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Meetings of the AGS are held the 1st Tuesday of every month at the Main Endwell High School at 7:00 P.M.
Changes to time or location will be noted in this newsletter .

The Prez Sez

Frank Gioffredo

Here it is the long awaited last of my prez sez articles and as usual I am really late getting this to Jeff for press time. I have been busy working with Don, Jeff and a few others in trying to get our tractor up and running again and news letter articles slipped my mind.

Everyone has had an opportunity to see the roster of new officers which we will vote on at the next meeting. I think each are fine candidates for the offices and look forward to seeing new and fresh ideas unfold in the coming year.

Also lets not forget that October is dues month, so let's get those payments in on time and not make the board chase us around.

We hope to be meeting with our neighbors about removal of the trees on the west end of the runways 12-30, Don, Bob Jennings and myself marked several trees for cutting as well as property line trees identifying the western end of the field. I plan to stay active in the field improvements this up coming year. Anyone wanting to obtain firewood just needs to come and cut what they need. Any excess wood will be stock piled and possibly sold for additional income to the club. With the cooler weather setting in cutting and piling up materials will be much more comfortable than the summer months. If you have time

and are willing to help out get a hold of Don or myself as we are well versed what and where trees need to be cut. We will pile brush out on the field area for later disposal.

As I said before I won't be bragging on my accomplishments as President of the AGS as it is the members who get it done. My sincerest thanks to my officers and committee chairpersons for their time and dedication to aiding me the past couple of years making sure I got it right, for the most part. All in all it has been a lot of fun being the Prez, Now I welcome Paul Slocum to this position which should be official at our next meeting. Paul has become a good friend and has always been there for me. So I know he will do a great job this coming year . Terry will stay on as VP ,and the addition of John Carril and Bob Johnson should provide us an excellent group.

Membership

Paul Slocum
Membership Chairman

I am pleased to report that Bryan Ziegler was unanimously voted into our club at this month's general meeting. Congratulations Bryan and welcome to our club. For those of you that may not know Bryan, he is 13 or 14 years old and comes with his dad, Vern, to every meeting and were there helping out at the pylon races at the field. Now Bryan we need to work on your Dad to join AGS.

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Coming Events

AGS Meeting

Oct 5th

7:00 PM Maine 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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27th Annual Fall Float Fly

Bob Balsie

On September 18 & 19, we had our 27th annual Fall Float Fly at Greenwood Park. Even though the weather forecast wasn't looking too good, it turned out to be a great weekend. Saturday was warm and sunny with moderate winds, while Sunday was cloudy but with less wind.

Sixteen fliers registered for the event on Saturday, about half of them from out of town. Most of them had been to our event before and had a good time in the past. There were all kinds of planes being flown, from foamies to larger scale models. Most everyone had the experience of "dunking" their plane at least once during the weekend, but with only a few exceptions, no serious damage was done. This was my first time trying to fly off of water, and it was interesting. My floats were a little too small for the plane, so that made it a little hard to get it into the air, and my lack of experience didn't help either, but I still got in six good, successful flights.

Bob Johnson had fitted floats to his Hobbyzone Cub and after a little experimenting, he got it to fly nicely. Jeff Hatton had his Air Hog out early and had a good time, in spite of a few mishaps. Don Shugard's Piper Cub looked really nice on its fly-bys and touch and go's. Jim Quinn had difficulties with his model, even though he had flown it before and he wasn't able to get it completely figured out before he had to leave on Saturday. Dick Allen may be one of our oldest members, but he sure hasn't forgotten how to fly; his Kaos on floats performed very well and Dick put on an impressive flying demonstration.

On Sunday, there were a few less flyers, but one nice surprise was that Gary Fitch, our AMA District II vice president and his wife stopped by on their way home from the NEAT Fair. Gary signed in as a flier and got in quite a few flights. It was nice of Gary to stop by and support our event. Harold Peeling brought two models to fly, one electric and the other fuel. He flew really well and was helped by the fact that he has access to a pond where he flies regularly.

As always, Terry Terrenoire was on hand, not only to fly but also to provide lunch for everyone. Everybody always looks forward to his cooking at our events.

In spite of the downturn in the economy we had fourteen companies send us items for prizes. These ranged from gift certificates to building supplies to several state-of-the-art ESCs and accessories from Castle Creations. I also took Saturday's registration fees down to G.J.'s Hobbies and bought additional items. Everyone took home at least one prize.

So, another Float Fly is in the books. This one was a great success and I'm hoping that next year's event will be even better.

Southern Tier Pylon Race Report

By Bob Noll – 2010 Race Coordinator

The AGS has had intra-club pylon racing since the 70's. It continues to be the club activity that involves many members for an evening of excitement and camaraderie. Thank you to all of the members who continued to help and made my job as race coordinator an easy one. A special thanks to Doug Breneman who served as our statistician again and help as starter for several races. In addition to this Doug also supplied our race results for The Connector on most occasions.

