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DEAR MEMBER:

When sport parachuting was in the embryo stage in 1957, the PARACHUTIST was conceived for the purpose of informing the membership on all matters concerning parachuting, particularly safety, organization, policy, and important items of national significance. After two years the PARACHUTIST was followed by SKY DIVER MAGAZINE and, in SD's formative days, PCA worked closely with SD with the intent that SD could fill the important social, advertising, and promotional gaps with which PCA's PARACHUTIST could not hope to cover with its limited staff and mountain of official information.

Apparently SD's initial owners could not devote the necessary time to their new magazine and decided to sell out to Mr. Lyle Cameron, the present owner.

Since the creation of PARACHUTIST, the editorial policy has been to refrain from becoming embroiled in petty arguments, the publication of which offers no significant contribution to the majority of the members. SD Magazine's policy has not been the same as that of the PARACHUTIST and SD has been used as a personal platform, not only by the Editor but by any individual who had the desire to write in and dig PCA, to condemn unnecessarily, maliciously, and, in most cases, without foundation any successes and all failures of PCA projects and programs. The purposes behind these actions are definitely known to be personal and it is this fact to which PCA now, for the first time, takes exception -- the use of a national publication to ferment discontent and to grind a personal axe, particularly when our sport needs all the magazine space it can muster to develop and promote the sport.

The PCA does not fear criticism; as a matter of fact it has formally sought it so that it might build a better organization from the constructive criticism received from our members. We have been honest with the members by bringing periodically our internal deficiencies to their attention. We of the PCA Staff probably are more aware of our own shortcomings than any other group in the country; we work hard and are taking action wherever and whenever possible to improve organizational and parachuting conditions.

We have decided to now break our editorial silence in this issue because of the editorial in the December, 1962, issue of SD Magazine. The editorial is not a local matter; it does have a definite effect on every parachutist in the country, it casts unwarranted, unfactual, derogatory libel on the Board of Directors, the majority of the Area Safety Officers throughout the country, and the PCA membership in general. Actually, the "Editorial" was not written by Sky Diver's editor, but by Sgt. Michal Kremar, U. S. Army, stationed with the 101st Division at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. We can understand why Kremar is misinformed about what is happening in sport parachuting because of his limited sphere of operations and lack of ability to understand civilian activities. However, we cannot understand how SD Magazine can have the same limitations. When an editor reproduces another's work as an editorial it indicates complete concurrence. This being true, how reliable and capable then is Sky Diver in representing and informing the parachutist and the public on our sport? And this at a time when it sorely needs all the favorable support we can possibly muster?

For those who do not receive Sky Diver Magazine, we will reprint the editorial as it was printed in that magazine.

Sky Diver EDITORIAL

"Some persons have stated that they don't wish to engage in petty disputes. They want to sit on the fence and ride out the storms. I have been for new PCA Directors and constitution. I find I'm not alone and instead of the usual editorial, I'm going to print a letter from a leader in our sport or profession. He, personally, has over 900 jumps and is manager of a club with a record of over 20,000 jumps without a fatality. He is D-18, Sgt. Michael Kremar

of the Ft. Campbell SPC. L.C.

(Numbers in parantheses following are PCA's)

PCA - Parachute Club of America? or Pathetic Condition of Affairs?

What is happening to our sport and why? Granted, there are no established channels of legal process for PCA within the States Laws, however, this is no excuse or grounds for failure to employ controlling actions within the realm of PCA authority: and that is simply to (1) crack down and yank every license from holders that are even remotely responsible or connected with fatalities, serious injuries and near fatalitites where the slightest evidence of gross negligence exists.

The instructors program must immediately be put into effect along with a minimum standard of mandatory pre-jump training ... and enforced. (2) Safety Officers at every level must cease being a "Good Joe" and a S. O. Card carrying, proof of your big title, ineffective, inefficient, lack of intestinal fortitude, could-care-less Big-Deals! (3) Fifty percent of our present S.O.'s and various license holders, so-called instructors, couldn't even begin to prepare a decent and comprehensive lesson plan coverage of any subject related to parachuting much less conduct, or present chronologically effective teaching of the same series of topics.

(4) What does PCA have to offer, other than a cheap insurance policy full of legal holes to preclude payment. (5) A cheap piece of paper called a license, with the conditions thereon out-dated by the B.S.R.'s for the past two years. Further, this license places all holders, for a fixed price by anyone, on his own to instruct at large and this is being practiced throughout all of the country daily. Basic safety regulations that can't be enforced due to the poor selection of sub-caliber Safety Officers and license holders with the inability to recognize a potential accident, much less conduct a proper investigation after it has occurred.

Now let me hear you civilians scream over the next few points! The biggest and most obvious weakness within the PCA structure and its ranks at large, (6) is a lack of regimentation ... lack of organizational discipline, (7) lack of self discipline on the part of 80% of the jumpers influenced with a know-it-all, do-nothing attitude once they have a few free falls and capped off with the attitude - I'm here, look at me now. (8) The dollar hungry, fly-by-night commercial centers that have but one thing to offer; a chance for the improperly instructed to commit suicide for a fixed price. These blood dollar appetities will even increase your suicidal chances by providing outdated, condemned, cheap, poor workmanship equipment (again for a price) magnified by hasty sub-sub-standard pre-jump parachuting instructions with no established patterns of minimum requirement, both subject coverage and student progression, and conducted by non-analytical supervision from the first to the fatal jump. This game was once called Russian-Roulette ... Now they call it Commercial Parachuting!!!

Why isn't our PCA National Headquarters a source of material benefits, effective and progressive leadership, (9) instead of a one-man operated constant backlog of unanswered correspondence. Letters of inquiry from the four corners of our nation, concerning every subject or topic related to the parachuting field, left unanswered for months at a time and most(10) are never answered. (11) Why hasn't our Board of Directors from the President on down ... been revitalized with men of action, organizational ability and futuristic thinking and active parachutists? (12) Why isn't the National Headquarters centrally located to the U.S.? (13) Why is PCA almost financially insolvent? What was the justification for an expenditure of 20 to 30 thousand dollars for the Kansas City try-outs to select a U. S. Team that could not be supported without having to ask for 1 to 5 dollar handouts? (14) Why was the World Championships so ill planned and (15) so saturated with freeloaders looking for free jumps and the opportunity to see the meet without paying. Yet these same selfish individuals yelled to the high heavens when instructed as to their duties for which they had volunteered? (16) Why did the Director of Competition at K. C. Flub-the-Dub at the K. C. Tryouts, and (17) also commit the unforgivable, inexcusable act of walking out of the same job at the World Championships, resigning from PCA (18) and then was rehired at a higher salary, to be paid from PCA funds from which its members are already getting nothing in return! In the meantime, more and more people are parachuting and more are getting killed in the process .. Yet the entire national organization, PCA, supposedly controlling parachuting activities in this country just keeps rolling along with the same old outdated and inefficient, disorganized staff, which apparently -

no plans other than to keep publicizing monthly, a few pages called "The Parachutist," a continuation of preaching accompanied by little or no enforcement action as in the past, and further afraid to hurt someone's feelings by yanking a license.

