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Thermal Journal

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Submissions to the Thermal Journal in the form of letters to the editor, articles or photos (please include good caption information) are always welcome. Use the editor's address provided above. Thanks to Jim DeTar and Harrison Knapp for contributing photos to this issue.

The Editor's Pre - Ramble:

There is a lot to cover in this issue; that is why the editor gets a Pre-ramble in addition to his normal ramble. If things get really bad in the future, the editor will have to put in a post-ramble to wrap things up. If things get to that point you'll know the end times are near; prepare to don sack cloth and ashes.

Before doom and gloom takes over this news outlet, we can take some comfort in having at least limited access to a second venue for indoor flying. We have two sessions scheduled in April to fly at the Saint John of Rochester school gym. A quick pacing off of this site indicates a floor that is very roughly 70 by 95 feet. The ceiling is not flat but the area over the basketball playing area has horizontal girders about 22 feet high. More details, including a picture of one end of the gym, are provided on page 5.

Switching gears to outdoor flying, there are several bits of good news with regard to the Hobo meet. First, Bob Rambo has arranged for us to have use of the HAG 1941 Museum field for two days. Further, Bob has decided to carry the torch one more year in his being the CD for this get together. Thanks Bob and thanks to the HAG Museum. At the annual meeting, in the absence of a CD volunteer, the decision had been made to run the Hobo meet as a practice session. Since several FAC fliers frequently enjoy getting together on a very casual basis to fly a few FAC events it was decided a few weeks ago to include a few FAC events at the "practice" session. These events will carry on as planned before Bob made his decision to take another turn at bat. Details of the specific events, both the Hobo format and the FAC type, can be reviewed on page 3.

Of particular note is the one-design FAC Dime Scale event. The focus of this event is Rich Weber's very nice neo-Dimer for the Beechcraft Staggerwing. This plan was published in Crosswinds issue 121. A copy can be obtained from Russ Brown at 4904 N. Sedgewick, Lyndhurst OH 44124. There are many color schemes available and there are a good number pictured in Dennis Norman's Free *Flight Scale* column in the March Issue of *Model Aviation*. On the back page we have pictures of several Beechcraft models in various states of completion. First is Jim DeTar's yellow and green model which Jim has equipped with a viscous fluid DT. Next we see smiling Jack Barker with his red Beech all ready to go. In the first of the bare bones shots, we see Harrison Knapp's frame prior to the tricky bending of the nose section. In the last photo, we see on my fuselage that the rounded fuselage formers can cover a multitude of sins. All the out of true bends in front of the cabin are well concealed; all that looks well must fly well. After all, it is a just a dime scale you know.

Details for the Great Grape Gathering have not been finalized as this note goes to press. However, word is that the events flown will be essentially the same as flown last year. A *tentative* list of the events has been provided and is included on page 5. Be aware that the list is preliminary. Before making any drastic decisions (such as leaving a particular model at home perhaps) be sure and check with the GGG's new Contest Manager (CM), Roy Smith. Roy's email is provided along with the information on the GGG on page 5.

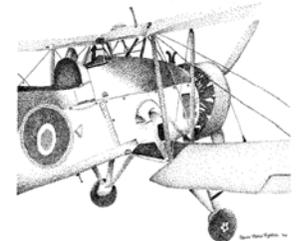
As a reminder, there is much communications that goes on within the club that does not make it into print due its quick changing nature. In particular, casual flying for both trimming and some FAC events occurs on an ad hoc basis at Hendershot's farm. Jim DeTar has served as the focus for these activities. If you would like to be kept apprised of these activities drop Jim a line at jrdetar@yahoo.com If you would like to keep up with indoor opportunities, send a quick note to Bob Clemens at rclemens2@rochester.rr.com

Till the next time, Mark C. Rzdaca

Dates to keep in mind:

