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Summer Meetings of the AGS are held the AGS Field at 7:00 P.M. Changes to time or location will be noted in this newsletter .

The Prez Sez

Paul Slocum

Last months program was on sailplanes presented by Bob Noll. I thought it was very informative along with good questions and insights on this subject. Thank you Bob for doing this and to John Carril and Joe Perrucci for bring in examples of different types of sailplanes. Our 56th Precision Aero Contest was held on July 9/10. Thank yous need to go out to Frank Gioffredo for once again being the CD for this event and to all of those that helped make this event successful. Coming up in August we have to events happing on the same weekend. Model Aviation Day will be on August 13th at Tri Cities Airport and the AGS Family picnic on Sunday August 14th. Terry Terrenoire is coordinating M.A.D. and needs your support so please contact Terry and get your name on the list. A good showing of AGS members at this public event not only makes light work for all but also shows how committed we are to this great hobby. Bob Balsie is organizing our family picnic that will be at our field. If you have not responded to Bob's request for how many in your family will be attending please let Bob know real soon. AGS is in need for a Sound Chairperson. The duties of this position can be found at the web site in the member's only section under Committees Roles & Responsibilities. Those that are interested please contact me. In last months column I mentioned that we were awaiting the arrival of our new grandson. Well Benjamin arrived on July 6 at 6.32 PM weighing in at 8 pounds and 22 inches long. Don't forget that Club night, hosted by Don Shugard, will be on August 2 before the

regular meeting. Please make sure you read Don's article for details. Hope to see a lot of you there for our last meeting of the year at the field

Pylon

Terry Terrenoire

Since I was absent from the July 12 race here is the summary I rcvd from Doug.

It was a sunny and breezy evening. Since we flew off runway 30, we flew 9 1/2 laps. There were just three racers and a full complement of helpers. With three racers, each heat had Don taking off first, Frank in second, and Bob in third. In the first heat, Bob made up the staggered start, took the lead and kept it. Frank and Don went back and forth between second and third place with Frank crossing the line ahead of Don. The second heat was very close until Bob cut. Even then Bob and Frank finished very close for second place with Don coming in first. The third heat was almost a copy of the second heat. Bob had another cut which took him from first position to third. Don topped the board again but just be a fraction of a second. Frank came in with another second place finish. Don had a hot night tearing up the straight-aways with two firsts and a third. Frank was the most consistent with three second place finishes. Bob started with a first place finish and then the two cuts put him in third for the other two heats. As always, we had a nice time of socializing and eating after the race.

Season points are as follows: Noll 26, Frank 23, Don 19, Jim 18, Terry 9, Scott, Bill, and Jeff each have 8.

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Coming Events

August 2nd

7:00 PM AGS Field

Pylon Race August 9th

Model Aviation Day

Aug 13th Tri Cities Airport

Pylon Race August 23rd



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. The Aeroguidance Society, INC. P.O. Box 39 Vestal, NY 13850-0039

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Editor Jeff Hatton AGS General Meeting Minutes July 5, 2011

Meeting No. 765, called to order by Paul Slocum at 7:00PM

Program:

Bob Noll did a program on sailplanes. He explained the different sailplane categories and classes and described the competitions and tasks associated with each of them. Categories and classes included soaring, slope soaring, aerobatics, racing and sport scale soaring.

Paul Slocum asked for comments on the May General Meeting minutes as written in the Connector. John Carril noted that he misspelled the guest's name: it should be Tom Deforest not Tom Defloris. Bob Balsie moved that the minutes be accepted as corrected; Doug Breneman seconded, and the motion was approved.

Paul Slocum noted that there were no guests this month; however, he reported that Hanna Romero (9 years old) and her Dad, Fermin were joining the club.

Bob Johnson gave the Treasurer's report.

Paul Slocum reported that Bob Balsie won the Show & Tell for the last meeting (June).

Frank Gioffredo reported on the

coming week's competition and that he needed more help. Breakfast and registration would be at 8:30am. There would be no registration fee for club members.

Paul Slocum reported that Don Shugard would be hosting Club Night with flying and food before the meeting next month.

Bob Noll will lead the Pylon Race next week to fill in for Terry Terrenoire who will be on vacation.

Re club hats and shirts, Terry Terrenoire reported that he had a source for them and ordered some (2). Fermin Romero may have another source. John Carril will research the Secretary's files to see if he can find the original source(s) used.

Aviation day event: Terry Terrenoire reported that he has requested donations from Wal-Mart, Sam's and Frito Lay. He will also contact BAE. Also that Radio station (WNBF) has committed to give AGS a five-minute segment to promote the event.

Bob Noll inquired about a Family Picnic date. Bob Balsie asked if the Club wanted to have one. After some discussion, August 14 (the day after Aviation day) was agreed upon. The picnic will be at the AGS field starting mid afternoon. No flying will be permitted during the picnic- it is Family Day. Fliers can come earlier to fly. Bob Balsie will send email announcing date and to find out who will be coming (adults, kids, kids ages, etc.) for planning purposes.

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Show and Tell

Joe Perrucci mentioned that some good RTF powered glider kits are available for about \$250. One, the Parkzone Radian that has ailerons and flaps sells for about \$300 complete with transmitter, or about \$250 without the transmitter.

Bob Kip mentioned that he had a number of glider models and was looking into suitable electric power packages to convert/ upgrade them to power.