Race #9 - This was our first Sunday race. We hold our last two races on Sunday at 4 PM because of the diminishing evening daylight. The weather was pretty nice. We only had four racers and could have used more helpers. The first heat started the night with three lead changes with Scott winning the heat. Bill had a hard landing after his first heat and could not race in his remaining heats. Bob had an off night and had three cuts in his heats. Scott tied his best score of the season by earning 8 points. Jim was able to increase his point total by 5 points also tying his best score for the season. Bob could only increase his point total by 1 since he replaced a 7 with an 8 in his best 6 total. Bob and Terry have 1st and 2nd places locked in, but third place is wide open with 4 racers within five points of each other.

Race #10 - This was the last race of the season and it was a pleasant Sunday afternoon. With 1st and 2nd place locked up, we had four racers vying for 3rd place. The first heat started the night with three lead changes with Scott winning the heat. The 2nd heat was very close between Don and Frank with several lead changes with Frank winning the heat. Bob had Terry calling for him and had 2 cuts in the heat. In the 3rd heat Bob called for Terry and returned the favor with Terry cutting once. Scott won that heat. The last three heats determined 3rd place. At the end, 3 racers had point totals of 31, 32, and 33. Two notes are that Scott came in 5th place with only five races and three 8's for the season and Jim only had four races for the season. Either could have finished in 3rd place. It was an exciting season with Bob and Bill able to compete in every race. Note that the first race was cancelled due to bad weather.

FINAL SEASON STANDINGS AND POINTS		
PLACE	PILOT	POINTS
1 st	Bob Noll	50
2 nd	Terry Terrenoire	45
3 rd	Don Shugard	33
4 th	Frank Gioffredo	32
5 th	Scott Wallace	31
6 th	Bill Markowitz	27
7 th	Jim Quinn	17

All of the pilots this year were flying in the Sprint Cup class. There were no entries in the Nationwide class which is for the less experienced racers. Hopefully some new racing pilots will join the fun and the Nationwide class next year. Tradition has it that the pilot who finishes second becomes the coordinator for next year. Congratulations Terry for becoming our STRC race coordinator for 2011.

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 1022//10

AGS General Meeting Minuets

September 7 2010

Meeting #756 came to order at 7:10 PM by Frank Gioffredo.

Frank G. asked for a motion to accept the August meeting minuets.

Motion was made with the following corrections – Don to be changed to Dick (Allen) and about the speed limit and staying on the high spots of the road to the field.

Motion was 2ed and passed.

Frank G. Vote needs to be taken on Bryan Ziegler (13 years old) for regular membership. Secretary passed out ballots for voting. Membership chairman to notify Bryan of the results.

Don Shugard gave the treasure report.

Frank G. asked Terry Terrenoire for activities report. Terry asked Bob Balsie to talk about the Float Fly. Bob stated that it will be September 18 and 19 starting at 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM on Saturday and 9:30 AM Sunday till 3:00 PM Sunday at Greenwood Park. Terry asked Bob Noll about the pylon racing. Bob noted that the last 2 races will be on Sundays the 12th and 19th starting at 4:00 PM. Terry also asked Bob Noll to comment on the VCRS at our flying field. Bob stated that it was too windy for flying. Bob also stated that a Taurus had been lost and he had made up fliers to post on Day Hollow Road and be talking to some of the people.

Frank G. Commented on our Contest of August 7 and 8. Total income was \$640, cost was \$470 for a profit of \$170.

Frank G. Thanked Zach Hayward (our newest young person member) for doing a terrific job is selling tickets for the raffle. He also thanked the Lechers for their kind airplane kit donation to the raffle. Terry T. Talked about the new roof for the lower pavilion. Cost of steel

roofing would be between \$400 to \$450 and shingles would be over \$500. After some discussion decided to go with the steel. A work party will be need to put on the new roof the weekend after the float fly Terry also expressed the idea of closing in the upper pavilion to create more room for storage of both tractors and equipment John Carril John noted that the fencing still needs to be installed by the fence openings.

Frank G. noted that the sale of GJ's has occurred and now should be reopened.

New Business

Rick Curtis Rick needed help on mowing the field. Rick also talked about the classes his southern club does with an outreach program. Each person brings a plane to build to class (foam type). Class cost is \$50 per person and they had 30 people taken the class.

Bob Noll Nominations for 2011- Bob read the following letter written to the AGS Secretary- The nominating committee of Wayne Kunsman and myself present the following nominations for the year 2011 of the Aeroguidance Society. President – Paul Slocum, Vice-President- Terry Terrenoire, Secretary-John Carril, Treasurer-Bob Johnson, Board Member-Don Shugard

Frank G. opened for nominations that was closed and passed. Nominations as read was passed

Old Business – none

Show and Tell

Bob N. Showed his SR22 Turbo that he is doing a review on Wings plug in and fuselage is fiberglass.

