

# The CONNECTOR

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Meetings of the AGS are held the 3rd Tuesday of every month at the Vestal American Legion, Changes to time or location will be noted in this newsletter. Business meeting at 7:00 P.M., program to follow.





## **Change in Meeting Place**

Just a reminder, our next meeting will be at the American Legion and start promptly at 7:30 PM. Hope you can make it....

## Road Repair (FINALLY??) Complete

After our last meeting, I noticed coming down the hill that turn number one was not as smooth and finished as nicely as the other roadwork we had done. Therefore, I asked Bill Oltmer to have our road repair crew go back up to work on turn #1. I'm happy to report that this was done over the Labor Day weekend and the e-mail I have from Bill indicates that Turn #1 has come out nice. At the last meeting, I indicated that our road repair must occur every year and we can't let the road get that bad again. Therefore, I would like to make two requests. The first being that we establish a Road Repair Chairman. This would allow the Field Chairperson to focus only on the field. The second thing that I would like to do is every year, earmark \$200 to \$300 for strictly road repair. If the money is not spent during the year, then we carry the money over to the next year and build up the pot. It's just something to think about and I plan to make a motion at the next meeting regarding these items.

## **Celebration of Flight**

On August 11<sup>th</sup>, I ran the 3<sup>rd</sup>?? Annual Celebration of Flight event up at the field. We had approximately 10 pilots participate and the Krushers (Bob Noll, Ken Maroni and Matt Berdine) came out on top as the first place team. Look for the wining team's photo elsewhere in The Connector. We ran five events: Mystery Spot landing, 2-minute Drill, Drag Racing, Pylon Racing and the infamous "nut on the prop" relay race. All in all I had good time running it. Especially watching the various strategies of some teams (mainly the Krushers) trying to psyche out their competition. I would like to thank Doug Breneman for being a great help and really running the event while I got to harass the fliers. At the end of the day, Jim Ouinn cooked up the hot dogs and evervone who participated went home with between \$7 and \$8 worth of prizes.

## **Nominating Committee**

At the last meeting, Mike Hill volunteered to help me out with the nominating committee. If you are interested on In This Issue ..... The Prez Sez The Trez Sez From the Editor Meeting Program Meeting Minutes

becoming either President, Vice President, Treasurer or Secretary let either Mike or I know before the next meeting. At this point in time, all positions are open. The one position that will be open is Board Member at Large. This is a two-year position that Art Riegal will be leaving at the end of this year. While this person does not have a lot of activities to complete during the year, it is important that the person filling this position can make Board meetings on a monthly basis, state their opinions on club matters and cast a vote when needed.

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## AGS Board Meetings

Board meetings of the AGS will generally be held monthly on the Monday of the week following the general membership meetings and are open to all members who wish to bring business to the board. Please contact our President prior to the meeting to notify him of your interest and to get the location of the meeting.



#### TREAS SEZ

I will start with my basic opening: Well, another month has just gone by and we've had a great summer weather wise. The cold is coming and leaves are changing. I've accomplished my goals that I have set earlier this year and happy to say they were all an experience and fun. I have built three planes, the dominator (pylon racing), Minimax (sport flying) and finished my J-3 piper cub and have flown them all. The flight characteristics of each plane are quite different from one another. I have experienced pylon racing (turn left and fly fast), good sports flying and a very lazing form of flying with my piper. I feel I have done quite well with each except for the dominator, I still have to practice on my landings (I am supporting GJ's always buying pieces and parts,,,,Ha). I am planning another scratch built for the winter and I'm sure I will be talking about it. Now down to business.

Being the treasurer of our club, there are things that have to be done once a year. We start our next fiscal year coming this October and our club dues are due. I will be sending out statements during the month of September, which will show the amount due for each member. If there is any question on the amount due, please contact me.

