

CONNECTOR



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THE PREZ SEZ: Tony Cammarata

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An incident which I observed recently at Moore Park prompted the following comments concerning flying at that location. We all know how exciting flying is...when that beauty is in the air, plowing through the bright blue sky trailing a white exhaust...all is right with the world. Much as the urge drives us to fly at "any cost", there are times when we must suppress the urge in favor of good judgement. When the grass flying area at Moore park is not satisfactory for taking off or landing, we should not use the parking lot for those purposes even if it is empty. There is always a possibility of injury to people or pets and damage to cars which may enter during a flight. If this dangerous way of flying were observed by town officials, police or people using the park for other activities, it could jeopardize our use of Moore Park. Please refrain from taking off or landing in the parking lot.

WHAT DOES THE AGS BOARD OF DIRECTORS DO?

The board of directors has a number of resposibilities which are defined in the AGS Bylaws. One of the most important of these is to manage the club's financial assets. In order to insure that the club maintains a sound financial condition, the board respectfully requests that if a member wishes to propose a club activity which involves spending money, the proposal should be presented to the board in advance so that its financial impact and affordability can be reviewed.

1995 OAKDALE MALL SHOW A SMASH HIT

Having spent all day Saturday and the lion's share of Sunday at the mall, I was impressed by the excellent display and active participation of AGS members in the show. There were mucho airplanes and boats. This year we even had a group of Union-Endicott High School students who displayed several prototype designs of a full-size solar powered car they plan to build and compete with. The group was supervised by Mr. Charles Goodwin, a teacher in the U-E High School. They were so well behaved and obviously enthusiastic about their project, that it was a pleasure to have them share our tables. Another unique feature of the show was Jim Monaco's simulator which many visitors and club members operated. My hat is off to Tim Rogers who did a terrific job in pulling the show together (and apart). My thanks go to all of you who gave of your time and energy to make the show the success that it was.

AGS ANNUAL BANQUET

Your club officers are busy making arrangements for the annual banquet. The tentative date is April 1, 1995 so reserve this date for a gala night out. More details will be provided at the next meetings and the March Connector. Freat your sweety to an evening out with a good meal, no dishes to wash and lots of fun. Your Vice President, Tim Rogers, is busy planning entertainment for the evening. We are planning to go to a new and exciting place this year.

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CALL FOR MORE CONTEST DIRECTORS.

The AGS conducts several AMA sanctioned events each year such as the Float Flys and Pattern Contest. In order to obtain a sanction, with its necessary insurance coverage, we must have an AMA licensed Contest Director to conduct the event. There are only a few AGS members who have CD licenses and it would be a help to have more. If anyone is interested in becoming a Licensed CD, please let me know.

GOOD THINGS ABOUT THE AGS

Some of the benefits provided to AGS members are listed here:

- 1. Use of the club-owned 100 acre flying site.
- 2. Flight training in a six-week flying school at the beginning of each flying season.
- 3. Meeting programs with valuable information on aircraft construction, covering techniques, mufflers and many other technical aspects of R/C modeling.
- 4. Association with many nice model airplane people.

DUES REMINDER

Dues should be paid by October if paid annually. If paid in installments, the second payment should be made in April. The present policy concerning dues payment, as established by the board of directors, is to stop delivery of the Connector when a member's dues are six months or more late from the anniversary date of when they became a regular member. Delivery will resume when dues are paid.

SOUND LEVEL RULE REMINDER

All aircraft flown at the AGS field must have mufflers which limit engine noise to 98db maximum when measured at a distance of nine feet from the exhaust side of the engine. Dick Allen, chairman of the muffler committee and Ralph Jackson, a member of the muffler committee each have a sound level meter and are available by appointment to make measurements at the field. They can provide information on methods to bring noisy engines into compliance with the field regulation. It is each member's responsibility to make sure that his aircraft complies with the field noise regulation.

PROGRAM INFORMATION

by Bob Noll, Program Chairman

The first hanger session was a great success with 18 members attending and checking out the workshop and projects in Bob Noll's shop. Bob explained several types of mechanical retracts and how to install them. After that it was time to cover a portion of Tom Kople's new wing with Monokote. Bob explained his tools and techniques while completing one bottom wing panel in about a hour. Building and attaching skis was the next subject on the agenda and this was covered by Tony Cammarata.

FEBRUARY PROGRAM

THE FUTABA SUPER SEVEN RADIO

Many of you have expressed interest in knowing more about "Computer Radios". Wynne Aker will return with a program he gave several years ago on the "Futaba Super Seven". If you want to know more about what this computer radio can do for you don't miss this program.

FEBRUARY HANGER SESSION

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 28, 7 to 10 PM

BILL UNDERKOFLER'S BASEMENT

340 RAYLENE DRIVE, VESTAL

South on Rt 26 to MOBIL station
West (right) onto Sheedy Rd. to Glenwood Rd.
South (left) on Glenwood Rd. to Raylene Dr.
Right on Raylene Dr. and stay to left
Bill lives on the left side of the road.
An alternate route is to use Main St. South to Glenwood.

Bring your suggestions to the next meeting on topics for Bill.

AGS PYLON RACING by Bob Noll

I am in the process of establishing the 1995 racing dates and would like to propose the following changes. I plan on continuing to have four Sunday races and four weekday races. However, I would like to change the starting time of the Sunday races from 1 PM to 4 PM and move the weekday races from Tuesdays to Mondays, still starting at 6 PM. The reason for these suggested changes is so Jim Pecha can join us since his bowling commitments prevented him from joining us last year and I'm sure we all would like to have Jim's flying talents at the races. Please let me know if this change will adversely affect any of the current or new racers in the club.

MEETING - TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 7:30 PM VESTAL AMERICAN LEGION

Program: THE FUTABA SUPER SEVEN RADIO

Presented by: WYNN AKER

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