

The Dead Stick Flyer

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Club meeting held at Havre de Grace Activity Center

October Newsletter Minutes Approved

Membership & Treasury Report

Finalized 2022 Officer Nominations

Christmas Party: Saturday, December 11, 2021

- Christmas Party Noon-4pm
- Food, desserts, and drinks
- Raffle prizes
- Indoor Flying in Gym
- 2022 club officer voting

Field Report

Discussed 2022 Budget Ideas

Next Club Meeting

- Tuesday, January 11, 2022, 7:00pm
- Havre de Grace Activity Center

Show & Tell - Nothing shown

Tech Talk – 3D Printing

Indoor Flying: Every Friday, Noon - 2pm

Club PICs & Videos:

Indoor Flying & "Stearmen Rule" Video

General Information



Steve's November Meeting Notes

The October club meeting was held at the Havre de Grace Activity Center in the same room where we have our annual Christmas Party. Steve called the meeting to order at 7:05pm on November 9, 2021. There was a good member turnout for the last full meeting of 2021. The members in attendance approved the October newsletter minutes.

Membership & Treasury Report

<u>Membership</u>: Steve's updated membership tally for the year through November is now up to 84 members with the possibility of adding 1 or 2 more by year's end. The club's membership roster has grown to one of the highest counts in many years.

<u>Treasury</u>: Steve discussed the club's financial status. The club is in good financial standing for this time of the year. We are approaching membership renewal at the end of the year which will provide new funds for 2022.

Finalized 2022 Officer Nominations

Nominations for the 2022 officer positions was discussed and all existing 2021 officers agreed to run again for 2022. Hearing no other nominations, 2022 nominations were closed, and voting will take place at the Christmas party on December 11th.

Christmas Party

Plans for the annual Christmas party were finalized at the November meeting. For everyone's piece of mind and safety, extra precautions will be taken to protect people.

Make plans to attend this year's Christmas Party. The annual Christmas Party will be held on Saturday, December 11, 2021 from Noon - 4:00pm at the Havre De Grace Activity Center on Lewis Lane. We welcome all members and their guests to enjoy this annual celebration. There will be plenty of food, desserts, and drinks. We will be supplying vinyl gloves to be worn as you go through the food line so we can keep all utensils as sanitary as possible. There will also be some very nice raffle prizes to be won by several lucky party goers.

Pay your dues at the party: You can also help get the new year off to a good start by paying your club dues for 2022 at the Christmas Party. This will be one less thing you'll have to do next year and you won't have to put your envelope/check in the US Mail. Just a reminder that club dues are \$75.00 for renewing members.

Field Report

- The farmer's corn has been cut down and they DID NOT run on our field.
- A winter fertilizer was applied to the grass to help strengthen the grass roots for spring.
- The field has been winterized, flower beds were cleaned, entrance signs have been put in the shed, the bulletin board has been wrapped up for winter, and the weather station has been taken down. Just a reminder the field is still open for flying.
- On Saturday, November 13th, Stanley Dill steam cleaned the 3 zero-turn mowers and the picnic tables. Many thanks to "Stan the Man."

Discussed 2022 Budget Ideas

- No new capital projects were suggested for the club to fund. Remember, we submitted two projects to the county for new fencing and concrete under the canopies.
- Discussed paying off the new zero-turn tractor and starting a future tractor fund so when the time comes that we need a new tractor, we will have the funds.
- Discussed continuing field fertilizations next year but overseeding is undecided.
- Planning for the following 2022 events:
 - Spring Fly-in and invite other local clubs
 - o Fall club picnic
 - Fall Swap Meet
 - Summer outdoor club meetings at the field with a cookout

January 2022 Club Meeting

- The first club meeting in 2022 will be held on Tuesday, January 11th starting at 7:00pm.
- All 2022 winter club meetings will be held at the Havre de Grace Activity Center.
- We will send out the agenda prior to the meeting.
- We welcome everyone to the meetings and help shape the future of our club.

Show & Tell:

There were no Show & Tell items at this meeting.

Tech Talk - 3D Printing

In our Tech Talk series, Steve Snyder, Tom Kottke, and Dan Seldomridge brought sample 3D prints as examples of what can be made with this technology. Steve led the Tech Talk discussion with a 3D printing presentation and showing members his 3D printer.

Steve explained that there are 3 steps to the process:

- <u>First</u>, producing a computer model of what you want to print either by drawing a model yourself or downloading a completed model from the internet.
- Second, slicing and preparing the computer model for the print output.
- Third, actually printing out the model in 3D form.

