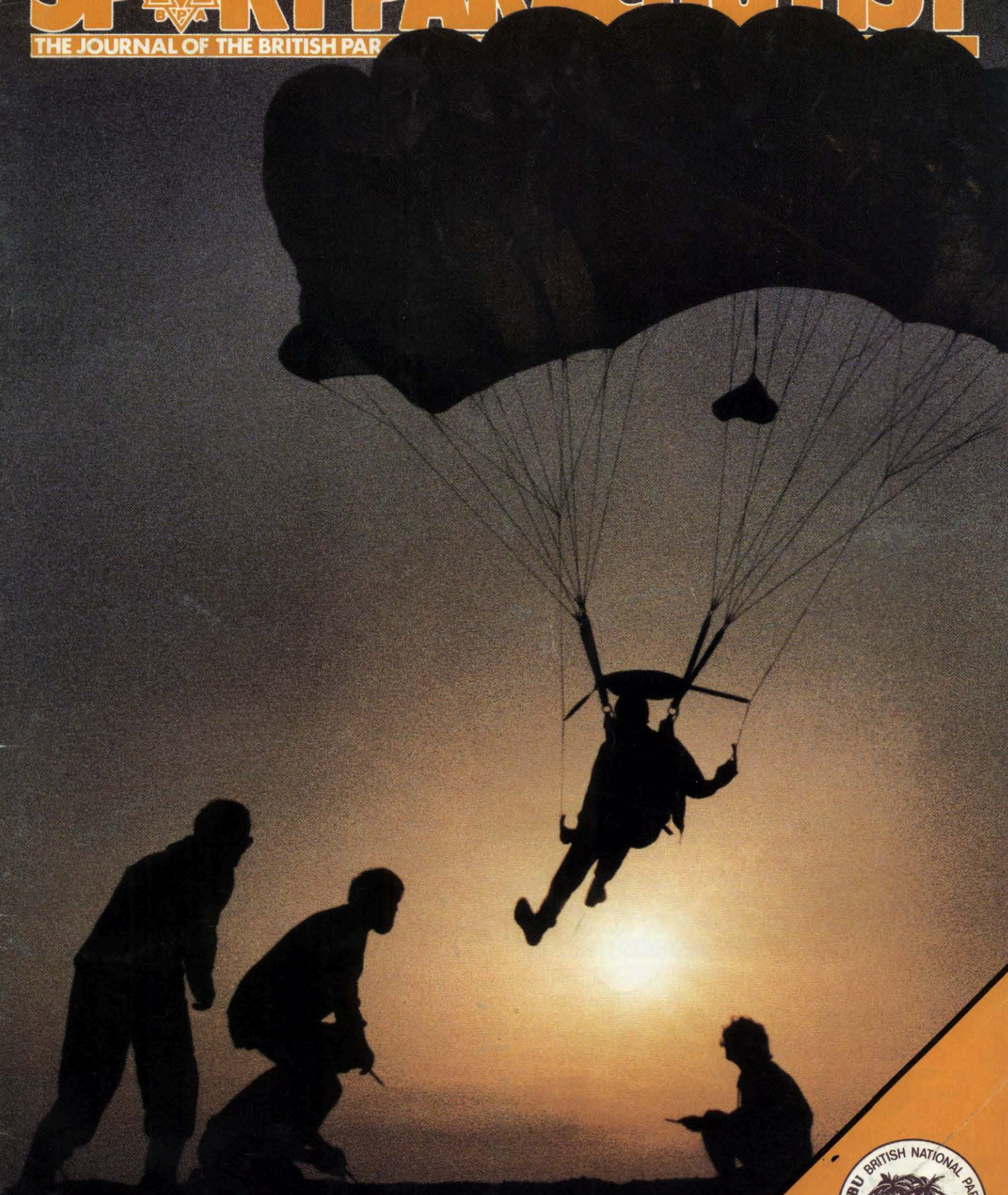


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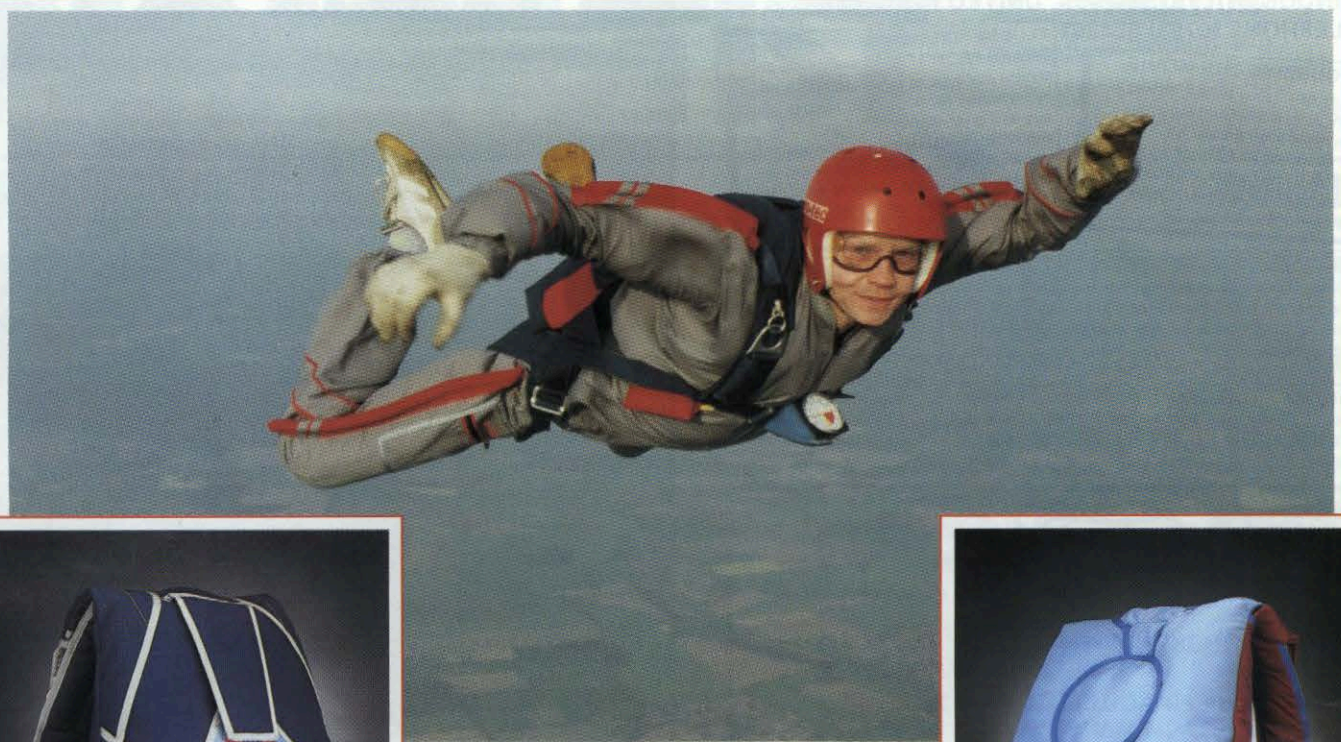
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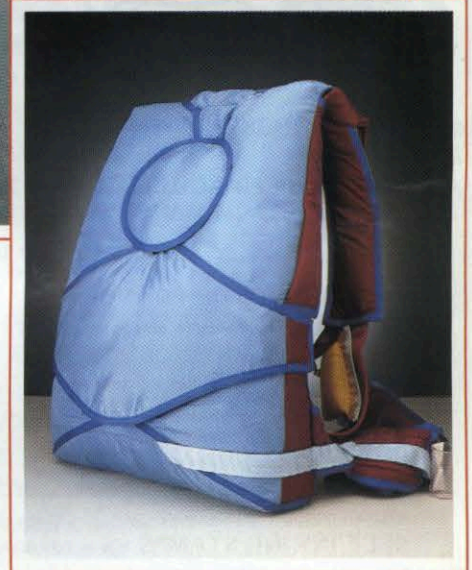
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9-10 August	16 Way Speed Meet	Sibson
16-28 August	Army Championships	Netheravon
23-25 August	12 Way Competition	Weston on the Green
6-7 September	Team Accuracy Meet	Doncaster
6-14 September	Skyvan Boogie	Sibson
13-14 September	Ashfords Staggerback Boogie	Doncaster
13-14th September, Ten Way Speed Meet, Cranfield.		

INTERNATIONAL

15-17 August	4-Way CRW Rotation Meet	Hoogeveen, Holland
28-31 August	CRW Europe Cup	Grenchen, Switzerland
1-13 September	18th WORLD PARACHUTE CHAMPIONSHIPS (Classics)	Ankara, Turkey
24 Sept - 5 Oct	1st WORLD CRW CHAMPIONSHIPS	Toogoolawak, Australia
1-9 November	Cyprus Championships	Cyprus

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11-15 August	Exam/Pre-Advanced Instructor Course	Strathallan
16-24 August	RW Seminar	Sibson
20-28 September	RW Seminar	Sibson
1-5 December	PI/Advanced Instructor Course	Brunton
8-12 December	Exam/Pre-Advanced Instructor Course	Brunton

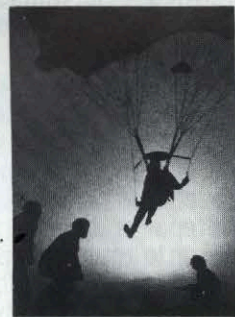
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FRONT COVER PICTURE

A member of the Norwegian team on Finals at last light. Bridlington Nationals.

Photo Dave Waterman



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EDITORIAL

For many years, under various editors, Sports Parachutist has deservedly received praise for its standard of cartoons. From 'Super Fly' by **John Partington-Smith**, to "MAL" and seemingly endless hilarious sport parachuting situations dreamed up by Filwelz (alias **Phil Wells**) - Every one a winner!

In this issue we welcome **OSWOLD S.G.** - the start of a long and funny relationship with SP readers, if the standard of the first strip is anything to go by.

With the exception of display teams, Sponsors willing to put money into the **sport** of parachuting are few and far between. So it is with extreme gratitude we welcome aboard Malibu, who you will be well aware (after reading this issue of the magazine) generously sponsored this year's Nationals. Thanks Malibu!

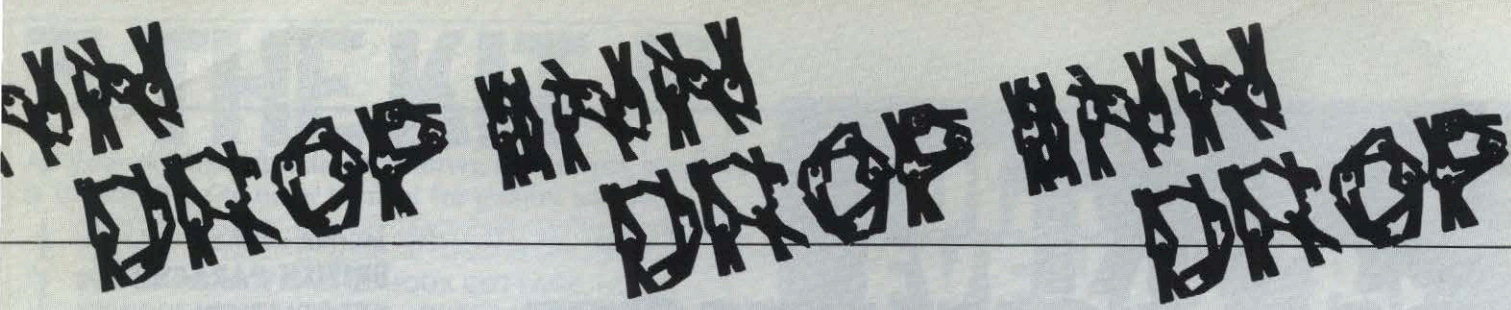
Sponsorship comes in many forms. There is the direct cash injection sponsorship, indirect sponsorship such as canopies and transport, and back-up sponsorship such as public relations and advertising.

There is, however, another type of sponsorship which is not always appreciated. That is the sponsorship that many BPA members themselves give to the Association in the form of time, with no financial reward. Council members, competition judges, manifesters, ground video operators and now (with the advent of judges accepting air to air video as a judging aid) air video cameramen.

Using their own equipment which can cost £1000 or more. Some competitions, because of the British weather, could not have been completed without them. Anybody who thinks it's fun should try a few jumps with a video helmet. Not for me thank you! Let us treat them with a little respect, there are not many around and those that are will tell us to get lost if we don't. We certainly are not doing them a favour by giving them free jumps for the privilege of enabling us to complete our competitions.

DAVE WATERMAN

Last date for inclusion of articles, photographs and advertisements in 'Sport Parachutist' is the end of the second week of the month prior to the month of publication. i.e. 14th January for February issue. Material received after this deadline will be held over for possible inclusion in the next magazine, unless otherwise advised.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



CCI Jeff Chandler takes wife Anne out! certainly a day to remember. A case of 'if you can't beat them join them'.

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Mal



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Congratulations are due to Charles Shea-Simonds, (Charlie Shea or CSS to his friends).

Charlie has recently been appointed Chairman of the Royal Aero Club of the United Kingdom. His appointments and positions held within the Sport Parachuting world rate second to none and include: **First National Coach, Chairman of BPA, CIP Delegate, Editor of Sport Parachutist, Advanced Instructor, Current Vice President, Chief Pilot Netheravon, Author of three books on Sport Parachuting, his current work 'The Complete Sport Parachuting Guide'. Chief judge at a number of Championships and Free Fall Photographer. Recipient of the Gold Parachuting Medal of the International Aviation Federation for services to the sport.**

What does he do in his spare time you may well ask? Apart from being the Managing Director of Carton Industries, a packaging specialist company, he regularly flies a 1942 DH82A Tiger Moth which he restored himself with help from his father.



Charlie is photographed at a recent military function by S/Sgt. Brian Dow (who is that other fellow who keeps getting into Charlies pictures?!)



It is rumoured that he is one of triplets, the other two have a day job as "the twins" from the Tin Tin stories.

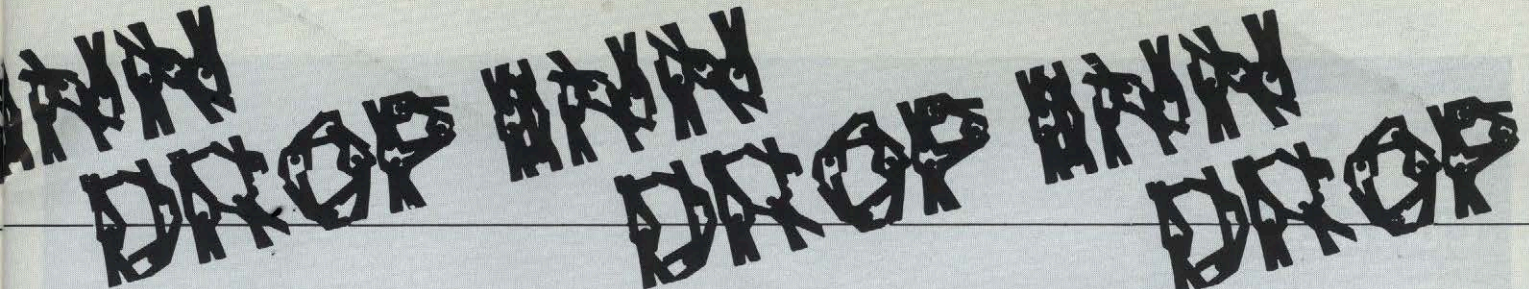
THE RACE AGAINST TIME DOES GO ON

We would like to inform you that UNICEF, have now commissioned an official nationwide Sport Parachute event, to take place in the Autumn of this year, and the spring of next.

It is hoped that, each and every BPA club in the country, will take part in the scheme, whereby intrepid members of the public who took part in 'Sport Aid' are now to go on to reach greater heights to save lives in Africa.

Details of the scheme will be forwarded to each BPA centre in the course of the next few weeks.

TIM HOMER
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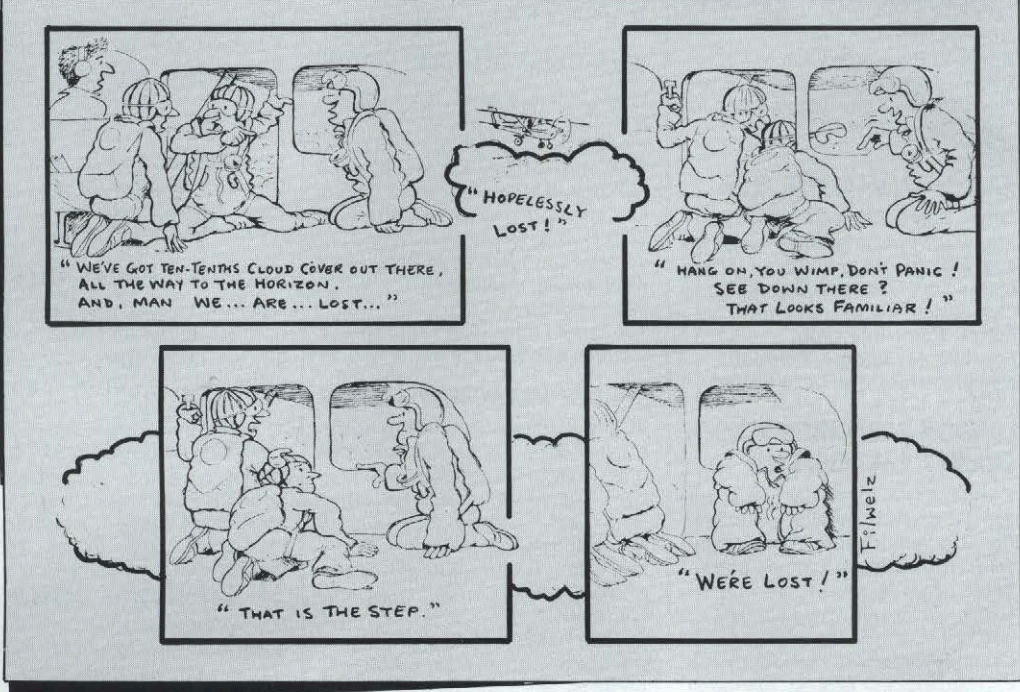


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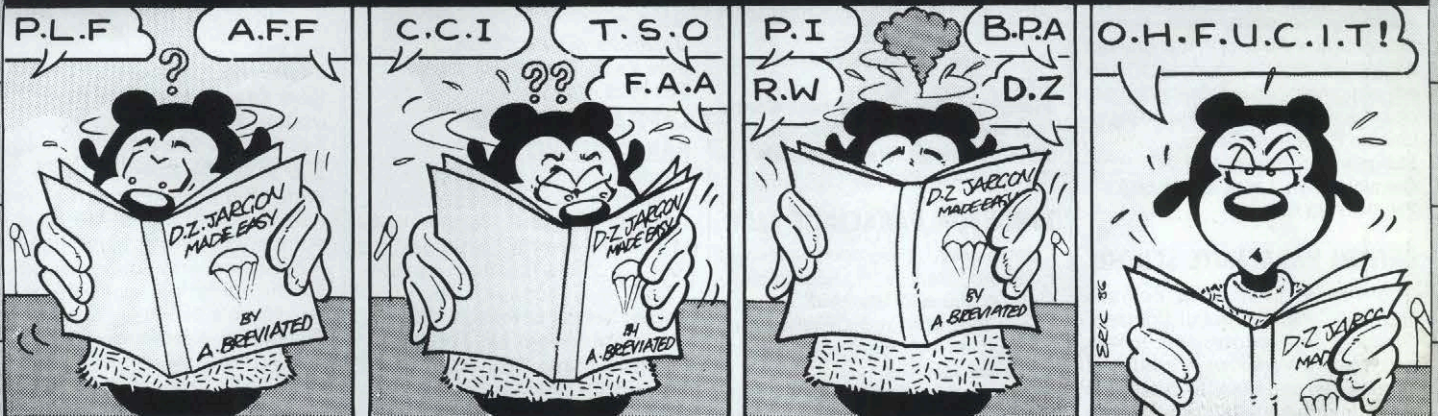


HAPPY SNAPPERS

Proving that they can get piccys in focus, and sharp even, with both feet on Terra Firma, well amost. Leo Dickinson and Dave Waterman were commissioned by the Telegraph Magazine to cover the Royal Wedding. Some even came out okay. Trouble was, the same chap that gets into Charlie's pictures kept appearing as a sailor.

