND SCHOOL
05-17-88	7:30 PM	NYSEG	AGS REGULAR MEETING
05-22-88	11:00 AM	GREENWOOD PARK	AGS FLOAT FLY
05-24-88	7:30 PM	ALLEN RESIDENCE	BOARD MEETING
06-05-88	12:00 Noon	AGS FIELD	STRCA FLY-IN (UN-CONTEST)
06-25,26-88	8:00AM	SAYRE PA.	AGS ANNUAL PATTERN CONTEST
07-10-88	TBD	AGS FIELD	Glider Electric Fly
08-07-88	TBD	AGS FIELD	Intra-Club Contest & Picnic
09-17,18-88	TBD	Greenwood Park	Float-fly
10-01-88	TBD	Damascus	Float-fly
10-01-88	TBD	AGS FIELD	Pylon Race Day
<u>OTHER</u> <u>EVENTS</u> <u>OF</u> <u>INTEREST</u>			
05-14-88	8:00 AM	NEW BRIDGEVILLE, PA	KEYSTONE PATTERN CLASSIC
5-21,22-88	9:00 AM	ANDREAS, PA	GIANT AIRCRAFT FLY IN
5-28,29-88	9:00 AM	SARATOGA SPGS, NY	EMPIRE STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS
			PATTERN CONTEST
6-4,5-88	9:00 AM	BROCKPORT, NY	SCALE RALLY AND FUN FLY
	9:00 AM	QUAKERTOWN, PA	4-CYCLE FUN FLY
6-11-88	9:00 AM	LAKEHURST, N.J.	PATTERN CONTEST
6-18,19-88	9:00 AM	EASTON, PA.	LURCS ELECTRIC FUN FLY
6-18,19-88	9:00 AM	BRIDGEWATER, MASS	PATTERN CONTEST
07-09,10-88	-----	CHENANGO BRIDGE	WAR BIRDS LTD GIANT SCALE
07-09,10-88	9:00 AM	STRATFORD, CT	PATTERN CONTEST
07-09,10-88	9:00 AM	OLEAN, N.Y.	STARS SCALE RALLY
07-16,17-88	9:00 AM	ATHENS, PA	VALLEY RC FUN FLY
07-16,17-88	9:00 AM	ORANGE, MA.	PATTERN CONTEST
07-23..31-88	-----	TIDEWATER, VA	1988 NATIONALS
08-13,14-88	-----	GALEVILLE N.Y.	MID-HUDSON RC SOCIETY PATTERN
08-20,21-88	-----	CHENANGO BRIDGE	BINGHAMTON AREOS 5TH ANNUAL
		AIRPORT	GIANT SCALE AIR SHOW

NEXT CONNECTOR PUBLISHING DEADLINE IS June 10 TH

THE PREZ SEZ - by Bob Noll

Project Night a Great Success - There certainly was a variety of models at the Annual Project Night Meeting on April 19. We had gliders, helicopters, float planes, giant scale, pattern, sport and electric planes. A total of 27 new projects were presented and Ralph Jackson did a great job of keeping the show on schedule with his beeping time clock. Now we'll all look forward to seeing those great projects take to the air at the AGS field.

New Board Member - Bob Punkar has agreed to fulfill the remaining 6 month term vacated by Dick Fish who resigned from the board on 4/26. The board accepted Dick's resignation with regrets and thanks him for the work he has put into helping with the club business.

New Combination Number - On May 17th the combination at the field entrance will be changed for this season. Here's what you should do to get the new number which will be given to paid up members only.

- Call an officer or board member to get the new number. They each have a list of paid up members as of the 4/26 board meeting.
- If you have paid your dues since the last board meeting then you will have to call Treasurer Grover Ellis.

- Here are the current officers and board members;

Pres.-Bob Noll	754-5279	Vice Pres.- Frank Gioffredo	648-5731
Sec.- Joe Felice	754-2816	Treasurer - Grover Ellis	625-3257
Bd. Member-Dick Allen	785-1641	Bd. Member- Bob Punkar	748-7930
Past Pres.- Jim McKeown	754-7204		

Field Rules and Procedures - A copy of the AGS Field Rules and Procedures are included in this months issue. The only changes that have been made have been to reflect the recent change to use the AMA card rather than the AGS card in the flight board. Please read the rules carefully and keep them handy for reference when in doubt about any of our field controls. Make certain you understand those items that deal with safety and our flying hours. Help the AGS to continue its fine tradition of safe and courteous flying.

