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**Club Meeting, Rec Center in Churchville, April 12, 7PM.  
How about bringing in something for show and tell.**

### GENERAL CLUB NEWS...

Steve Snyder, Club President, opened the meeting at 7PM, Mar 8, at the Churchville Rec Center. The report is as follows:

1. We have new Club hats available, green or beige mesh...cool flying. \$13 each, a bargain.
2. Tom Obringer delivered some of the fuel that was ordered.
3. \$300 was approved for early grass maintenance of the field.
4. We will rent a Port-a-Pot, May through September, with an option to extend.
5. Steve Snyder will order new covers and bungees for our shelter.
6. We decided on April 17 as a day trip to visit the Dover Air Force Museum. Jim Snyder can take 5. If you are interested give him a call at Ph410-256-3299 or call Achille Silvestri at the phone or e-mail listed at the end of this section.
7. Dan Bowman says we have 58 members signed up for 2007. Good show.



**John Ruppel and the Funtana X-100**

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@verizon.net](mailto:axsilvestri@verizon.net)

### SHOW AND TELL...

John Ruppel brought in his Funtana X-100 which Dan Bowman just finished assembling for him. Powered with an OS 120, it sure is a fine looking plane. This is the plane that John had won at the Christmas raffle.



**Leo Behr Conducts a Class on Cowlings**

Tom Smith showed off one of our most interesting planes. It's a Canard design still in the bones. It will be powered with twin OS 61s and have retracts. Can't wait to see this demonstration on the field.

Willie McCaslin brought in a 40 cc weed eater engine that he has modified for a new giant plane.

Leo Behr gave a very interesting tutorial of the fabrication of a fiberglass cowling. He described the materials required, preparation of the mold and techniques used in the final assembly. This was as complete a presentation as you would expect in any class.

Steve Snyder brought in the retractable nose gear which he designed for the giant B-25 bomber that he and Jim Snyder are building. Steve milled the gear out of solid stock aluminum. It's an excellent demonstration of design reduced to practice.

These last several "Show and Tells" have been interesting and informative. Seems to be a sign that the members enjoy them and are anxious to participate. Let's keep it up.



**Willie Rebuilds the Weed Eater**



**Steve Snyder Builds the Nosegear for the B-25**

## **FROM THE PITS.....**

I saw Dan Bowman one day making a few flights. Can flying season be far behind?

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL...

URGENT: If you have not renewed your membership by March 31 you are delinquent and must join again as a new member. The [SWAN HARBOR RC 2007 Membership Application](#) is available on line!

Also, don't forget your AMA renewal. You must have it by January 1, 2007 in order to fly.



Tom Smith and the Strange Canard

## ABOUT SWAN HARBOR RC...

Swan Harbor RC meets 7PM the second Thursday of the month. Starting October we meet at the Churchville Rec Center, Glenville Road, 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 2007 AMA membership because you need it to fly.

[SWAN HARBOR RC 2007 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

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Apr 12, 2007	Swan Harbor RC Club Meet, Churchville Rec Center, 7PM.
May 12, 2007	Sixth Annual Richmond Swap Meet. Mechanicsville, VA. For more information contact Donald Puetz Ph 804-737-4749, <a href="mailto:dmp1mp@aol.com">dmp1mp@aol.com</a>
June 2, 2007	(June 9 rain date) Skyfest Open House. Swan Harbor Flying Field, 9AM. CD: Steve Snyder.
June 23, 2007	Airplanes of the World II, Konterra Model Airpark. Sponsored by Freestate Aeromodelers. POC: Lee David Harris, PH 240-299-2784, <a href="mailto:ldharris84@hotmail.com">ldharris84@hotmail.com</a>
Sept 22, 2007	Big Bird Giant Scale Fly-In. Swan Harbor Flying Field, 9AM. CD: Steve Snyder.

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