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The Next AGS Club Meeting is Monday July 10th - 6:30 P.M at the AGS Field

Changes to time or location will be noted in this newsletter

Prez Sez – David Dewey-Wright

Happy Summer, everyone.

Yes, summer is officially here. And we're starting up our "Fun Fly with Hotdogs" nights. Tentatively they'll be on Wednesdays, but subject to move based on the weather. The first one is going to be Thursday, June 29th. As we've done in the past, get there when you get there, with or without planes. Part of the "Fun" is visiting, so if you're not inspired to fly, just come up for the visiting and the hotdogs. That's fine! We'll aim to start having hotdogs ready around 6:30 pm.

And a quick reminder that July's AGS meeting will be on Monday the 10th, not the 3rd, at the field.

Logs are indeed being hauled out of the woods. We've received our first check for some of the "extra" Red Oak trees that are being harvested. It'll be interesting to see what the total comes to for those. And once they're done cutting, there'll be a lot of "tops" that can be cut up for firewood, if anyone wants some.

Once again, I want to thank everyone who was there to help with the runway repairs. With the crew we had, it went quite smoothly. I drove the mower across the repairs last week while mowing the runway, and while it was noticeable, it was a lot smoother than what we started with. I'm guessing

that with a little rain that we've had, and a little time, it'll smooth out very nicely.

Remember, this is your club and your field. If you have things you'd like to see changed at the field, or with what's happening, let the board know. We'll take a look and try to make it happen if it makes sense.

Hope to see you for hotdogs and flying!

Cancellation of AGS Meetings:

In the event of poor weather, listen to the radio or television for local closings and cancellations. If the Meeting venue is closed the meeting is cancelled and a notice will be sent via the AGS mailing list.

Coming Events

AGS June Club Meeting

Mon July 10th 6:30 PM AGS Field

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

The Aeroguidance Society, Inc. 147 Warrick Rd. Endicott, NY 13760

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AGS General Meeting Minutes - by Tom Fargo.

Aeroguidance Society Meeting #900

In attendance: Ed Bennett, Dave Dewey-Wright, Tom Fargo, Jeff Hatton, Bob Jennings, Michael Mauersburg, Ray Phillips, Joe Semcho, Dave Smith, Kieran Sweeney

Meeting called to order at 6:36 P.M.

May 2023 meeting minutes accepted.

Treasurer's report: Presented and read by Bob Jennings. A special thanks was expressed by Dave D. to Ray Phillips for finishing the shed door.

Old Business: The concerns about Dan Bucinell 's use of the club pond was discussed and it was suggested to contact an attorney for options to resolve any concerns regarding liability or abstract possession issues since he built a dock on the pond without the clubs' permission. Tom F. said he could reach out to an attorney to review legal options. Dave D. walked through the club field rules.

New business: The club received certification of insurance from the logging company. Sand buckets have been placed under the pavilion and around the pit area to use to help extinguish battery fires. There is a sign for "no charging" in pavilion.

Kieran Sweeney and Bill Green were voted in for full membership.

Upcoming events: Wednesday fun flies are due to start June 28th and those days will be adjusted pending weather. Editor's note: Date changed to June 29th due to weather.

Motion to adjourn and agreed upon at 7:07 P.M.

AGS Field Report - by Todd Kopl

Please look at the mowing list published in this issue. I have made a few updates mixing in new members and removing a few that are no longer with us or unable to participate. Fear not if you are unfamiliar with the zero-turn mower at this time. Just coordinate with your partner for who will run it and only use what you are familiar with (push mower/weed trimmer). If you wish to be trained on the ZT we will train you (Come to a summer meeting at field or contact me).

I'll let those more familiar report on the current logging activities but they are underway.

Otherwise, I have finally rounded the corner on all my house repairs and plan to be up flying again starting this week!

Event Report – by Scott Wallace

I attended the 2nd annual Hudson Valley Vintage Fly event in West Haverstraw, NY on June 10. It's an easy 2 ³/₄ hour drive and they have a beautiful field overlooking the Hudson River. I met up with some old friends from NJ, CT, and DE and made some new friends from the host club.

They had over 30 fliers registered and I counted more than 80 airplanes, and more showed up later in the day. Many were glow powered, a few diesels, and quite a few electric powered. No competitive flying events were held, but judged awards were given for best scale model (won by the Zlin Akrobat), pilots choice (won by the Antic biplane), and VRCS Concours (won by AGS's Scott Wallace for his RCM Trainer Jr).

A selection of photos illustrates some of the neat models in attendance. The vintage glider was very impressive, towed aloft by a very large and powerful foam/electric Cessna 170.



Zlin Akrobat - 1st place scale



Antic Biplane - Pilot's Choice winner



Scott Wallace's RCM Trainer Jr - Concours winner



Rick Bell's Compensator and Dirty Birdy 40



Doug Weaver's Mambo



Unknown vintage glider flew great - towed aloft by a giant size electric foamy



Nicely built Kwik Fli Mk II - electric powered

AGS 2023 ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

ACTIVITY / LOCATION	DATE	CHAIRMAN
(AGS Field unless specified)		
AGS July Meeting	July 10th	David Dewey-Wright
AGS Field	6:30 PM	
AGS Annual	Aug 19	Jeff Hatton
Aerobatics Contest		
34 th Annual VRCS Spirit of	Sept 2	Scott Wallace
Selinsgrove Celebration	9:00-4:00	Ray Phillips
AGS Float Fly	Sept 23 - 24	David Dewey-Wright

Other nearby RC events of interest

Event / Location	Date	Contact / Info
NEAT Fair	Sept 14 - 17	https://neatfair.org/
Downsville, NY	_	

2023 FIELD MOWING SCHEDULE				
Date	Primary	Helper		
7/6 - 7/8	TODD KOPL	TOM FARGO		
7/13 - 7/15	HAROLD PEELING	JESSE PAGELS		
7/20 - 7/22	BRENT BRYSON	LASHAWN WILEY		
7/27 - 7/29	CHRIS GOFFA	BRANDON COLLINGS		
8/3 - 8/5	JIM QUINN	MICHAEL MAUERSBERG		
8/10 - 8/12	CHARLIE HATTON	JEFF HATTON		
8/17 - 8/19	BILL GREEN	ED BENNETT		
8/24 - 8/26	DAVID DEWEY-WRIGHT	DAVID A SMITH		
8/31 - 9/1	RAY PHILLIPS	SCOTT WALLACE		
9/7 - 9/9	TODD KOPL	TOM FARGO		
9/14 - 9/16	HAROLD PEELING	JESSE PAGELS		
9/21 - 9/23	BRENT BRYSON	LASHAWN WILEY		
9/28 - 9/30	CHRIS GOFFA	BRANDON COLLINGS		

NOTES: Dates are the Saturday that the field should be moved by, typically the field is moved on a Thursday afternoon/evening to ensure the runways are in good shape for the weekend.

Crews: You are responsible for switching dates with others if unable to mow on scheduled date. YOU'RE RESPONSIBLE TO REPLENISH FIVE GALLONS OF GAS AT COMPLETION OF YOUR MOWING ASSIGNMENT.