

# Planes RAP

**AMA Charter #128**  
**The Western Soaring Capital**  
<http://www.1hss.org>



## DECEMBER

Dear Club member, Former club members, and friends of the Harbor Soaring Society: Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you, one and all and have a great 2003.

1. The Year End Banquet Dinner. RSVP me as soon as possible. We need at least 40. Anyone can come. it should be a good time. Check out the flier in the newsletter.

2. The past year has been okay. The Costa Mesa City had two workshops on Fairview Park and what came out of these is the question of whether to let Electric Flyers remain at Fairview Park or not. On December the 2<sup>nd</sup>, the City Council will make their decision on that.

3. We have a lot of flyers at Fairview Park that are not club members and are without AMA. That should really concern us. I feel that it puts our field in jeopardy

4. We had a good turn out for our SC2 in July. We also held a Bent Wing event and a HLG SC2 contest. Thanks to everyone for all their hard work.

5. Ross is doing very well in the club contests. He has retired now, and he is able to concentrate even more on building and flying.

6. Sorry to say that Nick Buzolich is not doing really well He had been in and out of the hospital lately. We miss you out at the field. Hope you get better soon.

7. We need a News Letter Editor.

8. Torry Pines was closed to R/C Flying for a time, but I hear that is has reopened. Check out our web page, 1HHS.org for more details.

9. The past year has shown really light use of the flying site by glider flyers.

10. Mail in your membership by December 31 2002 for next Year.

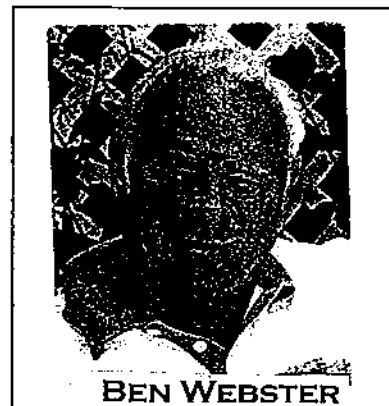
11. There has been a real light turn out for the club meetings. I would like to see maybe if the club would pick up the dinner bill for the speaker or pay then \$25.00 or \$50.00 for a good presentation. What do you think?

12. Dr. Jan Vandersloot has asked that if we see any White Tailed Kite birds hovering over the mounds looking for prey, that we do not fly near them.

13. Sorry to hear that Ben White has passed away.

The following letter was received from Eric Roberts, Newport Beach CA..

Ben Webster was born May 8, 1920 and he passed away on October 23, 2002. In the service, then engineering design, and finally in business, Ben enjoyed model building for many years. Recently he was getting started in glider and electric (battery) powered planes. Being my neighbor, he and I enjoyed model interests for some 15 years. He was a wonderful friend and will be missed by many who knew him. He is survived by his wife Colleen and three sons and grand children.



MAY 8, 1920

OCT. 23, 2002

14. Aliso Viejo slope flying has been on the TV news lately. See [www.1HSS.org](http://www.1HSS.org) for more details.

15. Bob Sliff is back into production with his Midway kits. So, if you are looking for an HLG, 2M or 3M Gnome, he may have some in stock.

16. Larry Jolly has rejoined HSS and is looking forward to being appointed to the CD job for next year.

17. Jim Henson is going to be the HSS special printer—computer graphics.  
Thanks, Jim.

18. The VP job is still open. Dan Valentine said he would like the job, but he needs to get AMA and join up first.

19. For more information on Fairview Park, call Ron Molendyk, Fairview Park Planning Administration, (714) 754-5300, or Email him at [Rmolendyk@ci.costa-mesa.ca.us](mailto:Rmolendyk@ci.costa-mesa.ca.us).

20. I have really enjoyed the past F3X man on man contests. It is the only contest I have flown and afterward said it was fun. I sure hope we have some more of the same in 2003. (That is, 4 rounds or 10 min without retrievers. For more information, go to [www.1HHS.org](http://www.1HHS.org).

21. Please RSVP on the Banquet as soon as possible, and let me know what you are having. No prepay: you will pay the club the night of the Banquet. It is on December 7, from 5 PM to 11 PM—dinner will be around 7 to 7:30.

22. The Newsletter cost about \$100.00 month for a mailing of 115. I'm mailing over 250 this time, at a cost of about \$250.00. One thing about that is, I would like to see the dues increased so we could donate to the Fairview Park fund.

