

The Dead Stick Flyer

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The Swan Harbor RC club meeting was held at the Aberdeen Golden Coral restaurant on Route 40 Saturday, February 8, 2020 (10am-Noon)

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President's Club Meeting & Discussion Topics

• Old Business: None

• New Business:

- Membership Dues Renewal: Deadline is 3/31/2020: We are advising all returning members to get your dues for 2020 paid up as soon as possible. The deadline for normal dues renewal is March 31, 2020.
 - Annual renewal membership fee: \$75.00
 - o Renewal period: 1/1/2020 thru 3/31/2020 (Payment is due by 3/31/2020)
 - All members are urged to pay their renewal fee as early as possible during the renewal period since club expenses are budgeted and paid based on membership fee receipts.
 - If a member wants to join the club after 3/31/2020, then that member is required to pay at the full new member rate. The member in default will not be permitted to fly at the field after 3/31/2020 until their membership dues are paid in full. There will not be a Grace Period in 2020 or thereafter.
- Asset Insurance: We will be looking into getting our assets insured due to the replacement costs of what we now hold. More details will be forthcoming as soon as we get more information on our options and the costs.
- Minar Mower Repairs: There are some minor mower repairs that still need to be made before the grass cutting season begins. Dale has ordered the parts and they will be installed when they arrive. Soon we will be 100% ready for the 2020 season to get into full swing.
- Indoor Flying Dale and Gary have procured "Indoor Flying", in coordination with Tim Getz (of the Havre de Grace Recreation Council), for all club members every other Friday starting with Friday, January 10, 2020 from 12:00pm till 2:30pm. The new location for the indoor flying is at the Churchville Recreation Complex which is located at 3023 Level Road, Churchville, MD. It is the newest building that sits on top of the hill as you are traveling on Route 155 towards Have de Grace from Route 22.
 - Here are the scheduled indoor flying dates:
 - Done: January 10th, January 24th
 - February 14th, February 28th
 - March 13th, March 27th
 - April 10th, April 24th

- Work on the Runway Turf: We will be aggressively working on the runway
 and other grassy areas this year. Work will be done to control the crabgrass
 and other weeds and we will work to develop our runway turf grass for a
 better surface. The field will also be rolled to get it smooth, as best it can
 be, for better takeoffs and landings.
- March Club Meeting: The March club meeting will be held on Saturday,
 March 7th to avoid a conflict with the Lebanon Valley RC Flea Market which is held on March 14th. Several of our members attend that event annually.
- Treasury Report: The Treasury report was provided by Steve Snyder.
- Membership Count: Steve Snyder provided the current membership count as of the meeting date and we are up to 42 members.
- Spring 2020 Open House Fly-In: The Spring 2020 Open House Fly-In will be held on Saturday, June 13th from 10am-4pm. The rain date will be the following Saturday. The main course this year will be Pit Beef, Pit Ham, and Pit Sausage-Peppers-Onions, sides, condiments and drinks for a nominal price.



Tech Corner:

For "Show & Tell" at this month's meeting, Stephen Slotnick brought in a new FPV Plane that he recently purchased. It is the Strix Goblin. Stephen has not test flown it yet but we are all anxiously awaiting its maiden flight.

The plane can be found on the following site: www.readymaderc.com and here are the specs on the plane. This plane can reach speeds up to 200mph. In fact, the instructions advise to keep it below 200mph during a dive if the hinges have not been reinforced. That's blowing the doors off fast as Stephen definitely feels the need for some speed!

Introducing the STRIX Goblin! If high precision efficient flying is your goal, the Goblin is the plane of your dreams. Every aspect of this air frame was designed with aerodynamics in mind which gives it unheard of energy retention and glide ratio. Good handling and strength were also not overlooked with the excellent stall characteristics and blow molded fuselage. Add the STRIX Goblin to your hangar or car without taking up too much real estate at less than 40" of wing span.

daemon42 - "The Goblin is like a time machine. Everything I used to do in a 25 minute flight with the Skyhunter burning 10Ah, I now do in 12 minutes, burning 3Ah."

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Features

- Extremely aerodynamic and efficient design is capable of endurance flights at low amp draw.
- Blow molded fuselage has plenty of strength and room for equipment.
- High density EPO foam and square CF spars give rigidity for precision flying
- Easy to use canopy latch make changing batteries easier than ever!
- Compact design with removable, forward swept wings.