Indoor flying sessions are still going on, see page 5 for details
WNYFFS Hobo Meet on May 30 & 31 @ HAG Museum in Geneseo
FAC Non-Nationals on July 16 (judging), July 17&18 (flying) in Geneseo
WNYFFS Empire State Free Flight Championships August 14, 15 & 16 in Geneseo
SAM 86 & WNYFFS Great Grape Gathering, Sept 18, 19 & 20 in Geneseo

Also, don't forget to check out WNYFFS website: <http://www.amadistrictii.org/wnyffs/index.html>



Annual meeting minutes

The annual meeting was held at the Terry Hills Country Club in Batavia on November 15, 2008. We were fortunate this year to have a guest speaker to present between lunch and the official portion of the annual meeting. Jon Blanchette provided an entertaining and informative slide show on his efforts to rebuild a MIG 15. Jon purchased his MIG, along with several other aircraft from Poland following the collapse of the Soviet Union. Although Jon is not able to pilot his MIG himself, the aircraft has been flown successfully and is sure to be a show stopper at most any air show. Thanks to Jon for a great presentation.

Following Jon's presentation, club president Brad Bane called the meeting to order. As the first order of business, we covered the New Business.

New Business

Review of Empire State Free Flight Championships:

Brad recalled that turnout was disappointingly light at this meet. Besides the usual suspect for 2008, that is high gas prices, it was suggested that have our meet only one week after the Nationals was at least partly to blame for poor turnout. In 2009, our meet will be the same weekend of August as 2008, but the Nationals will be held earlier so there will now be two weeks between the two events. Our Empire State Free Flight Championships (ESFFC) will be held on August 14, 15 and 16 of 2009.

It was also noted that many contestants depart and flying generally ends well before the official end of the meet on the last day. Therefore it was suggested that the contest end on Sunday at 3 PM. No vote was taken, just a suggestion.

Porta-Potty business came up once again, this time to consider the cost of having two units present in light of the newly available facilities in the HAG Hall. (Not sure of the HAG Museum's official designation.) All agreed, although not subject to an official motion, to request only one outhouse and one clean out.

Donation to Historic Aviation Group Museum.:

Brad relayed how well received our donation last year of \$600 was quite well received. Despite the hard economic times, Brad suggested we repeat the amount again this year. In a change from previous practice the motion to make this donation included the stipulation that Brad present the check and address the HAG meeting. The motion was unanimously approved with the understanding that Brad would make the comments to the HAG members accepting the donation.

Hobo Meet

After re-starting and several successful years of running the Hobo meet, Bob Rambo has decided to step down from running the meet in 2009. No one volunteered to run the meet but Brad suggested that would could have a "fun fly". No objections from those present, no official motion. Date will be May 30, 2009. Bob Rambo will check in to see if May 31 is available; this may make it attractive to more out of town fliers and will provide an option for a rain date.

Meet schedule for 2008:

The following dates were announced for free flight meets at the Historic Aviation Group Museum in Geneseo:

- ✓ May 30, 2009, the WNYFFS Hobo Meet
- ✓ August 14,15,16, 2009, the WNYFFS Empire State Free Flight Championships, Contest Director (presumed), Lyle Whitford
- ✓ SAM 86 Great Grape Gathering, dates not know, Contest Director, Richard Barlow(?) Note that some doubt was raised regarding who will be CD for this meet.

Report

Club treasurer's report was made by club treasurer, Ruth Bane. Our finances were in good order despite reduced income from outdoor meet. We received \$211 from Dave Rosenberg's estate. This was followed by club secretary Mark Rzacca reading of the minutes from last year's meeting. Last year's minutes and the treasurer's report were unanimously approved by the members present.

Planning Meeting for 2008:

Status of the planning meeting is TBD at this time. Brad and Ruth are not sure they can host due to ongoing renovations at their house. On alternative suggested for consideration is to have our planning meeting at the HAG museum prior to a regular HAG meeting. We would probably be able to use their new meeting facility then stay on for their regular meeting an make our club contribution to their treasury.

Indoor Flying:

Although we did not hold an indoor contest this year, Bob Clemens did locate a very respectable indoor venue for casual flying in Rochester. This site, Pieter's Family Life Center in Henrietta has worked out well and the 2008/2009 season is already under way. See the web site for flying time details.

