



The Dead Stick Flyer

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Swan Harbor RC meeting was held at the field on Saturday, July 13, 2019 at 10am

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President's Club Meeting & Discussion Topics

Old Business:

- *The club held a successful spring Open House Fly-In on June 8, 2019*

New Business:

- **A New 2nd Shed:** *We have a new shed coming to go along side our existing shed that we have outgrown. The new shed will be 12' x 12' with a roll up door like the older one. It will be dressed out in the same colors. The extra width and depth of this new shed will alleviate the difficulty of getting between the mowers to get to the roll up door. In the current shed on the side where the mowers are kept, it is very cramped and difficult to walk through. We have placed the order but are waiting on the installation permit from the Havre De Grace Parks & Recreation Council. Getting the permit should not be an issue. Delivery of the shed should be in about six weeks.*
- **Club's Fall Member Picnic:** *Our fall club picnic is in just a couple of months on Saturday, September 14, 2019 from 10am till 4pm. We will have some good eats with gourmet hamburgers, sausages, dogs, and of course all the salads and fixings to go along with the main course. Hopefully, it will be good weather but the picnic will be held rain or shine. Depending on member participation and plane availability, we will have some fun RC flying games you will be sure to enjoy. We could have an RC Demo Derby, or RC Bowling, or a Spot Landing Contest. Stay tuned as this gets firmed up.*
- **Update on 15 CACI Members:** *We have received the check for the 15 memberships for the Aberdeen CACI flyers. They are now officially members of Swan Harbor RC. They normally fly during the week and not on the weekends.*
- **Paid-Off Electric Installation:** *This past month we have paid-off the remaining balance owed to the Havre De Grace Parks & Recreation council. We are now 100% good to go with the club's field electric installation. As of mid-summer and after 6 months of use, we can truly say that this has been a great venture and investment. Club members are using the service to charge their batteries right at the two canopies and extend their flying time for the day. Another advantage is that you do not have to charge all of your batteries at home before coming to the field. You can now charge extra batteries or recharge your go-to batteries on the fly, no pun intended!*
- **Treasurer Report:** *Steve Snyder provided the current financial report and confirmed we are holding strong at 70 members as of meeting time.*

Swan Harbor RC Club

Fall Club Picnic

Picnic flyer created by Marvin Tedrow



Swan Harbor RC Club

Invites you to the

Fall Club Picnic

NO Rain Date

Sept 14 – 10am



“Picnic Food and Drinks Available “



“RC Flying Games: Demo Derby, Bowling or Spot Landing depending on number of members participating”

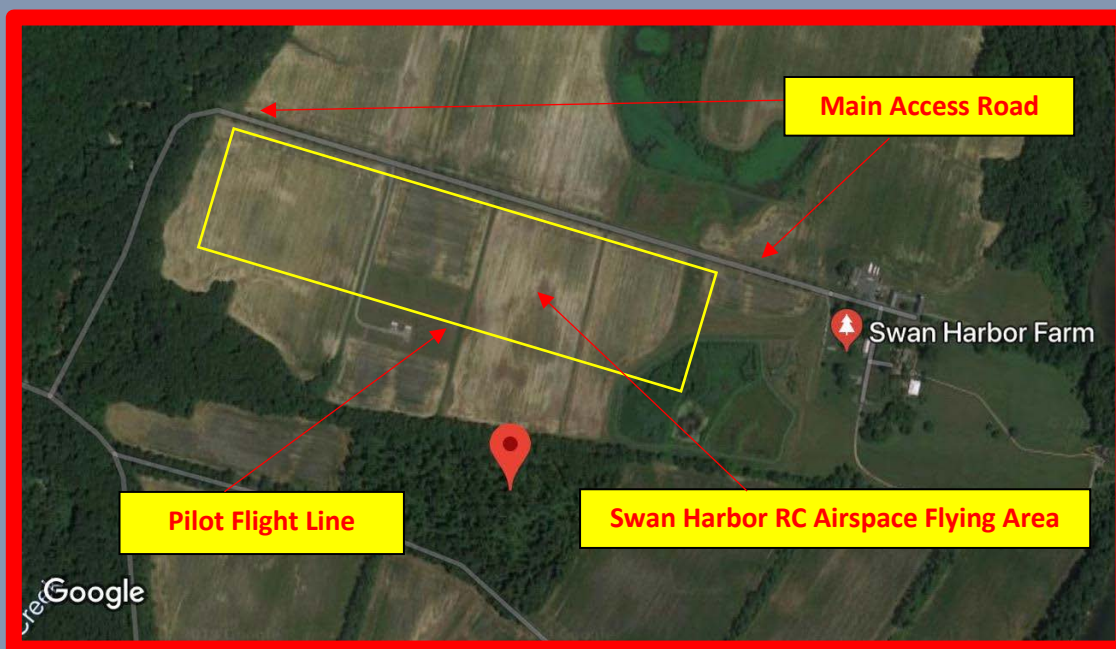


Thursday Night Flying:

- **Bob Walker says “a lot of guys fly on Thursday nights while evening light is the longest.” So, Bob declares Thursday nights in June, July, and August as the “Evening Flying” time of the summer. Bring a plane or two out and enjoy the benefits of summer time evening flying and possibly no wind! Can’t get any better than that.**

General Information:

- **Safety First by Bob Walker:** *We have really been lucky over the years in that we have had no major accidents at our field. We never had a long list of rules at the field like other clubs. The two basic ones are “Fly Safe” and “Be Courteous”. Along those lines, a few common sense things can make things even safer:*
 - **Wear eye protection:** *Things do fly off airplanes.*
 - **Flying too close to the Pilot Safety Fence and Pit Area:** *It has been noticed by several members this year that more and more people fly their planes too close to and/or over the safety fence at the pilot stations. Everyone should be flying out further from the safety fence, especially if someone else is flying their plane at one of the pilot stations. Please fly safe!*
 - **Plane Hold Downs:** *For your safety and others, please use the available plane starting “Hold Downs” when starting your gas or glow powered planes. They are stored in the black trash can under the 1st canopy. Also, we strongly urge that you stand behind your plane while revving up your engine. You never know when a damaged propeller tip or blade will fly off in your direction if you stand in front of or to the side of the propeller’s path.*
 - **Driving into the Field:** *When driving down the entrance road and crossing the runway, please stop and check to see if there is a plane landing or taking off. Someone watching their plane cannot always see a vehicle crossing the runway. It is up to you to check for a low flying plane.*
 - **Flying too far out and crossing the Main Access Road:** *As a general rule, please fly inside our approved airspace and do not fly over or past the main access road or the Swan Harbor Farm reception grounds to the right.*



If you have any other safety concerns, please let us know. Happy flying, Bob Walker.

- **Protection from the sun:** *The hot summer sun is here and now is the time to take care of yourself in addition to your RC equipment. 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 effects of the sun. It is very important to apply sunscreen and wear hats (wide brimmed like a Tilley Hat), if possible to protect our heads, necks and faces from the problems the sun can cause down the road. Just friendly words of advice for our members.*

Club Photo Gallery: *Pics by Bob Walker and Ron Lazzeri*

PICS of the Month



This picture was taken by Dale several days before the July 13th club meeting. We had gotten a lot of rain that week and it looked like the Saturday meeting was going to be washed out. However, when the crew returned Friday afternoon it had all dried up enough to allow them to cut the grass and get the field ready for the Saturday planned meeting, cookout, and flying.

By comparison, I (Ron) took this picture upon entering the field at 8:30am on Saturday, the day of the club meeting. The rain water had all dried up and the day was a success as though it had never rained that week. But “Boy-O-Boy” did the farmer’s corn grow after that rain. It looks to be the highest it has ever been at this time of the year. You really don’t want to lose a plane in that stuff!



A line up of members flying after the club meeting



Our cookout after the club meeting with Dale and Bob on duty



Zeb's new plane





*Bob is getting ready for
1st flight of the day*



*Mike was enjoying a flight after
the club meeting*

Kevin is getting ready for some flying practice with Herman



Tom is putting his Cub together for another good day of low and slow flying



*Bob took a shot of
Ron's Gee Bee*

*Later in the day
after the club
meeting, Gary
returned with his
immaculate
Harley Davidson
"Electra Glide
Classic"
motorcycle*





*Chris's FMS P51-D
Mustang*



*Ron Moyer
posing for a
picture with
his Piper*

Zeb provided these shots of his 1st Cessna's tragic demise earlier this summer. Ouch!! He has since replaced it and it is a very good flyer with Zeb at the sticks! Sorry Zeb.....