OSWALD S.G

'Jargon'



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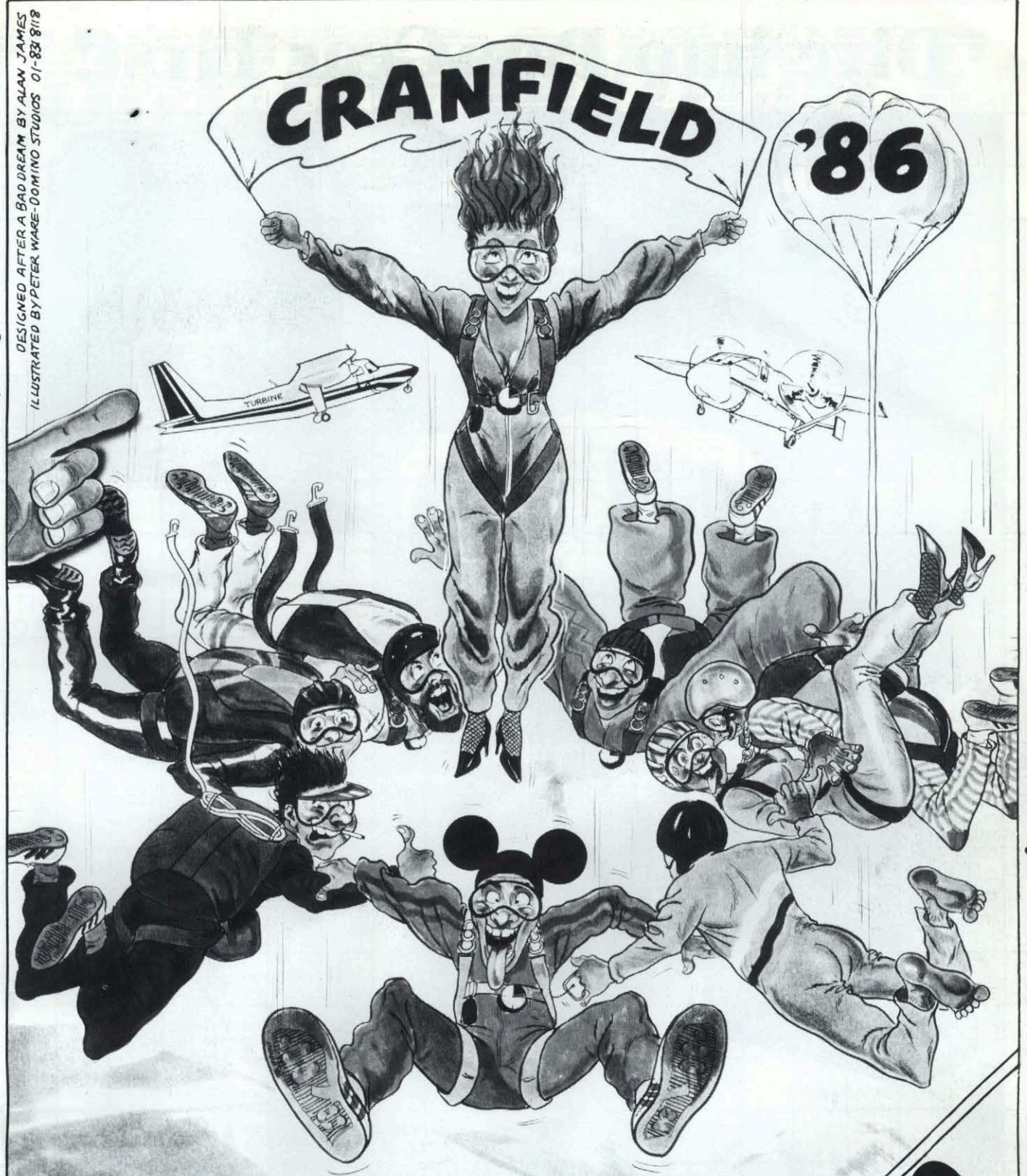
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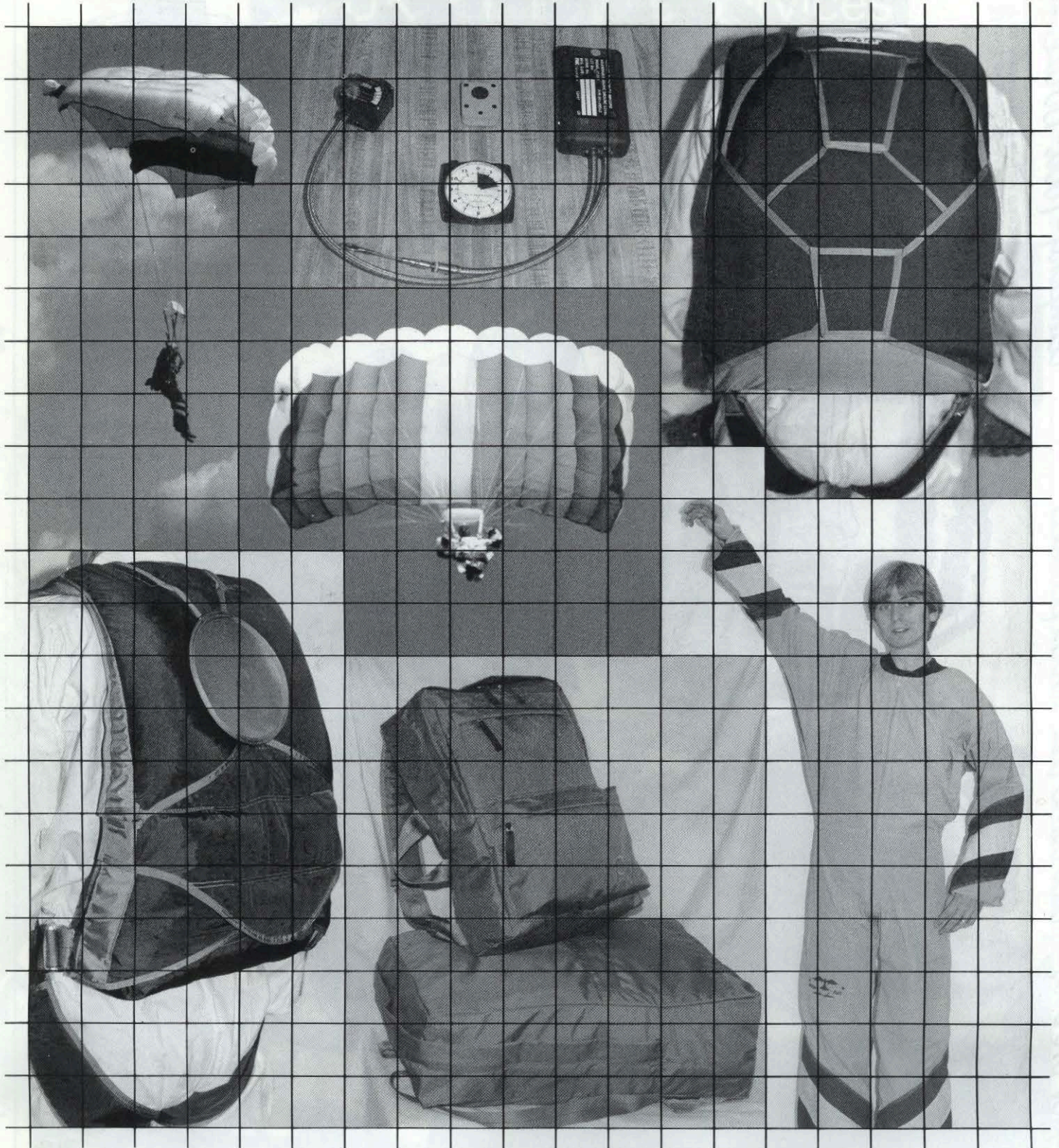
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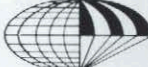
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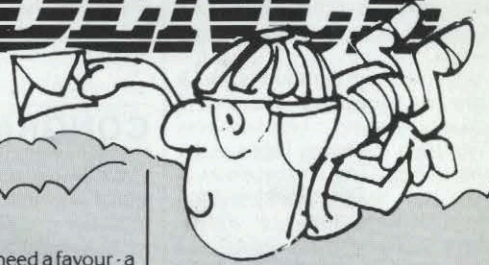


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DUCK END END

As many will have noticed, there is, sadly, no Duck End Meet this year. We have been forced to go into 'suspension' for a year, while the aircraft is hired out in an attempt to generate enough income to enable us to buy a new engine and, hopefully, get going again in 1987. Those with trophies from last years meet are asked to keep them clean for a little longer!!

What we need most desperately are new parachuting members, we have a shareholding system at the farm which I'd be happy to explain to any interested jumpers. Any takers, please ring me on 01-951 0923, and I'll gladly put you in the picture.

GORDON LILLY D1611

NATIONALS UPDATE

With reference to a letter written last year by **Steve Brooker**.

Myself and many others feel that an intermediate level for the National Championships is desperately needed. Teams entering without novice status and without the ability or experience to win outright are likely to stagnate.

I am talking about having a goal to aim for. This will bring more teams to a higher level due to the competitive spirit gained from an extra level to win. 'The more competition the better the products.' Please give us an intermediate level to aim for. Do we always have to be two years behind the Americans.

PETER KERSHAW D4232

RECORD SON

I wonder if my son **Simon Matthews** has set some kind of record? He completed a conventional parachuting course on his 16th birthday on the 19th June 1986, and did his first static line descent on the 22nd June. On the 2nd July his eighth jump was a three second delay freefall. Maybe not a world record or British record but must certainly be a Welsh record unless someone out there knows differently!

Many thanks to all concerned at Swansea. **Phil Mercer** for his patience and understanding; **Mark Price** and **Nick Maskill** for their despatching ability; **Derry and Clive** for driving G Para. Also **Cathy** and **Jenny** for generously donating an abundance of shaving cream - pity Simon doesn't shave. A thank you also to all members of SPC who I haven't mentioned.

J.M. MATTHEWS D5960

A.T.C. OK

On our travels to do demos around the country, I always make a point of having a chat with the local ATC people, to try to establish a friendly relationship with the guys who have the final say on whether or not we can fly our demos. This year, during these chats, I have heard of several demos which have been planned with minimal reference to application for ATC clearance, particularly when Aerodrome Traffic Zones of small, quiet but still CAA licensed airfields are involved.

My team does about 130 demos a year, about 80% of which are in controlled or regulated airspace. I wouldn't like the operation of the majority of display teams, including my own, made more difficult by having to deal with Air Traffic Controllers upset by parachute teams with a less than professional approach to admin, so I would like to outline the Trail Blazers approach to the problem as a guide to display team leaders unfamiliar with the workings of Air Traffic Control. Some of our methods may seem a little OTT, but in over 8 years full time involvement with demos, I have never had an argument with ATC.

1. Start by accepting that you have no right to parachute in controlled airspace. You must have the permission of the ATC agency concerned, and if getting it means being more than normally polite or even grovelling a bit, so what, as long as you get the demo in?
2. The minimum notice required, as explained in the Ops Manual, is just that - minimum! Most of our clearance requests go in at least 6-8 weeks in advance.
3. If you are in any doubt as to who to apply to, or whether you need to apply at all, then apply to everyone who may have a possible interest. If they are not concerned, they will tell you so, but either way they will know what is going on. If you still not sure, ask! Ring ATC, BPA, or an experienced team leader - first!
4. It doesn't hurt to send copies of your CAA notification or Operation Order to any airspace users in the area of the demo - airfields, gliders, parascenders, etc. this isn't a legal requirement but the more people who know about your demo, the less chance there will be of someone flying through it!
5. Every time we fly a demo in controlled airspace, as part of our standard post demo action, we send a thank you letter to the ATC involved. Again not essential, but it will smooth

the way if one day you need a favour - a last minute change of slot time, a display at short notice, etc.

In my experience, Air Traffic Controllers will invariably go out of their way to help you get your demo in. The last thing I want is to see this situation change because a few team leaders may be adopting a cavalier attitude to their paperwork. Go for it by all means - but let's make sure the CAA are happy first!

RAY ELLIS D2523
Team Commander

TEXEL BOOGIE

On Wednesday, June 4th, armed with 50 jumps each, **Kevin Dubash** and I set off for Texel to experience our first boogie. After a nights detour via Amsterdam we arrived at the DZ on Thursday morning and pitched our tent amid the wind and rain at the Prinz Hendrik Camping Site.

For three days the weather was lousy and our spirits ran low (in fact we had no Vodka left by Saturday), and during this time skydiving was out of the question. This allowed obscure observations to creep into my idle mind. I mean, have you seen those Dutch lavatory pans? They're designed back to front, allowing you a high and dry view of the achievements of your bowels. I'm not sure whether this fascinating form of perusal contributed to my regurgitating a gallon of Oranjeboom outside by tent all weekend, but I was mightily relieved when blue skies appeared on Sunday afternoon allowing skydiving to commence.

And commence it did. Prugatory became paradise, with every jump providing a new experience. 10-ways, 9-ways, Lorry Gorillas; a positive feast of the weird and wonderful.

Money dictated we could only do a dozen jumps each, but we learnt an enormous amount. We always got 12,500ft. plus in the skyliner, and we were well looked after and encouraged by the load organisers. (Special thanks to Arnold for being such a patient 'zookeeper').

Six straight days of blue skies drifted by with the wind level only occasionally interrupting play. A friendly international atmosphere prevailed all week, and all the Brits present seemed to feel they had good value for money. Most said they would go again next year.

I'll finish this letter with a note of caution for skydivers who are new to packing their own rig - don't get

casual! After twenty successful openings on my rig I got over confident and rushed my packing in order to get on the last lift of the day. I missed the lift and, sure enough, the next morning I had a lineover malfunction and experienced my first cutaway. Stay slow and safe. Blue skies,

STEVEN MULLINS BPA245985
P.S. Quick hello to **George Kabeller** from Mowers, Trashrunners and Bog-cleaners Ltd. - We'll be back!

THANKS ROB

"Well", I thought, "there's not turning back now". My mouth was dry, heart pounding and my pores were leaking. The pilot pulled his, and my, transport smoothly into position and taking a deep breath, we all bundled aboard. This was all very strange to me...I was used to two wheels, but owing to circumstances beyond my control, here I was fighting my way onto the Central Line at Mile End Underground Station.

Hell...pure hell... and the turbulence is dodgy. Retreating to a free 6in by 6in space I seek distraction in the form of my newly arrived 'Sport Parachutist'. After looking at all the piccies I started to read **Rob Lloyd's** article on Jumpmanship. This very soon started to produce giggles punctuated by several full bellied loud laughs. This is a cardinal sin on the underground and I was immediately branded a loonie - but it did get me an extra 2 sq.ft. of space!

Thanks to Rob for a very funny article and to SP for keeping me sane on that hot day (when we should all be well above ground not below it). Regards,

MIKE CABLE D4057

P.S. Regards to all at Ipswich. When's the log book going into print Tim?

THANKS LANGER

I have recently attended a (AFF) course at BP Langer, and through you I would like to thank all the staff at Langer for the help they gave me over the past weeks, to enable me to gain my Cat. 8. I cannot express enough how enjoyable the training was, their methods are second to none.

Personal thanks must go to **Dave Hickling**, **Dave McCulloch**, **Derek Scofield**, **Barry** and the pilots, **John**, **Angela** and **Dave**. Thanks also to **John Hitchen** and **Tony Butler** for

jumping with me, and their tremendous encouragement. The facilities at Langer can only be described as first class, which matches everyone's enthusiasm regarding the training sessions.

As you see from the address, I am a Northerner, through and through, and it was very satisfying to have been able to transform the eating habits of the above named. Top on the menu at Langer now is Black Puddings and Holland Meat Puddings.

Anyone who is considering a (AFF) course, could do not better than going to B.P.S. Langer. The help, encouragement and general atmosphere is second to none. Thanks again to all at B.P.S.

IAN

(Lancs! The Black Pudding Bomber)

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All the member associations of the Royal Aero Club have been asked to remind their members that individual membership of the Royal Aero Club is available to them all.

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JAMES CROCKER
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THE STAFF
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Thanks in anticipation.

JACKIE FLETCHER D4985

INPUT NEEDED

I am seriously considering (again), the production and monthly publication of a skydiving and aerospots related newspaper, broadly along the lines of the US newspaper. It would be primarily for the UK market, but with distribution in Europe also.

I need your input! Some market research is essential before any commitments can be made. So please let me know what you think. How much would you pay for it? Will you contribute material? What do you want it to feature?

It won't happen unless enough of you want it and will pay for it, and can't judge that unless you tell me. So, write to me c/o Domino Studios, 2-6 Boswell Court, London WC1N 3PS, or express an opinion through the magazine.

ALAN JAMES
Studio Manager E D4218

VICE TALK

Continuing the thoughts of others about our sport by the non skydiving world. Perhaps we should persuade US Vice President George Bush to take up skydiving if he continues to mix his metaphors as reported recently in the Observer on the continuing fall of the World oil prices. "I think it is essential", he declared, in an apparent reversal of American policy, "that we talk about STABILITY and that we not just have a continued FREEFALL like a PARACHUTIST JUMPING out without a PARACHUTE."

Apart from the fairly obvious abrupt ending to his utopian freefall I would have thought that a parachutist jumping out without a parachute was a contradiction. Call him a skydiver yes - even if it is a one off but I don't quite see where the parachute comes in if he hasn't got one!

LEO DICKINSON

DEAR ROB

I hope that **Rob Nicol** and anyone else who finds him/herself in the same position will read this letter. As it is a criticism of your (self imposed) status on the DZ. I hope Rob that you don't take this too personally.

Just look at your letter Ro, on the face of it what you are saying is that you or others in a similar position who have made it through the student system to reach Cat. 8 then had to rely on the all too busy instructor or an available experienced jumper to help you through to Cat. 10. Just when you think you've made it over the last hurdle and are now deemed to be an experienced jumper yourself, nobody wants to jump with you, because you've got no experience, a real catch 22 situation. You are quite right, you can see this happening on your DZ. What do you expect to happen if you turn up on a DZ with your new Cat. 10 status and 100 jumps? Do you expect everyone to line up eager to jump with you? It's not a case of here I am chaps line up here to jump with me.

You mention DZ cliques suggesting that if you not one of the in-crowd on that DZ then you will not get on any good loads. This isn't the case at all, these cliques as you call them are mostly groups who jump regularly together to get the most from their jumps, remembering that most don't turn up at a DZ hoping to get on a scratch load, but turn up to meet their group of friends to get the best of the jumps they can afford.

Of course there are the big fun loads going on from time to time as well, just as you saw on your one and only brief visit to Netheravon, but there is a limit to the number of people of lower experience level that you can put on a load, firstly for safety (it is quite different being in the air at break off with fourteen or fifteen other bodies than it is leaving a four way). Of course you want to give the dive some sort of chance of building, even if it is only for fun.

When one of these groups is absent a regular member, or a fun load can take someone who is not long been Cat. 10. The first obvious choice will be someone who is known at the DZ I'm sure you would agree.

If you turn up at a DZ, and you're not known, explain your situation to the CCI or one of his staff, I'm sure they would do their best to get someone to jump with you. But the best thing to do, if you are in the position of having just made it to Cat. 10 is to jump regularly at one DZ you will find you will soon fall into a group of your own, there will be other recently graduated Cat. 10's in the same boat as you and you will be able to help each other. Don't forget the CCI and other instructors aren't just there to train students, they will give help and advice if you ask them.

As for your megagods hiding in the shadows and not coming out to jump with a 'mere underling' like you. Have you ever asked one to jump with you? Probably not. Why not try it some time you will find that few of these very experienced jumpers consider them-

selves to be too good to help someone. But, of course do bear in mind that they got to the stage they are at now by hard work and sorting out their own jumps (which they have to pay for), and you can hardly expect them to do loads of jumps teaching you. If you ask them, they will give you advice on exits, flying formations out of the door, sequential manoeuvres etc.

What is there is a skygod telling everyone in the bar about how nice the 90 way he was in flew, wouldn't you? There was a time not so far back when it was quite something to see an eight way, never mind being on the load. Now most jumpers get into an eight way fairly soon after getting onto RW. Most RW jumps these days are done from 10,000 to 12,000 feet (weather permitting) and at some DZ's 15,000 feet. It use to be 7,000 feet with the odd lift going up to 9,000 or 10,000 feet. This is a growing sport Rob, it is only the jumpers who 'sit back on the DZ' who stagnate. You are right Rob the answer lies with us, the membership, the ones who get up and do something about our jumps.

Finally to us in free fall, the sky is the same wherever no matter what country is beneath us. But the laws and rules that govern the DZ which we land on are very different. Don't compare what was observed at Auckland, NZ in January 86 with what is observed over DZ's in this country it gives a very different unfair and inaccurate picture of parachuting.

ALAN BONNETT D2042

MAIN CONCERN?

As a nice end to my stay at the Nationals, and with the full co-operation of one of the NSCO's, Britain's first Lone Star Parachute Co. kit took to the air, and was an unqualified success.

It is not by any means the country's first home built main canopy. If you have always wanted to build a parachute it certainly takes the guess work out of copying an aerofoil section, and the drudgery out of obtaining all the materials.

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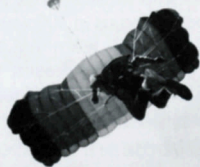
There is nothing complicated in its manufacture, it is merely repetitive to the point of boredom. All the necessary technical knowledge comes in the instruction cassettes and manual. Almost everything is accessible to examination if you choose to turn the canopy inside out or climb down inside. Darker colours of F.111 certainly increase the difficulty, but it is by no means impossible.

As for dear old Grannie's Singer, it may well never have sewn anything as fine as two or three layers of canopy fabric, and this forms by far the vast majority of sewing. A larger needle is certainly an advantage where there

are several layers of tape on top of one another, and a heavier machine is therefore desirable at these points.

As for Section 15 Paragraph 'E' does this mean I cannot repair a tear in my main canopy with rip stop tape, or manufacture a new loop for my main container. Finally to close with the thoughts of one of the NSCO's on the subject and with particular reference to my Shrike, "I don't worry half so much about your main, it's your reserve I'm more interested in." Sounds quite sensible to me!

KEN HARDCASTLE
alias Kevin Hardwick



BEARS A RESEMBLANCE??

Firstly, I must say that I was surprised to find our recent communication, which I had considered to be private, published on the correspondence page of the June edition of 'Sport Parachutist'.

However, as you have chosen to make this debate public, we make the following points in response.

The two matters reported are, we feel, totally separate issues. Even if they were related, two wrongs don't make a right.

To deal again with the former and our original letter. We are sure that upon mature reflection you will now agree that it was wrong of you to have used Parachuting Promotions artwork without permission. We date we have experienced four unauthorised uses this year of the logo, and one of a company trading, believe it or not, using our name. We have experienced also this year one instance of a Parachute Centre using artwork in one of their ad's in 'Time Out', which was originated by our advertising agency, Young & Rubicam. And, it was only our intervention, we believe, which stopped Y&R taking action against that Centre.

Our concern is simply that our identity does not become associated or confused with some 'fly by night' rip-off organisation such as the travel company recently prosecuted for defrauding potential student parachutists. Or, for that matter, with any other organisation good or bad. We feel that this is perfectly reasonable.

An application to register the Parachuting Promotions logo as a Trade Mark has now been made, and acceptance of this application will mean that no future use can be made of it.

Now to your response. We note with

thanks that you have 'no complaint' about the use of a logo which it would seem bears a resemblance to one of your photographs. We must point out that the whole of Parachuting Promotions corporate identity was purchased from, and was the very early work of, a now successful commercial artist who doubtless used a photograph as a reference. To accuse him of plagiarism we believe would be incorrect, as at no time has this artist ever claimed the creative aspect of this logo to be his own original thinking. However, we cannot but agree with you that at all times one should seek the approval of anyone whose work one wishes to use directly, or as a reference.

Our logo was, in fact, generated before the tragic death of Tim Morgan in the USA, the circumstances of which I remember well. We feel that it is pure speculation on your part to suggest that the family and friends of Tim Morgan may be affected by its continued use. We have, some seven years or so later, yet to receive one complaint from anyone. If your comment is to be construed as a complaint upon these grounds, perhaps it would have been better made a long time ago and in different circumstances.

If offence has been caused to Tim's family or friends we are truly sorry. Perhaps though there is some consolation in the knowledge that our logo has been used to promote two schemes, one which has produced funds which have gone directly towards protecting our wildlife and environment, and the other which has produced large sums of money which go directly towards helping the largest group of disabled people in the country - those who are mentally handicapped. Besides this, we believe that Parachuting Promotions has now introduced more people to our sport than any other individual organisation in the UK. In doing so we have generated substantial funds for the BPA, extra revenue for many Parachute Clubs and Centres, and most of all a lot of pleasure for many thousands of people who have taken part in our events.

We trust that you will now go on to publish this reply in order to put the record straight.

DAVID TURNER

How can you possibly complain about your letter being published when it was addressed as correspondence to the Editor with a request to publish as a warning to others who may take the liberty of using "your" logo.

Your term, "it would seem, bears a resemblance to one of your photographs" must rate as the understatement of the year. It is a direct trace. I would with respect suggest you ask for your money back from the "now successful commercial artist" who you say designed your logo.

I note with interest that you are about to register the logo as a Trade Mark. As your next sentence

states that you agree that "at all time one should seek the approval of anyone whose work one wishes to use directly or as a reference", I await with great anticipation your formal request to use the photo in question. A request which, has yet, not been received or permission given.

With reference to your involvement with the "Charity first (and only) jump market". A whole page could be devoted to this subject. enough said, except I just wonder how close this aspect of the sport comes to the spirit which motivated the founder members of the BPA to form the association in the first place.

ED.

FROM THE DESK OF WALTER GUBBINS, I.F.C.

Well as you'd expect the Gubbins' mail intake has increased manifold as a constant stream of award winning literature clammers for the GUBBINS PRIZE. I'm enclosing a few entries for your readers' perusal and will be announcing the winners shortly. The competition this month is fun for all the Dee Zee on a wet day. I'm enclosing a snap of a certain 49 way in Spain, all you have to do, dear Wally disciple, is SPOT THE THOMAS, yes simply mark an X where you think young Derro might be on this skydive! See back of mag for answer.

Speaking of Derro I'm sorry that he's pulled his shoulder out again having suffered another bout of pilot chute shock (PCS). Griselda has come up with another cure for this unfortunate condition...the ripcord.

You'll probably not have noticed Ed, but I didn't begin this letter with my usual charming terms of endearment such as Dear Dave. The explanation is simply, you didn't have the common courtesy to print it last time, come to think of it the only letter reproduced with the opening formalities was from William H. Ottley (Otters to his mates). I can only presume that you obviously show respect for those who have been in the sport longer than you or that Sport Parrott Shootist is striving for up market standing such as the Times. However I should point out that not even the Times prints the titles of its articles in a vertical manner. There are now about 6,000 skydivers with heads permanently leaning to the left.. as though we didn't have enough Left wing socialists writing letters to the bible anyway.

