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Summer Meetings of the AGS are held the 1st Tuesday of every month at the AGS Field 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 Terrenoíre

June 3rd, meeting at club field!!

Summer will soon be in full swing and the next 4 months will pass all too quickly. I hope you have had better luck in getting out to fly than I have. Last year at this time I had logged over 150 flights...his year just over 100!! Oh well, still working PT, weekend travel to see the kids and grandkids, doing a lot of E-Bay selling, doing VRCS stuff, AMA AVP activities, continuing the remodeling work on my house, trying to get to the workshop for some "down time", and setting up garage sales, has made my spring zip by with limited time to get to the field...when there was not work to do there.

This is a time when there should be a lot to talk about going on at the field, but I am not seeing it. We have several new members who have indicated a need and desire to get some flight training, but since no one has stepped up to coordinate the efforts I don't think any have gotten a chance yet. I have a club trainer and will be glad to work with any new member. Just give me a call so we can arrange a time. Maybe that will give me an excuse to do some more flying.

As I thought you all knew, we had Bill Underkoffler's garage sale on Saturday, May 17th. A lot of planning and work went into getting this done for

Judy. I would like to thank all of you who helped on Wednesday to get everything moved from the basement to the garage. With all the help we had we got the job done much more quickly than I had figured we would. I am not going to try to list all who helped as I am sure I would miss someone, but please know that Judy is very appreciative of your efforts.

The actual sale, Saturday, was an entirely different story. I had sent out the sale information to approximately 300 modelers in a 50 mile radius and my best estimate is that we had less that 20 people come by Saturday. I do not know what the total sales were as I just turned all the money over to Dan Underkoffler. but I was disappointed and embarrassed for the entire modeling community. Here we had an active member of 2 very active clubs who's wife was in need of some assistance. If every member of just these 2 clubs had come a purchased just 1 item the garage would have been cleaned out in no time. I know you might not have NEEDED anything, but we were doing it for Judy. Again, I am embarrassed that the modeling community did not show Judy more respect!

We did sell about 1/2 of the airframes available. The rest will be available at GJ's for a while, then anything left will be taken to an auction in NJ this fall. As for the small stuff, radios, servos, receivers, engines, and engine parts will be made available on E-Bay over the

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a minimal cost of \$8.00 annually via US mail by contacting the editor.

Coming Events

AGS Meeting

June 3rd

STRC Race June 10th and 24th



Attention! Field Speed Limit: 10 mph

Now that flying season is in session, watch your SPEED on the road to the field. Keep it around 10 mph or less.

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next few weeks as I get time to photograph, catalog, and list them.

We have been contacted by a second exploration company! Their bid is \$750/ acre! That comes to \$72,000!!! We are making progress.

I received a request from Guillermo the other day asking for dates I was available to "mow"! I returned his request...DID YOU? What 2 dates did you choose?

The Board is considering a special assessment for anyone who does not mow twice during the year. We will assign everyone 2 dates. It will be YOUR responsibility to either show up or get a replacement, or pay the special assessment. Your choice...pick you own dates now, or have them assigned by the Board! This job is a requirement for the maintaince of the field.



Aeroguidance Society Meeting 727

President Terrenoire called the meeting to order promptly at 7:42 on Tuesday, May 6,2008

Guests: John Lomis, Les Baldwin, Brent New Business Ciciarelli

Minutes of meeting #726 Approved by Art Riegal and seconded By Bill Markowitz. Approved by all.

Vice President Hatton had nothing to report.

Jim Ouinn read the Board Minutes for April.

Frank Gioffredo gave a financial report.

Committees:

Activities: Bob Noll reported on Pylon development day. Bob Noll passed around an aerobatic contest sign up sheet.

Jim Quinn reported on the Aerobatic Primer this coming Saturday. Old Business President Terrenoire reported on

the meeting with the atourney regarding mineral rights on the AGS property. He sent a letter to the company requesting additional monies for the lease and the profits from the gas. There were phone calls between the company and President Terrenoire, but the connection was poor and nothing was resolved.

President Terrenoire thanked Wavne Kunsman for an outstanding job on road repairs. Don Shugard read the safety rules. President Terrenoire announced the "Garage Sale" at Bill Underkofler's A mowing list was passed around.

