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STARS MEETING  
JULY 10, 1991

Time: 7pm Place: Town of Schroepfel  
Offices Program: UPCOMING AIR SHOW!

CONGRATULATIONS TO NEWEST BATCH OF  
SOLO PILOTS!

Scott Deyo  
Tim Hahn  
Jim Mirra



## EXTRA!

On June 20th, 1991, the Central New York area lost a long time modeler...Jim Locastro. Jim was a member of the Auburn club and very active in the modeling community...he will be greatly missed by us all.

GLAD TO HEAR THAT PAUL DURGEY IS ON THE MEND AT ST. JOE'S....STOP IN AND SEE HIM!

LOOKING TO MAKE A NAME FOR YOURSELF?  
WHY NOT CONTRIBUTE AN ARTICLE FOR THE  
PROPWASH...SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCES,  
GOSSIP, ETC.

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## Classifieds

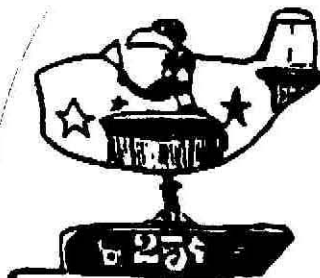
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Glad to hear Lloyd Beaubien is on the mend after his surgery...but a little birdy told us that some company would be appreciated!



#### Minutes of 6-12-91 STARS Meeting

18 Members, 9 Associate Members, 2 Junior Members, 3 Guests present. Meeting was called to order by acting president, Dave Sikorski, at 7:02 PM. Minutes of May meeting were approved. Treasurer's report was given by Dave Sikorski and approved. Applications of Ed Mervine for associate membership and Chris O'Connell for junior membership were discussed and approved.

#### AMA Report: None

Association Report: Phil Morgan reported association was investigating presentation of plaques in appreciation for outstanding members. Next association meeting 6-20-91 at AACS field. Association looking into ice cooled soda machine for member clubs' use. \$1000 set aside for annual picnic. \$2000 set aside for purchase of computer & printer. Anyone with leads for source of purchase should contact Dan Williams with info. New association officers: Rick Snyder, pres; Dan Williams, VP; John Kinnon, Sec.; Lon Sauter, treas.

Field Report: Bob Prugger reported that of the \$1000 allocated for field improvements, \$560, plus cost of peat moss, has thus far been spent for this purpose. It was suggested that additional topsoil would be purchased later in the season when conditions would be more favorable for new grass. Lisle Snow requested field committee investigate gate for field entrance and idea of cutting bushes & trees around field. Bob Prugger will set up a work party for brush & tree cutting. Interested individuals were requested to give names to Bob so they would be contacted as to date of this activity. The July field mowing schedule was passed around for sign-ups.

Field Safety: Dave Sikorski brought up matter of a member flying on channel 45 at field. Members are reminded that odd frequency channels of 11 through 33 continuously and channel 59 are the only odd channels allowed at the field as approved at the 4-10-91 meeting. Mike Graham suggested allowable channels be included on membership applications and that allowable channels at field be published in block section in Prop wash. Motion by Mike Graham to order Ace frequency flag identifier kit for all frequencies to be used at field was approved.

Flight School: Dave Sikorski reported 22 trainees were taking part in the flight training program. Two trainees, Mark O'Connell and Ted Anderson have successfully soloed. Motion by Doug Harrington to purchase 10 sets of AMA pilot wings to be presented to graduating flight trainees was defeated.

Pylon Racing: Dave Sikorski reminded all that the first racing date was Sunday, June 16 with racing to begin at 11:00 AM. He reminded all that assistants were needed for pylon judges and timers.

Old Business: Dave Sikorski reported inexpensive mower belts did not hold up but more expensive belt has been holding up so far. It was suggested the center of flying field be mowed with mowing deck at lowest level; sides of field & pit areas be mowed at medium level; all other areas be mowed at highest deck level. Field should only be mowed when grass is dry. The old tractor currently has a broken deck and is not in service.

There was discussion on possibility of purchasing a used sickle-bar mower or some other type of mower for heavy growth areas. Possibility of renting a sickle-bar mower to see if such mower would do the job was suggested. Motion by Phil Morgan to (1) ask neighbor farmers if they could mow the heavy growth areas & if no takers, (2) club rent a machine to cut heavy growth areas was approved.

