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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

This will be my last PS for this administration!! These two years have certainly passed very quickly and while a lot has been accomplished, a lot remains to be done. Please lend your support to the new administration as they will be trying to accomplish some great things for the club and all of it's members. At the last Board meeting we put into writing some of the goals and formulated some controls for dealing with the potential income we are anticipating. I will not go into detail here but will state that 3 objectives are: extensive road work, relaying the flying site, and construction of a building big enough for year round flying, and as a meeting room.

But at this point there is a very large fly in the ointment. While I was able to negotiate some very good financial terms with Widmar, they were unwilling to meet our demands for restriction that protect our use of the property, so we are back to square one. Maybe I'll have some better news by the time of the meeting.

Frank G., Don S. and I conducted an audit a couple weeks ago and Don is comfortable accepting the figures that Frank has presented. I don't remember the exact figure, but we are approx \$136 ahead of where we were last year at this time. Thank you Frank, for keeping us on track.

It has come to my attention recently that there seem to be a few individuals flying regularly at the field who are not AGS members. Since this has not been a prob-

lem in the past, we have no special by-laws or field rules to refer to. It has always been understood that visitors from out of the immediate area would be welcomed for as long as they were visiting but "locals" were expected to join the club. A visit or two is certainly acceptable, but a season of using the facilities with none of the physical or financial responsibilities is unacceptable. It was also brought up that some non-member may have been given the lock combination, and this is CERTAINLY a violation of club expectations. The Board has discussed this matter and will be making some specific recommendations shortly so they can be implemented prior to next year's flying season.

I recently received note from Phil Nacamuli. He is a member of the Aeros. His note was one forwarded from a scout master requesting a flying demonstration from the scout's pond during their gathering at their facility on Oct 19th. I am going to try to attend. If anyone would like to accompany me, I would appreciate the company.

Two years ago I volunteered to be President for one primary reason, to get the stalled logging contract completed. Over 18 months had passed since the original presentation was made to the membership. Our new board of Directors got the job done and had \$12,000 in our bank account less than 45 days later. Six months later we spent \$2000 of that on some major road repair, and while that did buy us some time, there is more that must be done. It has now been about 9 months since we were first approached on the potential lease of our land for mineral rights. A lot of

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Coming Events

AGS Meeting

October 7th 7:30

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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time and research has gone into learning just how this would affect our club and the use of our facilities but the job is not done. The new administration will face many new challenges and opportunities and I look forward to being a part of these exciting times. I hope you will join in and help keep the AGS the vibrant club it has always been. But we do need your help.

That brings me to the point of discussing the upcoming election for next year's officers. Here is the slate:

Pres: Frank Gioffredo

VP: Charlie Hatton, for a second term

Secty: Doug Breneman

Treas: Don Shugard

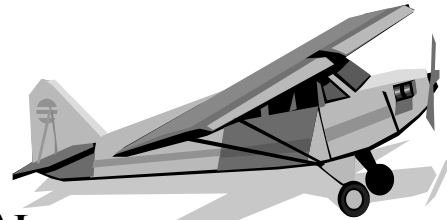
BMAL: Paul Slocum finishing the 2 year term that Rick Allabaugh was elected to last year

BMAL: Jeff Hatton

I remembered to introduce the slate at the last meeting but then forgot to open the floor to additional nominations, so we will do that at the October meeting just before the votes are registered.

I would like to extend my personal thanks to Frank for stepping up. Frank has been our Treasurer for the past 2 years. He was on the board as Past President the year before that which meant that he was President the prior year. So, as President again next year, then on the Board for another year, that will make 6 years of serving to make the AGS a better club. Thank you Frank, for all that you do up front as well as behind the scenes.

Terry T
soon to be Past President



Thoughts from BMAL

Paul Slocum

It sure does not seem possible that it's been just over a year since Andy (my son) and I joined AGS and we have not been disappointed. We have meet a lot of nice people willing to help us learn, trouble shoot our problems and just engaging in some good conversation. Unfortunately we have not had the opportunity to meet all of the membership and I would like to correct that by proposing the following. If you have not been to a meeting in sometime come to the next one on October 7 at the ME High School Library and say hello to those that you have not seen in awhile and it would give me a chance to introduce myself to you. If you have something to share bring that alone as well because that is part of the meeting. After all how many clubs can boost – the kind of flying area we have – sponsoring for some 53 years a pattern contest – having Nat's winners and Hall of Frame as members – where 7 to 8 guys want to race and have 13 to 14 people show up as helpers so that they can have fun racing. The biggest asset this club has is YOU. So let's see if we can run out of chairs at the next meeting. What a nice problem to be face.