Dave Rosenberg

Jack Barker asked us all to remember Dave. We will all miss Dave's friendly manner and enthusiastic support for this hobby. Recalling his effusive sermons covering the formulae for, and characteristics of, various rubber lubes should especially bring a smile to those who were fortunate enough to know Dave for any length of time. Thermals and high clean ceilings to you Dave, until we meet again.

Motion to Adjourn:

Bob Clemens motion to adjourn was unanimously carried

Mark C. Rzacca

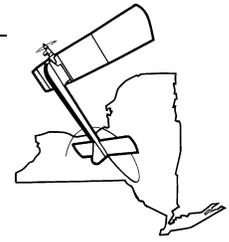


SPRING HOBO MEET

May 30 & 31, 2009

9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Geneseo Field

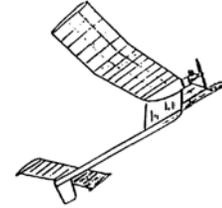


Now that spring is just around the corner it's time to get your models and yourself tuned up for the coming contest season. What better way than at our Hobo Meet. You can fly, socialize, win some merchandise, and make a Contribution to the Club treasury and have a good time. Dinner at one of the local restaurants is a distinct possibility!

Around lunchtime on Saturday, we will take time for a brief memorial service to remember deceased club members and other flying friends. Everyone is invited to bring along a plane or other memento. We will reminisce and drink a toast. Any planes can be flown as part of the memorial and would be a fine tribute to friends and friendship.

HOBO EVENTS

020 Replica	10 sec - 2 min max
AMA Classic Power-.15 and under	7 sec - 2 min max
AMA Classic Power- over .15	7 sec - 2 min max
Nostalgia – Glow	9 sec - 2 min max
Nostalgia – Diesel	16 sec - 2 min max
HL/Cat Glider – best of three	1 min max
Open Rubber	2 min max
P-30	2 min max



Initial entry fee is \$2/event, \$1 for Jr. and Sr. Each re-entry is \$1/event with previous flights scratched. Winner of each event gets a raffle ticket, each entry and re-entry gets you a raffle ticket for the raffle, at the end of the day. You pick what you want from a table of goodies. Goodies are contributions from members, so if you have an old kit or a bundle of balsa or a small tool that you would like to contribute, bring it along. Good items on the table are welcome too; an old ignition engine or a Mogle timer might instill a strong urge in the contestant to own, that creates a more determined competitor, who flies more flights, and buys more raffle tickets, and wins more events, and takes home more merchandise, and has a better time. So be that contributor and strong competitor and attend the first meet of the year.

Come on down to Geneseo, get the winter creaks out of your body and get the in the first flights of a new flying season. All events will be flown on Saturday with Sunday available as a rain day or for more practice flying.

We'll see you all there, **Bob Rambo**

FAC EVENTS

In addition to the events listed above, we will also run a few *casual* FAC events. What does casual mean, you may ask? Well it means we fly in the events to the 2009 official FAC rules, but with much less rigor in terms of administration. Each flier helps out with the record keeping by recording their times on a tally sheet and there are no prizes/ trophies; just friendly flying and kanones, since we do plan to file the report as required. A \$10 field use fee will cover both days of FAC flying. Here are the FAC events that will be flown at the Hobo Meet:

Saturday

FAC Scale
Dime Scale
Old Time Gas Replica
Two Bit + 1

Sunday

Single design Dime Scale
-> Rich Weber's Beechcraft Staggerwing*
Jet Catapult Glider
Embryo
Golden Age Civil & Military combined

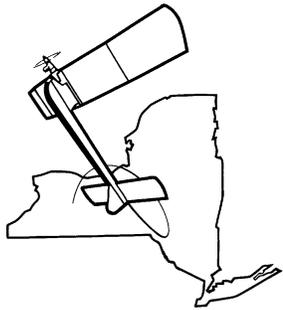
No Cal Scale
Phantom Flash

FLYING ACES

The schedule is tentative and subject to change based on the weather or other field conditions during the meet. In particular we may to defer events due to wind or possibly fly some events, such as No-Cal, in the evening. The key is friendly competition and good company.