Well since last writing Dave, old Walt has been doing the rounds. Naturally a nationals isn't a Nationals without yours truly wandering about giving a few hints and tips to the nation's elite...A pity they didn't bother competing this year (sit down, just Wally's little joke!). Mind you I suppose there would have been a lot more competing if there hadn't been a permanent treasure hunt going on, 1st prize the elusive Malibu Flag. It was won by a team of Bridlington staff

members who had the advantage of hiding it in the first place. Anyway congratulations to the winners and new Brit teams and if you need some extra coaching call London Transport!

Cue for a song... 'Where have all the Brand X gone' yes you remember all those gihuge monstrosities only ever outfloated by an albatross in a Kruger Balloon suit, well if you ever need to borrow one to float on a 200 way nip up to Cark and ask for a loan. Don't forget to take you wellies to Cark, they are inundated with sheep who regularly join in the Dirt Dive and have even been known to climb into the Islander, I can only presume they were given the 'chop'! The pilot at Cark, a certain Robin Lloyd has so far only managed to hit five seagulls and one sheep. Is he a 'mutton head' of a pilot 'lambasting' the local wildlife I hear you cry... sorry! I really shouldn't 'Ram' home these sheep puns to 'ewe', as you 'flock' to read old Wally's column. 'Wool' it ever be the same at Cark since Robin (The skydiver Driver) visited Netheravon and was seen weeping in the Islander Mockup donated by a pilot a few years ago. Why the distress? "This mockup is in better condition than the real thing at Cark", wailed Robin. Another Deeee Zeeee worth a visit is Dorset School of Human Fright or Dorset Parachute Centre (imaginative) for short. Some amazing statistics come from here. This centre has the highest rate of Divorces for staff for any centre in the UK. Since the club's humble beginnings (It's just humble now) all five staff members have shed their better halves and even a couple of punters have followed suit in sympathy! A certain staff member, who shall remain nameless but take the fictitious name of Bob Dowling, managed to miss 600 acres of prime DZ to land on a corrugated tin roof of a farm building!

Now Dave, I'm sure it's time to bring up the subject of The Walter Gubbins report for the mag again. I mean if you are desperate enough to reproduce the words of wisdom all about the 'Falcoons' to the membership I'm sure yours truly can muster even more pages of flowing prose to titillate the avid Gubbins fan and mag reader.

You will doubtless be overwhelmed by the enclosed snap of the latest Wally Gubbins training aid, it's the standup trainer as demonstrated by



Leo Dickwittington. Being such a

diminutive chappie I had to put an extra person on the bottom to keep him from floating away. A word of warning here, if one is not extremely careful there is the danger of Pilot Chute Shock as monopolised by young Derro...and speaking of the young Thomas, was it pure coincidence that the only successful 100 way was the one he wasn't on?

I suppose I should actually take this opportunity to congratulate **Tommy Pirahana** and the rest of the lads for completing the world's largest formation of human locusts all in one swarm, how long have I been telling you Tommy that you must have a big hole in the middle of such a large blob? For the less educated amongst my followers **Tom Piras** is a member of what was the Air Bears, world champion 4 way team as trained by Wally Gubbins. Not content with the super rich in his team, **Guy 'Goldilocks' Manos**, Tommy brought in fresh blood and capital, got a Pilatus Portable and is rumoured to be renaming the team 'The MILLIONair Bears'.

Computerised jumpsuits - at last I can bring news of the exciting developments, the system is up and working and the team carries a portable computer. The only teething trouble so far is how to get the individual flying with the hardware to stop falling like the proverbial Brick Outhouse.

On a final note Ed, I must say how good I think the Bee Pee Aaay Mag is compared to other illiterate glossy's from lesser nations who also partake in the occasional plummet. I mean what other magazine editor would let a humble old soldier like me mention that there are still one or two Wally 'The Movie' videos left in both VHS and Beta. Then again what other editor is far sighted enough to realise that by letting a humble old soldier and super skydiver like me plug his work, he is in fact educating the entire parrot shooting fraternity. Dave you have got the best rag in the trade cos' you've got Wally!

Yours in modesty,

WALTER GUBBINS IFC

Walter, I hope you don't mind me calling you Walter - Mr. Gubbins, but I feel I have known you for years. Maybe on reflection it just feels like years. Walter, there is a saying which goes "Power corrupts, but absolute power is even nicer", or words to that effect.

Now, if I gave you your own column or the Walter Gubbins Report as you have called it, don't you think that all that extra power will corrupt you. Next you'll be

wanting to stand for council, become chairman, appear in the birthday honours, Sir Walter Gubbins OBE etc. In other words become part of the establishment. Your credibility as a voice for the working man (skydiver) will be shot to pieces. You'll forget all your old friends and most of all you will forget the one person to whom you owe your fame and fortune - Yours Truly.

Because Wally me old mate, (now I'm getting very familiar) you may think that I've got the best mag in the trade cos I've got you. I conversely believe that you've got the reputation of being the biggest Wally in the world because you have me!

From the columns of the correspondence you are the voice of the people, to cross the line into the editorial pages is the start of a slippery slope to the House of Lords. I am saving you from yourself and for the many skydivers who still haven't put their hand into their pockets for a Wally Gubbins Video. How else are the faceless financial backers of your movie empire, those Gnomes of Zurich, Hollywood etc. Old Sodbury and Carterton going to get their Rollers and how is Griselda going to get her mink coat.

With your welfare at heart, in all humility,

DAVE

WALLY POEM

Below are a few entries for the Gubbins literary prize. As there are no prizes I don't take a size 'large' in T-shirts.

A skydiver named Wally from Herts
Was renown for his terrible wind
In the plane every day
Jumpers winced with dismay
Whereas Wally just sat there and
grinned.

A skydiver named Wally from Herts
In Spain was riding the karts
Too fast round a bend
Meant for Wally the end
As a wheel ran over his parts

A skydiver named Wally from Herts
Was jumping with jelly and tarts
He let out a scream
When he misplaced the ice-cream
And the temperature shrivelled his
parts.

ADRIAN ASHFORD (Nethers)

A skydiver named Wally from Herts
Whose bite is much worse when he
barks

When he writes in the Mag
Some just find it a drag
But I would reward him full marks!

CHRIS MILLS POPS 30

SPONSORSHIP FOR 8-WAY TEAMS

As a result of recent proposals that have been made to a major UK company who, it is hoped are to fund a scheme to be run by ourselves during

1987, a spin off has resulted which may be of interest to 8-way teams which are to compete in next years National Championships.

It looks likely that a substantial amount of sponsorship may be available in the form of cash and parachute equipment for an 8-way team. Why 8-way, well that's the catch, the team accepting the sponsorship will have to commit itself to perform a programme of four parachute displays during the year at prestige events on behalf of the sponsor.

At this time we are asking teams who are interested in accepting sponsorship to write to us before 1st October giving us in 200 words or less details of their team for the 1987 Nationals and the reason why they think that sponsorship would benefit them.

DAVE TURNER

LETTERS on any parachuting topic are welcome and should be sent to:

The Editor, *Sport Parachutist*, c/o BPA,
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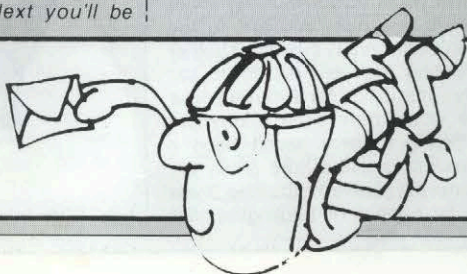
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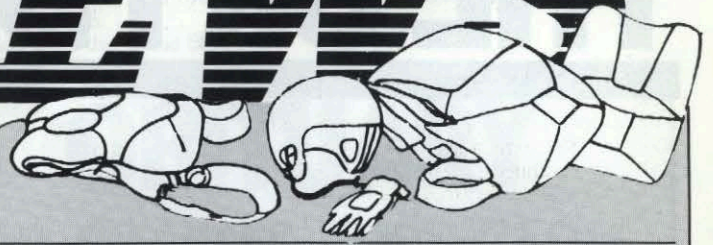
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KITNEWS

By Rob Colpus



ADAPTER BUFFERS

DJ Associates have released a warning notice in connection with their MS70101 lightweight reversible adapters, which are commonly used as Chest Straps, Bellybands and Horizontal Back Straps.

Apparently harness manufacturers have been sewing the adapters onto webbing without the use of a 'Buffer Strip'. DJ say that because the stampings are very thin, it tends to be abrasive to webbing.

Also due to the stamping process sharp edges can sometimes occur. The company recommends that all MS70101 hardware sewn onto webbing have buffer strips on the sewn end. This work should only be carried out by Master Riggers.

TSE LEATHER

Thomas Sports Equipment of Bridlington have developed a new concept in Parachuting gear, leather rigs. Their new range of Leather Chaser or Xerox container systems are available in several colours. The leather is backed by standard Parapack to prevent stretching. Jumpers that have tried them report them to be very comfortable to wear. Obviously they are more expensive than a standard TSE system. retailing at about £550.

RW-2 RINGS UNSUITABLE

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CYPRUS

PARACHUTE CHAMPIONSHIPS 1986

Sorry I have done it again, I have had to change the dates for the competition. Because we are using Netheravon's Islander we have to fit in with their plans. Therefore the dates have to alter a little. The new dates are **10th - 16th November**.

Again sorry but there is not a lot I can do about it, I hope this won't affect you adversely.

GARY DOUGLAS

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IN MEMORY

165 Skydivers in Jakarta, Indonesia, are a group of Indonesian and expatriate skydivers, who jumped every weekend throughout the year at Rumpin Airfield, Serpong, under the guidance of **Robbie Mandagi**, the Club's Chief Instructor.

Sadly, on May 18, 1986, at approximately 12.45 p.m., there was a most tragic accident: that day, for the first time the Club was using a twin-engine Piper Navajo, instead of their normal Seneca. Because of the larger capacity, two first-time AFF jumpers were on the load, together with a tandem jumper. The plane taxied along the runway and appeared to have a normal take-off. However, at approximately 100 feet the plane suddenly banked to the left and nose-dived to the ground; all the jumpers and the pilot were killed instantly. The reason for the crash is not known, and investigations are in progress.

Those killed were:

Robert (Robbie) Mandagi	USPA 5816	D.L. 6236
Alfred (Woddy) Mandagi		D. 8206
Christian (Chrisye) Mandagi	USPA 41981	
Rudy Achso		D. 9975
Robert J. (Skip) Dew, III	USPA 554	D. 2336
Michael (Mike) Newton		BPA Member
Major Police Badiu Nikka		A. 8626
Martina (Tina) Rorimpandey		
James (Jim) Palmer		
Mark Johnstone		
Captain Sumbogo (Pilot)		

Robbie Mandagi, the eldest of the three Mandagi brothers who died, dedicated his whole life to parachuting and gave so much support to students that without his help and enthusiasm many of the students would not have completed their training. Robbie was a leading skydiver in Asia, and is well-known internationally. He leaves a widow, **Yasmin**, who is an Indonesian women's champion skydiver.

Woddy Mandagi, also an AFF instructor, was the Club's jumpsuit manufacturer, who would happily make a suit at even the shortest notice, in the craziest colour schemes imaginable! He leaves a widow, **Marina**, also a skydiver, who is two months pregnant and has a 4 year old son.

Chrisye Mandagi, the youngest Mandagi brother, was the Club's cameraman. He was a happy, smiling person who never had a bad word to say about anyone. He leaves a widow.

'Skip' Dew, an American from Florida, was the Club's Tandem master, and had lived in Indonesia for many years. He leaves his parents, who were visiting him in Indonesia, and his widow, **Susanne**, whom he married in 1985, and their 3-week old baby son, **Robert**.

Mike Newton, an AFF instructor, had lived in Indonesia for nearly four years. Mike was single, always the life and soul of the party, but his main love was training students and skydiving.

Rudy Achso (Bapaw to his friends) was always smiling and was a good friend to all the students. He leaves a widow, **Nunu**, who is three months pregnant and also has a 2-year old son.

Badiu Nikka, a major in the Police, loved skydiving and was always the first to arrive at the drop zone each weekend. He leaves a widow, **Ina**, and three children, 12, 10 and 4.

Tina Rorimpandey was a novice, making only her third jump. Her first two were tandem jumps - this was her first AFF jump.

Jim Palmer an Australian, was making his first AFF jump, with his two instructors. Jim leaves a widow and four children.

Mark Johnstone, from the UK, was making his first ever jump, a tandem. He leaves a widow and three children.

Captain Sumbogo was the Club's regular pilot. He leaves a widow and 2 children.



Group photo prior to take-off: right to left - Woddy Mandagi, Jim Palmer, Mike Newton, Chrisye Mandagi, Mark Johnstone, Rudy 'Bapaw', Tina, with barefoot Robbie Mandagi immediately behind her.

Although all the senior instructors were killed, Robbie's widow, Yasmin Mandagi, together with the one remaining brother, **Theo Mandagi**, is determined to carry on the work put into the Club by Robbie and the Indonesian Military personnel are giving her full support.

The Club was devastated by this terrible accident, and everyone is sadly missed. However, their memory will live with the continuation of the 165 Skydivers Club.

God Bless them, and Blue Skies.

OBITUARY DR CHARLES ROBERTSON

HE HAS SLIPPED THE SURLY BONDS OF EARTH...**Doctor Charles Robertson** died on May 7, 1986 after a long and slow, losing fight with Multiple Sclerosis. Doc was the founder of the Scottish Parachute Club up in Edinburgh in the early 60's. In 1965, Doc organised and directed the Scottish International Parachute Competition. It was the first International Competition in the UK. The competition was held annually on the Condor Naval Air Station at Arbroath, Scotland, and included accuracy, style and a team show jump. The competition was sponsored by CHANDY, and included some drinking competition.

The Doc moved his family to Pictou, Nova Scotia, Canada, to practice medicine in the 'wilderness'. It was shortly after that he was diagnosed as having M.S.

Doctor Charles Robertson, Pilot, Parachutist, and Skydiving Pioneer "IS DANCING THE SKIES ON LAUGHTER SILVERED WINGS..."

He is survived by his wife, **Gerd**, his two sons, **George**, a college graduate doing medical research, and **Andrew**, who just graduated from the Canadian Coast Guard Academy, and a daughter, **Ruth**, who has entered nurse's training after her graduation from high school.

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Administered at Headquarters N. Ireland in Lisburn but situated at Ballykelly Airfield near Londonderry, the club is really beginning to 'take off' in more ways than one.

The club has recently taken over a new clubhouse which also houses the office and stores and a building which houses the accommodation, showers and toilets. At the moment we are the guests of the Army Air Corps for our alcoholic refreshment, but hope soon to have our own bar. We are also in the process of having an accuracy pit dug near to the control tower.

Student one-jump courses are held every other week and the club is open most weekends for progression jumping. The aircraft is a Cessna and for the experienced parachutists there is usually the chance of a Lynx or Beaver lift.

Our first venture outside N. Ireland came about with some 'team training' at Sibson which just happened to coincide with one of the Skyvan Boogies. Unfortunately only for members of the team, plus their mascot SARA could make it. Nonetheless a good time was had by all and many thanks must go to the staff and instructors at Sibson for their help and friendliness. Hope to see you all again soon.

After the Sibson weekend came the Fun Accuracy at Ballykelly. The competition was held over three rounds and was split into three categories: Novice - Static line students. Intermediate - Students on free-fall. Advanced - Square canopy jumpers.

The winner and runner-up in each category received

their trophy from the Commander Land Forces who flew in for the Sunday afternoon prize giving.

The club has its fair share of demos to perform, jumping at civilian venues as well as military. Most notably being the Royal Ulster Agricultural Show, held at the Balmoral Showground, Belfast. The show was held over four days and the team jumped on three of these.

Ulster Television allocated a 15 minute slot on their evening news to show the display and the lads were rewarded in the Guinness tent afterwards.

Looking to the future, we hope to enter some sort of team in the Cyprus Championships in November although three of the more experienced club members will be jumping for the Royal Signals team 'The Blue Helmets' namely: **Mike (Fluffy Bunny) Honeyman, Phil (Frank - few jumps) Raven and Andy (Receipts) Allman.**

If any military personnel or their dependants fancy a go at parachuting just check the VISOR magazine for the next course dates or turn up at Ballykelly control tower on the next 'sunny' weekend (Here's hoping!!)



Harry (Fergal) Sharky looking cool.

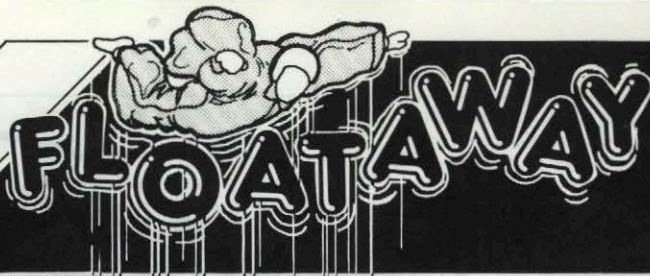


Dirt diving the Lynx.



'Team Training' at Sibson. Standing L to R - Mick (Fluffy Bunny) Honeyman, Chris (Kiss Me) Hardy, Mick (Porky) Pound. Knelling L to R - Charles (Bert - Yahoo!!) Lambert, Sara (Stop It Pelham!!) Latham.

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Are you getting discouraged when you can't progress up that category system quickly enough because you don't get enough time in the air to learn?

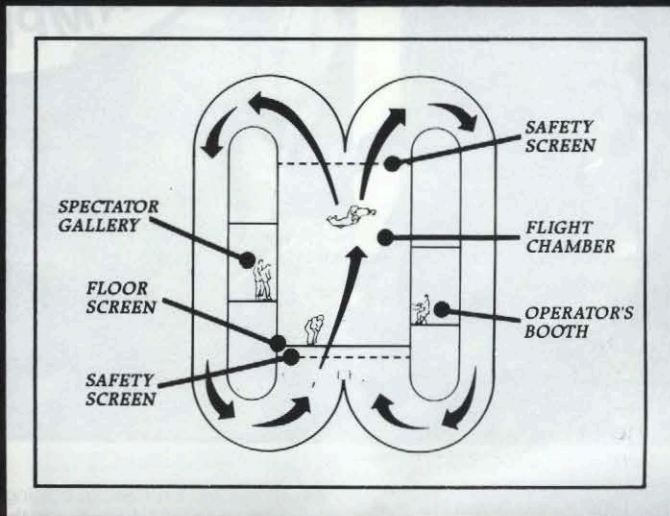
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year; and with continuity guaranteed!! No weather problems.

INTERMEDIATE

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propellers big enough), you can still keep your skydiving 'edge' by doing 2 or 3 way, practicing that manoeuvre or point until you get too tired to continue - just imagine each standard session is equivalent to a 36,000 ft skydive (per person) and if that isn't enough for you then make an appointment to come back during a 'slack' period and you can book the **FLOATAWAY** at a special rate for yourselves and remember that's guaranteed!! No weather problems.



not being able to get back up to the formation or get down to it?

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EXPERIENCED

Although the aerodium isn't really big enough to do 4-way in (they don't make aircraft

EVERYONE ELSE

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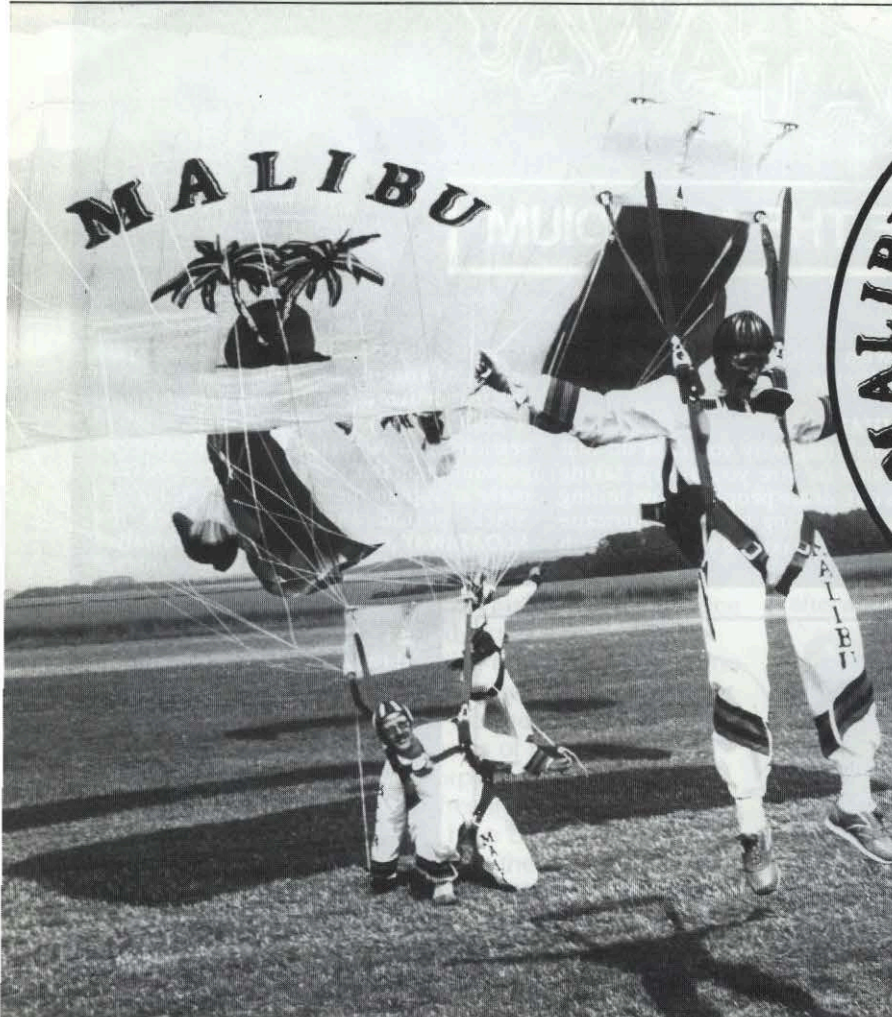
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The 1986 Malibu British National Championships for Style and Accuracy were held this year at the British Skysports Parachute Centre, Bridlington. Generous Sponsorship by Malibu insured that the jumps were cheap (£30 for ten accuracy jumps) the entry fee reasonable (£10 including T-Shirt) and two cheap barbecues with free drinks thrown in for good measure.

Everything was set fair for a good meet, and with it being the Classics Year, the team to represent Great Britain at the World Meet in Turkey would be chosen from the top competitors in each event.

Altogether we had seventy-seven entries, some serious, some deadly serious and some entering for competition experience at the highest level. All we lacked was the one thing no one could provide - weather! - For four days we sat and talked of little else and then it happened - the clouds parted, the wind eased and the 1986 Malibu Nationals were underway. The conditions were near perfect for style and the first round produced no surprises with **Julian Spencer** a 7.43 ahead of **Doug Young** turning 7.63, both incurring a 0.2 penalty. **Kevin Hardwick** the 1984 Style Champion opened with a clean 8.10, better than any of his scores in the 1984 Classics, but still only good enough for third place. **Cheryl**

Smyth showed her Raeford training had paid off to lead the ladies at the end of the first round.

The second round saw a significant change with the men's first and second changing places. **Doug Young** now leading **Julian Spencer** by 0.50 with **Kevin Hardwick** improving on his first round score to keep the leaders under pressure. **Cheryl Smyth** slipped back to third place with 11.13 behind **Jo Vaughan** 9.53 and **Jane Buckle** 8.5. We could not have known it then, but these were to be the positions through to the last round.

