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****September Meeting** (Monday Sept 12th)**
Tri-Cities Airport
Endicott, NY 13760

Changes to time or location will be noted in this newsletter



Prez Sez — David Dewey-Wright

Happy Labor Day! And if it's Labor Day weekend, that must mean we have the Annual VRCS Spirit of Selinsgrove Reunion at our field. This Saturday September 3rd, head up to the field to see some of the designs that helped build our hobby on display and flying. It should be a good time.

We've had our August Open House, "Fun Fly with Hotdogs" every Wednesday this month. Generally, attendance was good. A few breezy evenings, but that just meant we spent a bit more time eating hotdogs. Toppings included chili, shredded cheese, sauerkraut, and the traditional ketchup, relish and mustard (yellow and spicy).

And don't put your planes away yet, the season isn't over, but the days are getting shorter. Our next general meeting is September 12th, and we'll have it at the Tri-Cities Airport Pilot's building again. Even if we get the meeting started by 6:30, it's going to be getting dark by

Up-Coming Events

Spirit of Selinsgrove

Sat Sept 3rd
AGS Field
9-5

AGS September Meeting

Mon September 12th
6:30 PM
Tri Cities Airport

AGS Float Fly

Oct 1-2
Nathanial Cole Park

Balsa Builders Bonanza

Sat Oct 8th
AGS Field
9 am

[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 (continued)

the time we're done. So, update your calendars to come to the airport.

I'd be remiss if I didn't give a shout-out to Jeff Hatton for going to get his drone last week to help locate a plane I put into the woods below the phone tower. I got close on foot, but not close enough. Once he found it, overhead, it was easy for me to get to it the next day. Full daylight helped me find all the parts. And yes, this plane will fly again.

Hope to see you at the field for the VRCS event, and at the meeting on the 12th!

Keep flying!

Vice Prez Sez — Jesse Pagels

Nothing submitted this month

AGS General Membership Meeting – Greg

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Nothing submitted this month

Nominating Committee

Watch email for proposed slate of officers – not available at press time

National Champions – Jim Quinn

The Aeroguidance Society founding members had a vision for the future of the AGS. Part of that vision was to hold a sanctioned contest every year. 67 years later the annual AGS aerobatic contest was held on the weekend of August 13~14. The contest was better attended this year, probably due to the decreasing number of Covid cases. The winds were high with a strong crosswind component. All pilots, however, handled the wind very well. A very special part of this year's contest was two of the contestants were also 2022 AMA National Champions. Our own Jeff Hatton was this year's Intermediate Champion. Steve Miller, of Elba, NY (Buffalo) was the Advanced Champion. Steve is a long time AGS contestant. It was a pleasure to see the two National Champions flying at the AGS airport!



Field (submitted by Editor)

Mowing list below and also posted at the field.

Editorial – Submitted by Todd Kopf

I'd like to give a shout out to our Prez for hosting the Wednesday 'hot dog' fly-ins over the summer. Appeared well attended and enjoyed by all.

While it's hard to believe summer is nearly over, we still have a good solid month of good flying weather which becomes even more spectacular when the leaves start changing. We also have a few upcoming events (float fly and balsa builders)...get out and enjoy!

2022 Spirit of Selinsgrove – by Scott Wallace

Ray Phillips and I will once again be hosting the Vintage RC Society for the **33rd Annual Spirit of Selinsgrove Celebration on Saturday, September 3 at the AGS field.**

VRCS events feature airplanes designed for radio control 35 years ago or earlier. Fliers will come from all over the northeast to participate; the focus again this year is on open flying so everyone entered can enjoy the history of our hobby take flight. We will also have judged events for VRCS Concours, Theme Plane Concours and Scale. We'll also have entrants choose the "Pilots Choice" award for the model they feel best exemplifies the spirit of vintage aeromodelling.

Note: The AGS field will be closed to regular flying until 5:00 but I want to personally invite the AGS membership, and especially our new members, to stop by and see what this low-key, fun event is all about. In an age of foam RTF models, you will see some outstanding examples of old school model building craftsmanship. Many of these older designs are also excellent flying aircraft and would be great candidates for your first balsa build and are great choices for electric power.

