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Recipient of the AMA Presidents Award for
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Next meeting tentatively planned for January

Changes to time or location will be noted in this newsletter

Dues reminder-time to pay annual dues.

Prez Sez — Jeff Hatton

As I begin this new year with the AGS I am in Quarantine for the next week due to an exposure at my daughters school. With this new year we are trying something new, we will only be having business meetings every three months during the non-flying season. If members of the club decide they want to get together informally and talk or socialize that can happen, but no formal business will be planned. That means no votes, no minutes, no reports etc... I encourage people to get together, discuss items, have programs and show and tells during the off months but there will be no official meeting activities planned. The board still has to meet to confirm but most likely the next official meeting of the AGS will be in January 2021.

Up-Coming Events

AGS January Meeting

Date & Time TBD

For AGS field current
weather info contact:

BGM Automated
Terminal Information
System (ATIS)
607-729-8335

Treasurer — Bob Jennings

Please note that 2019-2020 memberships for all but Associate Members expired on Oct. 31, 2020. Therefore, dues for 2020-2021 are now overdue. Dues can be paid by mailing to one of the two addresses below:

AGS PO Box	Robert Jennings
PO Box 39	1232 Cafferty Hill Rd
Vestal, NY 13850	Endicott NY 13760

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!



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President: Jeff Hatton (A-C)

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**NOTE: 72 MHz Channel #42
Must
Not Be Used at the AGS Field**

Vice Prez Sez — David Dewey-Wright



At the beginning of October, when The MOB scheduled their float-fly event at Nathaniel Cole Park, my dad and I had planned to attend. So, I put the floats on the Beaver, and dad grabbed his Sea Wind and we headed off to fly. I ignored the Detour sign as we headed up Colesville Road, at least until we got to the "Bridge Closed" sign. At which point, we used Google Maps to detour around and get back on track to the park.

It was a nice sunny day as we pulled in, but remarkably devoid of people as we pulled down to the waterfront. At that point, I went out to the MOB's site, and discovered that they had cancelled the event at the last minute because of the County Executives order the day before for people to stay home due to recent new COVID cases. We thought about it for a few minutes, but decided that since we were already there, and the water was good, we should fly anyway. After a couple false starts (where a wing tip touched the water and turned the plane), Jerry got the Sea Wind up and had a successful flight and landing. I took the Beaver up and had a good flight and landing. I decided to put in another battery and after getting it up in the air the second time, realized that flying with floats isn't so much the objective, it's taking off and landing from the water, so I made sure to do that an extra time. Again, the water was great, no one else was around, and the leaves were bright and colorful. It was also nice not to

have to wade through the muck to get to the water's edge this year.

Dad was glad to have gotten the chance to fly the Sea Wind for the first time. (I'd had a chance to fly it last year.) But he noted, as I had last year, that the controls were plenty sensitive, so he's not sure he'll fly it again. Probably some more exponential on the controls, or reduced rates would tame it a bit. We had a good day, and look forward to the next float fly.

AGS General Membership Meeting

No minutes submitted at press time

Editorial – Submitted by Todd Kopl

After enjoying plenty of flying time this summer and breaking out several new planes my progress came to an abrupt halt after catching the 'little virus' that has been going around at the end of September. I've pretty much put that behind me now but have been playing catch up the past few weeks at work & around the house. Back in the spring I really got my shop in good shape and was building like crazy. Somehow (maybe too many swap sheet deals!) it turned into a disaster again. So rather than get rid of anything (someone once told me never get rid of a paid off toy) I just got done building more storage racks in the garage to free up shop space 😊. With the shop once again inhabitable I have slowly been transitioning from flying to building again.

On another note, with the new quarterly meeting format I will really be looking for connector inputs to keep the newsletter interesting. No need to wait for my monthly email requesting inputs...if you have some good material just sent it. Thank you and stay safe!

DID YOU KNOW - by Bob Noll

An archive of AGS newsletters is available on our web site thanks to Bob Jennings. I just read an issue of The Connector from 1973 which contained the following.

AGS FLYING DEMONSTRATION – The Aeroguidance Society has been asked to participate in the Aviation Day air show at the Tri-Cities airport on Sunday, August 26. The AGS is scheduled to perform from 10:30 to 11:30 and from 4:30 to 5:00 pm. The Red Devils aerobatic performance will be at 2:00 pm. Volunteers are needed to help put on these two show segments. Various types of planes – gliders, pattern planes etc. are needed.

Pylon Racing – Matt & Todd Kopl

The end of season helper gathering/awards has not been forgotten...on hold like most activities with COVID.

AGS 2020/2021 ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

ACTIVITY / LOCATION (AGS Field unless specified)	DATE	TIME	CHAIRMAN
AGS Club Meeting	January	TBD	NA

Other nearby RC events of interest

Event / Location	Date	Contact /Info

NO NOVEMBER OR DECEMBER MEETINGS



DRIVE SLOW BY OUR NEIGHBORS! SEVERAL COMPLAINTS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED.

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