Pilot's Pow Wow - I attended the Pilot's Pow Wow at Tri-Cities Airport on Friday April 22 along with several other AGS members. The AGS was a part of the formal program and Terry Terrenoire did a fine job of letting the local pilots know who we are and what we do. We had five planes on display and Terry discussed them as part of his presentation. It was a rather cool evening and the hanger was a bit chilly but the talks and food were great.

33rd Annual Pattern Contest - The sanction is in, the announcements are out and the club's biggest activity of the year will be coming on June 24, 25 and 26 at the Blue Swan Airport in Sayre. This year's event has the makings of one our biggest in modern times. We will be holding a Judging and Flying Seminar on Friday evening supported by the Unified Scale and Pattern Judges Association (USPJA). These are the guys that judge our FAI Masters, Scale Masters and Nationals competition. Wynn Aker is chairman for this session. The National Society of Radio Control Aerobatics (NSRCA) has chosen our contest as their District 1 Championship and will be selecting a district champion in each class to represent NSRCA District 1 at this year's Nats. Some pre-registration forms have already been returned and I have received phone calls from as far away as Nova Scotia. It looks like it's going to be a big one. Tom Kopl is the Contest Manager and Jim McKeown and Terry Terrenoire are my assistant Contest Directors. So make sure you will be able to assist when you are asked and you will witness some of the best aerobatic flying in the country.

Safety Corner

By Tony Cammarata.....Editor

Potpourri

Now that the field is open, this is a reminder that the club does NOT allow the use of the old frequencies at the field. AMA's position is that use of the old frequencies is illegal, ergo use of the old frequencies means that neither you or the club will have any insurance if you fly with any of the old frequencies. Do yourself a favor and keep an eye out! Field rules require current AMA frequency identification; that is, channel number on antenna WITH red flag on tip. Please observe the new frequency flag rules.....By now the new frequency board is installed and in place at the field; elsewhere in this issue of the Connector is published a copy of the field rules; please read them and become familiar with them, if you haven't reviewed them in awhile, review them now; then let's all obey them (the rules). The rules are published on one sheet of paper so they can be easily removed and posted in a convenient place to remind you of your responsibility as a flyer.

Safety is no accident; make it not happen!

Field OpeningNotes from Jerry Skreckoski Speaking of the field opening, over 30 people attended. The day was very unusual for a field opening day as the weather was gorgeous; warm and sunny all day! Breakfast pancakes all went (all the food was eaten). Thanks go to Joe Felice, Bill Hinrichsen (and Jerry) (cooks), serving was aptly performed by Winnie Skreckoski and Olga Jackson. Bob Punker (not to be outdone) set up his own cooker and pitched in making pancakes. Thank you also Bob. As in the past, Ed Hall hauled his Coffee Caldron to the field so all could partake of his famous recipe (thank you too Ed).

Thanks to all work crews, the field is ready to go!! (Oh yes, the little house on the prairie is now straight up again ...important, important.)

MAY PROGRAM.....Ralph Jackson

Flameout over Chicago. A special videotape of an actual flameout experienced by an F-16 pilot flying over Chicago will be presented by Wynn Aker.

New Regular Member - Voted In

Wynn L. Aker 2022 Bernard Blvd, Endicott N.Y. 13760
Aker.

Former Member who has rejoined the club

Christopher Von Hoschembahr 2365 Farm To Market Rd. Johnson City N.Y. 13790

Associate Members

George Dale 30 Longview Ave., Binghamton, N.Y. 13902
Herbert S. Luft 50 Vestal Ave, Binghamton, N.Y. 13903
Bob Fehrman 48 Fairview Ave. Binghamton, N.Y. 13904
Michael Nagorski RD2 Box 2202, Kirkwood, N.Y. 13795
Tim Nagorski RD2 Box 2202, Kirkwood, N.Y. 13795
Samuel Bigelow 9 Valley St. Endwell, N.Y. 13760

Welcome to all Associate and New Members -- good flying to you.

Guests At April Meeting

Joe Muhr 229 Vivian Lane, Vestal, N.Y. 13850
George Kelsey 208 Glenbrook Court, Endicott, N.Y. 13760
Pat Shannon 1812 Gary Drive Vestal, N.Y. 13850
Bill Helms 25 Audubon Ave. Binghamton, N.Y. 13903
Stan Bogaczyk 944 Schuyler St. Endicott, N.Y. 13760
George Wheeler Apalachin, N.Y. 13732

Welcome to all guests.

