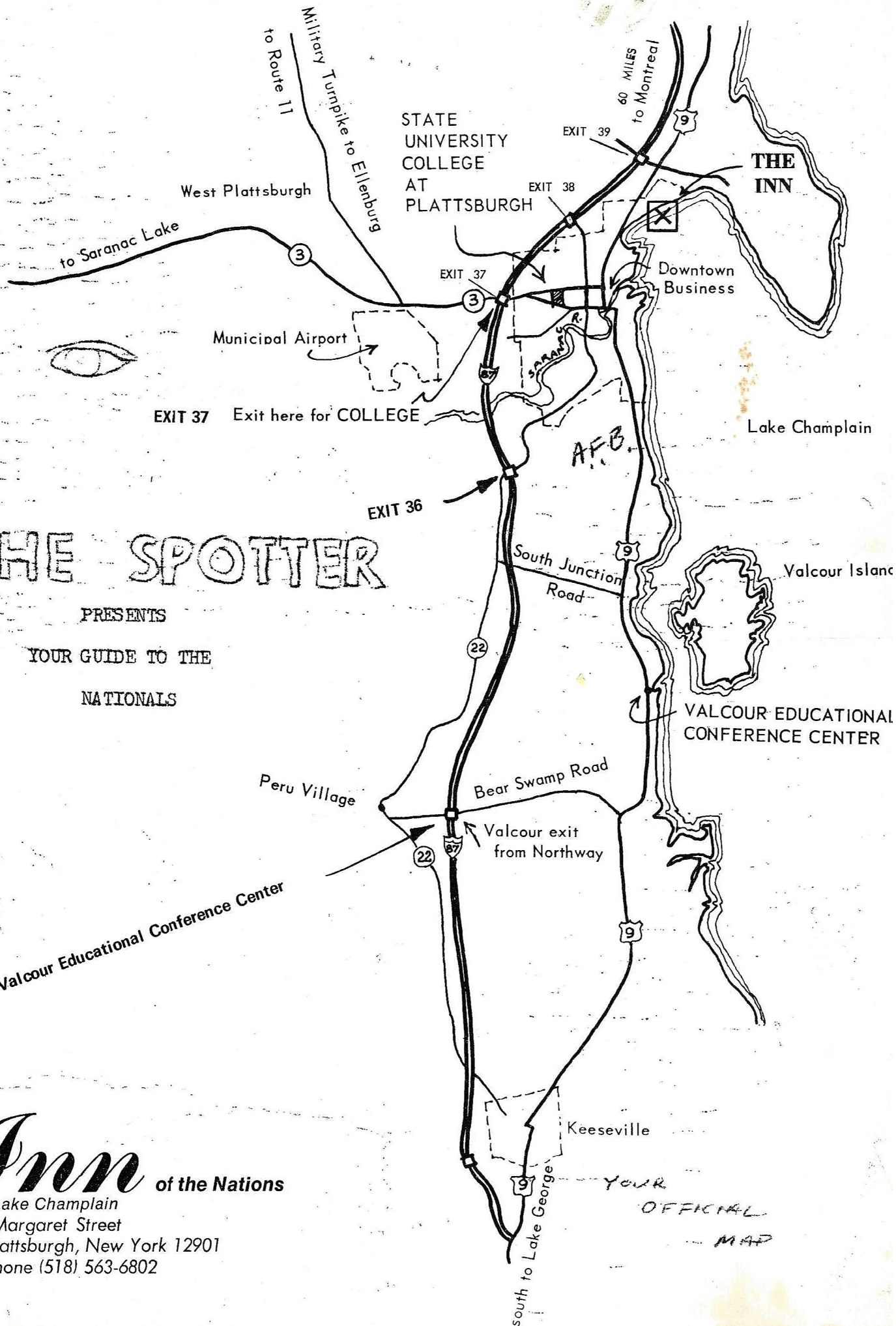


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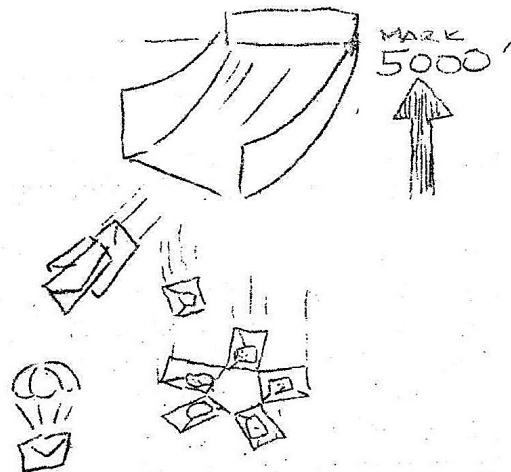


YOUR  
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# THE MAIL CHUTE

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor: I just read your current issue of the "SPOTTER" and feel obligated to correct a news item that refers to me. As I recall, my comment to you was that I was being criticized by several members for publishing clean-shaven photos and leading everyone to believe that I shaved my beard in order to take this job. My problem up to this time has been that I haven't had a good picture with my beard and was therefore unable to correct that mistaken impression in the magazine. If you will refer to the current PARACHUTIST issue (March, 1970), you will note that on page 21 I've begun my campaign to correct this.



Jerry Rouillard  
Assistant Director, U.S.P.A.

To the Editor: I thought I would let you know of a complete malfunction I happened to see. I jumped first and Jim Morgan (C-5851) followed me out as he didn't have an altimeter on, for a 15 second delay. I watched him exit 4 or 5 seconds after I did and on opening I looked to see his opening. He had just pulled and as he went by I saw the container partially open and saw the red sleeve. I did not see the white pilot chute anywhere. After 6 or 7 seconds he went head low and pulled the reserve, which opened first and then the main was out, but never came out of the sleeve as there was no air speed.

To summarize this, I decided the pilot chute never deployed and was hung up. I checked the container and found the top cone had a groove worn in one side and could have kept the top pin closed. The pilot chute was packed at the top, as I had helped close it up. He had experienced a bad hesitation before when he had put the pilot chute on top and had reached for the reserve before it opened. I believe all containers should be checked to see that there are no grooves in the ripcord cone. If grooves are found the cone should be replaced and not simply filed down.



Dean Bickel  
Keokuk, Iowa

To the Editor: Enclosed is \$2.00 for a year of the SPOTTER. I'll bet that I'm the only one on your mailing list with an address in the Soviet Union, right? There are several military attaches around Moscow with a lot of static line jumps and even a few freefalls but no USPA members with which to shoot the bull, unfortunately. Although my home is in Honolulu the SPOTTER is of interest to any skydiver, and I look forward to another issue soon to help while away the arctic winter.

Lawrence S. Braden  
American Embassy





## HERE IS ALL THE LATEST NATIONALS INFORMATION

For the second time in five years, the U.S. Nationals will be held in the Northeast, this time historic Plattsburgh, New York.

**TRANSPORTATION:** This is the first Nationals to which one may fly direct commercially. See Mohawk and Air North. Larger airlines service Montreal but this means an hour's drive and going through Customs twice. Both Greyhound and Adirondack Trailways service Plattsburgh and there are two ferries which cross the lake from Burlington, Vt. The motel is on the lake and is accessible by water from the Great Lakes and the Atlantic, in case you come by boat. And, of course, it is just off the Northway, Interstate 87. Military personnel may fly into Plattsburgh AFB. The D & H Railway provides service from N.Y.C., Albany and Montreal.

**ACCOMODATIONS:** The Inn of the Nations, 460 Margaret St., Plattsburgh. Sleeps about 450. The Inn was originally built for the Air Force and each unit has a complete kitchen. There are three styles: studio, one bedroom and two bedroom suites. It is right on Lake Champlain and has its own private beach with boat launching facilities. The bar is small but beer will be sold over the counter by the case; there is a refrigerator in every room and the N.Y. drinking age is 18. Bar beer is 45¢ and 50¢ and mixed drinks are 90¢. The bar closes at 2:30 AM. There is a laundromat in the motel. A state campground is located about a mile from the Inn and the charge is about \$1.50 per day. It is on the lake and has toilets and showers but no hookups. Contestants and officials may stay at the Inn the practice week prior to the meet for \$5 each per day, children under 14 free. Meals will be served in the Inn's restaurant. An office is being readied for Meet Director, Norm Heaton, and a suite of rooms has been set aside for PR man, Tony Furman. Visiting Canadians will be pleased to hear that the Inn accepts their money at par.

**THINGS TO DO:** Montreal is 55 minutes away, no passport is required but brush up on your French. Contestants will receive free passes to Frontier Town, Ausable Chasm and many more. Other attractions include Paleface Mountain Dude Ranch; Shelburne, Vt. Museum; Burlington, Vt. 1000 animals; Santa's Workshop in North Pole, N.Y.; Lake Placid; Stone Bridge and Caves of Pottersville; Fort Ticonderoga and the whole beautiful Adirondack area.

**PLATTSBURGH** has a population of 21,000 and serves an agricultural area of 100,000. It boasts a State University and a large SAC Air Force Base. Historically, it figures in the early exploration of the country and was the site of the first naval battle of the Revolutionary War. A map of the area is in this issue of the SPOTTER. Contestants and officials are encouraged to bring their families. For maps and brochures, write: Tom Cronin, Inn of the Nations, 460 Margaret St., Plattsburg, N.Y. 12901.

## CANADIAN '69 STATISTICS ANNOUNCED

The CSPA had 74 clubs and 2110 members, 58% were members for the first time (the same sport turnover occurs in the U.S.), 10.7% were female, 320 were military, 603 were students and the average age was 24. Most were from Ontario, followed by B.C. and Quebec. In Canada, one person in every 10,076 is a member of CSPA. They have 48 riggers and 22 instructors. The D numbers are up to 132 and the C's to 388.

CSPA income for fiscal 1969 was \$44,500 with some \$9,000 coming from the Government.

THIS ISSUE OF THE SPOTTER TOTALS 1500 COPIES.



