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**\*\*February Meeting\*\* (Monday March 7<sup>th</sup>)**

**TRI-CITIES AIRPORT**

**351 Industrial Park Blvd, Endicott, NY 13760**

Changes to time or location will be noted in this newsletter

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## Prez Sez — David Dewey-Wright

It's the beginning of March, and we've already had a couple afternoons when I've stepped out of work, thinking, "Geez... if I had a plane with me, I'd stop on my way home and put in a flight or two." Flying season is getting closer, and I'm looking forward to seeing what anyone may have built, or picked up over the winter to fly this season. Of course, if you don't have anything yet, the CPAA RC Flea Market is coming up on March 12th in Lebanon, PA. I'm not sure I've ever come back from that event without a new plane (or two, or three).

This month's meeting is coming up on the 7th. The board has been trying to come up with some ideas to draw more people to attend our monthly meetings in person. As such, we're trying something different... only having business meetings every-other month. This month's meeting is going to be about flying. Got a problem with a build in progress? Bring it along and get some suggestions. Got a plane that needs some repairs that have you confounded? Again, bring it along, or

take some pictures. Someone at the meeting is likely to have a suggestion or two to either get you started, or confirm what you're already planning. Let's make this fun, and a time to share what we know with each other. Got a new tool or <insert product here> that you're using that someone else might find useful? Again, come and talk about it.

On another note, I want to let you know that my dad, Jerry Wright has been in the hospital the last couple weeks, at Guthrie in Sayre. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers. If you want to send a card or note to his home address, we'll make sure it gets to him.

### Up-Coming Events

#### AGS March Meeting

Mon March 7<sup>th</sup>

6:30 PM

Tri-Cities Airport

#### AGS April Meeting

Mon April 4<sup>th</sup>

6:30 PM

Tri-Cities Airport

[For AGS field current weather info contact:](#)  
[BGM Automated Terminal Information System \(ATIS\)](#)  
**607-729-8335**

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

**Prez Sez (Con't)**

If you haven't been to a general club meeting lately, please consider coming and talking about your hobby, sharing and getting ideas and suggestions. We'll get to the business next month.

**Vice Prez Sez — Jesse Pagels**

Nothing submitted this month

**AGS General Membership Meeting – Greg**

**Ingalsbe**

AGSNY general meeting #887 held February 7, 2022 at the Tri-Cities Airport. Seven members in attendance with two remote attendees via Zoom. Meeting called to order at 6:25pm. Treasurer Bob Jennings conducted the meeting in Presidents absence.

1. Bob Noll presented a video from his archives of an early 1950s AGSNY event held at Tri-Cities airport. They were flying single channel escapement rudder only aircraft.
2. Previous minutes were approved. Note that the meeting number for that meeting is #886.
3. Treasures Report: Balance sheet reviewed.
4. Membership Report: Herb Spicer was visiting for the evening. He was a member years back and is considering re-connecting with the hobby is his retirement. Welcome Herb!
5. Field Rules: New field rules voted and approved (6 for, 0 against).
6. Greg Ingalsbe presented part 1 of 2.4GHz Spread Spectrum education.
  - A) FCC Industrial/Scientific/Medical (ISM) band regulations discussed with an emphasis on 2.4GHZ.
  - B) Spread Spectrum general concepts introduced. The concept of cooperative sharing of the frequency band between multiple simultaneous operators discussed.
  - C) The concept of Frequency Hopping Spread Spectrum introduced. The benefits and limitations of this process were discussed.

- D) Part 2 (future) of this presentation will discuss Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum (DSSS) and how it revolutionizes modern communications.

Meeting concluded at 8:35pm.

### **Editorial – Submitted by Todd Kopl**

“How Clubs Can be Successful”...did everyone read this article in the February 2022 edition of Model Aviation on page 28? Not only is it a great article but also sounds like a great travel event to put on the list this summer!

### **Pylon Racing – Submitted by Todd Kopl**

We are planning to race this summer. Watch for schedule next month. Q500 will be the format and we are always looking for new participants. The idea has always been low budget fun. If anyone has suggestions or ideas on other potential racing formats or classes, please feel free to contact me. I was watching the RENO air races recently and noted they have a new STOL DRAG CLASS which looked interesting (kind of like a drag race). [www.Airrace.org](http://www.Airrace.org)

For all the helpers in the 2021 season watch for the upcoming ‘appreciation gathering’ invitation in the near future.

