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Meetings of the AGS are held the 1st Tuesday of every month at the Maine-Endwell High School, Changes to time or location will be noted in this newsletter. Business meeting at 7:30 P.M., program to follow.

The Prez Sez
Frank
Gioffredo

Here it is, heading for May. The good weather has shown up for a change, can you believe we have had almost two weeks of sunshine and moderate temps? Unfortunately for me this has caused a major boom in motorcycling forcing me to work even more hours than normal for this time of year, so I haven't even looked at an airplane to go out flying. The Annual Dinner was a great success, Thanks again to Brent, his wife Rebecca, and to Gib for all the work they put into the party. I believe all who attended had a great time, I know Denise and I did. Due to having to work, I did not get to attend the field opening activities, but I heard the day was very poorly attended. I know more than just six people use our field and it is quite disappointing that more members did not come out. But I realize the weather could have played a part in decisions not to come out. My thanks go out to those who braved the day to get things in shape for the rest of us.

In order to get more info into the newsletter and make things more exciting, if you have something that might be of interest, please forward it onto Jeff so he can get it in. Please look into your info even if it is a little tip to pass on that might help others, and send it in. A mowing list will be started at the next meeting. PLEASE try to find a spot that is convenient for you and a buddy or two and get on the list. Let's not have a chase session on the list to get it filled. If you do not know how to operate the tractor, you can contact any board member and we will get you checked out on the tractor with one of us or someone who can

show you how it is operated. Also don't forget that the outhouse is part of the job and you should plan to give it a cleaning also and check the TP and replenish it if necessary.

Meetings will move from the high school to the field as of the June meeting so June, July, and August will be at the field.

Enough for now I hope to see you all at the next meeting, until then., Good Flying.



BUSCH DEVELOPMENT DAY!

by Bob Noll for Jerry Roscoe

About the only things that were developed on Sunday afternoon were cold feet and cold hands. The plan was to provide the opportunity for our new pilots to get some race course experience, but mother nature had other thoughts. Three new pilots, Scott Wallace, Jeff Hatton and Brent Bryson, did show up and four veterans were there to assist. However, the only assisting that was needed was to set some needle valves as no one opted to fly in the 20 mph wind with the chill factor in the low thirties.

We'll hold another Busch Development at a date to be determined and hope for better weather since the first STRC race is Tuesday, May 10 at 6:30 PM.

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Coming Events

STRC RACE #1.....May 10
AGS Field 6:30 pm

STRC RACE #2.....May 24
AGS Field 6:30 pm

STRC RACE #3.....June 7
AGS Field 6:30 pm

Aerobatics Primer.....June 11
AGS Field

Cancellation of AGS

Meetings: In the event of poor weather, listen to the radio or television for local closings and cancellations. If Maine-Endwell High School classes are cancelled, then the AGS meeting is cancelled.

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Annual Dinner Party

Brent E. Bryson

This years annual dinner party was held at Two's Company Restaurant. Everyone seemed to have a good time. There was great socializing, great food, great desserts, and a great time playing trivia and name bingo. Thanks to Gib Vandling who arranged for the restaurant, arranged the trivia contest, purchased the prizes, and generally offered support and good advice. Thanks to Terry Terrenoire who arranged for the desert, and the roses for the ladies that attended. Thanks to Ann Terrenoire who created the lovely flower arrangements for the ladies. Thanks to Mark Lecher for donating the gifts for the ladies (candle votives). Thanks to Bob Noll who offered to pay for the prizes in the event that the admission did not cover the cost. Thanks to Karen and Bill Tomac for donating their evening to run the trivia contest. Thanks to all the members and guests who attended and made it a great time. Thanks to my wife Rebecca, who helped set up and run the bingo game, and assigned Hugh Hefner as my celebrity name.

Dinner Party Letters

I would like to thank Brent Bryson, Gib Vandiling and their committee for organizing such a great dinner party. I attended with a friend, Bonnie Punkar, who husband was in the club and held many offices and committee positions. Bonnie herself was very involved with the club until Bob passed away seven years ago. Bonnie and I both enjoyed ourselves very much and it was very nice to see many wives there enjoying themselves and being treated by their husbands. Bonnie particularly appreciated the favor and gifts she received and had a great time playing trivia. Thank you Brent and Gib for this great event!

