

CONNECTOR



THE NEWSLETTER OF THE AEROGUIDANCE SOCIETY INC.

THE PREZ SEZ: Tony Cammarata

Membership Chairman

For your information, I called Bob Punkar at his home in Vestal and spoke to him, he having just returned to town from Texas. Bob has asked to be replaced as membership chairman.

I have enlisted Tom Kopl to be the new Membership Chairman. Tom has made many contributions to the AGS over the years and I welcome his efforts on behalf of the AGS. In this regard, kudos to Bob Punkar for his efforts this past year and for all his other contributions during the year. From our conversation by phone I know he is anxious to "get back into" the R/C mode. We are all looking forward to seeing Bob at ou regular meetings now that he is back in town.

R/C Model Aircraft Design.

This past month I have been busy upgrading my computer by adding another serial port (and parrallel port, and IDE hard drive port, and game port). Initially, all went awry, but after much perspiration and assistance from a computer buddy of mine, all was solved. Nothing is simple, absolutely nothing! In addition to the above, I added a Digitizer (Summagraphics) so now I can "design" models electronically and print out proper scale plans! This is going to be a great winter for me! My only problem is how to get it all done...(Iknow, we all have the same time).

AGS Annual Auction.

This year's auction was conducted by John Mrozinski. We had a contingent of bidders from our neighboring Sayre Club which helped with the swapping. Thank you John for your efforts ans we look forward to next year when we hope to have an even more successful auction. From my vantage point it looked as though John Asselta cleaned up. It was all he could do to keep track of his sales!

Winter Flying.

Now that winter is officially here, it's time to be attentive to our winter plane. Be sure to cycle your batteries, check all your servo connections and mounting (screws). Also be sure to check your motor mount, landing gear and control surfaces for bind free travel and sloppiness (too much play...too much play is deadly). Also check your tank for leaks and plumbing for cracks or deterioration. Good idea to replace tubing that is suspect. Nothing makes a cold day really cold more than an engine that will not start or keep running once started, AT THE FIELD. Even with 40's it's a good idea to use 15% in the cold athough many people use 10% or even 5% in the bigger engines and are happy at around 32 degrees F. My experience is that the bigger engines are really not that happy at 5 or even 10% nitro. Finally, inspect your propeller for cracks and rebalance it before your outing. If you are sure your prop is O.K. retighten the prop nut before you go flying.

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I find that winter air, on a bright sunny day in the winter, is denser than summer air and my plane seems to like it better. If you don't have skis for your plane it is not too early to build or buy a pair suitable for the plane you plan to fly this winter. SPOUSES OR SIGNIFICANT PERSON, SKIS ARE A GREAT STOCKING STUFFER! (Hey guys remember to hang out a re-e-ely big-g-g stocking!)

Bob Noll tells me that this months program is a hummer...we will whitness, via video, the field of competitors at this years Circus Circus event. Don't miss it...see you all in church ...

FOR THIS MONTHS MEETING, BE SURE NOT TO GO, I REPEAT NOT TO GO TO THE VESTAL LEGION OUR REGULAR MEETING HALL. WE ARE MEETING AT THE ENJOIE GOLF CLUB, UP STAIRS IN THE DINING ROOM, SO GO THEIR FOR OUR MEETING. SEE YOU ALL THERE.

SAFETY REMINDER: NEVER FLY ALONE....

ATTENTION

REGULAR A.G.S. MEETING CANCELLATIONS ARE TIED TO BROOME COMMUNITY COLLEGE EVENING CLASS CANCELLATIONS. IF BCC CANCELS THEIR EVENING CLASSES DUE TO BAD WEATHER, THEN THE A.G.S. MEETING IS ALSO CANCELLED. MONITOR YOUR RADIO STATIONS FOR THE WORD.

SEASON'S GREETINGS TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE:

Dave Lewis

Now that the 1994 flying season is winding down and the club field has been winterized, I would like to issue a call to the club's "do-it-yourselfers" that winterize their own cars. The "jug weights" at the field are in diminishing supply. With the large turnout of flyers experienced this season we often could have used more jugs. If you winterize your own car and have some empty anti-freeze jugs, we need them. Please bring empty jugs to any regular club meeting. Dave Lewis will take responsibility for getting them filled with cement and transported to the field for the spring opening.

DUES REMINDER:

Bill Underkofler

The date that each member's dues are paid to is now printed on the Connector mailing label. If you have not paid your dues by the date shown, please send a check to: Aeroguidance Society Inc.

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

by Bob Noll, Program Chairman

PROGRAM REQUESTS

Thanks to those who took the time to add your program requests to the sheet that I passed around at the November meeting. As I said, I want to schedule meeting programs that will meet the needs of the majority of members. Here are the requests I received and if you didn't get a chance to indicate your desires, please contact me by phone (754-5279) or tell me at the next meeting.

- * Professional quality video programs (TOC, Byrons, Scalemasters, etc.)
- * Covering (monokote, etc.)
- * Painting & finishes
- * Training & stunt videos
- * Engine adjustment / trouble shooting
- * Special tools (Z-benders, etc.)

