



The CONNECTOR

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**The February AGS Club Meeting will be held on
Monday Feb 5th at 6:30 P.M at the Tri Cities Airport Pilots Building**

In case of inclement weather, look for a meeting update or cancelation via the club email list

Prez Sez – Brent Bryson

Hi guys, sad news this month with the passing of two members of the AGS, Bob Noll and Jim Quinn.

Both of these gentlemen were great members, mentors, contributors, advocates, and supporters of the AGS and aeromodelling in general for many years and they will be missed.

The Holiday Party and New Years fun fly were well attended and enjoyed by all who attended.

Thanks to Dave Dewey-Wright for hosting both.

Coming Events

AGS February Meeting

Mon Feb 5th

6:30 PM

Tri Cities Airport Pilots Building

AGS Membership Dues are due – if you have not paid, please do so ASAP

AGS General Meeting Minutes - by Secretary Tom Fargo

No meeting minutes to report as the holiday party was held in lieu of the January club meeting. Meeting #907 will be held Feb 5th at Tri-Cities Airport.

The AGS Board of Directors is recommending the following changes the AGS By-Laws. These will be voted on at the February general membership meeting.

Changes to the AGS By-Laws

ARTICLE VII_ Board of Directors

ADD

L. Capital Expenditures must be published in the AGS newsletter prior to the general membership meeting and approved per Article IV Section E.

M. The BOD may take whatever action is required to restore AGS property after an emergency due to fire, storm or vandalism. Actions taken will be reported at the next general membership meeting.

ARTICLE IV Section E - Meetings

CHANGE

E. 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 "full quorum" and shall be necessary to conduct the business of the AGS regarding changes to By Laws, approve spending over **\$100 not included in the annual budget**, change the status of the club (such as dissolution), or elect board members.

AGS Connector Food for Thought - Submitted by Scott Wallace

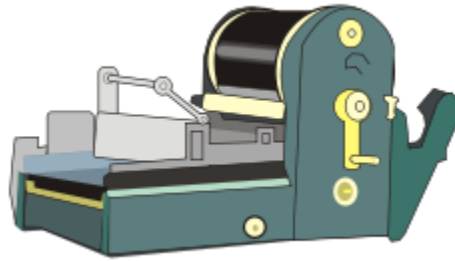
What are our collective thoughts on the AGS "Connector" newsletter, is a club newsletter even relevant in these days of instant communication via email and our webpage?

I've served as editor of the Connector from 2014 through 2019, and again since 2022. I will see out this current term but when the next BoD assumes office in October a new editor will be needed.

We have a President's column and our secretary provides meeting minutes to publish, and the Field Chairman has columns that include the mowing list, but other than these pretty much "mandatory" articles I can count on one hand the number of other members sending articles for the newsletter over the years.

Why not just send the meeting minutes out via the club email list, and upload them to the website members only section. Same with anything Field related and the mowing list. If there are any By-Laws changes to communicate, emailing the club distribution list before the next club meeting should provide adequate notice for a vote to be held.

I remember in the mid-1960's my dad was the newsletter editor - I can still smell the mimeograph machine aroma!



Back then of course mailing a newsletter was the only means to communicate, but in 2024 a published newsletter has perhaps outlived its usefulness?

Builders Corner - Submitted by Scott Wallace

I recently finished a "Cloud Dancer 40" from a balsaworkbench short kit, using an OS 40SF and five JR digital high voltage mini servos. Horror of horrors I covered this model in film instead of dope and fabric!



Remembering Jim Quinn - Submitted by Scott Wallace

Sadly, long time Aeroguidance Society club member Jim Quinn passed away on Jan 1st. Jim was a passionate about aviation as anyone I had ever known. For many years Jim supported the annual EAA Oshkosh fly in as an instructor in welding seminars and other building skills for the homebuilt aircraft community. Jim built and flew a Sonerai aircraft and took homebuilding to the maximum by even making his own propeller.

On the model aircraft side, Jim was an enthusiastic proponent of vintage aeromodelling and for many years made the first flight of the day at the Spirit of Selinsgrove events with his Ken Willard designed Virus single channel model. This was Jim's original model that he learned RC and the fact it survived and remained flyable for 50 years was astonishing to me. Jim was also an early advocate for electric power and had converted his fleet of vintage airplanes to electric power quite some years ago. These ran the gamut from an Aeromaster, Kaos, Charger, Jr Skylark and many others, including an electric powered version of his cherished "Virus" shown below. Blue skies, Jim.



