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Ever since I started skydiving, there has been talk of a UK wind tunnel. After 20 years I had begun to feel, "Yeah, yeah, yeah..." Finally, it has actually happened. The Bodyflight tunnel in Bedford has opened its doors, this Mag includes a review from DZ operator Stuart Meacock. Soon to follow will be AirKix, opening in October.

In my opinion this is the most significant development ever in British skydiving and the biggest opportunity to grow our sport in the UK, in terms of numbers, progression and quality. It has to be the best recruitment tool there is, especially the AirKix tunnel sited at Xscape, which will have a high through traffic of moneyed people who like adrenaline sports. Surely we will see increased numbers of people trying a skydive as a result. People often forget just how much fun wind tunnels are, you can't help smiling as you fly with total freedom, having no life-saving manoeuvres to perform. They are fabulous for spectators to watch people flying – really flying – right in front of their eyes.

In terms of learning, students can practice body position, stability, dummy pulls, turns and more in the tunnel. These skills translate well to freefall, giving them more confidence. So, as well as attracting more into the sport, I think we will retain a much higher percentage. In the bleak British winter we can still pursue our passion for flying and keep our freefall skills current. At any time of year, experienced skydivers who find unjumpable conditions at a drop zone can go off and practice their freefall skills, motivating them to return to the sky when the sun is back. This happened at the 4-way FS grand prix leg at Peterborough in September. No-one jumped but a group of 50 went to Bodyflight and still spent the day 'skydiving' – without packing!

Finally, British skydiving teams now have a UK facility for training. We have a really good position on the world stage with, in FS for example, VMax at the top, XL in fourth and VNE ranked fifth. These jumpers have done extraordinarily well, especially given the lack of good weather and facilities here. What our teams will be able to achieve now will be interesting to see. Certainly AirKix, our new world-record setting ladies 4-way team have a sponsorship deal of unlimited AirKix tunnel time, this is the best possible launch platform for their goal of world domination. I doubt if there is a single team at a World Meet which has not trained in a wind tunnel; having two in the UK will make a huge difference.

Many UK drop zones have embraced the tunnels as partners which is excellent. People who say wind tunnels are 'nothing to do with skydiving' couldn't be more wrong. They are everything to do with skydiving and, just like AADs, I think in time we'll find it difficult to remember how skydiving was without them.

Lesley

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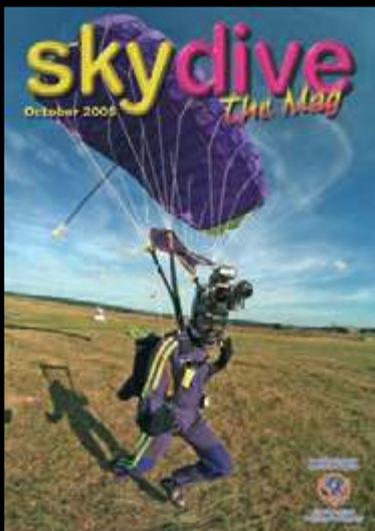
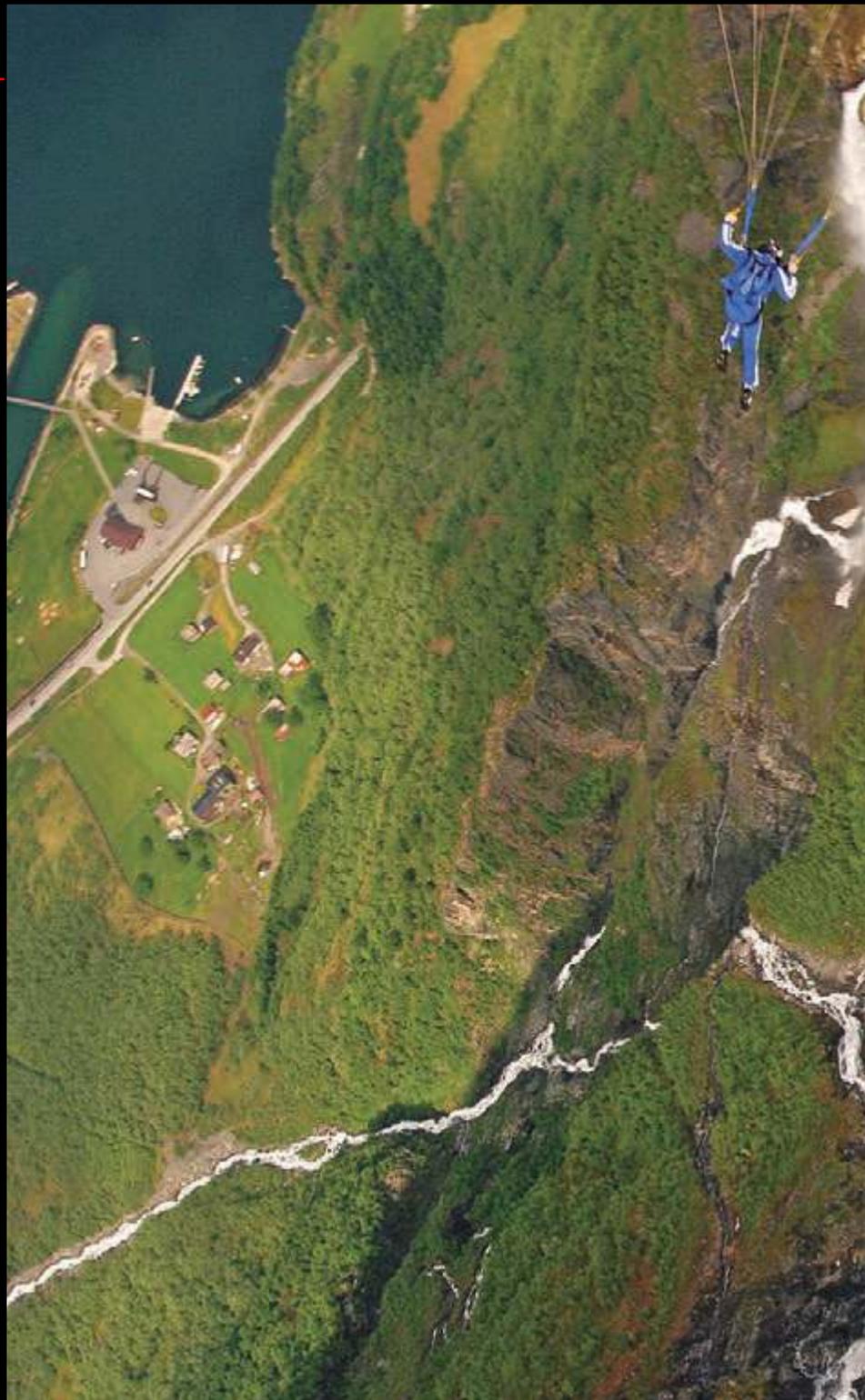
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Milky Ways

Much as Hibaldstow has established itself as the FS Nationals drop zone, Langar has long been the accepted Mecca for British big-way jumpers. They do a lot of medium-sized FS every weekend, their pilots are superb at formation flying and the huge landing area means large loads still have ample room.

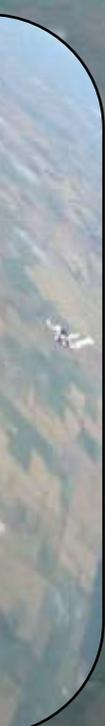
Milko's 50-way invitational, 16-17 July made a bunch of jumps from Tony de Bruyn's SkyVan and Langar's two Caravans, flying in tight formation. Dirtdives and debriefs were relaxed with no pressure and the vibe was good – glorious sunshine helps of course! Jump numbers on the load varied from 200 to 5,000 and the gender split was exactly fifty-fifty.

Milko has been running invitational events at Langar all year with a really excellent mix of up-and-coming super current team jumpers who have good body positions and excellent skills, combined with established old-timers with a lot of experience at diving from trail planes and techniques of flying big formations. It's been a great balance. Newcomers to big-ways have been able to learn skills they would never be able to practice in a wind tunnel, with a good approach line to follow.

The fabulous photos tell their own story... and so, overleaf, does Amanda, a top 4-way chick from One Non Blonde who's biggest formation previously was a 16-way! Her adventures are a perfect demonstration of the current climate in the sport. Once upon a time big-ways were only the territory of the proven 'anciens'. (No offence Cool Kat, it has a different meaning in French!) Now there are increasing opportunities for jumpers like Amanda to get on this kind of load, because when they do, they perform excellently and, moreover, bring enthusiasm and excitement to the party.

Lesley Gale





Photos: Tony Danbury

"The first big-way I saw was the Brit Chicks in 2002. Since then my goal has been to be part of a big-way. But how does a baby skydiver get an invite on such an illustrious event ?

"I heard about Milko's invitational, so I devised a plan. I had been coached by Rob Stevenson, Sebastian XL's cameraman, so I asked him to write a reference. Bingo, I had a slot! However, my largest formation was a 16-way!

"I rolled up on Saturday and found a corner to hide in! Some people asked me why I was there... I just hoped my skydiving would answer that question.

"I was put in the Skyvan, I have jumped from this beast before, but it still gives me butterflies! On the ride up I used imagery to combat my nerves. My stomach was in my mouth when I left the plane but I made it and docked as lightly as possible. Phew!

"I gained in confidence all the time. After four jumps, I was moved to be part of a whacker and diving out of the trail plane. I was lucky to be following Rhino, who is extremely experienced and a great teacher. I aimed to follow him – I couldn't dive fast enough, but it gave me inspiration! The next jump was better, as Rhino somersaulted in front of me, this made me relax as I was laughing so much!

"I had a fantastic time and learned loads as I wasn't afraid to ask questions. Everyone was very helpful, offering loads of advice and encouragement. Cheers to Milko, Hannah, Rhino and Tony.

"The best way to improve is to challenge yourself, try something new and get out of your comfort zone! Go on, go for it, you've got nothing to lose!"

Amanda 'Goosey' Karlsson
Team 'one.non.blonde'



Photo: Marcus Beck

Room dive to celebrate jumping milestones for Hannah (400), Caroline (600) and Diane (1001)



Photo: Marcus Beck



Whoops!

The only event of note was Charlie Hoare who jumped four canopies in four jumps. He noticed his risers were worn on his usual kit so he borrowed a Stiletto – which turned out, when he was under it, to be a Sabre! Then he hit his pack on the Caravan door causing a premature reserve deployment and had a long and lonely ride down from 14,000 feet! See photo to right. As Charlie's kit then needed a repack, he borrowed more gear, yet another canopy. Fortunately life became less exciting at this point and he remained on this kit happily and uneventfully for the rest of the weekend.



UK Freefly Festival



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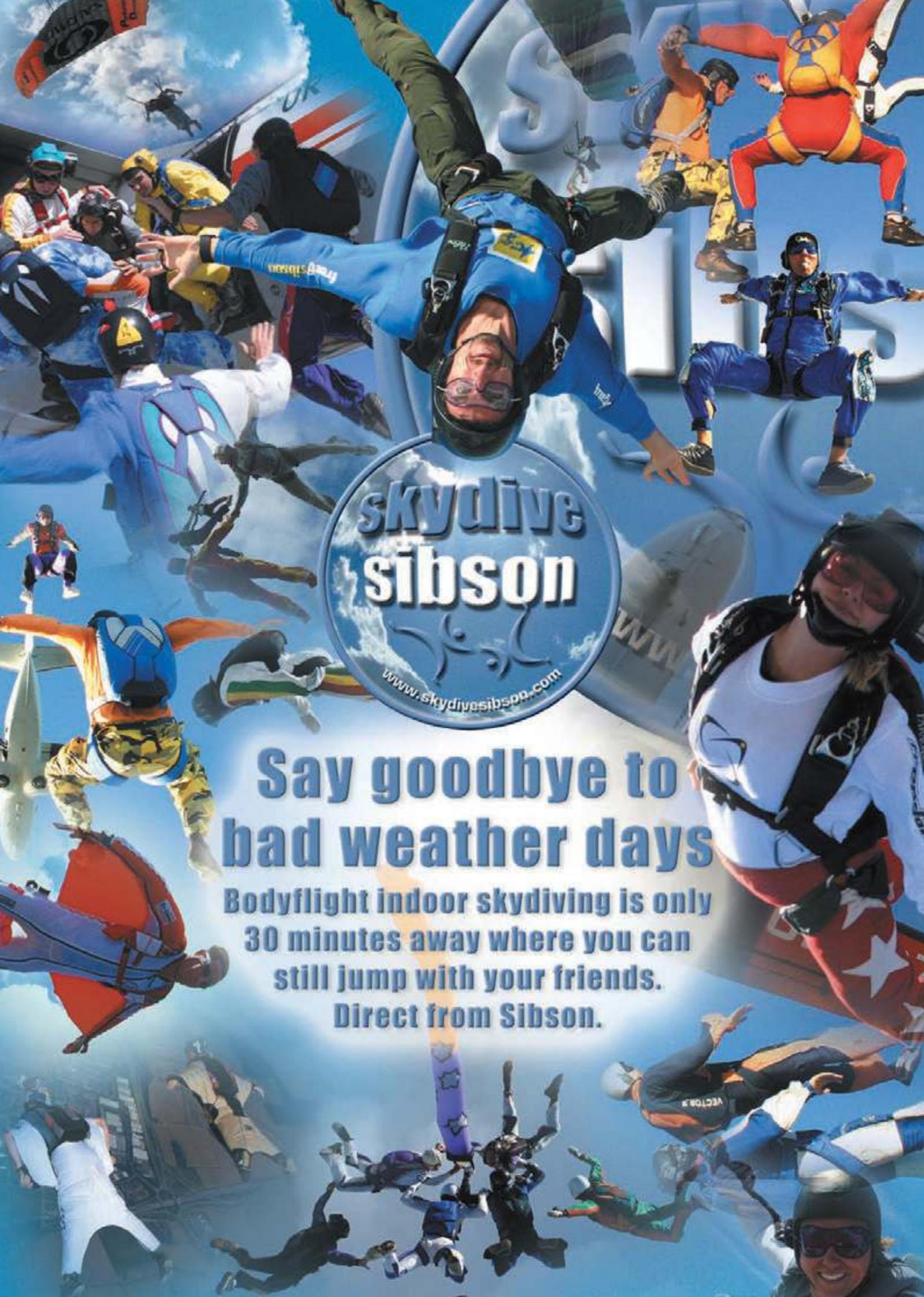




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Christmas Boogies are being held at Skydive Spain, in Seville and the Algarve, in Portugal, contact Hannah for details and assistance.

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Jim Stevenson



Rob Silver in Bodyflight's tunnel, by Sarah Hall

UK Wind Tunnel News

The Bodyflight wind tunnel in Bedford has opened its doors. Its 5 metre diameter, 8 metre high flying chamber is the largest tunnel space used by skydivers in the world. Full review on page 32.

www.bodyflight.co.uk

Freefly Tunnel Camps

Rob Silver and Chris Lynch, freefly and freestyle national champions are running freefly tunnel camps. Each two day camp will have 6 students. Dates are Oct 15-16, 22-23, 29-30; Nov 5-6, 19-20, 26-27, Dec 10-11, others to be announced. Book through Rob or Chris.

Rob Silver – tunnelrob@gmail.com
Chris Lynch – gottaflychris@yahoo.co.uk

Airspeed UK Tunnel Camps

World Champions Gary Beyer and Mark Kirkby, ex-Airspeed, are coming to the UK to run their well-established format tunnel camps. Various dates between 1 and 11 November at AirKix are planned, see website. You can have individual coaching or the 4-way extravaganza where two of you fly with Mark and Gary to see how fast you can really go!

www.airkix.com

Other UK tunnel camps are being arranged faster than we can report them so check all websites for the latest info.



Mark Kirkby

JM's Newsround

UK Freefly

A website has been set up to keep UK skydivers up to date with freefly events, with a forum and team-forming page.

www.ukfreefly.com

Herc Boogie

The Herc Boogie 2006 has been cancelled.

www.herculesboogie.com

African Freefall Convention

A South African boogie over Christmas will use a combination of Antonovs (one is the 72-place AN-32), Casas, helicopters and maybe a Herc from Matikeng Airfield. Details are still being finalised. Wingsuits and freeflying will be big. Load organisers include Jari Kuosma, Brian Germaine and Dave Morris. Accommodation is in a top quality hotel with pool.

www.africanfreefall.com

London Skydivers

Skydivers living in and around London meet for a social on the fourth Thursday of every month at the Lloyds No1 Bar, Montague Pyke on the Charing Cross Road, from 6pm. An area is reserved at the rear of the bar, look for the skydiving T-shirts or follow the racket! The bar has DVD and video facilities so you can show off your latest videos on their giant plasma screens. The next two gatherings are Thursday 27 Oct and Thursday 24 Nov, everyone welcome!

<http://sports.groups.yahoo.com/group/londonskydivers/>

Financial Help with Skydiving Training

The Royal Aero Club Trust is once again inviting applications from young people, aged between 16 and 21 wishing to advance their skills in a flying arena. Qualifications such as FF1, FS1, and the new CH1 & CH2, CP1 & CP2 are ideal candidates for the bursaries, which are awarded for specific projects rather than general skydiving.

www.royalaeroclubtrust.org

Arizona Tunnel Open

The long awaited SkyVenture tunnel is now open, offering flights and coaching by Airspeed members, current world champions in 8-way. Airspeed have incorporated tunnel time into their full time training plan. The tunnel has a 14 foot diameter, making it larger than SkyVenture Orlando and Perris but smaller than Bodyflight in the UK.

www.Skyventureaz.com

Swoop News

Ian Bobo (who was fishing for trout on our April 05 cover) recently set a new record for the world's longest swoop, 678.64 feet.

www.performance designs.com

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All current wingsuit knowledge finally in one place!

Prospective wingsuit pilots have until now had to search several different sources in order to learn about our exciting and constantly evolving sport. Now, at long last, it's all in one place. *Skyflying, Wingsuits In Motion* by Scott Campos contains just about all current knowledge and best practices, written by one of the most experienced instructor/examiners today.

The book is very well laid out, using the latest 3D computer-animated drawings to allow easy visualisation of body position. A logical approach is used and begins with covering an area I believe most wingsuit pilots understand least: aerodynamics.

Without going overboard, Scott explains the essential knowledge clearly and applies it specifically to our area. With a greater understanding of the principles of flight, the average wingsuit pilot stands to gain a lot in terms of performance and this section should be studied by even the experienced.

