

The Dead Stick Flyer

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Club Meeting: Saturday, September 8, 2018

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

1. Old Business:

a. Electricity: This has been a long term project of Dale's.

2. New Business:

- a. <u>Electricity</u>: Gary received a call from BG&E advising they are waiting on an electrical contractor to be done with their current work load so they can start very soon after the contractor becomes available. All design work, permitting and approvals are done and work is ready to proceed. We are now waiting on the physical work to be begin. With a little bit of luck we could have juice by mid to late October or early November 2018.
- b. <u>Field Etiquette</u>: Please check the field area before you leave the grounds for trash, empty bottles, etc. This won't be a difficult chore if we all lend a hand to make this happen. Dale will be setting up a small trash can for light trash so let's all do our part to help keep our beautiful flying club clean and pristine.



- c. Treasurer Report: Steve Snyder was not present to provide an update.
- d. New Members: There were several new members at the meeting/picnic:

Zeb Bertsch, Terry Kilby, Jake Aytes, and Shawn Shay
Welcome guys to the club!

e. General Discussion:

- a. The year is rapidly slipping away and has not been the best year for flying due to the weather but, any day we can flying is a good day as far as I'm concerned. Don't blink your eyes because the Christmas Party will be here before you know it. Enjoy the rest of the flying year. We will soon be talking about and planning for the new flying year....2019
- b. I was elated to see the turn out for the September Club Picnic and meeting even though it turned out to be such a crappy weather day. We had one new member, a real die hard, flying an electric Timber Wolf with a plastic bag around the transmitter (I think it was a proto type for something new to come) and having a good time despite the rain. I counted 35 people in attendance and considering the rain I think it was a smash hit.
- c. Dale, Jay and Herman have been doing a fabulous job of maintaining the field on a weekly basis. This is truly hard work and even more so during

the hot and humid summer months. It practically takes a full day to cut, trim and sweep (with a tow behind grass sweeper) the field to get it ready for members to come out and fly on the weekends. We all benefit from their hard work, so let's all be mindful of the great effort put forth on a



weekly basis by these guys! They are definitely the unsung heroes of the club!!

d. Dale advised that Gary Gunter, Club President, has graciously purchased all of the food for the summer club meeting cookouts at the field so that we could save money for the upcoming electric installation. Many, many thanks to Gary for this very much appreciated contribution to the club effort!

Thank you all for coming and many thanks for your support!

Gary Gunter, President

Upcoming Events for 2018

• Next Club Meeting:

The October 2018 Club Meeting will be held at the Golden Corral restaurant on Route 40 in Aberdeen on Saturday, October 13, 2018 starting at 10am. Come join the meeting discussion and have breakfast at the Corral.

Thursday Night Flying:

Evening daylight is rapidly growing short and there are not many weeks of late evening daylight left. Every week a contingent of members have been flying on Thursday night starting around 5pm. Members are urged to join in on the fall evening flying that is remaining. Anytime is a good time to fly but it seems Thursday nights are also very popular with members.

See you at the field! Enjoy evening flying while you can!

• Indoor Flying: New for 2018

Good news! We now have indoor flying access at the Havre De Grace Recreation Center. Dale has worked out an arrangement with Tim Getz, of the HDG Recreation Council, for our members to fly indoors during the winter months. We urge all members to show our appreciation for this privilege by coming out and join in on the flying. Bring your indoor flying machines.

Location: 351 Lewis Lane, Havre De Grace, MD 21078 – Gym

Flying Schedule for 2018:

Saturday, October 20, 2018 9:00am -11:30am Saturday, November 17, 2018 9:00am - 11:30am Saturday, December 8, 2018 12:00pm - 4:00pm

Note: Flying available during the Annual Club Christmas Party

Note: The flying schedule for 2019 has yet to be determined.

Dale says we can stop by the Golden Corral after flying for lunch!

• Annual Christmas Party:

This year's annual Christmas Party and last club meeting for 2018 will be held on Saturday, December 8, 2018 at the Havre De Grace Parks and Recreation Center. We will also have indoor flying access during the party so bring your indoor flying machines.

<u>Location</u>: 351 Lewis Lane, Havre De Grace, MD 21078

Club Meeting 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 starting at 10am. 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.

Club Photo Gallery: Club Meeting & Prior Flying Pics

Pictures submitted by Bob Walker and Ron Lazzeri























It was a cloudy, rain showered day but members came out in large numbers to attend the meeting.

Regardless of the weather we all had a great time. At one point there were 30 cars in the driveway and 35 members in attendance.



<u>New Members</u>: Jake Aytes & Shawn Shay flew in between the rain showers...







<u>New Members:</u>

Zeb Bertsch & Terry Kilby





Fred Visnaw
&
Aever Gutmar





Fred & Darryl

They flew the wing off the jet



Chris's new Carbon Cub - great flying & sound



















Ron Moyer's Mini Fleet





Herman instructing Kevin, a new member for 2018



Stan S riying wing

Dan is a new member for 2018





Ron's new Taylor Craft

A raffle prize at the 2017

Christmas Party, donated by Gary Gunter

Flies really well!



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: ElectroDynamics
 - Web Address: <u>www.electrodynam.com/rc</u>
 - 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: NoBS Batteries
 - Web Address: http://www.hangtimes.com/nobsbatteries
 - Specialty Batteries for RX & TX applications:
 - RX: A123 LIFE Nanophosphate
 - TX: Various options



Club Dues:

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.

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 <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>.