### **Did You Know – Submitted by Bob Noll**

The AGS was having lots of fun and very active 50 years ago. Here are a few items from the February 1972 Connector.

#### **ELECTION RESULTS:**

Club officers for 1972 were elected at the annual meeting on February 4. They are:

President: Bob Noll

Vice President: Bill Johnson

Secretary: Roger Sanwald

Treasurer: Stan Bogaczyk

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE:**

The next meeting will be held February 18 at the IBM School. All meetings after that will be held at our new meeting in the old Hooper School on Main Street in Endwell. This is across the street from Whipple’s lumber yard. Meetings will be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday’s of each month instead of alternate Fridays as in the past. Meeting time will be 8 PM.

#### **ANNUAL PARTY:**

The annual party will be held at the Fountains Restaurant Polynesian Room Saturday evening March 11. All members, prospective members, friends, and families are welcome. The hospitality hour is 6:30-7:30 pm. Dinner will be served promptly at 7:30.

The illustrated 1971 club history will be given by our historian, Bill Sebesta, and other entertainment will be presented from 8:30 – 10:00. Dancing and socializing from 10:00 – 1:00 am will be accompanied by a local combo.

Prices are:

Members and guests, \$6.50 each

Members under 21; \$5.00

Send payment and reservation request to by March 4<sup>th</sup> to the treasurer, Stan Bogaczyk, 334 Paul Street, Endicott, NY 13760.

#### **COMING EVENTS:**

The 18<sup>th</sup> annual Toledo RC Conference will be held February 26 and 27 in the Lucas County Recreation Hall in Maumee Ohio.

The 4th annual WRAMS RC Show will be held March 18 at the Westchester County Center, White Plains.

There was much more to the February 1972 Connector but I will stop here and make a few comments. I hope all of you read the entire Connector and notice how different things were 50 years ago.

Our By-Laws at the time contained several things that have been removed only several years ago. The first is

the annual party, which really was a dinner party. Go back check out the itinerary for that great evening.

How about having the historian present the club history for the preceding year! Over the years the annual history reports got so entertaining that it was decided to repeat them at the annual party. The club historian was also eliminated during the same club leadership.

A party with live music, boy did we have fun! And we used to dance! The "other entertainment" was usually a skit depicting a funny event that happened during the year. There was one that became famous enough that we presented it the Pattern Contest Saturday evening banquet. Yes, we had some great banquets at the Italian Club in Sayre.

Well, the "other entertainment" I will tell you about is the famous "Whistler". I will include a photo of "The Whistler" in this issue and explain it more at the next club meeting.

By the way, did you notice the price of a dinner ticket? Due to inflation, \$6.50 in 1972 is equal to \$43.72 dollars today. Hey, and many of us were raising our families in the 70's and dual income families were rare. The annual parties were very well attended which tells you how important that social gathering was to most of the club members.



## Show & Tell

*Submitted by Jim Quinn:*

VIRUS: This is my third Virus. I still have my original plans from 1963. The Virus is a scratch building project. There never was a kitted version of Ken Willard's Virus. I built this Virus for my flying buddy, Paul Mathis. I wanted to have a Virus in a different location so someone else could have the fun I've been having introducing R/C pilots to RUDDER ONLY flying. With a modern servo and an electric motor for power flying a rudder only airplane is a pleasure. Watching the fun R/C pilots (Some highly skilled, like our editor, Todd) were having at VR/CS reunions mastering rudder only was why I wanted to make one for Paul. Back in 1963 he and I were trying to master R/C flight with my original Virus which was powered by a Cos .049 Baby Bee and controlled by a Babcock escapement.

DR I: Don't laugh! Although this is a display model, there are more pieces in the top wing than in the entire Virus! It took a week to build with an hour or two most days.



Two photos attached.



#### *Winter Build Updates: by Scott Wallace*

Had planned to have this 1980's Great Planes Trainer Sixty, built from a balsa workbench short kit, finished in February but the weather hasn't cooperated. Needs a clear coat and then final assembly, original plan was to use monokote but decided to use up the covering and paint I had leftover.