HANGER SESSIONS

I mentioned at the last meeting that I am planning to hold several Hanger Sessions throughout the winter months. Hanger Sessions are held in members workshops and afford the opportunity to see workshop setups, tools and construction projects as well as some building demonstrations. They are usually 3 hours long and therefore much more subject material can be covered than at our monthly meetings.

I am pleased to announce that 3 Hanger Sessions are being planned as follows; January - Bob Noll, February - Bill Underkofler, March - Ralph Jackson Watch future Connectors for addresses, dates and times. EVENT: A.G.S. CHRISTMAS BANQUET

WHEN: DECEMBER 18, 1994

WHERE: BROTHER'S TWO WATSON

BLVD, ENDWELL

TIME: CASH BAR 6:30; DINNER 7:00pm

COST: \$15.00 PER PERSON TAX AND

GRATUITY INCLUDED;

CHILDREN LESS THAN 1ØYRS:

\$5.95; GUESTS WELCOME

ENTERTAINMENT: THE PIANO PLAYING

OF DAVE STARK

BILL OF FARE IS A BUFFET:

Chicken Marsala

Roast Beef with gravy

Fish Fillets

Baked Zita

Stir Fried vegetables

Oven Roasted Potatoes

Garden Salad

Vegetables of the day

Garlic bread

Coffee or Tea

DESSERT: Red Velvet Cake

Mail checks made out to Aeroguidance Society Inc. by December 15 to: Bill Underkofler

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VINTAGE FUN and FELLOWSHIP

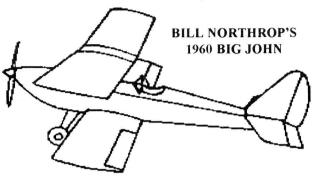
by Bob Noll

At the November meeting the membership unanimously voted to host a gathering of vintage R/C plane enthusiasts next spring at the Blue Swan airport in Sayre on June 10 - 11, the weekend after our annual pattern contest. As I explained, the workload for this type of event is minimal and I expect to be able to handle the entire two day event with not more than six or eight people.

Since most of our members are not familiar with the Vintage R/C Society I have asked Ralph to include a page from the VR/CS Newsletter which will give you more information than I was able to at the meeting. Included is a membership application in the event that you would like to join and receive their excellent bi-monthly newsletter.

I'll provide more information about the event in future newsletters.

JOIN THE VINTAGE R/C SOCIETY



WHAT AIRCRAFT ARE ELIGIBLE?

Generally speaking, any airplane that employed radio control and was published prior to January 1, 1970 is eligible under VR/CS rules.

There are three classifications:

Pioneer — aircraft published prior to January 1, 1950.

<u>Vintage</u> — aircraft published prior to January 1, 1966.

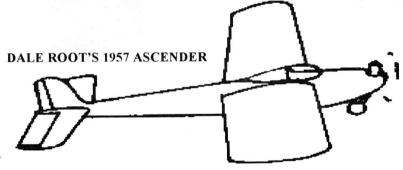
Nostalgia — aircraft published prior to January 1, 1970.

Plan sources for most airplanes in the three eras are available as well as sources for kits. When you build and fly a vintage R/C airplane, you will demonstrate for all to see how great the old designs REALLY were. Why not join now!

WHAT IS THE VR/CS?

Simply stated, the VR/CS is an organization dedicated to the preservation of our radio control history — the achievements of those electronic and airframe design pioneers that made R/C the best hobby sport in the world today!

We do this through our bi-monthly newsletter and individual member building/flying efforts. There are also annual reunions where aircraft of the forties through sixties are flown. The most notable is the Selinsgrove (Pennsylvania) Reunion that is held each Labor Day weekend. Selinsgrove is important since it is the site where many of the R/C pioneers flew their electronic and aircraft creations in the fifties. Participants in past Reunions include: Ed Kazmirski, Walt Good, Bill Northrop, Jimmy Greer, Hal Parenti, John Worth, Bill Hershberger, Carl Schmaedig, Bob Wischer, Weldon Smith and many others. Reunions are planned for other areas of the country in 1994.



Cut out the form below, fill it in and send your check to Bill Poythress today. If you're already a member, just mail the form, your mailing address label is on the reverse side of this page

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VINTAGE RADIO CONTROL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Renewal		VR/CS Membership#ve VR/CS membership # if renewi	
	\$15.00 US Resident (Check app	\$20.00 Forei	gn Resident
Name			
Address			
City/State		Zip	
Note: Please m	s form and check to: Bill Poyt ake all checks payable to Vin vn above to compensate for ba	tage R/C Society. Do not send for	emlock Ct., Saugerties, NY 12477. reign currency unless amount is \$5.0

MEETING - TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20

DECEMBER PROGRAM

VIDEOS OF THE '94 TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS ON LARGE SCREEN TV

SPECIAL MEETING LOCATION

ENJOIE GOLF COURSE RESTAURANT ROUTE 17C, ENDICOTT

PROGRAM AT 7:30, MEETING TO FOLLOW

ALL OTHER CLUBS IN THE AREA HAVE BEEN INVITED TO JOIN US
THE KITCHEN WILL NOT BE OPEN, BUT THE BAR WILL BE

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