Specifications

- Wingspan: 39" (1000mm)
- Fuselage length: 21" (540mm)
- Motor: STRIX Cobra 2217 2300kv (Recommended)
- Propeller: 6x4 APC (Recommended)
- Battery: 4s 3300mAh (Recommended)
- ESC: STRIX Cobra 60A (Recommended)
- Servos: Digital, Metal Gear 9g (Recommended)
- Goblin Manual

Kit

- Does not include any electronics
- Wing halves are unglued (perfect for adding LEDs)
- Foam base is not glued inside of fuselage
- Product images show PNP version



Club Photo Gallery:

PICs at the field on a warm sunny afternoon, January 15th



Bob's Sukho





Bob's Aero Commander





Bob's Fun Fly



Ron and Richard Schweigert Flying



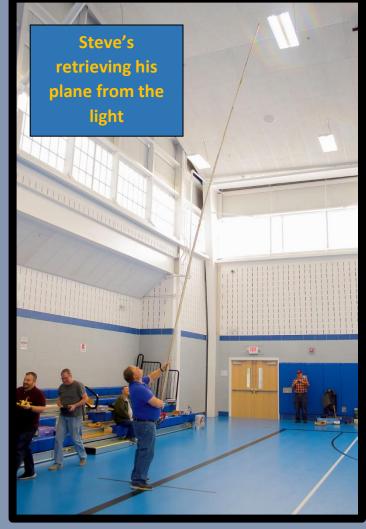
Indoor Flying at the Churchville Recreation Center Friday, February 14th 12-2:30pm











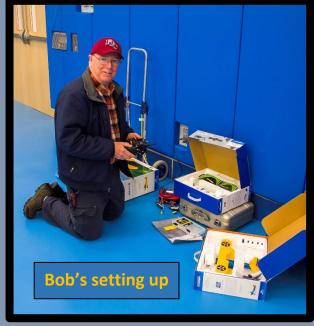
















Upcoming Events:

40th Annual Lebanon Valley RC Expo

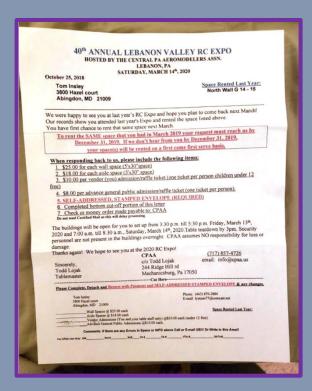
Hosted by the Central PA Aeromodelers Association Lebanon, PA Saturday, March 14th, 2020

Every year the Central PA Aeromodelers club holds a Flea Market that is well attended by RC flyers from all surrounding states. It is a good time to look for some bargains and expand your RC inventory. Who knows you may find something great and have a good time in the process.

The event is located at: Lebanon Valley Exposition Center & Fairgrounds 80 Rocherty Road, Lebanon, 17042

In year's past, three of our members had 2 tables reserved for selling RC stuff at this event. Last year Tom Insley had the use of the reserved tables and in prior years Steve and Jim Snyder have used them.

For the 2020 Flea Market, Tom Insley has received the informational flyer for the same 2 tables, as you can see in the two flyers below. Tom is offering up one or both of the tables to anyone that wants to sell some RC stuff. All the details you need to reserve the tables for your use is included in the flyers. Please contact Tom Insley (Mobile: 443-876-2886) if you are interested in taking over and reserving these tables. As always, you will have to cover the cost of the table(s) and your admission ticket.



Please note the deadline to reserve one or both of these tables is December 31, 2019.

Please return your vendor letters by Dec. 31st. Any letters not received by that date will lose space/spaces. I understand things happen, so at any time if you cannot attend the EXPO, and would like to keep your reservation for the future please contact me. Please use the email feature if you have to contact me, I do not monitor the phone number as much as I do my email box The morning of the event, please try to be in your space/s by 9 A.M. any empty spaces after that time are subject to forfeit. All vendors must report to main entrance to receive a hand stamp before admittance to the EXPO for setup. There is parking in the rear of the complex for RV, campers, and trailers however, there are no hookups. Please do not block parking spaces, or entrances while unloading to set up in the morning. There are many vendors that need to get product in the building. Thank you for taking the time to read these guidelines. Hoping for a great year this year!

Yard Sale Bulletin Board:

This is a new section in our newsletter at the request of some club members. This section is for you to post items in the newsletter on a monthly basis that you want to sell. If you have something you want to sell, please send me an email with all the details of the item(s) you want to sell, asking price, a picture image, and your contact information to <u>ronlazzeri@verizon.net</u>. I will be sure to include it in the next month's newsletter.

