



# The CONNECTOR

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Meetings of the AGS are held the 1st Tuesday of every month at the Maine-Endwell High School  
Changes to time or location will be noted in this newsletter. Business meeting at 7:30 P.M., program to follow.

## The Prez Sez

Terry Terrenoire

As we start a Fiscal year the new officers have had their first Board meeting, and we are planning the activities and programs for the upcoming year. Of the 19 survey results I have in my hand, only 5 others indicated an interest. So... for the second year we will not have the auction at the upcoming meeting, but we reserve the option of having one in the spring.

One position that really needs to be filled ASAP is Program chairman. This is the person who comes up with the ideas for monthly meeting programs, and recruits a presenter. Since we have a number of "newer" members...this presents several opportunities. On the one hand, some of the older programs can be repeated for their benefit. On the other hand there may be some of them that have unique talents or interests and these can be passed on to the rest of us.

Due to the recent events involving fires and Li-Polly batteries I feel that it is very important the we spend some time this month discussing the safe handling of this new technology. I am hoping that Matt Struck will be available to conduct the program, but I would like for anyone who is using these batteries to have at the meeting whatever safety container you use for storing and charging your batteries.

Another safety issue was brought to the fore at the NEAT Fair on the last day of

the event. A helicopter being flown by a 5 year old boy went out of control and into the crowd. As I understand, it hit the ground first, then shedding pieces hit one of the spectators in the head causing a lot of bleeding, but little permanent damage. I know that we cover field safety every spring, but we must really be aware of the dangers this hobby presents at ALL times and do our best to minimize the dangers of doing harm to ourselves or others.

So, I guess that we can safely say that the topic of our meeting program in November will be "safety"!!

And that brings us to the December meeting. As some of you may remember, a couple years ago Bob Balsie headed up a Christmas party at the December meeting. This was a "family affair". I have asked Bob if he would coordinate another event like this and he has agreed. So start planning now to attend the December meeting. I think Bob is going to ask for each of us to bring a dish to pass. The club will provide a meat tray of Bob's choosing and the drinks. Maybe Bob can give us some more details at the november meeting.

If you have not done so already, please get your club and AMA renewals taken care of soon. It really adds to the work load of the Treasurer and Secretary when these are delayed.

And just one last reminder that the deadline is drawing near for you to submit your vote for the new AMA president, and Dave Matthewson needs all the help he can get. Please send in your ballot!

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### Coming Events

**Nov 6th AGS Meeting**

*Main-Endwell High School*

### **Cancellation of AGS Meetings:**

In the event of poor weather, listen to the radio or television for local closings and cancellations. If Maine-Endwell High School classes are cancelled, then the AGS meeting is cancelled.

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## **Race Report**

Fran Gioffredo

Well the final race is over the party is done and all that is left are the memories of another racing season. Again I would like to thank all the helpers who make racing possible each season. Without you guys coming out we would not be able to do what we do. It would be great to see some new faces join in the racing next season. There has got to be somebody who can out run Bob, Terry, and Jim. Although I believe Don Shugard and Scott Wallace will be very strong next season. Per Doug Breneman's excellent reports on the Race Stats Don would have finished fourth this season in Nextel. Great job Don, Not to be left behind Bill Markovitz stayed strong all season making all the races and even suffering a couple of crashes and a mid-air with myself. All in all we had a great race season with some very close scores, right up to the finish the winner was undecided until a final fly off.

I would like to Thank Doug Breneman for doing the job of statistician and providing me with all the info on the races even points of interest from every race. I will recap Doug's report of the last race followed by the final scores.

The wind was blowing hard for the last race of the year. But five pilots braved the elements to fly. For the Nextel Cup, going into the final round only one point separated Jim and Bob with Jim having 45 points and Bob having 44. After heat five Jim and Bob were tied for first place with 47 points each. A fly off was needed to decide the 1st place finisher for this season. There were only two pilots in the Busch Grand National with Don in the lead and Bill in second place. One of the best heats of the year was the second heat with Jim Scott and Bill. The lead position was swapped back and fourth between Scott and Jim all the way up to the last lap with Jim coming in first. Next year we will no longer have Nextel and Busch Grand National Pylon racing. It will be replaced by even better Sprint and Nationwide Pylon Racing. Congratulations to all the Pilots and thanks to all the Helpers who made this a successful racing season.