Being in this position, I have the unfortunate duty of notifying members when their dues are past due. Per our club By-Laws Article 9, "Any member more than two months delinquent in meeting his financial obligations may be removed form the society roles as provided for in Article 3". If a member is delinquent, he/ she will be notified by phone only once after the first month of the grace period. If his financial obligation is not met by the end of the grace period, a letter will be mailed, giving the member one more chance to satisfy his account. With no response to the letter by the next meeting (January), the member, subject to the approval by the Board of Directors, will be removed from the club roles.

I do apologize if I am being harsh, but there are rules and we all should follow them. This is an important part of the clubs survival and it has to be upheld. I sincerely hope that we, the Board of Directors, don't have to exercise the items mentioned above.

I sure everyone had a great summer flying and participating in all the events that we had, I know I certainly did...... remember, keep them in the blue and away from the glue......see you all at our next meeting......

Ken

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If your name does not appear or is incorrect on the AGS ON-LINE please contact the editor and it will be updated for the next issue.

# AGS ACTIVITIE'S By Darrell Sperbeck Sept 22 & 23 Fall Float Fly Greenwood Park Note: Location of AGS Fall Float Fly has been changed. This year it will be held at Greenwood Park on September 22 & 23. Sept 29 AGS Combat Contest AGS Field Oct 7 Final STRC Race AGS Field 4 P.M.

Oct 13 Precision Aerobatic Primer AGS Field 10 A.M.- P.M.

Nov 3 AGS Field closing 9:30 A.M.





## OPEN INVITATION FROM CAMEL BACK AERODOME

Come to one of our meetings, and be my quest for that day. If you like the people, and no-doubt you will, they are all real nice guys. Lunch is on us for all guest. Bring one of your RC-Planes to fly. This club is an aviation club you do not have to be a pilot, nor do you have to own a full size aircraft, all you have to have is a interest in things that fly (anything that flies) RC planes, or paper planes it does not matter. If you like what you see Join the club. initial fee adults is \$15.00 junior \$7.50 annual dues adults \$10.00 Junior \$5.00 all members in good standing receive a monthly news letter, and we meet every third Saturday every month of the year. Meeting place is Camel Back Aerodrome, West Windsor, NY. Owner/club member (Ray Osterhout) We are doing a good job of re-capturing the golden aviation years here in the local NY/Pa. area, and we are all having a wonderful time doing it. We are a family oriented club. We encourage your involvement in our weekend camp-out at Camel Back Aerodrome, and meeting attendance with the whole family encouraged as well. We want more young people involved to carry on the legacy of flying in our area. remember it's for anything that flies, or any interest in things that fly, it's not just a club of ultralight pilot/owners, or RC pilot/owners, or General aviation pilot/ owners.

Directions to Camel Back Aerodrome: Take route 17 E out of Binghamton, get off at Exit 78 Dunbar road Occanum, turn right onto old route 17, turn right onto Rockwell road, go to the first intersection/stop sign on Rockwell road, turn right, go past the house on the left at the intersection, turn left on the first dirt road past the first house on the left at the intersection, this dirt road takes you through the gate, and over the bridge/swimming hole, and up around to the aerodrome, be sure to stop and look for planes landing, or taking off before you cross the runway, then follow the dirt road on up to the hangar, Park in the designated car parking area up off the field by the white birch tree picnic oasis area. Enjoy, Enjoy, Enjoy all the things that will be flying, and fly your own planes after you get permission from (Ray Osterhout) the aerodrome owner, he may have you sign his liability waver form before he will let

you fly, but it's just a small formality to contend with, it's no big deal. Enjoy, Enjoy all the nice professional people, and the flying, as you will be assured you are going to be around birds of a feather, which all flock together every third Saturday every month, Enjoy, Enjoy! Spread the word to all your other flying friend, or friend that have an interest in things that fly, help me get some young people into the club. Fly baby Fly!

### Al Osterhout



Where did the summer go? It seems like we just opened the field and we are already scheduling the closing.