Come on out and have a good time, **Mark C. Rzacca**

*Permission has been obtained from FAC CINC Ross Mayo for this event.



The Western New York Free Flight Society Presents the 40th Annual Empire State Free Flight Championships



Schedule of Flying Events

Friday 8AM to 5PM

- A-B Classic Gas
- B-C Nostalgia Gas
- .020 Replica
- Moffett
- Old Time Rubber
- Classic Towing
- Diesel Qualify

Saturday 8AM to 5PM

- ¼ A Nostalgia Gas
- ½ A Classic Gas (J)(S/O)
- ½ A – D Gas (S/O)
- A Nostalgia Gas
- ½ A AMA Power (J)
- Mulvihill
- Nostalgia Rubber/Wakefield
- FAC Rubber Scale
- FAC Golden Age Scale
- FAC 2 Bit Rubber
- FAC Embryo Endurance
- F1A, F1B, F1C (Open)
- F1P (J/S)
- Diesel Qualify

Sunday 8AM to 4PM

- ½ A Nostalgia Gas
- C-D Classic Gas
- Old Time Gas
- P-30 (J)(S/O)
- Catapult Glider (J)(S/O)
- FAC Dime Scale
- FAC No Cal Scale
- FAC WW II Mass Launch
- FAC Old Time Gas Replica
- F1G, F1H, F1J (Open)
- Diesel Fly Off

Date: August 14, 15, 16, 2009

Location: Geneseo, NY at the *1941 Historic Aviation Group Museum*

Entry Fees: \$25 for all events and field use fee. Juniors, \$5 covers all events. Casual flyers *must* register with CD.

Contest Director: Lyle Whitford
For questions regarding the meet, contact Lyle at 716-795-3831 or at whitford@localnet.com

Dinner: At the Yard of Ale on Saturday, August 15. Check out the details at the CD's table.

Rules for Empire State Free Flight Championships, a category III meet except:

- Old Time Gas
16-second engine run for ignition (no glo)
12-second engine run for old time diesel
- .020 Replica, 12 second engine run
- Old Time Rubber
Mulvihill Rules for max flights
- America's Cup
Flown in 1 ½ hour, overlapping rounds starting at 8 AM both days, i.e., 8 – 9:30, 9-10:30, etc.
- National Cup
Qualifying events for this contest: ½ A, AB, +CD Classic, Moffett, Mulvihill, 1/4 A, 1/2 A & A Nostalgia, Nostalgia/Wakefield, Catapult Glider, P-30, Classic Towing.
- Junior National Cup events
½ A Classic Gas, ½ A AMA Power, P-30, Catapult Glider.
- Diesel Unofficial Fun Fly
Three flights Friday and /or Saturday, 12 second run, 120 second max. Total of 250 seconds or more qualifies for Sunday 8 – 10 AM fly off, 12 second run.
- Classic Towline: Straight Tow - no bunt NFFS Rules as of 2005.
- FAC Rubber Scale judging 8 –12 noon on Saturday
- Max times are subject to CD's discretion based on field conditions

Valid AMA or MAAC Proof of membership required for all contestants and casual flyers.

Indoor Flying

Depending on when this issue of the TJ goes out, there will still be 3 or four indoor flying opportunities left this season. In March, there will be one or two sessions on the books for *Pieters Family Life Center* in Henrietta. Here are the dates and times for those sessions:

Saturday March 14, 3-5 PM

Saturday March 28, 2-4 PM

These sessions have been going on for some time so directions will not be repeated here. If you have questions be sure and contact Bob Clemens. Bring a friend or family member if you wish. WNYFFS membership is not a requirement. As usual, the adult flying fee will depend on how many fliers show up. Children fly for free.

In addition to the above mentioned sessions, we will also have two sessions at Saint John of Rochester Catholic Church in Fairport. We will be using the Gym that is part of the school associated with this church.

