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****October Meeting** (Monday Nov 7th)**
Tri-Cities Airport
Endicott, NY 13760

Changes to time or location will be noted in this newsletter



Prez Sez — David Dewey-Wright

Happy Halloween! That reminds me, I've got to stop in and pick up my dad's "bat plane." I recently saw the design somewhere too, but don't remember where. It's a twin motor, and pretty sporty, but really needs to come out for the season. He also has a "Mr. Wizard" flying broomstick. Lift is provided by the brim of the Wizard's hat. Geez... so many planes, so little time.

I hope you haven't put everything away for the winter yet. This past weekend had some good flying weather on Saturday. I met up with Chris Goffa and Brent Bryson. Brent did some FPV flying while I spotted for him. It was interesting. I think he concluded that a little narrower field of view might help, as well as having the camera mounted a little higher above the wing so he has a better view of the ground. I got a chance to put the goggles on as he was landing the plane. The cost didn't sound prohibitive.

Up-Coming Events

AGS November Meeting

Mon November 7th

6:30 PM

Tri Cities Airport

Field Winterizing

Sat November 12th noon

AGS December Meeting

Mon December 5th

6:30 PM

Tri Cities Airport

[For AGS field current
weather info contact: BGM
Automated Terminal
Information System \(ATIS\)
607-729-8335](#)

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

Prez Sez (continued)

Chris flew a couple planes, and has some interesting ideas that might help revive our racing, and/or add some combat flying. He's planning to be able to join us during the evenings this coming year. See his article below, check out some of the links, and give some thought to some of his ideas. One of the primary goals is to keep it affordable, important in these times.

The Binghamton Aeros are reviving there "almost annual" ChiliFly, this coming Saturday, rain date on Sunday. You should have received the e-mail sent to our mail server from Greg Ingalsbe. No landing fee, potluck "bring a dish to pass" meal, RSVE at: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScFSVvKaR1ejwYeQi3vZEDiH9kG-uYE8zNJn6_EBLiAPgs9mA/viewform?usp=sf_link Hope some of us can make it.

Lastly, if you have any ideas for topics for the next meeting, please send them to me. Either something you want someone else to present, or something you have in mind and are ready to share.

Happy Flying!

Vice Prez Sez — Jeff Hatton

Nothing this month

AGS General Membership Meeting – Greg

Ingalsbe

No minutes for October



Field – Todd Kopl

Field winterizing is scheduled for Saturday November 12th at noon. Many hands make light work!

List of chores

Signs – remove and store road, gate and pavilion signs in shed.

Windsock – remove and store in shed.

Runway signs – remove and store in shed, repair if necessary.

Flight Stations – store

Equipment winterizing

- Remove gas & run everything dry except zero turn and Ford
- Stabilize gas in zero turn, Ford, and whatever is left in cans
- Disconnect negative terminals on batteries

ONE TIME ITEMS

Dismantle/burn/discard old picnic tables by upper shed

Dismantle/burn/discard flight line benches beyond repair

Clean/trim behind upper shed along 'back wall'

Editorial – Submitted by Todd Kopl

Beloved AGS Member Joe Perucci took his final flight on October 19th...Godspeed Joe



Racing/Combat Ideas – Chris Goffa

Hi Guys as we enter winter building season which usually turns into the summer and spring of rain and more building season, I am contemplating actually having time to participate in club events and getting to know who all some or most of you actually are. One of the things I had on the back burner as an I really want to do this but, work nights so cannot co-ordinate kind of thing. What I have in mind is a new or modified contest for the club and our neighbors in the aeros too. The more the merrier. We could alternate fields I have been kicking around the concept of what we could do using the 3cell x 1000mah battery open design build, buy or fly whatever you want but it has to be no bigger than a 3 cell 1000 mah pack. The event or contest I would like to see us develop are twofold 1) low dollar short course pylon racing. the existing Q-500 and unlimited classes are basically dead, as there are no affordable airframes and the price point of entry is up to \$500 or more. Keeping the pylons close together, say 75 or 100 foot separation means that there will be no room for fast birds to lap slow ones in the straights as everyone is basically turning all the time. think of it as a tight oval track race or circle track and you get the gist. The second is to run a version of SSC slow survivable combat, call it CSSC Cheap-Slow survivable Combat. 30 foot streamer cut seems like the best version of this to keeps speeds down and the fun tight and exciting. The idea to me is to keep the planes to around \$100 all in, with inflation this number should be a guideline but I do think we should be running cheap EMAX outrunners and drone motors not AXI-golds . I am going to include copied links to some planes that I think would be a hoot to run with friends and club mates, and if enough people like one particular design we could very well adopt 1-D rules and build the same plane with individual components selected by the pilot .

https://fancyfoam-com.3dcartstores.com/Funfly-Kits_c_12.html

the firefly, quickstic 3-d stick X-raycer and stingray are all well known to me and amazingly fun. the X-raycer with a hot drone motor and 3 cell 800 is deceptively fast and can be as docile or challenging as you want to make it. the Tuff-flight stingray is a docile EDF that was originally kitted nearby in Syracuse and is a fun and nearly unbreakable plane for the money, also a steal as it includes the EDF unit and it is a hi-tec unit. I have messaged with Fancy-Foam and for those of us who want to run the EDF in the new 50mm habu or something similar he will kit the plane as foam only.

https://fancyfoam-com.3dcartstores.com/Trainer-Kits_c_11.html

pusher version of the p=47 and spitfire also the beech stagger wing

all 3 channel planes can be cut or made as aileron when you place an order

RC-Factory/Telink from czech republic aka TWISTED HOBBY there are no bad choices here, but you will spend more money

