



ARCS NEWS

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Club Meeting– Friday, Jan 11, 7PM at Walt's

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President's Message:

Happy New Year to all! Hopefully the CA is flowing freely for everyone.

- The Christmas party was well attended. Thanks to Mike Amie for providing the food. It was wonderful!
- Walt Throne presented us with the Ed Izzo Flight Training Award at the last meeting. This award recognizes clubs who have active, successful flight training programs. Thanks Walt!
- The New Years Day fun fly was also well attended. Looks like around 40 people were there. We had a wide variety of weather including heavy snow, sunshine, rain, wind and calm. Something for everyone. Mike Amie also provided the food for this event including his legendary chili. Thanks Mike!
- The next Forum planning meeting is Wednesday Jan 16th, 7:30PM at Denny's, Erie Blvd. & W. Genesee, near the Syracuse Academy of Science. Stop by if you want to get involved in the planning process. The forum will be held on Jan 26th. With a set-up planned for the night before at 6:30. Please be sure to attend. There will be lots of activities throughout the day. Also, please bring models for the static display.
- The STARS are having their annual auction on the 18th. Bring down some of your excess and join the fun.
- The STARS are again planning a bus trip to the WRAM show. The bus will leave early Saturday morning and return late Saturday night on February 23. This is great fun for a day. If you are interested call Bob Rowe at 474-8428 or e-mail rowe7820@aol.com for more information.
- Club memberships can be renewed at any time. Be sure to fill out a renewal form. Pay by Jan 31st to avoid the \$5.00 Late fee.
- The time is approaching to elect new club officers. Please let me know as soon as possible if you are interested in a position so I can get it in the next newsletter. Elections will be in March.

See you at the meeting!

Herb.

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Aircraft Winterizing:

There are many opinions about winterizing aircraft. Here are a few good ideas.

Engine: The alcohol based fuel absorbs moisture from the air and, if allowed to remain in the engine, will cause severe corrosion. Ball bearing engines, ringed engines and 4-strokes are more prone to corrosion problems.

- Immediately after running the engine, remove all the fuel from the tank, re-start the engine and allow it to run at a fast idle until all the fuel is run out of the fuel lines and carburetor. (This should be done after each flying session.)
- Remove the glow plug, put lots of after run oil in the carburetor. After run oil can be bought at Walt's or you can use Marvel Air Tool Oil, available at auto supply stores.
- Spin the engine over by hand or with a starter to distribute the oil.
- Re-install the glow plug.
- Drape a plastic bag over the engine or remove it from the plane and store it in a plastic bag. Another good idea is to put a plug in the carburetor and the exhaust outlet.
- Do not attempt to turn over or start the engine with lots of after run oil in it! This can severely damage the connecting rod or piston. Remove the glow plug and turn the engine over with a starter until most of the oil is blown out. It is then safe to put the glow plug back in and start the engine.

Batteries:

- Recharge the batteries after the last flight. Recharge them monthly when not in use.
- Cycle the batteries before using in the spring to check their capacities. If the capacity is less than 80% of its rating, replace it. If the batteries are 4 years old or more you should probably replace them.

Cycling can be done with a purchased cycler (easy) or with an ESV and a timer (time consuming) or with a resistor and a volt meter. If you are interested in these methods, ask me for details.

Airframe:

- Do a careful inspection. Look for loose parts, broken hinges, loose covering, etc. Now is the time to take care of all this stuff so you'll be ready to fly when the snow melts.

Herb.

NYD A moment without snow.



Aero Radio Club of Syracuse

Membership Application/Renewal

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Mobile Phone _____

E-Mail: _____

AMA Number: _____

Radio Channel(s): _____

Please Check all that apply:

- New Member initiation fee \$ 5.00
- Junior Member (under 18, parent *NOT* a member) \$10.00
- Junior Member (under 18, parent *IS* a member) \$ 0.00
- Senior Member (over 65) \$15.00
- Regular Member (18-65) \$35.00
- Late Fee (after Jan. 31, Renewals only) \$ 5.00

Submit this form and payment to:

Add up all applicable fees \$ _____

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Make checks payable to ARCS

NYD Group Photo



Calendar

Fri, Jan 11	7PM Walt's	Club Meeting
Wed, Jan 16	7:30 PM Denny's	Forum Meeting
Fri, Jan 18	6PM Walt's	STARS Auction
Fri, Jan 25	6:30PM Syr Academy	Set-Up for Forum
Sat, Jan 26	9-4 Syr Academy	Model Forum
Fri, Feb 8	7PM Walt's	Club Meeting
Feb 22-24	White Plains	WRAM Show
Sun, Mar 2	11-4 STARS Field	STARS annual Snow Fly