

# The CONNECTOR

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**THE NEXT AGS MEETING WILL BE ON MONDAY February 2nd 6:45 P.M at the  
Endicott LIBRARY**

Changes to time or location will be noted in this newsletter .

Rick Allabaugh

## *The Prez Sez*

Several members have contacted the Board and have indicated that the AGS website is out of date. We are currently working to get revised rosters, a 2015 activity list, and other information to Mark.

The next activity coming up is the Winter Fly on February 22<sup>nd</sup> which is being organized by Neil Hunt. The next activity will be the Spring Fly in March.

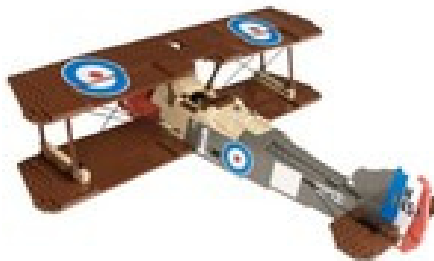
Just a reminder that our next general meeting will be Monday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>. The Board will be proposing a change to the bylaws to define the calculation of annual dues and special assessments when Associate Members are voted in as Regular Members. Hopefully, you'll be able to attend the meeting.

I'd like to thank Tom Kopl for volunteering to be our Program Chair this year. If you have any topics you'd like to have discussed or would be willing to speak on a topic, I'm sure that Tom would like to hear from you.

I hope your winter building/repairing projects are going well. We'll have our annual Project Night coming up when we get to show off what we did during the winter. I personally haven't gotten much done, but I'm taking a week off in February just to build. I haven't told my wife yet, because if I did, then my "Honey Do" list would grow. I think I'll tell her the

Sunday night before my vacation begins...

Our condolences go out to Jim Monaco and his family for the loss of their mother. The Club will be donating \$25.00 to the Broome County Animal Care Council in her memory.



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## Coming Events

### AGS Meeting

Feb 2nd 6:45PM  
ENDICOTT LIBRARY

### Winter Fun Fly

Feb 22nd 10:00—3:00  
BC United Soccer Field

## **Cancellation of AGS Meetings:**

In the event of poor weather, listen to the radio or television for local closings and cancellations. If the Library is closed the meeting is Cancelled, A notice will be sent to the mailing list

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The AGS Board of Directors is recommending the flowing changes to the by-laws. These changes are to define the calculation of annual dues and special assessments when Associate Members are voted as Regular members.

Underline denote ADDITIONS

**Bold Red** denotes DELETIONS

## Article III – MEMBERSHIP

Paragraph B

New Members - Prospective new members become Associate Members for six (6) months by paying one half (1/2) of the annual dues **and the full amount of any Special Assessment (see Article IX), if required.** Associate Members have all rights and duties of Regular Members except voting rights. During the seventh month, the membership shall be discussed and voted upon by secret ballot. Upon notification of having been approved the new Regular Member must pay all dues and required special assessments prorated from the month of approval to the end of the current dues year.

## Article IX – DUES, FEE and ASSESSMENTS

Paragraph J

Special assessments will not be levied on Associate, Student and Family Members.

Date: 6 Jan 2015

Place: Endicott Public Library

President Rick Allabaugh called the meeting to order.

A motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting as published in The Connector was made, seconded and accepted.

Bob Ayres, a former AGS member, was a guest. Bill Green is working with Bob.

Ray Phillips read the minutes of the 19 Nov 2014 and 17 Dec 2014 BOD meeting minutes.

Bob Jennings reported the total balance of the AGS accounts. Details are available from Bob.

Charlie Brown to volunteer to be the new membership Chair person at the Nov BOD meeting.

Tom Kopl volunteered to help with Program Activities.

We are looking for someone to chair the Winter Fly Event. Dates for Winter Fly and Spring Fly dates, TBD.

Holiday party expenses were reported.

Jan 1 fun fly event income and expenses were reported, 10 pilots participated.

The AGS has purchased insurance for the BC United field for the entire year 2015. Contact Rick if you are interested in

organizing a group fly at the BC field.

Ray Phillips read the board recommended by-law changes. These changes were discussed, motion made and approved.

Ray Phillips reviewed the AGS 2014-2015 budget. After some discussion, the budget was approved by a vote of Yes-16,

No-0 and A-1.

The new dues rates for 2014-2015 are Regular = \$125.00, Senior = \$112.50, Family = \$5.00, Student = \$20 and Flying

Event Fee of \$5 per pilot. Member must become dues current on or before the 2 April 2015 meeting.

Bob Frey displayed his new E-Flite B17 model. Now we need a few micro P-51 aircraft to escort Bob on his missions.

Harold Peeling brought an electric powered glider from Esprit. Harold has been very impressed with this models

performance and handling characteristics.

Charlie Hatton flew his new very low cost micro quad. This small aircraft is very quick. Finding the missing micro props

can be very challenging.

Jeff Hatton gave a presentation on sizing electric flight systems. He gave tips on selecting the correct motor, motor

controller and battery size / capacity. The sweet spot for most sport pilots is 100 watts per pound of aircraft flying

weight.

Meeting was adjourned

Respectfully submitted – Ray Phillips, Secretary.