Well, let me ask a few more questions (19) to which I shall also provide the answers. Why do you think the Communist countries have better parachutists on a national scale overall than the U. S.? And further, what has enabled U. S. Teams who have placed in International Competition, to do so well? I'll tell you, now, civilians scream again, because of individual and team discipline which evolved through cultivation of military influence and this applies equally well to success of the 1962 U. S. Women's Team. Their experience of the finer points of competitive and team parachuting gained through constant and daily association with our U. S. Men's Team during concentrated regimental training and under the direct supervision of a military man, Capt. Jim Perry. And why did the so ill-planned and ill-staffed World Championships finally come off so successfully? (20) Because a man by the name of Capt. Phillip C. Miller just happened to be there another military man with organizational ability and insight to problems, who led, pulled and pushed the championships from the brink of complete failure to a magnificent, colorful success, which saved face for the United States and PCA in the eyes of FAI and all participating nations.

The above statements are hard, cold, simple facts - so PCA Board of Directors and enthusiasts across the land, WAKE UP! (21) Get together, iron out the wrinkles and bad dents within our all but crumbling national organization. Abide by, and enforce the current rules, seek out and devise new ones where needed; get rid of the deadwood, the ineffectives, the old sisters and replace with men of known and established ability, not a bunch of has-beens! Stop now, this mass uncalled for slaughter and waste of good young American lives. Together, we can grow ... and eventually stand ... Divided, we will disintegrate into a national disgrace from which we can never recover with or without PCA!!!

P.S. (22) I do extend my gratitude and thanks to the few good clubs and safety officers who are trying and doing a good job. However, those few are not sufficient to carry the load..!

END of Editorial.

PCA will not endeavor to answer each and every allegation which was made in the above letter since some are not worthy of comment. However, we do feel that comment should be made on the more serious charges for the enlightenment of everyone concerned. We numbered the statements in this editorial to save repeating and our answers are numbered in the same order.

(1) This might work well under a totalitarian form of government, however, in this country we are trying to investigate each fatality to determine cause and fault. We positively will NOT suspend licenses until POSITIVE proof indicates that the fault is due to one or more individuals. Thus far positive proof is not easy to obtain and we agree that our system needs strengthening in this respect. If Kremar or Sky Diver Magazine has proof of negligence why haven't they come forward with the proof? Kremar is an Area Safety Officer and SD's front cover states that it is, "Dedicated to the Development and Safety of Sport Parachuting."

(2) & (3) Our Area Safety Officers are doing an excellent job; we're not perfect in every respect, but we're learning and as we learn we improve. The system of selection is constantly being improved and tightened up. This will continue. The fact that many ASOs go about their work quietly, seriously, efficiently, and without fan-fare does not mean that they are not working. The effect of their work has been tremendous and the major portion of development and improvement of parachuting conditions has been through the efforts of these dedicated parachutists, not by writing letters to magazines. Sgt. Kremar simply doesn't have the facts. There are over 200 ASOs now working hard for parachuting and we believe that he owes them a public apology unless he can back up his statement with sources and facts.

(4) No PCA insurance claim has been refused this year. As a matter of fact, INA has paid some claims over PCA's objection. Some claims are still pending for various reasons but are active claims. The libelous statement has been turned over to the Insurance of North America and we hope that Kremar and Sky Diver can substantiate it.

PCA has quite a lot to offer. This is well-covered in the pamphlet and the new 1963 membership application so we are not going to reprint them herein. We'll agree that we need improvement and will do so in spite of unnecessary harassment.

(5) To call the International License of PCA a "cheap piece of paper" demonstrates the insolence of both writers. The qualifications for U. S. licenses are far more difficult than foreign licenses and the U. S. license has world-wide respect. The fact that our license is modest rather than gold leaf on leather is of no more significance than many patches on a jump suit. We have been working on new licenses since September, 1961, and the new ones go into effect 1 January 1963.

(6) Civilian parachuting lacks lock-step regimentation and this is the way that we're going to keep it. We don't want any "dictator" shoving us around the way that it's apparently done at Fort Campbell Parachute Club. We want to progress according to our own capability, not the whim of the "dictator". You're right, most of us don't want regimentation and PCA will do its utmost to protect the autonomy of each club.

(7) Civilian clubs definitely do not have the type of discipline that military groups have and do not need it or want it anymore than any other civil-military comparison group. However, the older clubs do have good discipline and the newer clubs will gain discipline as time goes on since discipline in some form is necessary for progress and stability. It will never be the rigid military-type discipline one finds in the service; however, it is and will be equally effective. Actually, one of the major reasons for civilian clubs splitting up is because some young serviceman returns to civilian life and immediately endeavors to set up a dictatorship and the civilians just don't like it. Consequently, each tells the other off and both set up different clubs and commence to fight one another. Quite silly when you think about it, but true, unfortunately. Just think how well off they'd be if both groups used all that talent and energy to promote one good club.

(8) Commercial parachute centers are as necessary to sport parachuting as are clubs. They currently have among the lowest injury and fatality rate of any jumping element in the country. That certainly doesn't agree with the statement in the editorial. What facts are the author and the editor with-holding relative to this statement? Commercial Centers, after reading the editorial, may want to investigate the libelous statements from a legal point to see what corrective action might prove most effective.

(9) PCA has not been totally satisfied with its office organization since 1957; however, we have always been subject to a lack of volunteers and a lack of funds, both of which dictate the amount of work which can be accomplished. Elsewhere in this issue you will find the new organization chart which, we hope, will iron out most of our problems in 1963 and allow for future expansion. We have been behind in correspondence for some time but have been catching up and, with continued membership support, will close the gap. We have no letter which we do not endeavor to answer and to say that ".... most are never answered...." is patently untrue. As funds become available, additional administrative personnel will be employed and, we hope, we can refrain from twelve-hour days, six days per week. At present we have two men in the office, one membership secretary-bookkeeper (unpaid volunteer) and a part-time clerk to assist in putting out the PARACHUTIST. An auditor prepares monthly balances and statements. We are preparing to hire a clerk-typist in January and another part-time typist as soon as financially feasible.

(10) The actions described above will eliminate most of our past problems with correspondence and prepare for future growth.

(11) Our Board of Directors will be "revitalized" as soon as the Constitution is revised to allow for the election of Directors, one from each Conference Area (refer to the Oct-Nov PARACHUTIST). We look for approval of the Constitution in January and this approval will come from voting members and a committee of Directors is working on the proposed changes at this moment. Following these changes, the election of new Directors will be held and the wishes of the membership will be served. To infer that the present Board of Directors has no members who are "men of action, organizational ability, etc.", when there are men on the Board

like Joe Crane, the founder of sport parachuting, owner of his own parachute business; Deke Sonnichsen, founder of one of the first clubs in the country, past international competitor and Team Leader of the 1962 Team; Lew Sanborn, past international competitor and president of Orange Sport Parachuting Center; Dave Burt, pioneer professional parachutist and president of Para Ventures; General Joe Stilwell and Colonel Bill Grieves, both outstanding military leaders in sport parachuting, to name a few is to insult the fine work these men have done. They deserve an apology!