## FIRST INSTRUCTOR CERTIFICATION COURSE HELD IN MANCHESTER, CONNECTICUT

The USPA Instructor program was firmed up by I/E Don Grant and the first Instructor Certification Course was held on 3 and 4 April. The "dry run" was limited to those already engaged in instruction. The outstanding seminar was overshadowed only by the quality of the candidates. Thirty-seven jumpers came from ten states, only three failed to pass, two were under age, and one Canadian did not have a U.S. license. The Friday night and Saturday sessions were filled with lectures. Dan Poynter gave the introduction explaining that this first course was being given to iron out the program for the rest of the country. Don Grant spoke on the techniques of teaching and safety. Howard White covered the first jump course, Cesar Aguilar the basic parachutists course, and Dr. Frank LaRue the medical and psychological aspects of parachuting. Saturday evening the candidates broke up into four man groups with one Instructor/Examiner to each unit. Each took turns being student, instructor and evaluator in several phases of the FJC and BPC and each underwent a practical test by their I/E. Additionally, each was required to pass two written tests, one upon arriving on the BSRs and Doctrine, and one on Saturday on the lectures. After grading and evaluation by the staff, Instructor patches were passed out to the following:

Bob Beck	Oklahoma	Howard White	Mass.
Mike Martin	New York	Cesar Aguilar	Maryland
Sandra(Boore)Beck	Pa.	Dan Poynter	Mass.
Ron Cutting	New York	Don Fix	N.Y.
Marge Bates	Conn.	W. Hallam	N.Y.
John Sayle	N.Y.	Larry Sargeant	N.Y.
Mike Winnick	N.J.	Don Grant	FPO
Jim Bates	Conn.	Linda Chapman	Mass.
Rich Piccirilli	Mass.	Ron Blake	Conn.
John Hardesty	W. Va.	Dick Barber	Conn.
Gary Hayes	Conn.	Ed Leggett	N.J.
Charles Daugherty	W. Va.	Parker Edson	Conn.
David McIntyre	N.Y.	Berry Metzger	Conn.
Harvey Brooks	W. Va.	Ted Strong	Mass.
Bob Driscoll	N.Y.	Sonny Dickey	Mass.
Alan Pohl	N.Y.	Gary Dumas	Maine
Steve Mura	N.Y.	Norm Peavey	Maine

Additionally, Instructor/Examiner tabs were passed out to Ted Strong, Don Grant, Dan Poynter, Mike Martin, Harvey Brooks and Bob Beck.

Grant hosted a meeting the following day to evaluate the course and polished it up for Monterey. Those wishing to host or to take part in an ICC should write USPA for details. Sandy Boore and Bob Beck met at the Course and married two weeks later.

### CANADIANS ELECT NEW OFFICERS

At the Annual General Meeting in Ottawa, CSPA members expanded the Board, elected new directors and began considering regional representation. Results were as follows: Pres: Wally McLellan; V-P: Doug Goodfellow; Directors: Diana Leonard, Clarence Myhill; Dave Adams, Mike Saul, and Simon Fairfax Wykeham-Martin. Other offices were filled as follows: World Championship Comm: Barney Bree; National Safety Comm: Bill Sheldon; Public Relations: Bill Baird; Can. Para Editor: John Smyth; Chief Instructor: Bill Hardman; D.O.T. Liason: Glenn Masterson; Can. Am. Sp. Fed. Delegates: Barney Bree and Tom Cox; D.N.D. Liason: Capt. R. Lucas; I/Es: S.F. Wykeham-Martin and Pedro Blanchette; and Technical Comm. Medical advisor: Dr. Frank LaRue.



## FATALITY REPORTS

Printed below is a list of recent parachuting fatalities. These reports are printed in the SPOTTER for instructional purposes. These are not just "jump stories"; they are reports of real people and it is felt that this produces a greater impression upon the reader. Learn from the problems encountered by others--read and carefully analyze each fatality report.

\*\*\*Date: 14 February 1970

Name: Douglas Saffko

Place: Mason, Michigan

Age: 20

Jumps: 1

Cause of death: A weak exit placed deceased back to earth and he grabbed the pilot chute as it came around him being pulled by the pilot chute assist system. He assumed the fetal position and trapped the reserve so that it could not deploy once opened by the Sentinel.

\*\*\*Date: 21 February 1970

Name: Mel Hanson

Place: Edmonton, Alberta

Age: 38

Jumps: 373

Cause of death: His PTCH-7 streamered, he tried to clear it and then cutaway at 600'. The static line was not connected on his Crossbow reserve and he activated it about 100'. He wore heavy ski gloves. A piece of suspension line was found around the lines between the lower lateral band and the stabilizer panels; a packing aid he forgot to remove.

THE

LUV GROUP

CURTIS, SALTONSTALL TO OPEN CALIFORNIA DZ



Timmy Saltonstall and Curt Curtis have abandoned the Northeast to open a DZ in Pope Valley in northern California. Bill Hammel has been hired to manage the center. The new DZ is just over the hill from the now closed Calistoga drop zone and consists of a 3700' paved strip, 8 unit motel, swimming pool, restaurant and a bar to be re-named, "the Clobber Inn". Aircraft will include two 180s, a Beech and a yet to be acquired two place, probably a J-3 Cub. Curtis was a weekend jumpmaster at Lakewood. Saltonstall worked one summer at Orange, and Hammel was assistant manager at Lakewood for sometime. Each has his gold wings, Saltonstall has most pilot ratings, and Hammel has most mechanic ratings.

### NORTHEAST COUNCIL OFFERS PATCHES, ETC.

1. NESPC Tee shirt @ \$1.65 S, M, L, XL (circle one)
2. NESPC Patch @ \$1.00
3. Parachute Coloring Book @ \$1.00
4. Parachute Song Book @ \$1.00

All prices postpaid

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Send to: NESPC

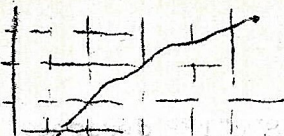
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Winchester, Mass. 01890

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## PUBLIC AVIATION FATALITY RATE UP 5.1% From N.P.A.

The National Transportation Safety Board reports that 1968's fatality rate rose to 2.86 per 100,000 hours flown in public aviation operations (up from 2.72 in 1967, a ten-year low). There occurred 692 crashes involving fatalities during 24,053,000 hours of flying time.

For the fourth consecutive year, accidents in which the pilot was blamed as the cause or a causal factor rose to 84.3% (compared with 1967, 81.9%; 1966, 80.2%; 1965, 76.5%). Pleasure flying accounted for 384 of the 692 fatal accidents, an increase of 24.7% over 1967.

The lowest fatal-accident rate of all segments of public aviation was in the area of "instructional flying", accounting for only 65 mishaps with a rate of .99, although this figure represented an increase of 27.5% from 1967.

The business/corporate-flying fatal accident rate dropped from last year's 2.07 to a 1968 rate of 1.84, with 95 fatal crashes. Aerial application operations, as a segment, also showed a slight decrease.

## CANADIANS HOST SAFETY SEMINAR

On the day prior to the Annual CSPA meeting, Bill Sheldon chaired a safety seminar at the Skyline Motel in Ottawa. About 50 attended and it went all day and into the evening. Chuck Embury covered P.I. training methods, Dan Poynter the 1969 U.S. fatalities, Bill Sheldon spoke on defensive jumping, Diana Leonard on human factors of jumping, Dr. Frank LaRue on drugs and altitude, Dan Poynter on common equipment problems, Embury on new equipment, Smokey Tomkins on accident reports, LaRue on social, medical and psychological aspects of jumping, and a lot of discussion followed.

Some new items were added to the BSRs: to require breakaway practice within 15 jumps of acquiring a PC, Crossbow static lines must be hooked up unless the blast handle is replaced with a cloverleaf type, jumpmasters may not remove their reserves in the aircraft, and steerable reserves are required for tight demos. Also discussed were licensing standards, pilot qualifications, seat belts, demo standards, aircraft seating and PLFs.

## ONTARIO COUNCIL FORMED



Following the CSPA Annual General Meeting in Ottawa, seventeen of the twenty-two Ontario clubs held a meeting and formed the Sport Parachuting Council of Ontario. Officers and Directors were elected and a meet schedule was established. Lloyd Kallio is President, Lawrence Crocker, V-P, Tom Cox, Sec/Treas., Bert Brown, Director, and Bob Gravelle, Director.

## D-69 WINS FRONTIER MEET

From Terry Pickup

Nate Pond, D-69, bettered 42 other contestants to win Frontier's one day accuracy meet in Akron, N.Y. West Point fielded a 17-man team and nearly missed registration. Their C-47 pilot took them to Akron alright, Akron, Ohio. Results were as follows:

Advanced Accuracy: 1st-Nate Pond

2nd-Bob Beziat-West Point Team

3rd-Clint Anker-West Point Team

Intermediate Accuracy: 1st-Ron Cutting-Frontier SD

2nd-Save Mura-West Pt Team

3rd-Tom Plonka-Frontier SD

### Novice Accuracy

1st-Mark Clouse-West Pt.

2nd-Jim Clark-West Pt.

3rd-Scott Scholler-West Pt.

3 Man Team Accuracy: 1st: Clair Wimer, John Courteau, Mike Martin-Frontier SD



## THE EQUIPMENT CORNER

The Equipment Corner is a regular feature of the SPOTTER designed to convey industry news to the reader. Manufacturers and suppliers are encouraged to submit material.

WANT/VEVE ORIGINALS, 5201 Alhambra Avenue, Los Angeles 90032, certainly have the most successful new parachuting product of the year. The Flight Master jumpsuit is sweeping the country. There are 27 colors to choose from and while the multicolor fashion is big in the West, the solids are still the word in the East. A full color ad appears on the back cover of the April issue of PARACHUTIST. They are made of very heavy 10.10 oz. cotton and pockets are placed anywhere ordered. One guy had ten put on at no additional charge, but most just want one on each arm and one on the right leg. All are made to order (send measurements) and it won't cost extra even if you are 6'7". Prices run from \$25.00 for one color to \$35.00 for three. Knees and elbows are doubled, double full length zippers, high Velcro closed knit collar, and Velcro closed wrists are a few of the specialties.

NIAGARA PARACHUTES, 4088 Thorold Stone Rd., Niagara Falls, Ontario, is carrying the PS-06-1, the Yugoslavian copy of the PC; price is \$400. Canadian. It is made of U.S. materials: about a 2.2 oz. ripstop fabric, Type V tape on the radial seams, Type III O.D. lines, 1/2" tubular center lines and striped Type II crown lines. The cut is changed slightly from the PC. Eddie Grimm quit his regular job and is pursuing his parachuting business full time. He has an updated, very nice line of sport equipment in colors. A new line of coveralls runs \$30.95. A new altimeter similar to the Pacemaker sells for \$38.75.

STRONG ENTERPRISES, 542 E. Squantum St., North Quincy, Mass. The 24' steerable reserve modification has proved to be very successful and more are being cut than 26's. A slightly larger Stylemaster reserve has been designed to handle the 24' canopy. With 215 lbs., the 24' canopy has a descent of 20.4 fps and a forward speed of 10.8 mph while remaining very stable. Write Strong for a complete data sheet. Stylemaster production, while better, is still behind the demand. Watch in the weeks ahead for some startling new products.

PIONEER PARACHUTE COMPANY, Manchester, Conn. The decision to go ahead with Mark I PC production has been made. The initial rerun of Mark Is is sold out and the factory is sitting on a couple hundred Mark IIs. Only three patterns will be available this year: The Church Window (black with multi-colored keyhole), The Red Baron (black with a red maltese cross), and The Challenger (red and white stripe with a blue tail).

The Super-Pro main container has been enlarged. All reserves are reportedly being redesigned to a one-pin configuration to ease the pull. Pioneer did \$43,800,000 worth of business in 1969, up 37.8% from 1968, but only 2-3% of this was in sport parachuting.

