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**Club Meeting, Churchville Rec Center, Thursday, Jan 12, 2006.  
How about bringing in something for Show and Tell.**

## GENERAL CLUB NEWS...

The December 11 Meeting opened spontaneously at 12PM at the Churchville Rec Center. This was our Christmas Party, elections, YAK54 raffle and general good and welfare meeting. There is no doubt that this was the best attended and best tasting meeting in the history of the Club. There were 4 types of hot wings, EZ peel shrimp, a grand platter of cold cuts, salads and tasty desserts of all kinds. A real feast for the best.

In the middle of it all we were sure to take care of some administrative matters. Dan Bowman with his able assistant Marion was doing a booming business in signing up members for the 2006 season. (By the way have you ordered your new AMA card? Need it January 1).



**The winner is Dan Bowman as  
Jim Snyder bravely hangs on**

Then of course, there were the elections for officers for 2006 to contend with. There were no write-ins (hum). Overwhelmingly, the results were (ho, hum) as follows:

President Steve Snyder  
Vice president Jim Snyder  
Sect'y/Newsletter Achille Silvestri  
Treasurer Dan Bowman  
Safety Officer Joe Nixon  
Member at large Tom Smith  
Member at large Tom Moyer

Once those chores were done and we had eaten 'til we could pop, we got to the much awaited YAK54 raffle. I don't know of a single event that has sparked so much Club interest. And then, at



**Stephanie Snyder draws the winner as Steve and Jim Snyder look on**

the appointed moment, Stephanie, Steve Snyder's little girl drew the winning ticket, Dan Bowman. A hearty cheer for Dan... well deserved.

What a meeting, great camaraderie. Like they say in the movies, should have been there.

If you have any questions regarding the minutes or contents of this Newsletter please direct them to Achille Silvestri, Ph 410-838-6261 or e-mail [axsilvestri@earthlink.net](mailto:axsilvestri@earthlink.net).

## FROM THE PITS...

Earl McMullen brought out his recovered Great Planes Stearman. It has a 71 inch wingspan and weighs in at 15 lbs. Earl powered the Stearman with a Stihl, 32cc 4-stroke engine. These are the kind of weed-wacker engines you must have in California to meet their environmental regulations. The sound of that engine was amazing. It had a beautiful soft sound as I have never heard in an engine that size...well worth exploring.



**Earl McMullen and the Stearman, the sound of smooth**

## DOES ANYBODY READ THIS STUFF?...

We put this Newsletter out every month and sometimes you wonder if anybody out there is reading this stuff. Steve Snyder, our esteemed Webmaster, gave me a website that can track all our readership. This is what I found: For 2005 we averaged about 465 visits and 675 page views per month. This is a significant gain over 2004 when we averaged 285 visits and 500 page views per month. Our Club internet folk only number 47, so it can't be them doing all the looking. These are good numbers and should make the Club proud. So when you get your picture taken for the Newsletter, smile nice...you don't know who may be looking at you.

## THE WRAM SHOW...

Radio Control Modelers of Baltimore is sponsoring a bus trip to the WRAM Show in White Plains, NY, Sat



**Dan and Marion Bowman sign up Bernie Gerber**

Feb 25, 2006. Costs are \$31 for the bus and \$10 for a prepaid entrance fee. The bus will pick up 6:30AM at Mountain Road and return about 7:30PM. For further details contact Jerry McCullum, 3 Brittany Court, Owings Mills, MD 21117, PH 410-654-1385. Checks may be sent to Jerry (payable to RCMB).

## ABOUT SWAN HARBOR RC...

Swan Harbor RC meets 7PM the second Thursday of the month. During the flying season we meet at our flying field at Swan Harbor. In the latter part of the season, starting October, we meet at the Churchville Rec Center on Glenville Road in Churchville. The public is welcome to the meetings. To fly with us at Swan Harbor take Oakington Road off US 40 (between Aberdeen and Havre de Grace) and follow the signs for Swan Harbor Farm. Be sure to have your 2006 AMA membership because you need it to fly. [SWAN HARBOR RC 2006 Membership Application](#) is available on line or additional information can be obtained from Dan Bowman, 410-272-4251, [FLYERDCB@aol.com](mailto:FLYERDCB@aol.com). To learn more about Swan Harbor RC (formerly MAOA); go to [www.harfordvista.com/rcnews/](http://www.harfordvista.com/rcnews/) and click onto January 2001



**2006 Club Officers:**  
**Achille Silvestri, Sect'y/Newsletter;**  
**Tom Smith, Member at Large;**  
**Joe Nixon, Safety Officer;**  
**Jim Snyder, Vice President;**  
**Steve Snyder, President;**  
**Tom Moyer, Member at Large and**  
**Dan Bowman, Treasurer**

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Jan 12, 2006	Swan Harbor RC Club Meet, Churchville Rec Center, 7PM.
Feb 11, 2006	Westminster Aero Modelers Flea Market. Details to follow.
Feb 25, 2006	WRAM Show, White Plains, NY. See details above.

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