



# *The Dead Stick Flyer*

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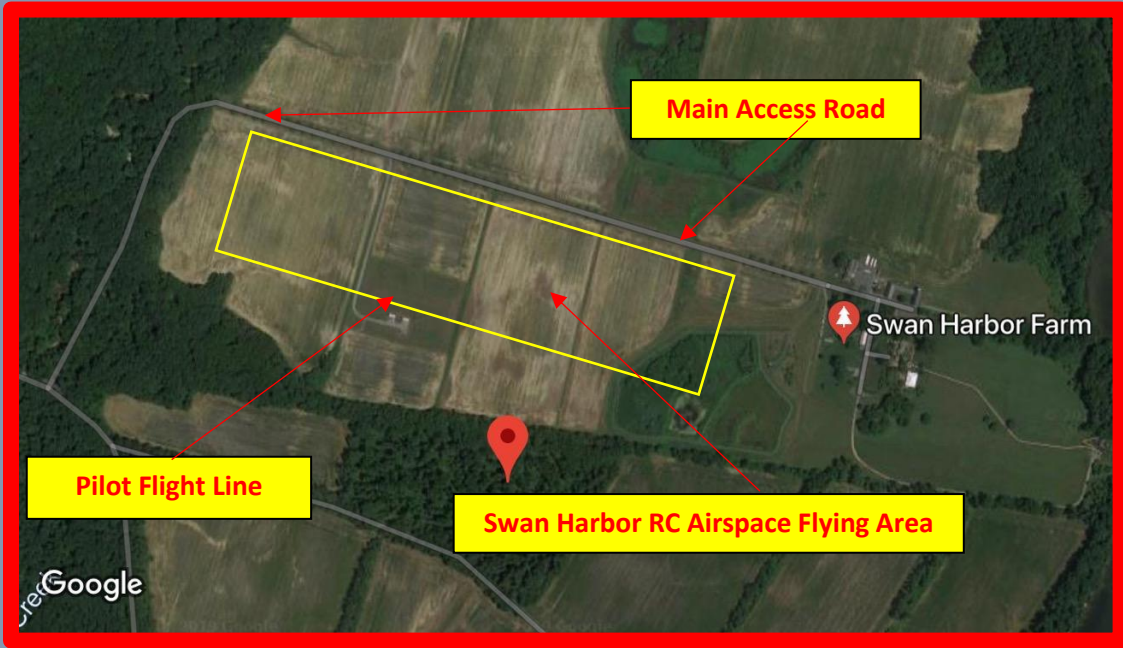
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## **General Information – Flying Safely:**

- **Safety First by Bob Walker:** We have really been lucky over the years in that we have had no major accidents at our field. We never had a long list of rules at the field like other clubs. The two basic ones are “Fly Safe” and “Be Courteous”. Along those lines, a few common sense things can make things even safer:
  - **Wear eye protection:** Things do fly off airplanes.
  - **Flying too close to the Pilot Safety Fence and Pit Area:** It has been noticed by several members this year that more and more people fly their planes too close to and/or over the safety fence at the pilot stations. Everyone should be flying out further from the safety fence, especially if someone else is flying their plane at one of the pilot stations. Please fly safe!
  - **Plane Hold Downs:** For your safety and others, please use the available plane starting “Hold Downs” when starting your gas or glow powered planes. They are stored in the black trash can under the 1<sup>st</sup> canopy. Also, we strongly urge that you stand behind your plane while revving up your engine. You never know when a damaged propeller tip or blade will fly off in your direction if you stand in front of or to the side of the propeller’s path.
  - **Driving into the Field:** When driving down the entrance road and crossing the runway, please stop and check to see if there is a plane landing or taking off. Someone watching their plane cannot always see a vehicle crossing the runway. It is up to you to check for a low flying plane.
  - **Flying too far out and crossing the Main Access Road:** As a general rule, please fly inside our approved airspace and do not fly over or past the main access road or the Swan Harbor Farm reception grounds to the right.



*If you have any other safety concerns, please let us know. Happy flying, Bob Walker.*