(12) The reason that the national headquarters of the PCA is not "centrally located to the USA" is the same reason that Washington, D. C. is not in the middle of Kansas, it doesn't need to be centrally located. PCA works, to a large degree, by mail and the headquarters can work equally well from any part of the country.

(13) PCA is not financially insolvent. The books are audited monthly and annually by a CPA and are open for inspection. Once again Kremar and Sky Diver Magazine has made an allegation which cannot be substantiated with facts. Had either writer looked up the word "insolvent" in the dictionary prior to writing, they would have found that it meant, by law, "an inability to pay debts, unable to satisfy creditors or discharge liabilities, pertaining to bankrupt persons or bankruptcy". PCA may have spent more than they could afford in 1962 but only due to necessity. In excess of routine operations it paid over \$4000 to transport and train 19 Examiners, \$5000 for the new wings, \$22,000 to conduct the Nationals, \$13,000 to train the U. S. Team, plus more for Director travel, USAF manuals for ASOs, FAI Code 5 Rulebooks, increased ASO packets, increased information to new forming clubs, a larger and better PARACHUTIST, increased mailing costs incident to the above, etc. Did we spend more than usual. certainly! In 1961 we made \$19,000 and did not have many large expenditures. This year we did much and it cost us. But we're still here, our creditors are satisfied, and we're already budgeted for 1963 with no apparent problems. As we do each year, a complete financial statement will be published in the February PARACHUTIST so all members may see, in detail, our exact progress for 1962. Contrary to Kremar and Sky Diver's unfounded allegations, PCA is better off for 1963 because of the lessons learned in 1962.

(14) The World Championship was not ill-planned, quite the contrary. Look at this year's May issue of PARACHUTIST. Not only was a separate committee of responsible parachutists organized to plan this affair, but a special commission appointed by the State of Massachusetts to watchdog the planning and budgetary operation to insure its success. Whether it was a success or failure depends on where you sit. PCA was there, in force, and feels that, overall, it was a success. Nether Kremar nor the editor of SD were ever present at Orange, nor did they participate in any of the planning and, since they again offer no facts, we cannot answer their allegation.

(15) Last month's PARACHUTIST gave credit to those volunteers who worked at Orange during Championship. Among them were civilians and military men who took their accrued leave to work their heads off for little thanks other than knowing they contributed their best to the Championships. For Kremar and SD to brand all these fine people as free-loaders is sickening. While an apology is certainly in order, it is doubtful whether there is a sufficient amount of dignity in either party to do so. Again, neither party was at the Championships particularly as volunteers.

(16) We would like to know exactly how the Director of the National Championships at Kansas City, Mr. R. A. Gunby, flubbed-the-dub. No facts were given, again, thus we know not how to reply to the allegation. It is the considered opinion of the PCA and most of the participants of the '62 Nationals at K. C., that the Nationals were a success. The outcome of the World Meet stands as testimony to the team selection made at the Nationals.

(17) After four weeks spent at Orange in planning the Championships, Mr. Gunby withdrew from Orange as Competition Director for the following reasons, in order of importance: a) no one was at PCA headquarters and the administration burden required his immediate return, b) contact with other meet officials during the planning and operation indicated that there would be constant conflict as to who, exactly, would conduct the competition, c) the easiest way to reduce conflict and insure the smooth running of the meet was for Mr. Gunby to turn

the duty over to someone less involved, and d) a replacement was available thus no interruption would ensue. In summary, Gunby's return to California was not the great problem that, for reasons yet unknown, some people wish to make out of a minor event.

(18) Unknown to Kremar or SD, Mr. Gunby resigned from the Board of Directors at the July meeting, one month prior to the Championships. This was permitted by the Board since, as an Officer and Director, Gunby was permitted to vote on the Board. It was felt that a paid director should not be involved in the decisions of the Board and, secondly, not being a member of the board would offer him a neutrality between the Board and the members, something he had not enjoyed for the past three years.

Mr. Gunby was not hired at a higher salary than before his resignation, quite the opposite. On the first of October, instigated by his own suggestion, his annual salary was cut by \$2000 so that PCA could pay off its obligations more quickly. All of these matters are a matter of record in the PCA files had either writer wished to check.

(19) At this point the writers state that they will ask some more questions about PCA and will provide the answers. This is interesting because up to this point no answers had been put forth.

(20) Here we can only say that the editor of SD is difficult to understand because he endorses the military as the saviours of the championship when it wasn't too long ago that he consistently advocated policies to keep the military from controlling the sport! If an editor doesn't quite know where he stands, how can he propose to intelligently represent anything? The suggestion that, only because of the efforts of two people alone, the 1962 World Meet was a success, is absurd! Certainly the two mentioned did a good job but so did many, many, others, civilian and military alike.

(21) We're glad that the writers invite us to "get together". Since 1956 PCA has been literally shouting the phrase. However, the phrase has a hollow ring coming from a magazine which, while purporting to wish to help PCA and their members, prints false and misleading information in the same issue with a PCA membership promotion. One technique recently used: The SD editorial was unnecessarily derogatory toward the women selected at Kansas City Tryouts for training on the U. S. Team. When queried as to why, the reply was given that SD wanted the girls to try hard. Actually, the girls' reaction on reading the editorial was the reverse; they were disappointed and dejected to think that such a low opinion about them was published throughout the entire country. They knew that they would face tough competition from the world's best parachutists but they were willing to train hard and give it everything they had. It took the members of the mens' team quite a time to undo the harm created by the editorial. As you now know, they performed extremely well during the championships, winning first place. Sky Diver Magazine then had the effrontery to suggest that it was their article which gave the girls the desire to win! The 100-plus training jumps under champions like Arender, Brydon, and Fortenberry, etc., made possible by Orange Center, paid for by PCA, made the difference, not the rude comments by SD.

We were extremely reluctant to use this valuable space to answer trumped-up charges, which had little basis of fact, from two individuals who, apparently, have little regard for truth, integrity, and honesty. However, in view of the possible national distribution of the magazine and the resultant erroneous impression which their false editorial could create among uninformed persons toward PCA officials and members, a defense of members and a clarification is mandatory. PCA hopes that in the future Sky Diver Magazine will use their precious space for their stated purpose of development and safety of sport parachuting. PCA certainly shall not subscribe to a base form of public bickering at the expense of its members.

Kremar sent a copy of the editorial to PCA prior to its publication in SD. It is interesting that Sky Diver Magazine, after printing almost the entire letter by Kremar, chose to OMIT the following sentence from the ending of Kremar's original letter: " I AM PROUD OF THE NAME DICTATOR AND S.O.B."

