

# ***THE CHINO FLYER***

The official **American Model Airport Association** Newsletter

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## **March Newsletter**

Start Time: 09:25

Members in attendance: 16

**Secretary Report:** More updates on the web page. Need articles to place in web page, building tips, product reports etc. etc.

I have been updating the web site as the new server will not take the older version of "Front Page" that I was using to operate the site. I have been learning the new system "Expression Web" and it is a lot harder to operate than "Front Page". You need to learn HTML coding where as "Front Page" did this for you. I need to update/change each page in the "Old" site and this takes time, which I have little of now that I'm working a "Full" time job, and grave yard at that!

So, please, bear with me on this as it is supposed to be a better system and it will make the site more manageable for browsing.

The fuel order has been placed; I'm waiting to hear from John Craig of "Performance Plus" to let me know when he will drop it off at my house. Once it is delivered I will go through the list and notify the members who ordered the fuel their cost and see if I need to bring it out to the field for pick up or if they can pick it up.

The club meeting will be held on **April 15<sup>th</sup>** instead of the 8<sup>th</sup> due to that date being Easter. I hope you all have a wonderful Easter.

We are still taking donations for the "field maintenance fund" so if you would like to donate some money just contact any of the club officers and we will gladly receive the donation.

Here is another member who has donated to the "field maintenance fund"

**David Espinoza, Twice now.**

### **Club meeting itinerary:**

1. Members who will attend the "Redlands airport" open house.
2. Pit area shade; connecting the covers into one long shade.
3. Storage container.
4. Infield grass area in front of the shades.
5. Control line flight circle location and size.

**Up coming Event(s):** April 29<sup>th</sup> ..... Widmer's Glider Contest ..... Club Field.  
May 5<sup>th</sup> ..... Redlands airport open house ..... Redlands airport.

**Old Business:** The 40' storage container deal fell through. Mr. Hill has been approached with another deal on a container, this one is a 20' truck trailer with a side door and rear rollup door, this has a price tag of \$900.00, Mr. Talkington made the motion to purchase the container with the motion passing, Mr. Hill will be talking to the owner about the deal and will apprise us of the outcome.

Also Mr. Hill will be coming out with a Rototiller to remove the rocks in the infield and to till in some horse manure, a smelly proposition but the grass will love it.

We have been approached by the Redlands airport to come and perform at their open house on the 5<sup>th</sup> of May. I will have more information on this event in the near future and will report on it in the next newsletter and on the web.

Just a safety reminder we are becoming lax in our Pre-flight range checks, I'm guilty of this myself, we need to perform these at the start of the day for each aircraft we bring out even if you flew it yesterday it is still a good idea to range check it at the start of flying.

Another safety item just popped into my head, Pre-flight safety checks. We need to perform these each time before we fly our planes. Things do break and come undone during flight and we might not notice it, I have had control link safety keepers break and not even notice it, you know wing hold down rubber bands, engine mounts coming loose, landing gear coming loose, wheels coming loose and falling off etc. etc.

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**New Business:** It was brought up at the meeting a proposal to extend the pit area covers so that they connect into one long cover which requires the relocation of the flag pole. The flag pole location is still up in the air. One proposal would have it moved toward the runway in line of where it is now. If you can think of a better location let us know.

We are looking for helpers and participants in the "Widmer Glider Contest" which will be held on April 29<sup>th</sup> at the club field. This contest is open to any Two meter glider.

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**Event Report:** I'm still waiting for the results of the MARKS RC club war bird and the Chino flyers Trainer race that was held on the Fourth of March at the club field. I will be posting the pictures and the results of our first club collaboration with the MARKS RC club on the web site and in the next newsletter.

The event went pretty good considering that neither club had flown together in competition. The high winds where a large factor in the racing just like it was last month during the Chino Flyers trainer race.

Again Mr. Widmer took out the competition with a mid air; it wasn't intentional it just happens.

The amount of trainer racers was one of the largest we have had in a while with allowed us to run five aircraft per heat. Speaking of the winds it was clocked at 20 MPH with gusts to 45 MPH and the 25 size war birds handled it pretty well, the trainers, on the other hand, where getting pushed around pretty good.

As for the racing it was close, even for the 25 size war birds that where running three birds per heat, with several close calls on the final lap where it took a meeting of the judges to decide who came over the finish line first, sorry we did not have a camera for a photo finish set up, maybe next time.

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**New member(s):** Woody Watje, lets give him a warm welcome.

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**Soloed Pilot(s):** Rob Hima.

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**Model of the Month:** None this month.

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**Raffle:** None this month.

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**Meeting ended:** 09:45

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**Hints and Tips:** Nothing new this month.

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**Product Review:** None this month.

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**For sale/Wanted:**



This is a new Hobbico 920 AC/DC Digital charger.  
Price reduced asking \$40.00 plus shipping for the unit.

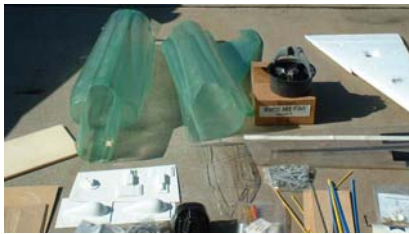
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Car top aircraft or ? carrier.

This fits on the top of your car. It was used on a Honda Civic hatchback but it will fit any size car of the same size or larger. This is built with welded aluminum framework with plywood outer sheeting. It has rubber feet so that it will not damage the top of your car and a locking latch to protect the contents of the box. Box size: Outer dimensions Length 66", Width 42" and Height 21". Inner dimensions: Length 54", Width 39 1/2", Height 13".  
Asking \$200.00 plus shipping.

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Byron KFIR - C2

This is a NEW in box, only removed to take pictures, kit with the following accessories:  
Byro-Fan and Rhom - Air pneumatic retract system with scale struts and wheels.  
Price reduction, all this for \$800.00 Plus shipping.

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Well that's it for this months "Chino Flyer" hope to see you at the field.

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Next meeting will be on **Sunday, April 15th, 0900** at the club field

**L8r's Richard D.**

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