By a remarkable coincidence the Intermediate Style was following exactly the same pattern as the seniors. **Stuart Meacock**, second after round one was trailing **Dave O'Dell** with **Pat Smith** in third place but round two saw **Meacock** move into first place remaining there until the last round.

By now the Accuracy had started with one round almost complete by late evening on Wednesday, nine competitors scored D.C.'s, five brits **Geordie Best**, **Barry Henderson**, **Julian Spencer**, **Steve Eversfield** and **Jane Buckle** and four from overseas **J. Hole**, **G. Kristoffersen**, **S. Larsen** and **R. Knuts**. We all went to bed that night, or in some cases that morning knowing that the competition had really started.

Rounds two and three of

accuracy finished with no one having a clean sheet, closest was **Les Carol** with .01, **Geordie Best** .02 and **Fred Ryland** and **Steve Eversfield** tying on .03, **Harry Morgan** after a disc in round two appeared to lose touch with the leaders with a .05, **Barry Henderson** dropped to 24th place with a .25. The competition was hotting up.

Round four saw **Fred Rylands** take the lead on his ex-demo Pegasus with a .01 giving him a total of .04, **Steve Eversfield** kept up the pressure with .02 to give him .05, **Les Carol** had a disastrous .41, **Tony Uragallo** a catastrophic .39. Only one of the leading men got a disc. Significantly it was **Harry Morgan**.

For the ladies **Jo Vaughan** was in superb form, three successive discs after an .08 first round put her in the lead in front of **Esther Reynolds** on .10, **Cheryl Smyth** slipped to fourth place with .22 letting in **Jane Buckle** with .02, **Chris Clements** had a tragic 3.51 letting in **Fran Gannon** with a cumulative score for four rounds of 1.05.

The Style competition finished on Thursday with a new champion, or rather a new, old champion **Doug Young**. He had led from round two and going into round five the scores stood - **Young** 30.16, **Spencer** 31.49, **Doug** turned 7.70 for a cumulative score of 37.87 whilst **Julian** turned 8.27 for 39.76, **Kevin**

Hardwick finished with 43.30

Jane Buckle was a popular winner of the Ladies Style finishing more than two seconds in front of **Jo Vaughan**, **Cheryl Smyth** worked hard and was delighted with her Bronze Medal.

In the Intermediate Style we had another new, old name on the trophy **Stuart Meacock** (I don't know where he'll find room for it on the mantelpiece), **Dave O'Dell** and **Pat Smith** putting in a very creditable performance for Silver and Bronze.

London Policewoman **Jane Gregory** won the Ladies Intermediate Style. Now it was back to the Accuracy. We had to have a meet to select a team for Turkey.

Round five must have been the trickiest of the competition, only eight D.C.'s again, one of them was **Harry Morgan**. He now stood in second place overtaking **Steve Eversfield** who scored .03. **Fred Rylands** stayed in front with .02, **Julian Spencer** was beginning to find his form with a disc giving him a cumulative score of .11 and fourth place. In the Ladies event **Esther Reynolds** regained the lead with a disc whilst **Jo Vaughan** slipped badly with .16. Six rounds and we had a new leader **Harry Morgan**. His .01 was good enough to put him in front of **Fred Rylands** who dropped to third place with .07. **Julian Spencer** scored .01 for second place and **Stuart Morris** with his second consecutive disc was tying for the Bronze Medal. **Steve Eversfield** with .08 had now dropped to fifth.

Esther Reynolds was now putting on the pressure with a .01 but the battle was really on for the Silver Medal. **Cheryl Smyth** was relentlessly pursuing **Jo Vaughan** and the gap was narrowing. By the rules of the competition we now had a meet.

Seven rounds and **Harry Morgan** was still leading .02 which gave him .10 overall, **Julian Spencer** dished out to keep him .02 behind. **Fred Rylands** scores .01 to put him on .14. **Stuart Morris** under pressure slips with .04 but still maintains fourth place. **Steve Eversfield** takes .02 to maintain fifth. **Cheryl Smyth** scored a disc keeping up the pressure on **Jo Vaughan**. The gap now narrowed to .02. **Esther Reynolds** put herself in an almost unassailable position with another dead centre.

The Accuracy event finished in round eight. **Harry Morgan** with his fourth disc of the competition won the Men's Accuracy for 1986. I doubt there was ever a more popular winner, to say he was ecstatic is an understatement. He arrived without his own canopy, jumped four different sets of kit and still managed to be consistent enough to take the title. It means that both Style and Accuracy Trophies go North of the Border. Fortunately for the English amongst us **Esther Reynolds** (on her Birthday) won the Ladies Accuracy Title so keeping one trophy in

England. The eighth round produced the best scoring of the Championships, fourteen D.C.'s in all. Malibu Orange as a team managed one each giving **Dave Ruffell**, **Tony Uragallo**, **Kevin Hardwick** and **Les Carrol** the team Bronze. Keep Off The Grass were second and The Red Devils won the Gold.

Men's overall champion was 1985 winner **Julian Spencer** with **Doug Young** second and **Stuart Morris** third. **Esther Reynolds** was Ladies overall champion with **Jo Vaughan** and **Jane Buckle** taking the Silver and Bronze.

The prize giving on Sunday was broadcast live on Radio Humberside. **Keith Bond**, Marketing Manager for Malibu presented the medals and

trophies to the worthy winners and offered Malibu's continuing support for the Nationals, so next year should see another successful event. And a success this one certainly was!

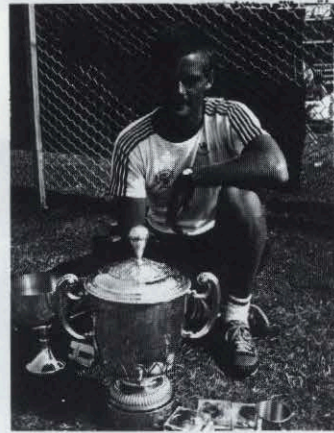
If the conditions were sometimes a bit tricky then it was the same for everyone - the facilities were excellent and with **John Hitchen** as Meet Director the impossible was achieved.

All our thanks go to **Dave Johnston** for putting his centre at our disposal and to **Lynne Rawson** for making it all work - to all the staff at British Skysports who laboured long and hard, and last but not least to the Judges without whom we wouldn't have had a meet.

THANKS



Esther Reynolds winner of Ladies Accuracy Title receives cup from Malibu marketing manager Keith Bond.



Julian Spencer, Mens Overall Champion.



Steve Morris looks happy with that one, a D.C.I



Chris Lyall debriefs the Oman Team on landing.



John Smyth gets a disc and a kiss from his sister-in-law.



Harry Morgan gets more than a disc in the pit.



It's okay they are engaged! Jackie Smith and Doug Young say hello?

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Tracy watches Jo Vaughan put a heel down.



Spence on deep b



Les Caroll points toe.



Not elegant but a D.C.



Reddy toes it.



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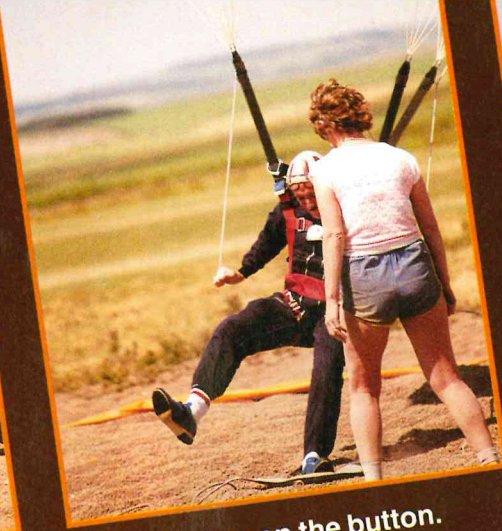
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Chris Clements a little short.



Harry Morgan on the button.



Jane Buckle hurdles on to the disc.



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Steve ready with his heel.



An Arab on form.



Fran Gannon is closely watched by Tracy Rixon



orris looking serious.



Nice style sorry about the name.



Dixey Dixon with both feet.



John Smyth on the disc.

The Royal Marines and the Trailblazers, turned up along with a scratch team from British Skysports, and also a team from Switzerland called Phantom, making up a total of 30 CRW Workers. Consisting of three 8-way team, three 4-way Sequential teams and five 4-way Rotation teams.

Saturday morning dawned with low cloud and a seafret. Eventually, the weather broke and on Tuesday the first CRW got underway with 5500ft we started with the 8-way speed. First team off were the Royal Marines, putting their eight together in 71.3 seconds, which was a pleasure to watch and also the first eight stack over Grindale. Second away were the Trailblazers who teamed up with Phantom, the Swiss team, which built to seven in 82.3 seconds, Malibu Cocktail (the name being quite appropriate) went third

and built four in 90.8 seconds.

Wednesday soon came around and we moved on to 4-way Rotations, where there was a very high standard of safety and competitive spirit, along with some high scores from all five teams. The 4-way Sequential also got on the move with the Swiss team Phantom steadily pulling away from the Trailblazers and the Royal Marines, who had level scores throughout the six rounds that were completed.

The final results in the Speed eight, after five rounds, were first the Marines, second Trailblazers and third Malibu Cocktail. The 4-way Rotation after six complete rounds, was won by the Royal Marines A Team, second Phantom (Swiss), third Royal Marines B Team, fourth Trailblazers and finally Silverstars. The 4-way Sequential was won by a

clear five points by Phantom (Swiss), with a second place tie between the Royal Marines and the Trailblazers, of which the Marines won because they built the first formation in the fastest time.

I personally would like to thank all the CRW jumpers, especially the Marines on behalf of British Skysports, for their help in organising the Malibu Cocktail first eight stack, of which everybody in the formation with the exception of **Bob Sturtivant** and **Jacko** were there first. Thanks again lads.

Over all the CRW ran very well, alongside the Style and Accuracy and it appeared that all the competitors had a good and successful meet.

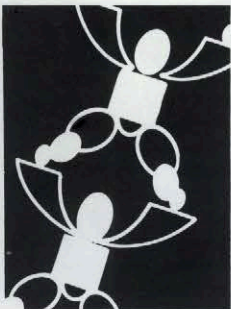
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Malibu's Team 8-Way Speed CRW. Left to right, Pete Hodgson, Nick Johnston, Alan Jones, Steve Ruffell, John Temlett, Keith Bond (Malibu) J. Lacey, Dave Johnston and Dave Ruffell.



The Royal Marines the 4-Way CRW winners.



THE VENUE

This years Nationals were held at British Skysports based at Grindale airfield near Bridlington in Yorkshire. The DZ is roughly in the middle of a spur of land jutting into the North Sea and is well lit at its point by the famous Flamborough lighthouse which has long been a welcome sight for fishermen returning to Hull and Grimsby from Icelandic waters. Much of the coastline in this part of the world is held by the National Trust and there are many interesting walks, places of historical interest and well populated bird sanctuaries, which some of the competitors took the opportunity of exploring.

One of the features of Grindale is the peculiar weather conditions which prevail during the summer months. Blazing hot sunshine and very poor horizontal visibility, known locally as sea fret, can often close jumping down from mid afternoon onwards. This happened on several occasions hence the rather sudden interest in Rambling and Ormithology. Others took themselves into Bridlington or Scarborough, the latter hosting, what I understand to be, Europe's (World's?) largest water slide. Several parties took to this and at £3 a head managed to put together some fine cats.

THE AIRCRAFT

There were three aircraft on the DZ for the meet. RAPA's Turbine Islander and the two resident aircraft, a Cessna 206 and a combustion engine Islander which I hear is a recent acquisition from the Peterborough stable. The turbine was the primary aircraft in all events, though later in the meet some teams agreed to use the other one in order that we could get a fuller meet. Consequently the eight way sequential completed, the four way went to about eight and a half rounds, and the speed to about two and a half. **Pat Long** and his co-pilot flew as beautifully as ever and treated us all to some spectacular aerial views of the Yorkshire coastline. I know that everybody involved in the Nationals would like to thank those pilots and the others I haven't mentioned for doing a very good job and bringing a high degree of professionalism to the sport.

THE MEET

The general feeling amongst the competitors is that it was a good meet and certainly much cheaper than usual. The BPA and competitors have Malibu and their generous sponsorship to thank for this and we all hope that we can enjoy their support in future years.

There was, on several occasions, some tension amongst the organisers, competitors and officials which resulted in some minor snarl-ups, this could probably be put down to inexperience in some area. I am informed that the relevant BPA bodies are going to discuss the meet in full. Hopefully we will have learnt from our mistakes and next years Nationals will be even better.

On a lighter note apart from the usual on and off DZ activities the Army Team provide some entertainment in their own inimitable style. A Punch and



Ronnies Pink Bits In action.



Pete Allum casts a critical eye over girl-friend Debbie's team in a dirt dive.



Paraplegic Roy Marker spends some time with the "Freds".



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Hendo dirt dives style.



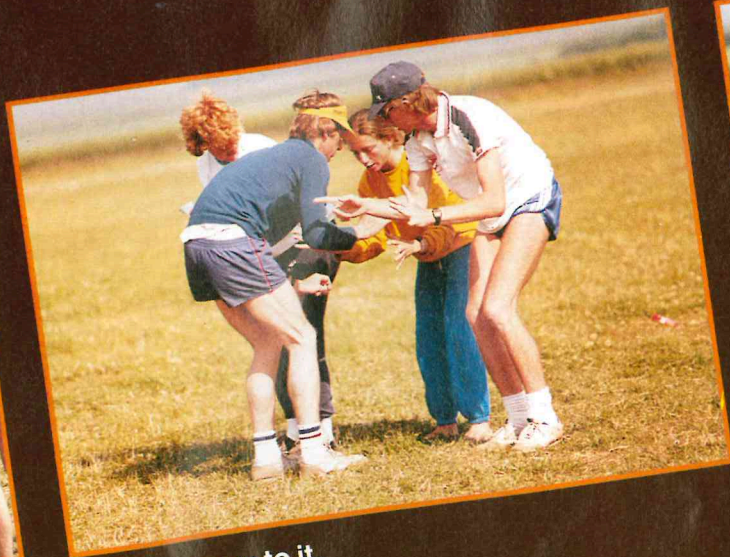
Silver Stars in action.



Robin Mills confuses the judges in the pit after videoing a RW Dive.



Jacky and Hacky.



Jill gets down to it.

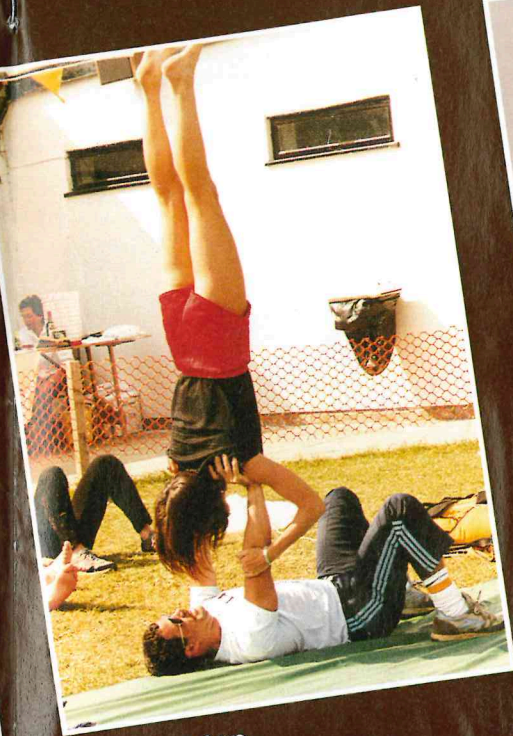


Esther again on the d





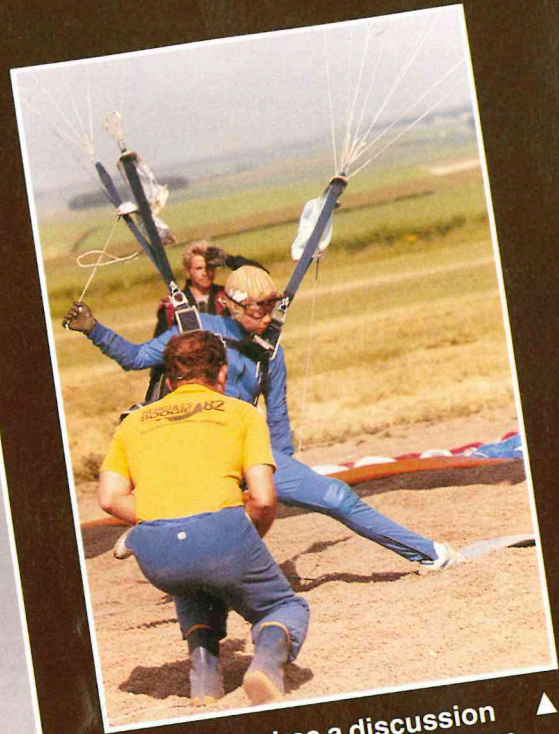
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Esther on top.



Trappy and Bambinos in Malibu kit.



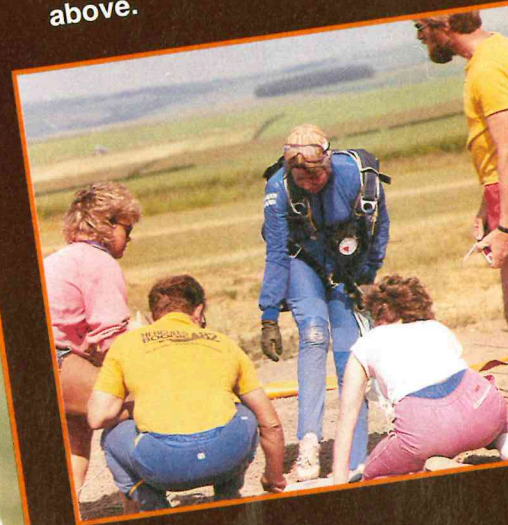
Jo Vaughan has a discussion with the judges about the jump above.



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And again.



Judy Show of sorts which had us all sitting around in our second childhoods (and didn't last long enough), and a modern day jousting tournament on bicycles were two of the highlights. **Paul Dixon** and **Steve Freedman** provided some nice musical bi-planes with some very original lyrics based on a zap by **John Hitchen** of one team member for not wearing headgear under canopy.

Other points to mention - Team 86's unexpected position at completion of the meet, I personally put this down to the fact that they put names on just about everything they've got except their jumpsuits. On one round only one team member had the right suit on, could this have affected fall rates?? Fulchester Rovers would like it to be known that **Mark Cox** thinks he is a stud, I think this is a private joke, but some of you out there might be in on it.

The judging this year was of a very high standard, there were one or two mistakes, which I believe were rectified, but I think it is worth noting here that it's as easy to make errors of judgement as it is to make errors in a skydive. There was definitely a lot more contact between judges and contestants and this bodes well for the future, mutual understanding will make for much smoother hassle-free meets. Congratulations to **Julie Allen** and **Dianne Dutre**, for achieving the status of official BPA Judges.

Air to Air Video!! Well, probably the less said about this the better, but considering no mention was made of us at the end of the meet I'll say a little here. Apparently twelve video men were promised. This was not possible presumably as only five were there including the organiser, who left the DZ two days into the meet, leaving four of us to cover the 8-way sequential and speed. **Robin Mills** joined us for some of the dives which was a great help. Two or three ring sights went missing and **Tim Homer** who kindly lent his video gear got his helmet back minus mount and ring sight. By the end of the week all but one of the video men had left the DZ thoroughly disillusioned. This area must come under discussion sometime as it plays a very important part in competition. The eight way only completed because air to air was used for judging when the ground to air had problems with cloud and visibility. The operators of the ground to air video **Andy House** and **Ma** did a magnificent job and brought the same degree of professionalism to the meet as the pilots - Thanks fellas.

8-WAY

Four out of the six teams were in with a chance here and Round 1 certainly set the scene for the rest of the meet. Time Bandits scored a four where no one else managed more than two. Baileys Irish (who wish to be known as Mingos) started with a really bad one, only scoring one point. Round 2 saw the teams settling down and getting into the swing of things. Time Bandits still holding onto their two point lead. Round 3 and the Army goes into the lead after Time Bandits suffer a bad bust. Round 4 is where experience began to tell and Mingos scored five points putting them level first with the

Army. Rounds 5, 6 and 7 saw these two teams matching each other point for point, setting the scene for the final three rounds. Meanwhile the battle for third place was getting hotter and at the end of round 7 Team '86 had crept into third place two points ahead of Time Bandits. Over rounds 8, 9 and 10 Mingos were very consistent and held onto first place, whereas the Army had a poor round 8 and a bad bust on round 9 finishing up with silver again.

The battle for third place was still going on and consistency won the day again. Time Bandits showing excellent form and equalling Mingos score of 5 points on each round. Though they weren't assured of Bronze until the final round was completed. Pressure and inexperience played a large part in Team 86's defeat coupled with an attitude that one particular team needed knocking off its pedestal. I can only say that the smoothness this year was aiming for (and are capable of) went out the window when they saw themselves slipping, and the in-air performance was erratic on occasions. The Army could well have done better had they not suffered the usual problems associated with the services, postings etc. and even one team member travelling from Germany on weekends. Perhaps the powers that be could look a little more carefully at this team and give them the backing of encouragement they deserve. Time Bandits were the stars of the eight-way for me. They put together some impressive dives, but unfortunately suffered two bad busts in round 3 and 7. Their enthusiasm was infectious and they were a pleasure to be in the air with. The contest between Hob Nobs and State of Pink was an event in itself, but State of Pink scored four zeros and again consistency won the day for Hob Nobs, though State of Pink really pulled one out of the bag for the last round scoring 3 points which actually beat Team 86's final effort, not enough though to save them from last place.

4-WAY

The four way was dominated by six teams, Jack being the leaders from the start of the meet or rather from round two, and gradually turning on the power increasing their lead to an almost unbeatable 63 points by round eight, on which the meet was eventually judged. Meanwhile there was quite a battle raging for the remaining medals. Going South held onto second place right up to round seven where they suffered a very bad bust but still held onto their position by one point. The bust obviously had a profound effect and this was reflected in their next dive on which they only scored three. All the other teams in contention seeing their chance put together some good dives and their scores for round eight varied from 6 points to 8 points, enough to put Going South out of the medals. Had it gone ten rounds it could be that they pulled back - but alas.

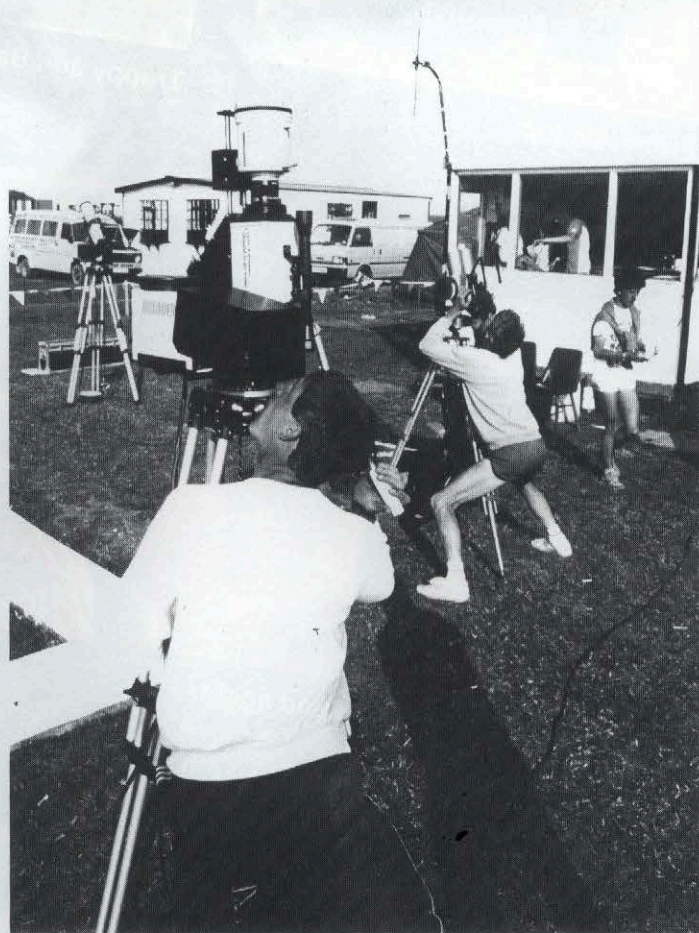
At the same time in round eight Time Bandits and Baileys Irish found themselves in joint second place, leaving Going South in third. These two teams without realising it jumped round nine which turned out to be the



The Army in the air.