Perhaps this one sentence gives us an insight into the personality of both men?

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NAA DUES: Late in 1961 the National Aeronautic Association (NAA) increased their dues for Parachute Club of America members from \$3.00 to \$5.00. Unfortunately, time did not permit this word to get out to each of our members prior to their sending in dues for 1962.

To all those who sent in \$3.00 for NAA membership we sent a letter explaining that there had been an increase of \$2.00 and for the member to do one of two things: (1) send in the extra two dollars, or, (2) indicate to us that their \$3.00 was to be refunded.

Many replied but some did not, so we are still holding three dollars for each of these members.

Now, in order to clear the books, we are again asking those members concerned to indicate to us what they wish done with this money. We suggest that it be donated to the U. S. Team fund to assist in paying off some of the outstanding debts. When writing to us of this matter, please mention your 1962 membership number.

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RESULTS OF PARACHUTE MEETS: Commencing in 1963 PCA would like to keep everyone informed on the results of the various parachute meets held throughout the country. In order to do this we have devised a simple reporting sheet which we will send out to any and all groups whenever they advise us of a forth-coming meet. At the conclusion of the meet we shall print the results in the next issue of PARACHUTIST. Any photos submitted will also be utilized in report wherever possible.

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DEAD CENTER LANDINGS: We have noted many entries in logbooks which, in the "distance to target column", read, "Dead Center". Investigation has proven that some groups feel that placing a foot any place on the cross, or a canopy spread out on the ground, is a "dead center". Such is not the case. A dead center is considered by PCA to be the landing with one foot touching any portion of a circle, approximately eight inches in diameter at the center of the ground target.

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WORLD ALTITUDE RECORD: The FAI has announced the temporary acknowledgement of the recent Soviet altitude record in Class G-I-b, Individual Jump, Day, Delayed Opening, from an altitude of 25,458 meters with a total delay of 24,500 meters (78,960 feet). To say the least, a tough one to beat!

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FREE PCA MEMBERSHIPS: Although Danny Latchford of the Midwest Parachute Sales Service in Novi, Michigan, has been giving away PCA memberships for some years, we'd like to publicly thank Danny in this issue of the PARACHUTIST. In every cause of PCA Mr. Latchford has never been found wanting and has always assisted and supported PCA and its members whenever possible. For the next three months of December, January, and February the Midwest Parachute Service is giving free PCA memberships with each "sky diving" set or single sky diving back parachute purchased. PCA does not represent or guarantee the products of any commercial enterprise and brings this article to your attention to show the PCA support that has been rendered by this organization for some time.

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PCA ORGANIZATION -- 1963:

As promised, we have taken action to re-shuffle the office of PCA in order to eliminate backlogs and speed up the flow of correspondence and administration.

Please note the internal organization chart shown on Page 8.

NATIONAL AERONAUTIC ASSOCIATION

PARACHUTE CLUB OF AMERICA

Officers: V Board of Directors V

President V
Vice President V
Secretary V

Committees: V

Election
Finance
Competition &
Records

Financial Advisor (CPA) \$
Auditor \$

Cost Analysis
Programming
Budget Maintenance

Executive Director \$

Functions:

Admin:
Staff Administrator.
Editor: Parachutist.
Insurance & claims.
Parachute violations.
Budget Maintenance.
Research & Development Policy.
Film & Reference Procurement.

Programs:
Area Safety Officers.
National & Regional Competitions.
Instructor-Examiner Program.
Special Schools.
Special Projects.

Liaison:
Internal Organizational.
NAA
FAA Policy Branches.
AOPA
NAEC
Armed Services

Parachutist Magazine Editorial Director \$

Parachutist Writing Layout
Advertising Accounts
Publicity
Liaison:
Public News Media.
Parachuting News Media.

Assistant Director \$

Functions:

Admin:
Licensing.
STCs.
Assistance & Promotion-new clubs.
General and Technical Information.
Film & Reference Library.
Mailing & Distribution.
Accident/Injury Reports.
Technical R & D.
Permanent Files.

Programs:
Record Attempts & Barographs.
Instrumentation.
National Collegiate Parachute League.

Liaison:
FAA Technical Branches.
Clubs
Parachute Lofts.
Commercial Technical Organizations.

Membership Socy V

PCA Memberships
NAA Memberships
Membership Files & Records
Club Affiliations
Cash Journal

\$ - Paid Official
V - Volunteers

Joint Functions:
Publicity - Promotion - Statistics



HOLLYWOOD HERO: The following item was extracted from a recent Los Angeles newspaper:

"A parachutist who claimed to be a terrified aerial hitch-hiker dropped out of the sky into an alfalfa field near Saugus Sunday. Norman Bruce Siefert, 22, of North Hollywood, told Sheriff Deputies that he had hitched a ride on a plane from Porterville to Van Nuys. When the plane's engines began acting up, Siefert told the officers, he buckled himself into a chute and bailed out. He said there were about six or seven other persons in the plane but he had no idea what happened to it or them. Neither did he have any idea of who the passengers and pilot were, what kind of plane it was, or even how many engines it had, he added.

The Sheriff's Aero Squadron checked every airport between Los Angeles and Porterville and could find no report of a plane missing or in trouble. But they did find out that Siefert belonged to a parachute jumping club, and that Monte McCrea of Canoga Park, (a Safety Officer, was waiting in the alfalfa field for Siefert." *****

This is a typical example of the trouble that one juvenile can cause to law enforcement officers and the resultant unfavorable publicity. Imagine the public opinion of all parachutists when they read that the jumper, "didn't know who was in the plane, who the pilot was, what kind of a plane it was, or even how many engines it had (... the engines supposedly being the reason he jumped in the first place)". And how convenient to have a Safety Officer on the ground who was just passing by!

This is one of the examples of why authorities want to outlaw parachuting.

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HELP! Toward the end of the recent World Championships at Orange, Mass., 23-year-old MILAN KNOR of the Yugoslavian Parachute Team chose to remain in the U. S. rather than return to Yugoslavia. After Knor was granted asylum in this country, Tom Butler, Chief Interpreter at Orange and professor of Russian at Tufts University in Medford, Mass., arranged for his acceptance into the Tufts School where Knor hopes to study engineering.

Since his relocation this parachutist has been living with Butler and has been attempting to attend classes despite the fact that he lacks the tuition and has no home, money, or friends to help him. Butler, a non-parachutist, who has been Knor's sole support for the past three months, should not be forced to bear totally the burden of Knor's expenses and, since Knor has gambled on something that he does not know, for sure, exists, the time has come for the parachutists to help Knor out. We, as parachutists, owe it to ourselves as humans, and to our sport as a thing apart from a mere recreation, to make as many facilities as possible in this country available to Milan Knor.