Those of you who didn't attend the "Celebration Of Flight" missed out on a fantastic day . My daughters and I had a blast along with some great food and prizes. I let my feeling be known on page 8 as far as the winners of the contest goes. As for cheating, my teammate had to take his medicine & that is the only reason he was looking at his watch during the two minute drill!!!!!!!!!! **HONEST** 

My family and I were just up at the field and got to enjoy a wonderful breakfast prepared by the Frey's. Those of you who didn't make it up to the field really missed out on an awesome treat.

We all got to see Jim Pecha fly his 1/4 scale Cap 232 with smoke. This sight just got me more excited to start building my Super Stinker.

On a final note I would like to ask everyone in the club to help keep the road in good repair. If you happen to damage the road on the way up please stop above the turn and fix it. Also due to a recent deluge of rain there are some new ruts in our newly smoothed road. Frustrating! Anyone who feels the urge can have a go at raking them out. Many hands make light work.

## See you all at the meeting,

Bill Oltmer



## Notice:

## For any AGS member purchasing a new radio system

A current member of our club will be flying **CHANNEL 17** at the field as well as off-site within the 3 mile radius of our club field as defined by AMA.

Therefore, if you are looking into purchasing a new radio, it is strongly recommended that you do not buy channel 17 at this time.

According to our latest list of members and frequencies, nobody currently uses this frequency. Every member should check this list (posted at the field) and update it accordingly.

In the event we have a contest at the field with other clubs attending, I will be responsible for making sure that the member does not fly within the 3 mile radius that day.

Thanks for your cooperation in this matter... A similar notice is posted in the Flight Control Center up at the field as well as our bulletin board at GJ's.

Rick

# Cancellation of AGS Meetings:

In the event of poor weather again, listen to the radio or television for local closings and cancellations. If Broome Community College night classes are cancelled, then the AGS meeting is cancelled.

## AGS ETIQUETTE:

The AGS has a carry in/carry out policy. Good etiquette means if it came in with you it should go out with you.

In preparation for the Vintage R/C "Spectacular" in Sayre on Labor Day weekend I put in a trim flight on my 1961 Virus, rudder only ½ A. Normally I do not fly alone, but for one trim flight and the small size of the engine, I thought I would trim the airplane for Vintage R/C. The whole process took less than 10 minutes. It was a beautiful morning, so I decided to walk around for a few minutes. As I walked I decided to pick up any "left overs" at the field. There were a few broken rubber bands, a few partial propellers, and a few other small items. I thought, nice job AGS on keeping our beautiful flying site clean. On the other hand, I also picked up cigarette butts. There were 73 of these little critters.

I know smokers don't usually think when they finish a cigarette; it is just discarded. My question is, however, does the carry in/carry out policy apply to cigarettes, or is this an exemption? Someone tried a "Butt Cup" at the entrance to the pits, but it soon filled up with other garbage and at the same time cigarette butts were still appearing around the flight line.

Do you have any suggestions on how we can keep our beautiful flying site clean? *7im Quinn* 

## MEMBERSHIP 2001

We have had a wonderful flying season this year. Many thanks to all the club members who have been so active this year. The "good times" have really abounded in 2001. It is really good to see some of our newer members actively flying and taking positions of leadership in our club. A recent associate member write on his application he was interested in having some "flying buddies." That will certainly be the case with the AGS.

Six months ago two "Bills" became associate members and now they are eligible for regular membership. Bill Tozer and Bill Jayko. Both Bills have been active with the club during their associate membership time. Bill Tozer is even part of Joe Felice's team for the combat contest coming up at the end of the month. We will be voting on the two Bills during our September meeting at the American Legion.

We also have three new Associate Members since our last meeting. Matt Snow joined before the August meeting, but after the deadline for the August Newsletter. Matt was introduced along with his wife at the August meeting. Matt is "off the cord," so his real learning can now begin. We also know Bob Balsie who presented a program to us on control line flying earlier in the year. Bob became an associate member at our August meeting. At our final AGS Race of the season Jordan Adams gave me his application. Jordan has an airplane ready to fly, so instructors be ready for a phone call.