The book covers the current designs of suit from all established manufacturers and is very up to date. All the aspects of the wingsuit first jump course are covered so people thinking of attending a course would gain a lot by reading this book beforehand. Gear selection, flight plans, aircraft exits and flocking techniques are discussed in detail.

Later chapters discuss more specialised interests such as smoke brackets and how they can be adapted for wingsuit use, night flights and camera set-ups with filming techniques specifically for flocking dives are reviewed. I particularly liked the discussion of high altitude flights and the symptoms/consequences of hypoxia which I have personally experienced on high altitude loads. Performance-orientated topics such as GPS equipment and their use in the measurement of glide ratio, wingsuit base and exercise regimes geared towards wingsuit flight are covered also. This is a great reference text, a must for DZs, wingsuit instructors and students, with fantastic animation. Nice one Scott!



The next Exotic Sky Adventures boogie will be in Sri Lanka, 17 Feb – 5 Mar 2006. Aircraft will be Mi-17s, with the usual raft of world class organisers and cameraflyers. The package includes top hotel accommodation and there is time built in for seeing Sri Lanka's jungles, beaches and culture.

www.exoticskyadventures.nl

Hans van Marrewijk

Adrian Nicholas

We were shocked and unbelievably saddened to hear of the death of Adrian Nicholas just before we went to press. Adrian did a swoop landing at Texel, Holland and his AAD (Cypres) fired the reserve at about 300 feet, he hit the ground so hard he died at the scene from his injuries.

Adrian did incredible pioneering work with freeflying and wingsuits, flying a lot with 'Deug', Patrick de Gayardon, the famous French skydiver. Adrian made the first flights through the Grand Canyon and over the Great Wall of China. He was a world meet bronze medallist in freefly with Olav Zipser, in Turkey, 1997. He broke Joe Kittinger's long standing record for the longest freefall; for this Adrian used a wingsuit and set a new record of 4 minutes and 55 seconds. He holds the record for the furthest unassisted human flight (10 miles). In 2000, Adrian ran a project culminating in him jumping the parachute which Leonardo da Vinci designed in 1483.

Adrian was a wonderful man, lovely, genuine, funny, clever, kind. Irreplaceable, unique and gifted. Passionate about his life, his loves, his skydiving. An inspiration. We will be running a tribute to Adrian in the next, December, magazine, and invite contributions of photographs and memorials.

Swedish video editor Glenn Johannesson has set up a dream book so you can remember Adrian and/or send messages to the loved ones he leaves behind; his lady, Katarina Ollikainen, and their daughter Ella, who is just under a year old.



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Kate Stephens	World Champion with V-Max, Brit Chicks co-organiser, FS Coach
Andy Scott	7 times National 8-way Champion with Army 9 and VNE, represented GB 4 times, FS Coach, AFF Instructor
Mark Whitehead	6 times National 8-way Champion with Army 9 and VNE, represented GB 4 times, FS Coach, AFF Instructor
Tom Scanlon	Senior Nationals 4-Way Competitor for over 10 years, FS Coach
Martin Soulsby	7 times National 8-way Champion, Junction 9 and VNE, represented GB 4 times, FS Coach
Liz Groucott	2 times World Champion with V-Max, FS Coach
Sacha Chilton	3 times World Champion with V-Max, FS Coach
Team Airkix	Julia Foxwell, Amanda Kemp and Emma Hammersley, Team Airkix members
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FS Nationals

The 2005 National Championships in Formation Skydiving was again hosted at Target Skysports, Hibaldstow. Affectionately known as 'Hib', the DZ has been home to the event every year since 2000, each time building and improving upon the success of previous years.

The nationals once again followed the popular weekend format that has proven so successful since its introduction in 2001. This was an idea originally proposed by competitors in which the meet is run over two consecutive 3-day weekends (Saturday to Monday), with a third back-up weekend in reserve. This allows teams to conserve their annual leave for training and means less committed teams can participate without having to take a whole week off work. Since the introduction of the weekend format, and also as a result of the efforts of the BPA and the top level teams in the form of coaching roadshows, formation skydiving has seen an explosion of growth. The UK now has the second largest nationals in the world, surpassed only by the US. FS is alive and well in the UK!

This was also an 'on' year, meaning the teams would not only be fighting to be this year's national champions, but also for the right to be selected to represent the UK at next year's World Championships, in Germany during August 2006.

The 4-way Draw

On the evening of Friday 29 July, despite the poor weather forecast, the tightly packed campground indicated a high turnout. A total of fifty-three 4-way teams registered for the meet. This was our biggest nationals ever! 13 senior, 18 intermediate and 22 junior teams would be battling for glory, with a flightline of three G92s ready and able to make it happen. It was great to see a couple of world famous competitors at a British Nationals in the form of Solly Williams and Dan BC, both over from the US coaching UK teams. This, at least, would give the fashion police a reason to get out of bed in the morning!

With the draw made (combined with the European Skydiving League which the UK now participates in), the teams packed onto the creeper pad to prepare for the first few rounds. Bad forecast or not, competitors opted for a quiet night and early bed, ready for a 7am wheels-off. Just in case the weatherman was wrong...

First Weekend (30 Jul - 1 Aug)

Michael Fish had left the building and the stand-in weather dude was right; solid low cloud as far as the eye could see. As the teams went through their prep, the DZ announced a stand-down for a few hours as the weather looked set to stay. A short break in the afternoon allowed a few teams to jump round 1 but the rain soon returned to end the day.

Sunday morning proved similar, if a little brighter, and teams milled about prepping round 1...

again! Then at 3pm the weather broke and the Hibble machine swung into action, coordinated by James on manifest. By the end of the day, a staggering 65 loads had been flown in just five and a half hours, allowing the meet to get halfway through round 4. Dan BC, a veteran of many world level competitions, was impressed. After a day and a half, the drop zone suddenly had life back in it, and hopes were high for completion on Monday...

Alas, it was not to be. Monday morning saw yet more cloud and it was soon obvious that the event was going to run over into the next weekend, and cause clashes with the 8-way and artistic teams. Which event would take priority, 4-way or 8-way? Could all teams come back? The DZ buzzed with discussions about how the rules would apply; meanwhile, the judging team took the chance to catch up with scoring yesterday's rounds.

As the day progressed, the DZ stood down the intermediate and junior teams who had completed round 4 and focussed on getting all senior teams completely through round 5 as the weather allowed. All back next weekend then...

Second Weekend (5-8 Aug)

Well if you thought the campsite was crowded on the first weekend, add a bunch of 8-way, freefly, freestyle, skysurf and speed skydiving competitors!

Friday night saw the necessary redraw of the remaining rounds and also much discussion between the meet officials, team captains and BPA FS rep over the intended order of running the various events. Unfortunately, seven of the 4-way teams could not make the second weekend and a reduced number of 8-way teams registered, with some teams/team members electing not to compete in 8-way as it would remove their focus from the 4-way. Rumour has it that there was actually one person on the DZ who didn't ask Andy Scott (our beloved FS rep) how the events would be run. This rumour is, however, unconfirmed.

Eventually a compromise was reached whereby 4-way would restart for two rounds, then switch to 8-way for two, then back to 4-way. Although not ideal, it seemed the fairest way to operate under the conditions we had. The mix would put extra strain on competitors entering both 4-way and 8-way events but then, that's what we get paid the big bucks for! (What big bucks?!). Anyway, James was taking manifest all a bit too much in his stride and needed the extra challenge. In all, 8-way saw 11 teams registered; 4 senior and 7 intermediate. It was going to be a busy day and the announcement of a 6.30am wheels-off confirmed this.

Even with a couple of weather holds, Saturday saw all the 4-way events complete bar the final round, with a good chunk of the 8-ways done too. On Sunday, with all 4-way events completed in the morning, the 8-way event steamed on through to round 8.



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4-way Junior

4-way juniors saw a close finish, with just a single point deciding the gold and silver medals. *FFU5* took the lead in round 4 and, despite wavering right at the end, took the gold by a single point from *One Non Blonde*. *D4* looked like taking third until *Escondido* produced two storming last rounds to take bronze, four points behind *1NB*.

4-way Intermediate

The 4-way intermediate event saw a close battle among the top three teams, who quickly pulled away from the rest of the field. *Helix*, having taken the lead in round 2, managed to hold on all the way to win by a single point. *Mach 4*, tied with *Damn Zebra* for the second half of the meet, pulled out an intermediate record 23 on round 8 to secure the silver, a single point behind *Helix*, with *Damn Zebra* having to settle for bronze a further four points behind. *Helix* proved to be popular winners; these guys have worked hard and their plundering raid south of the border proved a great success.

4-way Senior

Seniors was a largely a contest between the Army, *Scratch 'n' Spank* (*Spank* being last years 4-way national silver medallists and the UK team at the World Meet in Croatia), *XLW* (a combination of *XL* and last year's 4-way champions *Wizards*) and the new female team *AirKix*. Round 2 was a fast random round (K-B-H-A-M for those who want to give it a go) which resulted in many personal bests amongst the teams. Most notably was a score of 30 for *AirKix* which is a new female world record – beating *VMax*'s previous record of 28 (F-9-N-E). Fantastic!! *AirKix* maintained their lead to end round 5, and the first weekend, on 86 points ahead of *Spank* on 81, with *XLW* and *Army* on 80 and 77 respectively.

Unfortunately, *XLW* had to withdraw from the competition after the first weekend due to coaching commitments. The second weekend saw *Spank* slowly close the gap to 2 points by round 9, before taking round 10 by 3 points on the freeze frame to win on 149, a single point ahead of *AirKix*. The *Army* produced some of their best dives to finish third, behind the chicks, on 143. The tight finish made for a great meet. It was significant that three non-professional teams posted 14+ averages, a first for a UK nationals.

4-way Prizegiving & Party

The 4-way prizegiving took place in the failing light on Sunday night, with a huge crowd cheering on the medallists. In a sport unspolited by money, it is the appreciation of your peers and fellow competitors that makes all the training and hard work worthwhile; as such, these moments are very, very special. The usual party madness followed on, but for the 8-way teams, who had more work to do in the morning, it was a bit more of a quiet affair. Bed before dawn then. Well, almost. 😊



AirKix



Cuidado



3 Sinners & A Saint





South Parc by Mike McGowan



Senior Gold - Spank



Senior Silver - AirKix



Intermediate Gold - Helix



Intermediate Silver - Mach 4



Junior Gold - FFU5



Junior Bronze - Escondido

Mach 4 by Gary Wainwright



4-WAY RESULTS

Junior

		Total	Ave
1	FFU5	79	9.88
2	One Non Blonde	78	9.75
3	Escondido	74	9.25
4	D4	67	8.38
5	Qi	62	7.75
6	Elemental	61	7.63
7	Exile	59	7.38
8	Tom & Gerry	58	7.25
9	O4	58	7.25
10	100%	55	6.80
11	Synchronise	55	6.88
12	Murphy's Law	51	6.38
13	4 Better 4 Worse	45	5.63
14	Team Gorgeous	40	5.00
15	That's The Badger	38	4.75
16	Avanti	37	4.63
17	Fat Chicks	36	4.50
18	Reflex	19	2.38
19	Vortex	18	2.25
20	Potentially Hazardous	14	1.75
21	Mimic	13	1.63
22	Birds, Jocks & Pikeys	6	0.75

Senior

1	Scratch & Spank	149	14.90
2	AirKix	148	14.80
3	Army	143	14.30
4	4 Motion	130	13.00
5	South Parc	111	12.33
6	Optic	95	10.56
7	Beavers & Butthead	84	10.50
8	3 Sinners & A Saint	83	10.38
9	XLW	80	10.00
10	Donkey Majik	73	9.13
11	O66	52	6.50
12	Knife	50	6.25
13	Vertigo	44	5.50

Intermediate

1	Helix	102	12.75
2	Mach 4	101	12.63
3	Damn Zebra	97	12.13
4	Team Beaver	82	10.25
5	Evolution	76	9.50
6	Ritz Pixies	57	7.13
7	Matrix	50	6.25
8	Fork	45	5.63
9	Cuidado	44	5.50
10	Trolley'd	38	4.75
11	FSOK	38	4.75
12	Submarine Business	23	3.29
13	Flynavyjumpmarines	27	3.38
14	Let's Get Horny	27	3.38
15	Fantastic 4	10	2.63
16	Spoon	19	2.38
17	Quake	18	2.25
18	Squirrely	13	1.63



Knife



Murphy's Law



Vertigo



Let's Get Horny



Fork

8-way

8-way Intermediate

In the 8-way intermediate event, Sounds Grrr8 used their training to pull an early lead on the other teams. A disastrous 0 in round 5 however, as a result of losing a floater on climb-out, evened things up and resulted in a tie on 49 points over 8 rounds with DeLangar Trajik, who had skydived with great discipline for a team with only 12 training jumps together. Sounds Grrr8 won the jump off to take gold and DeLangar Trajik the silver, which everyone agreed was the right result. Weston Plumm8 went home with the bronze.

8-way Senior

This was to be VNE's last meet together. National champions since 2000 and having representing the UK admirably at world level for a number of years, VNE had decided it was time to step down and hand over the reins. As usual they dominated the event, to finish on 117 points, well ahead of Whatever on 83. Elsinore NRA finished 3 points ahead of Fun Unlimited to take the bronze.

8-way Prizegiving

The prizegiving took place on the Sunday afternoon, allowing those who had partied hard the opportunity to attend. All the worthy medallists took the adoration of the crowd, with VNE up last.

With six consecutive wins in the 8-way, it was fitting for Rob Colpus to present the senior 8-way shield to VNE. Rob had a starring role on the great Symbiosis team which won the title on five consecutive occasions from 1976 to 1981 (although Rob was at pains to point out that he was, in fact, a ten times winner of the 8-way title – you can't keep a Cool Kat down!) 😊

Being the team's last year, a touching send-off had been prepared for VNE with many written testimonials from friends, coaches and fellow competitors read out in front of the crowd. The emotional atmosphere was ended when the team were ambushed with cream pies by their 'friends'. What had they done to deserve that?

So, What Next?

The invites will now go out for the teams to represent the UK at the World Meet in 2006. AirKix are aiming high – gold in the 4-way female event – and have a training plan to help them achieve it. Whatever also have a heavy training schedule ahead of them, and starting with such a high skill base we have the potential for another great 8-way team. 4-way open? Who knows, hey 😊* Before that though, the teams have another focus – the World Cup in Arizona in October this year. Let's wish them all well.

A Personal Perspective

Over the past five years we have seen a huge growth in FS in this country and it has been a great pleasure – and honour – to have been part of it. It was apparent from nationals that the quality of FS teams is still rising and it is important for the future of our discipline that this continues. As such, it was good to see both new UK wind tunnels represented at the DZ during the meet.

Wind tunnels allow teams to supplement their skydiving training and having them available in the UK will be a huge plus for the



sport. UK FS skydiving has been a big player at world level recently; to maintain this and have the potential for podium finishes in the future we must use all the tools available to us.

Although the bad weather (of which we had lots!) had resulted in an over-run of the 4-way, and consequently had a knock-on effect on the 8-way and artistic events, we still managed to complete all events over their full 8 or 10 rounds and within the allotted time. This could not have been achieved without a DZ with the drive and organisation of Hib, and the superb group of competitors and meet officials who, despite all the issues, eventually just got on with it and made it happen. We all learned a few lessons about how things could be improved for future events and have the opportunity now to put them in place (Andy Scott was already drafting rule changes on the DZ during the 8-way event!).

Running our nationals using the weekend format with this many teams will always have the potential for raising some issues, regardless of how encompassing the rules are. But it is a price worth paying for this luxury. When (and not if) a meet has issues in the future, we need to remember that we do this for fun – let's just go easy on each other and make it happen again.

Nationals 2005. Turned out nice again. 😊😊
Stumpy
VNE 8-way, Spank 4-way

😊* = Only joking Dave!!



Fun Unlimited



Helix



Escondido





Whatever by Gary Wainwright



Intermediate Gold - Sounds Grrr8



Intermediate Silver - DeLangar Trajik

8-WAY RESULTS

Intermediate

		Total	Ave
1	Sounds Grrr8	56*	6.22
2	DeLangar Trajik	54*	6.00
3	Weston Plumm8	34	4.25
4	Omlette	26	3.25
5	Soup Dragon	22	2.75
6	Blockworx	20	2.50
7	Detrimental	12	1.50

* Over 9 rounds

Senior

1	VNE	117	11.70
2	Whatever	83	8.30
3	Elsinore NRA	44	4.40
4	Fun Unlimited	41	4.10



Senior Silver - Whatever



Senior Bronze - Elsinore NRA



XLW



Submarine Business



Ritz Pixies



eXiLe



Matrix

Now It's All Over ...

Unbelievably, this was the first time that the nationals have not completed on the first weekend, so the only time the rollover weekend has been put to the test in five years of this format. Now the meet is over and the dust has settled, what can we learn for future years?

From a Competitor...

There was a lot of discussion about the effect of the 4-way event running over into the second weekend and the knock-on effect it was having on the 8-way and artistic events, including the possibility of these events being pushed back into the third weekend. A certain amount of criticism was directed at the rules, meet officials etc, and a number of teams had to withdraw from the competition as they could not attend on the second weekend.

Weekend Nationals

Although not perfect, we must remember that the weekend nationals format was introduced at the request of competitors to minimise time off work; this would allow teams more time to train and encourage more teams to participate. Since its introduction in 2001, we have had remarkably good weather and completed all events early. At some point this had to change.

Follow the Rules

The discussion will undoubtedly continue but some things would be worth remembering. Once the rules are published, we really do have to follow them whether we think they are right or wrong. If we want to make changes for the future, we do so after the meet (By the way, the first proposed rule changes for 2006, were already being drafted on the DZ while the 8-way meet was going on – your FS rep is listening!)

In reality, any set of rules which allows a competition to stop and restart at a later date is going to be full of holes if you look deeply enough, and relies on the goodwill and sporting nature of competitors to make it happen (no flying off in the team Porter to practice the rounds – now which nation would do that then?) 😊

Speedy Turnaround

With the weekend format potentially requiring attendance on three consecutive 3-day weekends, competitors must make themselves available, or register alternates, to cover this possibility. We cannot assume it will all be done in the first weekend.

Despite all the bad weather (of which there was lots), and the disruption, overlap, record number of FS teams, and two other disciplines to cover, all events were completed over the full 8 or 10 rounds within the allotted six days, without having to use the third weekend. Well done Hib!

