

# The Dead Stick Flyer

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## Club Meeting: Held Tuesday, February 13, 2018

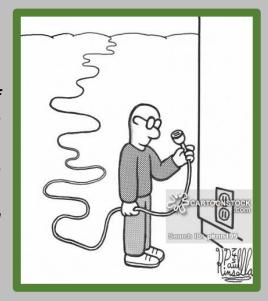
Swan Harbor RC Club meeting was held at the Wendy's in Aberdeen, MD.

#### **Old Business:**

• Electricity to the field is still in process.

#### **New Business:**

Electricity to the field is the order of the day right now.
 BG&E has our work ticket and they are in process of
 going to the field, marking and mapping to give us a
 quote. Dale Davis has been very instrumental in
 pushing this along and has worked very hard and I am
 grateful to him for this. As all of you know by now,
 Parks and Rec has donated \$2500 to our effort, which I
 find amazing on our behalf.



 Spring is coming and the weather will have to break within about a month. We will be treating the field with Crab Grass preventer and hopefully Dandelion preventer as well.
 Unfortunately they do not make a one treatment that fits all. So there will have to be two treatments as funds permit. If I have to pick one it is Crab Grass since it lasts all season and Dandelions are only here for about 2-3 weeks. This should be done as soon as the frost is gone from the ground. I will pick up and treat the ground as soon as the weather breaks. Other than cleaning up a bit from the winter and seeing if the county will come and roll our field to flatten out the frost heaves, we are looking pretty good for the upcoming season.

- Anyone who has not paid their dues for the upcoming season please forward them to Steve Snyder as soon as possible. As you all know we depend on our dues to fund our projects and maintenance of our club. Being a member of three flying clubs I can tell you we get the most bang for our buck at our club. Not to mention it is the best flying field in a 75 mile radius.
- Looking at normal winter month club meetings we usually only have between 8 and 10 members showing up at the Wendy's meetings. I would like feedback on maybe having meetings every other month during the winter and possibly having them at the Golden Coral.
- Treasury Report and current membership by Steve Snyder.
- General discussion:
  - A couple weeks ago about 19 of us met at Aberdeen Golden Coral for breakfast, if for nothing else to get out of the house and talk and "BS" for a while. I was glad to see the amount of members we had in attendance, I only wish we could have doubled the amount that was there. There was a ton of Breakfast foods there and if you went home hungry it was your own fault. Personally, I would like to see us move the meetings to there during the winter months because we ended up with double the turnout of normal winter month's club meetings.
  - Other things discussed were current membership is at 44 members.

# **Tech Corner: "Work Space"**

#### Article submitted by Bob Bartell

I don't have much workspace in my basement. As my first solution, I built a table and attached it to the studs with hinges so I could fold the table up out of the way (as you can see it in the back of the pictures below). However, besides always being in the way, it was difficult to get to the other side of the plane. Picking the plane up and turning it around is a sure way for me

to create hangar rash. So, I bought a tool cart from Harbor Freight and made some adjustable fuselage holders for each end. This worked great for medium sized planes but not so much for larger planes.



To accommodate larger planes, I used a tool cabinet adjacent to the tool cart.

This gives me more room for larger planes, more storage, and more options for moving things around

If you have limited space like I do, this solution may help you out.





I'll see you at the field, Bob.

# **Club Meetings Schedule**

- January thru May and October thru November:
  - Monthly club meetings will be held at the Wendy's in Aberdeen, MD on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month starting at 7pm.
- June thru September:
  - Monthly club meetings and a cookout will be held at the Swan Harbor RC flying field on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month from 10am-2pm. The Fall Club Picnic will be held on the same day as the September Club meeting.
- <u>December</u>:
  - The December Club Meeting will be held at the annual Christmas Party. Details of this event will be made available in advance of the party.

# See you at the field



### **Upcoming RC Events for 2018**

- March 10, 2018:
  - o Lebanon, PA (E) 38TH ANNUAL RC FLEA MARKET
  - o Site: Lebanon Expo 80 Rocherty Rd.
  - o Todd Lojak CD PH: 717-857-4726 Email: info@cpaa.us.
  - Visit: <u>cpaa.us</u>. Over 600 indoor spaces are available (41,000 sq. ft.) Aisle space \$15 each, wall space \$20 each. General admission at the door is \$8 (8:30 am). General admission tickets purchased in advance by mail (non-refundable) are \$7. First-time renters email Todd before ordering space(s). Visit website for info.
  - Sponsor: CENTRAL PENN AEROMODELERS

## **Protection from the Sun**

The nature of our great RC Hobby dictates that we are out in the sun while we fly our aircraft. We need to be mindful and diligent about taking care of ourselves against the harmful rays of the sun. It is very important to apply sunscreen and wear hats to protect our heads, necks and faces from sunburn and the problems that can cause down the road. Just friendly words of advice for our members.

# What are Members Working On?

Building a new aircraft, assembling an ARF, working on an old reliable? We'd love to hear what you are working on. Send us some information and a couple pics of your project and we'll post it in the monthly newsletter. Send your emails to: ronlazzeri@verizon.net.

# Need Help Flying? Are you new or returning to the RC Hobby?

- Come to our monthly club meetings meet some of our "RC Pilots"
- Get a computer based "RC Flight Simulator"
- Line up some assistance for the 2018 flying season
- Start with the right aircraft to be successful
  - Best advice....Don't be afraid to ask for <u>help!!</u>

#### **General Information:**

#### Newsletter:

To receive the Swan Harbor RC Newsletter by email, please send a request to: sslotnick@mac.com.

#### Photos:

Anyone who would like to have new photos appear in the slideshow or the photo gallery is encouraged to send their photos to Stephen Slotnick at <a href="mailto:sslotnick@mac.com">sslotnick@mac.com</a> and he will add them as soon as he can.

#### Interest in Joining the Club:

Please see the instructions on the Swan Harbor RC website <u>www.SwanHarborRC.com</u> under the heading "How to Join." Additional membership information or questions can be obtained from Steve Snyder at (443) 243-4324 or email: <u>snyder800@gmail.com</u>.