PARACHUTES INCORPORATED, Orange, Mass., has a new Canadian jumpsuit which should sell in the \$30 range. The POD (Para Opening Device) is in the advanced testing stage. It is a deployment bag with a skirt reefing system which may have application to wings, but is currently being tested on the PC. A couple dozen are in use. It consists of an open bag into which the canopy is accordion folded VERTICALLY and a line from the top of the crown lines to a wrap between the lower lateral band and the stabilizer panels. When the assembly reaches line stretch, the pin is withdrawn from the wrap and the canopy disreefs.

The new dual purpose rig is much simpler than past equipment. Elastic loops are substituted for cones and the POBs have been eliminated. It may be manually or static line operated. There is a field packing strap on the side. Cost should be near that of the old three-pin.

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## THE EQUIPMENT CORNER (continued)



PARACHUTES INCORPORATED (continued) - P.I. spent some \$3000 for Switlik LPU flotation gear for their centers. They run about \$28.00 each.

They are having trouble with their ground operated opener which is being developed on a \$30,000 FAA contract. Jammed frequencies necessitate more sophisticated electronic equipment and development.

The famous Blue cover log which recently went from \$2.00 to \$2.50, will drop back to the original price soon. A new catalogue is in the works.

The first jump course at Orange and Lakewood has been raised to \$55.00.

STEVE SNYDER ENTERPRISES, 331 Cherry Hill Blvd., Cherry Hill, New Jersey. Steve has just about completed three more prototypes of his new "Super-Sentinel"; two will go to Gary Patmor's R&D Committee for testing. The second edition of the Delta II Para-Wing News is out and a free copy is available by writing to the above address. This one outlines an alternate packing method and many other tips. They warn against packing the Wing in the winter when the OSI is wet; seems it freezes and may not flap.

50' PEA PIT!!

NEW MANAGEMENT AT PELICANLAND  
(Stolen from the M.E.P.A. Newsletter)

MORE TO COME!!

Eastern Conference Director, Mike Schultz, and Super-Pilot, Wayne Beall, have taken over the Pelican DZ on a 24-hour, 7-day-a-week basis. In short, a new full-time position.

Two Cessna 182's are standing by waiting for both the experienced and the novice jumpers.

Mike and Wayne are in the process of a general clean-up, with an in-process face lifting for the clubhouse.

For the competition minded jumper, rates are \$2.00 for a hop and pop (four out on a pass), and \$3.50 for style jumps.

## COMPETITION TRAINING ACTIVE AT ORANGE

By Lovely Linda Chapman

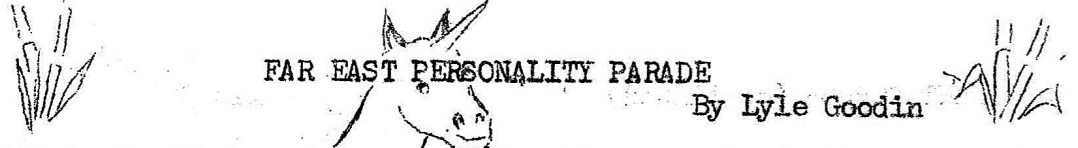
Organized competition training is now active at Orange every weekend. The program was spearheaded by Don Grant, before his departure for the salty depths, and is being carried on by Mike Mythen and Linda Chapman. Anyone who would like to sharpen their competitive skills or who is interested in learning competitive technique is invited to join the group. This program has been organized and uses the training aids of the individuals involved, is not sponsored by the Center, and costs nothing (except aircraft lift for which participants are individually responsible). Judges or training judges are also invited to participate. Each style jump is observed via telemeter and each accuracy jump from the target. Observations of both are tape recorded so that the individual can hear his critique on landing. Telemeter and target are close enough together so that both style and accuracy can be critiqued on the same jump. A suspended trainer (one of those used at the ICC) is also in use. It is rigged so that the jumper can use it wearing his own harness and can be used both for style and accuracy practice.

Any interested jumpers are invited to contact Mike Mythen or Linda Chapman upon arrival at Orange.



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# FAR EAST PERSONALITY PARADE

By Lyle Goodin

CWO PAUL LEMIEUX (C-6007) just blew in this week from home leave after his tour in Germany. He'll be at that garden spot of Thailand (Nakon Phanom Air Base) for a one year tour as Engineering Officer. I don't know what he'll be engineering but I'm sure it won't be jumps. NKP is about the most remote spot in all Thailand and absolutely devoid of jumping activities.

STUART McCURDY D-1132) dropped me a line a while back and informed me that he will be arriving in Thailand this week sometime. It seems he'll be going up to Udorn to fly F-4's for a year. His jumping activities for the next year will depend upon his ability to be sneaky and get rides down to the Bangkok area on weekends or talk the Air Commando's there into hauling him down to Nam Phong when they go. At least he'll have lots of company to talk jumping to since Lt. Col. John Garrity, Jr. is right across the river in Vientiane, Laos, as one of our "Assistant Air Attaches".

CLAUDE JOHNSON (D-913) and LYLE E. GOODIN (D-1529) are the current co-holders of the Thai national record for most jumps in one day. We haven't checked yet but we may also hold the record for most jumps in one weekend, too. We got three on Saturday and six on Sunday from the U-6A (Beaver to you people) (L-20 to you Air Force chaps). Nine jumps in a single weekend is almost beyond the normal comprehension of most Thai jumpers who would be deliriously happy to get nine jumps in one month. Come to think of it, most things are beyond the normal comprehension of Thai jumpers.

P.D. (Porky) EVANS (C-5892), the Cassius Clay of the Air Force, recently gained the nickname "Brown Bomber" after participating in relative work with Lyle and Reynold Bishop (D-2188) at the demonstration jump in Surin. He also spent much of the time in freefall just being a spectator.

REYNOLD BISHOP (D-2188) was kidnapped by a group of unidentified jumpers recently and spirited off to Bangkok where he was left trussed head and foot in front of a tailor shop with a note pinned to his skin tight trousers instructing the finder to import enough awning material to make "Butts Bishop" a set of trousers large enough to contain his middle age spread. It seems that subsequent investigation brought to light the little known fact that "Butts" had been borrowing trousers from unsuspecting jumpers, wearing them at demonstration jumps, and returning them with the seat busted out.

KRIT KEOKWANKAR (C5436) finally sold his PC which must have been one of the first in Thailand. It was an old Red/White/Blue with so many replaced panels of so many different colors that it looked almost like a "Clown". The original date on the canopy is early 1964 but it still gets aired out occasionally. I believe it was originally given to Krit by one of the American jumpers a few years ago when the American decided that it had made its last jump. Thanks to the light weight of Thais, the canopy has been able to withstand several more years of abuse.

THE THAI NATIONAL TEAM recently took delivery of twelve new red/white/blue PCs and will soon start training. Red/white/blue is the Thai national colors, and their flag is similar to a French flag with horizontal stripes, but the canopy that was sent was the Challenger and it looks more like an American flag than a Thai flag.

LYLE GOODIN (D-1529) has been made a member of the UNICORNS, an International Parachute Club with headquarters in Toronto. The club motto is "Keep the Unicorn Alive and Well".

TONY PERRY from Singapore will soon be moving to Djarkata, Indonesia for Union Carbide. In case anyone has wondered why Tony is called "The Major", it's because he never made more than Captain while in the service and everyone felt he deserved a promotion when he got out.

JIM BEVINS (C-4190) has backed out on selling his PC before he leaves here. He checked the prices in some of the catalogs and immediately wrote for estimates to repair his canopy. Can't say I blame him. Looks like inflation has caught up with the jumpers.

ED JARMAN (D-1055) has voluntarily extended his tour for one year. I guess he likes the idea of having maids, gardeners, etc. Besides, his wife Donna recently had another baby so she needs all the help she can get.

Whew! Page ten and there is lots more....



## FAR EAST PERSONALITY PARADE (continued)

LYLE GOODIN (D-1529) is definitely going to be transferred to Taipei in August and would like to hear from someone who knows what's going on over there in the way of jumping. I got one letter from the ASO (which I understand was the first sign of life since he got there) and he said that from his vantage point about one hundred miles south of Taipei atop a mountain, he hadn't heard of any jumping going on. Please write to Lyle E. Goodin, USMACT/JUSMAGT, Box 848, APO San Francisco 96346.

## PARACHUTISTS TURN OUT FOR BOSTON FAA MEETING

Seventeen parachuting representatives from every area of Massachusetts turned up at Logan Airport for the March 5th bi-monthly meeting of the Boston Air Traffic Control Advisory Committee. At issue was the vector 2 airway which passes over the DZs at Orange and Ft. Devens.

Jumping interests were represented by USPA V-P, Len Potts, the Conference Director, Council President, two ASOs, representatives from each Massachusetts DZ and a few others.

The disposition of the matter was an agreement between OSCP and the ATC people for better communication. The ATCs will not route IFR traffic over Orange and Orange will keep them informed of jumping activity. It will not be a restricted or cautionary area and it will be open to VFR traffic. Ft. Devens, which is the home of the Trojan SPC and has a lot of HALO jumping being conducted by the 10th Special Forces Group, was handled separately for reasons of security. At last check, there had been no change in their activity.

## GENERAL AVIATION MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION

From N.A.A.

Striking out on their own as an independent group, the former members of the Utility Airplane Council of the Aerospace Industries Association have formed the General Aviation Manufacturers Association with offices at 1025 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036. Joseph T. Geuting, Jr. is the new President of the group. He is the former manager of the Utility Airplane Council.

The new group is composed of all the prominent airframe, engine, electronics, and component manufacturers in the general aviation industry. It will be well financed and can be expected to be a major voice not only for its own members but as an important influence in obtaining cooperation with other organized pilot and industry trade groups on common aviation problems.

## MASS HIGH ALTITUDE JUMPS SCHEDULED FOR QUEBEC

A turboprop Fairchild F-27 capable of carrying 36 jumpers will be making the 15,000'+ trips on 23 and 24 May for just \$6., Canadian (\$5.50 US) at Lamacaza, 100 miles north of Montreal. For more information, maps and reservations for the flight from Montreal to the DZ (if desired), contact Chris Slater, Montreal SD, 5253 Lacombe, Montreal, 248 P.Q. (514) 679-5450.

Flotation gear is required and logs must evidence ability to turn and track.

DON'T FORGET THE BIG \$2000. MONEY MEET AT GREENE, NEW YORK THE WEEKEND BEFORE THE NATIONALS AT PLATTSBURGH, NEW YORK.