Accept It's Not Perfect

To accommodate the weekend format, we have to accept early starts and late finishes to complete on time. As any experienced competitor will know, a competition is not about doing your best under ideal conditions, it is about performing the best you can under any given meet conditions. For teams wishing to progress to world level, this is good practice! If we stick with weekend nationals, we will probably find ourselves in a similar position again. We have to accept that it will not always be perfect and we may have to compromise.

Benefits of Weekend Nationals

The discussion will undoubtedly continue at competitions committee regarding the merits of each case and 2006 will see a modified set of rules. Looking at the growth in FS in the UK over the last five years and the unprecedented number of teams at the nationals, most people will agree that the benefits of the weekend format are well worth the compromise, flexibility and maturity that it takes to accommodate it. During this time, we have seen the UK become a major player at world level, peaking in 2003 with VMax (gold in 4-way female), XL (fourth in 4-way open) and VNE (fifth in 8-way open). The weekend format has given these teams more time to train and more teams to pitch themselves against come the nationals.

Have Your Say

Mature discussions are needed. New rules have already been drafted giving more specific guidelines on who is responsible, and what to do in various scenarios. Competitions committee will be considering all the points raised at the nationals and more besides. Written input is invited so, rather than criticise with the benefit of hindsight, a more proactive approach is to send in your opinions to have your say in shaping the rules for the future.

Stumpy (Ian Matthews)
Spank & VNE



Weston Plumm8



Optic



Army 4



Evolution



Potentially

Despite bad weather and overlap, Target Skysports, the Swallows and their three turbine G92s still completed all the events within six days



Ground photos: Gary Wainwright, Ash Kemp, Ivan Betts, Darren Birkin, Simon Brentford and Target Skysports

From Your FS Rep...

In order to help all involved with the UK nationals understand the weekend format back-up plans, I have written some additions.

It's important to consider the following factors:

- * How to get maximum participation
- * Availability of judges
- * Competitor availability vs interest
- * Funding year criteria
- * Running costs
- * The UK weather

Rollover Scenarios

From the above, here is a summary for confirmation of rules:

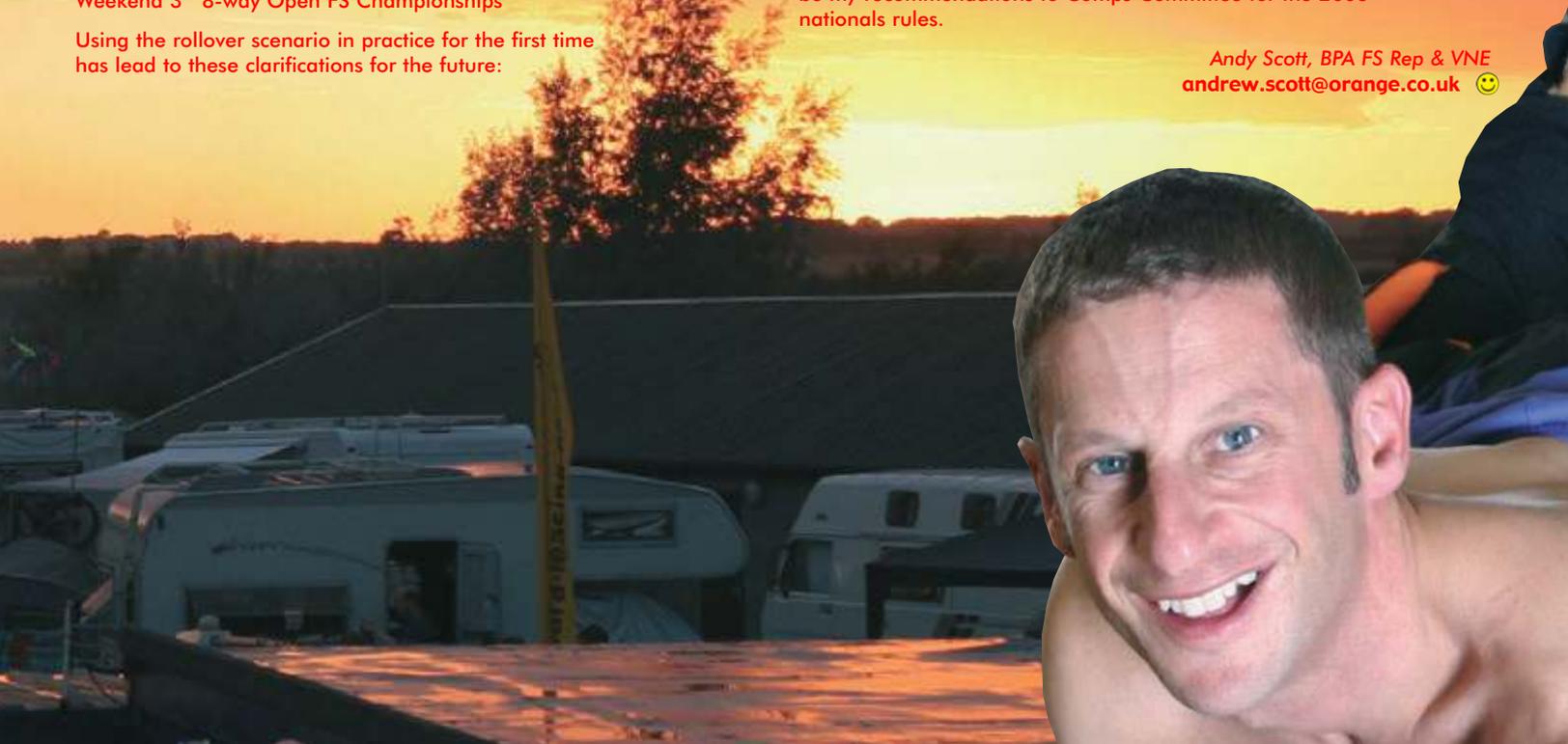
- Weekend 1 4-way FS Open Championships
- Weekend 2 4-way FS Open Championships
& 8-way FS Open Championships
- Weekend 3 8-way Open FS Championships

Using the rollover scenario in practice for the first time has lead to these clarifications for the future:

- * Junior and intermediate 4-way and 8-way teams to have an extra alternate – the aim being to increase likelihood of being able to make a rollover weekend. (Seniors to stick to IPC rules.)
- * 4-way has priority until round 6, to give enough rounds to call the meet, then 8-way until round 6 (unless cloud base stops 8-way), then finish 4-way.
- * Meet director will invite teams who make the cut to do rounds 9 & 10 – they may choose not to and freeze their score.
- * 4 and 8-way will not run at the same time.
- * Incomplete rounds will be re-drawn using unused formations first (on the second weekend if needed).
- * Teams who miss a call for whatever reason (team member missing that day, etc) will zero for that round (only).

As well as these clarifications I have some proposed ideas for the role of the meet director to add to the rules to cover liaison with the DZ, judges and competitors. There will never be a perfect situation that satisfies all but this is the best balance I have arrived at after a lot of discussion with teams and with all of their considerations taken into account. These will be my recommendations to Comps Committee for the 2006 nationals rules.

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Hazardous



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South Parc



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Artistics Nationals



After the bad weather for the 4-way on the weekend before the artistics there was a lot of worrying as to whether the artistics would be going ahead. On the Friday it was decided that the remaining 4-way rounds would be run at the same time as the artistics and the 8-way. We weren't sure if it was possible for everything to be completed by the Monday but the staff at Target Skysports (Hibaldstow) managed to pull this off with ease, keeping us all happy.

The weather may have put off some teams from entering so the turnout was not quite so good as 2004. Despite this there was some very close competition between the teams and the standard of flying has improved leaps and bounds since last year's nationals.

Freefly B

This was the first year that the B category has had two compulsory rounds just like the A category. Although they are sometimes difficult this will hopefully prepare our B teams for the step up to A category.

Only four teams entered the B category but the level of competition made it worthwhile. The top two teams (*Theory & Narli*) had Dan Parker from *Space* and Andy Newell from *Euphoria* doing camera and coaching. The other two teams (*Tribute & UK Freefly*) showed us some nice routines and worked hard in the compulsory rounds.

Theory just missed out on gold, coming second to *Narli* who impressed us all with their head-up back-to-back carving and the overall cleanliness of the routine. One of the members only just got their FF1 at Christmas, it just goes to show how much you can improve with coaching!

Freefly A

Just like the B category, four teams entered the freefly A competition. The standard was extremely close and the pressure was on!

All four teams had been training in Lillo two weeks prior to the competition. This made all of them train even harder! Teams were catching glimpses of the other team's videos, and watching their exits with much interest. Although the competition here at the nationals was intense, the atmosphere was very friendly and everyone learnt a lot from each other.

The fight for third place was between *Bullet Freefly* and *Avalore*. In the first three rounds *Bullet Freefly* were leading until *Avalore* pulled ahead with a 6.1 and *Bullet* had multiple busts on their round 5 compulsories. However, there was confusion on the wording for the compulsories, which was protested and *Bullet's* 0 was changed to 2.4. This brought them ahead of *Avalore* and proved to be too much of a difference to catch up with only two rounds left.

This year Jim from *Space* joined Andy and Mike from *Euphoria* to compete as *Space Euphoria* and put the pressure on then three times national champions *FreeJive*. In the first two rounds the teams' scores were equal, then *FreeJive* pulled ahead slightly, only for *Space Euphoria* to catch up and score higher on round 5. On the last two rounds *FreeJive* dug deep and managed to produce a score of 8! In the end they took their fourth national championship title but only won by 0.3.

We look forward to next year, can *FreeJive* hold their title? Or will *Space Euphoria* take it from them?

Skysurf

Only one team ended up competing in the A category for skysurf. Louis Harwood (*Avalore Freefly*) and Paul Hollow (*Hibaldstow CCI*) were going to compete in the B category but this didn't work out.

The A team, *Insanely Board*, did very well and performed some nice routines. Rohan (performer) only had 200 jumps in January and now has over 400, he has been working hard on his board and the training shows. We hope they compete next year and can hopefully recruit more people to give this discipline a try.

Summary

Although a smaller turnout than last year the competition was an excellent experience and it is obvious that the standard of British freeflying is improving. Artistics events in the UK need to be continually supported. With a little nurturing, in a few years we could have several teams capable of placing well at world level competition.

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FreeJive by Tim Porter



Bullet Freefly



Bullet Freefly by Gary Wainwright

FREEFLY & SKYSURF RESULTS



Freefly A Gold - FreeJive

Freefly A		
	Total	Ave
1 FreeJive	47.7	6.81
2 Space Euphoria	47.4	6.77
3 Bullet Freefly	27.9	3.99
4 Avalore	26.4	3.77

Freefly B		
1 Narli	24.4	4.88
2 Theory	21.8	4.36
3 UK Freefly	11.9	2.38
4 Tribute	9.8	1.96

Skysurf A		
1 Insanely Board	15.3	2.19



Freefly B Gold - Narli



Freefly A Silver - Space Euphoria



Freefly A Bronze - Bullet Freefly



Skysurf A Gold - Insanely Board



Freestyle B

The B class freestyle showed fewer competitors but higher standards than last year. There had been mutterings about the judging (aren't there always?!) but those who did compete had a ball! Phil and Louis of Zeno won convincingly with evidence of hard training and some pretty tidy flying, with Weed of Flowerpot biting at their heels in second place.

Freestyle A

This year showed an increase in teams in the A category for the second year running. Competition was close and the medals hard fought. *StyleJiver* established an early lead which they held onto throughout the competition, winning with ease. The real battle was for the silver medal: *Euphoria Style* scored highly on round 1, but were overtaken by *Tumbleweed* after the compulsories of round 2. Things hotted up as both *Euphoria* and *Tumbleweed* scored 5.4 on round 3, but *Tumbleweed* held on to a slender lead. A disastrous round 6 for *Tumbleweed* left *Euphoria* going into the final round only 0.1 point behind them, but *Tumbleweed* pulled off a blistering final jump and held onto second place by 0.3. *Alte Bella* (formerly known as *Fluffy*) showed some really good stuff which wasn't reflected in the scores they were getting!

It was great to see and talk to so many up and coming freestylers. It was also refreshing to see teams training specifically for the discipline, rather than viewing it as a sideline to freefly.

The Future

Based on feedback from people at the competition, there seems enough interest to have separate categories for male and female freestyle events. This already happens at international level, because it has long been recognised that there are different flying styles between male and female freestylers (generally speaking, males being more quick and dynamic, with females being more poised and graceful).

There was also some interest in including some compulsory rounds in the B category. At the moment, in A category there are two rounds of compulsories, and in each round the performer has to attempt four set sequences of moves, in the order drawn at the start of the competition. The team is scored only on the execution and camera work. Perhaps in B category freestyle, we could have one round of compulsories, with a dive pool consisting of three moves (similar to B category freefly).

So let's see how much interest there is. If you have a strong opinion either way on having separate categories for male and female freestyle and/or having compulsory moves to be included in the B category... or indeed have any ideas for B category compulsory moves (things someone with FF1 can do – no head-down stuff) please let us know.

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Euphoria by Martin Kristensen



Space Euphoria by Gary Wainwright



FREESTYLE RESULTS

Freestyle A

	Total	Ave
1 Style Jiver	40.7	5.81
2 Tumbleweed	31.8	4.54
3 Euphoria Style	31.5	4.50
4 Alte Bella	17.3	2.47

Freestyle B

	Total	Ave
1 Zeno	9.4	4.7
2 Flowerpot	9.1	2.8



Freestyle A Gold - Style Jiver



Freestyle B Silver - Flowerpot



Freestyle A Silver - Tumbleweed

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BODYFLIGHT

FLIGHT TESTED

Like most skydivers in the UK I was very keen to see what the largest vertical wind tunnel in the world would actually look and fly like. Well, it rocks!

I was suitably impressed the first time the facility loomed large on the horizon. Bodyflight, near Bedford is an ex MOD science research facility that has had a complete refurbishment. Instead of flying model aircraft it is now capable of flying people. All of the old technology has been removed and replaced with a large reception area, changing rooms, classrooms, practice area, private members' room, kit up area and viewing gallery. The most impressive part of the tunnel has to be the flight chamber. With a diameter of 5 metres, and 8 metres vertically, it looked too good to be true. It had been fitted with a new engine and propeller that accelerates the air from the bottom of the flight chamber to the top. If the tunnel was to live up to the reputation of laminar flow from wall to wall, then this is where the new technology had to work. The new 4,000hp engine linked to the new propeller would only work if the aerodynamicists had got their calculations right...

After some initial testing by the staff at Bodyflight, I was told to get ready. It had been 14 years since my last flight in a tunnel, so my anticipation was high. Suit on, goggles, helmet, and I moved through into the flight chamber. Passing the control room and up to the door I was struck by the sheer power that is being generated, the building was indeed alive! At the edge of the entrance door to the flight chamber, and with no effort I fell onto the airflow, I showed the instructor that I was in control, and then was left to my own devices. Bodyflight is a great leveler, you're not wearing skydiving equipment so even an experienced jumper will need to learn that it feels a little different. The limitations of the tunnel need to be respected. You don't look cool with your face against the perspex! So the advice is to go at a steady pace and not exceed your own limits, slowly build up your pool of moves so that you don't endanger yourself or those around you.

After a few requests to increase the power it soon became apparent that they had got it right. The air felt smooth across the entire chamber, laminar flow not only meant the air was good from wall to wall but, as you increased your height the flow of air and the air pressure remained constant, great for those learning fall rate control or practicing vertical moves.

My first flight was two minutes, and, leaving the tunnel through the exit door, I realised that the grin normally reserved for skydiving was now prominent across my face!

Getting back in line for the next flight the possibilities for what could be done in this environment seemed limitless. So I decided to test the theory that there was enough power to fly not only fly FS but also FF. I moved back into the flight chamber and indicated this to the tunnel instructor. As I felt the power increase I was shown how to modify my position until again I felt confident that I could control heading and height. True to the claims that had been made there was enough power to support my hulk in my not too baggy freefly suit. Keep to the basics, you tell yourself, don't run before you can walk, small turns, side-slipping, vertical movement, breathe, wow this tunnel rocks! Even in the most basic of FF positions I had enough speed to play with, and was astonished to be informed afterwards that they had only used 65% of the power available.

There were three more flights I had that first day, flying with some friends, playing tag and chase around the chamber and then building a 6-way with enough room to spare for more. I was like a kid in a candy store and after 15 minutes my cheeks started to ache (is that why full face helmets are popular?). The temperature remained at a constant 25 degrees throughout thanks to some nifty climate control at the bottom of the chamber. The air is re-circulated through the chamber, so there is little or no effect from external weather. I only noticed this as I stepped out of the flight chamber area and noticed the rain pouring down outside!

Since that day I've been back several times and even taken ten teams there one evening when their competition was washed out. The feedback has been universal, it is a top, world class tunnel. Paul and the team at Bodyflight should feel proud of their achievement, three years of hard work is about to come to fruition, with skydivers and public alike about to reap the rewards. The wind tunnel has arrived, and not before time.

As a DZ operator the idea of wind tunnel competing for business may have been daunting initially, but if you look at the US, with new tunnels popping up everywhere, there have been no negative effects, quite the opposite in fact. Wind tunnels are here to stay, the ultimate training aid for those bad weather days, and maybe the ultimate recruiting device for our sport.

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Stuart Meacock checks out the tunnel for freeflying



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It's a WRAP

One of the more common and justifiable concerns people have about CRW is the risk of a wrap. But if you think wraps only happen in CRW, you are wrong. More accidents and injuries occur when people never intending to do CRW end up in a wrap, either on their own or with someone else. Canopy formation jumpers do have the advantage, in the event of a wrap happening to them, that they have been briefed on what to do. Whereas if you have never had a CF brief a wrap can be very frightening.

Forewarned is forearmed, so Richard Hayden has written this article for both CF and non-CF jumpers, about how to avoid wraps and what to do if – despite your best efforts – it happens to you.

CRW Wraps

Canopies

CRW canopies are less dynamic and more stable at slow speeds, and the 7-cell aspect gives them more control in disrupted air.

High wing loaded 9-cell canopies, such as those used by expert swoopers, will often cut through disrupted air with ease quickly at their higher speeds and thus maintain stable flight.

Cutaway-free CRW



2. Entanglement

Wraps
1. Wrap

Reaction;

Reaction;

1



3. Collapse

Reaction;

Disrupted Air

Thermals

Turbulence

2



Collisions

Communicate

Go Large



Avoidance

Be alert. Prevention is better than cure. Under canopy, from the moment of deployment, keep your eyes on stalks and look around you as though you're on the dodgem ride at the fair and everyone is out to get you. If you are heading straight at someone else, generally there is an obvious best direction of avoidance which you will take instinctively. If there is nothing in it, convention says to steer left.