I would like to end this article with a word to our newer members who are feeling the joy of solo flight. It is a great achievement to solo. On the other hand there is still a lot to learn about flying and about AGS. We have many, many talented people in our club who are most willing to help. My original solo was in the early 1960s, but I still have an instructor standing with me frequently 40 years later to help me improve my flying skills. Don't stop learning. Asking a question is easier and safer than crashing an airplane.

7im Quinn

HERE ARE A FEW MORE OF ALEXIS'S CREATIONS. THIS IS HOW I WILL LOOK WHEN I FI-NALLY GET MY NEW CORVETTE!!!!



STEVEN BARD ????



ANYONE'S FIRST DEADSTICK ( SHE'S GOT THE PUCKER FACTOR DOWN)



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## September Field Report

I'd like to start off by apologizing for missing the last few Connector issues and I won't bore you with my excuses. Unfortunately for me the only time I seem to use the field is for pylon racing but it does appear to be in good shape. The road repair has taken place but not under my direction so I'll let Rick elaborate on that process. By the time this issue hits the streets the mowing should be coming to a close. I would like to express many thanks to those who stepped in to fill vacant spots on the mowing list and I'm sure some folks have mowed more than once. Given the size of the AGS, filling the mowing list should not be an issue...but it is. I believe the process is not robust and it will change moderately next year (should I remain in this position). Typically, the list begins circulation at AGS meetings in March and April. This is a great start and I do get good response from those in attendance. The list then gets posted at the field and circulated in the Connector where I continue to request volunteers to fill out the list. This is the part that does not work well. Next year the list will get circulated in March and April, and then following the April meeting I will fill open slots by selecting members off the roster and notifying them either by email or phone that they have mowing duty on a given date. If the persons signed up have conflicts they can resolve as all others do....find someone to swap with or take your spot. Do not call the field chairman to resolve (his phone will not accept these messages!).

In the last connector it was mentioned that I had purchased a weed trimmer for the field...I haven't. On a positive note, Charlie Lecher has volunteered to donate a used weed trimmer, I just need to get it running! Thanks Charlie.

Lastly, Field Winterizing will occur Saturday, November 3 at 9:30am. We will once again prepare the field for what will hopefully be a snowy winter (snow is good!). In addition to the standard storage activities, I would like to take the old concrete pads and create a walkway between the 'hole' in the fence and the small pavilion. Please bring a pick and flat shovel if you have them for this activity. Hope to see you there.

Todd

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Now that flying season has almost come to an end, watch your s p e e d on the road to the field. Keep it around 10 mph or less.



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## My "New" Computer

My company, a local engineering firm, is occasionally throwing away old, outdated CPU's (Pentium machines with 166 MHz processors, 2 GB hard drives and 16X CD-ROM. While most everyone agrees that this is a "garbage" machine, I took one home (which had the entire hard drive cleaned), installed an operating system, video drivers and most importantly CAD software. I was able to get a free monitor and spent about \$30 for a keyboard, mouse and mouse pad. I now have a machine at home that I can dedicate solely for the purpose of my hobby. I was able to load Excel and Word and get copies of the design programs Ken Maroni talked about at the last meeting. Since the machine is not multi-tasking, the 166 MHz processor blazes through the operations. The CAD software I run is not a cheap one either. It's the biggest competitor to AutoCAD and can generate amazing 3D graphics and renderings. The moral of my story? If you think you may want to get into designing various bits and pieces of your next plane, pay attention to what your company may think is junk... it may pay off.

Rick

## **Celebration of Flight - 2000**

By Doug Breneman and Rick Allabaugh

A great time was had by all who were able to attend our annual Celebration of Flight on August 11th. There were ten fliers and two support staff. The fliers were divided into three teams:

The Extra Somethings - Bill Oltmer, Eric Peterson, Phil Nestoryak, Mike Hill

The Crushers - Bob Noll, Matt Berdine, Ken Maroni

The Amazing Air Racers - Bob Nestoryak, Bob Eilenberger, Steve Hermanovitch

The five events were the Mystery Spot Landing, Two Minute Drill, Tag Team Pylon Racing, LeMans Start and Drag Racing. A more complete description of these events can be found in the July Connector.