The Great Planes Trainer Sixty (and Trainer Forty) kits were updates of the original 1970s' Bridi RCM Trainer and RCM Trainer Jr. In my opinion the "improvements" were outweighed by the negatives so I've obtained short kits of the original versions in both 40 & 60 sizes and they're on my build list for next winter, these are among the best all-around models ever designed. They have a thick, fully symmetrical airfoils and will do any aerobatic maneuver you can throw at them but are also rock steady at slow speeds.



*\*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](mailto:takopl297@gmail.com)*

## ***AGS 2022 ACTIVITIES CALENDAR***

<b>ACTIVITY / LOCATION (AGS Field unless specified)</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>CHAIRMAN</b>
AGS Regular Meeting (Tri-Cities Airport)	Mon March 7 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 PM	Dave Dewey-Wright
AGS BOD Meeting	Mar 23 <sup>rd</sup>	7 PM	Dave Dewey-Wright
AGS Regular Meeting (Tri Cities Airport)	Mon April 4 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 PM	Dave Dewey-Wright
AGS BOD Meeting	April 20 <sup>th</sup>	7 PM	Dave Dewey-Wright
Spirit of Selinsgrove VRCS Meet/AGS Airport	Sat. Sept 3 <sup>rd</sup>	9 am – 4 pm	Scott Wallace & Ray Phillips

## ***Other nearby RC events of interest***

<b>Event / Location</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Contact /Info</b>
Central Penn Aeromodelers Assoc. 41st Annual Radio Control EXPO	March 12 <sup>th</sup>	Todd (717-857-4726) or Email <a href="mailto:info@cpaa.us">info@cpaa.us</a>
34 <sup>th</sup> Annual Swap meet and Auction/Canandaigua Sky Chiefs	March 19 <sup>th</sup>	<a href="mailto:slipstream8@yahoo.com">slipstream8@yahoo.com</a>
1 <sup>st</sup> Annual VRCS Hudson Valley Fun Fly	May 21 <sup>st</sup>	See flyer below

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

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

*Happy 100<sup>th</sup> Hazel!! Legend of the hobby*



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**March 1st @ 2PM EST**

**100th Birthday**  
**#ShareYourSIG**  
**Club of the Month**



# CENTRAL PENN AEROMODELERS ASSOC.

## 41st Annual Radio Control EXPO

**PLACE:** LEBANON FAIRGROUNDS

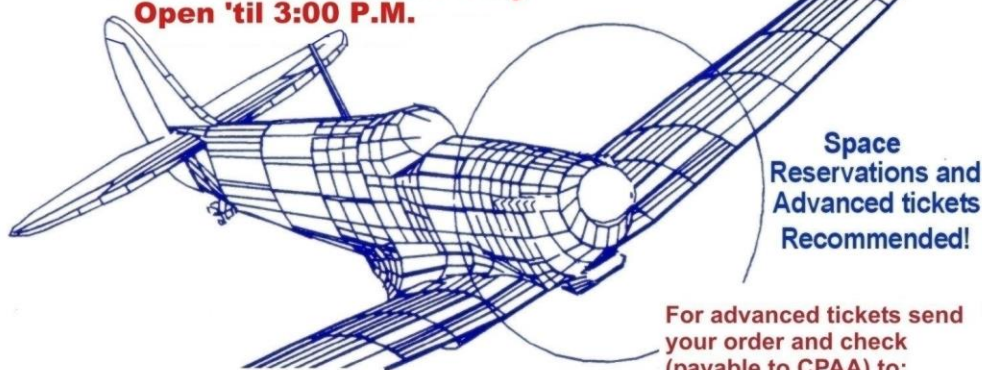
80 Rocherty Road  
Lebanon, PA 17042

For space availability  
[cpaatablemaster@yahoo.com](mailto:cpaatablemaster@yahoo.com)

**DATE:** **Saturday March 12, 2022**  
(Regardless of Weather)

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tickets available at \$8.00  
each (non-refundable)

**TIME:** **8:30 A.M. for General Admission**  
**7:00 A.M. for renters Only**  
**Open 'til 3:00 P.M.**



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your order and check  
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**Radio Control Club**

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All Types of R/C models prior to 1987

**May 21, 2022**

CD: Danny Carozza - [aeroplaneart@aol.com](mailto:aeroplaneart@aol.com) - 914 - 380 - 2302

CO CD: Carlos Molina - [drmolina@optonline.net](mailto:drmolina@optonline.net) - 201-887-2087

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# March Program

Hanger & Flying talk





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