

# THE CONNECTOR

The Official Newsletter of the Aeroguidance Society, Inc.

Endicott, New York



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THE CONNECTOR is the monthly newsletter of the Aeroguidance Society, Inc., Radio Control Model Club. The club owns and maintains its flying field in Endicott, N.Y. Anyone interested in joining the club should contact any of the officers listed below.



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NEXT MEETING: May 16, 1989 @ 7:30pm

Place: NYSEG

		AGS	CALENDAR	OF	EVENTS
DATE		TIME	PLACE		EVENT
May	10	--	AGS Field		Flight school
May	16	7:30-9:30pm	NYSEG		Regular AGS Meeting
"	23	7:30pm	201 Hooper Road Annex		Scheduled board meeting
June	10-11	TBD	Sayer, Pa.		AGS Annual Pattern Contest at Blue Swan Airport
August	20	11:30am	AGS Field		Intra-Club Contest and Picnic
"	22	7:30pm	201 Hooper Road Annex		Scheduled board meeting
Sept.	?	TBD	Greenwood Park		Greenwood Park Float-fly (Tentative; contingent on board and membership approval)
Sept.	30	TBD	Damascus		Damascus Float-fly
October	8	TBD	AGS Field		Glider and Electric Fly

NEXT CONNECTOR PUBLISHING DEADLINE IS June 2, 1989

**Field Opening & Pancake Breakfast.** Well the weather was not ideal, but did allow a good deal of needed work to take place. Notably, the out house (male) was relocated to a cozier spot; in the shade of a few (continued on page 3.....)

**PREZ SEZ.....by Joe Felice**

By the time you read this, the flying field will be open for the summer and we will be in full swing. I would just like to ask you to read over the field rules once again and to keep in mind that we have more active fliers now than ever before so you may have to wait now and then.

**Inviting The Neighbors To Meet Us.** The idea of inviting the people living around the flying field to our field functions was brought up at the last meeting. Your input is needed to expand this idea.

**1971 Narrow Banding.** I received a phone call from an individual in the area who owns a Spectrum Analyzer and would like to get into the business of tuning our radios. I have put Bill Underkofler on to him and called AMA for any pertinent information. His main requirement is that we (the modelers in the area) be able to provide him with enough radios to make the set-up worth his while; 40 -50 radios per set-up.

**Contest.** The next meeting will be the Contest Organization meeting so come and sign-up. This contest is the biggest membership draw of the year. We need everyone's help.

**Second Flying Field.** On April 24, Ernie Frate, President of modelers of Binghamton; Elwood Campbell, president of the Aeros, and myself met to discuss approaching the county and state about using some government lands for a model aircraft flying site. Your input would be appreciated at the next meeting.

The basic ground rule we have laid down is that the field will be open to any flier with proper insurance coverage. Governing the operations of the field will be done by an existing club, a body elected from all three clubs, or a new club -whatever the government would feel most comfortable with. So come and discuss your opinion/feeling on this subject.

My thanks to Terry Terrenoire for a job well done on project night last month. There will be no program in May because of the amount of material we have to discuss.

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**Safety Corner.....by Tony Cammarata, Editor**

Yes, once again the flying season is here. Just one note on safety. As you become a more proficient flyer don't get over confident. We must continue to

challenge ourselves to improve our proficiency. This calls for common sense and good judgement. Always conduct your checkout procedure before flying. Do

your range check, control operation check, etc. Above all, try never to fly alone. If you have any doubt about the condition of your equipment, do not takeoff. Better to be safe than sorry.

**Noise or Lack Thereof.** It is encouraging to see many more members

working to get their engine sound levels down. Those I observed measuring and testing their sound levels all seem to be coming in under the current field guideline. Keep up the good work.

Note: Continuation of FREQUENCY ASKED QUESTIONS article is moved to our June issue because of the plethora (wow) of material this month..

