



# *The Dead Stick Flyer*

**Newsletter of Swan Harbor RC**

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### What's inside the June 2023 issue:

- **No June Club Meeting**
- **July Club Meeting**
- **Old Business:**
  - **June 10<sup>th</sup> Open House Fun Fly**
  - **Park Hours Status Update**
  - **Wednesday Evening Flying**
- **New Business:**
  - **RC Stuff Donated by Larry Kirssin**
- **Flying Safety Etiquette**
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## **June Club Meeting:**

*The club did not have a June club meeting. The June Open House Fun Fly was held in place of a club meeting. Regular club meetings will be continued in July.*

## **Next club meeting: July 11, 2023 7:00pm**

*The next club meeting will be held at the Havre de Grace Activity Center located at:*

*Location: 351 Lewis Lane, Havre de Grace, MD 21078*

*Date: July 11, 2023*

*Time: Starting at 7:00pm*

*Bonus: We'll have more of Larry Kirssin's RC stuff to give away to attendees.*

## **Treasury & Membership"**

*Steve will provide an update on the club's financial status at the July meeting. Please be assured the club's finances are in good shape. A handout will be given to the attending members. Please note we do not publish financial information online.*

*Steve will also provide an update on the club's membership status as of the July meeting. As of June, the club has 75 members so far for the year but that number will certainly increase.*

## **Old Business:**

- **June Open House Fun Fly:**

*The annual Open House Fun Fly was held on Saturday, June 10 as scheduled. The Fun fly was a tremendous success all around. The weather was great and the wind was light but somewhat variable at times. There was a large crowd of approximately 70 people in attendance, both RC flyers and spectators alike.*

*We had flyers from our club and various other local clubs as follows:*

- *The Sunday Flyers: Baltimore, MD*
- *The Cloud Kings: Oxford, PA*
- *Stoverstown Fliers: Stoverstown, PA*
- *DC/RC: Boyds, MD*
- *Delaware RC: North East, MD*
- *Westminster Aero Modelers: Westminster, MD*
- *RCMB: Parkton, MD*

***We would like to extend a big thanks to the members that helped make the Fun Fly a big success....Thanks to ALL***

***Cooking: Bob Walker, Bob Bossoli, Bob Bartell***

***Donations/Money Box: Ross Carson***

***Parking: Dan Seldomridge, John Landbeck***

***Safety: Stan Dill***

***General Coordination: Steve Snyder & Ron Lazzeri***

***Steve's summary of the Fun Fly results are as follows:***

- ***We cooked and sold approximately 65 burger meals for \$7.00 a plate.***
- ***Collected proceeds of \$503.00 during the event.***
- ***Made \$125.00 profit after subtracting the cost of the food supplies. Plus, we have an ample supply of leftovers to have at a couple future Wednesday evening flying cookouts such as 36 burgers, cookies, and chips.***

***Steve also got the Ice Cream truck vendor back again this year and was a big hit with the attendees.***

***See the Club PICs section below for some of the day's action.***



• ***Swan Harbor Park – Main Entrance Update:***

***Current update: The new gate has been installed and will be a side opening style gate not a swing out gate. The last step is the electrical hook up. The hope is that the gate is operational very soon.***

***Photo courtesy of Bob Walker***



***In the meantime:***

- ***Wednesday Evening Flying: We have adopted every Wednesday afternoon & evening as a planned flying session until the new gate system is installed and working. Steve or another volunteer will be responsible for locking up the main park gate at the end of the night's flying. Who knows maybe this will be the start of some regular summer evening flying for members.***

- **Swan Harbor Park Events:** GOOD NEWS! Steve has also obtained the Swan Harbor Park events schedule for April through October 2023. The main gate will be open late in the evening while events are going on at the park. So, you will be able to fly during these times without the worry of locking up the park. However, we can't help with any TFR's in effect during these times.

Here are the current 2023 Swan Harbor Park event dates:

- June 1-3, 8-10, 15-17, 22-24
- August 5, 12-13, 19, 25-26
- September 2-3, 7-10, 15-17, 22-24, 29-30
- October 1, 6-8, 12-15, 20-22, 26-29

## **New Business:**

- **RC Stuff Donated by SHRC Member "Larry Kirssin":**

Long time member, Larry Kirssin, unfortunately cannot fly RC any longer so he and his son have donated all of Larry's RC stuff to be distributed amongst our club members. Many thanks to Larry and his son. We will be bringing Larry's stuff to the monthly cub meetings until it all has been distributed to new happy owners.

