



The Dead Stick Flyer

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September Events & Updates:

No club meeting held for September

Club Picnic: Held on Saturday, September 11, 2021

Membership & Treasury Report

Grass Maintenance

Tail Gate Flea Market: Held on Saturday September 25, 2021

Upcoming Events:

Indoor Flying: Friday, October 1, 2021, Noon – 2pm

Next Club Meeting: Tuesday, October 12, 2021 at 7:00pm

- Christmas Party planning & discussion during Covid
- 2022 club officer nominations & discussion
- The Year in Review: What worked for 2021 & suggestions for 2022
- Show & Tell: Bring something to show us what you're working on
- Tech Talk & Discussion:
 - Battery charging and storage, Watt Meter analysis, etc.
 - Suggestions for future discussions

Christmas Party: To be held on Saturday, December 11, 2021, Noon – 4:00pm

Other Stuff:

- Club PICs & Video: Fall Picnic & Tailgate Flea Market
- General Information



Steve's September Club Updates

The club did not have a September meeting but instead held a fall club picnic at the field on Saturday, September 11, 2021. To keep all members informed of club activities, Steve has provided the following updates in place of a meeting. Club meetings will resume in October.

Club Fall Picnic

The club's fall picnic was held on Saturday, September 11, 2021 from 10:00am-4:00pm. The picnic was a great success! The weather was picture perfect and members came out to enjoy a day of flying, comradery, and a cookout. Even though we had a slimmed down menu due to Covid constraints, everything worked out just fine. Jumbo hot dogs were grilled and individually wrapped along with packaged snacks and drinks. Bob Walker once again was the master grill chef.

Many thanks to everyone who came out for the club picnic and a special thanks for the members that helped make the picnic a success.

Membership & Treasury Report

Steve's current membership update for the year through September is now up to 82 members. As the year is progressing along we have been slowly adding members to our roster. When RC flyers see our field and the various amenities they are excited about joining the club. We welcome all new members and hope they enjoy what Swan Harbor RC has to offer.

Because we did not have a meeting for September, Steve did not provide a financial report but we are certainly in good shape for the year. From money donations made at the fall club picnic and tailgate flea market we have covered our costs of the picnic expenses. Many thanks to all who donated their time and money to these events!

Grass Maintenance

Select portions of the flying field were aerated and over-seeded for a second time in September immediately following the club picnic by Paul with the 4 Evergreen lawn service. Due to the much higher costs of grass seed this year, only select portions of the field was over seeded as needed. We worked to get the best bang for the buck this year.

Tail Gate Flea Market: Saturday, September 25, 2021

The club held its first ever Tail Gate Flea Market at the SHRC field on Saturday, September 25, 2021 from 10:00am-2:00pm. The event was a success and the weather was picture perfect for the day even though the area received about 6.5 inches of rain during the week. We successfully managed to contain the activities to the front side area and no damage was done to the lawn. We did not serve any food for this event and did not charge any attendance fee. We had about 50 cars, 60-75 attendees and about half of the attendees were from other clubs.

Lessons learned from this event were many but here are some thoughts to consider for possible future events next year and beyond:

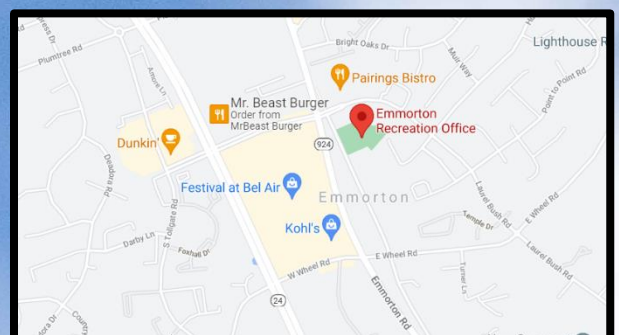
- We have a beautiful flying field with great amenities to enjoy and share*
- The Board would like to consider planning and holding some future events and inviting other local clubs to an event like an Open House Fun Fly and maybe another Tail Gate Flea Market.*
- There is a lot to consider and plan out very carefully before attempting to hold an event so our goal was to use this Flea Market as a test to see what it would take to pull it off and who will come. As it turned out it was a success and attendees from other clubs thoroughly loved our site. The event turned out to be great PR for future possible events.*

Upcoming Events

Indoor Flying

Dale has organized Indoor Flying for all members beginning Friday, October 1, 2021, and every Friday through April 1, 2022 from Noon – 2:00pm at the Emmorton Recreation Center.

- The Emmorton Rec Center is located at:*
 - [2213 Old Emmorton Rd, Bel Air, MD 21015](https://www.google.com/maps/place/2213+Old+Emmorton+Rd,+Bel+Air,+MD+21015)*
- You can look at the facility at the following web address:*
 - www.emmortonrec.com*



October Club Meeting

Next Meeting - Tuesday, October 12, 2021 at 7:00pm: The club will begin holding indoor club meetings at the Havre De Grace Activity Center on Lewis Lane beginning this October 12th and on the successive second Tuesday of the month through May 2022 starting at 7:00pm. The meetings will be in the same room where the Christmas Party is held.