## SHORT SPOTS

- \*\*CHIP MAURY won out over 23,000 entries in a Nikon photo contest. The black and white photo was of Mary Donnan and Willard Joseph Smith in a kiss pass.
- \*\*WHAMO is donating mini frisbees to the Nationals and the U.S. Team for use as dead center discs; they're just the right size. Another triumph by USPA public relations rep, Tony Furman.
- \*\*THE CADET SPORT PARACHUTE CLUB at West Point has affiliated with USPA for the third consecutive year.
- \*\*THE PRE-NATIONALS MEET scheduled for Plattsburgh on the Memorial Day weekend has been cancelled. "Too much trouble" says Heaton.
- \*\*CRAIG ELLIOT made Major recently.
- \*\*LINDA CHAPMAN AND DON GRANT plan to be married in August.
- \*\*THE SPOTTER goes everywhere. One subscription just came in from Box 43 in Norfolk, Mass. The check was written on "Mass. Correctional Institution, Inmate Account".
- \*\*THE MILITARY NATIONALS scheduled for West Point from 8 to 11 May will be judged by Gordon Riner, Jim Fenske and Cesar Augustus Aguilar.
- \*\*JOHN CLARK, 1965 National Accuracy Champion, was married recently.
- \*\*THE PARACHUTIST STAFF really goofed in the March issue: Steve Snyder's ad had the Altimaster II for \$14.95. After a few were mailed, the mistake was corrected on the rest of the copies by hand.
- \*\*DAVE EISNOR finally received his gold wings but not as soon as he expected. He went to Florida to make over 100 jumps at Pop's and returned home with just three to go. He tried to make them one Sunday but the wind was up and after opening on the second jump only to find the DZ was over the horizon, he put the last jump off. The next weekend he was snowed in; the weekend after the Taunton jumpship was in the hospital again; then more weather. A surprise ceremony was arranged by Paul Johnston and Dan Poynter presented the wings.
- \*\*DARYL HENRY has declined the position of Chief Judge at the World Meet this summer. The well-known Canadian was placed in nomination by U.S., FAI rep, Chuck MacCrone. "Have to concentrate on the manuscripts", says Daryl.
- \*\*DAVE DAVIS in Idaho Falls couldn't make the Mt. Whittier ski jump in N.H. this year but he called in his regrets.
- \*\*JIM WHITTING will be going to California, thanks to the Navy.
- \*\*ART MONIZ, in reply to the short spot in the last issue on the weight of a cloud, asks: "How do you weigh a cloud?"
- \*\*WILLIAM T. PIPER, creator of the Piper Club, died recently at 89. Piper Aircraft sold 4474 aircraft in 1968 built in five plants. He joined Taylor Brothers and then bought them out in 1936. The J-3 Cub was built two years later. He built more planes in his lifetime than anyone else in the world.
- \*\*SONNY DICKEY put 25 members of the Conn. Parachutists through an 8-week safety and training course.
- \*\*DANA TAYNTON and GREG PAPPAS made fifty hop and pops each in Indiantown in four daze. Then Taynton took his Mark II to terminal for the first time in 200 jumps and blew it up.
- \*\*NAA says: Ten years ago there were 70,000 general aviation active aircraft in the United States. Today there are more than 125,000. Annual hours flown have increased from 13 million to more than 25 million. Active Airmen - pilots with currently valid certificates, have increased from 360,000 to more than 700,000.
- \*\*TOM CRONIN, Nationals host, has announced that the proceeds from the first 10,000 spectator tickets will go to the United Fund. Advanced sale tickets are \$1.60 per car, they will be \$2.00 at the gate. Contestants and officials will receive passes of course.
- \*\*BILL OTTLEY finally made it through a winter's skiing without breaking a leg. Now if he can just avoid those high, moving curb stones.
- \*\*DON MACQUATTIE announces the Rhode Island Skydivers now have a 170 with a 180 powerplant. 30s are \$4 and 45s are \$5., in Richmond, Rhode Island.



- \*\*LOVELY LAURA MACKENZIE is taking up a collection to buy anew unmodified 10' twill for Ray Finneran to be presented to him when he returns to the sky this spring. Dan Poynter is selling it at a special friendship discount out of "genuine love and appreciation for such a fine, outstanding, contributing citizen of the parachuting world", PROVIDING Raymond the Leg jumps on Poynter's spot next time the winds are up.
- \*\*CANADIAN SUMMER GAMES may include sport parachuting in 1973 if they are held in a city with a suitable DZ.
- \*\*BARNEY BREE, ex president of CSPA, made Cardinal back in '48.
- \*\*"BANANA" - The word appears often in these pages following the name of certain jumpers. Many have written in asking for an explanation. Sorry it isn't dirty. A few years back, a suggestion box was installed at Orange and among other notes deposited by young Sue Rademaekers was one suggesting a change in the pale yellow jumpsuits worn by the staff as uniforms. "They look like a bunch of bananas, which does not produce an emotionally healthy environment for the students", she complained.
- \*\*BILL COLE'S film, "The Silent Sky", is available for \$125 through Irving Feld, 230 Park Avenue #1546a, NYC 10017.
- \*\*HAROLD LANGE of Tecumseh, Michigan, has made a first draft of requirements for USPA affiliated centers.
- \*\*INSURANCE COMPANY OF NORTH AMERICA will probably raise the USPA insurance rate from \$2.50 to \$3.00 per member next year. The coverage may also be extended again.
- \*\*BILL DELANEY got the entertainment award at Turners Falls, Mass., one weekend for a streamered main followed by a Mae Wested reserve. He walked away.
- \*\*NICK NICHOLLS, B-5343, scored the first dead center in the new bowl at Hinckley, Illinois DZ....with a 1.6 oz. TU.
- \*\*JIM LOWE, 1969 National Champ, will spend his honeymoon at the '70 Nationals. An unsigned letter from Portland West says he is to marry his longtime secret sweetheart.
- \*\*DON GRANT taught a 50 hour first-jump course to a captive audience; 21 students attended on a nuclear submarine. When they surfaced, I/E Grant had covered everything including packing, pin checks and rigging their own static lines. Only PLFs were a problem because of the reduced headroom.
- \*\*MARGE AND JIM BATES found an error in the last issue of the SPOTTER. They are not yet grandparents but are only expectant grandparents. Marge still isn't old enough for POPS.
- \*\*SIS is the name of a POPS organization for women suggested by Sandy Boore's father in State Collich, Pennsylvania. Stands for "skydivers in skirts".
- \*\*KEN BENSON can't jump at Orange or Lakewood anymore since he is suing Jacques Is-tel for his injuries received during the 6/9/69 Quabbin incident.
- \*\*CORINNE BRACKETT jumped in a dress recently at Orange.
- \*\*DOUG ANGEL is a father.
- \*\*RICK JAMES, turned 16 and made his first jump at Turners Falls, Mass. Dad, Jess, looked on approvingly.
- \*\*LT. BOB MCCONKEY, B-2202, has returned to active jumping after a long Navy-ordained absence. Any old jump buddies are invited to contact him through the Ft. Ord SPC.
- \*\*JERRY ROUILLARD authored the first in a series of USPA safety posters. #1 warns against loose static lines and seat belts, is bright yellow and measures 16"x24". They're free from USPA and should be on the wall of every club house. Ideas for future posters are solicited; the reward is your name noted in the corner.
- \*\*HORIZON SPC of Applegarth, N.J., is 10 years old. Officers recently elected are: Pres: Fred Rubeck, V-P: Tom Brenner, Sec: Greg Pappas, and Treas: Ray Lavelle.
- \*\*TEXAS PARACHUTE COUNCIL officers for '70 are: Pres: Jerry Schrimsher, V-P: Landon Sen, Sec-Treas: Sherry Schrimsher, Chairman: Gus Anagnostis.
- \*\*CANADIAN D.O.T. will set up certain sport aviation areas in May.



## MORE SHORT SPOTS

- \*\*ELLINGTON, CONN., saw its first four man on 5 April: Ed Ashline, Bill Jefferies, Marc James, and Okie import, Bob Beck.
- \*\*RICH PICCIRILLI, when asked in his first jump courses at Orange, "what happens if the reserve doesn't open?" replies: "After that 17 seconds, parachuting becomes a contact sport.
- \*\*DON BERG was reportedly seen running around Ottawa during the recent CSPA meeting. Police were reluctant to arrest him as they thought he was a member of Parliament.
- \*\*PIONEER VALLEY SPC has a newsletter entitled, "PVSPC News", but you probably could have guessed that. Cost is \$1.50 a year. Write P.O. Box 372, Turners Falls, Mass., for a free sample.
- \*\*SANDY BOORE has some interesting earrings. Silver chains supporting her lead rigger's seals.
- \*\*RAY FINNERAN, recently booted out of the Hudson Valley Skydivers for some rather unusual conduct, may begin jumping again as his leg is on the mend, if he doesn't get the "ghosties". He showed up at the Jumpmaster Seminar at West Point and was seen trying to bribe Director Poynter for his license to kill.
- \*\*PARACHUTIST'S FREE PRESS, a newsy, entertaining and informative parachuting scandal sheet with a rapidly expanding circulation, is being published in Conn. For a freebie, write Laura the Mouth, 1492 Unquowa, Fairfield, Conn. Yes, that is "Unquowa".
- \*\*BILL FITZSIMONS broke his ankle descending under an unmodified 24' ripstop. He suggests getting it cut, or you come down like an oscillating anvil at 170 lbs.
- \*\*ESQUIRE DRUGS in the North Country Shopping Center in Plattsburgh has laid in a large supply of Beechnut for Norm Heaton during the Nationals.
- \*\*TOM CRONIN, host for the Nationals, will send you several brochures on the area free if you write him: Inn of the Nations, Plattsburgh, New York.
- \*\*NAA SAYS: Standard fuel tanks in today's light aircraft generally have a capacity anywhere from 24 to 50 gallons and up. Compare that with the fuel capacity of Lockheed's C-5 Galaxy: each Galaxy has 12 integral wing tanks with a total capacity of 49,000 gallons; this would empty  $6\frac{1}{2}$  rail tank cars and weighs 318,500 lbs. which is more than a fully loaded C-141 Starlifter, the largest USAF operational cargo jet. All this fuel could take an average American car 31 times around the world or 130 rounds trips between New York and Los Angeles (if you didn't wish to get your feet wet).
- \*\*NOEL FUNCHESS earned his gold wings on March 8th.
- \*\*DALLAS PARACHUTE ASSN. has a recorded telephone message. Call 398-5700.
- \*\*OXFORD, MICHIGAN, hosted DC-3 loads on 15 February. 26 jumpers turned out for a lot of one-man stars.
- \*\*DAN WILSON AND JERRY BUTHMANN jumped during the eclipse in South Carolina.
- \*\*ELSINORE saw over 19,000 jumps in 1969 and trained 913 first jump students.
- \*\*KATHY THOMPSON jumped the Sky-Van in England. 10 minutes to 12,500' for \$2.40. The 18-jumper aircraft has a huge cargo door; it's found at Dunkeswell in Devonshire.
- \*\*JOE BILLUPS will probably replace Bruce McDaniels as Director of the European Parachuting League (a sort of non-voting representative to the USPA Board for the military stationed in Europe). McDaniels suddenly received orders for the jungle.
- \*\*JIM MORGAN, Pres of the Keokuk Falling Stars in Iowa, reports they have 16 members.
- \*\*BERT BROWN thinks it's funny to send the wrong amount for his subscription renewal. Instead of \$2.00, he sends six and in Canadian funds.
- \*\*MASSACHUSETTS AERONAUTICS COMMISSION reports that out of 140 waivers issued in 1969, 98 were for parachuting. 12,650 jumps were made in the Commonwealth. There were 23 exhibition jumps and 14 injuries were reported.
- \*\*THE FALLING STARS of Palmyra, Pa., spent \$1500 for 410 tons of peas for a 100' circle 3' deep in the middle and 1' deep at the perimeter.
- \*\*VITTORIA METELLI has emigrated from Italy to Canada again. She says for info on jumping in Italy, write: Associazione Nazionale Paracadutisti d'Italia, Viale delle Milizie 5D, Roma.