Remembering Bob Noll - Submitted by Scott Wallace

I knew Bob Noll for almost sixty years, my earliest memories of him when I was very young were from RC contests in the late 1960s all over the northeast and the NATS. When I moved back to this area in 2000 after my dad's passing, Bob was my mentor and teacher of all things vintage RC. He was an encyclopedia of knowledge for sure. More than model airplanes though, we shared a common interest in sports cars and the NY Giants. We went to several races at Watkins Glen together and when I saw Bob last, at our New Year's Day Fly, he seemed enthusiastic to once again go the vintage races at the Glen in the Fall. I was truly shocked and saddened to learn of his passing so soon afterwards.

Bob was a true master craftsman that could build anything, and to a higher level than 99.9% of us mere RC mortals. He was a fierce competitor in pattern, pylon racing (and even scale modeling for a while) for the better part of six decades. In 1976, he designed and built a Skybolt model patterned after my dad's full-scale version, both shown below at Tri-Cities airport. Bob took 3rd place at the NATS that year and model was published in Model Airplane News.

His scratch built Nieuport 27 WWI model flew in the earliest Rhinebeck WWI RC Jamborees and today hangs in the Glenn Curtiss Museum.



Bob was past president on the Vintage R/C Society (for many years) and truly made that one of the most successful and popular AMA special interest groups. Bob used to love to go to the Toledo and WRAMs shows and man the VRCS booth, and demo his many antique radio systems that he had in working order. I lost track of how many vintage RC models Bob built over the last 25 years but it must be at least one per year! At the 2023 edition of the Spirit of Selinsgrove reunion, the highlight of the day was when we gathered all the models in attendance that were built by Bob and took a group photo. Bob was honored so many of his VRCS models are still flying at events around the Northeast. This is how I'll remember Bob.



AGS 2024 ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

ACTIVITY / LOCATION (AGS Field unless specified)	DATE	CHAIRMAN
AGS February Club Meeting Tri Cities Airport	Feb 5, 2024 6:30 PM	Brent Bryson
AGS March Club Meeting Tri Cities Airport	Mar 4, 2024 6:30 PM	Brent Bryson

Other nearby RC events of interest

Event / Location	Date	Contact / Info
2024 CPAA 43rd ANNUAL RC EXPO Lebanon Valley Exposition Center 80 Rocherty Rd, Lebanon, PA	March 9, 2024	Home Central Penn Aeromodelers Association
Third Annual Vintage RC Fun Fly Hudson Valley RC Club 585 Beach Rd, West Haverstraw, NY	May 11, 2024	www.hvrcc.com

CENTRAL PENN AEROMODELERS ASSOC.

43rd Annual Radio Control EXPO

PLACE: LEBANON FAIRGROUNDS

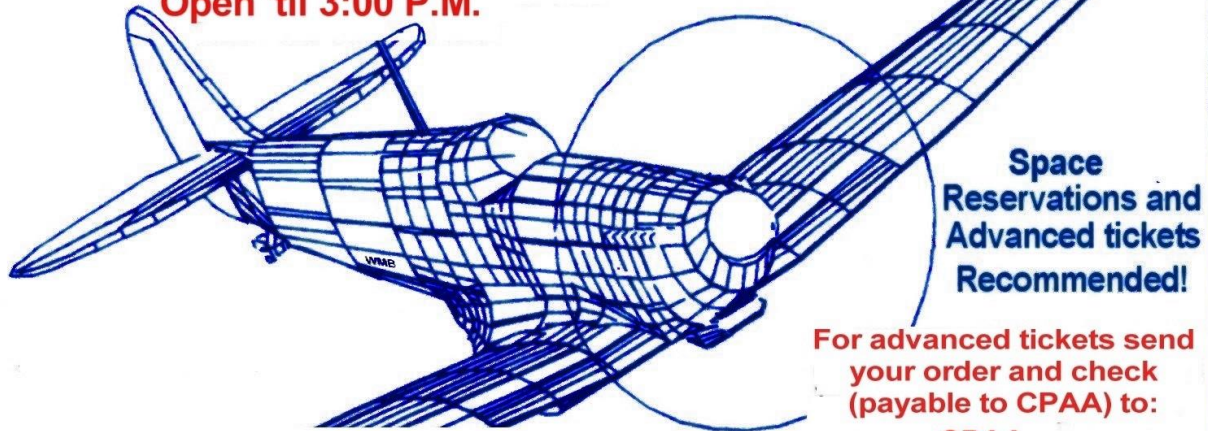
80 Rocherty Road
Lebanon, PA 17042

DATE: Saturday March 09, 2024
(Regardless of Weather)

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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2) Charlie Hatton [year 1 of 2-year term]

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