Model Aviation Day

Terry Terrenoire

Please mark the 13th on your calendar and plan to help with the 4th, bi-annual, Model aviation day. For the second time it will be held at the Tri-Cities airport. We are still seeking donations but I have 2 confirmations to date. BAE will be helping again this year, as will Sam's. I have not heard from Wal-Mart or Frito-Lay yet, and Don is going to try again for help from Lockheed Martin.

Here is the agenda:

Introduction to flight...Joe P with the help of Tom Kopl Flight simulator......Rick Curtis with help Delta Darts.....Charlie Hatton Buddy Box flights.....Terry with help

Depending of the amount of financial help we will have door prizes and give out free lunches. A lot of the final details will have to be worked out in the last few days leading up to the event. If you are available that Saturday please let me know. I am sure I can find some work for you.

Charlie will need help with the Darts. Rick needs help with the simulators and I will need help with the flight box instruction.

He discussed the various motors he found that worked well for him (with suitable power/weight/ price ratios).

Old Business

Frank Giofredo called our attention to the both ends of the new runway that have been cleared, thanks to the efforts of Bob Jennings, Don Shugard and Brent Bryson. He also noted that Dan (our neighbor) brush-hogged the tall weeds.

Frank mentioned that he sold his competition plane to one of the best flyers in the country. Bob Noll proposed removing the runway numbers from the field rules so we wouldn't have to worry about changing them again. Terry countered that we might as well leave them in since they are not likely to change again.

New Business

Jim Quinn initiated a discussion about the need to procure a lawn tractor for mowing the field when the ground is too wet to use the Ford tractor. A number of suggestions and/or options were discussed. Paul Slocum said the issue would be addressed at the next Board meeting.

Meeting Program

by Bob Noll, Program Chairman

It has been many years since the subject of sound testing has been addressed at a club meeting and having summer meetings at our airport provide us this opportunity. Item 5 of the 'General' section of our Field Rules states "The maximum sound level emitted by any model shall be limited to 96 db on the A weighted scale measured at 9'. New aircraft shall be tested and, if necessary, corrected promptly." Many clubs across the country have lost fields due to excessive 'noise' and we want to continue being responsible neighbors and protect our flying privileges.

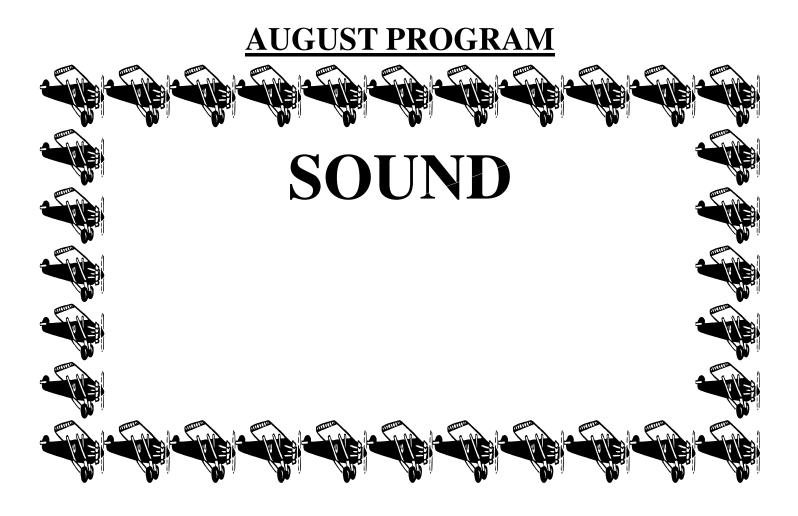
Recently one of our member's planes exceeded that limit but was brought into compliance by merely making a propeller change.

Terry Terrenoire will explain why we have a sound limit and tell you about the sound testing equipment and testing procedure that is used.

The Deadline for Connector articles is two Fridays before the meeting. Please have submissions to the editor before then. Electronic submissions are preferred, E-mail them to jeff@priusonline.com Deadline for Next Connector is 8/26//11

Activities Calendar for 2011

| Activity | Date(s) | Chairman |
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| New Year's Day Fly | Completed | Frank Gioffredo |
| Winter Ski Fun Fly | February 12 th , 2011 | Jim Quinn |
| March Fly | Completed | Frank Gioffredo |
| Oakdale Mall Show | April 2nd & 3rd, 2011 | Bob Balsie |
| Aerobatics Primer | May 7 th , 2011 | Jim Quinn |
| Pylon Race | May 10 th , 2011 | Terry Terrenoire |
| Pylon Race | May 24 th , 2011 | Terry Terrenoire |
| Pylon Race | June 14 th , 2011 | Terry Terrenoire |
| Pylon Race | June 28 th , 2011 | Terry Terrenoire |
| AGS Pattern Contest | July 9th & 10th | Frank Gioffredo (CD) |
| Pylon Race | July 12 th , 2011 | Terry Terrenoire |
| Pylon Race | July 26 th , 2011 | Terry Terrenoire |
| Pylon Race | August 9 th , 2011 | Terry Terrenoire |
| Model Aviation Day | August 13th, 2011 | Terry T. & Frank G. |
| Pylon Race | August 23 rd , 2011 | Terry Terrenoire |
| Family Picnic | TBD | Bob Balsie |
| VR/CS Reunion | September 3 rd & 4 th | Bob Noll |
| Fall Float Fly | September 10th & 11th, 2011 | Bob Balsie |
| Pylon Race | September 11 th , 2011 | Terry Terrenoire |
| Pylon Race | September 18 th ,2011 | Terry Terrenoire |
| Annual Holiday Party | December 6, 2011 | Bob Balsie |



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