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The Great Skyfest Open House is Jun 2, start about 9AM. Attendance required, bring your best planes and flying skills.

Club Meet, Jun 14, 7PM, come early, bring a plane, get some flights (maybe there'll be eats).

GENERAL CLUB NEWS...

Steve Snyder, Club President, opened the meeting at 7PM, May 10, at the Swan Harbor Farm flying field. We had great dogs and even better french fries. And Karen Walker's brownies were as good as we remembered (we missed them). Turn out was good. The report is as follows:

 Last meet we agreed to prepare some leaflets promoting our Club that could be handed out to interested visitors and attendees at our open events. Marv Tedrow has since prepared 100 of them. The Club agreed to reimburse him \$50 for ink for his computer.



Phil Carey's Incredible C-47

- 2. Bob Steininger has made necessary repairs to our bush hog. He made a test run cutting down some of the tall grass. Worked good, our thanks to Bob.
- 3. Bob Walker and Earl Harris will be the master chefs cooking for our open house. Hot dogs will go for \$1 and beverages for 50 cents.
- 4. Joe Nixon offered to replace our grill which has really aged. Going to miss all that built up fat.
- 5. The Spot-A-Pot is ready for duty for the open house.
- 6. Earl McMullen reported on a visit that he and Gene Clark made to the Air Museum at Massey, MD. He said they had fly-ins of real planes and put on a great demonstration all day long. Earl said they plan to have more fly-ins this year and it may make a good day trip. Earl will remind us
- 7. We plan to have a work (?) party on Jun 1 to make sure everything is in the very finest condition for the open house. We'll be getting together about 10AM. Maybe we can make a test run with Joe's new (to us) grill.
- 8. Dan Bowman says we have 69 members signed up for 2007. Good show.

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



Gene Clark and the P51 Park Zone

THE GREAT SKYFEST OPEN HOUSE...

Last year's event was a real loser. We rained out on both the scheduled date and the make up date. This year will be much better. We have promoted the event with fliers and leaflets describing our Club. We made submissions of the open house to three of the local papers. Talk it up with your friends. It's a good day out for everyone, not just flyers.

HEY GUYS! HEADS UP...

We still have incidents of people flying without taking out a frequency pin. This is a very dangerous practice...it could result in personal injury or loss of an airplane. Remember the law of the jungle is that if you

cause someone to crash by not abiding with the frequency control regulations you are obligated to reimburse him for his loss. The guidance is simple... when you fly take a frequency pin and replace it with your AMA membership card. Respect your Club and fellow members.

FROM THE PITS.....

Phil Carey was flying an absolutely stunning C-47. It's from a Great Planes kit and powered with two 4-stroke engines. It flew good once he got it trimmed. The knife edge was for excitement.

Robert Funk was flying his U-Can-Do 60. It's an ARF powered with a YS 110...good flyer. Also, Rob, as an aside, demonstrated a portable set up table which he built to prepare his planes for flight. It showed some clever engineering design. It's simple and transportable. I'm sure Rob will have it out again for those that may have missed it.

John Ruppel was flying his Shoestring. That's a pretty plane, almost looks like a version of the old P-40 of WWII fame. It's powered with an OS61..plenty of power for stunts.



John Ruppel and the Shoestring

Caught Gene Clark flying an electric, hand launched, P51 Park Zone. The plane, an ARF of course, is beautifully finished in WWII vintage colors. Flies very well.

OUR BUDDY MILT PEACOCK IN THE NEWS...

Our friend Milt Peacock from Radio Control Modelers of Baltimore, who attends many of our functions, got a picture of his plane in Model Aviation (May 2007, p. 77). It's a 93-inch-span F4U Corsair in flight. Another beautiful building job by Milt (do they still build planes?) A very good show.



Robert Funk and the U-Can-Do

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ABOUT SWAN HARBOR RC...

Swan Harbor RC meets 7PM the second Thursday of the month. We meet at the Swan Harbor Farm flying field. 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 Applications are available on line or additional information can be obtained from To learn more about Swan Harbor RC and click onto January 2001

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 2, 2007	(June 9 rain date) Skyfest Open House. Swan Harbor Flying Field, 9AM.
	CD: Steve Snyder.
June 14, 2007	Swan Harbor RC Club Meet, at the Flying Field 7PM. Come early bring a
	plane, maybe we'll have some good eats.
June 16, 2007	CBRC Open house. Free hot dogs, burgers and soda. See
	www.crabrag.com for more details.
June 23, 2007	Airplanes of the World II, Konterra Model Airpark. Sponsored by Freestate
	Aeromodelers. POC: Lee David Harris, PH 240-299-2784,
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Sept 22, 2007	Big Bird Giant Scale Fly-In. Swan Harbor Flying Field, 9AM. CD: Steve
	Snyder.

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