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Background on the coaches

Gary and Mark have both spent several years competing on the multiple-time World Champion team, Arizona Airspeed, Mark since its inception in 1994, and Gary since 1995. Both have since retired from World level competition and now dedicate their time to player/coach teams and tunnel coaching. Gary has been coaching in the Orlando tunnel since 1999 and has hundreds of coaching hours. Mark joined the tunnel coaching team the following year and is also one of the World's most experienced tunnel coaches.

What others say...

"I would thoroughly recommend this tunnel camp above others because of its size in comparison to other camps, the coaches themselves and the relaxed and flexible nature of the training. The skills I learnt were phenomenal and I improved my skydiving beyond what I had hoped...I thoroughly enjoyed myself, had great fun with lots of laughs whilst learning so much. Even now when I look at the video I surprise myself."

Charlie Gross, camp participant, April 2004

Prices & schedule

Dates (November 2005)	Event and minimum tunnel time	Cost
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Espace Boogie

To most Espace is more of a pilgrimage than a boogie. The purgatory of the long drive, crushed into overstuffed, under maintained, hellishly hot vehicles. Next the full-on opportunity that said vehicles present for Good Samaritanship, reflection... and finally the arrival at Le Church of the Sky, Lapalisse and the Espace 05 Boogie.

Lapalisse is a place of revelation, what first strikes you is the lack of stress you feel. An almost serene feel to the infrastructure of the boogie, an overall effort to make you feel welcome and to reassure you that you are in the hands of professionals. Registration, kit checks, room bookings, bar and food tab are all sorted smoothly and in a way that makes you feel that they may actually care about your needs, want to make you feel at home and are concerned about your safety.

When you glance around at the assembled congregation, you instantly recognise the depth of experience and quality of performance that abounds. Rising stars such as Milko rub shoulders with Dario Jotti, Willy Boeykens and the new, 'zuper' chilled Patrick Passe.. It is not that these people are legends in the sport, it is that they epitomise it. Bring them together and an air of expectation and a surety that the envelope and you will be pushed is created. It is not that the same faces are at Espace year after year, it is that they all seem to fit. This year for instance the boogie concentrated more on FS, other years there has been a larger focus on freefly, but the common denominator is that the organisers have all been picked because of who they are and how well they communicate their skill base.





Jean Pierre Roy

The approach seem to work very well. As the boogie kicked off it was soon evident that the level of FS was extremely high. Milko's group worked at a phenomenal rate, all committed to pushing themselves to the limits. As a general rule of thumb, if it was moving fast, and had lunch in hand, you were looking at a member of Milko's load.

Patrick's group outdid themselves which, seeing as they were mostly world team, with a smattering of national and international champions, was some going! This was a group of jumpers who were evidently enjoying themselves. As a general rule of thumb, if you were rolling around laughing about 'ze zlots' in the plane or 'ze doonuts' you were with Patrick.

Dario's loads were the epitome of Swiss clockwork, clearly demonstrating the skills that gave him medals in the French nationals. In the evenings, when all other self-respecting organisers have long since hit the bar, Dario demonstrates his non-flying skill, the mass-cooking act. In the blink of an eye, out come the industrial barbies and a small army of peeps are fed and watered, all in the middle of a field in the dark!

Although there were no freefly organisers, there were sufficient freeflyers for Mr Pilkington to ply his atmonauti gospel, luring many new souls to the dark side but, as one of them was an ordained minister, there must be some light in there somewhere.



Willy Boeykens



Diodoro 'Theo' Monteiro



Jean Pierre Roy



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Jean Pierre Roy

Boogie Box

Registered jumpers	374
Countries	17
Jumps	5700
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Biggest FS	41
Biggest freefly	11
Total loads	297
Tony's Skyvan loads	119
Lapalisse Skyvan loads	131
Caravan loads	39
Porter loads	7
Antonov 2 loads	1

Lapalisse's swimming pool provided the perfect place for a leisurely baptism and cool down each lunchtime when the DZ generally called a break. At this time everyone assembled to be reborn for the afternoon's toil, other than Milko who was usually paying penance for over-zealousness, dirtdiving on his own in the packing hall.

The incredibly relaxed nature of the boogie became even more surprising when we discovered, on the last day, the problems Lapalisse had encountered in the week before Espace. A burst water pipe sabotaged the showers, one Skyvan broke down and the chef had a heart attack, leaving the kitchen with hardly any staff, as many of the other workers were related. Yet these very real setbacks were absorbed without martyrdom or fuss, no-one was even told there was a problem. The pilgrims present could devote themselves wholly to their worship, whether that was of sun, skydiving or skygods and goddesses.

The evenings were as unhurried as the days, gradually building to extremely raucous Friday and Saturday nights, or Friday to Saturday night depending on who you were. As ever the video editing skills of Stéphane Cruciani delivered some outstanding edits, and as the week wore on, Tony the VJ and I all worked on the videos providing a live and eclectic feel to the day's offering.

If you haven't been to Lapalisse or Espace make a note in your diary now because, once you've been, it's always 'au revoir' rather than 'goodbye'.

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According to Birdman the *Firebird* is a wingsuit that can be jumped by novice flyers because it is easy to fly and easy to handle at opening time but still provides enough performance not to disappoint the more discerning wingsuit flyer. Birdman tell us that the *Firebird* was wind tunnel tested for high performance and an easy pull. It is available in stock or custom sizes and colours, and may also be ordered in what the company calls lady cut.

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Kit News

by
Rob
Colpus

And There It Was - Gone!

Mirage Systems Inc has introduced a salve to rigger angst in response to criticism that *Mirage* reserve containers have become difficult to pack neatly since a product service bulletin earlier this year (April Kit News) required that the AAD cutter be relocated above the pilot chute. With the cutter mounted above the pilot chute it becomes very difficult to hide the resultant lump from view and unless the reserve packer is very diligent and skilled an uneven and ugly pack job could result.

Colin Bridges



The solution, according to *Mirage* Systems, is a new reserve pilot chute with a concave top upon which the AAD cutter sits. Because the cutter sits below the rim of the pilot chute, any unsightly lumps are avoided - problem solved. The new concave pilot chute is now standard on new *Mirages* and is available separately for \$100.

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Omega Variable!

Performance Variable (a dodgy name for a parachute manufacturer we thought!) has issued a service bulletin relating to their *Omega* harness/container system. The bulletin was provoked by two incidents where one or more suspension lines became entangled with the no 3 flap of the main container during deployment.

The company states in their bulletin that there were several mitigating reasons why this could happen including old rubber bands, unstowed lines and even

the jumper's body position on opening. However, judging by the remedial action required, the real culprit appears to be the design and construction of the container's flaps. The bulletin requires that bar tacks be applied by a rigger or other suitable person, to the no 3 flap of the *Omega* to, in their words "avoid contraction of the flap under tension while a line is tucked under". The bulletin requires that the bar-tacks are applied before the next jump.

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Flying the Air Waves

The idea of in-air radio technology for skydiving applications has been bandied around for years, but it seems that now its time may have come with the possibility of its use by the World Team for their world record large formation attempts in Thailand early next year.

World Team organiser BJ Worth has been working with a Japanese skydiver who has custom built a noise-cancelling microphone, and another jumper who has researched some noise-isolating earphones. Coupled to a standard Kenwood two-way radio the system appeared to be extremely effective during trials carried out recently. The earphones, *Elymotics ER61s*, as used by professional musicians, are in the style of ear plugs which kind of screw into the ear. During test jumps the skydiver wearing the receiver reported that the sound quality was crystal clear with the transmission coming from someone on the ground.

BJ hopes he'll be able to equip all 400 members of his World Team with the system. "It takes a while for the C130s to warm up" he said "so they're always starting them while we're doing our last dirtdives. Even with a loudspeaker it's hard for people to hear what I'm saying, so this would be a big step up in capability."

The use of noise-isolating earphones and a noise-cancelling microphone could also be useful during jump run and exit. Exit timing is critical when using multiple aircraft that fly as fast as the C130s, and the relaying of signals between pilots and jumpers has always been a problem area for formation loads. Having everyone with receivers would be a quantum leap in controlling large formation teams - although just the **one** mike would I think be advisable!



BJ Worth

Hans Bergren



Freefly RECO



Euro Freefly Record

On Saturday 18 June a group of enthusiastic and talented jumpers flocked together to set a new European freefly record. Under the guidance of Babylon and Aria, a 28-way head-down formation was flown for ten seconds! This set the benchmark for European big-ways.

After setting the first Euro record, a 27-way, on the Friday, participants woke on the Saturday ready to do it again. After four attempts everyone knew that, if it was going to happen, it would be on the next jump. The group watched the video of the last one, encouragingly cheering every moment on film, especially the last diver, Luca, who spent most of his time needled up chasing the base and then flying smoothly into slot. There was a real sense of comradeship in the packing hall and everyone

was feeling a cool vibe as they packed. Stef Fardel (Babylon) and Ippo Fabbi (Aria) analysed the video, made their changes and briefed the group on how it was going to go down. Excuse the pun.

The group walked out the formation while a large audience gathered to watch what all the fuss was about. After a dry run, Ippo gave his final order to our group "Take the grip!" before running off with his group and climbing into the Twin Otter. Spoilt rotten, our group had the luxury of Jan's Beech 99 to take us to 16,000ft. The Beech as usual took off like a rocket ship and we all cheered. Soon everyone was quiet, conserving energy, mentally visualising the dive and praying that they didn't mess up! Fred Fugen (Babylon) gave the load an encouraging speech, reminding everyone to breathe, think clearly and fly their slot. Everyone linked hands, breathed in synchrony and waited for the signal to climb out.

The shutter opened and we got ready in the door. Just 20 metres away the Otter group were doing the same. We looked at Fred, there was to be no 'ready, set, go' or key... Fred exploded off the door and everyone followed, either diving down to the formation or floating up to it in a back track. In the distance I could see the base was strong and the formation was building fast. It looked like a disturbed wasps' nest for a few seconds and it was hard to see the slots. I was lucky; my position was next to the unyielding Manuel Basso (First School of Modern Skyflying) in his distinctive yellow and black suit. I took a grip on what was a very solid formation and felt Fred Fugen close our pod. Looking across the formation I could see everyone thinking the same thing: have we done it? A cool vibration went through and everyone knew we had a new record. It flew relaxed and strong for ten seconds, with everyone in the zone, all knowing that we'd just achieved something very special!

On the ground and under canopy: celebration! The packing hall was full of whooping and hollering, everyone congratulating each other. We gathered round the widescreen TV to watch video by Kuri Kuratle (Babylon). Everyone was transfixed, watching in silence and, as the last stinger took the grip, an almighty cheer went up! Minutes later it was official – very cool!

A big thanks to Babylon and Aria for making this record a reality, to everyone who took part in the workshops, to the pilots, Empuriabrava DZ, the judges, and all the people out of sight sorting out the craziness which is freeflyers' admin!

Andy Newell

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European freefly record by Babylon

RDSDS



Women's head-down world record by Shaylan Allmen

Main photo from European record by Tim Porter



Women's World Record

On Saturday 25 June an all female 18-way head-down world record was built at Skydive Chicago, beating the previous 16-way, set in 2003 at Skydive Arizona.

World Record Time

June arrived and Skydive Chicago turned into a female freefly Mecca, 35 of us in all from USA, UK, Australia, Japan, Argentina, Canada, Austria, Germany and Hungary. We started with jumps to check out everyone's flying abilities for potential slots. We were in three groups to start with, with lots of chopping and changing to end up with the best people in the right slots. No time for tears or tantrums; if you're out, you're out; if you're in you're in.

The record days arrived and everyone got more hyped and excited. Thursday and Friday came and went – no record. Saturday arrived, the last scheduled day, it was proving to be difficult to get it just right but no-one was going to give up. We were there to get a new world record, and boy (or rather girl) were we going to get it, everyone was so determined.

On Saturday morning an 18-way had been jumped but did they get it or did they not? No-one seemed very sure when they landed. We watched it and still no-one was sure. Anticipation grew in the room as we all waited for the judges to give the verdict – and then it came, a quiet voice out of the darkness at the back of the lounge "I'm just going to email the USPA with a new world record". Cheers, screams and tears, lights on, hugs galore. Excitement, exuberance and elation – wow, wow, wow!

My Experience

I wasn't on the record but in the B-team, which was still fantastic as while the record attempts were going on Steve Curtis (AZ Flight Club) and Rook Nelson (Alchemy) coached the rest of us. Small-ways, big-ways, two-plane-loads, loads of jumping, learning and most important lots of fun. Thanks to them for all their support and encouragement.

I'm not ashamed to say that skill level wise I was number 35 out of 35!! Before I went to Chicago I knew I wouldn't get selected immediately but wanted to be there to give it my best shot. Looking back now I can always say 'well at least I tried', rather than being in the UK that week wondering 'what if?'. If you don't try, you never get anywhere. I learnt so much that week, about skydiving and life. Just being part of the event was a wonderful experience, to be with so many other people all aiming for the same goal and working together as one big team. Even though I was the last one in the queue to get onto the record jumps, everyone was really supportive and included me the same as everyone else.

Thanks

A HUGE thanks to Melissa Nelson, Amy Chmelecki and G Borgnis, the greatest and best freeflyers, for all their hard work and dedication in organising such a fantastic event. They encouraged and helped every single one of us. Thanks also to cameraflyers Jason & Shaylan, all the staff at Skydive Chicago, and the three judges (one was Sarah Thompson from the UK).

And Finally

Everyone dispersed back to their corners of the world wondering how big the next record will be. Come on you British girls out there – see you at the next attempt! All you have to do is try!

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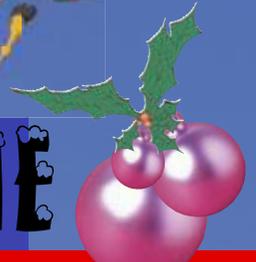


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Notice is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Association will be held at BPA Office, 5 Wharf Way, Glen Parva, Leicester on Tuesday 6 December 2005 at 18:30.

Agenda

- 1 To receive and adopt, if approved, the Annual Accounts of the Association and the Report of the Auditors for the period from 1 July 2004 to 30 June 2005.
- 2 To confirm the re-appointment of the Auditors, and to authorise the Council to fix their remuneration for the ensuing financial year.
- 3 To set the Provisional Membership Subscription for the 12 months beginning 1 April 2006.

Issued on 1 September 2005 for and on behalf of the Council of the British Parachute Association Ltd.



Notice is hereby given that the thirty-eighth Annual General Meeting of the Association will be held at The Hinckley Island Hotel, Hinckley, Leicestershire on Saturday 21 January 2006 at 10:30.

Agenda

- 1 To receive and adopt, if approved, the report of the Chairman of Council.
- 2 To consider any items of Special Business*.
- 3 To set subscriptions payable by non-provisional Members for the 12 months beginning 1 April 2006.
- 4 To close the formal proceedings of the Annual General Meeting.

Other items of business

- a To announce the result of the election for the 2006 Council of the BPA.
- b To present various annual awards.

*Note: Members are reminded that under Article 31 of the Articles of Association, only such business as is notified to the BPA in writing, at least 40 days prior to the date of the meeting (by midnight on **Monday 12 December 2005**) can be included under agenda item 2, Special Business.

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AGM and Dinner Dance

Saturday 21 January 2006

The AGM and associated events with presentations, talks, meetings and dinner dance are at the Hinckley Island Hotel on the A5 Watling Street at Hinckley, Leicestershire. In case you're wondering, it's our usual hotel – it's just changed its name.

Tickets for the dinner are available from the BPA Office, £24 each. The main course will be chicken, with a vegetarian option, order at the time of booking. Seating will be at round tables for 10 with plenty of elbow room, or a maximum of 12 if you don't mind knocking knees. You can book any number of places so why not splash out on a table for your centre or group?

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Seminars

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Stand for Council

Could your knowledge and skills help our sport? Then stand for election to next year's Council. You can get a nomination form from the BPA website, your club or the BPA office. They must be completed by a proposer and seconded and returned to the BPA office by **Mon 24 Oct 05**.

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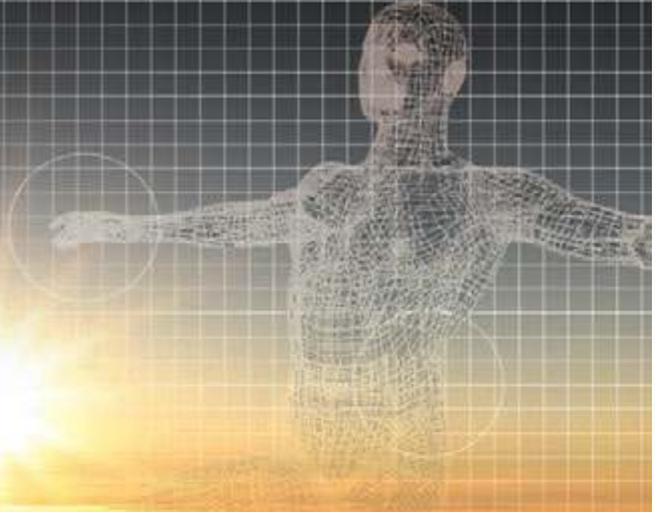
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Pete Shaw

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Pete Shaw was a delightful man who referred to himself as a 'recycled teenager', the term he preferred over pensioner. He celebrated life by living it to the fullest. At 74, his will to jump never faltered. As well as improving his own skills, he always encouraged new jumpers to join him and enjoy the sport. He was a very kind and gentle man who always had time for everyone.

His first jump in 1982 was to raise funds for the church hall roof, and he did his 1,000th jump in 2004. Pete worked at Quicks, earning his 'spends' for his jumps and would always take enormous cream cakes in on Friday lunchtimes for his colleagues. On a Wednesday night he would collect furniture with his son David for the church auctions, again thinking of others.

A keen driver as well as skydiver, his love for rallying led him to a track day at Snetterton where he obtained 'Driver of the Day'. A life-long dream he fulfilled was riding a speedway bike at Kings Lynn. He never ceased to take opportunities. He was due to attend the corporate karts with his son David at the Three Sisters circuit in Wigan the week after his accident. He was so excited he couldn't sit still!

