

Burning Down The House

I got these pics and notes from GRAMS Member Tim White. What are you doing to stay safe with your Lipos? Is it enough? Tim's story will make you think.

"First of all, I would like to say that I am aware that we should not charge Lipo batteries unattended but I am sure that not everyone, including myself, follows this rule"



"After flying on Sunday I went home and charged 2 Lipo batteries in my garage. I charge them inside an ammo can that has holes drilled out near the bottom so the battery leads can go out through the can. My wife noticed a very strong smell in the garage and when I checked on it I found the ammo can still hot and the paint had been burned off of the back of it. I have a cement block under the ammo can that now has a good sized burn mark on it."

"As you can see from the pictures the batteries were incinerated. No damage to the house except for the smell in the garage which is fading. If you would like to put this on the web site or pass it along feel free. Lipo batteries can be dangerous. I have not taken out a patent on the ammo can charging box and now I know it works so I hope this can help someone safely charge Lipo batteries."



—Tim White