<https://twistedhobbys.com/airplanes/warbird-racers/>

<https://twistedhobbys.com/aircraft/airplanes/multi-winged/>

Marek Rokowski and his fantastic collection of EPP foam everything straight from the polish foam foundries to your building table in about 4-6 weeks. Marek is hands down my low dollar go to guy. His kits are made from the best foam and he has the best selection as well as his experience as a full scale glider pilot and engineer. I currently have his 1 meter Fokker triplane to build, the Pfalz d3 a Northrup n9m and the IL-16 rata/Ishak (donkey) and the Siemens Schukart D3 Mark's monoplanes basically fall together, you will have to carve away the bits that don't look like aero plane His English is actually not bad, and Googles polish translation is quite good, Please send this guy some business, I don't think he gets nearly enough credit or recognition on this side of the Atlantic. Also, FWIW

most of his planes especially the WWI biplanes will need motors more akin to the park zone t-28 trojan motor to balance but they are affordable easy builds and could be a thing unto themselves. most of his kits are designed around ESA European simplified air combat rules and would be good club racers and streamer combat ships to build from our spare parts bins.

PSA the biplanes can be a bit challenging as you have to build and set up the cabanes with a jig, he provides monoplanes are truly cake in most cases

Marek's sheet foam warbirds very similar to lead feather designs formerly kitted by Jim Reith at RA cores.

<https://www.napolskimniebie.pl/pl/c/Modele-halowe/27>

Well, I think this is enough for now, one last thing though, if we could get two wacky willy inflatable arm guys as pylons, I think there would be even more choices and random swatting of those that cut inside too closely.

Did You Know – Submitted by Bob Noll

Fifty years ago, the AGS had many activities that were very well attended. Here are some activities that were reported in the October 1972 Connector.

THE PREZ SEZ: Bill Johnson

AMA license renewal time is here again. On each renewal, to the right of your name, you can put the club number which is 441. This speeds up processing the club charter, since this is done on a computer run. The 1972 CLUB AUCTION will be held on November 17. Bring all the goodies you want to sell. Winter is almost here and we will be flying more at Owego. Remember to stay away from the pond. Airplane flying over the pond can be heard in the church.

CLUB MEETING PROGRAMS:

November 3 – Bill Underkofler will give a presentation on engine care.

November 17 – Club Auction

CLUB PICNIC: John Denig

The AGS fall picnic was held at the field on October 8 in cold, windy weather. 21 eager beavers attended and spent a lot of time standing around the fireplace trying to keep warm.

Glider Guiders: Jack Hostetler

The Cumberland (Maryland) glider contest will be held on November 4 and 5. Anyone wishing to attend should contact Jack Hostetler.

INTRA CLUB CONTEST: Frank Francavillo

The contest was held on October 14 in windy, cool weather. Coffee and doughnuts were provided to keep everyone warm enough to fly. Eleven members participated.

ROVING EAST COAST REPORTER: Bob Noll (Bob was still living in Danbury Connecticut)

The workbench, being made from materials purchased with the gift from AGS members, is nearly finished.

The results of the R/C Masters Tournament held September 22-24 at Huntsville, Alabama are as follows:

1. Norm Page
2. Jim Martin
3. Jim Whitley
4. Ron Chidgey

The first three will be the 1973 USA Internats team. Red Scholefield, contest director of the Masters Tournament is a former AGS member.

STORAGE SHED

The new storage shed (truck body) for the club field has been delivered. A work party will be scheduled to get it properly installed.

Show & Tell

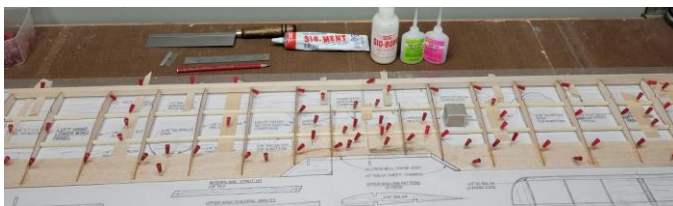


Mike Mauersburg with his P51!

Balsa builds – by Scott Wallace

1. Super Sportster 40 is painted and final assembly in process, unfortunately won't have a chance to fly this one until next spring. No excuse for disorientation top vs bottom! Silk and dope finish with an OS 40SF for power.
2. I have begun framing my next build, a cute little biplane I've had on my "someday" build list for a while now, time to knock this one out. The model is the Sporty Ace, a 40-size version of one of the early giant scale models, the Lazy Ace designed by Chuck Cunningham.





AGS Float Fly pics (submitted by Editor)



**Ed Note: I'm sure we're all have projects please send me material and let everyone know what you are working on and thank you to the regular and new contributors!*

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AGS 2022 ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

ACTIVITY / LOCATION (AGS Field unless specified)	DATE	TIME	CHAIRMAN
AGS Regular Meeting (Tri Cities Airport)	Nov 7 th	6:30 PM	Dave Dewey-Wright
Field Winterizing	Nov 12 th	Noon	Todd Kopl
AGS Regular Meeting (Tri Cities Airport)	Dec 5 th	6:30 PM	Dave Dewey-Wright

Other nearby RC events of interest

Event / Location	Date	Contact /Info

**Reminder to all AGS members...Keep
your AMA membership current.**

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

**HAPPY
HALLOWEEN!**



Jacko lantern by Samuel Kopl



November Program

Bring a show & tell



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