



# 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

One month closer to flying weather, and nearly half way thru Winter!!! The days are getting longer and we will soon be switching back to Daylight Savings time. I don't know about you, but I really look forward to getting back on the hill to put some air under the wings. In the meantime...we do have a couple of events coming up in February.

The first is a first for us in that the "winter fly" will be a two day event this year. On Feb 16th we will be flying indoors at the sports facility in Vestal from noon til 3:00. The next day, the 17th we will be flying from the soccer complex in west corners from 10:00 til 2:00, with lunch at 11:30. Jim Quinn has volunteered to head up this very active weekend and he will have more details elsewhere in this issue.

I would like to thank Bob Balsie for putting on a great "holiday gathering" after the January meeting. This was especially challenging since it was carried over from the Dec meeting that had to be cancelled. Thanks again for a great evening, Bob.

Due in part to the great response we have had recently to gatherings that are a little less "formal" than some we have had in the past, the Board is leaning toward having a similar event for our annual banquet in March. As has become the custom, the VP, Charlie Hatton, will be heading up this event. He should have more details at the February meeting. If

you have any suggestions, or would like to assist in any way, please contact Charlie.

Upcoming programs: I have contacted MEHS on 3 occasions in the past few weeks trying to make contact with Dave Cook. He is responsible for scheduling the use of the Gym. I am trying to get this use for 8:30 to 9:30 either for the Feb or March meeting so we can use it for indoor flight demos as our program. Bob Noll has put together a program on his trip to Argentina for the World Championship competition in Precision Aerobatics. So, the Feb and March programs are set...I just do not know which will be which, yet!

Jim Quinn and I made the trip to Sayre Tuesday night 1/22. I got 3 great flights on my Diddlebug and another 3 on my CX-2 helicopter. Jim also flew the CX-2, and put in a flight or two on the Airhog biplane!! We had a great time.

I have heard nothing further on the logging, but I do have in my hands the current insurance certificate for the company doing it. I think the warm weather slowed them down. Now that the ground is solid again I would suspect that some activity will start.

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### Coming Events

#### *Feb 16th Winter Fly*

*12:00—3:00 Sports Facility in Vestal*

#### *Feb 17th Winter Fly*

*12:00—2:00 BC United Soccer Complex*

### **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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## **Mall Show Report**

Terry Terrenoire

Well the 25th annual Mall Show is history. We had a great display. I counted over 40 airplanes at one point. The ranged from Jeff Hatton's new Black Magic, to 3.5 oz indoor electric. I would like to thank all who helped with setup, staffing, and teardown. The weather was good and we had a lot of interested passers by asking questions and taking literature, and a bunch signed up for more information. I have not put all of that together yet but will have more information at the next meeting. Thanks again for all the help.



## **Aerobatics Group Resumes Hanger Sessions**

by Bob Noll

The group that is interested in building, trimming, adjusting and flying precision aerobatic planes is meeting again. Two hanger sessions were held in January, one at Bob Noll's hanger and one at Jim Quinn's hanger.

The list of club members that have been attending these sessions which go back many years are; Terry Terrenoire, Frank Gioffredo, Jeff Hatton, Charlie Hatton, Don Shugard, Rick Curtiss, Jim Quinn, Guillermo Leon, Art Riegall and myself. Neil Hunt from Hancock has joined us for the past two sessions, having gotten the "pattern" bug a year ago.

If don't see your name above and would like to join us please contact me at 754-5279 or BOBRC@aol.com.

We meet several times a month on Fridays at 7 PM.

Our next session will be on February 8 at my hanger. Please contact me so you are put on the e-mail distribution list and so you will be notified of any changes and of future sessions.

## Aeroguidance Society Meeting 724

President Terrenoire called the meeting to order promptly at 7:30 on Tuesday, January 8, 2008\*

Guests: Barbara Sittler, Judy Underkoffler, Ellen Lewis, Jennifer Hatton, Erin Hatton, Ester Krapf.

Minutes of meeting #723 were approved.

Board Minutes for November and December were read by Jim Quinn

Vice President Hatton reported that an informal annual party was being looked into.

Treasurer's Report was given.

### Committees:

Mall Show will be January 19-20, 2008 (Terry Terrenoire)

The insurance form has been received

January 1 Fly was fun and well attended (Frank Gioffredo)

8 Pilots and 25 Total people.

The chili was great as well as the hot dogs.

Doug Breneman wa the

runway roller.

### Old Business

President Terrenoire asked Dan Bushnell for a formal proposal for the sale of the 3.5 acres adjoining his property to the East. The money realized from the sale, if it happens, would be used for road improvements and runway upgrades.

