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December meeting at Jonathan's in Endwell (Dec 7)

Changes to time or location will be noted in this newsletter

Dues Reminder: Please don't forget! Contact Bob Jennings or mail to club PO box on last page.

Prez Sez — Jeff Hatton

Nothing new this month...



Vice Prez Sez — David Dewey-Wright

Happy December! I hope everyone is doing well and had a great Thanksgiving! We will be having a meeting Monday, December 7th, at Jonathan's, starting at 6:30. We have one official piece of business to attend to: voting on Regular membership for two of our Associate members, LaShawn Wiley, and Mike Mauersberg. If you won't be attending in person, please send your vote by e-mail to our Board Secretary, Jesse Pagels. Our by-laws specify an anonymous ballot vote for regular membership, but the board approved e-mailed "ballots" to our secretary, and Jesse will present the total count at the meeting. I'll be sending out an e-mail reminder with the same information in the next few days.

In addition to our official business, I'd like to propose a topic of discussion for afterwards: Adhesives. What do you like to use where, for

what purposes? If you've got some examples, please bring them along. I don't have a full presentation planned, but I do have a specific product I'll bring along and show.

As Activities chair, if you're interested in "flying in the New Year," Todd suggested Harold Moore Park behind the Town Square Mall as a non-sanctioned event where we could gather and get the first flight(s) of the year in.

Up-Coming Events

AGS December Meeting

Monday Dec 7th
6:30 PM
Jonathan's (Endwell)

New Year's Fly

Friday Jan 1
11:00 AM
Harold Moore Park, Vestal

AGS January Meeting

Mon Jan 4th
6:30 PM
Jonathan's (Endwell)

[For AGS field current weather info contact:](#)
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President: Jeff Hatton (A-C)

Vice President: David Dewey-
Wright (D-H)

Secretary: Jesse Pagels (I-L)

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1) Brent Bryson (S-Z)

2) Dave A. Smith

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Program: Tom Kopl

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Newsletter Editor: Todd Kopl

**NOTE: 72 MHz Channel #42
Must
Not Be Used at the AGS Field**

**MEET SAMUEL KOPL – by Bob Noll, Membership
Chairman**

Our newest member is Samuel Kopl, son of Todd Kopl, brother to Mathew Kopl and grandson of Tom Kopl. Three generations in the AGS! Wow!

Samuel is a 9th grade Vestal student in the Oak Tree Program at BOCES. He has several hobbies which include hand making calendars with special icons that depict historical events. He also enjoys building LEGO Minecraft sets and has a large collection of them.

Samuel is a great Green Bay Packers fan and enjoys swimming and diving in the family pool in the summer. On a windy day he enjoys flying his Spider Man kite at the AGS flying fiend.

**AGS General Membership Meeting -Rick
Allabaugh**

October 2020 AGS General Meeting Notes (*Ed. Note: not received in time for Oct Connector*)

October 11, 2020 @ 4:00 pm

1.) This month's general meeting was held remotely due to current County Covid-19 restrictions.

2,) President Jeff Hatton called the meeting to order.

3.) Jeff presented the slate of officers to the members

President: Jeff Hatton

Vice President: Open

Secretary: Jesse Pagels

Treasurer: Bob Jennings

Board member at Large: Dave Smith (2nd yr. of two year commitment)

Board Member at Large: Brent Bryson (1st yr. of two year commitment)

4.) Jeff opened up the floor for members to present any nominations for the BOD positions.

5.) As no other nominations were made, a motion was made by the Secretary to approve the Board as presented.

6.) The BOD as presented to the membership was accepted.

7.) In a previous BOD meeting, the Board had recommended and approved to make Jesse Pagels a Regular Member before his Associate Membership was up. We did this since he agreed to be the club Secretary for the upcoming year. This was presented to the general membership and Jesse was voted in as a Regular Member.

8.) Meeting was adjourned.

Editorial – Submitted by Todd Kopl

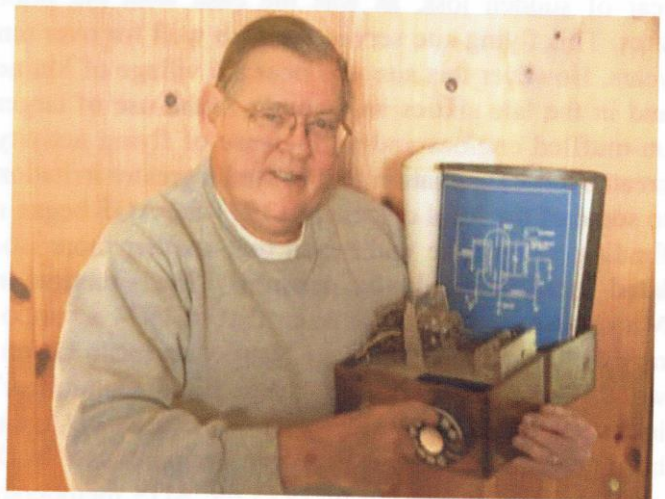
In an effort to resurrect our annual New Year's fly tradition I have proposed a move back to Harold Moore Park in Vestal (in the not so distant past this used to be where we did it). This will not be an 'official' club event. Show up to watch, socialize, or fly and bring your own refreshments. For anyone not familiar, the park is located off Old Vestal Road near Take-A-Break restaurant. I looked back into my archives & pulled out Jan 1, 1990 New Year's Day report: 25 degrees and dropping with 35+ mph winds, location was Moore Park. Great time had by all (including spouses) noted!