Bob Walker's E-Flight Pitts S-1S, 850mm on a great looking afternoon

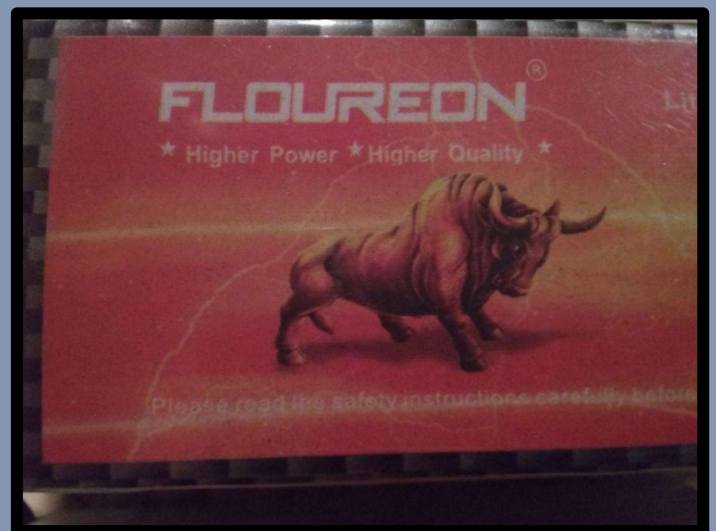
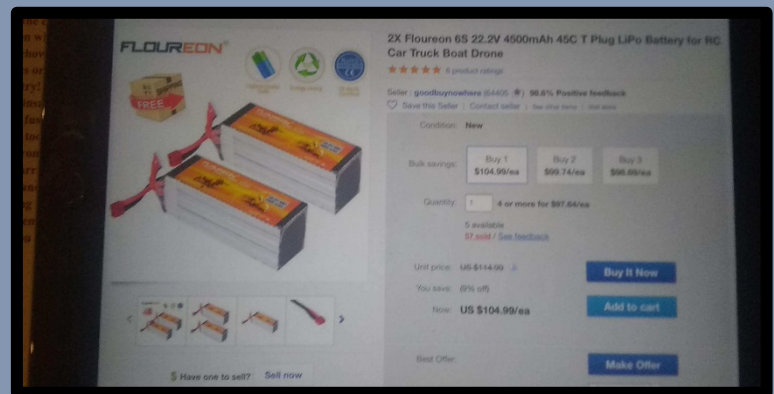
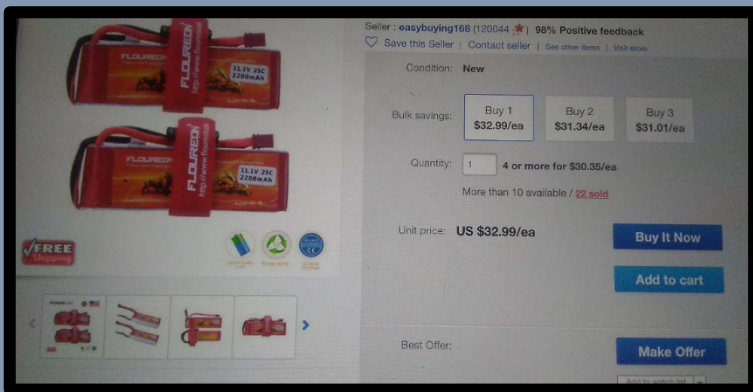


Bob took this creative shot of Dale's flower garden. Nice shot Bob!

Tech Corner: by Ron Lazzeri

Every once in a while you come across a product that surprises you and eventually turns out to be a very good purchase. This is the case with the “Floureon” LIPO batteries that Zeb purchased for his Cessna and other electric planes. Their main website is www.floureon.com. Thanks Zeb for your RC product suggestion!

According to Zeb: These are the batteries he’s been using and the one pictured below is a good example of what’s on eBay (two 3s 2200mah 25c for \$32.99 or best offer with free shipping) that’s only \$16.50 each! The other eBay pic is (two 6s 4500mah 45c for \$105 or best offer free shipping) so that’s \$52.50 ea. (Those are the ones he flies with in his Cessna). Zeb suggests to go on eBay and search for the size in this brand that you’re looking for, then in the sort box click (price + shipping lowest). Most of the lowest priced batteries come from sellers in Staten Island, NY. Pick one with good ratings and they usually come in 2-3 days. Happy Flying!



RC Vendor listing: by Ron Lazzeri

If you have a "Vendor" that you use and would like to add it to our RC Vendor Listing, please send me an email with the details and I will add it to the list. Sharing this information will help new & old members alike. Thank You... ronlazzeri@verizon.net