## Winter Fun Fly

Neil Hunt

The AGS Winter Fun Fly is scheduled for Feb 22nd, 2015 from 11 - 3 at the BC soccer field. There will be hot soup and hot dogs along with hot chocolate and coffee. There will also be a \$5.00 landing fee.

## New Years Day Fun Fly

Rick Allabaugh  
On January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 we held our New Years Day Fun Fly. Ten people attended and we had six pilots fly and four people who thought about flying. It was cold and windy. However, Neil Hunt brought a commercial salamander heater which kept us nice and warm. We had planned to fly until 2 pm, but around 1 pm we decided to stop the flying as the steady wind and wind gusts were starting to be too much.

Based on the flying, I'd say that Neil Hunt and Bill Green had the most flights, while the quickest flight goes to Jim Quinn who parked his car, jumped out, checked is plane over, flew it, packed up, and left. In Jim's defense, he apologized for flying and running but he had planned on getting to an indoor event in Pennsylvania. But he still stopped to support our club event...

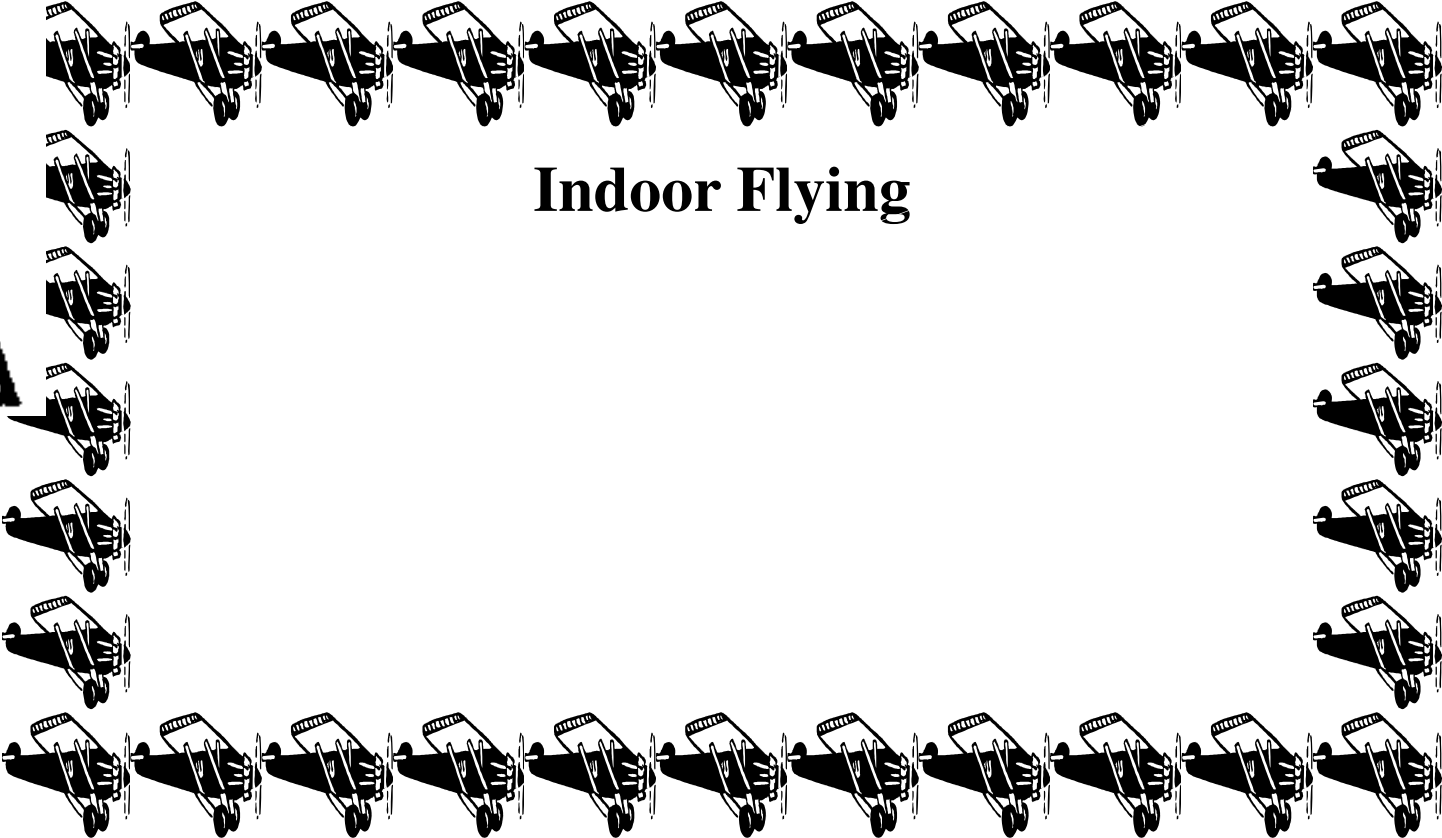
A special thanks goes to a former member, Doug Breneman. Even though he's no longer a club member, he offers every winter to help us set up the flying arrangements with BC United. If you happen to run into Doug, please feel free to thank him for supporting our club.

The Deadline for Connector articles is two submissions to the editor before then. Electronic submissions are preferred, E-mail **Deadline for Next Connector is 1/19/2015**

Fridays before the meeting. Please have them to jhattonc@gmail.com

# February PROGRAM

## Indoor Flying



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