Some of more memorable moments were:

- Steve "Dragster" Hermanovitch leave everyone in his dust in the drag race.
- Bob "firewall" Eilenberger's landings.
- Listening to Bob "Kibitzer" Noll say "One more lap!"
- Matt "The Thumb" Berdine doing the LeMans Start
- Phil "The Watch" Nestoryak using his watch for the two minute drill.

Each of the teams won at least one of the five events. The team with the most points was The Crushers with 1440 points out of a possible 1800.

These were just a few of the fun times. There are more waiting for all of us next year.



## **MORE PICTURES ON PAGE 8**





NOW YOU KNOW WHY HE WAS CALLED FIREWALL







#### AGS Precision Aerobatics Primer by Bob Noll

The AGS Board of Directors has approved a special event at our club field in October. Four members of the Aerobatics Group will be hosts for this event and all club members are invited. Jim Quinn, Frank Gioffredo, Terry Terrenoire and myself will host a clinic in the morning, followed by a free lunch and then some light hearted aerobatics competition using the current AMA Sportsman maneuvers. Sportsman is the entry level category for AMA Precision Aerobatics competition and contains very basic maneuvers.

The clinic, which will start at 10 AM, will be used to provide information and assistance to all pilots that will help them in the afternoon contest. Jim, Frank, Terry and I will not be competing and will serve as noontime cooks and afternoon judges.

An event flyer, which will appear elsewhere in The Connector, contains the list of the maneuvers. You will notice that each maneuver, other than takeoff and landing, are flown twice per flight.

This event is for AGS members only and anyone with a plane that can roll and loop will be competitive. By the way, all planes with ailerons and elevators can loop and roll.

So plan to join the fun on Saturday, October 13 starting at 10 AM. Trophies will be awarded through 4th place. The lunch and trophies are being provided by the hosts.

## SOFTWARE SEARCH

Does anyone have or know where the Quicken 98 Software for the club's computer is ?..... if so, please contact me at 625-3491

Thx.....Ken

## STRC RACE No. 4

By Bob Noll

It was a very warm evening but the wind was light. The field of racers for the 4<sup>th</sup> STRC race on Tuesday August 7 was lighter than usual. The three Valley RC Club pilots did not attend as they were packed and ready to leave early the next morning for the Fun-Fly Nationals. Terry Terrenoire, Rick Allabaugh and Don Stento were also no shows which reduced the total racers to eight. Since there were only 2 Bush Grand National pilots, they had to run with the Winston Cup crowd.

Three pilots, Art Riegal, Todd Kopl and Bob Noll managed to win eight points with two 1<sup>st</sup> place finished and one 2<sup>nd</sup> place. Interestingly, Bob beat Todd in heat 3, Todd beat Art in heat 4 and Art beat Bob in heat 8. Bob lost his chance to get a ninepoint race when he cut trying to catch Art who had a very good race. Prior to the race Art had Bob program some expo. (40% elev. and 20% aileron) into his transmitter which allowed Art to fly the smoothest he has ever flown. His OS .40FP is one of the strongest on the course. Right behind the top three, was Jim Quinn who had a sevenpoint race and Vinnie Quartararo who had six points. Unfortunately, there was one mishap as Brian Tyler overrolled at pylon #1 and drove his racer into the ground during a close race with Todd Kopl and Bob Noll

Bob Noll jumped into the STRC Season Points lead with 31 and Bob Eilenberger leads the Bush crew with 19 points.

Since only four races are counted in the season points race, there will be some significant changes as pilots begin to drop lower point races after the fifth and sixth races.