Show and Tell

As this is project night there was no show and tell

Program

Project night brought out some of the finest of the AGS modelers skills. Winners of a \$15.00 gift certificate at GJ's were: Rick C. Doug B. Terry T. and Jim Q.

Meeting 727 adjourned at 9:12PM and several members met at Kristofers for food and fun.

The CONNECTOR is prepared on a Personal Computer. Submissions are happily accepted by E-mail at Jeff@priusonline.com

Vintage Radio Control

By: Jim Quinn

Our first program at the AGS airport for 2008 will deal with the history of radio control. We will have a display of early R/C airplanes and control systems. It will be our hope to also fly several of these models. We hope to demonstrate take offs, multiple loops and rolls, immelmanns, split Ss, touch and goes, and of course landings.

We will show older operating systems like, single channel transmitters, escapements, galloping ghost, and reeds. These were all control systems before our modern proportional systems.

If you had the pleasure of reading our AGS history book you learned of the many innovative and cutting edge advancements that AGS members made in the early development of our hobby/sport.

Don't miss this exciting program of our R/C history as seen with flying demonstrations.



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 Deadline for Next Connector is 6/20/08.

RACING NEWS

By Bob Noll, Race Coordinator

Here are some highlights from our 1st race thanks to Doug Breneman;

It was a beautiful night for flying.

Don had a tough night when he had a structural failure with his plane during the first heat.

Bill had a hard time taking off. He was able to get a restart in his second heat but could not get started soon enough in his third heat.

We had some very close heats especially considering this was the first race of the season.

We had a great crew including three brand new lap counters.

We welcomed back Dave Lewis as the starter.

Bill had to fly against the pilots in the Sprint class. He is looking forward to competing against other racers in the Nationwide class.

The second STRC race of the season was held on Tuesday, May 27 on a rather cool and breezy evening. Here are a few highlights of the race.

Seven racers flew on our alternate north-south course because of the wind direction.

- Don Shugard returned with his M & M's special all repaired from the first race mishap but needed a "time out" for a trim flight after a DNF in his first heat.
- The fasted plane on the course was again Scott Wallace's #42 but it hit the ground very hard in the final heat of the evening.
- Frank had an engine problem but got that sorted out after his first heat.

Many close heats had the "cut judges" enjoying some very close two and three plane simultaneous turns.

Bill Markovitz still needs some competition in the Nationwide class as Guillmermo Leon was at the field but did not race.

Where is Rick Allabaugh who paid his racing fee but has not been able to race yet?

The point totals after two races are;

Racer	<u>Class</u>	Race 1	Race 2	Season Points
Bob Noll	Sprint	8	7	15
Scott Wallace	Sprint	8	6	14
Terry Terrenoire	Sprint	7	7	14
Frank Gioffredo	Sprint	6	5	11
Jim Quinn	Sprint	5	6	11
Bill Markovitz	Nationwide	4	4	8
Don Shugard	Sprint	0	6	6

We had a great day for the AGS Aerobatic Primer. It was the best weather we had in several years. Yes, it was still cold, but it was a great day for flying. The day actually started before the Primer started. Jeff Hatton was there with his beautiful Black Magic V2.2 for a test flight. The plane flew flawlessly, but the flaw in the landing gear caught Jeff on his first landing. The damage was minor, but it put Jeff out of the contest for that day. Jeff and his Magic will be back for many other aerobatic contests in 2008.

The actual Primer began with Bob Noll opened the morning program discussing a variety of the finer points of precision aerobatic airplane set ups so that the airplane would fly straight when the pilot finally gets around to putting his airplane in the air.

The contest itself started just after noon as soon as everyone enjoyed a lunch prepared by Terry Terrenoire. Four rounds were flown and everyone had a chance to sit in the judge's chair. We employed three people in the judging panel, two judges and a judging assistant who sat in between the two judges



A special word of thanks goes to Terry for another fine meal and to Doug Brenaman for his superior scoring.

The results were:

Sportsman	
1 Neil Hunt	3000
2 Mark Grant	2837
3 Tom Avedisian 2525	
Intermediate	
1 Bill Markowitz 3000	
Advanced	
1 Joe Zeigenfus	3000
2 Jim Willing	2919
3 Frank Gioffredo	2708





Left to Right: Joe, Frank, Jim, Bill, Neil, Mark, Tom





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