## **Safety Tips – Flight Line Etiquette:**

Safety is always the main concern while flying Radio Control aircraft. Now that the weather is prime time for flying and there are more fliers coming out, we feel it is a good time to advise you and request that we all follow some good flight line etiquette and flying safety rules when there are other active fliers in the air.

- **Announce Your Flying Intentions:** Always announce to the other active fliers on the flight line of your flying intentions like TAKING-OFF or LANDING. This verbal announcement will give the other fliers a heads-up as to what you are going to do so they can be ready for your flight action.
- **TAKE-OFF and LAND into the Wind:** Always plan to TAKE-OFF and LAND your plane into the current wind direction. Refrain from cross runway TAKE-OFFs. This method of flying will not only make your flying more successful but it will provide an unspoken action that will help the active flier immediately know what you are doing as well.
- **Fly the Pattern with Active Fliers:** Always try to fly the oval flying pattern when you are flying with other active fliers. You can think of this in terms of the NASCAR oval track pattern. TAKE-OFF into the wind and turn 180 degrees to fly in the down wind direction away from the runway. Then LAND into the wind on the runway when you are ready.



Club PICS:

Open House Fun Fly PICS

*Steve's pilot meeting before Flying*



*Pit Line Up*





*Upper Canopy Pit*



*Jae Jang*





## Pit Line Up



## Ron Moyer





*Bob Bartell, Kenny Sumner, Ross Carson*



*Steve Snyder*





*Tord Kuraas & Tom Insley*



*Jerry Kasmer & Bryan Wilhelm*





*Mantas & Connor Zitinskas*



*Paul Schaffner & John Snyder*





*Paul Schaffner*



*Charles Russell*





*Xander Seldomridge*



*Bob Walker & his grandson Shane Sieracki*





*Allan Hoffman, Jim McDaniel, Walt Gallaugher*





*Jerry McCallum*





*Jim McDaniel, Allan Hoffman, & Walt Gallagher*





## *The Big Birds*



*Steve Snyder &  
Bryan Wilhelm*



*Charles Russell & John Kovac*



*Kenny Sumner*





*Lunch Line*

*Bob Walker – Grill Chef*

*Bob Bossoli – Crew*

*Bob Bartell – Crew*

*Ross Carson – Cash Box*



***What a wonderful Open House Fun Fly***

***Many thanks to all attendees, guests, and crew!***



*PICs of some regular flying in June*

*Darryl Ivins (pics by Bob Walker)*



*Rich Schweiger*



*Nick Hudson*





*Steve Snyder*



*Ron Lazzeri's Extra*





## General Information:

### Membership Dues Policy

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: \$80.00
- Renewal period: 1/1/YR thru 3/31/YEAR
- Payment is due by: 3/31/YEAR

#### New Membership Dues:

- Full year new membership: \$130.00
- Joining period: 1/1/YR thru 12/31/YEAR (\*)
  - Includes \$80.00 annual membership & \$50.00 first year initiation fee

(\*) Note: New members joining the club on 9/1/YR or after in that same year are considered paid in full for the remainder of the 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.


**You can pay your dues with PayPal:** If you decide to pay your dues with PayPal go to the club's website: [swanharborrc.com](http://swanharborrc.com) and click on the top menu item How to Join. This section will explain everything you'll need to know regarding how to join as a new member or pay your dues as a renewing member. In this section you will see the PayPal payment options as pictured below. Please take note that the PayPal payment includes a service fee added to the payment total as seen below.



**Member Renewal**  
\$83.50

[Buy Now](#)


Yearly Dues for Members, due by March 31st. After this date, you must join as new member (\$80+\$3.50 Service Fee)



**New Member**  
\$135.25

[Buy Now](#)


New member fee - dues (\$80) plus initiation fee (\$50). After September 1st, Fee includes the next year. (\$130+\$5.25 Service Fee)



**Junior Renewal**  
\$42.00

[Buy Now](#)

½ dues under age 18 years of age, due by March 31st after date must join as new member. (\$40+\$2.00 Service Fee)



**Junior New Member**  
\$80.75

[Buy Now](#)

½ dues and ½ initiation fee for ages under 18, After September 1st, fee includes the next year. (\$77.50+\$3.25 Service Fee)

**What members are working on:** Building a new aircraft, assembling an ARF, working on an old reliable, or want to sell something? We would love to hear about what you are working on. Send us some information and a couple of pics of your project and we will post it in the next monthly newsletter. Send your emails to: [ronlazzeri@verizon.net](mailto:ronlazzeri@verizon.net).

**Newsletter:** To receive the Swan Harbor RC Newsletter by email, please send a request to: [sslotnick@mac.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto: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!