The following are the race 4 results and current season points standings;



## BUSH GRAND NATIONAL

Bob Eilenberger Ken Maroni	4 3
WINSTON C	UP
Bob Noll Todd Kopl Art Riegal Jim Quinn Vinny Quartararo Brian Tyler	8 8 7 6 2

#### SEASON STANDINGS

#### BUSH GRAND NATIONAL

<b>Bob Eilenberger</b>	19
Don Stento	11
Ken Maroni	8
WINSTON C	CUP
Bob Noll	31
Steve Luchaco	24
Art Riegal	24
Terry Terrenoire	23
Jim Quinn	22
Jim Champion	18
Todd Kopl	18
Dan Luchaco	17
Vinny Quartararo	17
Brian Tyler	7
Rick Allabaugh	6

### Fall Float Fly

By Dave Lewis

The 18th annual Fall Float Fly will be held September 22 & 23 at Greenwood Park. You can reach Greenwood Park by taking Route 26 N out of Endicott and following the brown signs. If you attended last years event you are aware that we had a major conflict with another activity. I have negotiated exclusive use of Greenwood Park so I do not expect a repeat of last year's problems. On site camping and showers will be available. Night flying will be permissible Saturday evening. The landing fee will be \$5 for one day or \$8 for the weekend. The prize drawing will be at 2:00 p.m.. Sunday. Remember, everyone goes home a winner. Terry Terrenoire will be serving up lunch on both days. The RC Gypsies have expressed their intentions to attend. They usually put on a good show. If you don't have a plane with floats come out and watch. If you have any questions call me at (607) 748-2513.

#### RACE 4



# Saturday, October 13, 2001 Club Field 10 AM – Clinic Noon – Hot Dog Lunch 1 to 4 PM – Aerobatics Contest Trophies thru 4th Place AMA Sportsman Maneuver Sequence

1. Takeoff (U)

## **Free Pass**

- 2. Straight Flight Out (U)
- 3. Half Reverse Cuban Eight (T) 11. Half Reverse Cuban Eight
- 4. Straight Flight Back (D) Unscored Turnaround
- 5. Stall Turn (U) Unscored Turnaround
- 6. Immelmann Turn (U)
- 7. Split "S" (T)
- 8. Three Inside Loops (U) Unscored Turnaround
- 9. One Horizontal Roll (D)

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- 10. Straight Flight Out (U) 11. Half Reverse Cuban Eigh
- 12. Straight Flight Back (D) Unscored Turnaround
- 13. Stall Turn (U)
- Unscored Turnaround
- 14. Immelmann Turn (U)
- 15. Split "S" (T)
- 16. Three Inside Loops (U)
- **Unscored Turnaround**
- 17. One Horizontal Roll (D)
- 18. Landing

# Hosted by members of the Aerobatics Group!

This event is for Aeroguidance Society members only.

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## AGS Meeting #650 08/21/2001

The meeting was held at the AGS field and called to order by President Rick Allabaugh at 7:00pm. Present at the meeting were approximately 33 members and 6 guests.

#### Minutes:

Approved as published in the Connector with the amendment that Jim Quinn never received the \$200 stipend for participating in his first Nats.

#### **OFFICER REPORTS:**

**President's Report:** (Rich Allabaugh) Nothing to report.

Vice President's Report: (Jim Pecha) Nothing to report.

**Secretary's Report:** (Doug Breneman) Nothing to report.

**Treasurer's Report:** (Ken Maroni) No treasurer's report was given . Please see Ken if you have specific questions..

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Membership Report:** (Jim Quinn) Jim welcomed all of the visitors. There were no persons who were candidates for membership.

**Program Report:** (Brent Bryson) Nothing reported.

Activities Report: (Darrell Sperbeck) The activities in the near future include: STRC Racing - Sept 9 & 16. Pylon Racing - Sept 4 Fly-in Breakfast - Sept 8 Float Fly - Sept 22 & 23 Combat Meet - Sept 29 Historian Report: (Rick Allabaugh) Nothing reported Public Relations Report:

(Terry Terrenoire)

A presentation was given at Sam's Club on Aug 8th. This include starting an engine. There is a possibility of having a static display at Sam's next Spring. There will be a demonstration of building planes at Binghamton University on Oct 20. At least one more volunteer is needed. Please see Terry.

