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**Club Meeting at the Churchville Rec Center, February 12, 2009.
Bring something for show and tell. Let us see those winter projects.**

GENERAL CLUB NEWS...

Jim Snyder, President, opened the meeting on January 8th at 7PM at the Churchville Rec Center. The minutes are as follows:

1. Stan Dill fixed the tractor tire and this time it seems to hold air. Stan took the other tractor tire to clean and refurbish it.
2. Dates were set for the spring open house and fall fly-in. Jim is to call Andy Kane to find out the date for their DCRC fly-in to avoid a conflict with our fall event. The DCRC fly-in is on September 11th - 13th. The date for the Spring Open house is June 6th with a rain date of June 13th and the fall fly-in will be Sept. 19th with a rain date of Sept. 26th.
3. The sign post at the entrance to our field rotted out. Earl McMullen has a new post and will install it when the weather permits. Marvin currently has the sign off the old post.
4. Steve Snyder volunteered to get replacement 12' by 30' canopies and bungee balls for the shelters at the field.
5. Ron Lazzeri reports that as of January 19th we have 36 paid members. Remember you need to pay your dues by the March 31st deadline to avoid paying the \$45.00 initiation fee.
6. Bob Walker made a motion to adjourn to Wendy's at 7:33 pm.

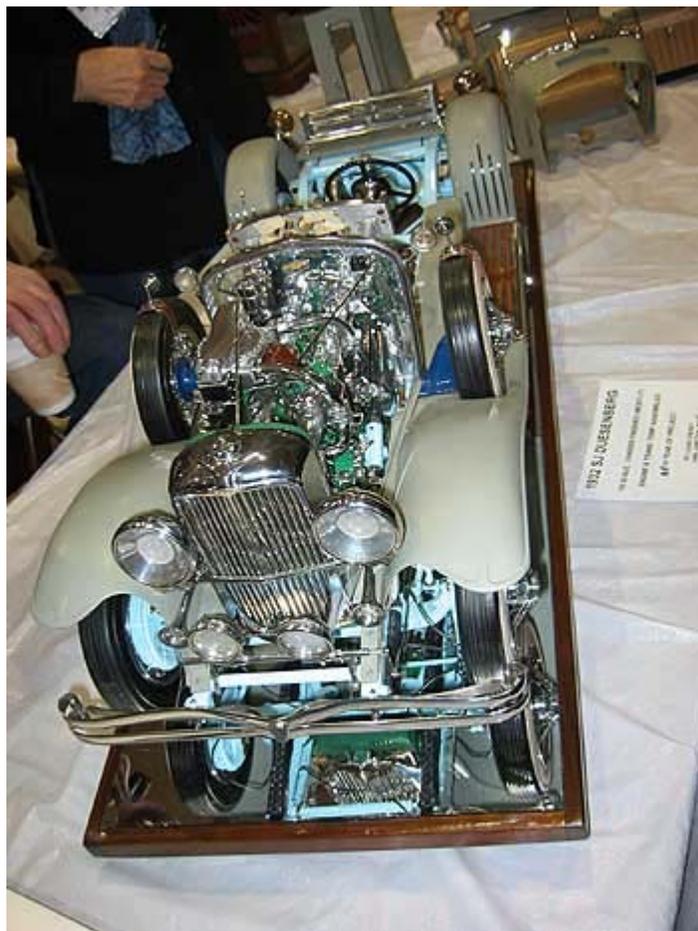


Earl and the Formicator

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

SHOW AND TELL...

Earl McMullen brought in a vacuum forming machine named the Formicator and showed us how he is making wings tips and wheel pants for a 1/4 scale Cessna 182 that he is scratch building. Basically he explained that you can fabricate any plastic part by carving a balsa plug and vacuum forming the plastic over it. He said he has acquired 8 of these machines and would sell them for \$20.00 each to anyone who is interested. He is currently getting his plastic from Extreme Hobbies in Buck, PA but is investigating some alternative sources.



1/6th Scale 1932 Duesenberg

2009 CABIN FEVER EXPOSITION by Steve Snyder...

On January 17th, dad and I headed to the York, PA fair grounds for our annual trip to the Cabin Fever Expo, Model Engineering Show. This show attracts model builders from all over the country who come to exhibit their master pieces. On exhibit are steam powered trains and boats, Sterling Engines of every kind, miniature internal combustion engines from a 2.0 cubic inch V8 to countless old time miniature single piston hit or miss engines. The high light of this year's show was a 1/6th scale 1938 Duesenberg. This model was an exact replica of the real car right down to the smallest detail. The model features a running straight 8 cylinder engine with a 3 speed transmission, roll-up windows and a working dash. The owner/builder stated the only problem he has is you have to double clutch the transmission to shift gears because the synchromeshing is not working yet. He has gone as far as chroming and nickel plating the parts himself, casting his own glass lenses for the head lights and manufacturing his own

tires. This car was unbelievable and the picture doesn't do it justice. Also at the show were several miniature radial 7 and 9 cylinder aircraft engines all built by hand and all capable of running. The things these master modelers build are amazing and I highly recommend that everyone experience this show for themselves. It is a very humbling experience.



9 Cylinder Radial Engine
Maybe a replacement engine for my B25?



9 Cylinder Rotary Engine

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL...

Ron Lazzeri reminds us that membership renewals are due. Renewals are \$35 if paid by March 31, 2009. After that you will be required to pay full price which is \$80 (\$35 membership and \$45 initiation fee). And while you're at it, be sure to have your AMA card for 2009. You never know when this weather will break and you'll want to be up in the air again.

FOR SALE...

Steve Snyder has for sale:

A new Futaba 7C 7-Channel 2.4GHz Air Tx/Rx No Servos radio won at the Christmas party for \$220.00 is radio sells for \$279.99 at [Tower Hobbies](#).

ABOUT SWAN HARBOR RC...

Swan Harbor RC meets 7PM the second Thursday of the month. In the Fall and Winter we meet at the Churchville Rec Center located 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 2008 AMA membership because you need it to fly. [SWAN HARBOR RC 2009 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

Feb 7, 2009	Westminster Aero Modelers 20th Annual R/C Airplane Flea Market. Westminster VFW, 519 Poole Road, Westminster, MD. Opens 9AM, admission \$3.00. Flyer Info: Ed Bradley, 410-635-6436, Jim Hodges, 410-596-3052
Feb 12, 2009	Swan Harbor RC Club Meet at the Rec Center, 7PM.
Mar 14, 2009	Central Penn Aeromodelers Assoc. 29th Annual Radio Control Flea Market, Lebanon PA Fairgrounds from 9:00am till 3:00pm. Admission is \$7.00 for more information call (717)412-8579 or see www.cpa.us

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