**Safety is no accident; make it not happen.**

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birch trees...should make all more tolerable during hot windless days (whew)! A vote of thanks to the out-house crew for "putting up with all that scrap". To this casual observer, their were many fixers. At the risk of offending members of that crew, I will mention several of those I observed (no offense to those that I miss as your contribution too, is appreciated. Alphabetically, Wynn Aker, Elwood Campbell, Budd Grant, Ed Hall (thanks for the barrel Ed), Bob Jennings, Tod Kopl, Bob Noll (plum bob Bob builds them square!); (square falls straight, and others neah?) ...thanks guys. Next notable of mention was the road crew led by Dick Fish tractor operator. A thanks here to Tom Kopl, Freddie Buchler and the rest of the crew. Most appreciated were the pancake and eggs (and sausages) breakfast thanks to Joe Felice, Bonnie and Bob Punker, and Winnie and Gerry Skreckoski (thanks to Ed Hall again for that coffee-mans (or women) coffee, yeah! All poking aside, a sincere **THANK YOU** to all participants.

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**Guest At April Meeting.** None.

#### **New Associate Members.**

Paul C. Chrisman - 229 1/2 Castle Creek Rd, Binghamton N.Y. 13901  
Mark A. Fisher - 48 Elmwood Dr. Apalachin N.Y. 13732  
Matthew A. Lacher - HC65 Box 6527, Owego N.Y. 13827  
Tim Rogers - 309 Horseshoe Lane, Vestal N.Y. 13850

#### **New Regular Members**

Ray Yeager - Rd7 Box 76 Fuller Hollow Road, Binghamton N.Y. 13903  
Chris Engler - 52 West Main Street, Cortland N.Y. 13045

#### **New Member To Be Voted.**

Leonard Wieczorek - P.O. Box 561 Post Trailer Park, lot 113  
Apalachin, N.Y. 13732  
Ray Aldridge - 709 North Elmira Street, Sayer Pa. 18840  
Matthew Seward - 3603 Struble Road, Endwell N.Y. 13760  
David Conklin - 531 Central Street, Endicott N.Y. 13760  
John Kennedy - 3707 Wrath Avenue, Endwell N.Y. 13760

**Letters To The Editor.** This month none.

## 34th ANNUAL PATTERN CONTEST - by Bob Noll

Everything is underway for another great event. All precontest advertisement is out, prizes are coming in and all committees have been established. We are expecting another good turnout and with the help of all those who signed up to assist we will again be able to show our guests that the AGS is a great host.

Following are copies of the flyers that went to all of last year's contestants and will give you a better idea of the schedule of events for the weekend. Below is a list of assignments and individual committee chairmen will be providing specific details to their committees. Our Contest Manager, Terry Terranoire III will provide information to his crew seperately.

There is one important reminder that I need to emphasize. The contest goes on in spite of bad weather so please be sure you are there to do your jobs even if the weather doesn't look flyable. Our contestants come from a great distance and we must be ready for them.

Also, many club members and contestants will be camping for the weekend the airport. This is very convenient and a lot of fun, so you may want to consider this if you have a tent or camper.

### 1989 AGS Pattern Contest Contest Directors Staffing Plan

(Chairmen are underlined) Contest Director: Bob Noll

Flight Line Coordinator and Ass't. CD: Terry Terrenoire

Coordinator of Judges and Ass't. CD: Jim McKeown

Registration: Tony Cammarata John Mrozinski

Tabulation: Bob Punkar Ray Yeager Dave Conklin  
Frank Gioffredo Matt Seward

Impound: Ed Hall Nels Christensen Reid Donlon

Field Preparation: Bud Grant Doug Kerr Elwin Spencer

Prizes: Ralph Jackson

Swap Shop/Raffle: Tony Cammarata John Mrozinski

Line Managers: Wynn Aker Jerry Bernhardt  
Jim Ross Chris Vonkoschbahr

Judges: Jim McKeown Bill Underkofler Dick Allen  
Todd Kopl Tom Kopl Ray Aldridge  
Scott Anderson Bob Jennings Art Royce  
Marshall Linder Terry Terranoire III Chris Engler  
George Kelsey Mike Pellicciotti