## MORE SHORT SPOTS

- \*\*TROJAN SPC of Ft. Devens, Mass., made 952 jumps in 1969 with three malfunctions (one PC, one TU and one LL) and four injuries (two sprained ankles, one sprained back and one broken leg). They made 13 demos, including three water jumps.
- \*\*MIKE MYTHEN jumped during the eclipse at Orange and looked pretty silly carrying a flare as it wasn't all that dark, and
- \*\*DICK HAWKES says he called the FAA saying he represented USPA "and here is a list of our demands".
- \*\*BILL OTTLEY wrote a personal note to John Shaffer, FAA Administrator, and Monterey swung into action when FAA innocently proposed that everyone should have a seat and seat belts. The jumper has been saved once again by the USPA, the seats will not be required in jumpships.
- \*\*FRONTIER SKYDIVERS in Akron, New York, made 2,867 jumps in 1969, logging one malfunction in every 239 jumps and one injury in every 478 jumps.
- \*\*SKYDIVER MAGAZINE, once a monthly publication, then bi-monthly, has apparently gone quarterly. appeal
- \*\*BILL COLE was turned down on his grounding/ for his chuteless jump in Ontario.
- \*\*PARACHUTES INCORPORATED in 12 years at Orange and 7 at Lakewood, has launched 168,000 jumps; 15,500 were first jumps. In 1969, 23,800 jumps were made of which 2,350 were first timers.
- \*\*F.R. LAW parachuted from the top of the Statue of Liberty in 1912.
- \*\*COL. NUNN (ret) is the fixed base operator in Plattsburgh. The name of his outfit? You guessed it: "Flying Nunn's".
- \*\*THE HOUSE AND SENATE are still fighting over how to tax general aviation. A 7¢ per gallon fuel tax looks likely along with a \$25 registration fee. An additional tax per pound may be added.
- \*\*CHUCK BLAYLOCK, the new pilot at Tecumseh, Michigan DZ, always carries a half full mason jar of water.
- \*\*DALLAS PARACHUTE ASSN. has elected new officers for '70: Pres: Bob Chaffin, Vice Pres: Lupe Gonzalez, Sec: Sherry McLean, Treas: Sherry Schrimsher, T.O.: Hugh Lundquist, and Board of Governors: Jerry Schrimsher, John Berke, Dennis Clark, Chuck Shoemake and Jim Attaway.
- \*\*GEORGE TROUSDALE, USPA Insurance Counselor, has been reviewing the coverage on the Association's assets and says it's in good shape. Employee hospitalization was implemented a few years back. He is working on an accident policy for members.
- \*\*TOM CLOUSE suffered a broken arm in a wierd one. He pulled and slipped the ripcord handle over his wrist, there was a lead cable stop on the other end. Something, possibly a connector link, caught the middle of the cable and broke the arm before pulling the handle off his wrist.
- \*\*BILL NEWELL, eight man patch chief, may change the rules now that over 300 have qualified. A backloop, barrel roll or 360 turn before closing 7th or 8th has been suggested.
- \*\*JERRY SCHRIMSHER reports that parachutists were well represented at the FAA Dallas meeting on Terminal Control Areas. Use of the airspace by all facets of aviation has been increasingly important a topic.
- \*\*ROBERT FINCH, HEW Secretary, tried Para-Sailing in Acapulco when the tow rope broke at 150' depositing him in the drink. "It was great for my education but not for my health and welfare", said Finch.
- \*\*CHUCK HENDERSON has never been under a reserve in over 1000 jumps.
- \*\*MACDILL SPC has elected new officers: Pres: Ace Burkhard, V-P: Ben Mosley, Operations: Jim Ray, Sec/Custodian: Sue Lewellyn, TNG: Jack Bostick, Supply: Ron Embry, and PIO: Larry Kirkbride.
- \*\*USPA has reprinted FARs 65, 105, and 149 and is selling them for 25¢ each. FAA decided to confuse the issue by selling the FARs in several large books at a greatly inflated price instead of singly as in the past and this would have forced jumpers to purchase a lot of unrelated regulations in order to obtain just a few pages of parachuting regulations.

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- \*\*NATE POND, D-69, and JILL CAREY are married and living in Buffalo. He is flying mail in a Twin Beech.
- \*\*JERRY AND BARBARA ROQUEMORE had their car stolen with all their gear.
- \*\*JERRY BUTHMANN is leaving the Marine Corps and moving from South Carolina to Tracy, California.
- \*\*TERRY MAIDES is chief M.E.P.A. judge for 1970.
- \*\*JOE HAVRILLA, of the Flying Dutchmen in Pennsylvania, gave his airborne ring to a girl named Kathy.
- \*\*BILL JONES, D-924, is being shipped from Sumter to Germany by the Air Force.
- \*\*THE FALLING STARS of Palmyra, Pennsylvania, will host a POPS meet on 23 May. POPS DeWolf, Jay Harsh and Bob Hilliard will judge.
- \*\*NORM HEATON reports that Coors contains the adult minimum daily requirement of alcohol.
- \*\*Yuichiro Miura skied down Mt Everest using a parachute to slow his descent. He reached 94 MPH.
- \*\*Jack Buckley will be home from the jungle in August. He is going to Hong Kong to find a tailor to make him a Para-Foil, container and jumpsuit.

THE SWORD IS MIGHTIER  
Another Day in the Life of Vic Deveau  
(from C.P.I.)

Vic Deveau, while minding his own business in a drinking establishment, (he wasn't messing around with any women either), was slashed with a k-bar (some sorta knife) after which he made a hasty exit. Two bandaids and a cork were required to close the gapping wound. Later at Gary Hayes' house, Gary and Vic were re-enacting the episode in front of an excited crowd of admiring onlookers. The k-bar flashed in Gary's hand, Vic demonstrated an evasive technique he learned in the Marines and somehow managed to suffer an incision of his good hand. Ted Gibbons, who happened by, gave first aid to Deveau, who was in shock by then. When last seen, Vic was rigging up a ripcord which will enable him to pull it with his foot.....

HOW FAR DID WE FLY IN '68

From N.P.A.

More 1968 statistics just released, show that during the year the public aviation fleet registered 25 million hours of operation, compared to domestic airlines' 5.6 million hours during the same period. These 25 million hours, translated into miles flown at a conservative 120 mph average, add up to 3 billion miles of public aviation travel, equivalent to more than 12,557 lunar round trips.

CANADIAN GOVERNMENT TO ASSIST SPORTS

The Canadian Government has a new program of sport assistance. Two categories will be set up and treated as follows:

Category I: Will pay the executive \$12,000 per year, give him an office in Ottawa, pay for their Nationals and 3/4 of their team.

Category II: Will give a small amount of money.

There is a good chance the CSPA may qualify for the first category and while Jim Taylor doesn't like the thought of moving from B.C. to Ottawa, it would mean doubling his salary.



The FAA currently is considering a Notice of Proposed Rule Making to make it a federal violation (rather than merely an example of bad judgment) to pilot an aircraft less than eight hours after drinking any kind of alcoholic beverage. Although the rule may be hard to enforce, it will give the FAA important assistance in accidents or violations where witnesses can be found who will testify they saw the pilot drinking less than eight hours before take-off. Also, the very existence of the rule may tend to discourage some who might otherwise have "one for the road".

### NORTHEAST ASOs SHUFFLED

Recent ASO retirements have forced a complete reshuffling of Northeast Area Safety Officers. The new list is below; a complete directory with addresses and DZs should appear in the next issue.

CONNECTICUT: Dick Barber and Vincent Chesto  
 MAINE: Leroy Ashby, Gary Dumas, Bill Lorenz  
 MASSACHUSETTS: Dave Eisnor, Jess James and Howard White  
 NEW HAMPSHIRE: Bill Lorenz  
 NEW YORK: Bill Bredis, Don Fix, Bob McDonnell, Jamie Quattro,  
 Danny Miller, Sherrill Sherman, Willie Sweet and  
 Terry Utter  
 RHODE ISLAND: Don MacQuattie  
 Vermont: Dan Poynter



### MACKENZIE WINS TROPHY

By Laura

On January 24th and 25th, Bobby Knight held his first annual meet at the 43rd Avenue DZ in Phoenix, Arizona. Of course, the weather was no problem, or the beer afterwards. Approximately sixty jumpers entered. The results were as follows:

1st place Novice - Jim Seed  
 1st place Intermediate - Ed Dugan  
 1st place Advanced - Dave Espen (with 3 dead centers)

First place in the 3-man star plus accuracy event was Billy Lockward's Sgt. Pepper Star Team made up of himself, Dale Wisehart and Laura MacKenzie.

First place overall went to Bob Ranney and Laura MacKenzie received the Best Girl (1) jumper trophy. Harry Johnston was greatly appreciated for running the meet so smoothly and Lou Johnston, too, for spending two days in the peas to keep our scores accurate and honest (and not accepting Floyd's bribe, who also pouted over the absence of a horse's something -or- other trophy).

Two pleasant celebrations were noted at the trophy presentation: Dave Espen received his diamond pin for 2000 freefalls; and Dr. Lockward and son Billy celebrated their 10th anniversary of parachuting.

### CANADIAN CUSTOMS CLARIFIED

The Canadian duty on nylon and all other taxes adds up to 47½%, which makes a PC very expensive. However, if they stay in the U.S. for 14 days or more, they can take back \$100 worth and then pay a flat 25% tax over the first \$100, for a savings on a PC canopy of roughly \$90.

WHAT DIFFERENCE A FORTNITE MAKES!!  
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## HOT SHEET

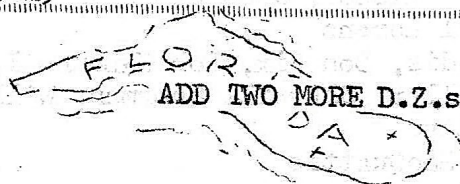
### Stolen Parachute Equipment



Thousands of dollars worth of parachuting equipment is stolen each year. Some of it is picked up by other parachutists, but most is taken by others in jump shack burglaries and thefts from automobiles. In either case, much of the stolen goods returns to the DZ as it has little value elsewhere. The SPOTTER invites listings of stolen equipment and suggests that every jumper inventory his gear and make a note of serial numbers on the canopies. Stolen equipment will be listed here as a public service (no charge) in each issue; back issues should be saved for reference.