Please check the survey and fill in any missing blanks.

Robinson Lumber will begin harvesting trees soon. They have current insurance.

### New Business

President Terrenoire introduced the idea of a D&R Power Grader. It has a 6 month warranty

Touch a Truck: Kids see big trucks, fire trucks, etc. This is a fund raiser.

Bill Underkoffler is moving

### Show and Tell

Ed Lancki showed a 4F51 EPP foam airplane from plans. Weight RTF was 7.6oz  
Terry Terrenoire is now a dealer

for Stevens Aero Products

Diddle Bug (3.5oz) Little Squirt (1.6), Diddle Rod, E-spresso (2.8 with battery) 1919 White Sport, Tiny EX

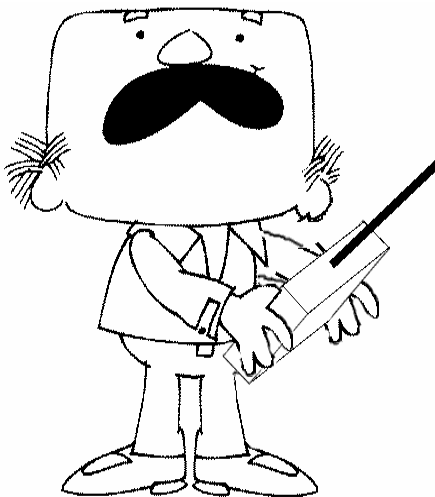
Three Associate members were voted on for Regular Membership: Gary Hendrick, Paul Slocum, and Andy Slocum.

### Program

Bob Balsie hosted a wonderful "New Year's" party with many, many gifts and even better food. Thanks Bob!

Meeting/Party 724 adjourned at 9:10PM with a lot of full stomachs.

\* Meeting 724 was one week late due to the January 1 holiday.



## Southern Tier Racing Circuit

by Bob Noll, 2008 Race Coordinator

The Daytona 500 is almost here and it won't be long after that when the "racers of the AGS" take to the air with their Quickee 500 pylon racers.

The following racers are on my list for 2008;

Rick Allabaugh  
Brent Bryson  
Frank Gioffredo  
Guillermo Leon  
Bill Markovitz  
Jim Quinn  
Jerry Roscoe  
Don Shugard  
Terry Terrenoire  
Scott Wallace  
Bob Noll

If you would like to join these speedsters, contact me at 754-5279 or at BOBRC@aol.com.

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 2/22/08.**

## **AGS 2008 Indoor Electric Flying**

Matt Struck

Indoor flying sessions have been set up with the Southern Tier Sports Center on Old Vestal Rd in Vestal. Sessions will be every other Saturday starting February 2<sup>nd</sup> and running through March 29<sup>th</sup>. Sessions will run from 12pm to 2pm. E-mail reminders will be sent out on the prior Wednesdays. Limited electricity will be available for battery charging and/or glue guns. All charging must take place in an appropriate container. Any and all are welcome – current AMA membership is required to fly. Please bring a donation each visit to help cover the cost of using this site.

Indoor flying dates :

Saturdays February 2<sup>nd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>

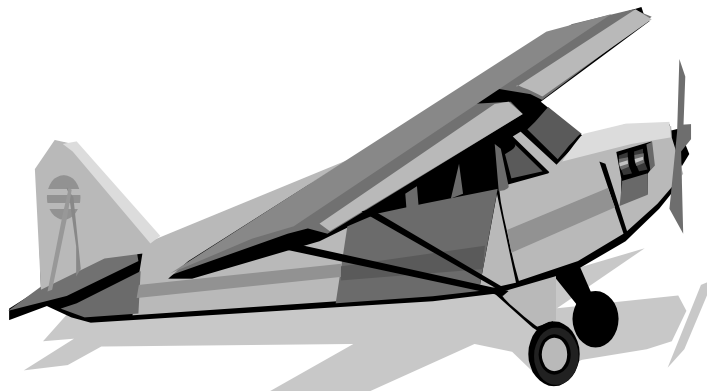
Saturdays March 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>

The flying area size is approximately 90' x 120' x 30'.

What can be flown : Monoplanes under 12oz and biplanes under 16oz - these weights include the battery. From experience, monoplanes less than 7oz and biplanes less than 9oz make for a much more enjoyable experience. Helis up to T-Rex 450-size are OK.