23. If anyone has anything for the newsletter, mailing to the HSS PO Box or send to Bob Sliff's Email. ([bsli40@attbi.com](mailto:bsli40@attbi.com))

24. For you all that knew Sam, he is really missed. I think he was the mainstay of the electric flyers.

25. The SULA Club has lost their field to pro Soccer. But, they are still active and looking for a new flying field. Best of luck, SULA. PS, the HSS field is open for other clubs with advanced notice.

27. The Pasadena club is, at present, not active. I really don't know why. I any one who reads this does know, please send by a note so I can include it in the January newsletter.

28. God bless all or you. Fly high and keep you butts off the ground.  
Karl.

#### Selected minutes from the November 23, 2002 City of Costa Mesa Fairview Park Master Plan Reconfirmation workshop.

This meeting was to be over four hours long, and to document all issues addressed is not the subject here. As modelers, we are concerned with the city council and their comments and approval of continued flying access at Fairview Park. Many and varied issues were heard, and some approved while others, such as a dog park, a botanical garden, a pond, and flying gas-powered RC planes in the park were removed from further consideration. It is noted that the main petitioner of gas-powered aircraft was not in attendance. It was also noted that approximately 25 modelers were in attendance at the meeting. Good show! Lets keep up the presence at these meetings to demonstrate to the city we are responsible users of the park.

Councilwoman Libby Cowan states early in the meeting "only gliders, no electrics". She later changes her position to include electrics. She may have been confused on the issue.

Jan Van der Sloot (person working on restoring the natural elements in the park) mentioned "motorized gliders" and appears to be somewhat opposed to them. HSS would be advised to talk-out concerns with Mr. Van der Sloot and work together with him.

One other complaint was made in regards to motorized gliders as that person felt that they caused pollution and noise.

Karl Hawley, President of the Harbor Soaring Society addressed the council and mentioned the fact that HSS has used the site for 30 years now, and 20 of those years include electric aircraft. He states that most flyers have AMA insurance that provides coverage of \$2.5 million. Further, as a club, HSS has not left a "mark in the park", demonstrating that we are environmentally sensitive to the use of the park. In essence, we are an advocate or good neighbor. Good comments Karl!

Mr. King from the Swan Drive area that faces the park stated that he and his wife have coffee in the mornings and watch the gliders fly. He further stated that "They are great!" This is from an unbiased source. Thank you Mr. King.

Our resident world champion pylon racer speaks of growing up using the park and learning to fly here. He states that HSS makes good use of the park. We appreciate Troy's positive comments.

Ron Molendyke, the master plan administrator was asked what the city staffs position on flying in the park was and he stated that electrics and sailplanes were OK.

With concerns on how to better work with HSS, councilwoman Karen Robinson asked for the vote on use of the flying site to be postponed for two weeks. She decided to visit the site and evaluate noise and safety issues for herself.

#### Councilperson Robinson Visits Fairview Park

On Saturday November 23, 2002, Costa Mesa City councilwoman Karen Robinson visited Fairview Park. At the Fairview Park Master Plan Reconfirmation Workshop held previously on Monday November 18, 2002, councilwoman Robinson believed that there was room to debate the nature and types of RC aircraft flying in the park. At that time, she asked to postpone the vote on the types of uses that would be allowed and further stated that she would tour the park on the following Saturday and evaluate the flying.

Councilwoman Robinson walked into the flying area of the park around 9:45 am and was greeted by HSS president Karl Hawley. She spoke with and heard the concerns of many fliers. After hearing varied viewpoints from many of the Saturday regulars, (including one flier whom none of us were familiar with), councilwoman Robinson appeared to be mostly interested in several issues. How we can have a shared use of the park so as not to interfere with others who might be using the park at the same time, flying and landing safety, and how the city and HSS can work together. She was also interested in keeping the traditional areas used by HSS in a natural state and working to foster a good working relationship between the city and HSS.

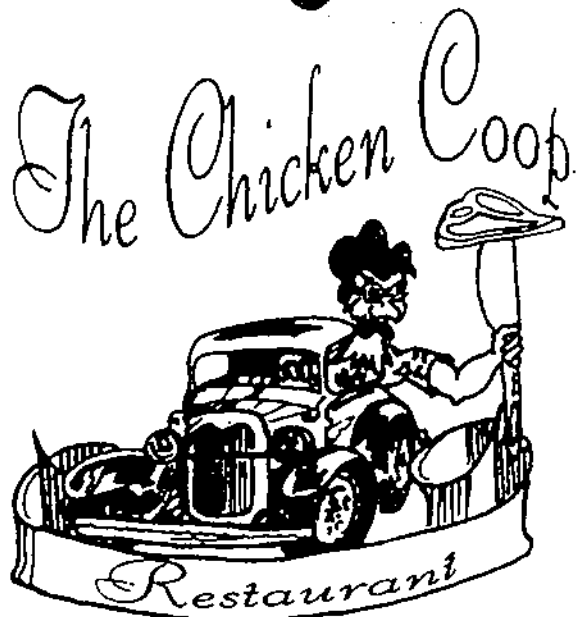
After touring the site with several members of HSS, councilwoman Robinson determined that this issue requires more thought and addressing it in a city council study session would be a better way to clarify allowed uses (re: sailplanes and electrics).