Did You Know – Submitted by Bob Noll

If you have been reading The Connector you should have noticed that my last Did You Know was from the July/August 1972 Connector. It was rare when an issue of The Connector covered two month.

Here are a few items from the July/August 1972 Connector that I did not include in my last Did You Know.

FOR SALE:

O.S. 3 channel (27.045) and H-Ray, built and ready to fly. Less engine, \$100. Call Doug Ciccarello 748-8418.

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS: - Ralph Jackson

The National Model Airplane Championships were held at Glenview Naval Air Station near Chicago July 24 – 30. I was the only AGS member there. George Buso, former AGS member, made the trip with me. This was the last Nats to be sponsored by the Navy. It also had the largest attendance of any Nats. The weather was fairly good for Chicago. It only rained one day. George made three of his class C qualifying flights in the rain.

There was an interesting demonstration of model helicopters. Five of them flew while I was there. There were a number of homebuilts, DuBros and one Kavan.

There were 35 planes entered in RC Scale. This was by far the largest Nats entry I have seen. Many of the planes were excellent. Among the more interesting were a B-17 which flew well in spite of weighing 18 pounds and the Handley Page V 1500, a WWI four engine biplane. Results were as follows:

Class C

1. Chidgey
2. Whitley
3. Coleman
4. Page
5. Kirkland

Scale

1. Nosen - AD4 Skyraider
2. Moucha – Flybaby
3. Ellis – Ryan Mailplane
4. Bettera
5. Jackson – Windecker Eagle

FAI Pylon

1. Korpi
2. Prather
3. Smith
4. Reed
5. Upton

FORMULA I PYLON

1. Weirick
2. Leonard
3. Colson
4. May
5. Prather

In the pattern flying, the most popular airplane there was the Cutlass. Chidgey flew his Tiger Tail, Coleman the Sweet Tater, Whitley the Daddy Rabbit and Kirkland the Intruder.

FOR SALE

Brand new Sig Citabria Kit \$22 , call Lou Francavillo 754-2473.

Oscilloscope, 5" DC-5 Mcs. Good for RC and TV work. \$100 Trig sweep. Call Ralph Jackson 748-1707.

The evolution of Bob Noll's pattern planes from the 70's
(Editor's note: I flew the Jetstar in foreground in my 1st pattern contest...sadly it did not end up in my hanger ☹️) Jet Star in front, Yankee is in the middle and Cutlass is in the back.

You can see how the cockpit was moved forward over time to provide more area in front of the CG for better rolling and knife edge flight. I picked this up after studying the European plans at WC's.



Show & Tell

Adventures in Balsa: by Scott Wallace

Next up in my workshop is a Great Planes Super Sportster 40 from a balsaworkbench short kit. When I got back into RC in the early 1980's it seemed everyone in my club in South Carolina owned either a 40 or 60 size Super Sportster. They all flew really well but as a lowly Airman First Class in the USAF back then the kit and hot 40 or 60 size engine were out of reach, but its finally time for one of my own. I have several NIB OS