For Sale by Bob Walker: Contact Bob Walker by TEXT at 410-456-0100 E-Flite Spitfire, Requires 2200mah, 35 Battery, Asking price \$65

For Sale by Bob Bartell



<u>For Sale by Zeb Berstsch:</u> Graupner Hottrigger V2, (2) 4S batteries, I have \$250 in it Make me an offer...would like to get \$150 at best. Mobile: (443) 417-4394



Club Meeting Schedule:

January thru April and October thru November:

• Monthly club meetings will now be held at the Golden Corral in Aberdeen, MD on Route 40 on the 2nd Saturday of each month 10:00am-12:00pm. We will be meeting in one of the small dining rooms and enjoy their full breakfast buffet.

• May thru September:

 Monthly club meetings and a cookout will be held at the Swan Harbor RC flying field on the 2nd Saturday of each month starting at 10am. The Fall Club Picnic will be held on the same day as the September club meeting.

December:

■ The December club meeting will be held at the annual Christmas Party.

Details of this event will be made available in advance of the party.

Membership Dues Policy "Revised March 2019":

At the March 16th club meeting, the Board and attending members discussed our current club's Membership Dues Policy and came to an agreement on a new set of guidelines to make it clear and fair for all members, new and existing. The following Membership Dues Policy was agreed upon and adopted.

To pay your club dues for the season, either as a renewing member or a new member, please forward them to Steve Snyder, Treasurer. As you all know we depend on our dues to fund projects and general maintenance for our club.

Existing Annual Membership Renewals:

- o <u>Annual renewal membership fee</u>: \$75.00
 - Renewal period: 1/1/YR thru 3/31/YR (Payment is due by 3/31/YR)
 - Grace period is for 2019 only: 4/1/19 thru 4/15/19
 - If a member's renewal dues are not paid in full by 4/15/19, then that member is considered to be in default. If that member wants to join the club after 4/15/19, then that member is required to pay at the full new member rate. The member in default will not be permitted to fly at the field after 4/15/19 until their membership dues are paid in full. There will not be a Grace Period in 2020 and thereafter.

• Note: All members are urged to pay their renewal fee as early as possible during the renewal period since club expenses are budgeted and paid based on membership fee receipts.

New Membership Dues:

• Full year membership fee: \$125.00

• Joining period: 1/1/YR thru 12/31/YR

• Fee Includes:

- \$75.00 annual membership fee
- \$50.00 1st year initiation fee
- Note: New members joining the club on 9/1/YR or after of that same year are considered paid in full for the current year and the immediately following year. The reason for this exception is that the current flying season is about 75% over and we want to give new members an incentive to join our club.

AMA & FAA Membership Requirements:

In an effort to ensure our club's compliance with AMA and FAA rules and regulations we are requiring that all members, whether a new member or an existing member renewal, the following documents are required to be submitted to Steve Snyder when dues are paid:

- Swan Harbor RC Membership Form
 - o The form can be found on the Swan Harbor RC website
- Proof of AMA & FAA membership
 - Provide a copy of each membership's email or registration card
 - The copy must include the registration number

Note: If any member sees an unknown person flying at the field, you should ask the flyer if they have a current membership card. If they say they do not, then ask them if they would like information on how to join. Explain that membership is a requirement for flying at the field.

General Information

<u>What are Members Working On</u>: Building a new aircraft, assembling an ARF, working on an old reliable? We'd love to hear what you are working on. Send us some information and a couple pics of your project and we'll post it in the monthly newsletter. Send your emails to: <u>ronlazzeri@verizon.net</u>.

<u>Newsletter</u>: To receive the Swan Harbor RC Newsletter by email, please send a request to: <u>sslotnick@mac.com</u>.

<u>Photos</u>: Anyone who would like to have new photos appear in the slideshow or the photo gallery is encouraged to send their photos to Stephen Slotnick at <u>sslotnick@mac.com</u> and he will add them as soon as he can.

<u>Interest in Joining the Club</u>: Please see the instructions on the Swan Harbor RC website <u>www.SwanHarborRC.com</u> under the heading "How to Join." Additional membership information or questions can be obtained from Steve Snyder at (443) 243-4324 or email: snyder800@gmail.com.

<u>Harford County's No Smoking Policy on County Property</u>: We follow all county rules and regulations and ask for your cooperation. Thank You!