And on the ground.



The new BPA ground to air video in action proving a great success.

jump off for second and third place. Time Bandits scoring a clean seven and Baileys busting down to four, putting them into second and third respectively.

The Novice event was hotly contested and I might point out before I go any further that three of these teams are out of Headcorn, that speaks for itself I think. Whale One and Low Life were disputing the lead up until round three at which point Low Life were ahead. It was in round four where they suffered a monumental bust right down to zero. Whale One must have seen their chance here, stayed cool and clung tenaciously to their lead. Meanwhile Misadventure and Fluke were fighting it out for 3rd and 4th place and it was in the third and fourth round that Misadventure consolidated their lead after Fluke got a bust. The rest is history.

THE TEAMS

Seventeen fourway teams and six eightway entered this years Nationals. About four of the 4-ways were Novice teams. It would be difficult to mention everybody, so we will concentrate on the teams which made a training camp or have already spent some time together.

JACK - Sandy Spence, Dave 'Huggy' Hughes, Geoff Saunders and Nigel Rogoff, had been training for two or three months prior to the Nationals and accumulated seventy training dives. These were made at two training camps, Avignon and Headcorn. They would like to extend their thanks through these pages for all the help they received from the operators and staff of both DZ's. They have all made a two year commitment which includes three major training camps and two hundred or more dives to prepare for the 1987 Nationals, their final goal being the World Meet in Brazil. A health diet and some physical training is part of their regime, which isn't a bad thing for serious teams.

TIME BANDITS - Andy Woodmansey, Ian Duncan, Graham Heywood and Pete Drysek got together about six months ago. They made forty-five training dives some of which were made at Lippisprige.

GOING SOUTH - Jackie Smith, Barry, Kelvin and Rodders have made a firm commitment to jump just about every weekend they can for the last eighteen months and had made 250 dives before the Nationals during this period. Coached by Jackie in the beginning it has paid off and no one could doubt that the whole team makes a lot of input. A force to be reckoned with at future competitions.

PARALLEL TRACKS - Are a Scottish team based at Strathallen and the winners of the Scottish Nationals. They did a training camp at Headcorn and blessed with good weather they made twenty dives, but never really found their form at Grindale.

TWILIGHT STATES - Have been jumping together for three years but only recently got it together for the Nationals. Their training camp was at

La Palisse and they are based at Weston.

RONNIES PINKBITS - A Sibson based team who have been jumping together for about a year and made sixty training jumps, 28 of which were at Avignon.

WHALE ONE - A novice team from Headcorn - started training nine months ago and have 50 training dives, seventeen at Avignon. Team names: Lottie & Mike Dale, Ken Gregory and Sue Bradley.

MISADVENTURE - Another novice team which deserves a special mention. They had made no training dives and two of the team are AFF *(RPS) graduates out of Headcorn, Mark Stuart 100 jumps and Nigel Hodgkinson 160 jumps. The other members being John Gilpin 350 and Chris Betts 370. They all showed a lot of enthusiasm and will no doubt be in the medals one day.

LOW LIFE - A novice Collegiate team ably led by Dave Howerski. Fifteen training dives at Swansea.

FULCHESTER ROVERS - Three months as a team and forty training dives. One week training camp at Avignon.

FLUKE - Debbie Randall, Cathy Riddle, Steve Knight, Mike Grace all jump at Headcorn and have done much of their training there. They also made a training camp at Ampuriarava in Spain and accumulated 37 training jumps for the Nationals. They are staying together for next years Nationals and are planning on doing as few jumps as possible in order to remain in the Novice event.

JILL - Robin Mills, Rob Colpus, Sarah Brearley and Joyce Dyas were a scratch team out of Baileys Irish (Mingos) eight way, they had made no training dives but still did very well and were in contention at all times.

BAILEYS IRISH - Pete Allu, Tony Uraglo, Fred Ryland, Chris & Derek Thomas another scratch team out of the same eight way - no training to speak of although three members are formerly of Refraction. They did very well throughout the meet and actually made it into the medals - no mean feat in the circumstances.

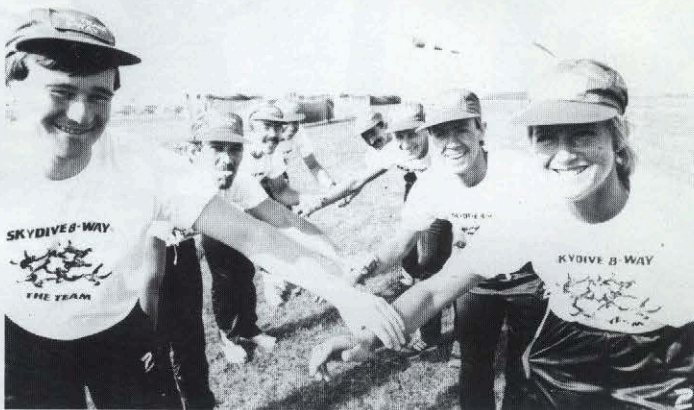
ROYAL ARTILLERY - Tim Andrewes, Tim Pape, Nick Harrison, Les Carroll. Part of the Army eight-way, hadn't any training dives either and they too did exceptionally well up until the last two rounds, they were in fact in contention for third place at that stage, but suffered a bad bust, which put them completely out of the medals.

Well Dave it's 2.35 a.m. on a Tuesday morning and I promised I would have this in the post this morning so I'll draw to a close here. My apologies for those teams I haven't mentioned, and anyone else for that matter. And, of course, many thanks to everyone involved.

*RPS = RAPID PROGRESSION SKYDIVING - ASK ANY NON JUMPER WHAT ACCELERATED FREE FALL MEANS.



Video-man Malcolm Woodgate manages a smile, while the Army Team dirt dive in the background.



The 'Team' who should be sponsored by Colgate.



Nigel Rogoff makes a point to his team mates in Jack (winners of the four-way).



Baileys Irish (Mingos) winners of the eight-way make the most of the sun.



4-way winners 'Jack' - Huggy, Sandy, Nige and Geoff.

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Baileys Irish Eight Way Winners alias Mingo transition.



Trappy and the Bambinos in Malibu kit.





'Jack' Sandy Spence, Dave 'Huggy' Hughes, Geoff Saunders and Nigel Rogoff over the coast. 4 Way Champs.



▼ Royal Artillery, going great guns?

The Team (say no more).



RESULTS



SENIOR OVERALL

Position	Name	Acc Pos	Sty Pos	Total
1	J. Spencer	3	2	5
2	D. Young	14	1	15
3	Esther Reynolds	2	16	18
4	S. Morris	7	12	19
5	K. Hardwick	17	3	20
6	Joanne Vaughan	15	6	21
7	Jane Buckle	18	4	22
8	N. Dixon	9	15	24
9	J. Coffey	13	11	24
10	Cheryl Smyth	16	10	26
11	T. Uragallo	22	5	27
12	T. Skogsberg	12	17	29
13	H. Morgan	1	29	30
14	G. Margiotta	23	7	30
15	A. Chandler	18	13	31
16	J. Hole	4	28	32
17	B. Henderson	24	8	32
18	F. Ryland	4	29	33
19	L. Carroll	25	9	34
20	G. Kristoffersen	6	29	35
21	B. Shaw	18	18	36
22	S. Eversfield	8	29	37
23	S. Larsen	11	26	37
24	D. Ruffell	10	29	39
25	R. Knuts	18	21	39
26	Fran Gannon	26	19	45
27	Chris Clements	32	14	46
28	A. Law	29	22	51
29	A. Dumbell	28	23	51
30	J. Smyth	27	24	51
31	A. Salim	35	20	55
32	N. Johnston	30	29	59
33	S. Knipe	31	29	60
34	R. Morosini	33	29	62
35	S. Saif	34	29	63
36	G. Best	36	29	65
37	A. Zahier	37	29	66
38	A. Pottler	38	29	67
39	G. Ribbons	43	25	68
40	A. Jones	39	29	68
41	K. Skelley	40	29	69
42	P. Slattery	41	29	70
43	D. Frater	42	29	71
44	D. Humberstone	44	29	73
45	M. Willems	47	27	74
46	P. Hodgson	45	29	74
47	A. Sohall	46	29	75
48	R. Redfern	48	29	77
49	C. Webb	49	29	78
50	J. Slater	50	29	79
51	J. Temlett	51	29	80
52	F. Mallabone	52	29	81

INTERMEDIATE OVERALL

Position	Name	Acc Pos	Sty Pos	Total
1	S. Meacock	3	1	4
2	K. O'Connell	1	5	6
3	I. Williams	2	4	6
4	D. O'Dell	5	2	7
5	P. Smith	6	3	9
6	J. Hawkins	4	7	11
7	M. Harrison	11	6	17
8	J. Trotter	7	12	19
9	P. Mathison	8	12	20
10	S. Gray	10	10	20
11	S. Ruffell	9	12	21
12	P. McLaughlin	13	9	22
13	M. Pardoe	12	12	24
14	A. Holoway	15	11	26
15	Jane Gregory	14	12	26
16	R. Spurr	19	8	27
17	T. Deal	15	12	27
18	A. Reilly	17	12	29
19	M. Lygo	18	12	30
20	D. Cooper	20	12	32
21	T. Morphy	21	12	33
22	J. Gell	22	12	34
23	Dummy	23	12	35

TEAM ACCURACY

Position	Team Name	Totals
1	Norway	0.85
2	Red Devils	0.98
3	Keep Off The Grass	1.18
4	Malibu Brown	2.27
5	Malibu Orange	4.21
6	Meacocks Minders	7.00
7	Silver Stars (Gold)	8.45
8	Wing Dings	30.16
9	Hercule Poirot	35.38
10	Oman	41.52
11	Met Police	52.31
12	Trailblazers	57.22
13	Bumall	67.87
14	Nomad II	68.92
15	Silver Stars (Blue)	69.75
16	40 Zaps	76.82
17	Odds and Sods	83.01
18	Ghobi Desert Scuba Club	98.70
19	Flying Dragons (Queens)	120.75



CRW 4 Way Rotation

3rd place	Royal Marines B	Silver Medal British
2nd place	Phantom	Silver Medal Open
1st place	Royal Marines A	Gold Medal Open

CRW 4 Way Sequential

3rd place	Trailblazers	Silver Medal British
2nd place	Royal Marines	Gold Medal British
1st place	Phantom	Gold Medal Open

CRW 8 Way Speed

3rd place	Malibu	Silver Medal British
2nd place	Phantom/Trailblazers	Silver Medal Open
1st place	Royal Marines	Gold Medal Open

Intermediate Style - Ladies

1st place	Jane Gregory
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Intermediate Style - Men

3rd place	P. Smith
2nd place	D. O'Dell
1st place	S. Meacock

Senior Style - Ladies

3rd place	Cheryl Smyth
2nd place	Joanne Vaughan
1st place	Jane Buckle

Senior Style - Men

3rd place	K. Hardwick	Best Foreign
2nd place	J. Spencer	R. Knuts (21st)
1st place	D. Young	A. Salim (20th)
		T. Skogsberg (17th)

Novice Accuracy

3rd place	K. Blackmore
2nd place	A. Said
1st place	S. Khalifa

Intermediate Accuracy - Ladies

1st place	Jane Gregory
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Intermediate Accuracy - Men

3rd place	S. Meacock
2nd place	I. Williams
1st place	K. O'Connell

Senior Accuracy - Ladies

3rd place	Cheryl Smyth
2nd place	Joanne Vaughan
1st place	Esther Reynolds

Senior Accuracy - Men

3rd place	F. Ryland	Best Foreign
2nd place	J. Spencer	S. Larsen (11th)
1st place	H. Morgan	G. Kristoffersen (6th)
		J. Hole (4th)

Team Accuracy

4th place	Malibu Brown	Bronze British
3rd place	Keep off the Grass	Silver British
2nd place	Red Devils	Gold British
1st place	Norway	Gold Open

Overall Champion - Ladies

3rd place	Jane Buckle
2nd place	Joanne Vaughan
1st place	Esther Reynolds

Overall Champion - Men

3rd place	S. Morris	Best Foreign
2nd place	D. Young	G. Kristoffersen (20th)
1st place	J. Spencer	J. Hole (16th)
		T. Skogsberg (12th)



INTERMEDIATE STYLE

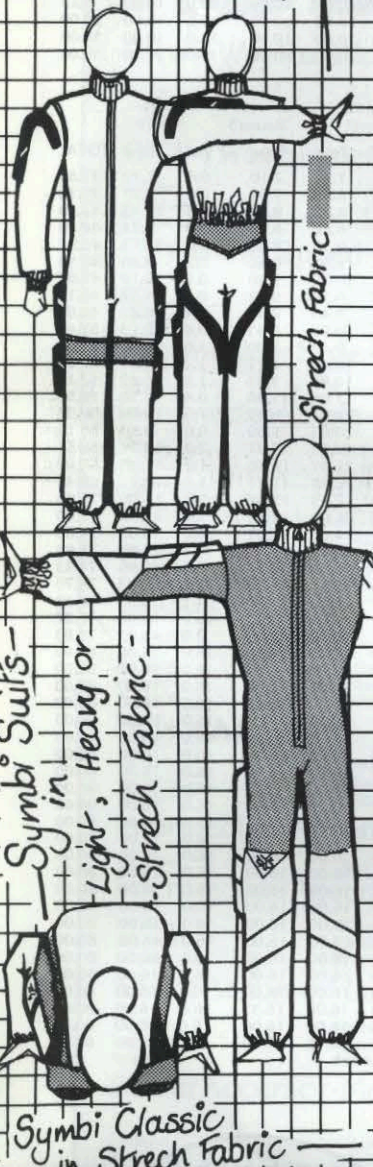
Position	Name	Round 1			Round 2			Round 3			Round 4			Round 5			TOTAL
		Base	Pen	Total	Base	Pen	Total	Base	Pen	Total	Base	Pen	Total	Base	Pen	Total	
1	S. Meacock	5.27	1.0	6.27	4.83	0.8	5.63	5.33	0.2	5.53	5.83	0.4	6.23	5.67	0.2	5.87	29.53
2	D. O'Dell	5.97	0.2	6.17	6.13	0.6	6.73	5.57	0.8	6.37	5.57	0.6	6.17	5.50	0.6	6.10	31.54
3	P. Smith	6.13	0.8	6.93	5.20	0.8	6.00	5.37	0.6	5.97	5.73	0.8	6.53	5.30	1.0	6.30	31.73
4	I. Williams	6.73	0.4	7.13	6.00	0.8	6.80	5.57	3.3	8.87	5.63	2.0	7.63	2.0	1.4	6.93	37.36
5	K. O'Connell	5.43	2.7	8.13	6.37	1.0	7.37	7.00	0.2	7.20	7.97	1.2	9.17	7.57	0.8	8.37	40.24
6	M. Harrison	6.77	0.6	7.37	6.77	1.5	8.27	6.53	0.6	7.13	6.87	1.2	8.07	6.57	2.9	9.47	40.31
7	J. Hawkins	6.90	0.2	7.10	7.40	0.2	7.60	7.57	0.8	8.37	6.90	1.0	7.90	6.97	3.1	10.00	40.97
8	R. Spurr	7.17	0.6	7.77	7.10	0.4	7.50	10.00	0.00	10.00	6.90	1.8	8.70	6.00	1.7	7.70	41.67
9	P. McLaughlin	10.00	0.8	10.80	7.90	0.8	8.70	8.43	0.2	8.63	7.53	0.6	8.13	7.70	1.8	9.50	44.96
10	S. Gray	10.00	10.0	10.0	5.63	2.9	8.53	5.60	10.00	10.00	5.37	10.00	10.00	6.13	0.8	6.93	45.46
11	A. Holloway	7.60	0.2	7.80	10.00	2.3	10.00	8.43	0.6	9.03	9.47	1.4	10.00	8.83	0.2	9.03	45.86
12	M. Lygo	10.00	10.0	10.00	16.00	16.0	10.00	16.00	16.0	10.00	16.00	16.0	10.00	16.00	16.0	10.00	50.00
12	T. Deal	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	50.00
12	D. Cooper	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	50.00
12	T. Morphy	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	50.00
12	Jane Gregory	10.00	10.0	10.00	8.00	10.0	10.00	9.10	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	8.60	10.0	10.00	50.00
12	J. Trotter	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	50.00
12	S. Ruffell	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	50.00
12	P. Mathison	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	50.00
12	A. Reilly	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	50.00
12	M. Pardoe	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	50.00
12	Dummy	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	50.00
12	J. Gell	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	10.00	10.0	10.00	50.00

SENIOR STYLE

Position	Name	Round 1			Round 2			Round 3			Round 4			Round 5			TOTAL
		Base	Pen	Total	Base	Pen	Total	Base	Pen	Total	Base	Pen	Total	Base	Pen	Total	
1	D. Young	7.43	0.2	7.63	7.13	0.2	7.33	7.10	0.2	7.30	6.90	1.0	7.90	7.10	0.6	7.70	37.86
2	J. Spencer	7.23	0.2	7.43	7.63	0.4	8.03	7.20	0.8	8.00	7.63	0.4	8.03	7.67	0.6	8.27	39.76
3	K. Hardwick	8.10	0.0	8.10	7.63	0.4	8.03	8.10	0.4	8.50	8.07	0.2	8.27	9.60	0.8	10.40	43.30
4	Jane Buckle	8.63	0.4	9.03	8.30	0.2	8.50	8.20	1.4	9.60	8.20	0.2	8.40	8.23	1.0	9.23	44.76
5	T. Uragallo	8.60	0.2	8.80	8.47	0.2	8.67	8.27	0.8	9.07	8.50	0.8	9.30	8.53	1.6	10.13	45.97
6	Joanne Vaughan	8.77	0.6	9.37	9.13	0.4	9.53	8.73	1.0	9.73	8.93	0.6	9.53	8.60	0.2	8.80	46.96
7	G. Margiotta	8.63	0.8	9.43	7.80	1.6	9.40	8.70	0.6	9.30	8.50	2.2	10.70	9.10	0.0	9.10	47.93
8	B. Henderson	8.77	0.6	9.37	9.03	1.2	10.23	8.90	0.4	9.30	9.30	0.4	9.70	9.57	0.0	9.57	48.17
9	L. Carroll	9.33	0.8	10.13	9.23	1.2	10.43	8.77	1.0	9.77	8.83	0.6	9.43	8.47	0.4	8.87	48.63
10	Cheryl Smyth	8.70	0.0	8.70	9.33	1.8	11.13	8.90	1.8	10.70	9.80	1.0	10.80	9.53	0.6	10.13	51.46
11	J. Coffey	8.93	1.2	10.13	8.43	3.7	12.13	9.07	0.8	9.87	8.23	1.2	9.43	8.80	1.5	10.30	51.86
12	S. Morris	10.00	0.2	10.20	9.70	0.0	9.70	8.83	2.5	11.33	10.00	0.8	10.80	8.77	1.2	9.97	52.00
13	A. Chandler	9.63	0.0	9.63	9.93	0.2	10.13	9.23	1.4	10.63	8.90	2.0	10.90	9.07	1.8	10.87	52.16
14	Chris Clements	11.20	0.0	11.20	10.93	0.0	10.93	10.70	0.4	11.10	11.40	0.2	11.60	11.30	0.4	11.70	56.53
15	N. Dixon	9.67	2.7	12.37	10.70	0.8	11.50	9.90	1.2	11.10	9.37	1.4	10.77	9.40	1.4	10.80	56.54
16	Esther Reynolds	11.10	3.5	14.60	10.50	2.1	12.60	10.43	1.0	11.43	9.43	0.6	10.03	9.50	0.0	9.50	58.16
17	T. Skogsberg	12.13	0.6	12.73	11.40	1.2	12.60	11.33	1.2	12.53	10.63	1.8	12.43	10.37	2.0	12.37	62.66
18	B. Shaw	11.50	16.0	16.00	10.80	0.6	11.40	12.90	0.6	13.50	11.27	0.6	11.87	11.10	1.2	12.30	65.07
19	Fran Gannon	13.83	0.0	13.83	12.90	0.2	13.10	13.23	0.0	13.23	12.50	0.0	12.50	11.77	1.0	12.77	65.43
20	A. Salim	13.67	1.2	14.87	12.63	0.0	12.63	13.63	0.0	13.63	12.73	0.2	12.93	13.97	3.6	16.00	70.06
21	R. Knuts	7.57	16.0	16.00	8.30	4.7	13.00	7.93	4.5	12.43	9.07	16.0	16.00	7.67	5.9	13.57	71.00
22	A. Law	10.90	2.9	13.80	12.93	1.0	13.93	11.63	1.8	13.43	12.47	2.0	14.47	11.57	16.0	16.00	71.63
23	A. Dumbell	11.30	1.4	12.70	11.30	2.3	13.60	10.90	16.0	16.00	12.90	2.9	15.80	12.13	1.7	13.83	71.93
24	J. Smyth	11.50	0.4	11.90	13.97	2.4	16.00	13.23	1.4	14.63	14.90	1.6	16.00	12.10	3.8	15.90	74.43
25	G. Ribbons	10.70	16.0	16.00	12.00	2.8	14.80	11.67	2.0	13.67	15.37	16.0	16.00	11.13	3.1	14.23	74.70
26	S. Larsen	11.47	0.8	12.27	12.83	2.0	14.83	16.00	16.0	16.00	13.33	3.6	16.00	12.00	4.1	16.00	75.10
27	M. Willems	13.23	16.0	16.00	14.77	1.5	16.00	13.87	0.4	14.27	12.63	16.0	16.00	13.33	16.0	16.00	78.27
28	J. Hole	16.00	16.00	16.00	12.10	5.4	16.00	12.83	4.7	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	12.93	2.9	15.83	79.83
29	G. Best	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	80.00
29	P. Slattery	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	80.00
29	K. Webb	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	80.00
29	C. Skelley	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	80.00
29	S. Eversfield	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	80.00
29	D. Frater	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	80.00
29	D. Humberstone	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	80.00
29	G. Kristoffersen	15.90	2.9	16.00	15.63	3.9	16.00	14.86	16.0	16.00	16.00	2.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	80.00
29	P. Hodgson	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	80.00
29	J. Ternlett	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	80.00
29	A. Jones	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	80.00
29	S. Saif	14.50	16.0	16.00	13.70	16.0	16.00	14.17	16.0	16.00	13.40	16.0	16.00	12.40	16.0	16.00	80.00
29	A. Zahiar	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	80.00
29	A. Sohail	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	80.00
29	D. Ruffell	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	80.00
29	F. Ryland	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	80.00
29	N. Johnston	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	80.00
29	H. Morgan	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	80.00
29	J. Slater	16.00	16.0	16.00	16.00	16.0	16.00	16									

