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March meeting at Jonathan's in Endwell (March 1) See VP column for details

Changes to time or location will be noted in this newsletter

Dues Reminder: Please don't forget! Mail to Bob Jennings home address.

very nice demonstration with it. Without skis, he had
an assist with hand launching it. I helped with the

Prez Sez – Jeff Hatton

*See separate email from Jeff with Google meet link
sent February 25



Vice Prez Sez – David Dewey-Wright

Vice Prez Sez: Winter Fun Fly 2021 has come and gone. For those who were there, it was a very nice day. The sun was shining almost the entire time we were there, with only a few gusts of wind at one point. It wasn't particularly well attended, but a few flights were made, and a few disappointments happened too. Let's start with the disappointments. I brought my Miracle Dandy, with skis, after having converted it back to a 72MHz setup because I was having issues with the DSM2 setup previously. And I was still losing communications with the plane, fortunately, while still on the ground. Back to the test bench. My dad, Jerry Wright, brought his plane outfitted with skis, and found his transmitter battery was dead. Okay, so much for the disappointments. Jim Quinn brought his Tundra, and showed off it's reversing motor capabilities while lining it up for a takeoff from the parking lot, and had a nice flight there. (No skis.) Bob Jennings brought his Airebatix foamy, and gave us a

Up-Coming Events

AGS March Meeting

Mon March 1st
6:00 PM
Jonathan's (Endwell)
6:30 PM Google Meet

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second launch, and I'm pretty sure I could've just let go without any "push" and it would've gone fine. Lots of power.

Upcoming AGS business meeting, March 1st, in-person at Jonathan's and on-line. The formal meeting will start at 6:30. Those coming to Jonathan's, figure on arriving around 6:00 to order your food and drinks before the meeting starts. From the recent Board meeting, there are a few issues that will be discussed, one of them is how we define a "quorum" for official votes. As some of you may recall, we've had to work hard to get enough people in attendance and voting to satisfy our Bylaws, for things such as membership. We currently define a quorum as: ***The presence of the lesser of either twelve (12) voting members or one third (1/3) of the voting members, two (2) of which must be officers, shall constitute a quorum and shall be necessary to conduct the business of the AGS.*** One suggestion that came up was to have different levels of quorums depending on the business at hand. For "big item" changes, such as changes to the bylaws, or field rules, (not an exhaustive list), we might want to keep the current definition. For other items such as new members becoming "regular" members, or decisions on some defined "smaller" expense, (also not an inclusive list) a smaller definition might make things easier. Please give this some thought and come to the meeting ready to discuss.

After the business meeting, I'd still invite you to bring your favorite or unique tools you use. Hand tools, power tools, electronics, if you use it for our hobby, it's fair game! Again, this is "show and tell" time.

Hope to see you either in-person, or on-line!

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

AGS General Membership Meeting

No minutes for last month

Editorial – Submitted by Todd Kopl

Spring is just around the corner!

AGS Member in the AMA news

*The committee is responsible for determining what aircraft donations to the AMA museum should be accepted

Subject: New member Museum Acquisition

ALL,

The unfortunate passing of committee member Bill Mohrbacher has created an opening for a new committee member. I am happy to say I have filled that position with Mr. Bob Noll from NY. As you may know Bob writes a vintage RC column in MA magazine and is a wealth of information on the history of model aviation. Please add Bob to the Basecamp group and welcome Bob to the committee. Bob's email is bobrc@aol.com

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Did You Know – Submitted by Bob Noll

Here's a look at The Connector from February 1971, fifty years ago.

ANNUAL MEETING – The AGS started off its 16th year with the annual meeting on February 5, 1971. The election of officers for the coming year;

Dick Allen – President, Bob Jennings – Vice President, Terry Terrenoire – Secretary, Jack Hostetler – Treasurer.

(RCN-The annual meeting is now in October so the election of officers would be before the AMA Club Charter was due. Also note that there were no Board Members at Large in 1971.)

Besides the elections, a traditional part of the Annual Meeting was the presentation of the year's activities by the Historian, Bob Price. Bob's presentation outlined all of the significant accomplishments of the club and its members for 1970 and was entitled "AGS 1970 – THIS IS YOUR LIFE".

(RCN – The historians report was such a special thing and very entertaining that it was also presented at the Annual Dinner Party so it could be enjoyed by our spouses and significant others.)

AMA NEWS – AMA got the news that it would host the RC World Championships in the USA.

AMPHIBIAN CLUB – Dick Allen was admitted to the "Amphibian Club" by the group's exalted leader, the "Great Amphibian in the Sky", at the annual party. Some of the newer members may be curious enough to wonder just what they must do to join Dick and the other members of the group. It's really very simple. Just fly the same airplane off of land with wheels, off of water with floats and off of snow with skis and then tell Bill Underkofler of your fantastic accomplishments so he can make the proper arrangements for you introduction into the "Order".

AIRPLANE KIT FOUND – A model airplane kit was found along McKinley Avenue sometime in late December.

Details can be obtained by calling the person who found it; Mrs. Dwyer at 748-8946.

(RCN – Did anyone catch the mistake I made in last month's "Did You Know"? I said January 1972 was twenty years ago.)

Show & Tell – Scott Wallace has been busy!

1) Winter project #1 Ace RC Bingo 40 ready for paint



2) Winter project #2 1957 deBolt Super Cub in process



3) Kansas City based Blues musician Samantha Fish is also one of the world's premier "cigar box" guitarists.

Homemade 3 or 4 string cigar box guitars were popular from the Civil War through the Great Depression and have recently experienced a Renaissance

among today's blues guitarists. Here's a photo of Samantha playing a guitar made from a K&B Supersonic model fuel can.



Winter project #3 Sig Scamp

The Scamp was my 2nd RC model I built in the early 80's, was in the USAF and going to college nights and weekends so I needed a quick building kit

and this is as easy as it gets. Sig had a series of these small .15 powered models that used the same 45" foam wing, the Scamp, Colt, Klipper and Super Sport.

My new one will use an Enya 19, same as my first one did, from box to framed up was 4 short evening's work.



Winter Fly Photo's submitted by Dave D-W



Ed Note: I'm always looking for new material. For those w/out email you can send it to my street address in an envelope. For those w/ email: takopl297@gmail.com



AGS 2021 ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

ACTIVITY / LOCATION (AGS Field unless specified)	DATE	TIME	CHAIRMAN
March Club Meeting (Live & Virtual) Johnathan's	Mon March 1, 2021	6:30 PM	
April Club Meeting	Mon April 5	6:30 PM	
Float Fly	Sept 25-26	TBD	David Dewey-Wright

Other nearby RC events of interest

Event / Location	Date	Contact /Info
2021 R/C Expo (Lebanon Swap)	March 13, 2021	Cancelled

**Reminder to all AGS members...Keep
your AMA membership current.**

**AMA membership is an AGS
requirement to remain a member in
good standing.**



MARCH PROGRAM **Special Tools**



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