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**The Next AGS Club Meeting will be held on
Monday November 3rd at 6:30 PM at the Tri Cities Airport Pilots Building**

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

Upcoming Club Events

AGS November Meeting

Monday November 3rd, 2025

6:30 PM

Tri Cities Airport Pilots Building

Field Winterization - Saturday, November 8th - mid-morning.

Rain date, Sunday, November 9th

Aero Guidance Society Meeting #927

Meeting Minutes

Location: Tri-Cities Airport

Brent Bryson called the meeting to order at 6:44 PM. The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 PM.

Attendees: David Dewey-Wright, Bill Green, George Petersen, Edward Bennett, Brent Bryson, Denis Boncik, Bob Jennings, Dave Smith, Ray Phillips, Tom Fargo, Greg Huck, Joe Semcho

Previous Minutes: Approved to be published. BOD – no quorum, so no business was conducted.

Treasurer's Report: Jeff Hatton presented the treasurer's report.

Membership Chair: No new members or guests present. 12 Pilots registered for the Float Fly event on September 27/28.

Old Business: No old business.

New Business: The slate of new Board Members was presented as:

President – Edward Bennett

Vice President – Jeff Hatton

Treasurer – open

Secretary – David Dewey-Wright

Member at Large – George Petersen

As George is currently an Associate Member, a **motion** was presented to allow him to serve as a Board Member at Large by David Dewey-Wright.

Second: Bill Green

Motion passed.

Motion by Jeff Hatton to close the slate for the Board of Directors.

Second: Bill Green Motion Passed.

Motion to have the Secretary cast a single vote for the slate presented above was presented by Jeff Hatton.

Second: Dave Dewey-Wright

The Secretary cast an “Aye” vote for the slate of Board Members as listed above. Note that the Treasurer’s position is currently open.

Other new business: It was suggested that the combination to the field and the Web site “Members Only” password should be changed. It has been a number of years since either have changed. That would be done during the Field Winterization activities.

Upcoming events:

New Year’s Day Fun Fly. Dave D-W indicated he would be willing to be the Event Director. To be held on New Year’s Day. Need to contact the field owners.

Holiday Party – would take place at Jonathan’s in Endicott. Members order off the menu and pay for their own dinners. Bring guests and friends as they wish. To be held January 5th, the first Monday of January.

Open discussion:

Jeff has been gaining confidence in the new radio system he’s using and has some Futaba receivers available.

Dave Smith has been doing some astro-photography at the field because of the lower ambient light conditions.

Dave Smith said he would look some more into using Club Express as a website for the club, but it will cost more than our current setup, but the current site is going to get shut down at some point.

The next AGS General Meeting will be on November 3, 2025.

The next AGS BoD meeting will be October 20, 2025.

Motion by Dave Dewey-Wright to adjourn.

Second by Ed Bennett

Motion passed

From The Editor:

I logged into the recent Pro Tips for UAS – Recreational Fly Rules webinar presented by the Federal Aviation Administration Safety Team and found this bit of information useful.

What are the Rules for Recreational Flyers?

The Exception for Limited Recreational Operations of Unmanned Aircraft ([USC 44809](#)) is the law that describes how, when, and where you can fly drones for recreational purposes. Following these rules helps keep people, your drone and our airspace safe:

1. Fly only for recreational purposes (personal enjoyment).
2. Follow the safety guidelines of an [FAA-recognized Community Based Organization](#) (CBO). For more information on how to become an FAA-recognized CBO, read [Advisory Circular 91-57D](#).
3. Keep your drone within the visual line of sight or use a visual observer who is co-located (physically next to) and in direct communication with you.
4. Give way to and do not interfere with other aircraft.
5. Fly at or below FAA-authorized altitudes in controlled airspace ([Class B, C, D, and surface Class E designated for an airport](#)) only with prior FAA authorization by using [LAANC](#) or [DroneZone](#).
6. Fly at or below 400 feet in Class G (uncontrolled) airspace.

Note: Anyone flying a drone in the U.S. National Airspace System (NAS) is responsible for

flying within the FAA guidelines and regulations. That means it is up to you as a drone pilot to know the rules: [Where Can I Fly?](#)

7. Take [The Recreational UAS Safety Test \(TRUST\)](#) and carry proof of test passage when flying.
8. Have a current FAA [registration](#), [mark](#) (PDF) your drones on the outside with the registration number, and carry proof of registration with you when flying.
Note: Beginning September 16, 2023, if your drone requires an FAA registration number it will also be required to broadcast [Remote ID](#) information (unless flown within a [FRIA](#)). For more information on drone registration, visit How to [Register Your Drone](#).
9. Do not operate your drone in a manner that endangers the safety of the national airspace system.

Quote of the Day

Aviation is proof that given, the will, we have the capacity to achieve the impossible."

Edward Rickenbacker

[AGS 2025/2026 ACTIVITIES CALENDAR](#)

ACTIVITY / LOCATION	DATE	CHAIRMAN
AGS November Club Meeting Tri-Cities Airport	November 3, 2025 6:30 PM	Edward Bennett
Field Winterization	Saturday, November 8th - mid-morning. Rain date, Sunday, November 9th.	Todd Kopl
New Years Day Fun Fly Soccer fields by Ann G. McGuinness school	January 1, 2026 10:00am – 2:00pm	Dave D-W
Holiday Party Jonathan's in Endicott.	January 5, 2026	TBD

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Society, Inc.
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AGS Officers:

President: Edward Bennett (A-C)

Vice President: Jeff Halton (D-H)

Secretary: Tom Fargo (I-L)

Treasurer: Open (M-R)

Board Members at Large:

1) George Peterson (S-Z) [year 1 of 2-year term]

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

Past President: Brent Bryson

Committee Chairmen:

Membership: David Dewey-Wright

Field: Todd Kopl

Safety: Chris Goffa

Webmaster: Don Shugard

Newsletter Editor: Gregory Huck

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



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FAA-RECOGNIZED IDENTIFICATION AREA

A FRIA IS A DEFINED GEOGRAPHIC AREA WHERE DRONES CAN BE FLOWN WITHOUT REMOTE ID EQUIPMENT.

**The AGS Field is an approved FRIA flying
site – no Remote ID required**