Has not flow it as yet

Bob N. and Dick Allen- Showed what was needed to have a Futaba 9C work with a park flyer P-51D with a Spektrum type receiver. This was getting a module for the Futaba

9C. Also showed the binding process.

Frank G. Showed the part that was causing his engine to flame out. After taking the engine a part etc. he discovered it was a crack in the T-fitting in the fuel line.

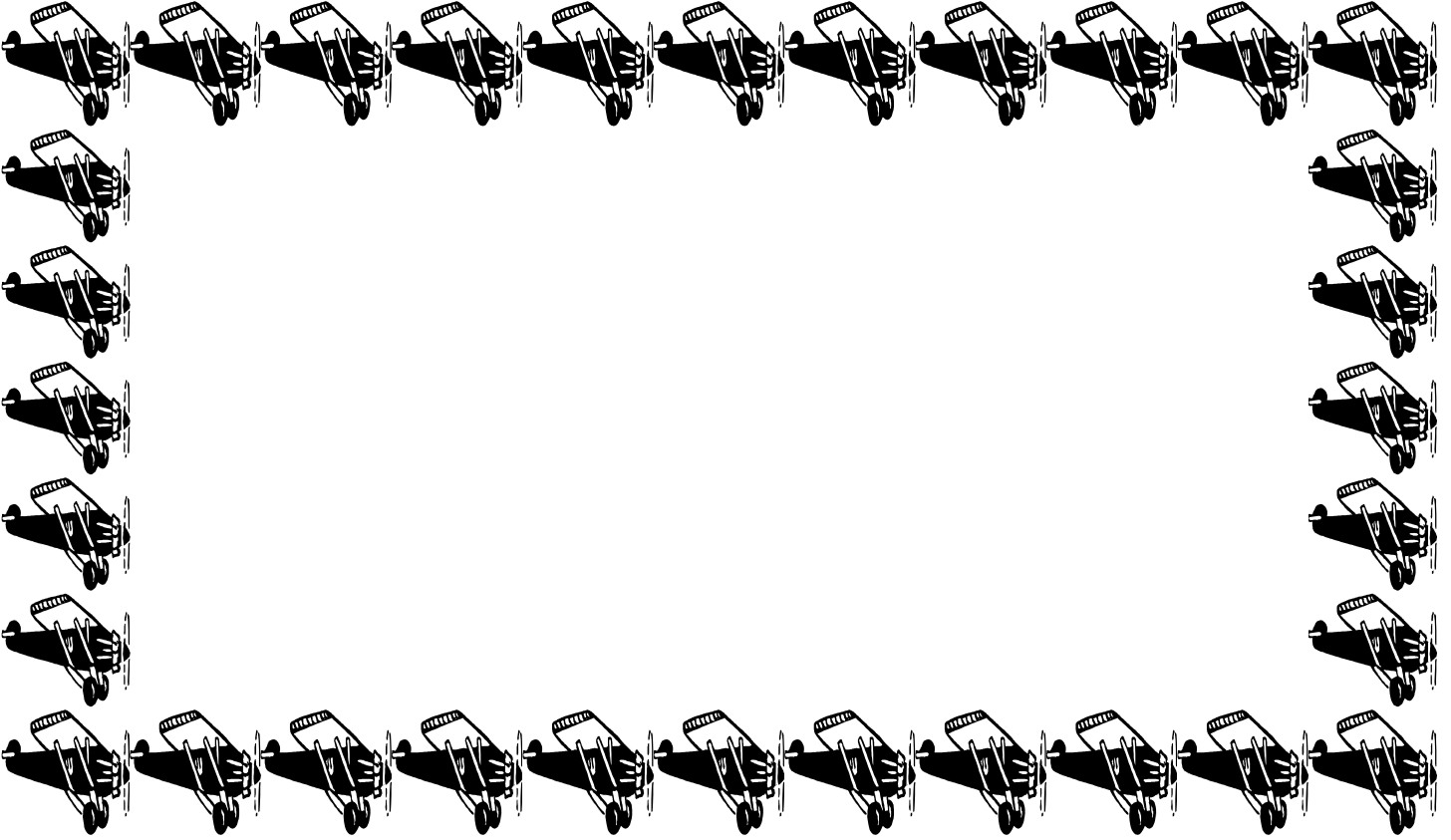
Terry T. won the gift certificate from the last meeting in which he gave to Bryan Ziegler. Bob N. won the certificate for tonight show and tell.

Program

Terry T. Talked about floats . He had a number of different designs, and formulas to help in the design for a particular airplane. He also brought his electric Wing Star and nitro Sea Master and talked about how each flew off the water with their floats.

Meeting ended at 8:45 PM

OCTOBER PROGRAM



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