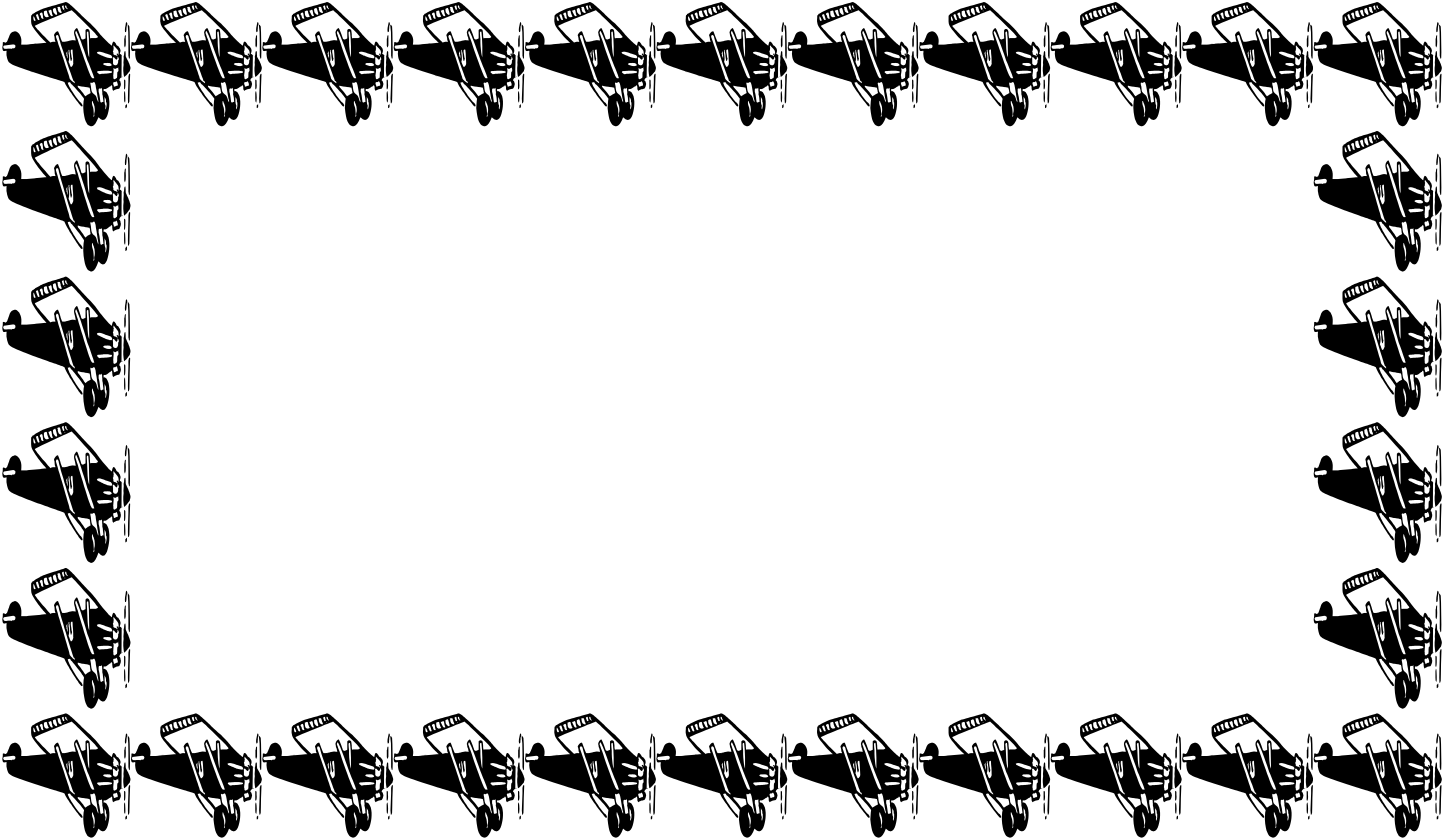
The Southern Tier Sports Center is located at 2200 Old Vestal Rd, Vestal NY. It is just west of Arnold Park, a site the AGS has used in the past for their New Years Day Fly and Winter Fly. It is directly behind the Shoppes at Vestal on the Vestal Parkway (Michaels, Old Navy, HomeGoods). There is a red and white sign clearly identifying the location. If you are coming from 17E, take exit 68 (Old Vestal Rd), go straight through first stop sign, turn left at the second stop sign (this is Old Vestal Rd), facility will be on right just up the road.

The AGS contact for indoor info is Matt Struck – [rcquietflyer@hotmail.com](mailto:rcquietflyer@hotmail.com), 687-4860.





# FEBRUARY PROGRAM



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