R/W/B PC #65-829 with Black X-Bo sleeve, R/W/B and orange pilot chutes. Blue circles drawn in apex area. Red toggle lines. Reward. Colorado Springs SPC, P.O. Box 88, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80840.

R/W/B PC #67-6370 in 3-pin Pioneer container. Pioneer reserve with 26' conical #90613 and logbook. Reward for log - no questions. Larry Sitter, (312) 394-3419



ADD TWO MORE D.Z.s TO FLORIDA

By Robert LeBeau  
Florida P.I.O.

Two more drop zones are open for weekend use in the sunshine state of Florida. The two new DZ's are within fifty miles of each other and both are located in the panhandle of the state. DZ #1, is the Panhandle Skydivers of Pensacola, Florida, being operated by Bill Dodson a U.S. Navy Parachute Rigger stationed nearby. The Panhandle DZ flies a Cessna 182 and offers a very nice new clubhouse and large sawdust pit. The jump rates are \$2.25 for a 3,500 and \$3.25 to 7,200. For more information, contact: Bill Dodson, Saufley Field Parachute Loft, Pensacola, Florida. DZ #2 is located in Milton, Florida, just a half hour drive from Pensacola to the northeast. Milton DZ is really re-opening after being closed for a year. This DZ used to be very active under the Beachcombers SPC, but is now the Milton Skydivers. The U.S. Army Ranger Camp sport jumpers were a great help in getting the DZ back in the air. Our aircraft is a Piper Cherokee Six, and the rates are \$2.00 to 3,000 and \$3.00 to 7,500 dropping six jumpers. We are at present installing a pea gravel target and have packing tables. For more information contact: Robert LeBeau, 1229 Santa Rosa Blvd., Ft. Walton Beach, Florida 32548. We can usually find room for wayward jumpers for a weekend. Our DZ is also starting to jump week days soon. So, if traveling through the panhandle of Florida, contact one of the DZs for some good jumping.

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# WESTERN CONFERENCE MEET RESULTS

## STYLE (WOMEN)

1. Barb Roquemore
2. Nora Sauer
3. Candy Ranney
4. Joan Emmack
5. Lois Chandler

## STYLE (MEN)

1. Rich Armstrong
2. Stu Lane
3. Floyd Glover
4. Hector Nunez

## ACCURACY (WOMEN)

1. Loretta Breise
2. Sherry Gifford
3. Nora Sauer
4. Candy Ranney
5. Barb Roquemore

## ACCURACY (MEN)

1. Stu Lane
2. Hector Nunez
3. Bob Fueling
4. J. Gifford
5. Bob Ranney
6. Gary Young

## OVERALL (WOMEN)

1. Barb Roquemore
2. Nora Sauer
3. Loretta Breise
4. Sherry Gifford
5. Candy Ranney
6. Lois Chandler
7. Joan Emmack

## OVERALL (MEN)

1. Stu Lane
2. Hector Nunez
3. Bob Ranney
4. Gary Young
5. Floyd Glover
6. Bob Fueling
7. Jerry Roquemore
8. J. Gifford
9. Art Knickerbocker

## RELATIVE TEAMS

1ST: B. Fueling

W. Davis

J. Bird

C. Boenish

3RD: J. Sweeny

C. Sweeny

G. Young

W.L. Rowson

2ND: Taggart

J. Gifford

R. Cottingham

H. Nunez

The Western Conference will be sending three teams to the Nationals this year.

## MT. WHITTIER WINTER SKI CARNIVAL A JUMPING SUCCESS

By Jim Whiting

Demos are fun but you're really in for a treat if the DZ is a ski resort. Eleven jumpers descended on Mt. Whittier, N.H., on 21 and 22 March to help the skiers celebrate the end of the snow. Saturday's weather was poor and the party started early. Sunday dawned beautiful. Eight lifts were dropped and the skiers just couldn't get enough of it. One ski instructor even went up on a load to get a first hand look. Later on rumors were heard that a good set of ski equipment might be for sale.

We would like to thank the Blitzschnell Ski Club for the hospitality they extended to us. The social side of the weekend left nothing to be desired.

The weekend was summed up by Art Moniz of R.I. with the comment, "Let's not tell anybody about it, so we can have it all to ourselves again next year."

## MULE CRASHES; ONE DEAD, ONE INJURED

Bill Shearrer narrowly escaped death on 7 March when the metal covering peeled off the left wing of the Mule over Perris, California; his passenger was not so lucky. According to reports, he dropped his load of jumpers and descended rapidly when at about 3-4,000' the wing began coming apart, the aircraft rolled to the left and went into an inverted spin. The female passenger was wearing a 26' conical in a rollpack on a sport harness. The pilot chute and the top 18" of the conical caught on the tail wheel, shredding the C and D panels and she streamered in. Shearrer went out on a backpack. The left aileron caught him in the back and scraped the side of his face, taking off part of his ear. He landed unconscious. It is theorized that either he pulled the passenger's ripcord or that she pulled in the door as the ripcord and launching disc were found in the wreckage; Shearrer can't remember what happened. The Mule was an all metal gullwing Stinson which was built by Dave Steeves in Fresno, California. It had a door in each side and a large engine which made it one of the finest jump planes available. It carried thousands of jumpers in Fresno, Steve Snyder's DZ in New Jersey, and more recently at Perris.



A two-day course in Physiological Flight Training including a ride up in an altitude chamber is available to USPA members. Facilities where the course is available are listed below. Jumpers who plan to make a high one or those interested in the problems encountered in jumps over 15,000 feet, should write Monterey for details (USPA, P.O. Box 109, Monterey, California 93940).

Andrews AFB, Md.  
near Washington, D.C.

Bunker Hill AFB, Ind.  
near Bunker Hill, Ind.

Cannon AFB, N.M.  
near Clovis, N.M.

Carswell AFB, Texas  
near Ft. Worth, Texas

Castle AFB, Calif.  
near Merced, Calif.

Craig AFB, Ala.  
near Selma, Alabama

Eglin AFB, Fla.  
near Ft. Walton, Fla.

Ellsworth AFB, S.D.  
near Rapid City, S.D.

Fairchild, AFB, Wash.  
near Spokane, Wash.

George AFB, Calif.  
near Victorville, Calif.

Langley AFB, Va.  
near Norfolk, Va.

Laredo AFB, Texas  
near Laredo, Texas

Laughlin AFB, Texas  
near Del Rio, Texas

Little Rock AFB, Ark.  
near Little Rock, Ark.

Lowry AFB, Colo.  
near Denver, Colo.

Offutt AFB, Nebr.  
near Omaha, Nebr.

Otis AFB, Mass.  
near Falmouth, Mass.

MacDill AFB, Fla.  
near Tampa, Fla.

McCoy AFB, Fla.  
near Orlando, Fla.

Moody AFB, Ga.  
near Valdosta, Ga.

Randolph AFB, Texas  
near San Antonio,  
Texas

Reese AFB, Texas  
near Lubbock, Texas

Shaw AFB, S.C.  
near Sumter, S.C.

Tyndall AFB, Fla.  
near Panama City,  
Fla.

Vance AFB, Okla.  
near Enid, Okla.

Webb AFB, Texas  
near Big Spring,  
Texas

Westover AFB, Mass.  
near Chicopee Falls,  
Mass.

Williams AFB, Ariz.  
near Phoenix, Ariz.

Wright-Patterson  
AFB, Ohio  
near Dayton, Ohio

#### OVERSEAS AREAS

Albrook AB, Canal Zone  
Johnson AB, Japan

Kadena AB, Okinawa  
Wiesbaden AB, Germany

#### EMRICH AUTHORS AVIATION BOOK

"The Complete Book of Sky Sports" is a new publication by Linn Emrich of Seattle. The 208 page edition covers parachuting, soaring, ballooning, gyrocraft and powered aircraft. It will soon be available from the Macmillan Company.

#### HELP!

We need more information for the SPOTTER. Please fill out the report form a few pages on and send it in. Send us your club mailing list and we will send a free copy to them all.



# REPORT FORM SPOTTER NEWSMAGAZINE

Your news contributions to the SPOTTER are invited. Send in meet results, equipment news, stolen gear lists, parachuting humor, small items for Short Spots, etc. Significant contributions will entitle the sender to be listed on the masthead. There is no deadline for the SPOTTER, as it comes out when there is enough information to fill it. Send in your news today.....

REPORT:

West Point Red Team: Becker, Becker and Hancher  
West Point White Team: Mike, McIntyre and Gillman  
West Point Blue Team: Moore, Clark and Pohl  
Several of the West Point Cadets were jumping their Para-Pole, Bob Pohl and Gary Moore showed up on their honeymoon.

## MAC WINS AGAIN

Stolen from the MIT newsletter  
Mac McGraw won out over 100 other contestants and took \$15. From the MITA web in England, he scored a 22 on total despite gusty winds. With Hester jumped his Para-Pole and failed to make a measurable jump. Results were as follows:

1. Ray Hayward, Long Island SD	2. Dave Pinner, GA Univ
3. Mike Phillips, California	4. John Wilson
5. Dave Gardner, Flying Dutchman	6. Gene Grueschel, Flying Dutchman

1. Mac McGraw, Navy Cadet	2. Jay Smith, Flying Dutchman
3. Don Woback, Pennsylvania	4. Frank Sylvester, United
5. Mark Macomber, Pennsylvania	6. Andy Keesch and Bob Heller arranged the trip south in a Sports Division

## SCHOLAR WINS DREAM PROFESSIONAL

By Bill Jordan

Eastern Conference Director Mike Schulte, Chairman of the USA Competition Committee, won out over a field of 75 to take home the big money in the \$2,500. money held in Deland, Florida. Hugh Bergeron was second. Over 20 MITA members attended. Andy Keesch and Bob Heller arranged the trip south in a Sports Division. The first two days were windy out but six rounds of accuracy were run off the day after Easter.

## WEST POINT TOPS COLLEGIATE MEET

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# PENNYHILL MEET RESULTS

By Vic Engel

Fifty-seven contestants from 18 to 54 and with 3 to 1146 jumps turned out to vie for the cash at the Annual Pennyhill meet in Penna. Results were as follows:

## NOVICE

- 1, Mike Neyland, West Point
- 2, John Nicodemus, West Point
- 3, Tom Rhine, Penn State
- 4, Bob Akscyn, West Point
- 5, Bob Ray, Mon-Yough

## Intermediate

- 1, Dick Pollratz, Mon-Yough
- 2, Ken Gingerich, Greene Co.
- 3, Joe Tincker, Greene Co.
- 4, Bernand Buwer, Indep.
- 5, Charles Hiatt, West Point

## ADVANCED

- 1, Vic Engel, Pennyhill
- 2, Al Babich, Mon-yough
- 3, Frank Gallo, Mon-yough
- 4, H. Walker, Mon-Yough
- 5, John Huncharek, W.P.