New Business: Dave Sikorski reminded members the STARS/OVM picnic was scheduled for 6-23-91 at OVM field and that STARS was to supply soda, cups & plates. Mike Graham suggested OVM's be contacted to get idea of expected attendance. All members were encouraged to attend. Club Jackets: Phil Morgan reported 10 jackets were purchased thus far by members. He has two orders pending but needs 2 more as orders must be in groups of four. Phil showed cap with logo which may be purchased for \$15. Contact Phil with any orders for jackets or caps. AIR SHOW: Dave Sikorski reminded STARS air show was scheduled for 9-1-91. Possibility for display at show of sheriff Dept. or State police helicopter was being investigated. Member Bob Goldworthy offered to display his ultralight plane at show. Tentative show volunteers included: Lon Sauter & Bob Elkovitch, food preparation; Phil Morgan & Gary Brown, announcing; Dave Sikorski, impound; Bob Purgger & Don Utz, parking; Lisle Snow, Swap shop. Motion by Lisle Snow to purchase ARF from Lon Sauter for raffle at show was approved. Don Rasmussen volunteered to build this plane for raffle. Additional new business: Club member Bob Goldworthy requested club permission to fly his ultralight plane from STARS field for period of several years. He proposed he would build a hangar for approximately \$3500 (pole barn construction) which would be donated to club when he stopped using field. (two 10' X 12' areas of hangar would be available for club use) Lisle Snow brought up concerns of building permit, planning board regulations and possible increased tax liabilities. Bob offered to pay difference of tax increase liability incurred, if any, during his use of field. Mike Graham suggested he contact Bob Rowe concerning insurance & liability implications of this matter. Further discussion on this matter was suggested for next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Bob Wassel

Why did GLENN CADY need a new .049 engine?

Tim Hahn doesn't trust his airplane under his fathers thumbs...does he know something we don't?

Rumor has it that Hilary Nortz has been practicing his "swoops"...or is that "almost oops"?

Is DAVE SIKORSKI getting ready to compete on the pattern circuit?

PREZ SEZ

First, I must apologize for missing last month's meeting. I had a previous commitment that was scheduled 9 years ago on that day when I got married. I hope you guys didn't give V Prez Dave Sikorski any problems. Although, I know how you really are. Somebody new running the meeting! Fresh meat for the kill! Just kidding.

I do understand that we had some controversial issues come up at the meeting. First, was the issue of odd channel usage for our club. We've had much discussion about this in the past, and I'm quite aware that everyone involved in the issue had full understanding of our decision to use even channels only for the upper half of our spectrum. I support fully whatever the club decides in cases like this, except when such a decision could potentially split the club. This could be the case if we're not careful. Our club is generally conservative, and the decision to keep even channels only on the upper half should keep the club majority happy. I'm sorry if anyone is not in agreement with the decision, but I feel that it's in the best interest for the club as a whole. However, we will eventually have to change that decision if the AMA gets pressure from the FCC to use the odd channels or lose them. For that, we'll have to wait and see.

Another issue was the possible purchase of a sicle bar mower. This has been resolved by our very kind farmer neighbor next door. He will cut down the areas we wish, and will chop up, turn over, and rake the areas so we can set them up for future controlled growth. This, of course, will be discussed and decided upon at our next meeting.

Poor Dave. He really had his hands full with discussions last month. Mike Goldsworthy asked the club for permission to erect a pole barn hangar on the field for his ultralight. There is much to be considered here. Mike is checking into insurance and zoning, and will report back. This is going to be a tough issue. Like I said before, I will support what the club wants, as long as the welfare of the club is not in danger. So, we'll proceed with common sense and caution.

This month, we will hit the Air Show agenda real hard. I want everything scheduled out, all committees formed, and all other Air Show issues to be resolved by the end of this meeting. I need the total support of all members for this. Last year I pulled a lot of this together myself. I also promised myself never to do it myself again. So, if this is to be successful, I expect everyone to do their fair share. This is your club, so support it. This is our only major event. It has to be right. Please, pitch in. Enough for now, see you all at the meeting.

*Dave*

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IS TED ANDERSON FINALLY KEEPING HIS NOSE STRAIGHT?

## Addendum I

### Important Notice:

In accordance with the club meeting of April 1991, all odd numbered radio frequencies between channel 34 and channel 58 will not be authorized for use at the S.T.A.R.S. flying field.

*The following channels are restricted from use:*

*35,37,39,41,43,45,47,49,51,53,55,57*

In addition, the operating frequency of the transmitter will be indicated by displaying the corresponding channel number in a channel identification plaque. The plaque will display two black channel digits on a white background and will be attached anywhere on the transmitter antenna.

The frequency band in use will also be identified by a colored wind streamer that states "72 MHz - Aircraft Use Only". It also may be attached anywhere along the transmitter antenna.



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SHOWED UP IN PHOENIX?...JIM AND PAT  
WERE IN FROM KOREA AND ON THEIR WAY  
TO MALAYSIA...NICE TO SEE THEM FOR A  
FEW MINUTES!

The Patrick brothers have taken up  
the study of different grasses in the  
area...or are they trying to find  
misplaced aircraft?