We know that Knor has your moral support and well wishes, however, it will take cash to buy his books, tuition, and lodging. Everyone aware of the situation should conclude that the members of the Parachute Club of America are the logical persons to aid a fellow parachutist. It is a matter of pride that our sport was one of the determining factors in his choosing America to Communism and we should be the ones to further his initial security in this country.

Some sympathetic persons in Boston have formed a group to promote funds for sustaining Knor. The treasurer is Mr. David Bird and he is being assisted by Miss Ann Wood (of NAA and a strong worker for sport parachuting) and Tom Butler.

Thus, in this Christmas Season spirit of giving, we suggest that every member of the PCA send a contribution in care of Mr. David Bird, 66 Fresh Pond Lane, Cambridge, Mass. so that a displaced fellow parachutist may be reassured of the American determination in matters of this sort. The amount of contribution is left to the discretion of the individual, with a suggested minimum of one dollar. The overall objective is \$5000 and with over 6000 members the goal should be easily reached without inconveniencing any member.

Come on, fellas, cut a dollar's worth of altitude off that next free fall, pass the hat at the next meeting, and let Milan Knor know that parachutists can help one another. We'll all be better men for it! Thanks!

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AW KUM' ON!: ALREADY PCA has received our fresh, new, white, membership applications
incorrectly completed!

LIKE, MAN, the top portion is only for PCA membership application and sport parachute medical statement in '63. COMPLETE IN FULL. Even to new or renewal boxes. We also NEED the sport parachute medical statement.

The center portion is for your Annual License Validation. If you're not requesting validation of a license, KEEP IT FOR LATER. If you are it is to be COMPLETED IN FULL, submitting your present LICENSE so it may be validated. DON'T complete this section if you are applying for a NEW license.

The lower portion is an NAA membership application. Should you wish to become a member of NAA, and we hope you will, complete both portions of this section completely. Leave no blanks unfilled, except where the form reads, "Send me information on:" unless you wish the additional information.

On the reverse side of the center portion is your parachutist badge application form. Check the appropriate block, then complete the remainder of the form fully, leaving no blanks unfilled. This section must be verified by your Club SO, Area SO, or a PCA licensed Instructor.

NOTE: This portion contains an erroneous entry, there is NO A license bar. See paragraph c., bars: of this portion.

Application for membership in PCA will continue to be accepted on the old blue form, after 1 January 1963. Where possible we ask that the new white form be used.

LICENSE APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED ON THE OLD BLUE FORM WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED OR PROCESSED AFTER 1 January 1963. If you do not now have the new type green license form, contact PCA or your nearest ASO to receive a supply.

The new three-fold license will be issued to all new license applicants. This license is printed in Russian, French, and English and contains a 1" x 1" full face photograph of the bearer, and is supplied PCA by the prospective licensee along with the green form.

A NOTE TO ALL C AND D LICENSE HOLDERS: According to the current two fold single language license, C and D license holders may certify to the qualifications of a lower license holder. May we remind all that this procedure is OBSOLETE. We reprint below an extract of the January 1961 issue of Parachutist, Volume II, number 1, pages 4 and 5; for your current information:

LICENSING PROCEDURE: Effective 15 February 1961 licenses will be processed as follows:

All Club PCA safety officers will verify the qualification of an applicant and make the following entry in the logbook. "Certified Qualified for Class ___ License, date, Club Safety Officer's Signature and Parachute License Number." The logbook and application will then be transmitted to the Area Safety Officer who will verify the logbook and initial the CSO's entry, return the logbook to the individual, certify on the license application that the applicant is qualified, and then the Area Safety Officer will forward the verified application and fee to the PCA office (P. O. Box 409, Monterey, Calif.) After a PCA check the license will be issued direct to the individual.

Because many of you were not members and did not receive this issue, we apologize for any hardship or misunderstanding caused you to date. Do everyone a favor though, and PASS THE WORD AROUND. Thank you.

INCLUDED HEREIN FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE IS THE NEW GREEN APPLICATION FOR FOR INTERNATIONAL PARACHUTIST LICENSE.

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FATALITY-FOLLOW UP REPORT: Additional information obtained by the Area Safety Officer on the death of Mr. Ronald N. Lorenzen, initially reported in the April, 1962, PARACHUTIST, is as follows:

"FINDINGS:

No prior jumps or training recorded.

Training conducted by Sky Ramblers:

- 2 Static-Dummy Rip Cord Pulls.
- 2 Jump and Pull (Used Altimeter only on one)
- 2 Planned 5 seconds - pulled approx 3 seconds. (Used stop watch only on both)
- 2 Planned 10 seconds - Pulled approx. 5 - 7 seconds. (Used stop watch only on both)

All jumps made in April (Jumped Saturday and Sunday).

All jumps except fatal jump made from Cessna type aircraft.

Fatal jump made from Piper PA-22, (Tri-Pacer) (No Supplementar Type Certificate).

Individual had good stable position on all jumps except fatal jump.

Equipment used: B-12 Back pack with deployment bag.

T7-A Reserve

Stop watch.

Equipment was in good working order and accepted as legal by FAA.

Individual had hand on main rip cord on impact, the impact jerked his hand, pulling the rip cord approx 4 inches and opening the back pack.

Jump Master said, "He exited aircraft with his hand on stop watch", but it was not started at any time during the jump.

A ground witness stated that: "Ronald tumbled slowly for approx 15 seconds then gained stability and went in to pull. He then started turning to the right and went on his back. He did not pull at any time and struck the ground head low on his back."

The attached statements describe the fatal jump as seen from the aircraft.

ASO's Comments: Instead of deploying the chute when unable to maintain control, the deceased obviously fought to gain and maintain control prior to deploying his chute. Also, just because an individual can exit a Cessna in a stable position does not mean that he can make a door exit from a Tri-Pacer and acquire control, especially when coming to terminal for the first time.

The facts and my primary comments are listed below:

- a) Insufficient training. (Self-explanatory)
- b) Change in type of aircraft. Deceased had been jumping Cessna aircraft which allows inherent stable position on exit, then changed to a Tri-Pacer which, for a student, causes an inherent unstable position.
- c) Deceased had never reached terminal velocity, then attempted a 15 second delay. If his planned 10 second delays were carried to a full 10 seconds, thereby getting some experience close to terminal; the results of the 15 seconds may have been different.

This accident occurred with the "Sky Ramblers" at New Braunfels, Texas, not with the "Lone Star Sky Divers" as printed by the various news media."

