

The Dead Stick Flyer

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Club Meeting: Saturday, July 14, 2018

Swan Harbor RC Club meeting and cookout was held at the Swan Harbor RC field

1. Old Business:

a. <u>Electricity</u>: This will fall under old business and new business, so we will discuss it under new business.

2. New Business:

- a. <u>Electricity</u>: Well, our man Dale Davis, who spear headed this project almost a year ago pretty much by himself, has pulled it off and we are going to be funded for our electricity to the field to the tune of about 90%. Parks and Rec is also giving us a grant of \$2,500.00 and what we have left over Parks and Rec has graciously offered for us to pay it back over a 3-4 year period. Our cost should be just about \$2,000.00. This will make things at the field so much better. Electricity is a creature comfort we all take for granted but when you don't have it there are compromises that have to be made.
 - i. Right off the bat, a battery charging station will be installed under each canopy which will eliminate noisy generators and extension cords.
 - ii. A refrigerator in the shed will also make a welcome addition to make a more home like feel so drinks are kept cold without having to by ice and the use of coolers. Most of which we have all come to take for granted because Dale takes this chore upon himself to take care so we have cold drinks.
 - iii. There will be lights installed in the shed on both sides so darkness in the shed will be a thing of the past.

3. Treasury Report:

a. A financial status report was given and we are in great shape for time of the year.

4. From the Presidents Corner:

a. <u>Spring Open House & Fun Fly</u>: After a rain delay of a couple weeks we had our Spring Fly-In on June 23rd. It was a cloudy day with the threat of rain, which held off, and the temps were pretty nice. Even with the threat of rain our event was a great success. We had more people this year than last and once again the food was a hit!

Dale had our caterer cook us BBQ chicken, Pit Ham and Sliced Pit Beef with all the salads and fixing's. We had pictures taken by Teresa Johnson and she did a great job!

- b. Dale had a plaque made for Jim Snyder for a Lifetime achievement award from our club which I presented to him during our Fly in. There wasn't a dry eye in the house, myself included.
- c. We had guests from Havre De Grace Parks and Rec in attendance; President John Narvell and Vice President Lewis Fillenger. They have been instrumental in helping us move forward with our Electricity project and I can't say enough to thank them for all their help with our facility.



d. When I come to the field through our front gate I get a great sense of pride to be able to come to such a beautiful place that we all can call our own. I know I have a biased look at our facility but I still think it's the nicest RC model airfield with in a hundred mile radius. I want to thank all of our members who put in their time and effort to devote to our club to make it the success that it is. Especially, when we all have lives, jobs, and family to attend to and yet still find time to devote to our little slice of heaven.

Many thanks to you all!

Gary Gunter, President

Thursday Night Flying:

Every week a contingent of members are out flying on Thursday night starting around 5pm. Members are urged to join in the mid-summer and fall flying in the evenings. Anytime is a good time to fly but it seems Thursday nights are also very popular with members.

See you at the field! Enjoy flying anytime you can do it!

Images from June's Open House & July's club meeting/cookout and flying at the Field

Images by Bob Walker, Theresa Johnson, and Ron Lazzeri

Jim Snyder's
Lifetime
Achievement
Award
presented by
Gary Gunter



























































Tech Corner: by Ron Lazzeri

- 1) For the past 3 years, I have been using batteries and electronic gear from a web based company called ElectroDynamics. They have a really nice website packed with great products and very useful information regarding batteries, charging systems, technical information, connectors, cables, and much more. Take a look and see what they have to offer. This may help if you are trying to stay up with new technology.
 - Name of Company: <u>ElectroDynamics</u>
 - Web Address: www.electrodynam.com/rc
 - Specialty Batteries for RX & TX applications:
 - RX: ED Nano A123 LiNP Battery technology
 - TX: Eneloop NiMH Battery technology
- 2) There is another vendor on the Web called "NoBS Batteries". Check them out as well as they offer an excellent array of RC Batteries for RC RX & TX applications. They also have a section called "Red's RC Battery Clinic" with a lot of helpful topics for your specific model set ups.
 - Name of Company: <u>NoBS Batteries</u>
 - Web Address: http://www.hangtimes.com/nobsbatteries
 - Specialty Batteries for RX & TX applications:
 - RX: A123 LIFE Nanophosphate
 - TX: Various options



- <u>Winter Indoor Flying</u>: Dale has been working on an arrangement with Tim Getz of HDG Recreation Council about getting us access to indoor flying during the winter months of November thru March. We will provide more information when Dale gets the details worked out. Should be good fun. Maybe we'll start at the Golden Corral for an early morning breakfast followed by indoor flying.
- <u>Club Dues</u>: Anyone who wants to pay their dues for the upcoming season please forward them to Steve Snyder. As you all know we depend on our dues to fund our projects and maintenance of our club.

Club Meetings Schedule

- January thru April and October thru November:
 - Monthly club meetings will now be held at the Golden Corral in Aberdeen, MD
 on Route 40 on the 2nd Saturday of each month starting at 10AM. We will be
 meeting in one of the small dining rooms and enjoy their full breakfast buffet.
- May thru September:
 - Monthly club meetings and a cookout will be held at the Swan Harbor RC flying field on the 2nd Saturday of each month from 10am-2pm. The Fall Club Picnic will be held on the same day as the September Club meeting.
- December:
 - 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.

Upcoming RC Events for 2018

- Fall Club Picnic:
 - The Club's Fall Picnic will be held on Saturday, September 8, 2018 with a rain date on the following Saturday, September 15, 2018. More details about the picnic to come later this summer.

Annual Christmas Party:

• The Club's annual Christmas Party will be held on Saturday, December 8, 2018 at the Havre De Grace Parks and Recreation Center. More details about the party in the fall.

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 help!!

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 sslotnick@mac.com 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 www.SwanHarborRC.com under the heading "How to Join." Additional membership information or questions can be obtained from Steve Snyder at (443) 243-4324 or email: snyder800@gmail.com.