His ashes were spread at Cark by his family, and his work colleagues are placing a granite memorial there in memory of him, 'Granite' was his nickname because he would never budge on the price of a vehicle he was selling!

Pete's inspiration for the sport will serve as a reminder that age is no barrier, and his celebration of life is a lesson to us all. The numerous people of all ages who attended his service are a testament to how popular he was. Our thoughts are with his family, his wife Stella, son David and daughter Sandra. Hope you are still having fun Pete, eating the biggest cream cake you can find and still smiling for all of us.

Michelle Meakins & Martine Morris

Pete was an unassuming man, mostly quiet but always laughing. His love of life and his sports always showed in his enthusiasm. His infectious personality drew people to him, new students would always find him encouraging, reassuring and helpful. He had been involved in scouting and helped to form lots of young characters as a scoutmaster over a period of 40 years.

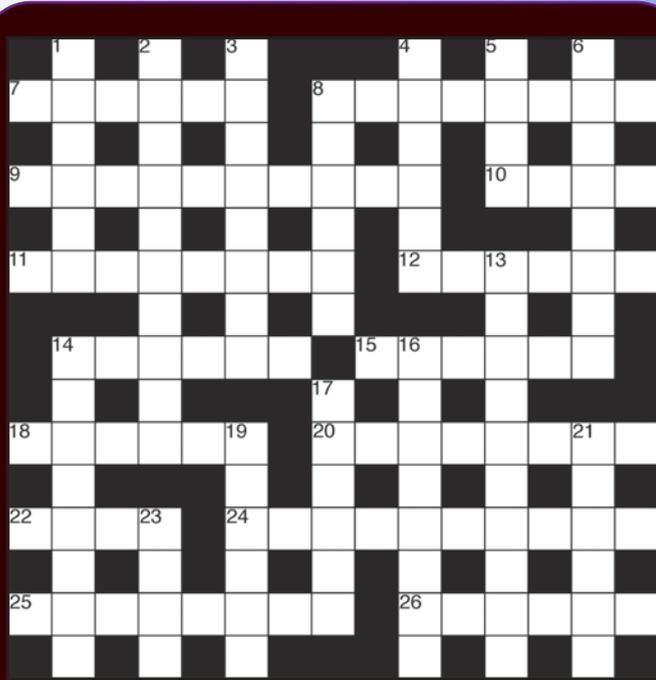
Pete's family had to negotiate their way through the home as it was crammed with go-karting trophies, he was a whizz on the track and still winning medals in his 75th year. He never stopped working, never retired and never stopped helping others. One of his greatest wishes was to own a Jaguar car and this he achieved five days before his final jump. I'll miss my friend, I'll miss his happiness and enthusiasm, while students and experienced jumpers will all miss his encouraging nature and fireless energy.

Jack Felstead

"I first met Pete Shaw almost twenty years ago at Halfpenny Green. He was then much as he was in 2005, a person who went out and did things. He filled his life with all kinds of sports and at 74 took up rally driving amongst other things. Pete would say to me that age is just a number and he certainly didn't look or act his age.

I don't believe I ever heard him swear once. He always told me you weren't fully dressed without a smile – something he permanently did. He leaves behind a lovely, kind family and many, many friends. I feel privileged to have helped Pete enjoy his time in skydiving. NWPC would like to wish his family all the best for the future, as I'm sure all his other friends do too. We can take his memories and save them and thank the world for giving him to us."

Dennis Buchanan



Main (Cryptic)

Across

- Void in the body of Tuscan cello (6)
- Bread and third portion of enchilada in curry (8)
- Appraisal fools people in street (10)
- Perjurer returns to the bar (4)
- Rebel Irishman accepts average resistance (8)
- Trouble after sting creates swelling (6)
- Aspire to crack up; and crack up (6)
- Aim to spoil great time (6)
- Child's play, it's used in building blocks (6)
- Height of ability changing pence to pounds (8)
- Wrestles regularly with safety devices (4-abbr)
- Jumped up and heard cat struggling (10)
- Form fillers (8)
- Ignoring Knight (and follower) dealt next peer an ace (6)

Down

- Somewhere to drop gunners foot-spa (6-abbr)
- Open up and mix a cereal etc. (10)
- Greek and Latin competitions (8)
- Computer incorporates type of learning helmet (6)
- Safe area possesses alarm (4)
- Mistake putting CCI into a depression (8)
- Investigates Catholic hells (6)
- Crazy thing skips and leaps in the dark (5,5)
- Ragged sooty rip, it weakens canopy (8)
- Set upon king becoming husband, married (8)
- Weapons of brass broke around point (6)
- Add to old penny an old penny (6)
- Gloomy sweetheart has runs (6)
- American-English dies out (4)

Reserve

Across

- Call off
- Up-to-dateness
- Evaluation
- Hand hold
- FCI reserve canopy: stray animal
- Curved outwards
- Express approval
- Objective
- Light wind
- Elevation
- Reserve-pin pullers (abbr)
- Jumped
- Learners
- Pro

Down

- Oxfordshire club (abbr)
- Speed up
- Style and accuracy
- Helmet
- Fright
- Mishap
- Flight-line activities
- Nocturnal skydiving (5,5)
- Permeability
- Connected
- PD canopies: swords
- Inflate
- Cheerless
- Flank

Solution
ACROSS
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Letters

FROM THE CONTINENT

Hello Lesley!

Thank you very much for sending *The Mag* (April issue) to all our 8-way team *INFINI-8*. The article *Beginning 8-way* is very interesting for us because it is our first year of training and we appreciate the way it is explained. The pictures, with the colours, are very clear. We hope it will help us to be better for next year! With an average of 6 points, we finished the French Championships in 7th place (11 teams) but we were second in the French Cup 2005 (Yesss!!). Let's see what will happen in 2006!

Congratulations on the quality of the *Skydive The Mag*. I write regularly articles for the French *ParaMag*, about boogies or big-way events, so I can really appreciate your job!

One more thing: congratulations to all the British skydivers, we have seen in the Espace Boogie in Lapalisse a lot of very very good skydivers, with a fantastic spirit! The videos of the jumps with the British load organisers were really crazy! It seems that you all like to play and to have a lot of fun in the sky.

Evelyne Chiarot
sky.girl@scarlet.be

CORNISH DROP ZONE

It is great news that there is a place to go in Cornwall yet again. I spent the bank holiday weekend there and had enormous fun. Can't wait until March when the place reopens.

Tony Moody
tonymoody@aol.com

COVER GIRL

Wow Lesley!

There I was, sitting on a bench at Hib DZ at the Nationals when Hannah Swallow came up to me and handed me a copy of *Skydive Mag*... I stared at it for about five minutes before someone said "Yes Han, it is you on the cover!"...I'm speechless!!!! And what a great editor's note, as embarrassing as it is for me, I hope it gives all those talented people with fewer jumps a boost of confidence to go out there and get themselves noticed without getting too intimidated by the 'legends'.

All I can say is 'thank you' and, if it wasn't for you not turning your nose up at my 100 jumps when I tried for Brit Chicks, I wouldn't have learnt half as much or had as much faith in my ability.

Right, I'm going to try and stop smiling, eat some humble pie, keep my head down and get dirtdiving!

Hannah Betts
hannah_betts@hotmail.com

PS You have made Swoop a very happy man, it was always his aim to get on the front cover – in his exact words "I'm getting hammered tonight!".

TEN YEARS ON

Dear Lesley

Congratulations on your ten year anniversary of editing *The Mag*. Looking back at your first edition, how things have changed and all for the better! I'm sure I join the rest of the membership in congratulating you on a job well done.

Simon Ward
simon@airkix.com

PS It's been a pleasure contributing the odd snap.

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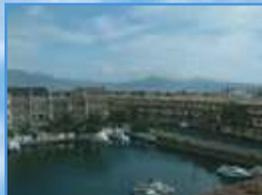


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Club News



What a fantastic season we've all had, despite the increasingly changeable weather with all four seasons all in one day we've kept jumping through it. There was a great turnout for the Nationals, well done to all of you who took part. This combined with the fact that it is now positively passé to jump with your clothes on means that Club News is full of the cool stuff you've been up to over the summer.

This is Lesley's ten-year anniversary of editing the Mag, 60 issues. She does such an amazing job that I didn't want to miss this opportunity to put my appreciation in writing. You have no idea of the amount of time, effort and enthusiasm that she puts into each edition. She is so talented and hardworking that it is very difficult not to be motivated and inspired by her complete dedication and love of the sport. Big thanks to her for creating such an incredible magazine. Top work chick!

lucie@skydivemag.com



Cark week was yet again glorious. We began with some beginner big-ways. Newly qualified FS1 Chris Meehan joined in a 14-way – well done! Mike took some less experienced jumpers tracking which was great fun. Rob Silver, fresh (!) from winning the nationals, was busy with freefly coaching and tube jumps.

Once again the FS skills camp with John McIver and Steve Hamilton of XL was a resounding success – Roy Liptrot said it was the most skydiving fun he's had ever! Steve loved the roar Roy made on exit! It was great to see lots of visiting jumpers, some have booked on the skills camp for next year already! John and Steve had a challenge with mixed experience levels in the group, but rose to it and succeeded in progressing everyone – thanks guys!

The advanced Safe Flight School with Brian Vacher was a hit with everyone – including spectators. Watching experienced jumpers who thought they could swoop learning to fly again was highly amusing! The downwind landings (planned of course!) caused much hilarity. Rob Frost said the course was "awesome" and "didn't realise how much my canopy would do". We won't mention Rob heading for the fence in spite of 3 days' safe flight training! The guys were so delighted with Brian's training that they gave him a lovely carriage clock!

As ever, the social scene rocked. A Hawaiian night brought fabulous grass skirts, lays, and loud shirts. Thanks to Fiona and Matt for organising it, to

Wendy, Helen & Sarah for those amazing cocktails and to Jim & Karen for the tequila shots, they went down a treat! The week wouldn't be complete without Dennis's famous quiz night and 'Play your cards wrong'! Thanks Dennis – it went down a storm and the winners kindly donated their winnings to the air ambulance. Jenny Lamb won the booby prize – the Burton Bowls Cup!

We watched the video footage each night on the big screen – even Danny Hogan being ill in the plane – good job you had that helmet with you Danny! Not sure why Duncan was reading page 3 of *The Sun* on jump run though!



Shell, Jan and Ellen by Simon Nath



Achievements

AFF Graduate

- Gary Hall
- Cat 8**
- Karen Pickering
- FS1**
- Rob Powell
- Gayle Hogan
- Gary Yerrill
- Chris Meeham
- Mark Lloyd

Jump Numbers

- 100**
- Rob Burns
- 700**
- Rob Frost
- 900**
- Michelle Meakins
- 1300**
- Helen Shaw
- 1400**
- Tony Spruce

Some of Clark's regulars took a trip to France over the summer. Photo over Gap by Jonny Williamson

The final night was karaoke and cocktails, Shell motivated people and organised the cocktails, which lasted till 3am as there was so much booze! Lynn & John's karaoke machine was such a laugh, people clearly cannot sing except for Roy who was fab as ever! Stevey Doran and Danny did a great dance routine, *Dirty Dancing* meets *Officer and a Gentleman*! Hilarious. Most of us got to bed at 4am. Thanks NWPC for a fabulous and memorable week.

Jan Fallon

Loads of teams in the FS nationals and, with so many new achievers, we'll have even more next year! A group of us formed *Jigsaw* and attended the 16-way meet at Langar, we were organised by Speds and Ian. We had a brilliant time and came away with a bronze medal (don't ask how many teams entered!).

Don't forget the party on bonfire weekend. Matt and Fi are off on their travels around the world soon, so we'll be wishing them good luck. Our Christmas do has been confirmed for 10 Dec at the Swan Hotel, tickets are on sale at the centre.

I am doing a trek to Everest base camp for the charity Scope in Nov 2006 and need as many sponsors as possible to support me, please check www.justgiving.com/shellstrek where you can donate online. I'd really appreciate it. It's going to be the ultimate challenge which I am going to train hard for! Everest, here I come!

Michelle Meakins



Our teams did us proud in the nationals. In the 8-way intermediate, *DeLangar Tragik* were fighting for gold with *Sounds Grrr8*, all the way to a jump-off and finally took silver, beaten by only two points. *Whatever* took 8-way senior silver and secured a place at the World Meet next year. In the 4-way, *4Motion* won tunnel time at Bedford and a place at the World Cup; *Mach 4* were beaten by only 1 point, but set a new intermediate record of 23 points in time. Fast work guys! In artistics, *Bullet Freefly* won freefly A bronze while *Weed* walked off with a selection of medals!

Eliot is chuffed with his week's holiday; boy did he come back a new man – bleached blond hair and the brownest tan ever, nobody recognised him!

Lisa James

Andy Pike



Darren Kellett

Come to Langar, these people need to eat!



Photos by Gary Wainwright

Achievements

First Freefall

- Shaun Gill
- Stuart Taylor

Cat 8

- Jacqueline Woodward
- Pete O'Connell
- Neil Munro
- Shaun Gill
- CH1**

- Shaun Gill
- James Watson

CH2, JM1

- Emma Pilkington
- FS1**

- Stef Daunt
- John Lintern

- Leigh Birchenough-Richards
- Graham Tew

Jump Numbers

50

- Sarah Fletcher
- Leigh Birchenough-Richards
- James Watson
- Neil Munro
- Pete O'Connell

100

- Stef Daunt
- Chris Ensor
- Scott Applegarth

200

- Graham Tew
- Paul Monaghan
- Keith Jarvis
- Jason Kierman

300

- Mark Coleman
- Chris Smith
- Paul Fletcher
- Tim Aucott

400

- Hannah Betts
- Bob 'Treebob' Pope
- Alec Flint

500

- Andy Blevin
- 800**

- Terry Robertson
- Andrea MacLeod

1000

- Paul 'Poke It' Henderson
- Elaine Curtis
- Sally Beck

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- Craig Poxon
- 1 Hour Freefall**

- Leigh Birchenough-Richards
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- Kelly Williamson

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- Chris Harrison



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Sunday 26 June saw yet another afternoon of free jumping for club members. Was it that treasurer Eddie Jones was away for the afternoon or that the CCI was still concussed from his Ozzy Osbourne style quad bike spill? Whatever the reason, it was well received and appreciated.

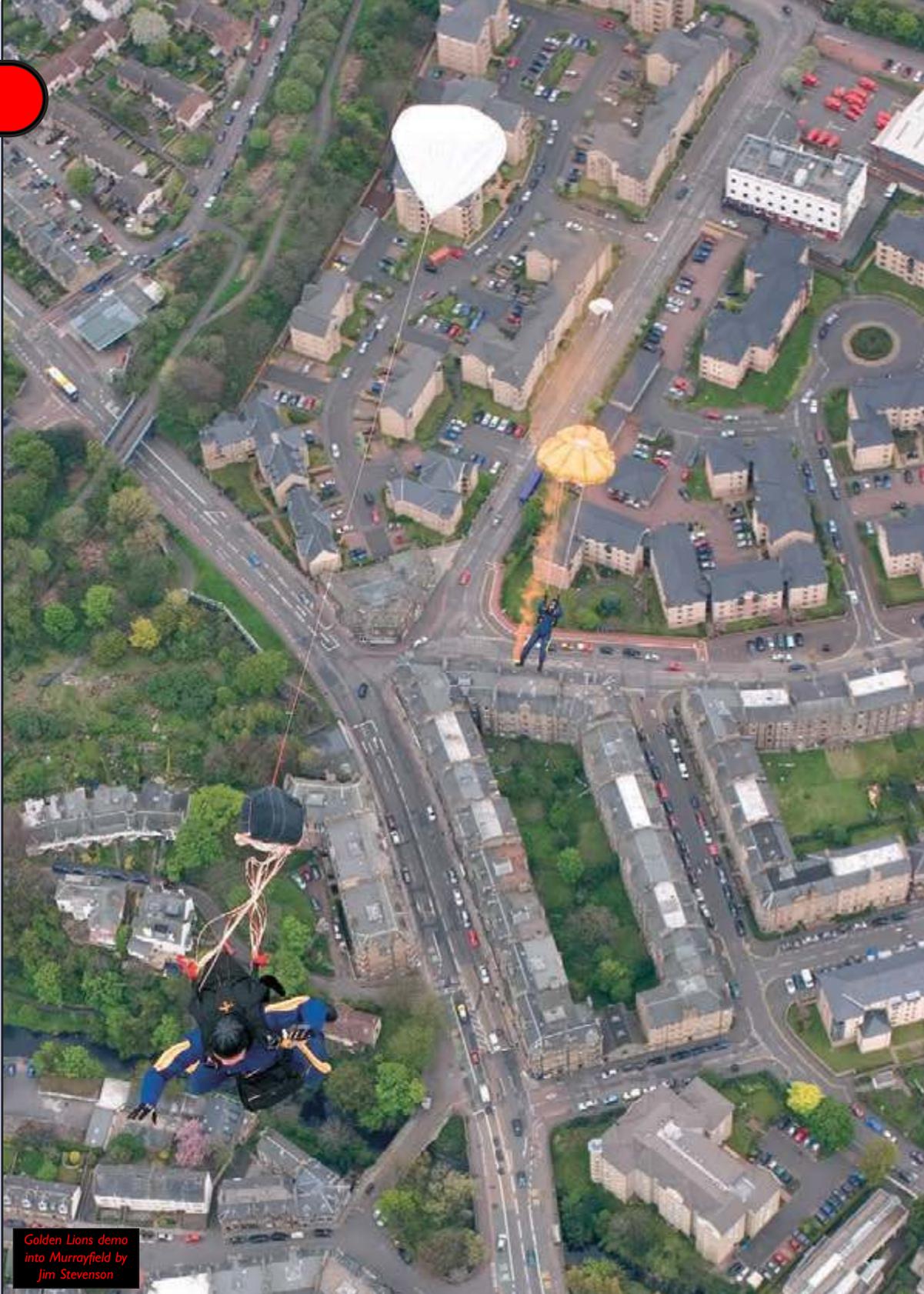
The club was honoured to have Dave Ruffell, sales manager at the Sunshine Factory, on site in July. Accompanied by his family he saw some old friends and customers, dished out some freebies, kindly did some coaching jumps and mentioned how impressed he was with the new facilities. (We suspect the real reason for his visit was a round or two of golf!)

The progression week in July was mayhem on the ground as well as in the air. The local hare population has declined significantly – but what do they expect when we have access to an arsenal of WMD and all-terrain vehicles.