Is that RED HOELLRICH burning up the  
skies again?

"Lucky" Al Mortensen has been trying  
out different dopes on his hands...I  
mean on his airplanes!

WHAT SECRET AIRPLANE IS BOB ROWE  
PLANNING ON SHOWING UP WITH AT THE  
NEXT PYLON RACE?

Looks like the power airplanes have  
bitten Bob Russell again.

CHRIS O'CONNELL has all the right  
flight parts...he just has to put  
them all together in one flight!

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# CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENT

July 10 - STARS meeting

July 13-14 - STARS of Olean contest

July 18 - CNYMAA meeting at STARS field

July 13-21 - 1991 AMA NATS at Lawrenceville, Illinois

July 19-21 - 5th Annual Glenn H. R/C Curtiss Museum Fun Fly & Show Days at Hammondsport, NY (607) 569-2160

July 20-21 - 19th Annual Valley RC Fun Fly '91 at Round Top Park, Athens, PA CD: Dan Luchaco (717) 886-1856

July 20-21 - Sky Rovers Air Show

July 27-28 - RAAMS Fan Fly - 2nd Annual Fly-In for Ducted Fan Model Aircraft at Griffiss AFB Contact Art Arro (315) 339-2447 (evenings)

July 28 - STARS Pylon Racing

August 3 - 2nd Annual Electric Fun Fly sponsored by Voltaires of Central New York at Grenadiers Field, Caughdenoy, NY

August 4 - Fun Fly 91 sponsored by the Aeroguidance Society site: Club field in South Central NY Contact Wynn Aker (607) 785-8627

August 11 - Electric P-30 Contest at Fayette, NY Contact Tim Smarzo (315) 673-1278

August 16-18 - Genesee Air Show

August 18 - CNYMAA Picnic at Dansville Club field, CNYMAA meeting

August 24 - Fly-bys Family Fly-In Pionic, Dansville, NY

August 25 - STARS Pylon Racing

September 1 - STARS Annual Air Show

September 7-8 - Rhinebeck Jamboree

September 14-15 - AGS Annual Float Fly

## November 23 - Breakaways Auction

ANY MODEL AIRPLANE CLUB WISHING TO ADVERTISE A FORTHCOMING CONTEST OR EVENT CAN ACQUIRE A FULL PAGE AD FOR THE TRIFLING FEE OF \$2. A NOTICE IN THE CALENDAR OF EVENTS IS OF COURSE FREE.

## AERONAUTICAL DEFINITIONS by John Kallend

Airplane - Heavier than air machine that flies like it's heavier than air.

Balsa - An extremely light substitute for gold.

Crash - Method of seeing the inside of a model airplane.

Dinner - A meal that is always cold by the time you get back from the flying field.

Elevator - Device to prevent level flight.

Engine - Device that doesn't start when you want it to, and cuts your fingers.

Flying Field - Take off area. Landings occur elsewhere.

Girl - Something to be interested in before you take up flying.

Hinge - Device to prevent control surface movement and cause flutter.

Inverted Flight - Method of landing without wear and tear on the wheels.

Joker - Person who invites you to "taxi back" after a deadstick landing.

Landing - Test of strength between 6 foot airplane and 8000 mile diameter planet.

LB. - Abbreviation for "pound", used for describing how much overweight an airplane is.

Motor - Electric device that starts when you don't want it to, and cuts your fingers.

Nosewheel - Device that prevents an airplane from landing without bouncing.

Plug (1) - Electrical device for making intermittent contact in your radio system.

Plug (2) - Electrical device for making intermittent contact in your engine's ignition.

Radio - Device that allows an airplane to crash in different places than it otherwise would.

Receiver - Part of the radio that picks up interference.

Skid - Another word for spinner.

Tank - Temporary storage area for chemicals used to impregnate the fuselage.

(From "The Dope Cart", newsletter of the Suburban Aeroclub of Chicago)

## 1991 STARS PYLON RACING RESULTS

NAME	PLANE	ENGINE	FREQ CL	BEST TIME	WORST TIME	JUNE 16 PTS	JUL 28 PTS	AUG 25 PTS	TOTAL POINTS
** CLASS 3									
SAUTER, LON	CHINA CLIP	ROSSI	CH44	1:55.00	2:00.00	09			
WILLIAMS, DAN	SCAT CAT	ROSSI	CH56	1:59.00	2:15.00	08			
WORTH, FRAN	SCAT CAT	ROSSI	CH30	2:10.00	2:43.00	07			
VOLKO, BILL	Q 500	FDX	CH38	2:19.00	3:35.00	04			
** CLASS 5									
WASSEL, BOB	SUPR SPORT	K&B 20	CH24	5	3:33.00	4:30.00	09		