STRCA Meet June 5, 1988.....Wynn Aker

Every year, the R/C clubs in the area get together at what's called STRCA: Southern Tier Radio Control Association. Last year, it was hosted by the Valley R/C Club from Sayre Pa. You've heard of rain-outs? Last year's event was a wind-out. As such, attendance was light: Dan Luchaco, and Bob and Ronnie Punkar. This year, it's our turn. Even though the weather could again prove efforts futile, it's worth the effort. So, in the spirit of light-hearted competition, we will be holding the traditional "carry-the-mail", which is the usual inter-club contest at these wing-dings, as well as some anticipated daredevil fun- flying, and a to-be-announced event. Refreshments and munches are planned, but bring your own lunch.

By the way, for the carry-the-mail, we will need some volunteers to be human pylons. The criteria is hard-hats and an IQ of less than 50. We know you're out there!

AGS FIELD MOWING REMINDER.....Bob Jennings

The following is excerpted from the Master Mowing List, which I might add, is not yet all filled in. (Those funny little white spaces are just begging for you autograph.) I will be bringing the Master List to the May meeting and appealing to those of you who have not yet signed up to help keep the field in flying condition (mowed), to consider pitching in, by signing up.

Mowing Duties for May 12 - 14 (Thursday - Saturday) - Charles Lecher and Tom Billingere.

Please note: The AGS field rules require the presence of two club members for operation of the tractor.

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FIELD RULES & PROCEDURES
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PURPOSE:

To ensure that AGS members, families and guests may safely enjoy the use of our club flying field, without compromising the privacy and safety of our neighbors.

The willful violation of these rules will result in the suspension of flying privileges at the field.

SAFETY:

1. All fliers will obey the Official AMA Safety Code.
2. No transmitter shall be turned on unless a valid AMA membership card is placed in the flying position on the frequency control board.
3. The transmitter impound shall be used upon the request of any one flyer.
4. All transmitter antennas in the pit area and impound not having a card in place in the flying position must be retracted.
5. No children or unauthorized personnel are allowed in the pit area.
6. R/C flying is not allowed over the following areas: pits, parking lot, any neighboring houses or roads and also our pavilion and playground area if in use. There will be no exceptions to this rule.
7. Make certain the runway is clear before starting to take off or land.
8. Announce your intent to fellow fliers before going out on the runway.
9. Announce your intent to land, verbal warning should also be given to fellow fliers if a dead stick landing is eminent!
10. Announce when you experience radio or flying problems. Don't hesitate to ask for help if you need it.
11. Taxiing within the pit area is prohibited. Aircraft shall be carried or wheeled to the flying area under control of the pilot or helper.
12. All aircraft shall be equipped with a proper spinner or AMA prop nut before flying.
13. Fliers shall warn bystanders not to stand in line with rotating props.
14. Do not fly in any manner that could be hazardous to anyone at the field.
15. Avoid low altitude passes and close in aerobatics when the field is congested e.g. Sunday afternoons.
16. A maximum of four aircraft under power is allowed to be airborne at one time.
17. Members are responsible for all children and guests they bring to the field.
18. If you see a safety rule violation, do the person a favor and mention it to him, it could prevent a serious injury to him or others.

ELIGIBILITY:

Flying at the AGS field is the right of Regular and Associate members in good standing. Visitors and/or guests must have AMA membership (as is required of Regular and Associate members) before flying.

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FREQUENCY CONTROLS:

1. Only one flier in each frequency group if field is congested.
2. All transmitters shall display the current AMA frequency identification on its antenna before it can be used at the field.
3. No transmitter shall be turned on unless a valid AMA membership card is in the flying position of the proper channel on the frequency board.
4. Transmitters may be turned on only in the pits or flying area after an AMA card has been properly placed on the frequency control board.
5. All idle transmitters must have their antennas retracted.
6. Your AMA card should be removed promptly from the frequency control board and the antenna retracted after the completion of each flight.

GENERAL:

1. There shall be no aircraft engine running before 9:00 AM or after 9:00 PM on any day.
2. Adequate mufflers must be used on all engines above .051 cu. in.
3. Fliers shall refrain from directing their prop wash and exhaust at spectators, other fliers or their equipment.
4. Prolonged engine test running and/or break in shall be conducted at the far western edge of the field.
5. Tractor or related equipment shall not be operated, unless two or more adults are present.
6. Please don't litter, pick up waste and place in nearby barrel.
7. Be courteous to guests and spectators, answer questions, promote modeling and our club.
8. If you are the last member to leave make sure the entrance gate is closed and locked.
9. Please DRIVE SLOW ON OUR ROAD and ESPECIALLY BY THE HOUSES at the bottom of the hill, there may be children playing there!!!
10. For your own safety it is strongly recommended that you do not fly alone at the field.