Here are the final race results:

### Nextel

Bob Noll	Nextel	47 points	1st Place	decided by a fly off
Jim Quinn	Nextel	47 points	2nd Place	
Scott Wallace	Nextel	39 points	3rd Place	
Terry Terrenoire	Nextel	34 points	4th Place	
Frank Gioffredo	Nextel	27 points	5th Place	
Jerry Roscoe	Nextel	6 points	6th Place	

### Busch

Don Shugard	Busch	37 points	1st Place	
Bill Markovitz	Busch	22 points	2nd Place	

Again thanks to all for the fun. FrankG

## AGS Meeting #722

October 2, 2007

The meeting was held at ME High School. AGS President Terry Terrenoire started the meeting at 7:35 p.m. Present at the meeting were approximately 20 members. Also, there were 2 guests present; Jennifer Hatton and Lee Danielson Lee is anticipating joining the club shortly.

## Program

### Meeting Minutes

Connector minutes approved as with following reservations.  
Meeting was at Maine Endwell High School not at the field.  
I misused should have been showed in Doug's Presentation  
Bob's plane was from Taiwan

### Show and Tell

Bill Under... Showed a picture of the V2 OSPREY from Time Magazine. Vertical take off/landing – with normal flight it will fly level.  
Bob Balsie present showed his funtana s 40. Sebastiaand silvestri design. Had to due some mods to use futaba servos and move rudder and areolion forward to balance, now make a funtana x 50.

Terry showed his “whiplash” which has been repowered with an e-flight power 15. weight full up is 32 oz, 2/3 weight of original with gas motor.  
Stagger wing beach, originally rubber powered, Terry has now converted the plane to be electric

Terry's 3<sup>rd</sup> project, 71% of Dick Allen's rudder only first place Nat's 1956.

Dick Allen  
Picked up a Blade CX helo, he has been flying in side the Dome. Dick showed an AMP tool bag that he

picked up from Lowes that is very convenient to carry flight line supplies

Gib Vandling Ly Pol battery talked about his house fire that was damaged. He left charge overnight Recommend the use of a heavy pot, balancer and not charging battery unattended. Buy a charger with a temperature probe. Gib passed around some pictures of his fire.

## Officer Reports

### Secretary's report

Request was made to hunt on property. Terry responded to him to say while we appreciate his request that we were not able to grant his request. Roster has been cleaned up and made current, needs to be put on web site.  
Frank action  
Financial Audit needs to be completed, however, computer issues prevented us completing this action prior to month end  
Club Office Candidates  
President Terry Terrenoire  
VP: Charlie Hatton  
Secretary: Jim Quinn  
BMAL: Rick Allabaugh, who will also serve as Membership Chair

### Treasures Report

Frank Geofredo presented the current financial status of the Club. Next meeting will have comparison of beginning and year-end status

Activities  
Float  
15 flyers  
5 both days  
Other 10 came one or the other  
Positive cash flow  
Low club participation  
25<sup>th</sup> consecutive float fly, any idea for next year.

Membership,

Rick alabaugh will be new membership program  
7 signed up plus 1 more  
Good job Scott.

## Old Business

### New Business

Elections  
Terry review identified candidates and Open floor for nominations

/Mark Letcher  
Dick Allen seconded.