#### Librarian Report:

(Steve Hermanovitch) Steve handed out copies of the book and video libraries. Steve received several free books and magazines and may be receiving a few more. Steve received well-deserved applause for his efforts. There is still money in the budget for additional purchases. **Racing Report:** (Terry Terrenoire) See the racing report elsewhere in the Connector.

Plaques for the 2000 racing season were handed out to Bob Noll for the Winston Cup and Rick Allabaugh for the Bush Grand National.

Sound Report: (Tom Kopl) Nothing reported Safety Report: (Art Riegal)

Nothing reported.

**Field Report:** (Todd Kopl) It will cost approximately \$300 to brush hog the field. A weedwacker could be purchased for approximately \$100. No money has been spent yet for these items.

**Connector Editor Report:** (Bill Oltmer) See Online Connector below.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Road Repair:** (Rick Allabaugh) The road repair has started. The fence was moved. The road has been flattened. Thanks to Rick and Bill for overseeing this work. If you damage the road, you repair it! Millings were used instead of one minus. There is now a turnaround just below the gate. We need to set aside money each year for road maintenance..

**Online Connector:** (Bill Oltmer) If you want a hard copy of the Connector instead of the online Connector, please contact Bill Oltmer. Some members are having some problems with the online Connector. Sometimes this is due to the level of the Adobe Acrobat Reader. Adobe 3.0 seems to work fine for both the Connector and the Aero's newsletter.

**Family Picnic:** (Rick Allabaugh) The Family Picnic was postponed until next year. No date has been set.

**Fall Float Fly:** (Dave Lewis) The Fall Float Fly will be held at Greenwood Park on Sept 22nd & 23rd. It will cost \$8 for both days and \$5 for one day to participate. Food costs extra. Every flyer gets a prize. Watching is free.

**Combat Meet:** (Joe Felice) There are still opportunities to help with this event. Please contact Joe to see how you can help. **Celebration of Flight:** (Rick Allabaugh) The Celebration of Flight was held at the field on Aug 11. Thanks to everyone who participated. Approximately \$130 of prizes were given to those who participated..

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Vote on candidates for membership: No persons are eligible for membership. Honorarium Given: (Jim Quinn) Jim gave to the AGS a \$200 honorarium to honor those persons who assisted him in competing in his first Nats. These persons include Frank Giofredo as a practice buddy. Terry Terrenoire as a contest

buddy, and Bob Noll as a great resource.. **Thanks:** (Charlie Lecher) Charlie thanked the club for the fruit basket he received after his recent surgery.

#### Miscellaneous:

The club tarp is being repaired. This will cost approximately \$200.

Terry T brought pictures of project night and the annual banquet. These will be added to the Historian's records. There is a possibility of decreasing the amount of NYS tax we pay if we qualify under Real Property Tax Law 480 A - Property Tax Exemption for Forest Land. The Board will pursue this.

Some legal documents will be given to Terry T to keep in the AGS file cabinet. A Nominating Committee will be formed to propose leaders for next year. Please contact Rick Allabaugh or Mike Hill if interested in being on the Nominating Committee or if you would like to be a committee member.

#### Show and Tell:

Dick Allen showed his GWS electric Tiger Moth Biplane. He installed larger wheels. Costs \$48 including gearbox, motor, prop, and spinner. Gift certificate winner.

Art Riegal showed his Thunder Tiger Sea Master , a 46 size ARF..

Bob Eilenberger showed his Great Planes Mustang. He has been flying it for 3 years.

Terry Terenoire showed his twin Elans. Each weigh about 9  $\frac{1}{2}$  lbs and use a 1.2 4 stroke engine.

#### Raffle Winner: Bill Oltmer

**PROGRAM:** Scratch Building by Ken Maroni.



## **SEPTEMBER PROGRAM**



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