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FATALITY-FOLLOW UP REPORT: Additional information obtained by the Area Safety Officer on the death of Mr. Paul M. Clifford, initially reported in the October-November, 1962, PARACHUTIST, is as follows:

"Description of Accident: The jump was not co-ordinated with anyone connected with the

Seattle Sport Parachute Center. The center had no runway lights. A truck was placed at the end of the runway so the pilot could tell where the end of the runway was. It was thought that the jumpers were going back to their own DZ. As the plane came in on the jump run SSPC drove a truck out to light the target. Paul jumped first with a hand held flare. (Military type, flare on one end and smoke on the other). Paul started the flare immediately. The second jumper opened at 20 secs. The third jumper opened high after a 15 sec. delay. Witnesses on the ground said that it looked like Paul's delay was stable and normal. (This was determined by the flares stability). The flare burned out after approx. 20 secs., Paul seemed to be still holding the flare. (This was noted by the glowing of the flare after flame out). The flare still seemed to be held in a guided fall. At approx. 1000 feet (the exact altitude is not known) it seemed as though Paul let go of the flare. (At this point the flare was still glowing after flame out and was falling in a haphazard manner, tumbling and spinning). Paul could not be visually seen during any part of his fall. Approx. 32 secs. from exit a faint but audible thud was heard and approx. 1 sec. later the flare hit the ground. The point of impact was approx. 1200 ft. from the target. The flare landed 120 ft. from the jumper in line with the target. Paul hit the ground head first in almost a vertical position to the ground. (Between 60-90 degrees). The right arm was in front of the reserve with the left arm back and to the left side.

Examination of the equipment showed that neither parachute was pulled. The main ripcord handle was bent by the impact and the cable was broken 1 inch from the first pin, it was still in the housing. All of the pins were still in the cones, the 3rd cone was torn loose from the pack, the 4th pin was slightly bent upward. The main was opened at the scene with no apparent effort. The reserve was still sealed. Examination of the packing slip showed it was packed by a certified rigger and was in date. It was noted that the ripcord pocket on the reserve (26' Conical, 22' pack, and T7-A ripcord) almost covered all of the ripcord handle, only 1/2 of an inch of the handle protruded from the pocket. This was not caused by impact, but is the normal position. It is believed that Paul has made at least 5 night jumps prior to this one. This had been Paul's second jump of the day, he had repacked his own parachute (main), for the second jump.

ASO Comments: This is a difficult fatality to try to find an answer for, because of the number of jumps and experience of the jumper. It may be a combination of factors that has caused this fatality.

No notification was given, or permission asked, or given, to make a night jump. (BSR #14). Even though the jumpers had planned the jump, there was no contact made with the SSPC at the time of take off. I believe that Paul's night vision was impaired by the flare. He may not have been counting his delay time, but was relying on the burning time of the flare and thought that the flare was still burning when it was just glowing after flame out. This may explain why he continued to hold the flare after flame out. When he decided to discard the flare he may have thought he was too low to use his main or it would be better to open his reserve. When attempting to open the reserve it could have been that he couldn't get a hold on the handle because it was so well covered by the pocket and also the fact that he had such heavy gloves would make it even more difficult to grab the handle which was protruding no more than 1/2 inch from the pocket. I have noticed that on reserves of the type as was used on this jump that a person can carry and even shake the reserve by the ripcord handle without dislodging the pins. The handle fits very tightly in the pocket. A modification should definitely be made to this type of reserve to expose the handle more and make it less binding in the pocket. More preparation should have been made in planning this type of jump. The DZ may have been unfamiliar since it was only the second time Paul had jumped on it.

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FATALITY

NAME: Grant D. Erickson
 PLACE: Fort Leavenworth, Kansas
 CLUB: Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

AGE: 43

DATE: 10 November 1962
 PCA MEMBER: No

PREVIOUS JUMPS: 9 Sport Jumps, over 100 military jumps.

TYPE JUMP: First 10 second delayed fall.

WIND: 2 - 3 MPH

CAUSE OF DEATH: Landing with main "Mae West", failure to deploy reserve, and possible premature release of helmet strap.

DESCRIPTION: (ASO and CSO): Major Erickson exited from an Army ULA Otter at 3700 feet for a ten second delay. He remained stable for about four seconds and then commenced a slow turn and a slow tumble. He attempted to correct his loss of stability. At opening time, 10 seconds, he was facing away from the aircraft with his back to earth. On opening, his main parachute deployed with a line over causing a perfect Mae West. The canopy did not rotate but descended with an obvious increased rate. Major Erickson did not attempt to pull his reserve but rode the main Mae West into the ground. He landed on a gravel surface adjacent to the macadam runway. The CZSO, who was watching through binoculars, stated that Erickson took up the proper PLF position in preparing to land. When his feet touched the ground, the shock apparently caused his football-type helmet to pop off. After his feet touched, he pitched forward onto his unprotected head. He was immediately rushed to the hospital but never regained consciousness and died a week later from severe brain concussion and severe skull fracture.

ASO Comment: Investigation revealed that just a week prior to the accident, Major Erickson made a jump with the St. Joseph Sky Divers. Prior to touching the ground he popped the snap on his helmet. When asked why by the St. Joseph Safety Officer, Major Erickson advised that he always did this because his helmet was uncomfortable and he could move his head more freely with the chin strap unsecured. The SO advised Major Erickson that this was not the safe thing to do but drew no comment from the Major.

Apparently Major Erickson felt that he was experienced enough in landings that it was not necessary for him to deploy a reserve. We all know differently though and we hope that this unfortunate fatality will strengthen the fact in other jumpers' minds that they can't beat the odds -- "When in doubt, pull"!!

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FATALITY

NAME: Faith M. Pappageorge AGE: 19 - Female DATE: 26 November 1962
PLACE: Bullhead City, Arizona PCA MEMBER: Yes TIME: 5:05 P. M.
CLUB: Josette Sky Divers, Las Vegas, Nevada LICENSE: A
PREVIOUS JUMPS: 19
TYPE JUMP: 10 second delay from 5200 feet. (Added altitude for extra safety on a student evaluation by jumpmaster)
TYPE AIRCRAFT: Tri-Pacer
CAUSE OF DEATH: Faulty main ripcord and failure to deploy reserve.

DESCRIPTION: (Jumpmaster): Mrs. Pappageorge exited the aircraft at 5000 feet together with the Jumpmaster. At 3000 feet the Jumpmaster motioned for Faith to pull her ripcord. She acknowledged, went in for the pull, pulled her ripcord out of the pocket and held it in her hand. She was smiling, holding heading, and was flat and stable. Assuming that she was pulling, the Jumpmaster opened his own parachute and then looked around for Pappageorge. On looking down he saw that she was still falling but made no attempt to activate her reserve parachute. When she was found, the main ripcord was still held in her hand. The top pin of her main ripcord hung in the entrance to the ripcord housing. No stiffener was used.

ASO Comments: Myself and a certified FAA Rigger inspected the parachute used by

Mrs. Pappageorge. Both of us came to the conclusion that the top ripcord pin would not make the angle to start into the ripcord housing far enough to clear the pin from the cone. The parachute was the type that has the ripcord housing sewed to the back pack that does not have the stiffener or spacer.