Recorders: Scott Anderson Bob Ward Steve Ward  
Tim Rogers Mark Wheeler Fred Buchler  
Charles Lecher George Wheeler Bill Hinrichsen

Seminar: Wynn Aker

## Pattern Meet Judging

by Jim McKeown

The Pattern contest this year will be using club judging for all contestant classes. Currently I have a list of persons who have volunteered to be judges. This is the list as it was handed to me:

Dick Allen	Ray
Scott Anderson	Aldridge
Tom KoPl	Todd Kopl
Mike Pellicciotti	Marshall
Terry Terreniore	Linder Art
II George Kelsey	Royce
Bob Jennings	Terry Terreniore
Bill Underkoffler	III Chris Engler

It is planned to hold several training sessions so that the judging will be consistent and in agreement with the AMA and FAI rules. The first meeting and training session will be at 7:00 Pm at the NYS Electric and Gas Company Tuesday, May 16th which is the normal AGE; meeting night. I would like to see as many of you there as is possible.

At the meeting, I requested that any who have volunteered to be judges should obtain, if they do not already have it, a copy of the AMA 1988 1989 Competition Regulations Book. This book is free by simply requesting it from

Academy of Model  
Aeronautics 1810 Samuel  
Morse Drive, Reston, VA  
22090

The training sessions mentioned above will be discussed in detail and a "Best" evening for future sessions will be planned. These sessions will consist, in the early stages, of class room work for about three sessions and two or possibly three further sessions at the field to judge actual manouvers.

At the contest, it is planned to use two judges per flight line thus minimizing the need to have an enormous staff. Each judge will need to bring his own chair and, if he feels it will help, a parasol or some type of sun shade plus cold, non-alcoholic beverage.



Fellow Pattern Flyer;

The AERO GUIDANCE SOCIETY INC. is proud to announce that it will again be hosting one of the Northeast's largest AMA sanctioned pattern contest for the 34th consecutive year. The dates and details are outlined in the attached flyer.

Last year we had 67 contestants from 8 states and Canada, consisting of the finest gathering of pattern talent in the Northeast. We are again preparing for an outstanding turnout and our plans are underway to make this the most enjoyable event for all pattern flyers in 1989.

We are very proud to have obtained the support of Futaba Corp. of America which will allow us to hold a drawing for all our contestants for a FUTABA FP-7UAP PCM 7 CHANNEL RADIO.

Because of the tremendous success of last year's seminar, we are again planning a seminar at the site on Friday evening at 7PM. This years seminar will be on "DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION" and we are planning to have several of the top designers and flyers present to explain their design and show us the installation and construction features of these top rated pattern machines.

Our present plans include:

Dean Pappas - Lodi, NJ - designer of the MAYA

Larry Phillips - Williamsport, PA - manufacturer of the  
CONQUEST, PA-2, MISTRESS

Greg Marsden - Burlington, Ontario - LEGEND designer

Ivan Kristensen - Guelph, Ontario - Designer of the SUMMIT

Ivan and Greg are tentative at this time but will be making every effort to contribute to this seminar.

The Blue Swan Airport will be available for practice flying on Friday afternoon starting at 3 PM.

Contest registration will begin on Friday evening so we can get a head start setting up our flight lines. We are planning 3 lines again this year to maximize flights and will use CLUB TRAINED JUDGES for all classes in order to eliminate the logistics problem associated with contestant judging and to let our guests relax between flights and enjoy the fellowship of other pattern flyers.

Please send the pre-registration form as soon as possible. This year we will be holding a SPECIAL DRAWING of a significant prize for all those who pre-register.