Black Knights came to see us midweek with the Porter best known as Godzilla. The weather was against us but we still racked up a fair few lifts inbetween the holds. Fiona strapped herself to Calum for a tandem and both smiled all the way up and all the way back down again. It was all to do with climb rate or something.

Several new faces are becoming regulars. Gareth is doing well and has his sights firmly focussed on the future. If a strange Scotsman asks anyone for the loan of a wingsuit at a boogie, please just say you haven't got one. Adele is styling it up with good exits and landings, no doubt she will lose the static line soon.

Brian Anderson was starting to freak some of us out with his ability until he told us a little secret. He did his first parachute course at RAPA, Germany in June 1973 whilst in the King's Own Scottish Borderers. He picked up the novice category at the RAPA Championships and a few months later was invited back to join the staff there. He did over 300 jumps at RAPA, then over 100 jumps in Cyprus. After a 32 year break, he was given a 50th birthday present for Strathallan from his family. He sailed through the RAPS course! He reckons he's getting back into the swing of things despite the huge changes during his layoff. Nice one mate!



Golden Lions demo into Murrayfield by Jim Stevenson

Photo, by Josey Wales, shows Russell just before touching down... on his bum!



Achievements

- First Freefall**
- Brian Anderson
- Chris Conlin
- Paul Domanski
- Andy McGroarty
- Joe Donaghy
- Cat 8**
- Billy McLeod
- Craig Maxwell
- Brian Anderson
- 100 Jumps**
- Ally Pringle
- 1200 Jumps**
- Rupert Connell



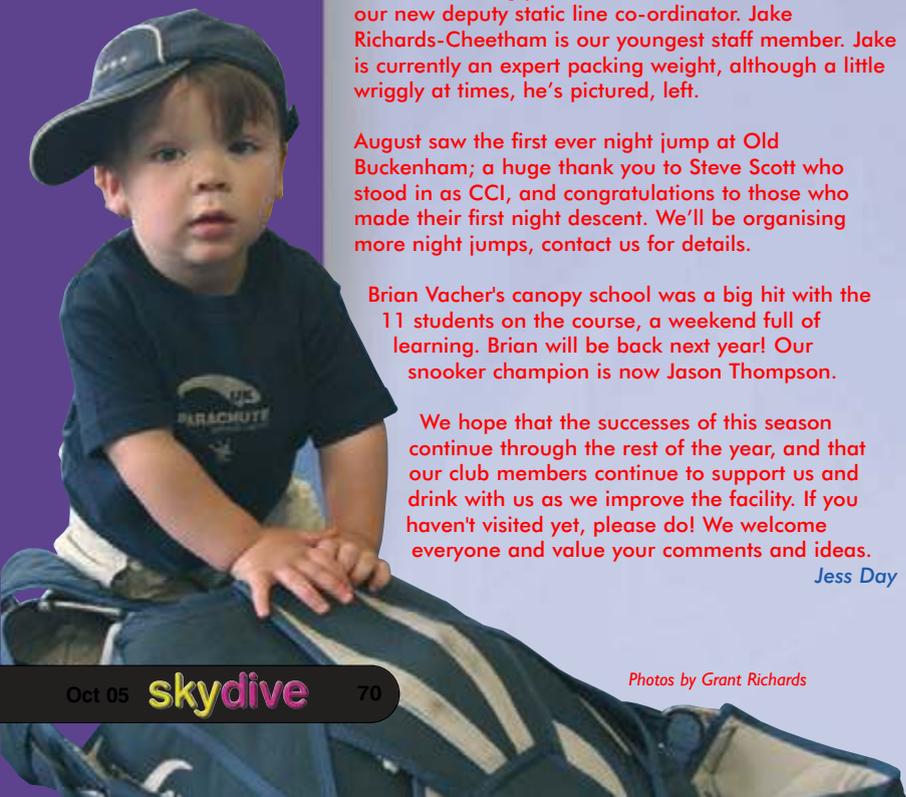
Barrie lets it all hang out on his 200th jump with Vicki and Aaron

Achievements

- Cat 8**
- Adam Pasztor
- Martin Brooks
- Darren Kelly
- John Skidmore
- Imlach Shearer
- Brian Buckland
- Warren Favish
- Chris Dye
- Adrian King
- FS1**
- John Gullen
- Steve Worrall
- Gavin Rixon
- FF1**
- Barrie Bremner
- CH2**
- Ryan O'Neill
- CP1**
- Jason Thompson
- Grant Richards

Jump Numbers

- 50**
- Ryan O'Neill
- 100**
- Damien Hewitt
- 200**
- Tjebbe
- Pete Lindstrand
- Barrie Bremner
- 300**
- Phil Whitworth
- 500**
- Baz Carver
- 5000**
- Grant Richards



We've had an outstanding couple of months with a variety of events. Nine more AFF graduates have had the privilege of buying the staff a crate of beer – well done! Congratulations to Barrie Bremner, pictured above, our first club member to achieve FF1!

We welcome some extra instructors – Dave Alexander and Tim Skinner bring a wealth of experience both in and out of the bar. Tim has put us on the map with our surrounding community by taking local Ed Pecton on a very successful charity tandem jump – thank you Tim for donating your services. Vicki Garland is our new deputy static line co-ordinator. Jake Richards-Cheetham is our youngest staff member. Jake is currently an expert packing weight, although a little wriggly at times, he's pictured, left.

August saw the first ever night jump at Old Buckenham; a huge thank you to Steve Scott who stood in as CCI, and congratulations to those who made their first night descent. We'll be organising more night jumps, contact us for details.

Brian Vacher's canopy school was a big hit with the 11 students on the course, a weekend full of learning. Brian will be back next year! Our snooker champion is now Jason Thompson.

We hope that the successes of this season continue through the rest of the year, and that our club members continue to support us and drink with us as we improve the facility. If you haven't visited yet, please do! We welcome everyone and value your comments and ideas.

Jess Day

Photos by Grant Richards



AFF with Nick & Chappie

Bridlington had a last minute boogie in July due to Langar's Caravan making an unexpected appearance. All jumpers who were able to beg time off work made the most of it.

Dave Pinkney, our resident pilot and friend to the stars, brought comedian Joe Pasquale to the DZ. He was performing in nearby Scarborough and came to Brid to pursue his new found hobby of flying. Having enjoyed a pleasure flight he was then talked into a tandem, which he thoroughly enjoyed.

When Dave Pinkney isn't flying or performing he's working on his latest project, an upmarket fish and chip restaurant. We are waiting eagerly for the grand opening and a new place to eat after jumping.

John Halton celebrated his 40th birthday in style with his first malfunction. We're not sure what upset him most, the cost of the reserve

repack or his medical! Happy birthday John!

Paul Scott played host to another legendary Brid evening. It was lovely to see Dave and Nicky again as well as Bernie, all the way from Liverpool with his camp bed under his arm! After a few litres of questionable cider from Dave Walker's travels most were ready for bed. The true star of the evening has to be Sadie Sutcliffe who stayed up until 5 am, and made it to work at 8 am. How much work was done is probably another matter!

Lara Walker

Achievements

- Cat 8**
- Paul 'Weeble' Firth
- Leanne Douglas
- Bernie Morgan
- Dave Foster
- FS1**
- Sadie Sutcliffe
- FS1, 100 Jumps**
- Keith Brooksbank
- 400 Jumps**
- Blair Stent



Joe Pasquali and Dave Pinkney



Nicky Johnston takes Joe Pasquali for a tandem

Photos by Blair Stent



Achievements

FS1
 Alan McGill
100 Jumps
 Simon Chittick
 Jim Scott
 Billy Robertson

200 Jumps
 Stuart Cameron
 Viki Bingham
600 Jumps
 Tom Fletcher
1 Hour Freefall
 Billy Robertson

Viki Bingham, Jo Gibbs, Dave West and Freddy, by Jim Stevenson

St Andrews has been flying an Islander this summer in addition to our normal planes. We did some bigger jumps, pulling off the first sequential 8-way here on the first try, with a 3-point dive.

In the University League Table, Glasgow University played catch-up at the last minute, pipping St Andrews to first place by just one point! Congratulations to the club, who have earned a free first jump course and a number of jumps for committee members.

Brian Vacher came up to Scotland with his Safe Flight canopy school. All the jumpers taking part agreed it had been well worthwhile, and skills have definitely progressed! Our teams put in a good showing at the nationals. *Helix*, who include instructors Doug McLelland and

Ian 'Freddy' MacDonald (camera), took intermediate gold. They went on to take gold in the ESL single A class. *Synchronise* placed 10th in juniors, and *Mimic 21*st.

Skydive St Andrews celebrated its 5th year anniversary in August, with a 4-way scrambles and an accuracy competition. We saw Derek Burton in an FS suit, causing many to wonder just how much he had been drinking the night before! Despite being a hard core freeflyer he picked up his first ever medal... in 4-way FS! Another surprise was senior accuracy won by Dave West – on a tandem!

The scrambles was fiercely fought, and the atmosphere was tense in the bar as the first round of judging took place on Saturday evening. Kevin McPhillips kicked

the evening off by returning with his popular hypnotism show, with Ellie and Tom proving to be the stars of the evening (weeble weeble!). Hilarity over, the party started!

On Sunday the competitions gave way to novelty jumps and big-ways, ending with prizegiving and a raffle. Many thanks to our sponsors, especially PD, BirdMan, Symbi, DZ Sports and Thomas Sports.

Tom Fletcher



Helix by Freddy



Jim White and senior accuracy winner Dave West by Dave Gillan



4-way scrambles winners by Dave Gillan

Daz Gardiner and friends by Ralf Jaeger



The weather has been near perfect. Tiggs has been flying his Islander and we put the two aircraft up together for a biggish way attempt, a good high to finish the season.

Chris and Dave Wood went into a flurry of activity preparing for their sojourn to Cornwall. There have been a number of visiting instructors to assist Dave, our thanks to them. Among them was Daz Gardiner, who claims never to have seen his name in the magazine before. So Daz, I hope this makes up for it!

A visitor from Iraq, Dan Back, achieved Cat 8, nice one Dan. On the jump prior to that he managed to have both trainers removed in freefall!

And the strangest and most amazing tale of Mr & Mrs Craig... The husband and wife team achieved Cat 8 on the same lift with the same number of jumps, 23. If that wasn't remarkable enough, David achieved his through the RAPS system and Laura through AFF. Spooky or what? Well done to both.

Phil Bell

Achievements

First Freefall
 Hilly Hilton
 Jack Russell
 Mark Griffiths
 Peter Pink
Cat 8
 David Craig
 Laura Craig
 Dan Back
FS1
 Panayi Panayiotis
 Papettas Tryfon-Iacovos
 'Baggy' Bagstaff
 Craig Pettitt
 'DD' Danny Dammiou
 Andy Beney
 Stavros Constantinos

Jump Numbers

100
 Joey Ridge
 'Baggy' Bagstaff
 Craig Pettitt
200
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The 3-way open competition is progressing and is bringing on skills. Waiting in the bar for the winning team is a fantastic memorial trophy in remembrance of Ian Hall.

Dangerous Dynan makes a welcome return to Peterlee and it's like he never left. Phil Howarth is now a regular after moving back to the north-east. We have had BBQs galore making the most of the good weather. A flour tracking dive has been a talking point. The bell in the bar has rung a lot recently after plenty of progression. 4-way team FSOK had a promising start on the first weekend of the nationals with a 7 point average; not so good on the second weekend but still respectable for their first intermediate season.

The Bounce Back Boogie, 7-9 October, has a theme of a slumber party with a massive do on Saturday 8 with a live band, and a quiz on Friday 7. Come dressed for the sleepover! The Nomad will be leaving at the end of October, make the most of it now. George McGuinness is leaving at weekends to become CCI at Brid, we wish him good luck. Well done to Jane for getting her knees back in the breeze after a long layoff. Baby Madison has finally arrived, congratulations to proud parents Dave and Lizzie.

Gary Lorrison is doing a sponsored cycle from Land's End to John O'Groats in aid of the hospice movement. Please support him by donating at:

www.justgiving.com/garyscycle

Paul McCormick

FSOK by Alan Thompson



Achievements

First Freefall

Mel Alderson

Matt Dunk

AFF Graduate

Mel Alderson

Cat 8

Guy McNulty

Mel Alderson

Jade Elliot

Lizzie Gower

CP1

Wayne Wilson

FS1

Scott Findlay

Mandy McGuinness

John Graham

Joanne Dawson

FF1

Dave Taylor

Paul McCormick

Jump Numbers

50

Guy McNulty

100

John Graham

Dave Hamilton

Scott Findlay

Richie Dunk

Graham Wilkins

Mandy McGuinness

300

Lee Saunders

500

Dave Leonard

700

Paul McCormick

800

Mal Richardson

1100

Alan Thompson

1 Hour Freefall

Richie Dunk

Lisa Lister



Dave Taylor's FF1 by Alan Thompson

sunroof! Only he can explain the reasons why!

Well done to Clarky, Aron, Stu and Geordie for their gold in CRW at the Armies! This being only two weeks after Clarky, Stu and Geordie achieved their CF1s, good going guys.

We've had more AFF students this season than ever, so club membership and loyal punter

numbers are rising rapidly. RAPS courses are going well, most notably the recent military course taught by Jay. Talk about a taskmaster; he trained them on Wednesday, jumped them on Thursday, they were packing on Friday and three out of the original twelve were on dummy pulls by Sunday! How's that! Dan Preen completed the AFF course in three

days with a couple of consolidation jumps thrown in to boot!

We're sure our new recruit to manifest, Louise Vodi, will do a great job at keeping that aircraft in the air – preferably with jumpers on it! Our new record is 16 loads for a Sunday, we're hoping to beat that too! Here's looking forward to seeing more of our regulars.

Rachel Organ & Marie-Anne Stevens

Silver Stars display team have had an excellent season. The demo into Berkeley Castle in August was a blast, we even managed to meet The Wurzels! Clarky got a little over-excited on the way home and decided to throw his much-needed and expensive glasses out of the



Achievements

First Freefall

Rachel Organ

Cat 8

Dave Parry

Dan Preen

CH1

Jason Webster

CH2

Lee Austin

FS1

Carl Partington

Dean Wilkinson

John Slaney

Carl Baines

Craig Baines

Richard McConnell

CF1

Stuart Miller-Hall

Geordie

Clarky

Tommy Parry

Hours in Freefall

1 Hour Freefall

Mark Beardsley

Louise Ramsden-Hare

48 Hours Freefall

Andy Parkin

Jump Numbers

100

Gavin Dyer

Nicky Blythe

200

Richard McConnell

300

Mike Collins

500

Tommy Parry

800

Stuart Miller-Hall

1000

Kevin Johnson

Silver Stars with The Wurzels at Berkeley Castle by Big Al

It's congratulations to Pierre and Amy who became proud parents to Lauren. And congrats also to Andy 'Harvey Wallbanger' Ring who managed to demolish the team room by starting his car while in gear. Sadly he didn't buy the beer as it's not the first time he's done something like that!!

Ruth Cooper



Achievements

First Freefall
 Daniel Bayley
Cat 8, CH1
 Emma Blenkarn
 Jackie Whyte
CH1, CH2, FF1, JM1
 Drew Moon
CH2, JM1
 Jill Duncan
 Liz Hurry
CP1
 Richard Parkin
FS1
 Nick Brown

Jump Numbers

50
 Carl Banks
 Roz Friend
100
 Melanie Day
200
 Drew Moon
300
 Big Tony
 Dennis McTaggart
400
 Richard Cole
 Richard Parkin
 Tilly
500
 Justin Milner Walker
1 Hour Freefall
 Bill Best
 Rich Best
 Liam Guy
24 Hours Freefall
 Baz



Andy 'Harvey Wallbanger' Ring captured by Nigel Rowlan

Never volunteer to write club news if you want lots of Christmas cards! Despite being scared to show our faces in Oxfordshire again we're risking another go at bringing you news from those WONDERFUL folk (grovel, grovel) at London Para who make it all happen... Like 'Miss Manifest Too' Ruth and CCI Mike – keeping us going up and coming down.

Our dynamic packing duo Dion and Chris, are constantly busy in Lewknor's deluxe, state-of-the-art packing hall C'mon guys, we've got you two large groundsheets – what more do you want? It's great to see Chris again after a couple of year's break – welcome back Mr Buse!

Several Sundays have seen a matching set of Cessnas (aaaah – cute!) to double the fun, and the August bank holiday weekend brought in Bodyflight, the Islander, and many faces from the past. The evening BBQ and camp-over brought out the party spirit and the tequila – but where was the promised

absinthe Keith? Tim manfully took over the cooking (is there no end to his talents?) when one of the burger van birds had a strop ("You want me to cook in the dark?") although the concept of Diane and her rubber lover may have put some off actually eating their food! It's best described by the revellers – those who could remember! "It was cooking!" (nice one, Ian!); "No comment" (Ralph – pleading the 5th amendment?); "Very nice, I had too much booze" (we see you in a totally new light Diane); "Er, what car alarm?" (yours, Billy – at 5am!).

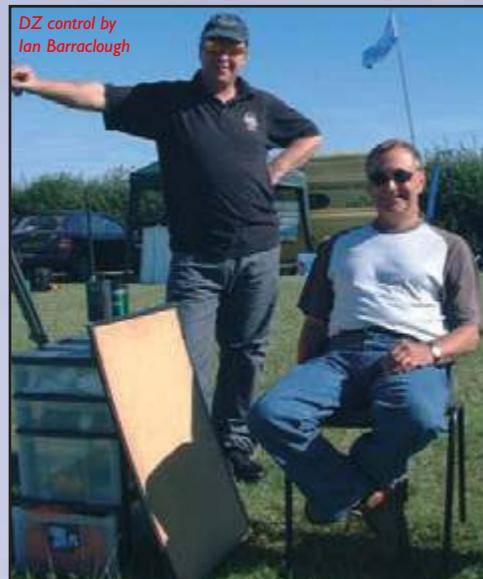
Jennie FitzStanley & Tracy Curling

Jennie gets her Cat 8, taken by Tracy Curling



Achievements
Cat 8
 Jennie FitzStanley
JM1, CH2
 Tim Lawson
Jump Numbers
100
 Nikki Wilkins
800
 Martin Harris
2000
 Ian Barraclough

DZ control by Ian Barraclough





Sibson wingsuiters flock together, by Mark Harris

What an incredible two months. It's been weather of extremes, blisteringly hot and humid, torrential rain, high winds... and that was just last Wednesday afternoon! Regardless, truckloads of jumping when weather permitted... The Turbolet and top pilots Vladimir and Ivan continue to amaze all with the speed to altitude. Loads of midweek jumping and the freestyle festival was awesome, see page 8.