## TEAM

- 1, West Point Red Team: Ancker, Beziat and Huncharek
- 2, West Point White Team: Mira, McIntyre and Gillihan
- 3, West Point Blue Team: Moline, Clark and Pohl

Several of the West Point Cadets were jumping their Para-Foils. Bob Beck and Sandy Boore showed up on their honeymoon.

## MAC WINS AGAIN

Stolen from the MEPA newsletter

Mac McCraw won out over 104 other contestants and took \$75. from the MEPA meet in Pelicanland; he scored a 22 cm total despite gusty winds. Norm Heaton jumped his Para-Foil and failed to make a measurable jump. Results were as follows:

## NOVICE

- 1, Ray Maynard, Long Island SD
- 2, Dave Pincus, GW Univ
- 3, Linda Phillips, Pelicans

## INTERMEDIATE

- 1, Dave Garber, Flying Dutchmen
- 2, Gene Groeschel, Flying Dutchmen
- 3, John Edison,

## EXPERT

- 1, Mac McCraw, Navy Lakehurst
- 2, Jay Harsh, Flying Dutchmen
- 3, Don Womack, Penninsula
- 4, Frank Sylvester, United
- 5, Hank Nasworthy, Penninsula

## TEAM

- 1, Navy, Etc: McCraw, Thornton, Black and Roach
- 2, Long Island: Morrissey, Corderia, Nystrom and Anderson

## SCHULTZ WINS DELAND PROFESSIONAL

By Bill Jordan

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## NOVICE

- 1, Ashworth, Norwich
- 2, Cassella, Norwich
- 3, Stoddard, Norwich

## ADVANCED

- 1, Beziat, West Point
- 2, Gillihan, West Point
- 3, Siena, Norwich

## OVERALL

- 1, Beziat, West Point
- 2, Gillihan, West Point
- 3, Huncharek, West Point

## TEAM

- 1, West Point Red Team: Beziat, Ancker, Huncharek
- 2, West Point White Team: Mura, Pohl, Gillihan
- 3, West Point Blue Team: Holcomb, Neyland, Munitoli

## OVERALL TEAM

- 1, West Point



## STILL MORE SHORT SPOTS

DAVID D THOMAS, former FAA Deputy Administrator and a friend of Parachuting has been elected President of the Flight Safety Foundation

USAF is planning drop tests from a C-141 in formation with a C-5A to see if the big aircraft's wing tip vortices have any adverse affects on parachute deployment

LEW SANBORN has grown long hair and sideburns

NORM HEATON made just four static line jumps but that was back in 1961 when he was at Okla State Univ. He got his B on a blank gore with Perry slots.

HOWARD WHITE returned from his vacation sporting shaggy upper lip foliage.

RALPH WRIGHT is opening the New London, NH DZ again.

WILLARD JOSEPH SMITH of Syracuse and JERRY BIRD of L A won in their conference meets but won't be going to the Nationals; neither has a license and Bird isn't even a member of USPA.

THE 1970 WORLD MEET, to be in Bled, Yugoslavia, will cost \$119. per contestant. There will be 4 accuracy, 3 style and 3 four man team accuracy jumps.

ROBERT SLUSHER, PIO for the Portland Club West, sent in a report and enclosed a dollar. He promises to keep it up and hopes it will start a trend.

CESAR AGUILAR is now working in Winchester, not far from the SPOTTER offices.

DON GRANT was accepted to Harvard Business School.

AL ZILK, out in Washington, has been removing certain circumferential bands from the Navy conical when cutting his small T to reduce the weight and volume.

FUZZY JOHN LEIBACHER is at the National Center for Atmospheric Research in Boulder, Colorado. The Northeast has exported another I/E.

MAJOR BILL HALLAM and CADET TED FRISSEON were busted up at the Pennyhill Meet. Hallam came in on a PC to land on his shoulder while Frisson shattered his leg landing under a palbert Para-Foil.

HARRY SCHOEPPLE broke his leg on 18 April at Hartwood, Va. It was on a wind dummy jump to open an accuracy meet.

GARY DOURIS, of Elsinore, put a lead stop on his piggyback reserve next to the last pin to assist the side flap should it be required. But he found that the sinker catches on the cone as it tries to go by.

DON TOWNER has condensed the parachuting regs of the Calif Dept of Aeronautics. For a copy, write: 1523 N. Beale Rd #59, Marysville, Calif 95901.

JOE SOLIS made a demo into UC at Berkeley with several others and as they landed, a girl would run up and kiss them and hand them some flowers. Diane Harkins was too eager; she missed and ate his Capewell release, breaking a tooth.

GREAT BRITAIN had four fatalities in '69. BPA membership totaled 2,378.

BILL NELSON won the Pacific Conference Meet. Clarence Solis was second and Jerry Rouillard was third.

BOBBY HORN crashed his plane at the SE Conference Meet but all walked away OK. Gene Paul Thacker experienced an electrical fire.

FAA is thinking about requiring all aircraft to carry a 4,096 - code transponder but a recent FAA Planning Review Conference heard testimony from a Pentagon spokesman who said it would take the military 10 years to equip all its planes. TWA pleaded five years.

MAJOR JOHN HOCKER, famous West Point parachuting judge, was dressed to kill during the evening festivities at the Collegiate Meet in Orange: A gold blazer, white turtle neck and a brass medal which said "WAR".

WALT THOMPSON authored a full page on parachuting in the Brockport State "STYLUS".

LYNN PULLIS and the other riggers at Greene, NY have started a scholarship fund. One dollar of each repack goes into a kitty and when they reach \$100., they will sponsor a local jumper to attend Strong's rigger school.

JACK BERGMAN, USPA Treasurer, reports that income is up 17%, expenses are up 9% and the net change is in the black, up 49%.

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LATE NOTE: The Quebec high altitude jumps reported in these pages have been cancelled. Chris Slater sends his regrets. Write him for information on a rescheduling.



# NORTHEAST CONFERENCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

By Dan Poynter

While most of the activities of the USPA, Council and the Northeast Conference Director are noted elsewhere in these pages, listed below are some of the special items which received attention since the last issue.

Miles Driven: 3,760  
Letters written: 102

Since the last issue, I attended the Canadian Annual General Meeting in Ottawa, drove to Plattsburgh to check the Nationals site, visited Lake Placid to set up this Fall's meet, attended Don Grant's Instructor Certification Course in Manchester, Conn., Visited Turners Falls and Orange a couple times each, took part in the relative work seminar at Stormville and attended the Military Nationals at West Point. My car died on the way to the CPI meet; it was making expensive grinding noises.

Effective 1 June 1970, the SPOTTER editorial offices will occupy a new facility at spacious 48 Walker Street, North Quincy, Mass. 02171.

## ARMY TEAM SWEEPS MILITARY NATIONALS

Stan Hicks took top honors and the Knights swept the team trophies in the Military Nationals held at West Point's Wallkill DZ on 9 and 10 May. Both West Point and Major Elliot's Air Force Academy Cadets were there and the Naval Academy sent an observation team; Annapolis will probably have a team in the fall. Results were as follows:

Novice Accuracy	Club total	Team Event
1, Ward	1, USAPT	1, USAPT B Team
2, Marcinkowski	2, West Point Cadets	Steenrud, Hicks and Schoepple
3, Dumoulin	3, Paratuxents	2, USAPT A Team
		Duffy, Howard and Knight
Inter Accuracy	Inter Overall	3, USAPT C Team
1, Putnam, Paratuxents	1, Barker, Trojan SPC	Young, Armstrong and Hall
2, Neil, Paratuxents	2, Jackson, Trojan SPC	
3, Miller, Paratuxents.	3, Fishburn,	
Advanced Accuracy	Advanced Overall	
1, Stanford, 82nd Abn.	1, Hicks, USAPT	
2, Hicks, USAPT	2, Thomas, USAFA	
3, Smith, 82nd Abn	3, Armstrong, USAPT	

Weather eliminated the style event. Major John Hocker was the meet director and the judges were Gordon Riner, Cesar Agustas Maximus Aguilar and Jim Fenske. Capt Claude Johnson received an award for coming the longest distance, from Thailand. Lt Comm Sloat saved the day by pressing his Navy Otter into service and flying it all weekend (between jumps) when all but one Army Beaver broke down.

## HEATON TRAVELS EAST

Norm Heaton, Executive Director of the USPA traveled to the East Coast in Late April. First stop was the MEPA meet in Pelicanland. Then he went to Plattsburgh, site of the 1970 Nationals to make preliminary arrangements. In Bpston, he paid a visit to the SPOTTER editorial offices at palatial 93 Church St. Winchester and then dropped in at Strong Enterprises. A visit to Pioneer secured a donation to the US Team of 15 Para-Commander canopies. Back at Northeast Conference Headquarters, he met with Howard White, Cesar Aguilar and Dan Poynter to wrap up the Instructor Certification Course. He will return to the Northeast about 25 May and will be in Plattsburgh until after the Nationals.



## SOME PARTING SHOTS

late news as we go to press

PEACE SYMBOLS were painted on the West Point Otter during the night at the collegiate meet in Orange.

CHUCK RYAN has just completed an excellent article for PARACHUTIST on Perry Stevens' student cutaway system. In case of trouble, the user just pulls both releases and the reserve is static lined.

BOB BECK AND SANDY BOORE met at the Instructor Certification Course in Manchester, Conn. and were married two weeks later. She is from Penna and he is from Okla.

DAN POYNTER reports that over 180 jumpers have sent \$10. for his I/E course.

Nearly 20 have gone to Canada, one to South Africa, and several to APOs. The eleven lesson course contains photocopies of back articles, sample questions and answers. Dick Clark passed the big test with the highest score ever.

CHUTE SHOP has a new line of very attractive jewelry sporting their famous decal and patch freefall figure.

THE 1970 INDOOR AERO MODEL WORLD MEET was held in Romania in a salt mine in perfect no draft conditions. Czechoslovakia was first and the US took second.

BILL OTTLEY has some up to date (25 March 1970) International Parachuting Record books for \$2.00 each. Write him at 806-15th st NW, Washington, DC 20005

STRONG ENTERPRISES now has Master Charge and it can be used for mail orders.

KEN CARVILLE is the new President of the Pioneer Valley SPC in Turners Falls, Mass.

TRIANGLE STATIONS will again pay USPA \$6,000. for the TV rights to the Nationals.

NORM HEATON reports USPA membership was 9,244 as of 30 April, up from 9,013 a year earlier.

USPA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING is scheduled for 21 June in Plattsburgh, NY.

JERRY SCHRIMSHER writes the Texas Parachute Council Annual Meet and the POPS Meet will be on 3-5 July in Colman, Texas.

HERB GRAVES, of New Orleans, is earning his riggers license at Strong's. Next stop is California and some large stars.