Fellow HSS members, here is where we can all make a difference. Lets get organized with a single view point and the attitude that working with the city to focus on safety issues, noise levels, and flight safety are good for everyone. HSS has a long and reputable history and is known as being the oldest sanctioned AMA flying site in the country. Lets focus on fostering a good working relationship with the city. Flying electrics north of the school will mitigate the noise concerns and using established rules, flight safety is addressed. Lets use some common sense here. The city has been gracious enough to allow HSS to continue flying in the park since they purchased the land from the county and they have included us in the parks master plan. It is time for each of us to step up to the plate and act responsibly. A thank you to those of you who already do so. Lets not only keep a flying site, but instead, lets work with the city to create a really great flying site that addresses the needs of electrics and sailplanes and the safety issues involved. This is the only way to achieve our mutually desired goals. As the first act of a good neighbor, and in his never-ending ambition to recruit another flyer, Karl gave councilwoman Robinson her first training flight and a hearty invitation to return anytime for more flight training. Let us look at this example and be good stewards now so that we can enjoy the park for many years to come, so that the next generation also has a beautiful, pristine, and natural flying site to enjoy in the future.

## 2002 Totals

OPEN	TOTALS			RES	
Ross Thomas	7122	Casey Adamczek	2166		
Tom Copp	6703	Bob Lenard	1878	Ross Thomas	7763
Mike Morjoseph	6318	Chris Kenyan	1753	John Barr	4316
Steve Hendry	5448	John Krug	1286	John Krug	3489
Tom Watson	5154	Ben Clerx	1000	Karl Hawley	3086
Yani Hasircoglu	5027	John Roe	996	Casey Adamczek	2512
Joe Rodriguez	4868	Keith McLellan	968	Les Kenyon	1958
Al Cron	4218	Nick Buzolich	917	Mike Morjoseph	1940
Tom Vincent	3912	Dan Fink	859	Larry Enger	818
Mark Taylor	3896	Steve Shupak	849	Chris Adamczyk	647
Edgar Vera	3656	Charels Newman	791	Will Conrad	0
Mark Browning	3121	Ryan Shubin	785	Steve Shupak	0
Karl Hawley	2835	Steve Addis	661	Warren Greer	446
John Brown	2232	Chris Admczyk	533		
		Les Kenyon	452		

RSVP KARL 949-574-9379  
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# The Chicken Coop

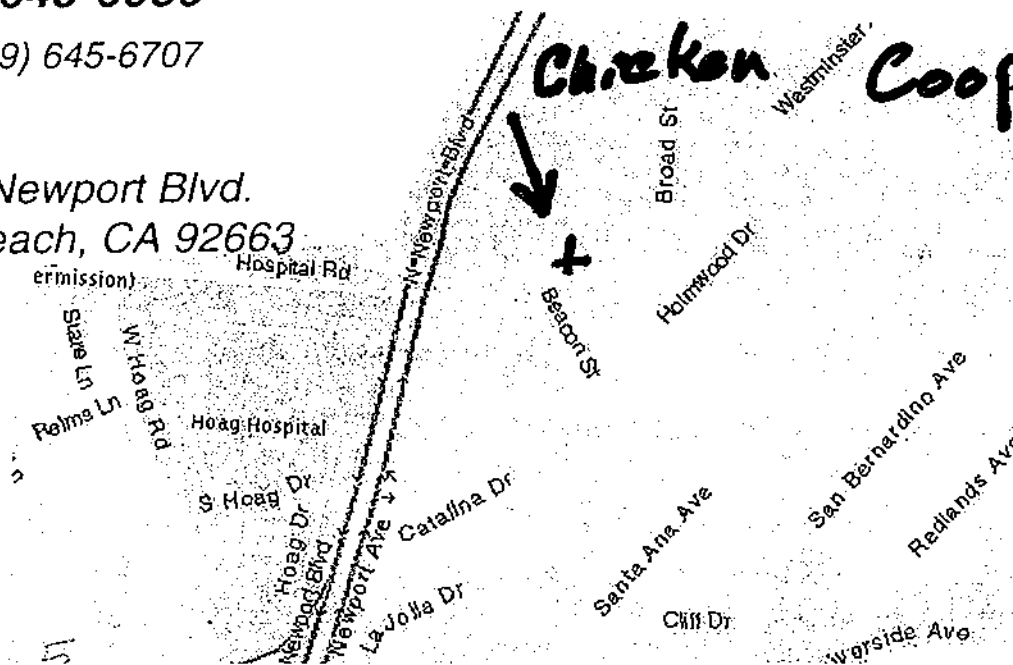
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*HSS Club Christmas Party.*  
 Place: Zubies,  
 The Chicken Coupe.