Our two flying sessions at Saint John's are scheduled as follows:

Sunday April 5, 1:30 - 5 PM

Sunday April 26, 1:30 - 5 PM

Directions:

The church is very easy to get to, being just off of I-490 on the east side of Rochester. Take the Pittsford Palmyra exit (number 26) from I-490. This exit is for Route 31. Head East, away from Rochester. The first traffic light is the intersection of Ayrault Road (north side of route 31) and Wickford Way on the south. Turn south (a right turn if you just came from I-490) onto Wickford Way. Saint John's is right on the corner, turn left into the parking lot and head towards the back part of the parking lot in front of the school. If you want to use mapquest.com, the address is 8 Wickford Way, Fairport, New York 14450

As with Pieter's, flying at Saint John's will not require membership in WNYFFS however, AMA membership is required; a \$5 donation is requested of adult fliers, children may fly for free.

As a reminder to those who may not have flown indoors for a while, here are some nice guidelines from Bob to make the experience more enjoyable for all:

Indoor Etiquette

1. Stay on the sideline except to launch or retrieve your model.
2. No running at any time. This includes spectators, especially children.
3. Always be aware of other models around you, either airborne or on the floor, when you launch or retrieve.
4. If several models are already in the air when you're ready to launch, wait until the air clears.
5. Wear sneakers or other soft-soled shoes to avoid damaging the floor surface.
6. Don't talk to a modeler while he or she is winding their rubber motor.
7. If children are among the spectators, keep them off the floor and away from models.

For general information on indoor flying opportunities contact Bob; for questions regarding flying at Saint John of Rochester contact Mark.

Email for Bob Clemens: rclemens2@rochester.rr.com

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Saint John of Rochester Gym

GGG TENTATIVE EVENT LIST

GREAT GRAPE GATHERING 2009 Geneseo, NY, 1941 HAG Airfield September 18, 19 and 20, 2009

Fri., Sept. 18 8:00 to 5:00

1/2A Nostalgia
0.020 Replica/1/4A Nostalgia
Diesel Duration
P30
Cloud Tramp
HL/CL Glider combined
Senator
Classic Wakefield

SPECIAL EVENTS

Ladies Cloud Tramp Mass Launch

Sat., Sept. 19 8:00 to 5:00

Bob Gordon Trophy/Classic Gas
1/2A Classic Gas
ABC Nostalgia Gas
Diesel Duration
SAM Small Rubber Cabin
(to 150 sq. in.)
SAM Large Rubber Stick
(>150 sq. in.)
HL/CL Glider combined

FAC OT Gas Rep. Electric
FAC Golden Age Scale
FAC Rubber Scale
FAC Dime Scale
FAC 2 Bit Plus one, OT Rubber

Sun., Sept. 20 8:00 to 4:00

AMA A/B/C Gas
Unlimited Towline Glider
SAM Small Rubber Stick
(to 150 sq. in.)
Large Rubber Cabin
(>150 sq. in.)
SAM Commercial Rubber
Nostalgia Rubber
Mulvihill/Unlimited Rubber

This event list is tentative. Contact Roy Smith at aeronut@kos.net to confirm the official event list and schedule.

The editor's ramble

It certainly has been a dry spell between newsletters. Our last publication was out in the fall in time to announce the official Annual Meeting and cover the results of the Empire State Free Flight Championships in August. Many times since then club members have asked about the timing of the next issue. The TJ publication schedule has been on my mind a lot lately as well so that will be the first topic for this ramble.

Our Thermal Journal is the official publication of our club, the Western New York Free Flight Society, or WNYFFS. As such it provides the official printed record of the club's activities, in particular its official activities. In a typical year the WNYFFS sponsors 4 formal events; to wit, the Annual Meeting, the Planning Meeting, the Hobo meet and the Empire State Free Flight Championships. Each of these is documented in some fashion in the Thermal Journal.