Not sure about anyone else but I was still able to get some quality flight time in during November. However, based on my last trip up on Nov. 29th I'd say that was probably it...the parking area & field are approaching spring conditions.



I hope Santa is good to everyone this year!

DON HARRINGTON, AN AGS FOUNDER – by Bob Noll



Don Harrington, 94, died on Sunday, November 15. I think Don was the last living member of the group that founded the AGS in 1954. Don earned a bachelor of aeronautical engineering degree from RPI and joined IBM in 1950. He retired as Controller of IBM Glendale in 1984 after 34 years of service to IBM.

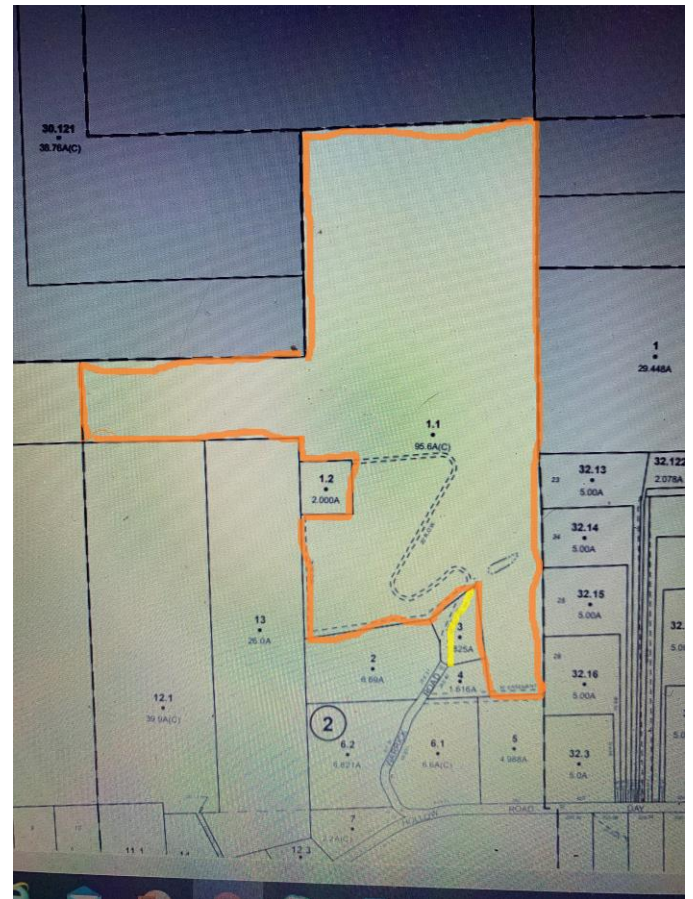
I met Don when I came to Endicott after graduating from Lehigh University in 1959. Don and I became very good friends since both of us had our amateur radio licenses, flew RC planes and restored a Model

Here are some photos of Don and his “Mosquito” at the AGS Indoor Event in 1970. Terry Terrenoire, Art Riegal and I are his assistants. Don’s ingenuity allowed him to build a small and light weight airborne RC system so he could install it into his rubber powered model.



October 1975 - At a historic meeting held September 30, Aeroguidance Society members voted overwhelmingly in favor of purchasing the 66 acre Day Hollow Road site for development as a club flying site. Back in 1971 we began accumulating funds for the purpose of buying a larger flying site to replace the 16 acre club-owned field in Maine. With the buyer in hand for our Maine field we find ourselves with \$14K in club

Ever wonder what our property looks like? For those who have never seen it this is the AGS property border highlighted in orange. The yellow depicts our right of way (ROW) across our neighbor (Dan's) property. (submitted by Todd K.)



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AGS 2020/2021 ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

| ACTIVITY / LOCATION (AGS Field unless specified) | DATE | TIME | CHAIRMAN |
|---|-------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| December Club Meeting/Jonathan's | Mon Dec. 7 | 6:30 pm - done | NA |
| New Year's Fly/Harold Moore Park Vestal | Jan 1 | 11:00 am | NA (non-sanctioned event) |
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Other nearby RC events of interest

| Event / Location | Date | Contact /Info |
|-------------------------|-------------|----------------------|
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**Reminder to all AGS members...Keep
your AMA membership current.**

**AMA membership is an AGS
requirement to remain a member in
good standing.**



DECEMBER PROGRAM
Adhesives



HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!!!

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