Date: Saturday, December 7, 2002  
 Time: 5 PM to 11 PM.

**Dinner options:**

Sword Fish: \$17.47 (Incl. Tax and tip.)

Prime Rib: \$16.28 (Incl. Tax and tip.)

Broasted Chicken: \$9.96 (Incl. Tax and tip)

Includes House Salad and Ice

## November Election meeting; 15 in attendance

7pm Karl called the meeting to order.

Discussion on Electric flyers, City not sure they want them. An environmentalist testified at the last public hearing that he felt they could harass the Hawks with their noise. Final meeting to approve the parks master plan is Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>. We need all interested to come show support, see Karl for details. It was discussed as to whether or not asking for a use permit for Sat & Sun between 7am & 1pm may be a solution vs. loosing the electrics? We would have control and be responsible for what happens during that time. We decided to first see what comes of the last and most important meeting on Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>.

Officer nominations were as follows;

Pres = Karl Hawley

V.P. = Open = new board will appoint a volunteer

Sec. = Warren Greer

Treas. = Chris Adamczyk

Editor = Open = board will appoint a volunteer

Winch Coordinator = John Krug

CD. = Jim Hanson or Larry Jolly

City Liaison = John Valentine

Web Master = Steve Hendry = This happens when you don't show up



*Ross #1 for the year*

The above slate was elected, with Larry Jolly as CD. Karl was worried about the by-laws stating that "all nominees must be members in good standing" no by laws at meeting, John Valentine is new and hasn't joined yet and Larry Jolly was not a member this last year. Karl is working on details; see him with questions and concerns on this. Perhaps the new board can appoint them in Jan?

Discussion on meeting location: suggested going back to the Duck club, Karl will check on it. See Karl with any thoughts on this.

8:30pm meeting adjourned

The next regular club meeting will be on January 7, 2003.  
 (The Christmas banquet will be the meeting for December.)

The January club Contest well be on January the 5<sup>th</sup>. It may be a 4  
 round 10 minute format contest.

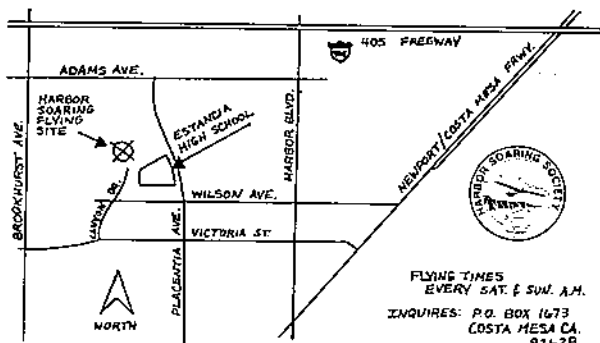
**Notice:**

The Inland Soaring Society has a new Flying Site. The field is  
 located at 710 N. Orange St., in Riverside, CA. It is a field adjacent  
 to the Ruth H. Lewis Community Center in Reid Park.

**Contest Results for:**

**Date: 11/3/02**

ID	Class	Name	Total	Norm by Contest	Norm by Class
4	E	MARK TAYLOR	3,799	1,000	1,000
3	E	TOM VINCENT	3,682	969	969
2	E	JOE RODRIGUEZ	3,492	919	919
6	E	TIM CONE	3,464	912	912
8	E	LARRY JOLLY	3,417	899	899
9	E	CHRIS JOLLY	3,348	881	881
1	E	TOM COPP	3,334	878	878
12	E	JIM SNEED	3,099	816	816
7	S	KARL HAWLEY	3,022	795	1,000
13	A	TOM WATSON	2,996	789	1,000
5	A	MARK BROWNING	2,902	764	969
14	E	MIKE MORJOSEPH	2,897	763	763
11	E	ROSS THOMAS	2,884	759	759
15	E	EDGER VERA	2,766	728	728
16	S	CASY ADAMCZYK	2,589	681	857
17	S	JOHN GRISANTI	2,375	625	786
18	S	JOHN KRUG	1,935	509	640
10	S	JOHN HASIRCOUGLU	1,887	497	624
19	S	MARK FERRA	1,483	390	491
21	RES	JOHN BARR	837	220	1,000
20	RES	ROSS THOMAS	830	218	992
22	RES	TATSUJIRO TAKAYAMA	101	27	121



