

**BYLAWS
OF
THE CHANNEL ISLANDS CONDORS
2001**

ARTICLE 1 - NAME

SECTION 1: The name of this organization is the CHANNEL ISLANDS CONDORS. It is incorporated as a non-profit organization under the laws of the state of California.

The Channel Islands Condors (CIC) is sanctioned as club # 1343 of the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA), the officially recognized governing body for model aviation in the United States of America. Chapter # 89 of the INTERNATIONAL MINITURE AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION (IMAA), and Club # 26 of the QUARTER SCALE AIRCRAFT ASSOCIATION (QSAA).

ARTICLE 2 - OBJECTIVES

SECTION 1: The objective of this organization is to create an interest in, further the image of and promote the hobby of Radio Controlled Miniature Aircraft, under the guidelines of the AMA, IMAA, QSAA, and the Bob Jackson Channel Islands Condors Memorial Fund for Junior Members.

ARTICLE 3 - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1: The Corporation shall have five (5) categories of members.

Cat # 1 General Member-Any Member except as defined below.

Cat # 2 Junior Member- Any member, that qualifies as a junior member of the AMA.

Cat # 3 Family Member- Any spouse of a general member.

Cat # 4 Honorary Member

Cat # 5 Social Member-Non Flying, Non voting (AMA membership not required)

SECTION 2: All CIC club members must be current members in AMA. They shall carry up to date membership cards from both organizations. Non-Flying Social Members, category (# 5) are exempt from AMA membership.

SECTION 3: Each member shall be equal except no junior member shall be elected or appointed to serve as a club Officer or Director.

SECTION 4: Acceptance of a new member will be subject to a probationary period of ninety (90) days.

SECTION 5: A member may request a leave of absence in writing to the Board of Directors. A member returning from a leave of absence will be subject to Article 8 section 7.

ARTICLE 4 - OBLIGATIONS and DISIPLINES

SECTION 1: The acceptance of membership in this organization shall bind each member to abide by all conditions, rules and regulations of the corporation.

SECTION 2: Refusing or neglecting a strict and honorable compliance with the rules and regulations of this Corporation shall render any member liable for reprimand. The reprimand may include but not limited to, a fine, suspension, or expulsion.

SECTION 3: No member shall be reprimanded without formal charges having being made in writing to the board of directors and the member. The member shall appear before the board of directors in his or her defense. The board of directors by a vote of two-thirds may reprimand the member or dismiss the charge. A member under reprimand could loose his or her club privileges. A member under suspension who contrary to the wishes of the board votes, flies, or refuses to pay the imposed fine will be expelled.

SECTION 4: A guests may fly his or her model on a limited basis when invited and supervised at all times by a club member. All guests engaged in flying aircraft will be required to carry a current AMA membership card.

ARTICLE 5 - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION 1: The control and management of the affairs, funds, and property of this corporation shall be vested in the board of directors. Such board shall be composed of all the elected officers.

SECTION 2: Terms of office of the members of the board of directors shall be one (1) year from January 1 until December 31.

SECTION 3: The board of directors shall have the power to fill vacancies in their membership. Such members shall hold office until December 31st.

SECTION 4: The elected officers of this corporation shall be a President, Vice President, Field Operations Officer, Secretary, Financial Officer, and Safety Officer.

SECTION 5: **President:** Shall preside over all meetings of the corporation and board of directors. He shall appoint members to all committees and shall be an ex-officio member of all such committees. He shall sign papers that may be required by his office or by the board of directors.

SECTION 6: **Vice-President:** In the absence of the President, he shall perform the duties of the President. He shall provide a club meeting program; and other duties as directed.

SECTION 7: **Field Operations Officer:** Shall be in charge of field maintenance.

SECTION 8: **Secretary:** Shall keep a written record of all meetings of the corporation and the board of directors. And other duties as directed.

SECTION 9: **Financial Officer:** Shall receive all monies of the corporation and have custody there of. Shall deposit the funds of the corporation in one or more banks selected by the board of directors, to be dispersed with the accordance of the direction of and upon the signatures of two persons designated by the board of directors. Shall keep a full account of all monies received and paid out and make such reports thereof to the board of directors. Shall receive and have custody of all deeds, securities, notes, contracts and other financial papers of the corporation and shall hold them for safekeeping. Shall sign such papers that may be required by his office or the board of directors. Plan and submit for membership approval an annual Budget. Shall perform membership report, handle membership applications, membership renewal, and other duties and incidental to this office.

SECTION 10: **Safety Officer:** Monitor field activities, oversee and enforce all flying site policies. Report all safety-related issues to the board of directors.

SECTION 11: Any officer of the corporation may be removed from office by a two-thirds vote of the membership by a called meeting.

ARTICLE 6 - ELECTIONS

SECTION 1: Each candidate shall run for his desired office. Mail in ballots must be received prior to the December meeting.

SECTION 2: Nominations shall take place at the regular club meeting in November and close at the December club meeting. Voting will take place at the December meeting. The board elect will be seated at the first regular meeting of the New Year.

ARTICLE 7 - MEETINGS

SECTION 1: Special meetings of the members of the corporation may be held at the call of the board of directors or of at least two-thirds members of the corporation for the purpose of changing the by-laws of the corporation, removal of club officers, or other business. The secretary shall mail notices of such meetings to all members at least seven (7) days before the date of the meeting. Notices must contain the purpose of the meeting along with any other pertinent information.

SECTION 2: Twenty-five percent of the members of the corporation present, in person, shall constitute a quorum at any called meeting of the corporation. The business of the called meeting must pass a vote by (2/3) majority.

SECTION 3: A regular meeting of the board of directors shall be held monthly. This meeting may be postponed or advanced but in no event may the board go sixty days without a meeting.

SECTION 4: Special meetings of the board of directors may be held at the call of the president or by two members of the board of directors. A notice of the time, place, and purpose of the meeting, will be given to each director.

SECTION 5: Four members of the board of directors will constitute a quorum at any regular or special meeting of the board of directors.

ARTICLE 8 - FINANCES

SECTION 1: Annual dues for all general members (category 1) will be \$65.00.

SECTION 2: Annual dues for junior and family members (category 2 & 3) will be \$10.00.

SECTION 3: A fee of \$15.00 (to cover the Newsletter mailing costs) for category 5 members.

SECTION 4: A \$10.00 non-refundable key charge will be assessed to all members desiring access to the flying field.

SECTION 5: A runway assessment fee of \$150 will be assessed to all category 1 general members, payable on the initial date of membership. (Exception: military personnel on active duty may pay the runway assessment fee in three equal annual installments beginning each year from date of membership.) The runway assessment fee must not be used for general operations it is to be used for major field improvements only. Runway assessment fee expenditures must be approved at a called meeting.

SECTION 6: Dues and assessments will be adjusted up or down to remain solvent as a club at the discretion of the board of directors and approval of members present at a special called meeting.

SECTION 7: Members, whose dues are not submitted by the general meeting in February, shall be considered delinquent and assessed a fee of \$10.00. A delinquent member shall be suspended and not be allowed to vote, participate in club activities or use club facilities until all fees are paid in full. This shall include delinquent fee plus one year dues.

SECTION 8: Annual dues of new members will be prorated by 50% on July 1st. New members with date of membership later than November 1st will pay the total annual dues and will be paid in full for the following year.

SECTION 9: Upon completion of term of office, the elected members of the Board of Directors may receive free membership for the following year.

SECTION 10: The annual Budget shall be presented for approval by the general membership no later than the March general meeting. Non-Budget items of \$250 or more must be approved by a majority vote of the general membership.