Floureon LIPO Batteries	<u>www.floureon.com</u>
Hobby King	<u>www.hobbyking.com</u>
Redwing RC	<u>www.redwingrc.com</u>
Hansen Hobbies	<u>www.hansenhobbies.com</u>
Pulse Batteries	<u>www.pulsebattery.com</u>
Electrodynamics RC	<u>www.electrodynam.com</u>
Valley View RC	<u>www.valleyviewrc.com</u>
RC Extreme Power	<u>www.rcextremepower.net</u>
Aircraft International	<u>www.aircraftinternational.com</u>
Tower Hobbies	<u>www.towerhobbies.com</u>
Sullivan Products	<u>www.sullivanproducts.com</u>
Motion RC	<u>www.motionrc.com</u>
Revolectrix	<u>www.revolectrix.com</u>
Fromeco Scale Avionics	<u>www.fromeco-scale-avionics-llc.myshopify.com</u>
Horizon Hobby	<u>www.horizonhobby.com</u>
Tail Dragger RC	<u>www.taildraggerrc.com</u>
Sonic-Tronics Inc.	<u>www.sonictronics.com</u>
B&B Specialties	<u>www.bennettbuilt.com</u>
F3A Unlimited	<u>www.f3aunlimited.com</u>
Esprit Tech	<u>http://www.espritmodel.com</u>
Falcon Propellers	<u>www.falconpropellers.com</u>
Chief Aircraft	<u>www.cheifaircraft.com</u>
Wrong Way RC	<u>www.wrongwayrc.com</u>

NoBS Batteries www.hangtimes.com

RC Extreme Hobbies www.xtremerchobby.com

Note: The Musser's hobby shop has been downsized and is now a combination of outdoor hunting, fishing, and RC products store. The website will eventually be renamed to the new store's name.

35 Friendly Drive • Quarryville, PA 17566

Phone: (717) 284-0164

Email: info@xtremerchobby.com

Hours: Sunday 10AM-6PM

Monday-Saturday: 10AM-8PM (except holidays)

Radio Control Hobbies www.rc-hobbies.com/baltimorenorth

1512 York Road, Lutherville, MD 21093

Tel: 410-376-7076

Email: BaltimoreNorth@rc-hobbies.com

Hours: Mon-Friday 11:00am - 7:00pm

Saturday 10:00am - 6:00pm

Sunday 11:00pm - 4:00pm

Yard Sale Bulletin Board:

- *This is a new section in our newsletter at the request of some club members. This section is for you to post items in the newsletter on a monthly basis that you want to sell. If you have something you want to sell, please send me an email with all the details of the item(s) you want to sell, asking price, a picture image, and your contact information to ronlazeri@verizon.net. I will be sure to include it in the next month's newsletter.*

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 10:00am-12:00pm. 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.*

Membership Dues Policy “Revised March 2019”:

At the March 16th club meeting, the Board and attending members discussed our current club’s Membership Dues Policy and came to an agreement on a new set of guidelines to make it clear and fair for all members, new and existing. The following Membership Dues Policy was agreed upon and adopted.

To pay your club dues for the season, either as a renewing member or a new member, please forward them to Steve Snyder, Treasurer. As you all know we depend on our dues to fund projects and general maintenance for our club.

Existing Annual Membership Renewals:

- Annual renewal membership fee: \$75.00
 - Renewal period: 1/1/YR thru 3/31/YR (Payment is due by 3/31/19)
 - Grace period is for 2019 only: 4/1/19 thru 4/15/19
 - *If a member’s renewal dues are not paid in full by 4/15/19, then that member is considered to be in default. If that member wants to join the club after 4/15/19, then that member is required to pay at the full new member rate. The member in default will not be permitted to fly at the field after 4/15/19 until their membership dues are paid in full. There will not be a Grace Period in 2020 and thereafter.*
 - *Note: All members are urged to pay their renewal fee as early as possible during the renewal period since club expenses are budgeted and paid based on membership fee receipts.*

New Membership Dues:

- Full year membership fee: \$125.00
 - Joining period: 1/1/YR thru 12/31/YR
 - Fee Includes:
 - \$75.00 annual membership fee
 - \$50.00 1st year initiation fee
 - *Note: New members joining the club on 9/1/YR or after of that same year are considered paid in full for the current year and the immediately following year. The reason for this exception is that the current flying season is about 75% over and we want to give new members an incentive to join our club.*

AMA & FAA Membership Requirements:

In an effort to ensure our club's compliance with AMA and FAA rules and regulations we are requiring that all members, whether a new member or an existing member renewal, the following documents are required to be submitted to Steve Snyder when dues are paid:

- *Swan Harbor RC Membership Form*
 - *The form can be found on the Swan Harbor RC website*
- *Proof of AMA & FAA membership*
 - *Provide a copy of each membership's email or registration card*
 - *The copy must include the registration number*

Note: If any member sees an unknown person flying at the field, you should ask the flyer if they have a current membership card. If they say they do not, then ask them if they would like information on how to join. Explain that membership is a requirement for flying at the field.

General Information

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.*

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.*

Harford County's No Smoking Policy on County Property: *We follow all county rules and regulations and ask for your cooperation. Thank You!*