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# Costa Mesa Breeze

## Owl knocks railroad enthusiasts off schedule

### FYI

► The western burrowing owl has a slightly misleading name, as it seldom digs its own burrow but prefers to use the vacated burrows of small animals like prairie dogs and ground squirrels.

► It is endangered in Canada, Mexico and in the states of Minnesota and Iowa. It is designated as a "species of special concern" in six other states, including California.

► The burrowing owl is approximately 9 inches tall and weighs up to 6 pounds. They have a rounded head, lack ear tufts, but are easily distinguishable by their white eyebrows, bright yellow irises and long stilt-like legs. Their plumage is a mottled brown and white coloring.



A western burrowing owl

► Unlike most owls, the burrowing owls are active both day and night, especially during dawn and dusk.

► Burrowing owls feed on small rodents, reptiles and insects.

► Out of 171 species of owls worldwide, it is the only one that lives in burrows.

### CITY COUNCIL

(2 seats)

Candidate	Votes	Pct.
► Gary Monahan (I)	9,805	31
► Allan Mansoor	6,965	22
Linda Dixon (I)	6,463	20
Katrina Foley	5,156	16
William Perkins	3,263	10

(I) = Incumbent Candidate

## Monahan, Mansoor

## win race for council

## seats

## Model train rail for Fairview Park back on track



### HARBOR SOARING SOCIETY

Charter # 128 AMA's Oldest Radio Controlled Soaring Club. Costa Mesa, California



HSS is committed to promoting and improving the enjoyment of R/C Soaring in Orange County. Through member participation and camaraderie we encourage the advancement of flying skills and the relaxed recreation of our membership and the R/C soaring community.



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I understand that by applying for membership in the Harbor Soaring Society, I must be a current member of the AMA.

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- NEW APPLICANTS. (W/Name Tag)--(17 years and older) = \$25.00
  - SENIOR MEMBER (Renewal W/O name Tag)(17 years and older) = \$20.00
  - JUNIOR MEMBER -----(16 years and under), = \$10.00
  - FAMILY MEMBER -----(At same address) = \$ 5.00
  - Extra HSS Name tag----- = \$5.00
- NEW/RENEWAL (circle one)

Applicants making application for senior membership between July 1st and October 31st pay a reduced rate of \$10.00. New applicants making application between November 1st and December 31st will pay the annual rate indicated above and such dues will make the new member paid in full for the following year. A signature is required by all Harbor Soaring Society members, agreeing to comply with the current AMA Safety Code and the current HSS General Field rules and Field Safety Rules

*The undersigned attests that: I will operate my model using only radio control frequencies currently allowed by the FCC. Further, any transmitter that I use at any designated HSS flying field must have a certified R/CMA-AMA gold sticker affixed indicating that it was manufactured or modified for operations at 20 Khz frequency separation. I understand that my failure to comply with the above restrictions will result in nullification of liability coverage for damages caused or claimed*

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Total Dues Owed and attached: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF CLUB OFFICER RECEIVING APPLICATION \_\_\_\_\_

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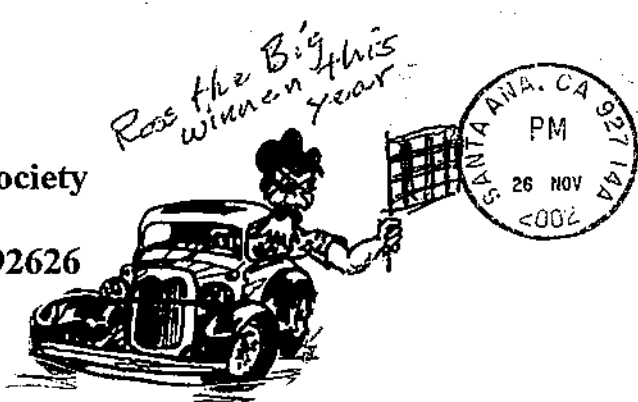
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