Next, Steve talked about the different types of materials:

- The most common material used is "PLA" which comes in every color of the rainbow.
- "ABS" is another material that is difficult to use but is stronger and much easier when you need to glue pieces together.
- Dan showed off a flexible "PLA" material from which he made airplane tires but this material requires a direct drive Extruder Nozzle.

For display only, Steve brought his Ender 3 Pro printer to show members.

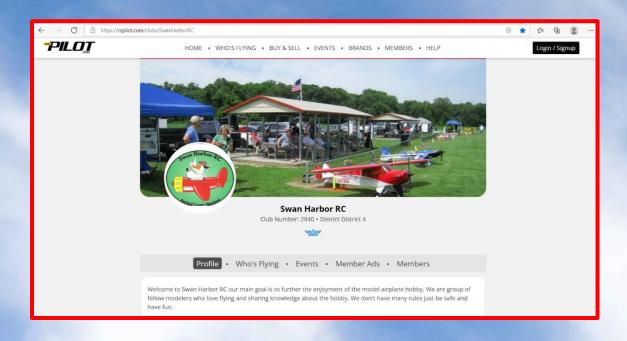
Tom brought some amazing 3D prints of wings that he has been working on. His goal is to design and print a complete flyable model airplane.

Steve has also provided the following resources for your research and reference:

- <u>Thingiverse Digital Designs for Physical Objects</u> a repository of millions of 3D printable items. www.thingiverse.com
- <u>Dashboard | Tinkercad</u> a simple online 3D modeling tool for creating an object to print. <u>www.tinkercad.com</u>
- <u>Ender Series 3D Printer Creality 3D</u> the company I bought my printer from. My printer is an Ender-3 Pro. www.creality.com
- <u>The World's #1 3D Printing Magazine | All3DP</u> a good resource for 3D printing. <u>www.all3dp.com</u>

RCpilot.com Website: (reprint)

- Steve has set up Swan Harbor RC on the RCpilot.com website for all members to use as another tool to enjoy and participate in our hobby.
- This site can be used by members in many ways as follows:
 - Look at all participating clubs and what they are doing.
 - On the "Who's Flying" tab you can select the days and time you will be out flying so other members know who will be at the field. Steve said he will create a member named "Grass Cutting" so you will know when the grass will be cut and can make your flying plans accordingly.
 - On the "Buy & Sell" tab you can list your RC yard sale items.
 - On the "Events" tab we can list club events.
 - And a whole host of other things....check it out.
 - You will need to create your own "Login."
- The RCpilot website link:
 - https://rcpilot.com/clubs/SwanHarborRC



Indoor Flying (reprint)

Dale has Indoor Flying booked and scheduled for all members to enjoy beginning Friday, October 1, 2021, and continuing every consecutive Friday through April 1, 2022 from Noon – 2:00pm at the Emmorton Recreation Center.

Note: There will be **NO FLYING** on the following Fridays due to the holidays:

- Friday, November 26, 2021, day after Thanksgiving
- Friday, December 24, 2021, Christmas Eve
- Friday, December 31, 2021, New Year's Eve

The Emmorton Rec Center is located at:

- 2213 Old Emmorton Rd, Bel Air, MD 21015
- www.emmortonrec.com



Club PICs & Video:

Indoor Flying Video, Friday October 8, 2021 (reprint)



Indoor Flying, Friday, November 12, 2021



Harvesting the Corn (Bob Walker photos)











Tom Nassar's Laysander (Bob Walker photos)



On-Line YouTube video for your viewing pleasure by Brian Fitzgerald

Click the image to watch the video

"Stearmen Rule"



Safety Tips:

Bob Walker sent in this photo taken of a low flying military plane that came right over the Swan Harbor farmhouse and then made a left turn into the Philips Airfield. This is a good reminder to be aware of low flying aircraft flying over the Swan Harbor RC flying field. Keep

in mind that our RC aircraft flying ceiling is 400 feet above the ground.

Always practice safe flying!

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 fee: \$75.00

o Renewal period: 1/1/YR thru 3/31/YEAR

Payment is due by: 3/31/YEAR)

New Membership Dues:

Full year new membership fee: \$125.00

Joining period: 1/1/YR thru 12/31/YEAR

• Fee Includes:

\$75.00 annual membership fee

\$50.00 first year initiation fee

O 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.

<u>What are Members Working on</u>: Building a new aircraft, assembling an ARF, working on an old reliable, or want to sell something? We would love to hear on what you are working. Send us some information and a couple of pics of your project and we will post it in the monthly newsletter. Send your emails to: <u>ronlazzeri@verizon.net</u>.

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

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

<u>Interest in Joining the Club</u>: 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>.

Harford County's No Smoking Policy on County Property: We follow all county rules and

regulations and ask for your cooperation.

Thank You!