#### Candidates

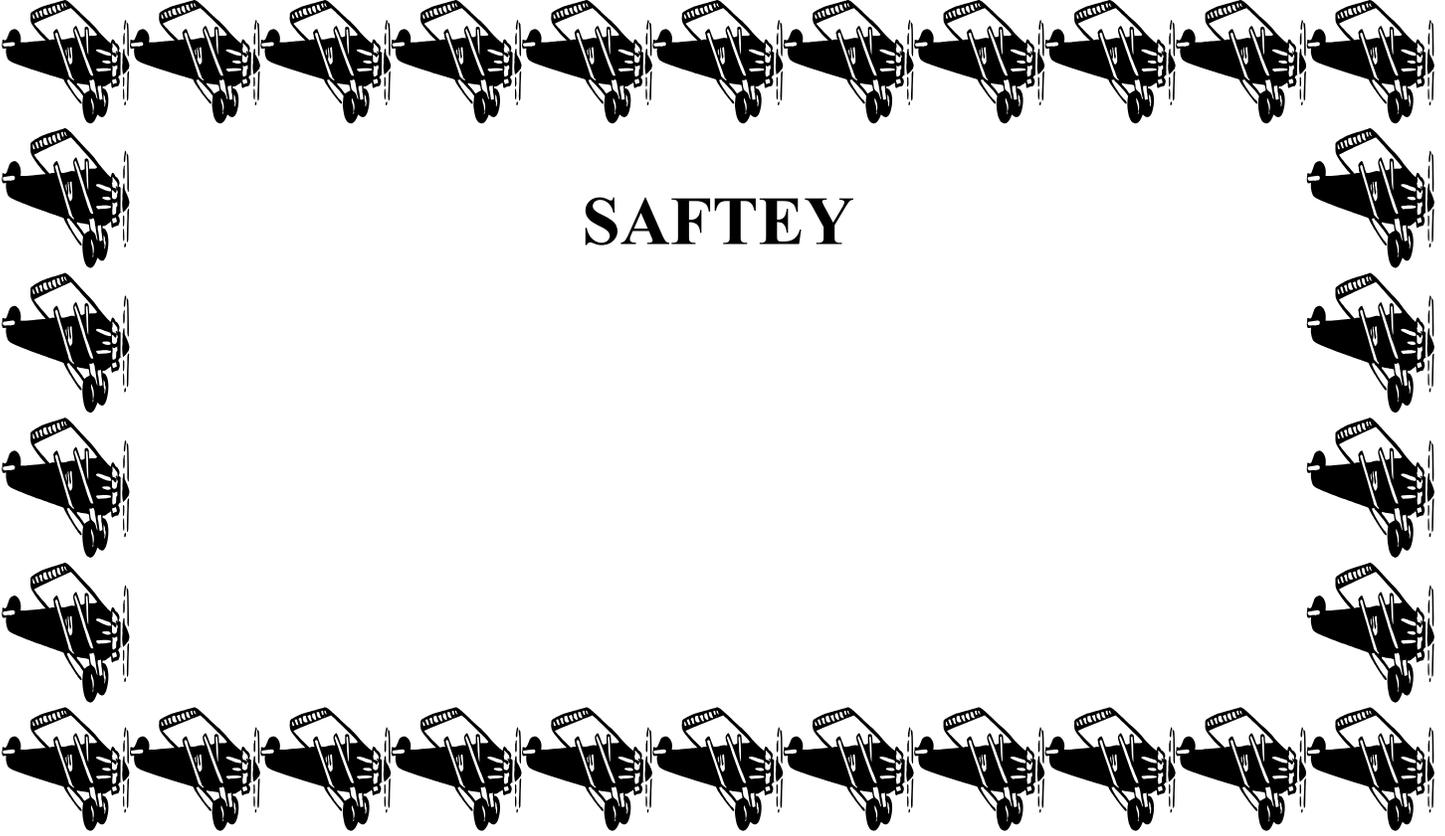
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Proposed Board was elected.

Terry presentation of Wheel pants  
Adds efficiency to aircraft performance as does retracts.  
Buy hi-tech – carbon fiber, fiberglass or you can build your own.  
Center line of wheel pants parallel with center line of the wing  
Terry discussed and showed several methods of attaching the wheel pant to the landing gear he also discuss a method of building your own from scratch

The Deadline for Connector articles is two Fridays before the meeting. Please have submissions to the editor before then.  
Electronic submissions are preferred, E-mail them to [jeff@priusonline.com](mailto:jeff@priusonline.com)  
**Deadline for Next Connector is 11/23/07.**

# NOVEMBER PROGRAM



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