Our wingsuit weekend was outstanding, with countless lifts devoted entirely to winged jumpers, lots of coaching and formation flying. Jari was his gorgeous self, thank you for joining us. Duncan Wright and Steve Such were awarded BMI. The multi talented Mark Harris qualified as a BMCI, the only one in the UK, good job Mark!

The now legendary Lancaster Boogie suffered from days of precipitation but, as Grantley so rightly said, the boogie "is not really about jumping". This year it was about some quality hybrids, tracking dives and seriously about the beer festival. Ouch.

Luke Nelson surprised all jumping naked for his 1,000th jump in aid of cancer research, raising over a grand! The general consensus among the girls was that he looked just fine, the guys were more reserved, some donating money for Luke to keep his clothes on!

The staff have very gorgeous new suits that do not make their bums look big and, although they are all different colours, look very team like and professional. There are new tandem suits too which also look fab.

Del's garden continues to expand. God only knows what will happen to the gnomes over the winter, Del will have to take them home for safekeeping.

Lots of new faces at the DZ – Richard, Dave, Will, Connie, Lisa & many others welcomed. Lovely to see Elliot, Richard Luxton, Ronnie and Dree Bee again. We say thank you and goodbye to Yoav Gabbye till next year. I am purposefully not mentioning Paul Hodge, although it is always lovely to see him. Rumours about Dan the Man are unfounded apparently, there will be no requirement to bake him a cake with a file in it this year

Congratulations to Dom Goy on his recent nuptials and to the gorgeous Debbie Ennis (Allum) and her lovely man Dana on their wedding, wishing you all the happiness in the world.

Lots of stuff still on at Sibson, check our website for events for the rest of this year and for your diaries for 2006. This is my last club news, Sarah Hall will be taking over, let her know your news. Blue skies.

Lizzie Harris

Smiley, happy birdpeople, by Mark Harris



Achievements

Cat 8

Leah Frost

FS1

Martin Hailey

Sarah Neale

Martin Cole

FF1

David Geffin

Andy Hughes

Caroline Dent

Jump Numbers

50

Mark Hall

200

Jason Titmarsh

David Geffin

Laura McLoughlin

300

Kevin Bates

Martin Ball

400

Dean Shortt

500

Duncan Wright

Daniel Ferreira

700

Mike Evans

3000

Peter Gray

Sacha Chilton

SPRINGO



**PARACHUTES
DE FRANCE S.A.**



7-way hybrid by Rob McVey

Achievements

First Freefall
Kevin Quayle
Michael Robinson
Joanne Pick
Cat 8
Mark McCurrie
Shaan Norohna
Sue Murray
David Fairbrother
Alan Davis
CH1, CH2
Stephen Mauger
Alan Holmes
David Fairbrother
CP1
Wayne Wilson
FS1
Gavin Clark
Alex McMullen
Helen Casey
Gavin Holmes
Alan Holmes
FF1
Anthony Mould
Wayne Wilson
CF1
Danny Rowlands
Greg Taylor
Chris Taylor

Jump Numbers

50
Alan Holmes
Alex Wigg
Alan Davies
Gavin Holmes
Gavin Clark
100
Valentino-Demitri Collinson
Amelia Walters
200
Laura Gray
Danny Rowlands
500
Arthur Wrennall
1000
Kevin Johnstone
Rob McVey
Louis Harwood
3000
Danny Smith

The budding wingsuiters had a great weekend in July thanks to the demo suits and great coaching from Craig Poxon and Gus Brown. Mark Calland organised a mini speed meet for those maybe too 'horizontally challenged' for wingsuits!

The VNE boys dropped in for the FS roadshow with Liz Matthews to keep them under control long enough to dish out some 'spanking' coaching, well done Gavin and Warren who got their FS1 and thanks to the VNE guys and Liz.

Well done to Avalore and all the other teams in the freefly nationals for showing our lads what they're up against! Especially Martin Reynolds from Bullet for giving the judges a free eye test when he became concerned they failed to see an elusive foot dock in round 5, and promptly corrected their optical error!

Will Cooke has been sleepwalking again. He was last seen walking 5 miles back from Lancaster at 3am on his own, and denying all knowledge of it! Good old Danny Smith, how does he do it? He gets all the petite tandem students whereas Billy is lumped with burly, 14 stone monsters. Of course Danny swears it's just a coincidence!

Holidays at Home, a new BBC series, was shot over BKPC in July, although unfortunately cameraman Eddy Davies has a bit of trouble staying with anything weighing less than a ton and failed to get any footage! Luckily cameraman no 2 was there to save the day!

A huge get well to Dave Chatteris who was seriously injured in Europe while skydiving, everyone here is thinking of you mate and we hope to see you soon.

August saw Freely Festival 2 with our first freefly competition aimed at getting non freeflyers interested and educated. It went down a storm, *Hobbit and Weeble* (Eddy and Jo Middleton) picked up the prize money and gold medal. Thanks to Louis Harwood for judging. *HomeWerk Klub* kept the party going until the early hours alongside Darren Graham who played a great set, big thanks for an awesome party!

The Manor has changed hands and now has a landlord with the capacity to smile! Top banana! Check our website for news of events and aircraft, you may be pleasantly surprised!

Rob McVey



Party photos by Wayne Wilson and Mike Collinson



Superman caught on camera by Jim Hunter

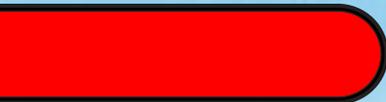


A good couple of months' jumping with lots of fun and progression. Congratulations to happy couple Wendy and Evan Simpson on their wedding. Evan had his stag night at the club, and what a night it was, fun & games for all. We had a superhero jumping for charity, John took Superman, aka Gareth Alexander, on a tandem.

John McCourt

Achievements
First Freefall
Jade Allister
John McConville
FS1
Declan Carlin
500 Jumps
Joe Meredith





Thank you Colin from everyone at Tilstock for the excellent 50th birthday party! Everybody had a great time and Schof did a brilliant job with the food. Brian took in and subsequently rejected twice his body weight in fruit punch! There was a lot of boogieing to the live band, who played tirelessly throughout the day. The next major party will be bonfire night, and then it's almost time for the Christmas do, Hawkstone Park Hotel, Saturday 10 Dec.

The Army team gave us a demo, wearing matching tracksuits and flags. After weeks of trying for optimum weather conditions, Dave Major and Will Dodge finally managed to jump their old rounds! Despite their age, the PC and the Papillon still work, they put Dave and Will down safely.

Congratulations to Chris and Charlie Gilmore on the birth of their new baby daughter, Ruth. Benjamin Blue has a lovely little sister! Chris has now done 3,000 jumps too!

Several of our club are in the Czech Republic at the Karlovy Vary boogie. The dedicated Ray Parker has taken a few WARP students to coach, good luck to all.

Ria Bremner

Rounds are back! Photo by Gwyn Ackery



Girls-way by Steve Small



Luigi Cani's canopy piloting school arranged by Maddy Moore was a huge hit, with high attendance over the 3 days by jumpers of all levels. Everyone had their jumps briefed, videoed and debriefed and left with much improved skills. To everyone's delight the grand finale was a demonstration by Luigi on his VX 39, an absolutely jaw-dropping sight!

We were blessed by the weather gods for our summer ball, a very grand affair in a huge marquee on the zone. The guys looked gorgeous in their best bib and tuckers and, ladies, you all looked STUNNING in your glorious gowns and those all important high heels; oh so elegant! Delicious fayre fit for royalty, fabulous music from Steve Baldwin's band 74 with solo appearances from 'Missy' Clare Murphy and Dylan 'Blues Brother' and Pete Jones's disco getting all the dancing queens to their feet, all made it a great night. Our thanks to Geoff and Mike for organising.

The following morning the DZ was closed due to the Silverstone Grand Prix, so the PAC flew a group of eager jumpers over to Old Buck. A great time was had, thanks to Grant and Tommo.

Matt Abram arranged an excellent trip to Russia with some jumpers clocking up close to 100 jumps in 14 days! I blame the good weather, numerous large aircraft and extremely cheap tickets. Just about everyone has been down to the Cornish Parachute Club in Perranporth to see Tiggs and Co in operation. It's an absolutely breathtaking location with great pasties. Well done Caroline Turvey who overcame her fear and did a tandem there (it wasn't the tandem she feared, it was being strapped to Glen Morris!).

A trip to the Texel freefly extravaganza was fab, almost all of the 16 strong posse took to the sky with Marco and G to try atmonauti. Unfortunately the attempt under the influence on pushbikes along dark Dutch cycle paths did not go so well and resulted in the 'wild boys' (aka Dumi & the Joyner brothers) emerging with various injuries!

Congratulations to our lovely pilot Julie Winchcomb, who completed her AFF, we look forward to having fun in the air with you, you must admit it's much more enjoyable than flying the plane isn't it? We wish Doctor Nikki Biggs all the best on her travels, enjoy your six months in all those exotic places. Don't forget on 22 Oct it's the BAVARIAN (not German as I wrote in the last issue) beer festival, book now, it's going to be a night to remember! This is the final call for the Kenya Boogie which is 27 Oct onwards, details from Geoff Wood.

Elaine Park



Luigi on his VX 39 by Helen Carroll

Achievements

AFF Graduate

Julie Winchcombe

Cat 8

Anton Piatek

Robert Wye

Ross Dagley-Cleworth

Martin Brookes

FF1

Brian Uglietti

Stephen Worrall

Alex Wigg

FF1

Ernie Hulley

CH1

Ross Dagley-Cleworth

Robert Wye

IC1

Jos Cooper

Jump Numbers

50

Gary House

Stephen Worrall

David Worrall

100

Alan Gayton

200

Jamie Valder

300

Mark Joyner

Dylan Griffith-Jones

Ernie Hulley

400

James Bassett

Matt Abram

700

Clare Murphy

Duncan Humphreys

1000

Bob Miller

1100

Elaine Park

1300

Mike Beeden

6900

Geoff Wood

1 Hour Freefall

Jos Cooper

12 Hours Freefall

Bob Miller



Hinton Summer Ball



Once again Weston has gone from strength to strength! We have even more new faces every weekend. With two Dorniers throughout September there was plenty of opportunity for everyone to jump and big-ways became a regular feature!

August saw the return of the annual wingsuit festival with Andy Ford and Craig Poxon organising flocks and helping many make their first flights. The bank holiday weekend had Steve Hamilton organising FS big-ways with the help of Andy Scott. Tim Porter was on hand to organise the freeflyers and offer coaching, he also organised one of the best tracking dives I have ever been on and not to mention the fantastic 'mangle' (multi-angle) flight! George Pilkington came along to get those atmonauts feeling atmo-naughty! Other delights were the two helicopters, a Bell Jetranger and an Augusta 109 taking jumpers up to 8,000 ft.

The Sunday night was our legendary masquerade summer ball, the gentlemen stylish in their finest dinner suits and the ladies gorgeous in their dresses. Dj Robbie and the bands kept us partying the night away, one of the best summer balls ever!

Weston fielded 11 teams at the nationals! In 4-way, Airkix took senior silver, and Damn Zebra got intermediate bronze. 8-way intermediate saw Weston Plumm8 take bronze, behind DeLangar Trajik, made up of Langar and Weston girls. UK Freefly took home freefly B bronze.

Bikini jumps in September raised money for breast cancer care, with just as many lads on the plane as lasses! We planned to catch the warm midday air, and were glad of it! Brave Amy and Georgina were out first on static lines, then Chris (on his consol), Laura (having been roped into it), Caroline, Anna, Ali, Dave, Matt and Sarah leapt out at the top.

Jon and Malcolm recorded the legs, bums and tums rippling with a vengeance (much to everyone's embarrassment) but the struggle to try and get anything resembling a formation drew attention away from the wobbly bits! A fun day for a good cause which Chris, Dave, Matt and Ali seemed to enjoy a little too much! A big thanks to Caroline and Anna for making the event happen.

Nigel Holland and Sarah Price

Correction

In the last mag I mentioned that Ash Kemp was the new civilian manager at Weston (true) and that he was in charge of the DZ at weekends (not true). Barrie Buck is still the CCI and is in charge and has overall responsibility for the DZ.

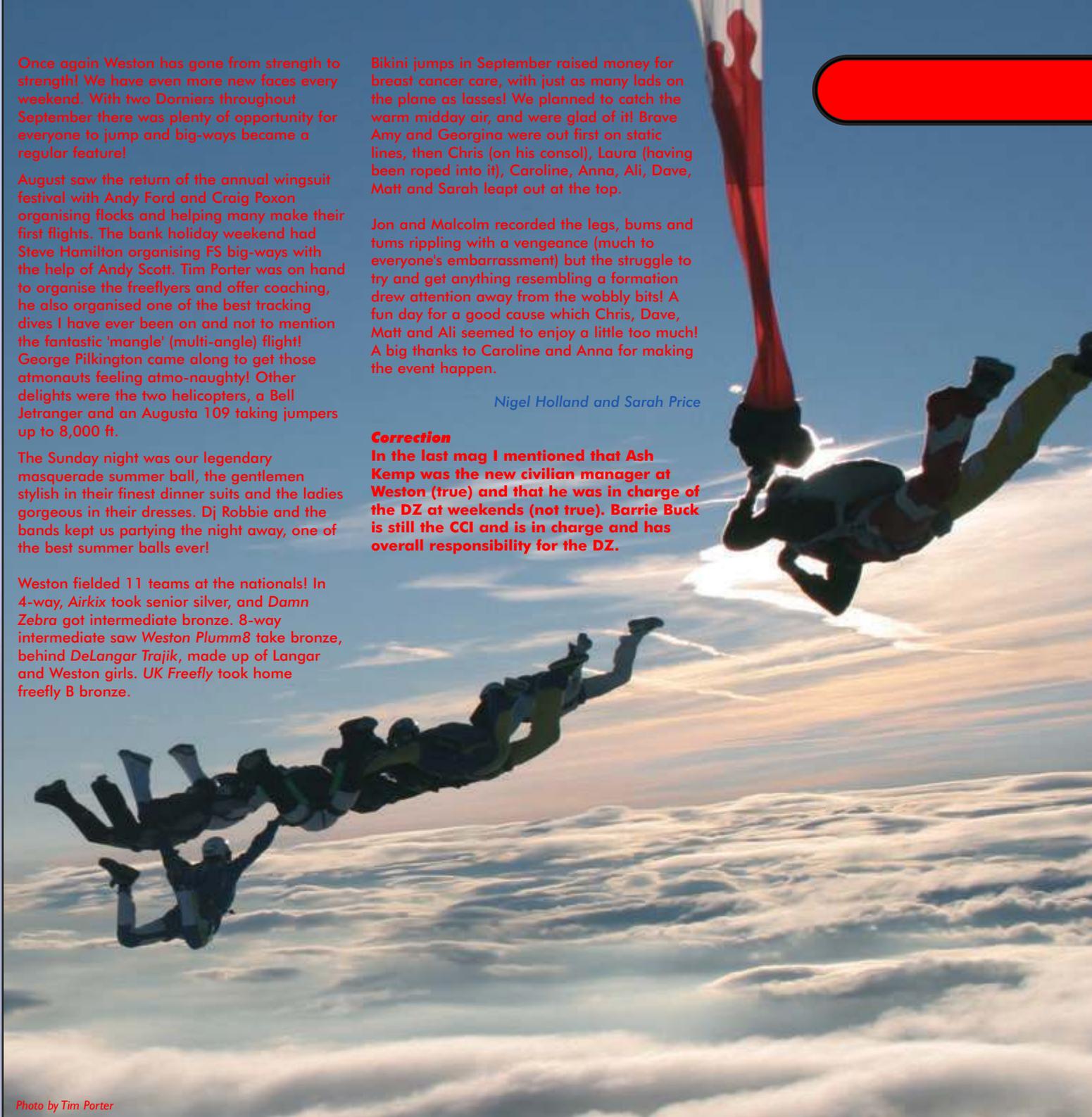


Photo by Tim Porter

Achievements

FF1
Gary 'TC' Sternberg
Duncan McGregor
Rod Price

Jump Numbers
100

Gary 'TC' Sternberg

300

Sarah Hardwick
Simon Stephenson
Ricky Butcher

400

Rod Price

500

Nick Whiteley

900

Caroline O'Hagen

1000

Diane Fricker
Phil Hartree
Eddie McBride



4-way by Tim Porter



Bikini jump by Rod Price

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On 1 June 2005, parachutes once again flew over Redlands Airfield. The new club, Skydive London, just south of Swindon, under the management of Stuart, Bryan and Brucie opened their doors after giving the place a facelift. So far the emphasis has been

on tandems with the odd AFF student, some RAPS courses and a few punters just popping in for a lob. Congratulations to the three owners for all their efforts – and Jeremy (Kiwi) & Dillon for doing all the jobs they didn't want to do!

Geordie Page

Achievements
FF1

Alun Griffiths
Peter Dolbel

100 Jumps

Joe Kennedy

2000 Jumps

Eric Bazin Laziou



Andy Montriou by Alun Griffiths



Norfolk 'n' Chance by Dave Pratt

Thanks to everyone at our first 4-way scrambles competition in July which ended up with five teams. We'll be doing this type of event again, hopefully combining it with coaching. July also saw a successful canopy coaching weekend run by Luigi Cani.

Well done to the staff for winning medals at the RAPA championships – all apart from Mac that is! Thanks to RAPA for organising a great competition – Nethers had a great time – and not just in the bar!

Our jumpers performed stunningly well at this year's nationals. Freely B gold went to Narli. We should also mention the particularly nice T-shirts! Freely A silver went to Space Euphoria. These guys provided real competition for FreeJive, perennial champions who only beat them by 0.3 points! Freestyle A bronze went to Euphoria Style who only did 5 training jumps and entered for fun! Five medals between them!

In the 4-way, AirKix came away with silver after a close contest with Spank to finish one point

behind. They broke a record into the bargain! The Army team took the bronze. One Non Blonde narrowly missed out on the junior gold, again by one point, largely due to the brunette's failure to nobble the opposing team's cameraman adequately!

Congrats to Sounds Grrr8 who won the intermediate 8-way gold after a close run fight. The senior 8-way honours went to VNE, sadly competing together for the last time. Elsinore NRA took the senior bronze in their first competition in this line-up. Well done to all these jumpers – you did Nethers proud!