In brief here is how and when those official activities are covered. In the Winter issue (which you are now reading) we announce the two flying meets for the coming year, the Hobo meet and the ESFFC. Essentially this constitutes our documentation of the planning meeting. Also documented in this issue, in the form of meeting minutes, is the Annual Meeting. If possible (that is, if the particulars are available in time) the Winter issue will include the announcement of the Great Grape Gathering which is sponsored with our friends in SAM 86.

In the Fall issue, the contest results of the ESFFC (August meet) are published along with the announcement for the Annual Meeting, typically held in November. The fall issue is sent out in late September or early October; that way we can include the announcement of the Annual Meeting.

This covers all of the official activities of the WNYFFS with the exception of the Hobo meet. That meet has evolved to a very casual affair and official results have not been published for some time. In years past there has been a Spring issue that reported the results of the Empire State Indoor Championships. Unfortunately we no longer sponsor an indoor meet and thus have no results to report.

So that describes how the TJ covers the more formal activities of our club. But now that we are on a roll, let's go over how the less formal activities of the club are announced. First and most effective for the more active modelers already in the club is the use of email. Within the last year Bob Clemens has managed to line up an indoor flying site that has provided a much needed opportunity for flying during the winter for those so inclined. Even though the chance for indoor flying was announced in the TJ, the particulars are too fluid for the TJ to serve as the final word on each of the indoor sessions. For that Bob keeps up a list of interested flyers (not necessarily just WNYFFS members) so they can be informed of the latest changes in flying dates and times. These indoor sessions are very informal and so far have not included any competitive flying.

In a similar vein to the indoor sessions, several of us have gotten together for trim flying along with flying a few casual FAC contests at Hendershot field in Hilton. Jim DeTar sends out an email announcing that we will be getting together as the weather permits. As before, this opportunity to participate in this casual get-together has been announced in the TJ and anyone interested can communicate that interest via email. However, even more than the indoor session, email is the only way to go here since the weather plays such a major part in determining if a session will actually occur.

There is one other major communications channel (ignoring the ubiquitous phone) that should play an increasing roll in our club efforts to stay connected. That of course is the web. With our new presence on the web we have achieved an unparalleled means to reach out to modelers who might never have any opportunity to learn of free flight or the WNYFFS. Our website, graciously maintained by club member Martin Wisniewski, provides background information on the club and some information on current events as well as back issues of the TJ. Perhaps someday we will make it easier for other members to add content to our site and thus promote a more dynamic presentation of club activities.

So what is the bottom line regarding publication frequency of the TJ? Well just like other printed news media outlets are discovering, newer means of spreading the news are addressing more of our communication needs. The printed form of the TJ still fills the bill for providing the official record of the formal activities of the club. Email provides the most immediate means of communicating up to the minute news while the website reaches non-members and alerts them to our club's existence while also providing a ready reference for existing members. That means that two issues of the TJ are sufficient for coverage of the formal aspects of the club's activities.

We could publish additional issues if, for instance, we had a sufficient amount of original material sent in from members. Every effort is made to publish all original material sent in to this editor and thus far we have been able to accommodate all contributors. In fact, many of the contributions from WNYFFS members have been "lifted" from the TJ and published in many other newsletters and websites around the country. For those would-be journalists out there, rest assured that your dreams can be fulfilled; the TJ is always open to new contributing editors. Send in your captioned photos, building tips or model plans. If there is enough material we can put out an extra issue. If there is not enough to put out an entire issue, the web site offers the opportunity for publicizing new material and might even reach more fliers. And that really is the reason for the existence of the WNYFFS, to promote free flight model aviation in all its forms.

Mark C. Rzdca

One on One

If you want to talk to a free flighter directly, the names listed here are people in the area who can offer advice on getting started or have a suggestion for a first kit or tips about what to ask for at the hobby store.

Auburn

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Auburn, NY 13201
315-252-9170
tiqer33@thumpernet.com

Canandaigua

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2067 Route 65
Bloomfield, NY 14469
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Ruth Bane, Treasurer, WNYFFS
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Name _____
Street Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Home Phone _____
Work Phone _____
Email _____
AMA/ MAAC # _____

Please consider membership in AMA/MAAC. While not required for membership in WNYFFS, AMA/MAAC provides supplemental liability insurance covering model flying activities and is required at most WNYFFS flying activities.