SYMBI SUITS

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25	L. Carroll	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.41	0.10	0.57	0.02	0.00	1.11
26	Fran Gannon	0.25	0.48	0.20	0.12	0.03	0.25	0.28	0.13	1.74
27	J. Smyth	0.09	1.31	0.28	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.07	1.81
28	A. Dumbell	0.01	0.28	0.71	0.33	0.01	0.66	0.09	0.02	2.11
29	A. Law	0.01	0.06	0.65	0.00	1.00	0.54	0.02	0.03	2.31
30	N. Johnston	2.26	0.05	0.08	0.00	0.72	0.03	0.15	0.00	3.29
31	S. Knipe	0.31	1.66	0.15	0.20	0.15	0.11	0.22	0.64	3.44
32	Chris Clements	0.03	0.00	0.05	3.51	0.23	0.06	0.02	0.02	3.92
33	R. Morosini	0.96	0.50	0.38	2.40	0.90	0.47	0.02	0.29	5.92
34	S. Saif	5.00	0.79	0.00	0.04	0.12	0.87	0.02	0.00	6.84
35	A. Salim	5.00	0.11	0.00	0.07	1.80	0.14	0.21	0.05	7.38
36	G. Best	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.10	1.69	2.45	0.08	5.00	9.34
37	A. Zahlar	0.03	1.24	3.70	0.07	2.12	0.06	0.03	2.27	9.52
38	A. Pottier	2.13	0.11	0.02	2.30	0.13	5.00	0.00	0.05	9.74
39	A. Jones	2.36	0.03	0.04	0.40	2.70	0.69	0.12	3.55	9.89
40	K. Skelley	0.07	0.18	0.15	5.00	0.24	0.02	0.02	5.00	10.68
41	F. Slattery	0.14	0.00	3.04	0.82	0.00	0.33	2.70	5.00	12.03
42	D. Frater	5.00	1.31	0.04	0.10	0.15	2.14	0.15	3.38	12.37
43	G. Ribbons	3.01	0.06	0.13	0.43	1.23	1.97	1.18	5.00	13.01
44	D. Humberstone	2.05	2.35	1.85	0.81	1.68	3.03	0.61	1.32	13.70
45	P. Hodgson	0.03	3.06	5.00	2.14	0.10	1.31	0.61	5.00	17.25
46	A. Sohalli	0.14	0.91	1.21	0.94	5.00	0.27	4.31	5.00	17.78
47	M. Willems	0.97	5.00	5.00	0.32	1.77	5.00	0.11	4.72	22.89
48	R. Redfern	0.71	4.00	1.34	5.00	5.00	0.71	1.98	5.00	23.74
49	C. Webb	3.92	0.37	5.00	5.00	5.00	0.07	0.81	5.00	25.17
50	J. Slater	5.00	2.14	2.02	5.00	4.52	1.37	2.25	5.00	27.30
51	J. Temlett	2.56	3.31	5.00	3.75	1.12	5.00	5.00	2.00	27.74
52	F. Mallabone	0.91	1.56	0.40	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	27.87

INTERMEDIATE ACCURACY

Position	Name	Round No:-								Total
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
1	K. O'Connel	0.00	0.02	0.06	0.18	0.78	0.10	0.13	0.31	1.58
2	I. Williams	0.01	0.05	0.09	0.36	0.52	0.00	0.51	0.21	1.75
3	S. Meacock	0.02	0.05	0.38	1.36	0.13	0.03	0.03	0.25	2.25
4	J. Hawkins	0.00	1.55	0.14	0.15	0.93	0.17	0.06	0.23	3.23
5	D. O'Dell	2.98	0.12	0.20	0.00	0.28	0.25	0.06	0.79	4.68
6	P. Smith	0.05	0.02	0.10	0.14	0.21	0.00	5.00	0.20	5.72
7	J. Trotter	1.45	0.13	2.90	0.10	0.14	0.03	1.47	1.90	8.12
8	P. Mathison	0.14	0.04	2.41	0.25	2.13	1.17	3.16	1.53	10.83
9	S. Ruffell	0.40	0.71	0.98	1.15	1.50	4.51	1.90	3.74	14.8
10	S. Gray	0.21	4.55	0.10	1.79	2.22	0.08	3.26	5.00	17.21
11	M. Harrison	3.92	1.77	3.10	2.32	0.55	5.00	0.51	0.06	17.23
12	M. Pardoe	0.42	2.10	5.00	0.31	4.92	0.26	5.00	5.00	23.01
13	P. McLaughlin	5.00	0.47	0.54	5.00	0.12	2.73	5.00	5.00	23.86
14	Jane Gregory	5.00	5.00	5.00	1.58	1.81	1.20	1.95	2.99	24.53
15	T. Desl	0.70	1.30	0.27	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	27.27
16	A. Holloway	5.00	4.20	4.24	3.43	5.00	0.67	1.53	3.20	27.27
17	A. Reilly	4.48	2.79	0.15	5.00	5.00	0.67	5.00	5.00	28.09
18	M. Lygo	1.35	1.40	0.76	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	28.51
19	R. Spurr	5.00	5.00	1.63	5.00	2.15	3.25	5.00	2.62	29.65
20	D. Cooper	1.21	0.28	3.48	5.00	5.00		5.00	5.00	29.97
21	T. Morphy	1.40	0.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	31.40
22	J. Gell	4.72	5.00	5.00	0.03	5.00	3.06	5.00	5.00	32.81
23	Dummy	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	40.00

NOVICE ACCURACY

Position	Name	Round No:-								Total
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
1	S. Khalifa	25.00	25.00	5.88	17.58	12.03	4.64	6.57	25.00	121.70
2	A. Said	25.00	11.70	25.00	19.40	25.00	1.50	3.67	14.94	126.21
3	K. Blackmore	25.00	25.00	25.00	6.40	17.72	16.90	25.00	14.07	155.09

EIGHTWAY SPEED CANOPY RELATIVE WORK

Teams	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Round 5
Royal Marines	8/71.3	8/60.5	8/78.4	8/64.6	8/81.5
Trailblazers	7/82.3	5/62.8	7/80.5	7/78.9	7/88.6
Malibu	4/90.8	5/82.2	3/68.5	3/80.4	

FOURWAY ROTATION CANOPY RELATIVE WORK

Teams	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Round 5	Round 6	Total
Royal Marines A	16	13	16	15	14	14	88
Phantom	12	14	14	12	14	15	81
Royal Marines B	11	11	11	13	11	11	68
Trailblazers	7	6	8	0	7	6	34
Silver Stars	4	0	4	4	4	2	18

FOURWAY SEQUENTIAL CANOPY RELATIVE WORK

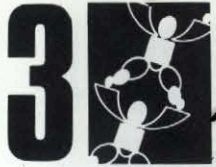
Teams	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Round 5	Round 6	Total
Phantom	1	2	0	1	2	5	11
Royal Marines	1	0	1	1	1	2	6
Trailblazers	1	0	1	1	1	2	6

EIGHTWAY SEQUENTIAL RELATIVE WORK PROVISIONAL RESULTS

Teams	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Round 5	Round 6	Round 7	Round 8	Total
Jank	7	8	8	9	7	8	7	9	73
Going South	7	7	7	9	8	7	1	3	49
Time Bandits	7	7	5	5	5	8	7	6	59
Baileys Irish	7	7	6	6	5	7	6	8	56
R.A.	7	6	6	7	7	5	6	6	48
Jill	5	6	1	8	6	6	5	7	51
Trappy & B's	7	5	4	7	3	6	2	5	39
Fulchester Rovers	5	4	3	4	6	5	2	4	38
Hob Nobs	4	4	4	4	5	4	3	1	29
Parallel Tracks	3	5	3	4	5	5	3	3	36



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Twilight States	1	4	3	4	5	5	5	4	36
Red Devils	1	2	3	5	5	5	3	6	35
Yelkas Cu's	3	1	3	3	4	5	1	2	22
Ronnies Pink	2	2	2	5	5	1	3	4	29
Whale One	1	2	2	3	3	3	2	2	20
Low Life	1	2	3	0	3	2	3	2	10
Misadventure	1	1	2	2	0	1	2	1	10
Fluke	1	1	1	0	2	1	1	0	

FOURWAY SEQUENTIAL RELATIVE WORK PROVISIONAL RESULTS

Teams	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Round 5	Round 6	Round 7	Round 8	Round 9	Rd 10	Total
Baileys Irish	1	4	3	5	4	4	6	5	5	5	42
The Army	2	3	4	4	4	4	6	3	1	5	36
Time Bandits	4	3	1	4	2	2	1	5	5	5	32
Team 86	2	3	3	3	2	2	5	4	3	2	29
Hob Nobs	1	2	2	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	16
State of Pink	0	2	1	2	0	0	2	1	0	3	11

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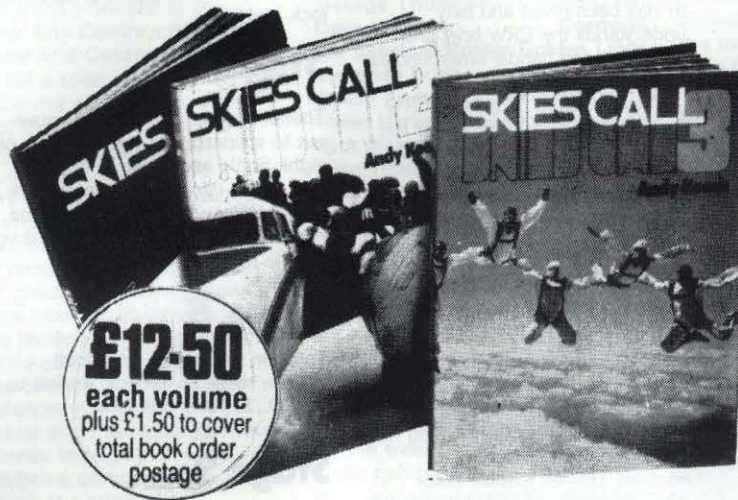
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A DISCIPLINE NOW ESTABLISHED: CRW

With the British CRW Nationals 1986 now decided, there'll be a bunch of guys with some 'hard-core' training ahead of them in preparation for the first Canopy Relative Work World Championships. That training camp will no doubt be fraught with disappointment and frustration, some soul searching, self criticism and doubtless pressure. They will be involved in a competition where a single error can transform a potentially perfect dive into a Zoo and project your opponents into Champions of the World.

That's real pressure by any definition.

While that team concerns itself with targets; 50 second 8-stacks, perfecting 8-second rotations, and how to transition from a 'Diamond' to a 'Cloverleaf' there is a mass of potentials back home trying to grasp how to set up for a Base and Pin, and what exactly is the correct approach angle. If you're inspired by what is happening now in CRW and want to go for it, the road to competition standard is a committed one, but follows all the basic ground rules. Working for that standard could and should start from the day you fire your brakes on your first square jump!

Five years ago, the French, headed by **Patrice Gardin**, committed themselves to a goal and they're now reaping the benefits. French CRW is riding on a tide of popularity and their successful programme is the envy of the rest of us. They are the team to beat in '86. Now then, ask any of our own Champions, **Jackie Smith, Spence**, or members of Symbiosis, if their ground work and training was worthwhile. I'm confident they'll enthusiastically tell you that the hard work and occasional disappointment fade into insignificance while you stand proud on the rostrum. However, those disciplines have an advantage to that of CRW; they have not had to fight the prohibitive attitude towards their discipline as CRW still endures. One rule in particular adopted throughout the country - 100 square jumps before your introduction.... it's a real stinker!!

To be fair, those who endorse it have the safety of the student at heart, but I believe it an antiquated and misguided rule. It suggests the student left to their own devices is qualified just because they've 100 square descents under their belt. I'm sure other instructors are aware of students who are more aware of their canopy performance characteristics and flying ability (having been briefed or taken the trouble to find out) on 30 square descents - than others on hundreds of descents. It boils down to a question of confidence and combating that initial reluctance to finding out what your canopy is really capable of doing.

For those centres now able to offer the WARP System their RW Students enjoy a progressive continuation of RW instruction. Perhaps the same could be introduced for the CRW Trainee.

A suggested programme, similar to the Australian's could be easily worked and controlled, after:-

- The trainee has completed his/her initial square exercises and has satisfied the CCI with his ability at canopy handling.
- Is aware of canopy turn characteristics at various break settings.
- Has a canopy suitable or modified for CRW.
- Has been given and fully understands the CRW brief and knows how to handle emergencies or awkward situations.

They can then follow this CRW Training Descent Table under the guidance of the CRW Tutor. The trainee's progression should conform to this table each stage being completed satisfactorily before going on to the next. Each stage is a separate jump.

Stage 1

No contact formations with emphasis on flying alongside. Over a number of jumps or until the trainee is confident at handling his canopy in close proximity to another. Trainee follows Tutor through different break settings and monitors canopy reactions.

Stage 2

Dock and re-dock (Tutor on top) changing sides. Repeat until break off. (No bi-plane).

Stage 3

Tutor on top first dock, then trainee on top. Repeat until break off. (No bi-plane).

Stage 4

Tutor on top first dock, bi-plane. Rotate re-dock, bi-plane. (Student not to rotate).

Stage 5

Trainee on top, bi-plane, turns at various break settings including figure of eights. Relationship of the formation to the drop zone is part of the test.

Stage 6

Trainee on top, bi-plane, bi-hand, leg lock and turns.

Stage 7

Trainee on top, centre dock move out to airstep and steer a figure of eight. Settle and move to opposite side of the canopy and steer figure of eight. Repeat until break off and relationship of formation to the drop zone is part of the test.

Stage 8

Tutor on top, rotate to re-dock. Trainee rotate to re-dock. Repeat to 2,500ft., bi-plane and land formation.

Stage 9

Introduction to tri-plane and larger formations as directed by CCI or Tutor. Note: Landing any formation is at the discretion of the Tutor at all times.

There is little else to add except enjoy your CRW. It is exhilarating, can be lots of fun and is now outgrowing the 'Dare Devil' tag it has had to burden for so long.

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INSTRUCTOR COURSE 2-86

BRITISH SKYSports BRIDLINGTON 6th - 22nd MAY 1986

The excellent facilities of British Skysports, Bridlington Aerodrome, Bridlington, East Yorkshire, were generously put at the disposal of the BPA for nearly three weeks for the Course. Accommodation and all meals were provided at the Centre. The Centre's BN Islander and Cessna 206 were used for a total of thirty-two lifts. The Centre also provided full use of their lecture rooms and ground training area.

This Course was conducted by **Gerry O'Hara, Dave Hickling, John Hitchen and Tony Butler**. Four candidates, **Brian Hucker** from London Skydiving, **Jane Buckle** from A1 Skydiving and **Steve McBrine** and **Joe France** from RAFSPA attended this phase of the Course. All four candidates completed the full syllabus and the required five descents, though J. France and S. McBrine completed their final descent at a later date.

All four candidates were successful and were awarded AFF Instructor status.

At various stages throughout the three weeks of the Course, several Instructors were assessed for Tandem Instructor Status and completed the required number of descents. The following Instructors were awarded Tandem Instructor Status:-

Jane Buckle A1 Skydiving
Ray Ellis Trailblazers
Dave Ruffell British Skysports

Since the last Instructors Course, the Instructors listed below have been assessed at various Drop Zones and have been awarded Tandem Instructor Status:-

Pete Bedigan Border
Jeff Chandler Silver Stars
Dave Hickling BPS
Ian Louttit DISC
Roger Marsden Black Knights
Nick Harrison RAPA
Tim Andrewes RAPT
John Lines MPC
John Mayo MPC
Dave Morris Peterborough
Jamie Graham Peterborough
Derk Boersma Peterborough
Chris Donaldson Peterborough
Ronnie O'Brien Peterborough

The Course was conducted by **Ray Ellis, Gerry O'Hara, John Hitchen and Tony Butler**. There were seventeen candidates applying for Potential Instructor Status:-

Paul Hastie Falcon
Justin Barron Hereford
Charlie Fields Hereford
Alec Gaze Hereford
Kevin McCarthy Hereford
Kelvin Raines British Skysports
John Farbrother JSPC (N)
George Thompson JSPC (N)
Dave Wilson Cornwall
Ian Cessford Border/Golden Lions
Jonathan Bush Capital City
Gillian Arundell London Skydiving
Helen Harber London Skydiving
Nick Mascal Swansea
Mike Timon RN & RMSPA
Mike Smith Peterborough
Glen Morris BPS

The candidates completed the syllabus and were coached in lessons/lectures from the Instructional Syllabus, they were also assessed on their practical parachuting and were coached in static line despatching. The candidates were also given a written examination at the end of the week.

All candidates were successful and individual reports have been sent to their CCIs.

Four candidates, **Mike Skeet** from Falcon, **Dave Tucker** from Thruxton, **Sean Lambe** from RMCS and **Andy Philip** from South West, attended for upgrading to Advanced Instructor. They were assessed on various tasks throughout the week and gave a number of lectures, they were also assessed on their practical ability and the running of an active Drop Zone. All four candidates were successful and were awarded Advanced Instructor Status.

The Course was conducted by **Ray Ellis, John Hitchen and Tony Butler**. Two candidates attended this course for assessment, **Matt Patrick** from RAPA and **Kevin Daykin** from Capital City. Both candidates completed this phase of the course and were given a number of lessons and lectures, as well as presenting their specialist papers, which were:- **Matt Patrick** - 'Video as a Training Aid' and **Kevin Daykin** - 'Training for Display Parachuting'.

Both were coached on lessons/lectures and running a Drop Zone, they were also given a written examination. Both candidates were fully de-briefed at the end of the course and recommendations and reports have been sent to their CCIs.

The Course was conducted by **John Hitchen and Tony Butler**.

There were twelve candidates applying for Approved Instructor Status, all were assessed on Lectures/Lessons, Static Line Despatching, Aerial Critiques, their own personal parachuting, briefs and de-briefs, flight line checks, a number were also assessed on training brief from the Instructors Manual and all were given a written examination.

Eight candidates were successful and four were advised to re-apply. Results and reports on all candidates have been sent to their CCIs. The successful candidates were:-

Keith Hughes Capital City
Stephen Marsh Capital City

Roger Hoe RN & RMSPA
Derek Schofield BPA
Nick Everett BPA
Gary Morgan British Skysports
Paul Ffitch Ipswich
Greg Cox Red Devils

Generally on all Courses, the standard of the candidates was high and most of those attending had been well prepared for the Course by their Chief Instructors.

That **Kevin Hughes, Ian Passmore, David Byers** and **Adam Wickers** be given six month extensions to their Potential Instructor Ratings.

PARACHUTING FATALITY

MONTFORD BRIDGE

- 5th JULY 1986

The enclosed is a press release which was sent to the Press Association on the 8th July.

I wish it had been possible to say more about the accident at Montford Bridge.

However, in view of the fact that the matter is sub judice due to the inquest not yet having been heard, I am prevented from referring to the detail of the accident.

I will also be writing to the MPs who have raised questions concerning the safety of sport parachuting through the pages of the national press over the last few days.

Of course, the report into the accident will be available immediately following the inquest.

JAMES CROCKER
Chairman BPA

PRESS RELEASE FROM THE BPA

We were concerned to see a number of wholly inaccurate statements published in various newspapers on Monday, 7th July, 1986.

We have carried out an investigation into this tragic accident and we are in the course of preparing a report for the Coroner. We are not, therefore, permitted at this stage to comment on the factual inaccuracies contained in the various newspaper reports.

We are, however, enabled to say that public references as to the cause of the accident are both misleading and inaccurate.

The Coroner's Inquest will be held on 30th September, 1986, when the full circumstances and facts relating to this incident will be made known.

This press release is issued with the permission of the Coroner.
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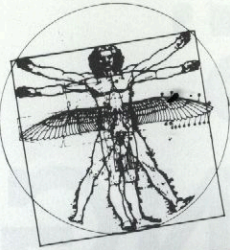
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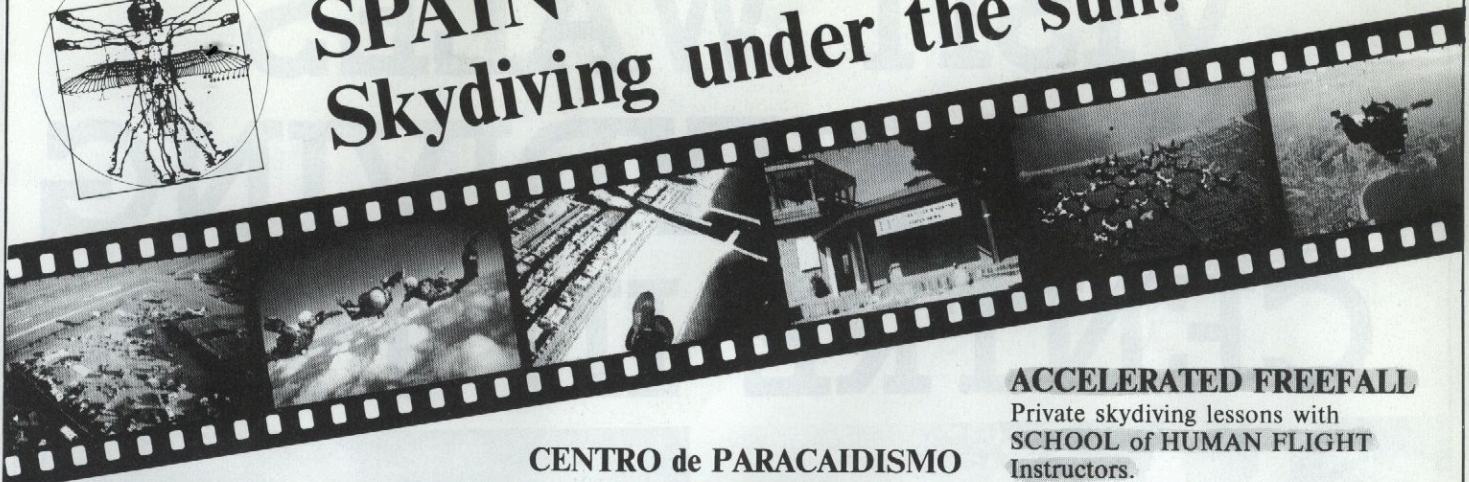
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J.L. Thomas
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The names of the present council members are stated above. Messrs. Harman, Manson, Tylcoat & Ms. Breanley served as council members during the period but were not re-elected at the Annual General Meeting in January 1986.

Annexed to these accounts is a report prepared by the Treasurer on behalf of the council commenting upon the results for the year and the financial position of the Association at 31st March 1986.

Auditors

A resolution will be proposed at the annual general meeting that Moores & Rowland be reappointed as auditors to the Association for the ensuing year.

C.W. Port - Secretary General

Kimberley House,
47 Vaughan Way,
Leicester, LE1 4SG
30th July 1986

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF BRITISH PARACHUTE ASSOCIATION LIMITED

We have audited the accounts set out on pages II to V in accordance with approved Auditing Standards. In our opinion, the accounts, which have been prepared under the historical cost convention, give a true and fair view of the state of the Association's affairs at 31st March 1986, and of its result and source and application of funds for the year then ended and comply with the Companies Act 1985.