Congratulations to Kim Young for gaining a very respectable degree. As a consequence, Kim now has a 'proper job' which means we'll be seeing less of her in manifest. Well done to Liz Weston and Linda Treharne who celebrated their 200th jumps in style out of the Tiger Moth.

Kath Salisbury & Helen Angove



Elsinore NRA by Nigel Rowlan

Achievements
Cat 8

Phil Brooke
Tom McCurdy
Matt Pascoe
Adam Clarke
Nick Lord

FS1

Adam Clarke
Pompey Vinny
Laura Smith
CH1, CH2
Phil Brooke
Adam Clarke
Pompey Vinny
Paul Daley

Jump Numbers

50
Paul Daley
100
Yam Yam
Freddie Huntley
200
Wayne Collier
Liz Weston
Linda Treharne
300
Scouse Morgan
500
Andrew Pickersgill
Francois Cathelain
Chalky Whyte
Simon Bristow
Will Major
600
Tom Canty
800
Paul Housley
Kate Burn
1000
Lee King
1100
Mike Lewis
1 Hour Freefall
Pompey Vinny
24 Hours Freefall
Paul Seymour

BCPA

Achievements

AFF Graduate

Ben Martindale
Paul Geary
Adrian Clark

CH1

Adrian Clark
Chris Barrow
Matt Harrison
Ben Cornick
Bruce Bryan
Pete Brookes
Clara Melia
James Moss
Sam Cornwell
Paul Goodman

FS1

Andy Price
Tim Fletcher

Jump Numbers

50

Andy Price
Julie Gough

100

Olly Burgin
Scott Mackenzie
KJ Bull
Paul Goodman

200

Davina Butler
Jo Burns
Brian Cumming
Claire Newbold

300

Laura Hillas
Guy Martin

400

Abi Fineberg
Van Hoorebeck

500

Andy Wesley
JP Reynard
Steve Rossall

1000

Derrick Kent
Phil Hartree

2500

1 Hour Freefall

12 Hrs Freefall

Lee Pugh



28-way team I'm a Lady by Rob Simpson

The FS nationals saw another record number of 4-way teams, with 53. Unfortunately the weather didn't play ball and, for the first time in 5 years, the 4-way event was carried over to the second weekend. On the second weekend we managed to complete the 4-way, 8-way, artistic and speed events! A big thank you to all those teams that entered for working with us to get the meet completed.

Thanks also to those who supported our raffles, we raised £481.40 for the Lincoln Air Ambulance.

The 28-way competition was great fun and the G92 formation loads were a fantastic sight. Herding Cats took first place and the hog roast went down a storm.

The bra jumps arranged by Lorraine Blacker of the BCPA in aid of the Lavender Trust attracted a lot of attention (funny how many blokes appeared!) Mind you, seeing Henners and Tim Cooke in a bra is a sight I could have done without!

The helicopter jumps were extremely popular, hanging off the skids at 6,000 ft seemed to be the most popular exit position – a lot of first timers, a lot of beer. The helicopter must return!

Danny Jessop has come back for a visit to his old home, he has brought his little men (in his head) with him though! Our lovely Polish packer Robert returns to Seville after months of putting up with the British weather – and the British skydivers! It was good to have you here with us mate. Get ready for more at the Seville Boogie.

The FF roadshow was a great success with over 50 coaching jumps, let's hope the artistic nats will be chocker next year. As the new Bodyflight tunnel has opened, Hib is offering trips, coaching and competitive tunnel time rates to skydivers, check out our website. The Halloween 10-way speed meet and annual famous party is on as usual, see you there, in your best fancy dress.

Hannah Swallow



Bra jump photos by Pete Allan. Photo to left is Vicky Scargill by Rob Simpson



Party shots by Mick Hartland



Amy Kitson in her winning bra taken by Chris Reeve



BCPA Nationals

Cark welcomed us with open arms as usual and all requests for even the most random of objects (nails, wood, buckets, plastic clothing etc..) were managed! Timmay had once again sold his soul to the sky gods, as we were blessed with fantastic weather for the whole week. All the competitions completed and this year saw an unprecedented level of drinking, partying and nudity! The now legendary 'pass-the-parcel' made an (un)welcome return, as did the bouncy castle, pole dancing, human pyramids and naked chairs!

The hardest fought competition was the post-500 jump accuracy – all of the competitors scored 3 DCs! Rupert Connell won it with a mighty 6. The 3-way comp went to Sex, Drugs & Sausage Rolls who won 30 mins in the AirKix wind tunnel with coaching from Sparky. Congratulations to Warwick who put in a huge effort throughout the year and won the league.

A great big thank you to all at Cark – they even want us back next time! Thank you also to all those that came to our events, the committee and anyone else who was a part of things. It's been good fun and very memorable! Good luck to the new committee next year – Henners is in the hot seat with Star and Holly assisting him as Secretary and Treasurer respectively.

Nationals Results

3-way

- 1 Sex, Drugs & Sausage Rolls
- 2 'Cos They Arrrrrrggghh
- 3 Team Zebra

Pre FFI

- | | |
|------------------|---------|
| 1 Lizzie Compton | Leeds |
| 2 Matt Brady | UWE |
| 3 Marc Fletcher | Warwick |

Post FFI

- | | |
|-----------------|-----------|
| 1 Tony Lock | Warwick |
| 2 Tim Natt | Warwick |
| 3 Sam Del Greco | Newcastle |

Student Accuracy

- | | |
|-------------------|------|
| 1 Francis Reardon | Bath |
| 2 Kat Montgomery | York |
| 3 Mat Gilbert | York |

Bra Jumps

The BCPA joined forces with Bravissimo and Think Lingerie, jumping in bras to raise money for the Lavender Trust, which provides support to women who are diagnosed with breast cancer, around 8000 in the UK each year. We were all a little shy, so when 'kit on' was called we didn't exactly rush to take our tops off! We did 4-ways, a 2-way, a hybrid, a tandem and sunset tracking dive, with a mixture of men and women.

The packing shed was busier than usual for some reason! In the evening the design-your-own-bra competition was won by a fabulously glamorous and feathered Amy Kitson, and a stickered Kat Insall, with special mention to Scott Mackenzie with an incredible hands-on creation.

A huge thanks to everyone who helped with the event; Bravissimo, Think Lingerie, Bodyflight, Target Skysports, Brandy Wharf Cider Centre, DZ Sports, PD, Original Lizard, Symbiosis, Team Space, Great Beanbags, Rob Simpson, Jane Henderson, Brian Knight, Dave Butterall, Moneyshots and Tumbling Dice. So far the event has raised £3000 with Diane Butter raising nearly £900 herself!. More to come with bra-clad tunnel time planned too! T-shirts are still available at £12.50, rainbowskydiver@hotmail.com.

Tim Cooke and Lorraine Blacker

Pumpkin

Achievements

CH1, 50 Jumps

James Brady

500 Jumps

Duncan Wright



KJ Bull, released from Sandhurst for a few weeks, with just 100 jumps to his name and in his first competition, secured bronze at the Army nationals 4-way – in intermediates! Respect!

The scratch army team *Chav-acious Innit* first met on Monday morning, round 1 was their first jump, by close of play Tuesday they had a 10 point average. Good skills! How dangerous they could be with a little training! They took some pride in beating the senior service and crab teams to take third. Martin will be sooooooooooooo proud!

Duncan Wright by Dave Hyggarth

Congratulations to Tracie Harrison who competed in the Armies, no chocolate gong but she and her teammates had loads of fun. Still on an army-ish theme, Hossein, Stu Carter (good to see you all mended!), Ainsley and Ian Pocock have been doing good jumps at South Cerney.

A big 'Phew' from dad, Richard Fox-Bekerman, as we congratulate Harriet and Phoebe on their excellent A-level results. Their university choices will presumably now depend on how active the skydiving clubs are!

Ros Jinks

It was a small turnout for our Pops meet at Hibaldstow this year, the weather on Saturday wasn't too kind, but we were rewarded with one lift at the end of the day. Sunday gave us blue skies and lots of jumping. We kicked off with our traditional Hit n' Rock, bronze went to Don, silver to Caroline and gold to Richard. We welcome four new members; Mark Walker, Fredy Deman, Dane Richardson, Paul Newton. Congratulations to Caroline O'Hagen, 900 jumps, and Eadie McBride, 1,000 jumps, at the same time at Weston, Sunday 17 July. Don't forget to email or post your details to me for our SOS register. If you don't tell me you won't be on it.

Niels Hanson





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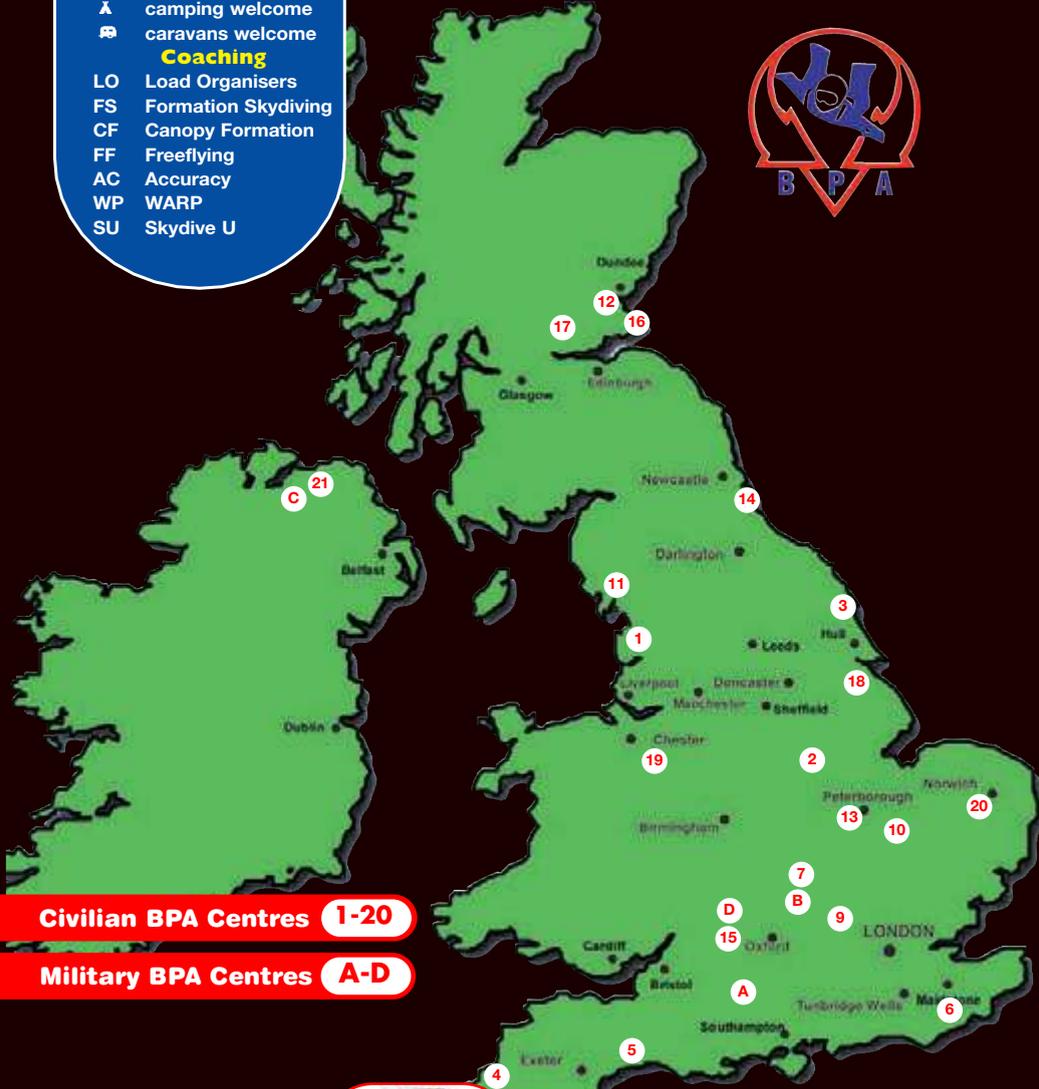
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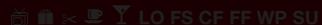
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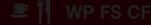
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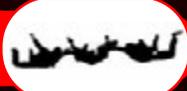
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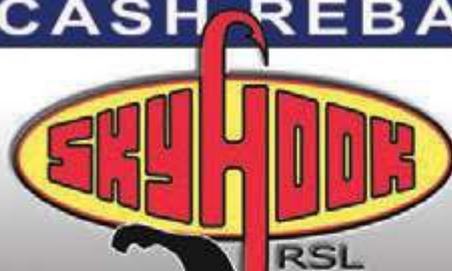
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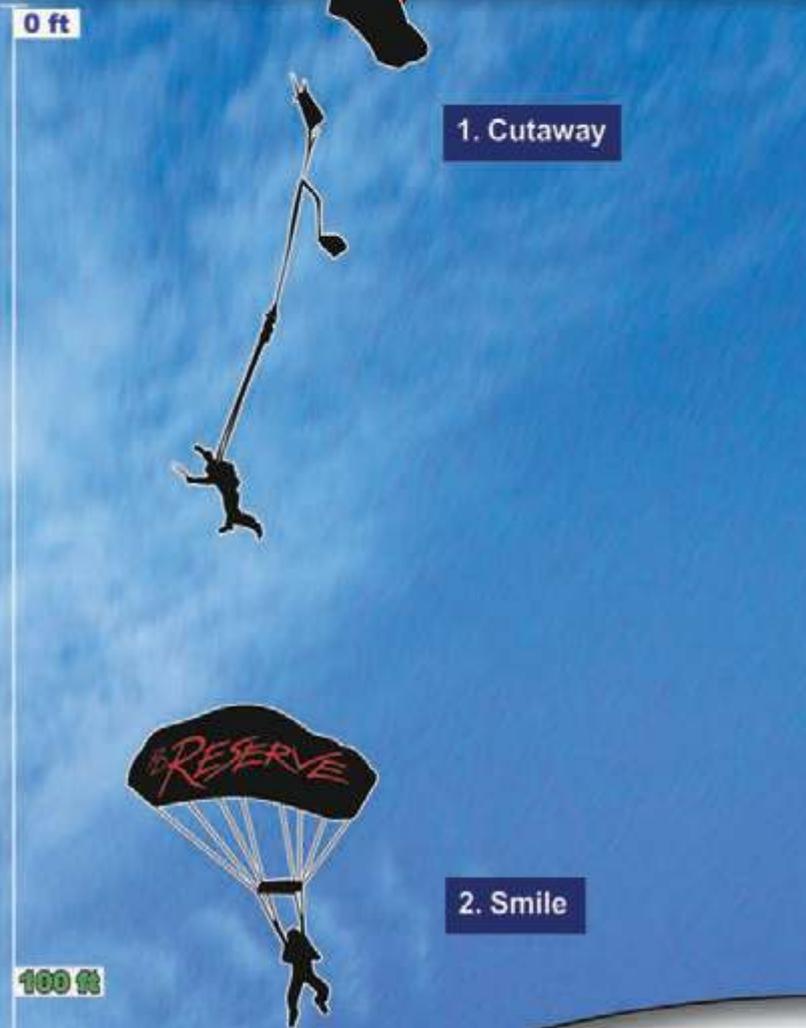


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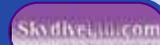
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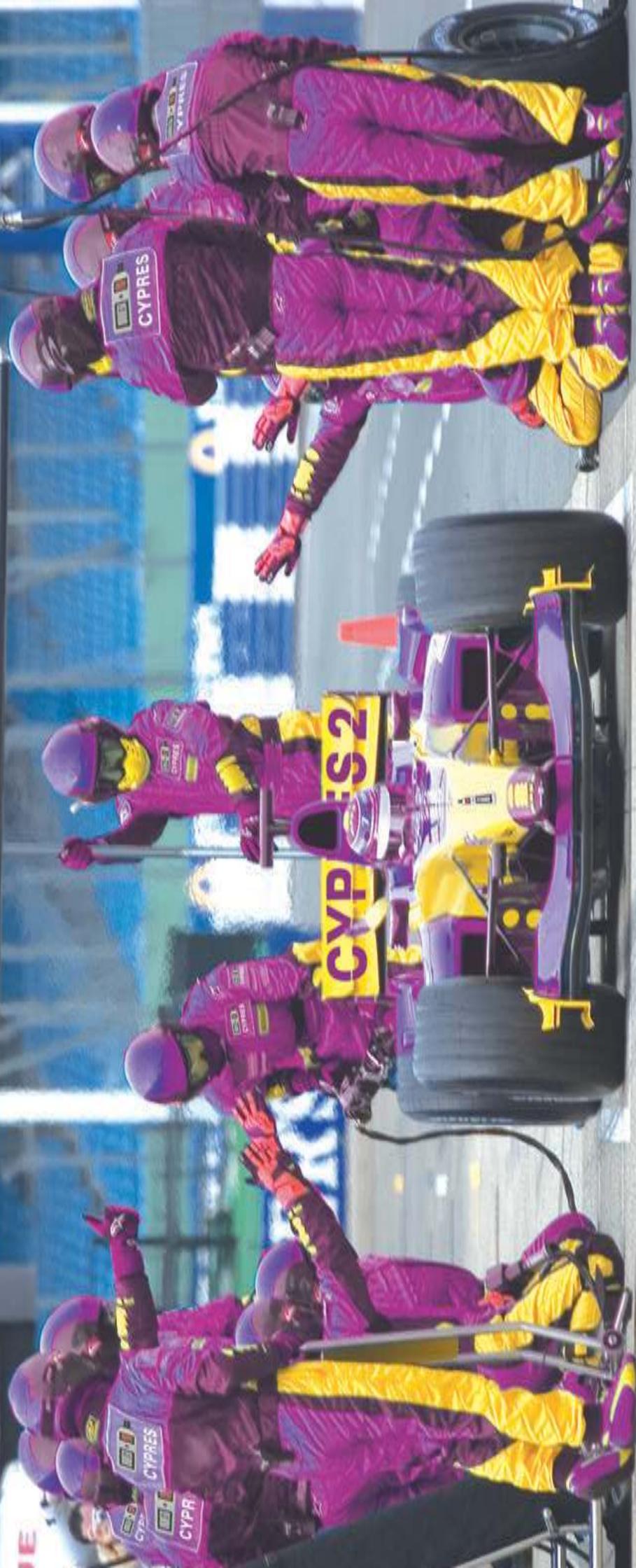
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