Bob Noll

THANK YOU AGS

On behalf of the wives and significant others who attended the 50th Anniversary Dinner this past month, I would like to say Thank You for those responsible for putting on such a great night. Between the games we played and the food by Two's Company, it was a well rounded evening. For me personally, I got to reconnect with friends I haven't seen in a while. By playing the game where you had to guess which celebrity you are by asking questions of others, I got to meet other people from the club I normally don't run into at the field. But my favorite event of the night was the trivia contest. If it wasn't for Mark Lecher being on our team, I don't think we would have gotten as far as we did. Sure, we ended up with "0" points in the end, but I now realize that Frank Gioffredo and Rick aren't as smart as they think they are. As for Denise Gioffredo and I, we never claimed to be trivia smart like our husbands. Also, thank those responsible for getting the flowers and votive candle holders. They made a nice gift.

Gina Allabaugh



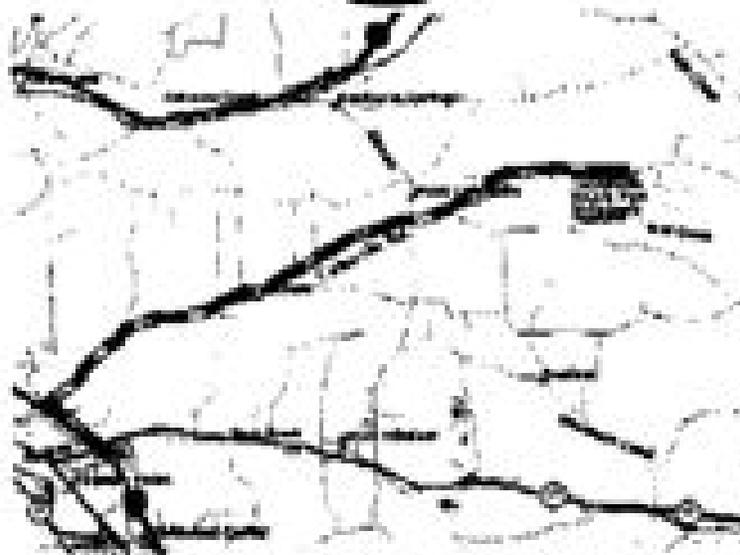
Radio Controlled Model Airplane Float Fly

May 14th & 15th, 2005
Nathaniel Cole Park, Harpursville, NY
10 miles East of Binghamton, NY

Directions: From Route 81-S take Exit 1. Turn left at the light onto Coleville Rd. From 81-N take Exit 27W onto route 118; go 1 mile then right at light onto Coleville rd. Follow Coleville Road approx. 8 miles to Nathaniel Cole Park on right.



Flying 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM both days.
Landing Fee: \$8 both days, or \$5 one day.
On site overnight camping available for self contained RVs, please contact CD.
Lunch will be available both days.
Door prizes to be awarded to participants.

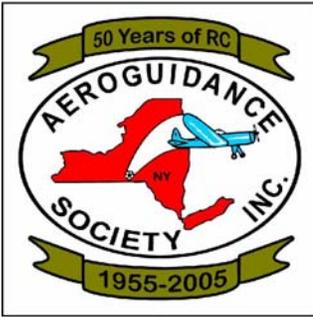


The MOB would like to thank last years event sponsors who donated prizes:
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Spectators Welcome...Bring the entire family

and enjoy a day of fun at one of our beautiful local parks
See more info about Cole Park: www.gobromscounty.com



AEROGUIDANCE SOCIETY, INC.

2005 Activities Calendar

Our 50th Year

January
 1 - New years Day Fun Fly
 22, 23 - Mall Show

February
 12 - Winter Fly

April
 9 - Annual Dinner Party
 23 - Field Clean-up Day
 24 - Field Clean-up day rain date
 24 - Busch Development Day

May
 4 - Primary Flight School begins
 10 - STRC Race #1
 24 - STRC Race #2

June
 7 - STRC Race #3
 11 - Aerobatics Primer
 21 - STRC Race #4

July
 6 - Primary Flight School ends
 9 - Celebration of Flight
 12 - STRC Race #5
 13 - Instructors Thank You Picnic
 23 - AGS Open House
 24 - Open House rain date
 26 - STRC Race #6

August
 5, 6, 7 - Aerobatics Contest
 9 - STRC Race #7
 27 - Annual Picnic
 30 - STRC Race #8

September
 3, 4 - VR/CS Reunion
 11 - STRC Race #9
 17, 18 - Float Fly
 24 - Fly-in Breakfast for CHOW
 25 - STRC Race #10

November
 5 - Field Winterizing
 6 - Field Winterizing rain date

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	31	AEROBATICS CONTEST ANNUAL PICNIC STRC RACES 7 & 8	VINTAGE REUNION STRC RACES 9 & 10 FLOAT FLY BREAKFAST FOR CHOW
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	30 31	FIELD WINTERIZING	



OLD TIME MOVIES TO CONTINUE BEFORE EACH MEETING

by Bob Noll

Because of the outstanding response I will again be showing movies of old Nats and club events prior to the next meeting.

