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THE CONNECTOR



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THE PREZ SEZ: Len Wallace

This month the AGS and RC activity have started to pick up. Maybe a sign of spring?

The Symposium at Syracuse was very worth while and made for a very nice mini-weekend with the wife. You should consider going next year if only for the day. Bob Noll gave an excellent presentation on Don Godfrey's 1/4 scale Stearman, and the combination attracted quite a bit of attention. The Stearman was awarded a 3rd place trophy in scale. Thanks Bob and Don for representing the AGS so well.

Final arrangements are being made for our annual dinner dance. It will be held at the Fountains on March 11. The dinner will be family style ham and beef, cost about \$10 per person, and the invitations will be coming soon. We have had a change in this area. Bill Sebesta is now handling the party in the absence of Reid Donlon who had to resign as Club Vice President for personal reasons. Sorry to lose you, Reid. While on the subject of the Dinner Dance, if you have any ideas/suggestions for awards etc. please see or call Bill or myself. Hope you all plan on attending.

Project night will be held again this year, and the guy you should thank is Roger Sanwald. Roger has started things in motion and will keep us informed via the Connector. Do you have something ready or started for Project Night? If not, you still have time.

See you at the next meeting, Tuesday, February 14, 7:30 pm at the NYSEG building on Old Vestal Road.

#### CLUB LIBRARY:

The club library has been found and will be at the next meeting. A deposit (the price of the book) allows you to check out any book. We have books on engines, flying, construction etc. You name it and for a deposit you can borrow it. Bring some money and check one out. They're for you.

#### MISCELLANEOUS:

Bill Webb will no longer be our Membership Chairman since he has been transferred to Caroliton, Ohio. We'll all miss you, Bill, and thanks for a job well done.

Wolfgang Rohde will take over Bill Webb's job as Membership Chairman. Welcome aboard, Wolfgang.

MODEL'S CORNER: Mary Wallace 748-7139

The next Model's meeting will be held on Friday, February 10, at 8:00 pm at the home of Lanny Noll, 2317 Acorn Drive, Vestal. A demonstration will be done on cake decorating and final plans will be made for our progressive dinner.

RHINEBECK MEETING: Don Cromer

The Rhinebeck group will have their next meeting at Dick Allen's home on Saturday evening, February 11 at 7:00 pm. All members interested in the Rhinebeck meet are invited to attend.

#### EDITOR'S NOTE:

The Connector has learned that former AGS president, Terry Terrenoire is resigning from the AGS because of increased business commitments. We will miss you, Terry, and wish you success.

MEETING PROGRAM: Don Godfrey

The program for this coming meeting, February 14, will be Don Godfrey's presentation on Speed Building Techniques.

1978 DUES: Ben Rubright

This is a reminder that the 1978 Dues should be paid on or before the February meeting. If you will not be at the meeting, please send me a check in the mail. The new dues amounts which were voted on at the January meeting are as follows.

Regular member	\$45
Associate member	22.50
Family membership	7.50

GLIDER MEET: Dick Allen

The TCSS (Tri Cities Soaring Society) held their February meet in Owego last Sunday, February 5. It was attended by 13 hardy contestants (nuts?) from as far away as Elmira and Greene, N.Y., and Halstead, Pa.

The weather started out cold, but warmed up to 10 degrees F after it started snowing. Thermals were weak due to the overcast. However, it was possible to find "zero sink" areas. The longest flight of the day was Bill Johnson's 6 minutes and 19 seconds, quite respectable under those conditions.

The objective of this meet was to accumulate 15 minutes (900 seconds) as a 3-flight total. The top three places were:

<u>Flver</u>	<u>Plane</u>	<u>Points (seconds)</u>
Bill Johnson	Paragon	897
Bobby Johnson	Paragon	840
Dick Allen	Aquila	808

My wife asked me why I didn't just mention the top two places, but then - what does she know about gliders?

The average times of the three most popular gliders flown were as follows:

<u>Plane</u>	<u>Flown by</u>	<u>Average time</u>
Olympic 2	4	759
Aquila	3	672
Paragon	2	874

If you would like to see or participate in these monthly meets, see the schedule posted at Hobby Craft for the dates - and wear your long johns.