PCA COMMENT: Investigation revealed that the Jumpmaster and Mrs. Pappageorge went to the Elsinore Parachute Center on 24 November. She showed evidence of 7 static line jumps and 6 free falls. She asked to make a 20 second delay and the Jumpmaster vouched for her ability as her Instructor, stating that he was following their theory of progression in Las Vegas. The Center Instructor, after reviewing her logbook and a personal evaluation, cleared her for only a ten second delay. She was upset at this time and refused to jump until late Sunday. During that jump it was reported that she was out of control for several seconds, then stable on heading for ten seconds, and opened at an estimated 1500 feet. Following this she was banned from further jumping at Elsinore, partly due to a lack of ability but mostly due to attitude.

It appears that her Jumpmaster, a Class B License holder, was her advisor and the one that she looked to for guidance.

Before making any conclusions in this case more information is needed such as who packed the parachute, what type and amount of training was given the deceased, how each student is evaluated, just what was meant by "theory of progression in Las Vegas", etc.

One thing is obvious, she didn't attempt to pull the reserve and this generally indicates a lack of reaction, counting, and malfunction training. Many of us have used the same type ripcord housing for years without any trouble so perhaps the parachute was not properly packed or checked. A proper pre-jump equipment check should have uncovered this situation.

Action pending.

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FATALITY

NAME: Joseph A. Niehaus AGE: 23 DATE: 2 December, 1962
PLACE: Rising Sun, Indiana PCA MEMBER: Yes CLUB: Cincinnati SPC
PREVIOUS JUMPS: 7 Sport Jumps
TYPE JUMP: 2d Free Fall, 5 second delay
CAUSE OF DEATH: Improper opening position fouled main, failure to activate reserve.

DESCRIPTION: (ASO): Joe Niehaus was to be the first of three men to exit a Cessna 175 on individual passes. The Jumpmaster was not licensed but had over fifty jumps. Niehaus left the plane with a weak exit and rolled over on his back in a head down position. He activated the main parachute in this position and apparently the pilot chute wrapped around the suspension lines. No part of the canopy ever came out of the sleeve. At approx. 2500 feet he assumed a feet down attitude and maintained this position until he hit the ground. Mr. Niehaus had enough time to use his reserve but made no attempt to do so until, perhaps, just prior to striking the ground.

When they found the body his reserve was opened, the ripcord about 10 feet from the body, part of one line stow was out, and the canopy was under the body. No packing data or log was with the reserve. Witnesses present felt that Mr. Niehaus was very nervous before the jump.

WHAT'S FOR '63! Since all memberships for 1962 expire at midnight, December 31st, you're now probably wondering what's in store for the members in the coming year. We'll not

elaborate on what has been done in 1962 other than to say that a great deal of progress has been made, regardless of the fact that everything that has been done has not been broadcast as it possibly should have been. That lack of broadcasting is being rectified in the form of a completely new PARACHUTIST, in new magazine form, which is in the printers at this moment for a January distribution. Along with this go steps to insure that the magazine will be mailed, ON TIME, prior to the 20th of any month. The magazine will still be free to members as is the newsletter. Mr. Steven Moore has been hired on a commission basis to do just the magazine and we're certain that every member will be more than pleased with his results.

Next comes the adoption of the nationwide Conference Area System (published in the November PARACHUTIST), a revision of the outdated constitution followed by an election of new Directors -- one from each Conference Area -- then a plan to hold conference competitions followed by the Nationals. A parachute canopy descent research project is already underway. Our orientation film is in the final stages of production. Fifty new Area Safety Officers were appointed in November and December. FAA is working with us on possible federal assistance and recognition. The Instructor Test is nearly completed. Another Instructor-Examiner School is being planned for 1963. A new accident and health insurance program is being written by INA at this moment. Cessna aircraft is working with PCA on possible requirements and specifications for a possible parachuting aircraft. The office staff is being enlarged to handle administration more rapidly. The new membership forms were distributed in the November PARACHUTIST and by special packets and in this issue you will find the new license application. New licenses will be issued to new applicants starting in January and old license holders may start switching next October. The listing of Area Safety Officers and Clubs will be released in February. 1963 will see PCA establish equipment quality control standards, national training standards for clubs and commercial centers, affiliation of commercial centers with the PCA is a distinct possibility, improved research and reports to members, a buyer's guide, purchase of lifetime memberships is tentatively planned, outside subscriptions to PARACHUTIST. Research will be continued in such areas as psychological and physiological fatality inquiry, various automatic opening devices, pilot chutes, methods of training, etc. Efforts will continue, and intensified, to obtain permanent sources for the U. S. Team Funds and funds to create the possibility of one or more PCA Parachute Instruction and Demonstration Teams to promote and improve the sport. These, plus many more smaller, but not necessarily lesser, projects and programs will be the major activities for 1963 to enhance and promote the growth and stature of sport parachuting in the field as an athletic and recreational sport.

BUT NONE of these can come to pass without YOU the member! You, the member ARE the PCA the jumping backbone and the financial backbone. Your actions set the example for others who follow. The student YOU train today will be instructing another student tomorrow. YOU'VE got to be good now so the student will be equally good tomorrow. None of us can stand on what good we did yesterday. We have to do good again today and plan correctly for tomorrow. We've all grown together from a handful in 1957 to over 6800 today!

Say that again six thousand eight-hundred PCA members in 1962!! That doubles the membership from last year. And suppose we double it again in 1963? That would be 13,600 members this time next year! Impossible? Of course not!

YOU, the parachutist and member, are progressing with PCA. We're just starting to pick up real speed and we will get things done by presenting a solid front and by mutually supporting one another. It's a team job and there are still many problems and opposition but we can overcome them with patience, time, and support from those who have the insight to see our collective goals.

The PCA Staff has just finished reviewing our old 1962 membership letter wherein we made some predictions for 1962. Almost all of them have been accomplished. The few which were not had much ground work done on them and full accomplishment is easily in sight. Not a bad record!

We've got an even better letter for 1963 with more action than in 1962! Don't miss this



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Application for International Parachutist License

Valid International Parachutist Licenses are required for all International Competitions and all Competitions Sanctioned by the PARACHUTE CLUB OF AMERICA.

A. Paragraphs A, B, C, D, and E to be completed in full by the applicant. The following information is to be placed on the license.
Leave no blanks unfilled.

Name:..... (Type or print legibly)	Address:.....
City:.....	Zone:..... State:.....
U. S. Citizen?..... (Yes or no)	Date of Birth:..... (day, month, year)
Color Eyes:.....	Color Hair:.....
	Sex:.....
	Previous Licenses Held:.....
	Type and No.:

B. Applicant must include with this license application a 1"x1", full face photograph of himself.

C. FEES: Class A License \$ 5.00
Class B License \$10.00

Class C License: \$15.00
Class D License: \$20.00

Instructor: \$30.00

Class License Applied for	Amount Enclosed	Signature	Date
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D. SPORT PARACHUTE MEDICAL STATEMENT

For Parachute Jumps

PCA recommends that all parachutists receive either an FAA Class III Medical Examination or be examined by a Medical Physician prior to making parachute jumps. Each applicant *must* also complete the following medical statement:

Date of Birth:..... Height:..... Sex:.....
 I hereby certify that I have no physical infirmity, am not under treatment for any physical infirmity or chronic ailment, or injury of any nature; and that I have never been treated for any of the following:

1. Cardiac or pulmonary condition or disease.
2. Diabetes.
3. Fainting spells or convulsions.
4. Nervous disorder.
5. Kidney or related disease.
6. High or Low Blood pressure.