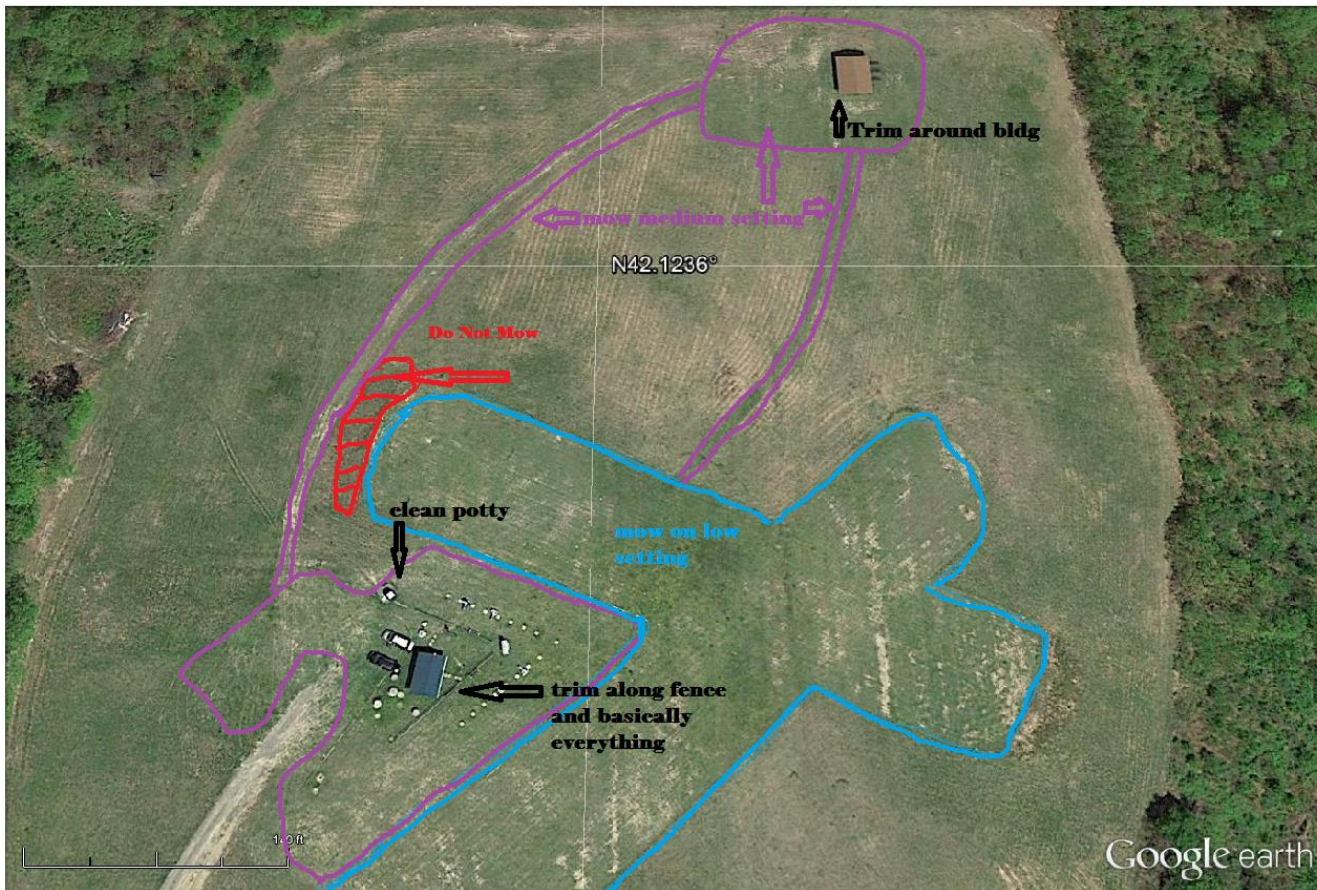
40SF engines from that same timeframe and time to put one to use. Undecided on iron on covering or silk and dope, but the fuselage is built like a tank so may go iron on to save a few ounces. Not a fan of the 'factory' color scheme shown in the in-flight photo, need to figure something out.



**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*

Upcoming Mowing List

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AGS 2022 ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

ACTIVITY / LOCATION (AGS Field unless specified)	DATE	TIME	CHAIRMAN
Field Work Party	October TBD	TBD	
AGS BOD Meeting	Aug 24 th	7:00 PM	Dave Dewey-Wright
Spirit of Selinsgrove VRCS Meet/AGS Airport	Sat. Sept 3 rd	9 am – 5 pm	Scott Wallace & Ray Phillips
AGS Regular Meeting (AGS Field)	Mon Sept 12 th	6:30 PM	Dave Dewey-Wright
AGS BOD Meeting	Sept 21 st	7:00 PM	Dave Dewey-Wright
AGS Float Fly/Cole Park	Oct 1-2	TBD	Dave Dewey-Wright
AGS Regular Meeting (AGS Field)	Oct 3 rd	6:30 PM	
Balsa Builders Fun Fly/AGS Airport	Oct 9 th	TBD	Jim Quinn
AGS BOD Meeting	Oct 19 th	7:00 PM	Dave Dewey-Wright

Other nearby RC events of interest

Event / Location	Date	Contact /Info
Warbirds over Chenango Bridge	Sept 24	Chenango Bridge Airport

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

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

Balsa Builders Bonanza

Balsa Airplanes ONLY

October 8, 2022

9:00

AGS R/C Airport

147 Warrick Road in Endicott, NY

No Landing Fee

Free Lunch





September Program

TBD



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