I was overwhelmed with the attendance and you won't want to be a minute late. The projector will start promptly at 7 PM (maybe a few minutes before).

Activities

Brent E. Bryson

Upcoming activities include Primary Flight School, which begins on Wednesday May 4th at 6:30PM, the Aerobatics Primer, which is on Saturday June 11th at 10AM, and the Intra-Club Contest, which is on Saturday July 9th at 10AM.

Important: We are looking for a chairperson to organize the Intra-Club Contest. If you would like to chair this event please call or email me, or let me know at the May meeting.



Attention!

Field Speed Limit: 10 mph

Now that flying season is in session, watch your SPEED on the road to the field. Keep it around 10 mph or less.

Spring is Here!

Time to dust off the old models and show off our new projects.

It's also...Mowing Season! There will be a sign up sheet at the next monthly meeting. For each weekend we will need a tractor operator and ideally two helpers. If you are unsure of tractor operation, contact a Board Member and we can make arrangements to do some training. This year the Board would like to see everyone physically able to volunteer to help with grass cutting at least once.

Membership

By Rick Allabaugh

April was a busy month for membership. We voted in one new regular member, Roy Dickson, and accepted four membership applications from the following people: Paul Rahn, Joe Wanchisen, Ed Lancki, Afzul Ur Rehman. Congratulations to Roy and Welcome to Paul, Joe, Ed, and Afzul.

I recently received an e-mail from a gentleman who is interested in joining the club. In his e-mail, he stated that that he found our club through an internet search and was interested to see we were celebrating our 50th year as a club. In addition, I received a voice message from a woman who bought a plane at GJ's and got my name through them. I've been in touch with one person and working on the second. We may have two new Associate Members in the future....



DID YOU KNOW - that the AGS has been recognized by the Academy of Model Aeronautics many times. Do you know what awards it has received?

AGS Meeting #693 April 5, 2005

The meeting was held at the Maine-Endwell High School and was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by president Frank Gioffredo. Present at the meeting were approximately 33 members and 2 guests.

Meeting Minutes

Approved as published in the Connector

Officer Reports

VP's report:

Annual dinner being held on Apr 9th at Two's Company. Field Cleanup day is 4/23 and Busch development day is 4/24.

Secretary's report:

Minutes from the March Board Meeting were read.

Treasurer's report:

The financial report was given and accepted.

Committee Reports

Membership

A vote was held and associate Roy Dixon was welcomed as a full member of the AGS. The AGS signed up 3 new associate members at this meeting.

Librarian Report

Nothing to report.

Field

Field Opening (clean up) is scheduled for Saturday, April 23rd (rain date April 24). Lets all pitch in and help get the field ready to go!

Old Business

AGS golf type shirts and caps are available through Rick Allabaugh. Contact Rick ASAP with your size if you want a club shirt, or a cap. Rick will co-ordinate a group order similar to what was done last year with the Club Jackets.

Next Board Meeting

The board meeting will be held at Brent Bryson's home on April 19th.

New Business

General

Bob Noll displayed the new sign for the pavilion, resplendent with its AGS 50th Anniversary logo.

Matt Struck was given the club perpetual award given to the club member that places highest in their first aerobatics contest.

Show-N-Tell

Jim Quinn displayed a deBolt Champ and a Cherokee. Hal deBolt designs are celebrated at this years VRCS events. Build any of his great models and join us on Labor Day weekend.

Bob Frey displayed a Fairy Swordfish WW2 torpedo bomber.

Bill Underkofler demonstrated his most amazing R/C ornithopter.

Terry Terrenoire showed off his Sig Fazer and ARF Ace Seamaster.

Bob Noll displayed his framed up AGS "Retro", designed by Ken Maroni. The model is designed to look like the plane on our AGS logo.

Matt Struck had a Tensor 4-D Electric biplane, and a neat Hyper discus launch glider.

Dave Merithew had a lovely Curtiss Jenny, scratch built from his own plans.

Bob Balsie showed off his H-9 Twist & Fox 40 engine.

Jeff Hatton had a new Scat Cat ready for club pylon races and has fit an OS 91 Surpass to a Kyosho G-Trick pattern model.