HAVE FUN FLYING SAFELY!!!!

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SPRING FLOAT FLY AT GREENWOOD

WE HAVE RECEIVED OUR SANCTION FOR THE MAY 22ND FLOAT FLY AT GREENWOOD PARK. THIS WILL BE A VERY INFORMAL AFFAIR AND HAS BEEN SCHEDULED PRIMARILY TO GAUGE THE RESPONSE AND INTEREST IN A SPRING EVENT OF THIS NATURE. WE HAVE RECEIVED SOME INQUIRIES FROM OTHER CLUBS SO I EXPECT A GOOD SHOWING. IN THE PAST WE HAVE PROVIDED HOT DOGS AND SODA. PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOU CAN LEND A HAND WITH THE FOOD PREPARATION AND DISTRIBUTION. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!

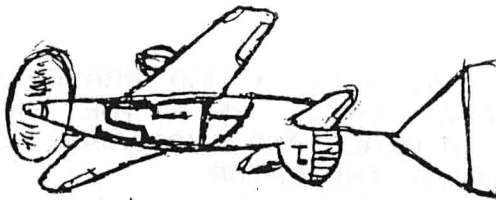
SUN GLASSES

I STILL HAVE 7 PAIRS OF SUNGLASSES REMAINING. 3 REGULARS AT \$7, 2 POLY CARB AT \$10 AND 2 STANDARD POLY CARB AT \$10. IF THESE ARE SOLD AT THE FIELD OPENING I CAN ORDER MORE IF THERE IS ENOUGH INTEREST. CALL ME AT 748-8146

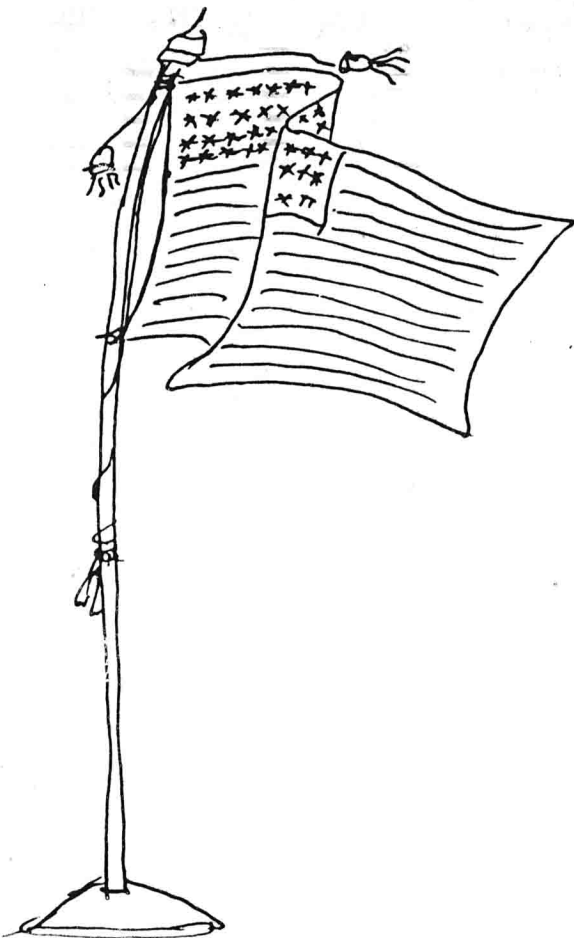
SAFETY NOTE

ON WEDNESDAY I HAD AN EXPERIENCE I HAD PRAYED WOULD NEVER HAPPEN TO ME, I SHOT SOMEONE ELSE'S PLANE DOWN. YES, THE EXCUSE CAN BE MADE THAT THE FREQUENCY BOARD WAS NOT IN PLACE AND AVAILABLE FOR USE, AND THE FLYER DID NOT HAVE THE NECESSARY FREQUENCY INDICATOR

ON HIS ANTENNA, BUT THE FACT REMAINS THAT MY LACK OF CARE COST SOMEONE A VERY NICE AIRPLANE. IT ALSO COST ME AN EVENING OF FLYING AND I HAVE GIVEN HIM ONE OF MY PLANES TO REPLACE THE ONE HE LOST. FORTUNATELY NO-BODY WAS HURT. **PLEASE, PLEASE,** BE CAREFUL AND DOUBLE CHECK, THEN CHECK AGAIN WHEN PREPARING TO FLY ESPECIALLY WHEN THERE IS NO FREQUENCY CONTROL IN EFFECT. SUBMITTED BY: TERRY TERRENOIRE.



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ON
MEMORIAL DAY