Moores & Rowland
Chartered Accountants
LONDON
30th July 1986

BRITISH PARACHUTE ASSOCIATION LIMITED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT For the year ended 31st March 1986

	Note	£	1986 £	1985 £
INCOME				
Members subscriptions	1		119,837	90,805
Sports Council grants			70,894	62,637
Members Insurance			40,135	27,204
Shop sales			11,604	3,543
Magazine subscriptions		32,624		
Magazine advertising		<u>11,212</u>		<u>27,482</u>
Other income			43,836	36,366
Interest receivable			2,686	5,690
TOTAL INCOME			<u>£295,078</u>	<u>£229,368</u>
EXPENDITURE				
Cost of shop sales			10,451	4,031
Headquarters costs				
Rent, rates, heat and light		8,729		8,423
Depreciation of fixed assets	1	<u>6,091</u>		<u>3,282</u>
Headquarters administration				
Staff costs	2	32,605		28,390
Staff and council travel		10,355		10,002
Postage		4,548		6,223
Telephone		3,208		3,517
Printing and stationery		17,085		11,968
Publicity		369		1,863
General expenses		2,862		2,990
Hire of office equipment		529		664
Audit and accountancy		2,700		2,550
Insurance		881		646
Legal and professional		502		1,111
Subscriptions		<u>1,794</u>		<u>1,295</u>
Finance costs			77,438	71,219
Bank charges		772		1,125
Bad and doubtful debts		<u>1,553</u>		<u>240</u>
Memberships services			2,325	1,365
World Championships		21,403		11,958
World Cup - CRW		—		3,304
European championships		574		717
RAPA Championships		383		—
National championships		(2,456)		7,063
Coaching		19,505		17,157
Coaching salaries		23,717		22,477
BPA vehicle running costs		991		1,382
Boards of enquiry	2	360		606
General Meetings		2,560		1,648
Grants to clubs		382		3,000
C.I.P. conference		262		991
Magazine costs		47,365		41,171
Insurances		40,135		27,204
Development management		<u>13,250</u>		<u>4,561</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURE			<u>168,431</u>	<u>143,239</u>
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR			<u>£273,465</u>	<u>£(2,191)</u>

BRITISH PARACHUTE ASSOCIATION LIMITED
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONT'D)

5. LOAN ACCOUNTS

	Rates of Interest	Due for repayment by:	1986	1985
			£	£
Peterborough Parachute Club	5%	Jan 1988	5,042	—
Thrupton Parachute Club	5%	Feb. 1986	375	1,275
Leeds & Bradford Parachute Club	5%	Apr 1986	3,137	—
Border Venture Parachute Club	5%	Dec 1986	816	2,000
Cornwall Parachute Club	5%	July 1985	110	461
Swansea Parachute Club	5%	June 1988	2,167	—
Ipswich Parachute Club	5%	Sept 1987	3,055	4,722
London Skyway Parachute Club	5%	Oct 1986	1,513	2,513
Lincoln Parachute Club	5%	Aug 1986	1,042	3,542
			<u>£17,257</u>	<u>£14,513</u>
Due for repayment within one year			12,743	8,171
Due for repayment after one year			4,514	6,342
			<u>£17,257</u>	<u>£14,513</u>

SOURCE AND APPLICATION OF FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 1986

	1986	1985
	£	£
SOURCE OF FUNDS		
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	21,613	(2,191)
Adjustment for items not involving the movement of funds:		
Depreciation	6,091	3,282
Taxation	363	1,402
	<u>6,454</u>	<u>4,684</u>
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	28,067	2,493
Tax paid	522	1,236
	<u>1,401</u>	<u>6,466</u>
	(1,923)	(7,702)
	<u>£26,144</u>	<u>£(5,209)</u>
INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN WORKING CAPITAL		
Stock	(3,708)	4,283
Debtors	(4,840)	(498)
Loan Accounts	2,744	2,403
Creditors	(11,634)	(5,468)
Subscriptions in advance	3,538	(4,920)
	<u>(13,900)</u>	<u>(4,200)</u>
INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND DEPOSITS	<u>40,044</u>	<u>(1,009)</u>
	<u>£26,144</u>	<u>£(5,209)</u>

Honorary Treasurer's Report on The Annual Accounts to 31st March 1986

As you will all be well aware the Association suffered a deficit in 1983/84 and 1984/85. In order to change the downward spiral which if left would have endangered the Association, an increase in membership fees was put to and voted in at the Annual General Meeting of January 1985.

The increase in subscription rates allied to an increase in the number of members has led to a surplus for the year ended 31st March 1986 of £21,613.

The previous Treasurer explained the necessity for the Association to establish a sound and independent financial base, especially as the declared aim of The Sports Council is for all sports to become self sufficient over a five year period. The foundations for this sound financial base has now been laid and the subscription rates at the 1986 AGM were limited to the then inflation rate of 5%.

In addition, it remains our aim to purchase accommodation to replace our present rented office space, which is extremely expensive.

In relation to The Five Year Development Plan now in operation, the cost of development was £13,250 included under Membership Services. However, this was offset to a great extent as there was a profit on National Championships of £2,456 compared to a loss the previous year of £7,063, which is an improvement of £9,519. This kept the development cost in effect to £3,731.

The implementation of the Development Plan, although Grant Aided by Sports Council to a great extent, will nonetheless lead to some additional expenditure to the Association. It is therefore prudent for us to be generating a surplus from which such expenditure can be funded.

HQ Administration has been kept well controlled with savings made in some areas.

With the improvement in finances it has been possible to purchase a new video system, the cost of this is not shown on the income/expenditure for 1985/86, but will show in the next accounts as some £12,000. The only way to improve the equipment is by making a surplus and then ploughing it back into the sport.

As in the previous years report a full set of additional notes to the accounts are shown. These do not form part of the official accounts but are given for clarification and explanation.

J. K. LINES
BPA Treasurer

ADDITIONAL INTERNAL NOTES TO THE BPA ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

INCOME

- Members Subscriptions:** These are compiled by taking the total BPA Part of the membership including payments in advance up to and including the 31st March each year. The payments in advance for the next year are then subtracted and then those for the previous year added, this gives the final total.

TOTAL RECEIVED 1985-86	1985/86	1984/85
LESS ADVANCE PAYMENTS 1985-86	116,298	95,725
PLUS ADVANCE PAYMENTS 1985-86	18,108	21,647
ANNUAL INCOME	21,647	16,727
	119,837	90,805

- Sports Council Grants**
The total is made up from:

Administration Grant
Coaching Grant
Coaching Courses Grant
World Championships Grant
European Championships Grant
CIP Conference Grant

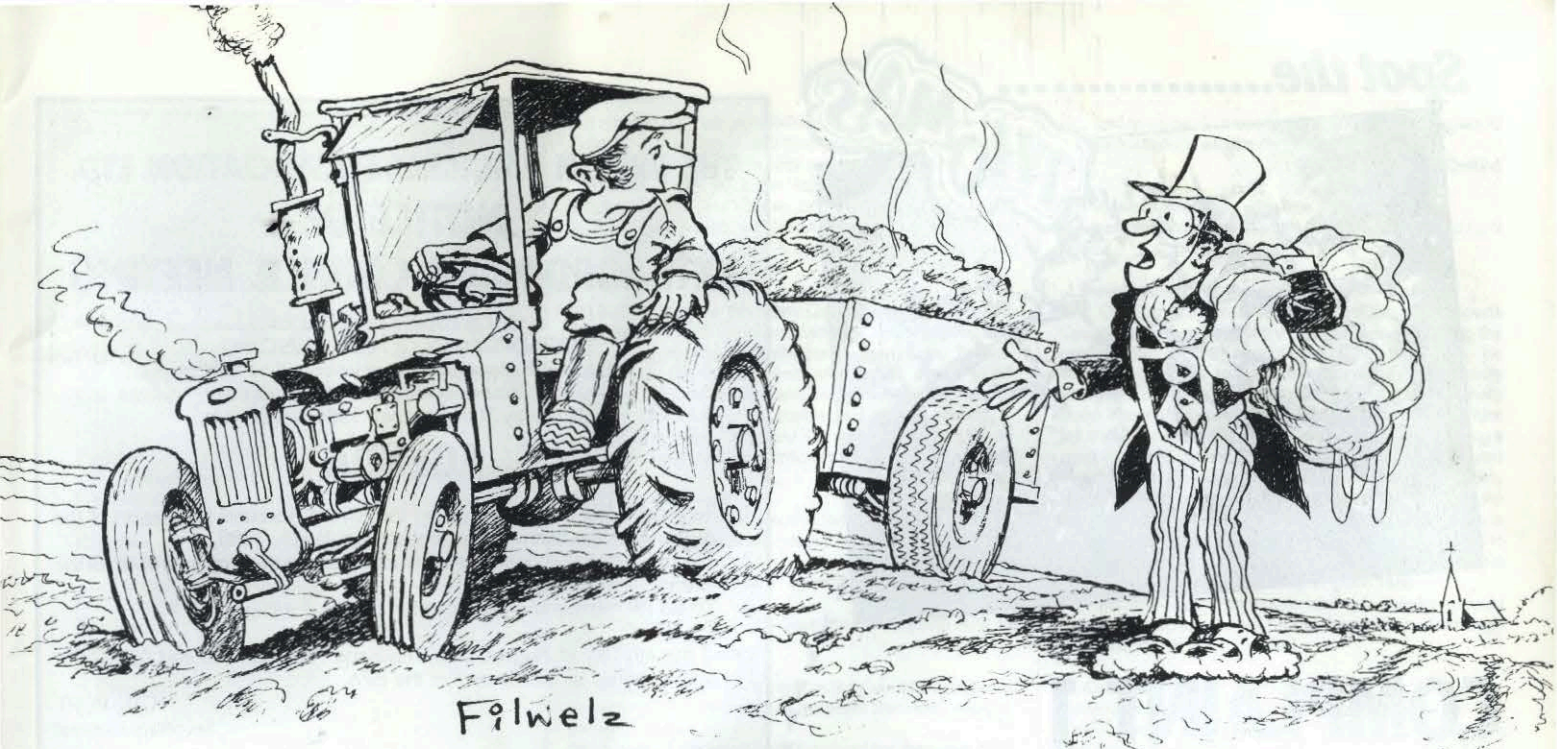
- Members Insurance**
This is the total insurance element of the overall subscription and equals the amount paid out.
- Shop Sales**
The gross income from shop sales.
- Magazine Subscription/Magazine Advertising**
This is calculated in the same way as 1. above plus the income from advertisements.
- Other Income**
This is raised from a variety of sources including:
Lottery/Film Hire/Interest Received/BSC Awards/FAI Sales/Sponsorship etc.
- Total Income** was up by £65,710 an increase of 28½%.

EXPENDITURE

- Cost of Shop Sales**
The cost of everything to do with the BPA Shop (Purchase of Resale Items etc.).
- HQ Costs**
A very small increase on the previous year.
- Depreciation of Fixed Assets**
Several items from the above have been written off as having no further resale value.
- Staff Costs**
The Sports Council Grant Aid Salaries, Pension and National Insurance (see 2. above).
- Postage**
This has been reduced this year.
- Telephone**
This has been reduced this year.
- Printing/Stationery**
The increase was due to the need to re-design and print new forms, new membership forms and usual increased costs from suppliers.
- Publicity**
Greatly reduced on previous year.
- General Expenses**
There has been a slight reduction on the previous year.
- Hire of Office Equipment**
A slight reduction on the previous year.
- Audit and Accountancy**
A small annual increase.

- Insurance**
This includes Employer Liability Insurance/All Cover on Office Equipment and Fixtures/Coaching equipment on all risks basis.
- Legal and Professional**
A reduction on previous years.
- Subscriptions**
This includes subscription to R. Aero Club/GASCO/CCPR.
- Bank Charges**
These have been greatly reduced.
- Bad Doubtful Debts**
This includes the money owed to the BPA Shop by a bad debtor, but when recovered will be shown as income in the future.
- World Championships**
This is the total cost before Sports Council Grant.
- European Championships**
This is the total cost before Sports Council Grant.
- RAPA Championships**
This is a small amount paid out for travel and subsistence.
- National Championships**
A profit of £2,456.
- Coaching**
This includes all aspects of coaching, competition and coaching expenses:
DZ Reces/DZ Visits/All Instructor Courses/A/C Hire/PI Course Manuals/Coaches Travel and Subsistence/Instructor Courses Officials Travel and Subsistence/Instructor Course Grants/Seminars etc.
- Coaching Salaries**
The Sports Council grant aid salaries, National Insurance cost etc.
- BPA Vehicle Running Costs**
Work done to keep the van mobile and includes MOT repairs, servicing etc.
- Boards of Enquiry**
The costs vary each year depending on the number of boards of enquiry.
- General Meetings**
This includes the costs of AGM, EGM, Buffets at AGM/EGM etc.
- Grants to Clubs**
This varies depending upon applications made.
- CIP Conference**
This was greatly reduced.
- Magazine Costs**
The final costs depends upon the expenditure incurred in printing etc. etc.
- Insurances**
This is the members insurance part of the subscription and equals the amount paid in.
- Development Management**
This total relates to all aspects of Development in connection with the 5 Year Plan. The amount was offset to a great degree due to the surplus on the National Championships of £2,456, compared to a loss last year of £7,063, an effective improvement of £9,519.
- Total expenditure** was up by £41,906 an increase of 18%.

CHARLES W. PORT
Secretary General
1st August 1986



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" I WILL CLARIFY THE SITUATION. ON MY WAY TO GET MARRIED, I LOST SIGHT OF THE WIDDEY, GUESSED THE SPOT, HAD A MAL, AND CUT AWAY. IS THERE ANY CHANCE OF A LIFT TO THE CHURCH? "

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CHASER (Custom)	248.00		
ZEROX (Custom includes Reserve Pilot Chute etc)	340.00		
MAINS		ACCESSORIES	
FURY	599.00	CHAMPION GLOVES (All Leather!!)	14.60
FIRELITE	586.00	PROTEC HELMET	22.00
MAVERICK	592.00	ALTISTAR (Incl. Wristmount)	59.99
G.Q. RAYDER (Custom)	482.00	ALTIMASTER II	75.00
		ALTIMASTER III	75.00
RESERVES		ALTI PADS	3.75
GQ MICRA SAC	305.00	BOOGIE GOOGLES	3.61
PHANTOM 24	364.00	★EXTREMELY COOL MIRROR	
PHANTOM 22	340.00	BOOGIES!★	4.34
X-210 Square	508.00	DRAG BAGS	30.00
FIRELITE Square	660.00	THROWAWAY PILOT CHUTE	23.00
COMPLETE RIGS –		PULL OUT PILOT CHUTE	20.70
READY TO JUMP		RWARD BACKLOG BOOK	
Custom CHASER with SAC and GQ RAYDER	1092.00	HOOK KNIFE IN POUCH	4.30

FULL PRICE LIST AND CATALOGUE ON REQUEST

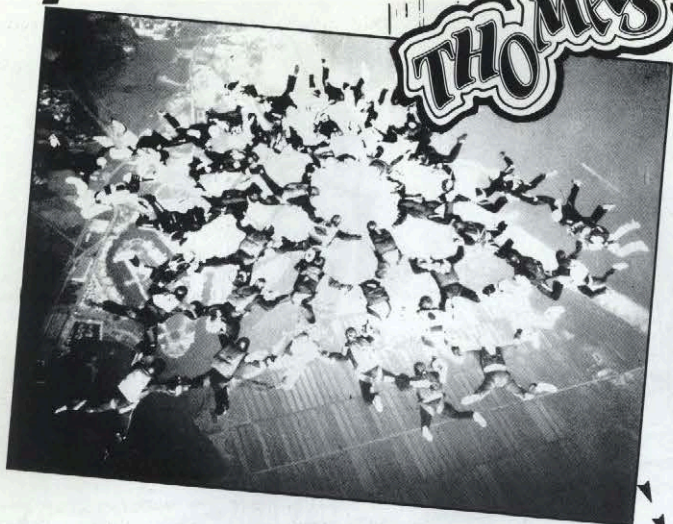
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THOMAS



COMPLAINT 1

Dear Editor,

A small problem of insurance. In July I went to Amphuriabrava in Spain to jump for one week. I did not book through a tour operator - therefore no fringe benefits like medical cover. In the worst case cover to the value of £250,000 is required. This would fly out Doctors from the UK and recover a 'patient' in a private ambulance aircraft. The AA offered limitless cover on these lines. It was part of their 'Five Star' car recovery scheme. Sadly they were not willing to entertain sport parachutists. Finally I obtained suitable cover through Lloyds of London. The premium was £72 for the eight days. This provided cover up to £250,000. Surely we can't be that much of a risk?

I am new to jumping abroad and obviously have a lot to learn. I look forward to constructive comments. After all, who wants to end up in a foreign hospital with foreign doctors, on a foreign life support machine?

On arrival I was very impressed with the very slick presentation of the offices, shop, the DZ familiarisation was done with slide photographs, all very impressive.

Sadly the Centre only had a Cessna. The Porter (as advertised) was away in Switzerland. The result was 40 jumpers - all under the impression there was going to be a Porter. This included two serious Belgian Teams. They were not impressed at all. The next problem was from German Penthouse. They were doing an article with the model jumping Tandem. This had priority over everything. I would not have minded too much, but she did not even have big boobs!

There was also a lack of resident instructors. There were two instructors, one was doing the Tandem, the other was manifest and DZ Controller all rolled into one. So much for their 'ACCENT ON LEARNING'. Every British DZ I have jumped at has been better staffed and more willing to assist students.

A final point. The DZ is close to the sea. There were no strict rules about life jackets/buoyancy aids. It was left up to the jumpers discretion. Would this have ever happened in Britain? I think I have said enough - YOU HAVE BEEN WARNED. Despite everything I had an enjoyable time, and learnt alot!!

ANDREW MORGAN C7117

COMPLAINT 2

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the BPA for their generous financial support to the Royal Marines CRW Team who are representing GB at the 1st World Parachuting Championships in CRW at Gattan, Australia.

My second reason for writing is to raise a few questions about the British Nationals held at Bridlington in June. Apparently Malibu sponsored the Nationals to the tune of £50,000. I as a competitor would be fascinated to know exactly where the sponsorship money went. Firstly entry fees were higher than expected considering the amount of sponsorship. Secondly, there were two canteen facilities on the DZ, one for competitors and one for staff and judges. Prices in the competitors tent were considerably higher than the other canteen. Not surprisingly most competitors virtually boycotted the canteen facilities laid on for them and within about four days the catering firm had pulled out.

Thirdly the shaver facilities were inadequate and did not work properly for the period of the competition.

Finally I would be interested to know if Malibu felt that they got value for money from the British Nationals. Until the organisers learn to give our Sponsors value for money this sport will alienate rather than attract future potential sponsors.

MIKE WILLIS BPA 94099

THE BRITISH PARACHUTE ASSOCIATION LTD. NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that an
EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING
of the British Parachute Association will be held at
The Post House, Braunstone Lane, Leicester
on Thursday 30th October, 1986 at 6.30 p.m.

AGENDA

1. To receive and adopt if approved the Annual Accounts and Report of the Auditors for the financial year ended 31st March, 1986.
2. To confirm the re-appointment of Auditors and fix their remuneration for the ensuing financial year.
3. To set P6 Membership Subscription for the ensuing year.

Dated the 4th Day of August, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty Six.
For and on behalf of the Council of the BPA.

C.W. PORT
Secretary General

THE BRITISH PARACHUTE ASSOCIATION LIMITED ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the
TWENTIETH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
of the Association will be held at:
LADBROKE LEICESTER INTERNATIONAL HOTEL,
HUMBERSIDE GATE, LEICESTER
on Saturday 10th January 1987 at 16:30 hours

AGENDA

1. To consider, and adopt if approved, the Report of the Council
2. To fix subscriptions payable by members for the ensuing year
3. To discuss any Special Business
4. To Elect the Council

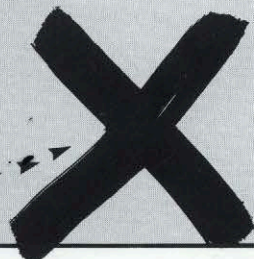
Dated this 4th Day of August, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty Six.
For and on behalf of the Council of the BPA.

C.W. PORT
Secretary General

NOTE: Members are reminded that under Article 30 of the Articles of Association only such business as is notified to the Secretary General in writing at least 30 days prior to the date of the Meeting can be included under item 3. - "Special Business". Accommodation at the International Hotel for Friday and/or Saturday should be booked direct with the hotel - telephone Leicester (0533) 20471. Telex 341460. Election to Council - Your nomination paper (an insert with this issue of the Journal) must reach the BPA Office by not later than Friday 3rd October 1986 but do please submit as soon as possible, typewritten if possible please.

Ballot Papers - These will be sent out as an insert with the October issue of the Journal.

Dinner/Dance - 10th January 1986 - Details in October issue of the Journal.



**BRITISH PARACHUTE
ASSOCIATION
COUNCIL MEETING
KIMBERLEY HOUSE, LEICESTER
WEDNESDAY 7th MAY 1986**

Present:

J.T. Crocker
P.W. Ritchie

Chairman BPA

Present:

J.T. Crocker
P.W. Ritchie
J.R.H. Sharples
R. Colpus
J. Lines
J.L. Thomas
D.T. Hickling
S.D. Lambe
P.D.N. Parker
J. Curtis
S. Eversfield
D. Prince
D. Young
G. Lilly

Chairman BPA
Vice Chairman BPA
Chairman STC
Chairman Comp. Committee
Treasurer/Chairman Finance Ctee.

Co-opted:

T. McGarry
Brigadier Jebens

Chairman BCPA
Chairman APA

Observers: 15

Apologies: M. Rennie, B. Dyas, M. Ramsey.

In Attendance:

A.K. Butler
J.H. Hitchen
C.W. Port

JNC SO BPA
JNC SO BPA
Secretary General BPA

Item 33/86 Minutes of Previous Meeting

Proposed by **S. Eversfield**, seconded by **D. Hickling** that the Minutes of the Meeting of 19th March 1986 were accepted as a true record.

Unanimous

Matters Arising

(i) **Miss C. Hinchcliffe** - The Secretary General reported that **Mr. B. Bias** had asked for all relevant information to be sent to him as he was undertaking to help Miss Hinchcliffe sort out the problems.

(ii) **Mr. C. Austins** - There had been considerable correspondence and telephone conversations on this matter culminating in a 'phone round' that the Association accept the £1,201.20. This was put to Mr. Austins both by phone and in a confirmatory letter. A letter had then been received from Mr. Austins (with cheque for the outstanding sum and membership renewal), the content of the letter being such that the Secretary General felt obliged to contact the Chairman. It was then decided that the letter and the situation be a subject for further discussion by the Council of the Association at its next meeting.

The Chairman put the matter to the Council.

There was further discussion on the subject, in particular on the letter of 27th March 1986. Council finally agreed to the following:

Proposed by **D. Prince** and seconded by **P. Ritchie** that the position was unchanged and so if Mr. Austins was prepared to pay, unconditionally, the sum of £1,201.20 then the Association would renew Mr. Austins membership. Any other matters would be dealt with separately.

In Favour 11
Against 3

Those against had wished for stronger action to be taken.

(iii) **Video** - The Secretary General reported that due to a mistake by Danish Customs Authorities there had been a delay in the video being allowed into the Country. However this had now been cleared up and the video had been delivered directly to Weston on the Green to use over the weekend of 4/5 May 1986.

He had written to **Captain M. Munn** of the Red Devils thanking him for bringing the video back into the UK free of charge and apologising for the delay at the Customs at Dover.

(iv) **Under 18 Responsibilities** - The Chairman **J.T. Crocker** had obtained definitive opinion on the situation and it transpires that the best advice from Council is that "BPA would not be liable for the negligence of non-employees who are minors provided the qualifications were properly given without reduction in standards of qualifications due to age." A copy of Counsel's opinion is available in the BPA Office.