After the last meeting I overheard several guys arranging a day and time to get together. Most of them agreed that 3 PM would be good except for one. He stated that he would be lucky to get there by 5 PM at which the response was 'Oh you're still working?' Well that got me thinking and the question arose Where are all the 'young' people to keep this great club going in the future? The only young people I know of

are Andy and Frank's son Derek. If there are others I have not had the pleasure of meeting them. I have agreed to replace Scott as Membership Chairperson and as one of my goals is to find ways to encourage the younger crowd (any one under 50 since their not AARP status yet) to join in the fun of flying. Now this is not just a one person job and this is where YOU come in. Any ideas that you may have let me know by forwarding them to me either by phone or e-mail. Be ambassadors for AGS and by that I mean if you hear some one is remotely interested talk to them by sharing some of your experiences and encourage them to come to a meeting. If you know people that have gotten out of this hobby maybe you can encourage them to come back in. With everyone's help we can keep our great club going for a long long time.

Now on a personal note. Thank you Scott Wallace for making and taking the time to teach Andy and I to fly for the last 1 ½ flying seasons and for the leap of faith in letting me solo on your trainer (I had crashed our plane the week before trying to solo). Thank you Don Shugard for answering Scott's call for help in training (Scott had 5 of us this year learning) and giving Andy and I extra days to fly besides the normal Wednesday night. Thank you Terry Terrenoire for spending the hour or so on the phone encouraging us to join, getting the bugs out of our plane and us as well so that it was easier for Scott, and serving as our President especially this past year.

Proposed By-Laws Changes

by Doug Breneman

The Board of Directors will be making a motion for a proposed change to our current by-laws, last updated April 2008. The intent is to vote on this proposal at our next regular meeting. I remind you that our by-laws can be amended as follows:

Article XI - AMENDMENTS

- A. Amendments may be made to the by-laws at any regular or special meeting of the membership, provided the members have all been notified in writing at least three (3) days in advance that an amendment is to be considered. Copies of the proposed amendment shall be provided to all directors or to any members who may request same. Approval shall be by two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of a quorum at any regular or special meeting following written notification.

Current **Article III Membership** Sub-article G:

A member in good standing is one who:

1. Maintains membership in the AMA
2. Is current with AGS dues, fees, and assessments
3. Participates in at least one of the activities listed below during the current year:
 - a. Flies at a club-sponsored event
 - b. Assists in running a club-sponsored event
 - c. Serves as an elected officer of the AGS
 - d. Contributes an article to the AGS newsletter
 - e. Participates in mowing the AGS field or other maintenance operations of the AGS property
 - f. Participates in a "show-and-tell" portion of a club meeting
 - g. Participates in any other club activity, as published by the Activities Chairperson, which is not mentioned above.

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 - f. Participates in a "show-and-tell" portion of a club meeting
 - g. Participates in any other club activity, as published by the Activities Chairperson, which is not mentioned above.
4. **Participates in maintaining the AGS field by signing the mowing list, if physically able.**

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 10/24/08.

Aeroguidance Society Meeting 731

72.

President Terrenoire opened meeting 731 at 7:05 PM on September 2, 2008.

Program

There was no program.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55PM to Kristophers' for hangar flying and food.

There were no guests

There was no Board meeting in August
Extensive Treasurer's reports were given.
The minutes, as published in the Connector, were approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

The next Board meeting will be on Friday, September 5, 2008 at President Terrenoire's home.

Jim Q

Nominations were opened for 2009 officers.

There was no report from the Vice President.

Activities

The Aerobatic Contest showed a profit of 393.48.

Pylon Racing dates were changed for Races 9 and 10 to 9/14 and 9/28.

The 25th Annual Float Fly is on September 20, 21.

Bob Noll thanked the membership for the use of the AGS airport for the VR/CS Reunion.

Membership

Paul Slocum soloed

John Carril and Harold Peeling were voted on for regular membership.

Old Business

President Terrenoire discussed the mineral rights situation once again. A CPA indicated the possibility of no taxes of he rental/royalties from the mineral rights. President Terrenoire did not send the Corporate Resolution drawn up by the Secretary. Negotiations are on hold.