**PLAN NOW TO ATTEND THIS YEAR'S MAJOR NORTHEAST PATTERN EVENT!**

Sincerely;

*Bob Noll*

BOB NOLL, Contest Director

# 34<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL Aeroguidance Society R/C CONTEST



**PLUS : JUNE 10&11, 1989**

**DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION SEMINAR**

**Friday June 9 - 7PM**

**Blue Swan Airport, Sayre, PA**

**And these special features :**

- CLUB TRAINED JUDGES IN ALL CLASSES
- THREE FLIGHT LINES
- TROPHIES THRU 3rd PLACE
- MERCHANDISE FOR 4th THRU ?
- IMPROVED COMPUTER SCORING
- DESIGNATED SWAP SHOP AREA
- SPECIAL DRAW'G FOR PRE-REGISTRANTS
- FIELD AVAILABLE 3PM FRIDAY FOR PRACTICE FLYING
- SPECIAL AWARD TO HIGHEST PLACING NSRCA DISTRICT
- CAMPING ON SITE

## CONTEST DIRECTOR

BOB NOLL  
2317 Acorn Dr.  
Vestal, NY 13850  
(607) 754-5279

**REGISTRATION — \$20**

CLOSES AT NOON SATURDAY

## FLYING SCHEDULE

9AM-7PM SAT. 8AM-End SUN.

***Don't miss our Saturday night buffet!***

## PRE REGISTRATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_  
AMA #: \_\_\_\_\_  
NSRCA #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Frequency: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: Bob Noll, 2317 Acorn Drive, Vestal NY, 13850

Here are some quotes from past contestants:

"Good competition and good comradery go very well together and this contest satisfies both - that is why I keep coming back."

Dean Pappas  
Lodi, NJ

"The Sayre, PA contest we attended was without question on the best on the circuit. It was well attended and a lot of fun - everything a contest should be."

Dianne and Ivan Kristens  
Guelph, Ontario

"The Sayre contest was one of the best we attended, well run, good food, great times with our American and Canadian friends. We look forward to attending next year."

Cheryl and Greg Marsden  
Burlington, Ontario

"Great club members, great flying site and a tradition of contest excellence add up to a meet that we eagerly look forward to every year."

Marge and Jim Chadwick  
Lincolndale, NY

"A pleasure to go to a well organized contest like Sayre."

Grant Beaver  
Halieby, Nova Scotia

"Great contest in a scenic location, excellent flying site, congenial, friendly people, good food and most pleasant atmosphere."

Karl Mueller  
Brampton, Ontario

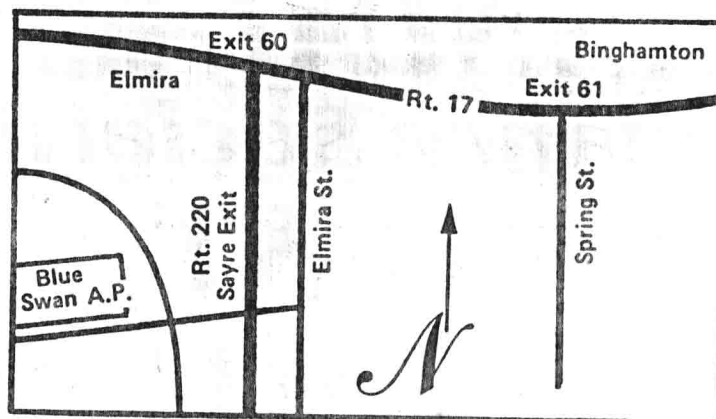
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Elmira, NY  
(607) 734-4211

JOURNEY'S END  
Elmira, NY  
(607) 739-2525

O'HERRON'S IRISH INN  
Sayre, PA  
(717) 888-0679

Camping on site

MY PLANE IS  
BROKE HALF  
THE TIME - DOES THAT  
MEAN I PAY  
HALF?



I SHOULDN'T  
HAVE TO PAY  
ANYTHING!



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