(v) **Insurance** - The Secretary General was able to report that Verification of Insurance had now been received and was in the process of distribution to the Display Teams. Additionally the insurers were offering an option to all teams to take out a once and for all annual payment of £100 to give £1,000,000 coverage, if they so wished.

Additionally the Secretary General had written to all jump A/C owners on the following lines:

A/C Fleet Insurance

Having discussed this at some length with the brokers, who have made tentative moves within the market, the situation is as follows:

.1 I would need Councils agreement to carry out the following:

(a) Write to all Clubs who have their own jump A/C to discover:-

(i) The type of A/C

(ii) An agreement in principal that they would be prepared to come in, should the terms be better than they enjoy at present.

(iii) A copy of the cover note they hold for their own A/C.

(iv) Record of Claims.

.2 Once a full response had been received the Brokers could then go to the market to obtain the best rates.

.3 It is anticipated that there would be a no claims situation operated at the outset of the cover based upon .1 (a) (i) to (iv) inclusive.

Additionally the brokers are sure that by insuring as a "fleet" then other discounts would be available.

.4 The Chairman also suggested that any A/C owner might also consider putting their A/C into the BPA Fleet Scheme.

.5 It is re-iterated that there is nothing binding on A/C owners, it is at present a paper exercise to see how good a fleet insurance would be. But the Brokers need the above in order to go to the market. All clubs and A/C owners are urged to co-operate.

(vi) **Affiliations** - a) Peterlee - The DZ Recce had been carried out and had been cleared by JNC SOs and ratified by STC (17.4.86).

b) A further explanatory letter had been received from Parachuting Promotions (Council 42/86). As soon as a letter is to be received from Cranfield confirming that adequate continuation training would be available to AFF students the affiliation could be granted but only in relation to Cranfield.

Item 34/86 - Committee Reports

1. Safety and Training Committee

J.R.H. Sharples presented the Minutes of the Meeting held on 17.4.86 and asked for comments or questions.

Minutes Ratified

2. Competition Committee Minutes

R. Colpus presented the minutes of the meeting of 30th April 1986.

Video System - The Chairman stated that the system is fully insured. The Committee felt that to get the full use from the system they proposed that an advertisement be placed in the magazine to recruit a number of operators (say 4), of a high calibre and responsibility, and that these operators would be available to accompany the system to any organisation or event. It was felt, to fully utilise the video, organisers of events as well as competitions, i.e. seminars, boogies etc., should be encouraged to apply for the video.

The Committee felt that any organisers of any event would be responsible for the travel and accommodation of the operator and would be expected to lodge a suitable deposit of say £200 against damage and, additionally, be asked to pay a depreciation fee of £10 a day. The Secretary General to be responsible for the issue of and receipt back of the system and check it against a check list of parts. It was recommended that a notice be filed in the magazine, advising organisers to bid as early as possible for the video and that the office utilise a year planner to control the location of the system. Those borrowing the system had to accept BPA Video Operators. Any monies

accrued from the depreciation charge of the system would be accounted for separately.

The Minutes were Ratified

3. Finance Committee Minutes

J. Lines presented the Minutes of the Meeting of 23rd April 1986.

.1 Development Plan Update/Old Style Grant Aid

J.T. Crocker, Chairman BPA, had written to the Sports Council on the subject of the offer of Grant following the presentation of the Associations Five Year Plan. He apologised for the fact that the letter had only recently been sent but he explained that he had been exceptionally busy. The matter was discussed briefly and the Committee felt that they would not discuss anything further pending a reply from the Sports Council. The Committee recorded that they had discussed the whole matter at the February meeting and had reached decisions based upon the information available. They had reached their decision in all good faith and had felt reluctantly that they had had to make their recommendation to Council based upon that information given and received in good faith.

It was agreed that matters pertaining to the above would have to be deferred until further negotiations had been held and the position clarified.

.2 Cost Cutting/Self Financing

Several suggestions had been propounded by the Committee on this subject, and after considerable discussion it was agreed that the Committee would take these matters back for further discussion in conjunction with detailed costings which the Secretary General would provide.

It was further agreed that if possible implementation of any agreed measures would take place from the second half of the accounting year.

For 12 - Against 2 - Carried.

Additionally the Treasurer stated that he would prepare a full article for inclusion in the magazine which would set out the problems the Association had to face, need for cost cutting, and ways in which self financing could be achieved. This was in direct response to the longer term plan of the Sports Council that Governing Bodies must look to the future to become self financing.

.3 It was agreed that a further item be considered in detail and discussed at the Council Meeting of 7th August 1986. In the meantime Council were asked to submit their views to the Treasurer in order that he could then circulate some form of consensus paper.

.4 GASCO

It was unanimously agreed to increase the Annual Subscription to GASCO to £375.

It was stated that this was an important body and we had a representative on the Council to safeguard the BPAs situation.

.5 Salaries

In view of the additional work load of **Miss T. Kemp** in operating the computer it was unanimously agreed to award an interim salary increase of £324 per annum. Which would bring the annual salary to £5,000 per annum.

The Minutes were Ratified

.6 Royal Aero Club

J.T. Crocker reported that R.A.E.C. Awards Evening had been well attended and that the posthumous awards to **Mr. Nigel Dacre** and **Mr. Stephen Scott** had received a tremendous spontaneous ovation.

Item 35/86 - Meeting with APA Chairman

The Chairman reported that he had had an initial meeting with **Brigadier Jebens**, Chairman APA. The Chairman wanted to make it plain that he was not acting for or against any person or groups interests but was trying to assist in negotiating a problem which a certain group felt it had. A further meeting was to be held in the near future.

Item 36/86 - National Championships

Mr. D. Johnston voiced great concern over the fact that it had been reported to him that the Sponsors of the above had been contacted by the Magazine Editor in relation to a press release issued by them. **Mr. Johnston** had been told that the Editor had been rude and had put the whole sponsorship situation in jeopardy and that he ought not to have spoken with the sponsors at all.

The Editor, **Mr. D. Waterman**, said that he had indeed had a press release from the sponsors but several facts and statements made were incorrect and he felt unable to give this information to the membership via the magazine. He felt that if information was going out nationally that was

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incorrect then the sponsors ought to be aware of this face themselves. He stated it had not been his intention to be rude he merely had wished to have certain matters clarified.

There was considerable discussion and input on the subject by members of council. It was accepted that the relationship should be between sponsor and organiser and no other person.

It was felt that there had been a shortfall in liaison and that this was a lesson well learnt by all concerned, and that liaison in future would be via the coach, **J. Hitchen**.

Item 37/86 - Standing of AFF Courses

This item followed a short discussion and comments made by **R. Colpus** at the last Finance Meeting.

He felt on behalf of some members who had spoken to him there was an unacceptable non-standardisation of the Standing of AFF Courses and other Courses. He was not supported in this view.

Item 38/86 - Rigging Course

A formal vote of thanks was given to **Tony Knight** for making facilities available for the last rigging course.

Item 39/86 - A.O.B.

1. A request from **Mr. B. Reynolds** to quote from the BPA Category System in a book he was planning to write was agreed to on the terms he had indicated.

2 Meeting with TV Channel 4

On behalf of the Association, **D. Waterman** had attended this meeting. The main point was that TV Channel 4 had decided to make a grant of some sort available during this year for minority sports to produce, or co-produce a film for screening next year.

At the present further information as to timings and the amount available was awaited.

In the interim **D. Hickling** agreed to liaise with **D. Waterman** and **Simon Ward** on a basic plan.

3 APA Log Book

APA had had a log book printed and inadvertently this had BPA Log Book on the front cover. Profuse apologies had been received from APA who asked if the Association would allow them to distribute this. Council agreed to this request.

4 Sports Air - Tandem Jump

An application was heard in connection with the above in that in order to raise money for Sports Aid, an exemption be given to allow a Tandem Jump to take place into Hyde Park.

Much discussion ensued on the matter but reluctantly Council felt, on the advice of the STC, Chairman and JNCOS that as they had only just put down ground rules for AFF in the UK, the main one being that it must take place on an unrestricted drop zone, that it was too early to grant an exemption of this nature.

5 Consultation Letter from J. Lines

J. Lines asked that Council please read the above and come back to him with their views in order that they could be discussed substantively at the Council Meeting of 7th August 1986.

6 Special STC Meeting

A Special Meeting had been held on 7th May 1986 at the BPA HQ Office in connection with the grounding of GQ "Dual Porosity" 7 Mtr. Aeroconical.

The recommendation was:

- 1 That until further notice the grounding be confirmed.
- 2 That until further tests had been carried out and further information had been received from GQ on their interpretation of 'student' the above not be used for freefall.
- 3 It was further agreed that the JNCOS, **J.H. Hitchen** write to GQ to request clarification on some statements in their letter of 2nd May 1986.
- 4 It was additionally agreed that if new facts emerge regarding the free fall aspect then another special meeting would be called.

Date of the next meeting is Sunday 6th July, 1986, Bridlington (following final prize giving). Time to be announced.

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Apologies for Absence:

K. Noble, J. Meacock.

In Attendance:

J. Curtis Council
J.H. Hitchen J.N.C.S.O.

Observers:

L. Waite, Dick Gays, N. Palmer, C.S. Mills.

Item 1 - Minutes and Matters Arising from STC Meeting 7th April 1986.

Report on Hong Kong/Cyprus Courses was given by JNCOS, **J. Hitchen**.

R. Arnes has now successfully completed the AFF Course and has been awarded AFF Instructor status.

It was proposed by **Mac McLaughlin** and seconded by **Ray Ellis** that the Minutes of the last Meeting be accepted as a true record.

Carried Unanimously

Item 2 - Minutes and Matters Arising from 'Special' STC Meeting 7th May 1986

JNCOS had written to G.Q. requesting the Dual Porosity T701 and its use in Sport Parachuting. A reply has been received, and a copy of G.Q.'s letter was circulated at STC. STC confirmed that the use of the Canopy T701 was not approved for Student Parachuting.

Thomas Sports informed STC that they are carrying out independent trials on the T701, and would keep STC informed.

It was proposed by **Ray Ellis** and seconded by **Arthur Collingwood** that the Minutes of the 'Special' STC Meeting be accepted as a true record.

Carried Unanimously

Item 3 - Approval of Riggers Minutes of 17th April 1986 Faulty Pilot Chute - M. McCarthy

J. Wright informed the STC that all the faulty material that had been supplied to **R. Atherton** had all been withdrawn and accounted for.

Reserve Diapers

The spacing between the grommets was recommended to be 3" minimum centre to centre.

Rapide Links

It was once again stressed that the overighting of these links will result in their failure.

Item 4 - Fatality Report - Wild Geese

A report on a fatality in N.I. was given by **John Hitchen** and **Dave Hickling**.

See Report Attached. It was proposed that the recommendations of the report be accepted. Proposed by **Ray Ellis** and seconded by **Phil Cavanagh**.

Item 5 - Incident Report Resume

1. Aircraft Engine failure at Bad Lippspringe. Parachutist had to exit at low altitude. All CCIs and Instructors were reminded of the need to continually update and amend Aircraft Emergency Drills for Parachutists in particular when there is a major change in their equipment i.e. First Free Fall, Change from Front and Back System etc.

2. A report had been received from **Barry Jeffrey** regarding the attachment 'fins' on a Wildfire Canopy coming off on deployment. The Riggers Committee are dealing with this.

Item 6 - Instructors Course (2 - 86)

The JNCOS gave details from the Instructors Course held

at British Skysports, Bridlington from 6-22 May 1986. The Course Report had previously been distributed to STC Members and it was proposed by **J. Rhatigan** and seconded by **Ian Louttit** that **Ian Passmore**, **David Byers**, **Adam Wickers** and **Kevin Hughes** be given 6 month extensions to their PI Rating.

Carried Unanimously

Item 7 - Drop Zones

A DZ for **Mike Bolton** at Lands End and a DZ at Staverton for **Mac McCarthy** are to be visited by the JNCOS and on their recommendation clearance may be given.

Two unrestricted DZs were cleared for C & D Licence Holders - Bassingbourn Barracks and one at Old Park Barracks, Dover.

Item 8 - Permissions

1. Six months extension for PI Rating for **M. Ramsay**. Proposed by **J. Rhatigan** and seconded by **Sean Lambe**.
2. The undermentioned personnel were given permission to jump at 1,500ft. AGL in the London-CTZS:

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L/Cpl. R. Sahi	556 jumps

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K. Skelley	1400 jumps
S. Best	1500 jumps
D. Chadwick	1200 jumps
S. Wilson	1000 jumps
P. Slattery	1000 jumps
S. Webb	600 jumps
C. Webb	600 jumps
J. Carter	500 jumps
T. Lambert	500 jumps
B. Parker	1000 jumps

Royal Engineers

T. Gillard	500 + jumps
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Proposed by **Ray Ellis** and seconded by **Pat Walters**.

3. **David Ruffel** requested permission to act as CCI British Skysports and to attend the next Pre Advanced Course whilst being short on time of about 3 months. Proposed by **John Rhatigan** and seconded by **Tony Knight**.
17 For. 2 Abstain - **Mac McCarthy**, **P. Cavanagh**.

Item 9 - A.O.B.

1. Re-pack cycle for canopies - input requested regarding change from 90 days to 120 days.

2. Input requested to make up of S.T.C. Voting Rights etc.

Date of next meeting 24th July 1986 at the Post House, Leicester, time 7.00 p.m.

REPORT OF BOARD OF INQUIRY INTO THE DEATH OF ANDREW WOLVEN

D.T. Hickling - BPA Examiner, Member
J.H. Hitchen - Joint National Coach & Safety Officer, Member

1. The Inquiry

The Inquiry convened at 11.00 hours on Monday 28th April 1986 at Wild Geese Skydiving Centre, Movenis, Co. Londonderry, Northern Ireland. Statements were studied and witnesses were interviewed. The local Police made available to the board the deceased parachuting documents and parachute assembly for examination. The documents and parachutes were examined by the board, statements and relevant documentation are attached to this report.

2. Background

Andrew Wolven of 15 Sandown Park South, Belfast, N. Ireland, BT5 6HE, was 32 years of age, he was a BPA Member No. 153181 valid until 31st March 1987 (Annex A) he held a Medical Certificate of Fitness to Parachute valid until 1.5.87, (Annex B) he was a Category 8 Parachutist (23.11.85 Annex C Experienced). FAI C Licence Holder (Annex D) with 93 descents prior to the accident. His Main and Reserve Parachute had been correctly packed (Reserve Packing Log - Annex E).

3. The Descent

At approximately 18:40 hours on the 25th April 1986, **Andrew Wolven** (the deceased) along with fellow jumper **Mrs Maggie Penny** exited a Cessna 182, piloted by **Mr. Brendan McIntyre**. At approx. 6,000ft. over Movenis DZ, Northern Ireland they intended to do a relative work exercise (fast/slow fall) from 7,000ft AGL, this altitude could not be reached because of cloud cover. They

released from the aircraft at approx. 6,000ft AGL, linked the piece, tumbled and then separated, the jumpers then remained facing each other in a stable position. At an altitude below 1,000ft AGL Mrs Maggie Penny deployed her main canopy which opened normally. Mr Andrew Wolven made no attempt to deploy either the main or reserve parachute and remained in the stable position until impact.

4. The Parachute Equipment

Andrew Wolven was wearing Parachute equipment belonging to himself.

- a) HARNESS AND CONTAINER - INVADER
- b) MAIN PARACHUTE CRUSLITE - SERIAL NO. 71413
MAIN DEPLOYMENT METHOD THROW-AWAY ON LEG STRAP WITH CURVED PIN
- c) RESERVE INVADER SERIAL NO. 73616. DATE MANUFACTURE 11.10.85 RESERVE DEPLOYMENT METHOD RIPCORD SINGLE PIN

5. Examination of the Equipment

All of his parachuting equipment was in good working condition and airworthy and had been used on the eight jumps prior.

The equipment was examined by the Board with the Police present, both the main and reserve deployment systems had not been operated and were in their respective pockets. The main was deployed and was found to be packed and assembled correctly and in the opinion of the Board would have functioned normally if it had been deployed.

Then the reserve parachute was deployed and inspected, this also was found to be packed and assembled correctly and would have operated normally if the reserve handle had been pulled (it was a very easy pull for a reserve).

The Board can only conclude that no attempt had been made to deploy either parachute.

Findings of the Board

.1 The Jumper

Andrew Wolven's parachuting documentation was in order and indicated that he was qualified to make the descent planned. His log books record that he has had low pulls in the past (Annex F). He also tended to visit different drop zones more than normal for a jumper of his level (this was probably due to his work).

.2 The Equipment

The equipment was in good order, fully serviceable and airworthy. It was almost new, and had been used only eight times prior to the accident.

.3 Post Jump Checks

All the correct post jump checks had been carried out.

7. Conclusions

The conclusion of the Board is that altitude awareness was lost certainly by Andrew Wolven and possibly by both jumpers, a contributory factor may have been that the planned exit altitude was not attained.

8. Recommendations

That when the planned exit altitude cannot be attained serious consideration should be given as to whether to cancel or modify the planned exercise, and to re-iterate the importance of continually having altitude awareness.

D.T. HICKLING - Member
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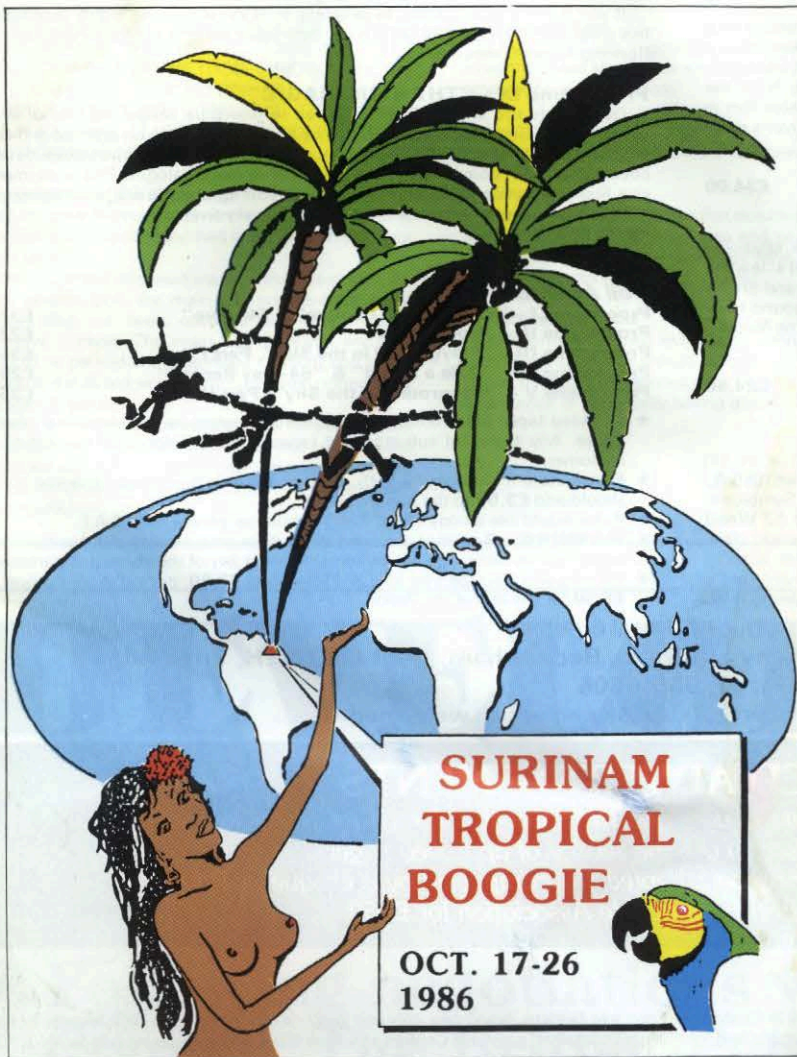
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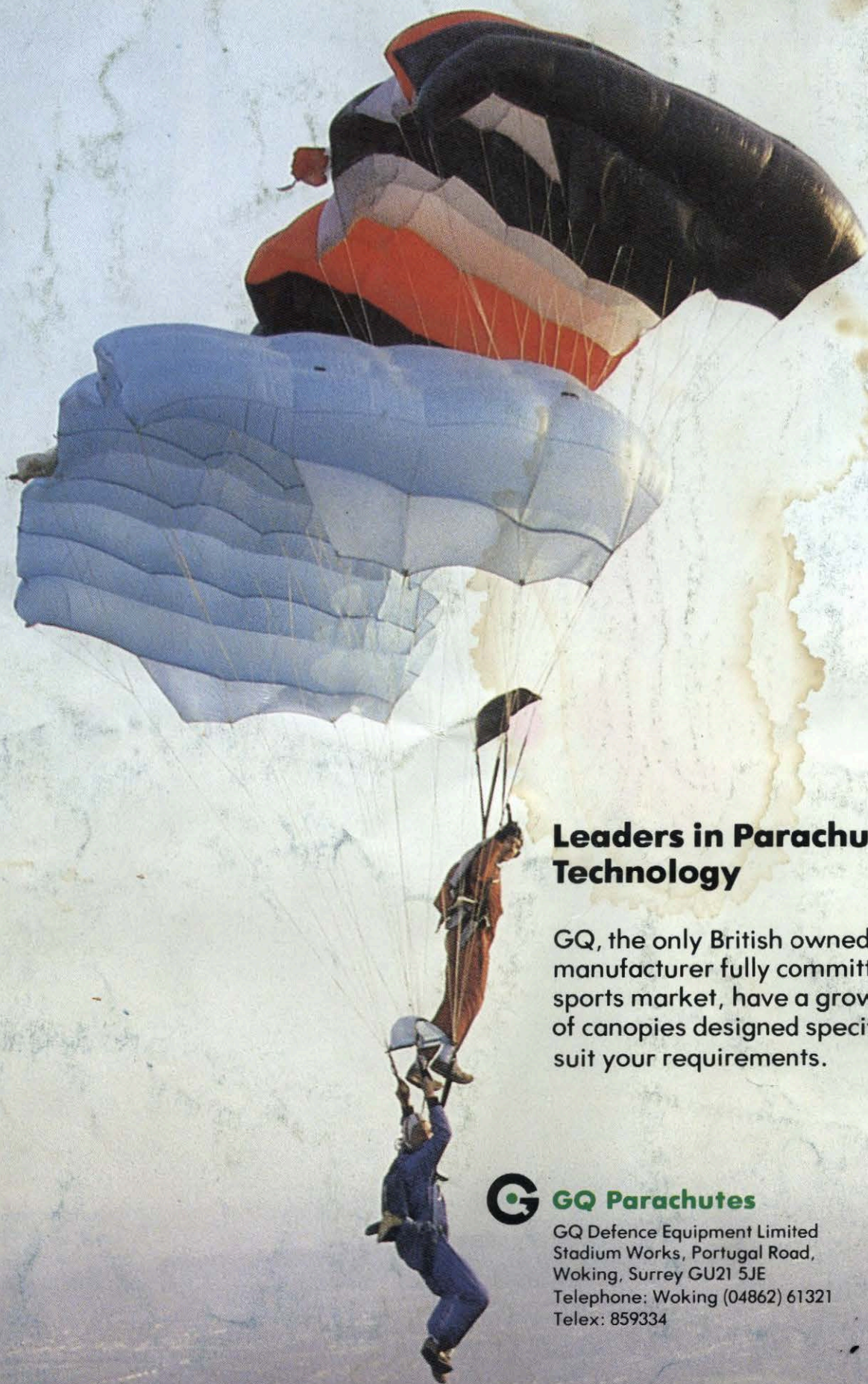
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