New Business

Dick Allen reported that Bill Underkoffler had lost a lot of ground.

There was no new business.

Show and Tell

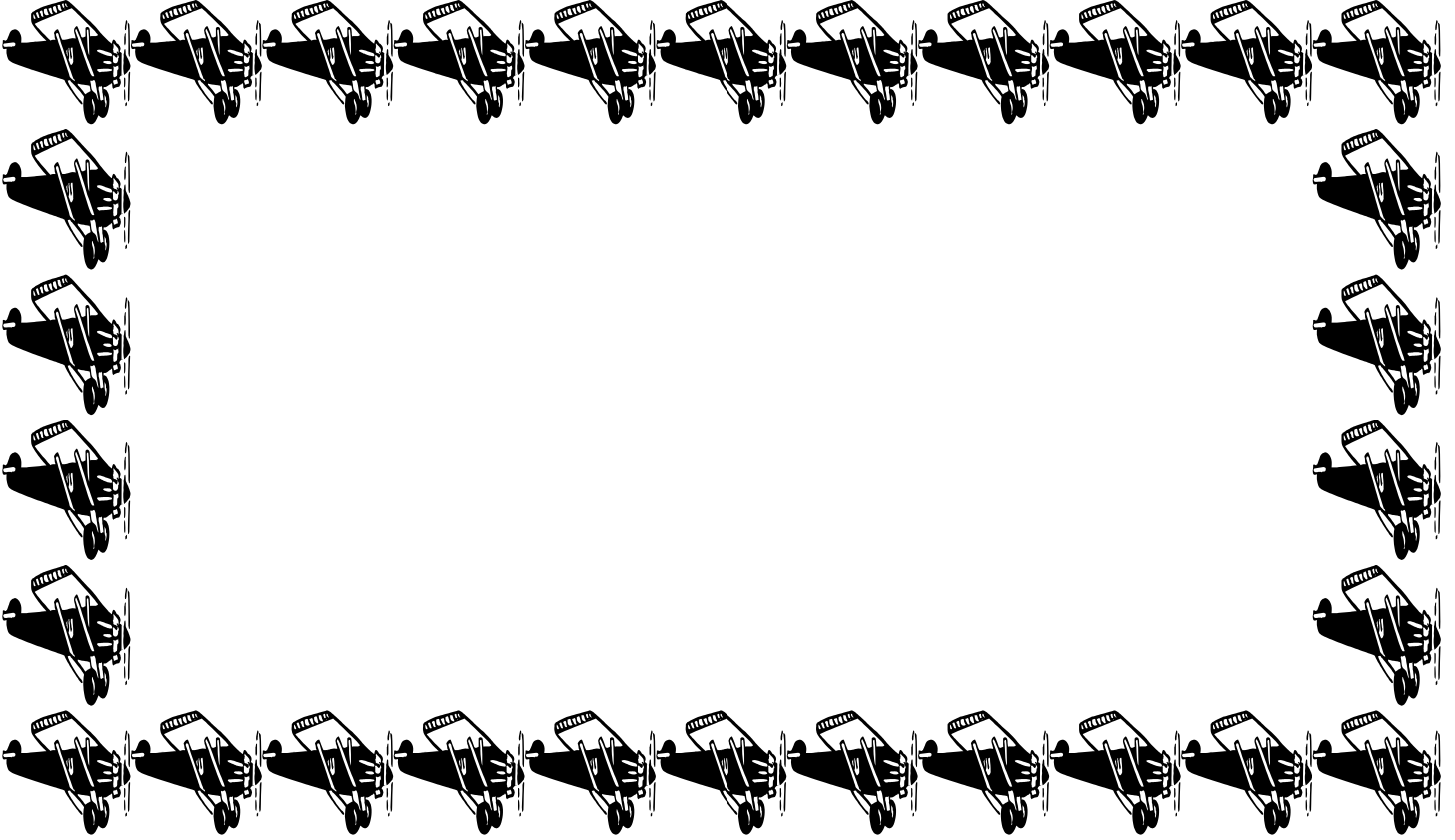
Dick Allen showed a FLASH, an EPP foam electric with an airfoil powered by a Hacker 20-20L from Northeast Sailplanes.

Jeff Hatton showed his new Futaba 10CAP Transmitter on both 2.4 and





OCTOBER PROGRAM



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