## PILOT POPULATION INCREASES

From NPA

The nation's active pilot population increased from 691,695 to 720,028 during the 1969 calendar year. During the same period, however, total student pilots dropped by 5,886 and total new pilot certificates issued during the year also were down, presumably a reflection of the uncertainties in the aviation and economic picture.

## NOTICE

This is the largest printing and mailing of the SPOTTER in our 4½ year history. Circulation is the highest ever and a number are being sent out on a complimentary basis this issue in order to introduce more jumpers to the publication. Send in your club mailing list and each member will be sent a sample copy of the next issue. Join the SPOTTER staff by filling out the report form in these pages and sending it in. For those who treasure their SPOTTER and do not wish to rip out a page, most any paper will do.

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## PARACHUTE MEET AND EVENT SCHEDULE

Meet dates are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. Please check with the SPOTTER before scheduling a meet in order to avoid a conflict. Conflicting meets only result in two poorly attended meets and often in spiritual and financial disaster. Printed below are all the meets of record. \*\*Indicates a money meet.

- May 1-3: Pokalspringen (International Meet) Bruchsal, Germany.
- May 2-3: Mid-Eastern Conference Meet. Tecumseh, Michigan.
- May 2-3: XIII Annual Eastern Collegiate Meet. Orange, Mass.
- May 2-3: Pacific Conference Meet. Lincoln, California.
- May 2-3: S.E. Conference Meet. Charlotte, North Carolina.
- May 7-10: International Meet. Bruchsal, W. Germany. FMI: Fallschirm Sportspringer Club, 1 Luftlandedivision, E.V., Standort, Bruchsal, W. Germany.
- May 9-10: Southern Oregon Invitational. Ashland. FMI: Southern Oregon SPC, 1508 Whitman, Medford, Oregon. 97501.
- \*\*May 9-10: Money meet. \$1500.00; 2 accuracy classes. Mason Michigan. FMI: Dave Sauve, 539 N. Hagadorn Rd., E. Lansing, Michigan.
- May 8-11: Military Nationals. West Point, New York.
- May 15-17: National Water Meet. Cypress Gardens. FMI: Gene Ritchie, Rangers Ent., P.O. Box 13136, Tampa, Florida 33611.
- May 15-18: European Parachuting League Conference Meet.
- May 16-18: Europa Cup. Lyon, France.
- May 16-18: Prix Maurice Lebris, Schaffen, Belgium.
- May 16-17: MEPA meet. Hudson Valley SD. Sha-Wan-Ga. Bloomingburg, New York.
- May 16-24: 3rd Parques Flores Cup. San Martinho, Mozambique, Africa.
- ~~May 23-24: Quebec High Jumps. \$4.50 (US) to 15,000' in F-27 Turboprop. FMI: Chris Slater, Montreal SD, 5253 Lacombe, Montreal 248, P.Q., Canada.~~
- May 23-24: Spring Accuracy Meet. Turners Falls, Mass. Tom Ford, Meet Director. Rain date 25 May (Memorial Day in Mass.). FMI: Liz Bell, RFD 335, Turners Falls, Mass. 01376.
- May 23-24: SEC Collegiate Parachuting Championships. Hawkinsville, Ga. FMI: Mid Ga. S.P.A., 13-A Meadow Haven Trl. Pk., Warner Robbins, Ga. (912) 923-8618.
- May 23: P.O.P.S. Meet. Palmyra, Pa.
- May 29-31: Southwest Conference Meet. Ross Parachute Center, Coleman, Texas. Judges: Trousdale, Radhoff and Funchess. FMI: Cliff Davis, 128 NW 80th St., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73114. (405) 842-0685.
- \*\*May 30-31: Money meet. Tecumseh, Michigan. FMI: Harold Lange, 26106 Third Street, Taylor, Michigan 48180. (313) 291-3634.
- May 30-31: 4th International Championships. Llewellyn Military Barracks, Bulawayo, South Africa.
- May 30-31: Arizona Parachute Council Memorial Day meet.
- May 30-31: Second annual meet. Spokane, Wash. FMI: Mike Taitch, 547 Central, Spokane, Washington.
- June 6-14: V Norddeutsche Fallschirmspringer-Wettbuerb, Kiel, Germany.
-  June 6-7: 3rd Annual Charleston Open. Moncks Corner, S.C., FMI: Bob Hutchinson, 5904 Park St., Hanahan, S.C. 29406. (803) 744-1477.
- June 6-7: Alliance SPC spring jump meet. Salem, Ohio. FMI: Louis Beggio, P.O. Box 245, Salem, Ohio 44460.
- June 6-7: 4th Annual R.I. Championships. Richmond, R.I. FMI: Don MacQuattie, 40 Waldron Ave., W. Barrington, R.I.
-  \*\*June 13-14: VI Annual East Coast Accuracy Championships. \$2000.00 to 13 places. FMI: Greene SPC, Airport, Rt. #12, Greene, New York.
-  June 13-14: Golden Puppets 3rd annual Accuracy meet. Lansing, Illinois. FMI: Jesus Toledo, 1314 Dakota Street, Gary, Indiana 46403.
- June 20: Night jumps. Richmond, Rhode Island.



# PARACHUTE MEET AND EVENT SCHEDULE (continued)



- June 20-28: U.S. Nationals. Plattsburgh, New York.
- June 28-29: USPA Board Meeting, Plattsburgh, New York.
- July 4: Independence Day R.I. Water Jump. Richmond, R.I. FMI: Don MacQuattie, 480 Waldron Ave., W. Barrington, R.I.
- July 4-5: Ontario provincial championships. Tillsonburg. FMI: John Lewis, 1441 Lawrence Ave., East #1108, Toronto, Ontario.
- July 6-16: CISM Military meet. Bruchsal, Germany
- July 11-12: Arizona Parachute Council firecracker meet.
- July 18-19: MEPA Meet. Penn. SD West Point, Virginia.
- July 18-19: P.A.T. Annual Meet. Damascus, Ontario, FMI: Parachute Assn. of Toronto, P.O. Box 156, Terminal A, Toronto 1, Canada.
- July 18-19: Ten Man Star Sweepstakes. First prize: trip to the World Meet. FMI: Ron Bluff, 5651 Sultana St., Apt. B, Temple City, Calif. (213) 285-5173.
- July 20-24: P.A.T. Jump Week. Damascus, Ontario.
- July 25-31: Canadian Nationals. Damascus, Ontario.
- Aug 1-9: Burnaby Jump Week. High, night and water. FMI: Aging Glenn Masterson, 24 Turner Crescent, St. Catherines, Ontario.
- Aug. 8: Lakewood Open. FMI: P.O. Box 258, Lakewood, N.J. 08701:
- Aug. 15-16: MEPA Meet. Maytown, Pa.
- \*\*Aug 15-16: 1st Annual Open Accuracy Money Meet. \$1500 to 5 places. Thorps Strip, 2 1/2 miles east of Wapella, Ill. Rain date: 17th. USPA and 100 jumps minimum. 6 jumps for \$50. Sponsored by Clinton Jaycees. FMI: Bob Sprague, 207 W. Webster, Clinton, Ill. 61727. (217) 935-2430.**
- Aug 15-16: Kingston Meet. FMI: Bill Baird, 263 Days Rd, Kingston, Ontario.
- Aug 16: Calistoga's 10th Annual Clear Lake Water Jump. FMI: Calistoga Skydivers, P.O. Box 408, Calistoga, California.
- Aug 22-23: Arizona Parachute Council Noon Meet.
- Aug 29-30: Lakehurst Supermeet, New Jersey.
- Aug 29-30: Relative Work Meet. Richmond, R.I. FMI: Don MacQuattie, 40 Waldron Ave., W. Barrington, R.I. 02890. (401) 246-0449.
- Sept 5-7: X Annual Northwest Championships. Abbotsford, B.C.
- Sept 6-20: X World Meet. Bled, Yugoslavia.
- \*\*Sept. 12-13: IV Annual Lake Placid Championships. \$1500.00.**
- Sept 19-20: MEPA Meet. Horizon PC, Applegarth, N.J.
- Sept 19-20: Central Conference Championships '71. Site to be announced.
- Sept 21-23: Parachute Symposium. Wright-Patterson AFB, Dayton, Ohio.
- Sept 26: Governor's Cup. Orange. FMI: P.O. Box 96, Orange, Mass 01364.
- Sept 26-27: National Club championships. Miller Airport, North Benton, Ohio. FMI: Art Johanson, 2536 S. Union, Alliance, Ohio. Or call Collect: (216) 823-4248.**
- Oct 10-11: Northeast Conference Meet '71. Site to be announced.
- Oct 17-18: MEPA Meet. United PC, Pa.
- Nov 7-8: Arizona Parachute Council State Meet.
- Nov 26-29: NCPL Meet. Site to be announced.

## WEST GERMANS TO COMPETE AT U.S. NATIONALS

A ten man delegation, including a five man team from West Germany will take part in the 1970 Nationals in Plattsburgh, N.Y. Team members will be Werner Eschenlohr, Alois Scherer, Gert Weckbecker, Peter Bottgenbach and Lothar Rutzel. Erich Lepkowski will be Head of Delegation; Heinz Girnth, Judge; Helmet Schlecht, Team Leader; Uwe Beckmann, Interpreter; and Hubert Strauchmann, Doctor.

### LATE ENTRIES:

- 23-24 May: CASPA Meet. Pelicanland, Md
- 30-31 May: XVIII Abn Corp. Meet. Ft Bragg, NC FMI: (919) 396-6533
- 11-12 July: Mike's Place Meet. Orange, Mass.



## HEATON PICKS NATIONALS STAFF

Norm Heaton, USPA Executive Director who will serve as Meet Director for the Nationals once again, has picked most of his staff for the Plattsburgh, N.Y., event.

Chief Pilot: Al Homstead; pilots: Lew Sanborn, Wayne Beale, Lud Lincoln, Vern Morgan and Rick Young

Chief Manifestor: Shep Sheppard; Manifestors: Wally Young & Woody Woodhouse

Chief Scorer: Craig Elliot; Scorers: Myrt Strong, Sue Finlay, Addie Young, Lou Johnston and Paddy Martin.

Air Control: Harry Johnston

Equipment Inspection: Dan Poynter

Chief of Information Services: Bill Ottley

Heaton will be assisted by Len Potts and Paul Tag.

## FAA STUMBLES AGAIN

The April edition of FAA AVIATION NEWS contained an article on sport parachuting entitled "Borne Free" by Miss Judy O'Hare. It featured Nancy Black and told of how dangerous parachuting is but that jumpers were being protected by FAR Part 105.

Norm Heaton sent off a protest on 23 April pointing out the inaccuracies and injustices of the article. The article showed a complete misunderstanding of the sport and even misquoted the FARs; Heaton found 21 technical errors in the two page piece. It made references to reaching for the "D ring", "as the signal comes from the pilot to exit", "standing up in a 182" and so on. The article ended with a promise of a part two next month but hopefully Heaton's letter will put a stop to it.

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