

THE CHINO FLYER

The official American Model Airport Association Newsletter

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May '09 Newsletter

Start Time: 08:41

Members in attendance: 19

Club meeting itinerary: None at the moment.

Up coming Event(s): **May 03 ... Club Meeting ... Club field.**
May 17 .. Glider Contest .. Club field.

Old Business: Pat Morgan is still in discussion with Stater Bros, about the trailer. There is some problem on their end as they seem now to be reluctant to fulfill their end of the deal. Pat is going to talk to some of the higher ups and try to get this situation solved.

New Business: There was a misunderstanding on my part about the temporary hold on the initiation fees. The fees are still in affect.

We are trying to cut down on the cost of the newsletter so if you have a computer and are receiving the newsletter my mail you need to email me so I can set you up on the newsletter email list.

Event Report: **The first trainer race of the season.**

We had a very good turnout for the first trainer race of the season with eight pilots. They pilots where broken up into two, four plane, rounds per heat. At the beginning of the racing the winds where calm so they where not a factor in the racing. After the first rounds of racing we had two mishaps and one was Harries plane deciding to fly of and become invisible to Harry, myself and several of the other pilots could see his plane to the north of the old school house but he could not. It eventually flew off and after an extensive search it still remains hidden. The other mishap was Dave Miles plane spinning into the ground during the start of the second round in the first heat. Dave was not sure what had happened but John Ferranti told Dave he could repair it but when I last talked to Dave he was reluctant to have it fixed.

So after the first round of heat one we had Richard Rittmiller taking a first, Rick Ogden had taken first but he had tacked out and Richard moved from second to first and Chris Gautier taking second.

The second round of the first heat was won by Jim Wilson with Scott Gibbons taking second, this was his first trainer race and he did really good, and Al Hess taking third.

We moved into heat two and the winds started to pick up so in the first round of heat two the flying started to get a little tricky. Jim Wilson also took first place in this round with Chris Gautier taking second and Scott Gibbons taking third.

We started the second round of heat two at around 11:00 AM and the winds where getting nasty so going up wind the planes almost came to a stop and going down wind you almost did not have time to level out from the first turn before you had to make the second turn. After all of that Rick Ogden took first in the second round with Richard Rittmiller taking second and Al Hess taking third. Rick Ogden was the first to land with little difficulty and then came Al Hess who had a little trouble but landed safely than it was Richard Rittmiller's turn and he had a heck of a time trying to get it down. He has never been in winds that where that ferocious and nasty it took four tries to get his plane down with the winds pushing it all over the place, even backwards. He finally landed it by using power to get down over the runway and at a couple of inches above the runway chopping the throttle getting it to settle on the runway. Whew!

After all of that the final heat was canceled on account of the winds. So the final tally of the points had Jim Wilson taking first with Richard Rittmiller taking second and Chris Gautier taking third.



Jim Wilson first place winner



Richard Rittmiller second place winner



Chris Gautier taking third.

The photos were taken by Harry Hill, thanks Harry.

Thanks for letting me know about the stray hair on my head. 😊

New member(s): Ed Wagner, well almost new he is a returning member and Gary Johnson, he is a new member, let's give them a big welcome aboard.

Raffle: Lanier Fun fly 40, won by Al Hess, Aerocopter rubber band launched helicopter blades, won by Pat Morgan and a small Wooden airplane model kit won by Daniel .

Secretary Report

If you are receiving the club newsletter by snail mail and would like to receive it by Email please let me know by Email and I will place you on the Email list.

This will save the club money both in printing and mailing costs.

If you are going to move or change your Email address please let me know.

If you would like to contribute to the newsletter you can either Email or snail mail me or Carolyn Hodges a letter with the item or items you would like to have published in the newsletter or on the web site. I'm always looking for more content for the newsletter and the web site.

Meeting ended: 09:03

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

Next meeting will be on **Sunday, May 3rd, 0830** at the club field

L8r's Richard D.

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