Don Harrington was in attendance as a guest and had a fascinating old RC transmitter to display. He built it himself in 1947 as a college project. Used a rotary phone dial to command the desired "control". Awesome!

Program

This month's program was "project night". Details under "Show N Tell" section.

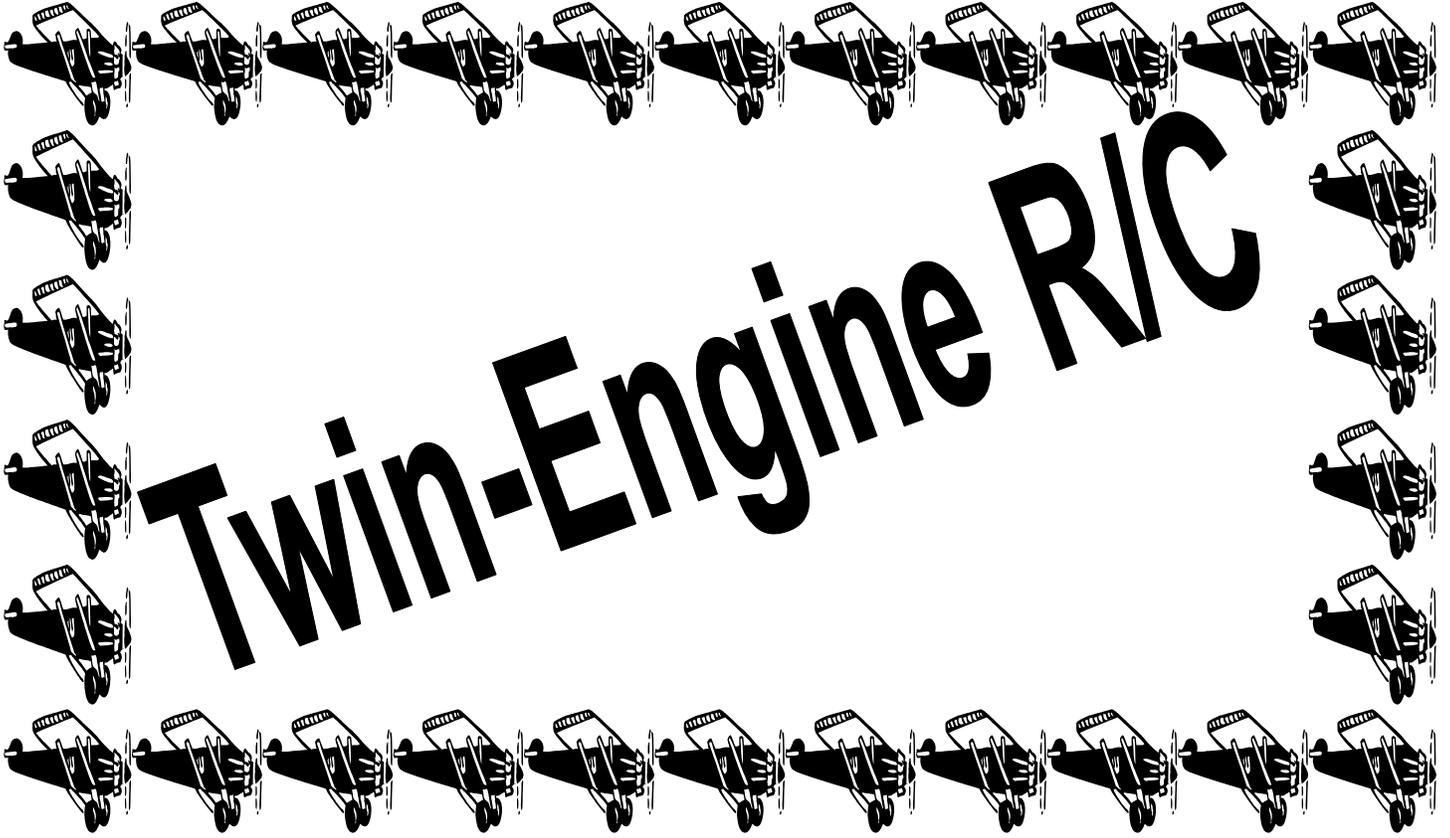
"Did You Know" Trivia Quiz

There was a tie between Terry Terrenoire and Bill Underkofler for the correct answer to which site has the AGS held the annual pattern contest. Correct answer was Tri-Cities airport, Sidney Airport, Sayre (Blue Swan airport), Greene, and the AGS field.

As there were no correct answers the prev month, each was awarded a 1 year magazine subscription donated by Model Airplane News.



MAY PROGRAM



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