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Club Meeting, at the Flying Field, June 12, 7PM.

Come early with a plane and get some flying in, we're going to have hotdogs and French fries.

GENERAL CLUB NEWS...

Because Jim and Steve Snyder were indisposed, Achille Silvestri opened the meeting of May 15 (a make up for the rainout of May 8) at the flying field.

- 1. A reminder to all: our annual Open House is June 7. Get the word out with your friends and neighbors. Jim Snyder has volunteered again to pick up the food for the Open House. Bob Walker and Ron Lazzeri have again volunteered to do the cooking.
- 2. Dave Ferrall asked if we had a policy on turbine jets. There is no policy, and, in fact, we have had turbines fly at our field in the past.
- 3. Dale Davis brought up some options for clothing with Club logos. It was agreed that Dave will order one dozen light colored and one dozen dark colored hats.



Bob Burke, his Lazer 200 and Earl McMullen

- Dale will give us the hats at his cost and the Club can set its price on them.
- 4. Dale also described T-shirts, jackets and pullovers that are available. He'll bring in catalogs to future meetings and the members can discuss the options.
- 5. We agreed to feed the County staff who did all the work in upgrading our field.
- 6. Bob Steininger is working feverishly to restore our big tractor so we can cut the tall grass at the edge of our field. Can it be done? The doctor is out.
- 7. Ron Lazzeri says our membership for 2008 stands at 70. Nine of them are new members. Good show.

If you have any questions regarding the minutes or contents of this Newsletter, please direct them

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to Achille Silvestri, Ph 410-838-6261 or e-mail axsilvestri@verizon.net

SWAN HARBOR RC OPEN HOUSE...

This is one of two public events we put on for the public (we will do a fun fly in Sept). Get the word to your friends and neighbors. We would like a nice turn out, it's good for publicity. Also, we want the Parks and Recreation Department to realize that we are a significant part of their program and warrant their due attention to our issues. Flyers available online here!



Paul Coleman and the Pacific Edge 540T

THE JIM SNYDER HOME IMPROVEMENTS AND AEROMODELING CO...

Jim was at it again. This time he built us a new box for our frequency pins. And it's complete with brand new pins...very attractive. It also has Spread Spectrum 2.4 Ghz frequency pins. This is good stuff. Be sure to utilize it.

Also, Jim made new doors to dress up our bulletin board where we can promote all the good stuff you.

Jim, our hat's off to you. You do a lot to give the Club such a good image.

FROM THE PITS...

I'm sure you've noticed how good the field looks these days. Thanks to the regular grass cutting by Marvin Tedrow, Dan Bowman and others.

Bob Burke brought out his Lazer 200. It is a very handsome plane built from an Aero Pro Kit ARC. It has an 82 inch wingspan and is powered with a Zenoah G 62 The master craftsman was Earl McMullen...this is one of his very best jobs. And the plane flew perfectly the very first time out, no trim, no adjustments. Bob is so proud.

Paul Coleman was flying his Pacific Edge 540T. It's powered with a G&S 75 and has a 75 inch wingspan. Nice flying sports plane.

We met Cory Grochowski...he's another helicopter pilot, big time. This day he was flying his Century Hawk, a 30-size helicopter.

A MORNING WITH THE YOUNG AT HEART...

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Jim Snyder arranged a presentation on RC modeling for Young at Heart, a senior citizens group from Havre de Grace. Jim worked out all the details with Ramona Bolen, Program Coordinator. The

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Young at Heart meet regularly at the Havre de Grace Rec Center and arrange for speakers or exhibitors to come in as part of their get-to-gethers. On May 7, Jim, Tom Smith, Dan Bowman and Achille Silvestri spent the morning with a 100 or more of their members showing off our planes and pretending to be real smart. It worked, they believed it all. Jim brought out the North America B-25 (which is ready to go on tour), Dan had his Piper Cub (always a crowd pleaser), Tom brought in some micro electrics and Achille brought in one of his typical bashed planes. It must be said, Tom stole the show when he buzzed the room with his micro helicopter. It woke up a few that had dozed off. The group was warm and friendly and seemed to genuinely enjoy the subject matter and our



Jim Snyder receives a certificate of appreciation from Louis St. Amour

presence. Louis St. Amour, the Interim President of Young at Heart, presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Jim for all our Club. While I don't believe we recruited any new members, I think a few of them will come out to the open house. It was refreshing to see these well adjusted seniors, it looks like the future is not all that bad. Heck, many were younger than us.



Cory Grochowski and the Century Hawk

ABOUT SWAN HARBOR RC...

Swan Harbor RC meets 7PM the second Thursday of the month. In the Spring we meet at our flying field at Swan Farm Harbor. 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 2008 AMA membership because you need it to fly. SWAN HARBOR RC 2008 Membership Applications are available on line or additional information can be obtained from Ron Lazzeri, 410-256-4210, ronlazzeri@verizon.net. To learn more about Swan Harbor RC (formerly MAOA); go to www.harfordvista.com/rcnews/ and click onto January 2001

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Jun 6-8, 2008	MHA Fun Fly Patuxent River Park. CD: Wayne Hillenbrand. E-mail wayne@flymha.com Sponsor: Maryland Helicopter
Jun 7,2008	Swan Harbor RC Skyfest Open House. Flying Field, 10 AM (Jun 14 rain date) Flyer for event.
Jun 12, 2008	Swan Harbor RC Club Meeting. Swan Farm Harbor flying field, 7PM.
Jun 28, 2008	Airplanes of the World IV. All airplanes must be scale versions of real aircraft. Freestate Aeromodelers, Laurel, MD. Visit www.freestateaeromodelers.org
July 10-13, 2008	Warbirds Over Delaware, Lums Pond, DE. Visit <u>www.delawarerc.org</u> . Sponsor: Delaware RC.
Sep 20, 2008	Swan Harbor RC Fun Fly. Flying Field, 10 AM (rain date Sep 27)

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