Contest CD's

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716-795-3831

Application for Membership

Name _____ Phone _____
(For Family membership, please list all names.)
Address _____ e-Mail _____
City _____ State _____ Country _____ Zip _____
Occupation _____
Hobbies _____

Membership entitles you to free admission to our air show and to the museum, a 10% discount in the HAG store, *Hangar Tales* for a year, a window sticker for your car, and membership card (which must be presented to obtain the perks). See Founders' Forum for club details.

- Membership Type: _____ Life (up to 59) \$600
_____ Life (60 & up) \$500
_____ C-47 Club \$250
_____ Family (parents & children under 18) \$75
_____ Regular (18-59) \$35
_____ Senior Citizen (60 & up) \$30
_____ Junior (17 and under) \$15

**NEW:
LIFE
MEMBERSHIP**



All payments must be in US funds.

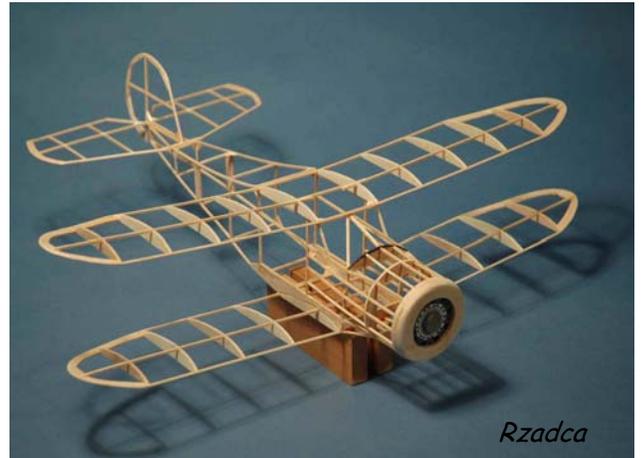
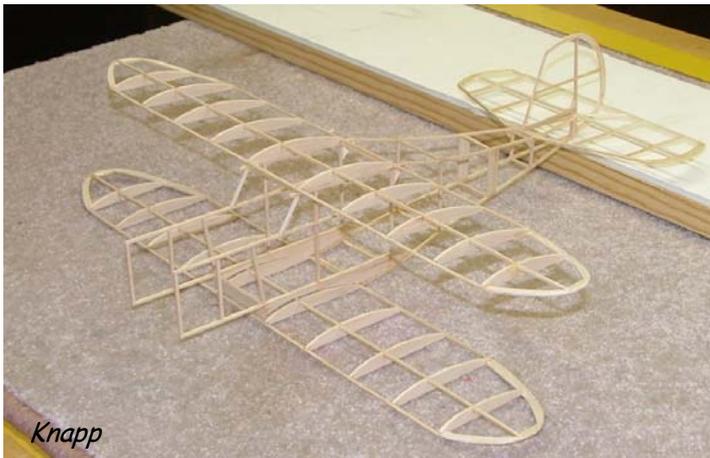
Mail this application (or a photocopy) with your check to:
1941 Historical Aircraft Group Museum, PO Box 185, Geneseo, NY 14454-0185

Background on the WNYFFS

The Western NY Free Flight Society began in the late 1960's with a few modelers. Today the Society now numbers nearly 100 members in 9 states and Canada. For over 30 years the club has hosted the Empire State Free Flight Championships in late summer, as well as a "fun fly", each spring, both are held in Geneseo, NY. Powered by rubber, gas, diesel, electric, CO₂, compressed air or that old standby- muscle, these events exact the best from the planes and presents the fascinating challenge of outdoor free flight to the folks attending. There is no "off season" in free flight. Once outdoor season ends, the WNYFFS sponsors several indoor flying opportunities in the Rochester area.



Information on the photos can be found in the Editor's Pre-Ramble, page 1



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