Date:..... Signature:.....

Witness:.....

FOR PCA USE: Date of Postmark:.....

E. MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

Class A—Applicant must:

1. Have made at least 10 parachute jumps of which at least 5 must be sport parachute jumps.
2. Have a Valid Class B or higher license holder verify paragraph, 1, above.
 - a. I certify that the applicant has made at least 10 parachute jumps, 5 of which were sport jumps.

Signature

Date License Type and No.

3. Complete Medical Certificate in paragraph D.

Class B—Applicant must:

1. Have made at least 25 free fall jumps including:
 - a. 15 stable delays of at least 10 seconds.
 - b. 5 stable delays of at least 20 seconds.
 - c. 3 stable delays of at least 30 seconds.
2. Demonstrate ability to hold heading during free fall, i.e., prevent spin.
 - a. To be verified by Club Safety Officer, Area Safety Officer or PCA Licensed Instructor.
3. Have landed within 50 yards of center of target on 5 jumps with delays of at least 20 seconds or longer.
4. Complete Medical Certificate in paragraph D.
5. Have ASO or PCA Licensed Instructor certify that these requirements have been fulfilled.

Class C—Applicant must:

1. Have made at least 75 free fall jumps including:
 - a. 65 stable delays of at least 10 seconds
 - b. 30 stable delays of at least 20 seconds
 - c. 15 stable delays of at least 30 seconds
 - d. 5 stable delays of at least 45 seconds.
2. Complete 2 alternate 360° flat turns to left and right in free fall in 7 seconds or less from start of maneuver.
 - a. To be verified by CSO, ASO or PCA Licensed Instructor.
3. Have landed within 30 yards of center of a target on 15 jumps with delays of 20 seconds or longer.
4. Complete Medical Certificate in paragraph D.
5. Have ASO or PCA Licensed Instructor certify that these requirements have been fulfilled.

Class D—Applicant must:

1. Have made at least 200 free fall jumps including:
 - a. 100 stable delays of at least 20 seconds
 - b. 50 stable delays of at least 30 seconds
 - c. 20 stable delays of at least 45 seconds
 - d. 10 stable delays of at least 60 seconds
2. Complete 2 alternate 360° flat turns to left and right in free fall in 6 seconds or less from start of maneuver.
 - a. To be verified by CSO, ASO or PCA Licensed Instructor.
3. Demonstrate control of body in free fall on vertical, horizontal and longitudinal axes.
 - a. To be verified by CSO, ASO or PCA Licensed Instructor.
4. Have landed within 20 yards of center of target on 20 jumps with delays of at least 30 seconds.
5. Have made one night jump of at least 30 seconds delay.
6. Have made one intentional water jump.
7. Complete Medical Certificate in paragraph D.
8. Have ASO, or PCA Licensed Instructor certify that these requirements have been fulfilled, and forward log books along with verification to PCA for review.

PCA Instructor Rating—Applicant must:

1. Be a current PCA member in good standing.
2. Hold a valid U. S. Class C or D License.
3. Have no parachuting safety violation on record at PCA.
4. Have no less than 60 minutes (cumulative) of delayed fall time.
5. Have no less than twenty (20) relative work jumps of at least 20 seconds delay each, to include at least five (5) successful baton passes.
6. Have demonstrated to the examiner the ability to instruct in all phases of sport parachuting.
7. Complete Medical Certificate in paragraph D.
8. Apply direct to PCA for application forms and pass the instructor examination given by an authorized examiner. PCA reserves the right to control the number of instructor ratings issued.

Name:
Amount Enclosed:
PCA License and No.:
Wings and Bars Sent:

F. ASO or PCA Licensed Instructor Verification and Certification Block

This section is to be completed in full by the applicants Area Safety Officer or PCA Licensed Instructor only. If no ASO or Instructor is available, the applicant must complete sections, A, B, C, D and E, then send application along with his log book (s) directly to PCA for verification and certification.

PROOF: I hereby certify that the applicant, _____, is applying for
Name

a Class _____ International Parachute License, and has made a total of _____ parachute jumps consisting of:

1. Cumulative Jump Resume.

Greater delays automatically cover requirements for lesser delays and should be entered accordingly.

_____ Sport Static Line Jumps

_____ Military Static Line Jumps

_____ Total Free Fall Jumps, including (1-4 seconds)

_____ 10 Second Delay (s)

_____ 20 second Delay (s)

_____ 30 Second Delay (s)

_____ 45 Second Delay (s)

_____ 60 Second Delay (s)

Remarks:

2. Requirements Section.

a. B and C License:

para. 2— _____
Jump No. Verified by

para. 3— _____
ASO Initial

para. 4— _____
ASO Initial

b. D and Instructor License:

(For Instructor, omit paragraph not applicable.)

para. 2— _____
Jump No. Verified by

para. 3— _____
Jump No. Verified by

para. 4— _____
ASO Initial

para. 5— _____
Jump No. Verified by

para. 6— _____
Jump No. Verified by

para. 7— _____
ASO Initial

3. ASO Certification: I certify that I have personally verified the applicants number of jumps in his (her) log book(s) and/or other records and certify to his (her) sport parachuting ability as listed above. I further certify that the applicant is fully qualified for a Class _____ U. S. FAI License.

Signature

ASO/Instructor No.

Date

new year. It's going to be great and you can be an important part of it. Send in your new or renewal application today YOUR MEMBERSHIP ENSURES YOUR PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS and this is the only reason for the existence of YOUR PARACHUTE CLUB OF AMERICA.

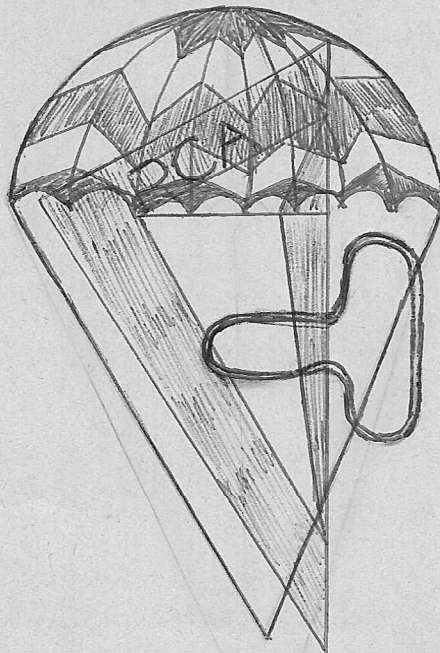
Hoping to see you in the 1963 membership files, the Directors, Officers, and the Staff wish you a most happy, jumping, and a prosperous new year.

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