Here are some topics for the October meeting:

- ***Christmas Party planning & discussion during Covid***
- ***2022 club officer nominations & discussion***
- ***The Year in Review: What worked for 2021 & suggestions for 2022***
- ***Show & Tell: Bring something to show us what you're working on***
- ***Tech Talk & Discussion:***
 - ***Battery charging and storage, Watt Meter analysis, etc.***
 - ***Suggestions for future discussions***

Christmas Party

The club will hold its annual Christmas Party on Saturday, December 11, 2021 from Noon-4:00pm at the Havre De Grace Activity Center on Lewis Lane. We welcome all members and their guests to enjoy this annual celebration. There will be plenty of food, desserts, and drinks for all and raffle prizes for several lucky members to win to help get their Christmas joy off to an early start.

Club PICs & Video:

Fall Picnic & Tailgate Flea Market Video

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*Drone video taken
by Dan Seldomridge*



Fall Club Picnic PICs



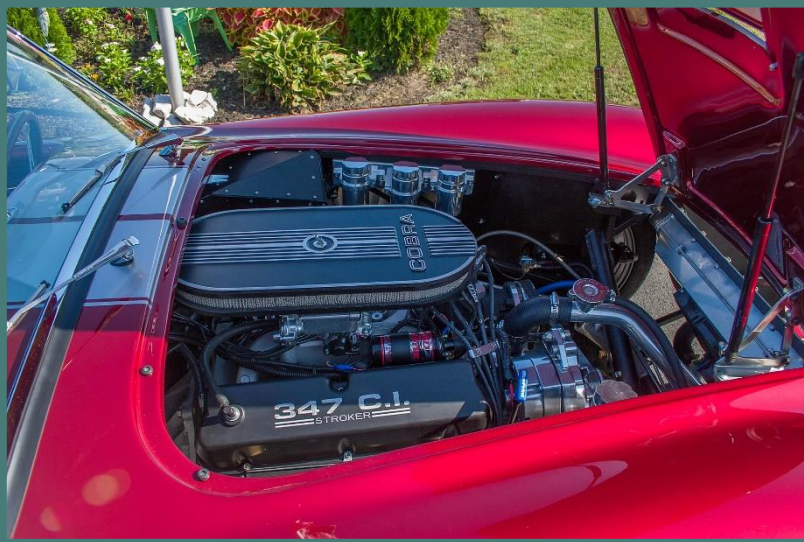


















Tailgate Flea Market PICs















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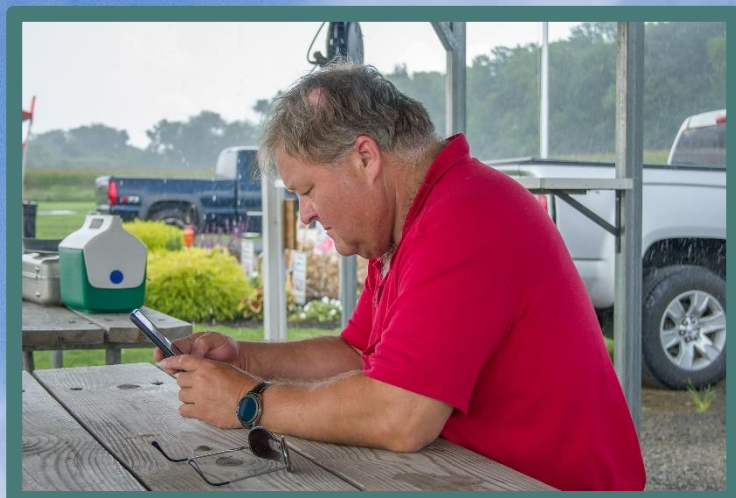


September Miscellaneous PICs



Checking out the weather radar

Waiting for the rain to stop



General Information:

Membership Dues Policy

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:

- **Annual renewal membership fee: \$75.00**
- **Renewal period: 1/1/YR thru 3/31/YEAR**
- **Payment is due by: 3/31/YEAR)**

New Membership Dues:

- **Full year new membership fee: \$125.00**
- **Joining period: 1/1/YR thru 12/31/YEAR**
 - **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.**

What are Members Working on: Building a new aircraft, assembling an ARF, working on an old reliable, or want to sell something? We would love to hear what you are working on. Send us some information and a couple pics of your project and we will post it in the monthly newsletter. Send your emails to: ronlazzi@verizon.net.

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

Photos: 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 sslotnick@mac.com and he will add them as soon as he can.

Interest in Joining the Club: Please see the instructions on the Swan Harbor RC website www.SwanHarborRC.com 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.

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

