



# The CONNECTOR

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**The Next AGS Club Meeting will be held on  
Monday October 7th at 6:30 P.M at the Airport!**

In case of inclement weather, look for a meeting update or cancelation via the club email list

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## **Prez Sez:**

This month's meeting is an important one to attend. We will be voting on the new slate of board members. The next few years will be a critical time for the AGS. Many very important decisions will need to be made so it is important to have the best team possible. I encourage every member to consider running for a position on the board. I can say with confidence that no one on the board will be offended by anyone running against them.

The meeting this month will be held at the Pilots Association building at Tri-Cities Airport.

## **Upcoming Club Events**

### **AGS April Meeting**

Mon October 7<sup>th</sup>

6:30 PM

Airport

## **Aero Guidance Society Meeting #914**

### **In attendance:**

Ed Bennett, Bob Jennings, Ray Phillips, Jeff Hatton, Kieran Sweeney, Bill Green, Herb Spicer, and Tom Fargo as members and Ron Dufford, as a guest. Brent Bryson could not attend the meeting.

### **Treasurer's report:**

Jeff. H. presented the treasurer's report.

**Old Business:**

Jeff H. said the AGS pattern contest held at the field in August had 16 entries. The weather was good, partly cloudy with light and variable wind. The new belt for the 0-turn mower has not arrived yet. Bill G. said he was planning to test the Ford tractor for compression in order to make a decision on what parts would be needed.

**New Business:**

This year's float fly is scheduled at Nat Cole Park again on September 28 and 29. The NEAT fair held in the Catskill Mountains is also coming up on the weekend of the 13<sup>th</sup>. Bill G. said he would order a new wind sock for the pavilion since it was brought up that the other has gone missing.

**From The Membership Chair**

Hi all!

The October AGS meeting is our "Official Club Meeting" of the year. We'll be voting on the coming year's Board of Director members. We need a new Board Member at Large to take Ray Phillips' place, and our current Secretary, Tom Fargo has expressed a desire to relinquish his position. If you're interested in either of those positions, please come and nominate yourself! Empty Board positions can be assigned by the Board, if needed.

October is also the end of our Fiscal year, so your dues are due to be paid by the end of October. Make it easy and come to the meeting on Monday, October 7th, and pay your dues in person.

Hope to see you there!

Dave Dewey-Wright  
Membership Chair

## The Fall Float Fly



*Fig 1-1: Pilots under the tent*

The Fall Float Fly, September 28-29, was very successful. We had a total of 13 pilots sign in.

As usual, Nancy and Joe brought their trailer full of his and hers planes, and had a good time flying off and on the water.

Ed Bennett brought his new-to-him float plane (acquired at our last club meeting) got it set up, and maiden it on Saturday. It flew well, and had a good landing, but the front mount for the floats gave up a little on the landing. A little epoxy and some new wood on this old plane, and it'll be ready for the Spring Float Fly.

We got a shower in the early afternoon on Sunday, but when that shower passed, the water was as smooth as glass for a while. When the next shower rolled in, we called it a day.

Sunday was rather misty all morning, but not enough to keep us from flying. Bill Green got there with his Cessna 170 and there were several good flights with that plane. First time with the floats. That orange paint scheme really stood out.

For next year, I'll be bringing the grill, and we'll have hotdogs!

Thanks to all who came!

Dave D-W





*Fig 1-2: Joe & Nancy's planes*



*Fig 1-3: Ed Bennett showing off his float plane*



## Upcoming Events:

| Event         | Date     | Location                     |
|---------------|----------|------------------------------|
| MOB Chili Fly | 10/13/24 | Modelers of Binghamton Field |

## What Our Members Are Building:

*Kieran Sweeney:*

I finished my Eclipson Model A and maidenied it at the Binghamton Aeros field. It flew great with hardly any trim at all. Jeff H. helped out with a few hand launches, a battery pack, and a few last-minute upgrades (I always forget the battery Velcro!).

I'm quite happy with this aircraft. It flies well on a FliteTest PowerPack B, and the prefoamed Polymaker LW-PLA brings the weight down to 550 grams ready-to-fly. I may look into reinforcing the belly with some gaffer's tape in the future – a gust caught me by surprise just as I was landing so I touched down a bit harder than I was planning on.



## AGS 2024 Field Mowing Schedule

By: Todd Kopl

| 2024 FIELD MOWING SCHEDULE (R2) |                    |              |  |                    |              |  |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|--|--------------------|--------------|--|
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### NOTES:

Dates are the Saturday that the field should be mowed by. Typically, the field is mowed on a Thursday afternoon/evening to ensure the runways are in good shape for the weekend.

You are responsible for switching dates with others if unable to mow on scheduled date.

### CREWS:

You are responsible for replenishing five (5) gallons of gas at the completion of your mowing assignment.

## **AGS 2024 ACTIVITIES CALENDAR**

| <b>ACTIVITY / LOCATION<br/>(AGS Field unless specified)</b> | <b>DATE</b>            | <b>CHAIRMAN</b> |
|---|------------------------|-----------------|
| AGS October Club Meeting<br>Tri-Cities Airport              | October 7th<br>6:30 PM | Brent Bryson    |

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**Vice President:** Bill Green (D-H)

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**Board Members at Large:**

1) Ray Phillips (S-Z) [year 2 of 2-year term]

2) Charlie Hatton [year 1 of 2-year term]

**Past President:** David Dewey-Wright

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