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Chairman's Letter

For a change there has been no one chewing my ear out this month, great!!

In fact (momentarily donning competition hat) there is some good news; the hang gliding league final placings have been decided and Southern Club members have done good:

3rd - Steve "Wonder Boy" Cook
6th - "Rocket" Ron Richardson
13th - Tony "Wild Boy" Luchessi
15th - "Slaphead" Dave Matthews
17th - "El Presidente" Johnny Carr
26th - Ricky Young
32nd - Dave "Postman Pat" Williamson



Well done, keep up the good work and Ricky... get yourself a decent nickname.

Don't forget to send in your XCs before the end of October, all you HG pilots.

So much for the good news.

The site fee for the Dyke bottom landing field has gone up, surprise, surprise. All those crop landings have come home to roost. Let's hope that those responsible behave a little more responsibly next year.

On a more somber note, there have been two deaths in the Club recently.

Adrian Caple, the Club's Senior Hang Gliding Coach died when his light aircraft crashed into the sea off Calais.

Pete Myers, who no longer flew after having had a severe heart attack but who still re-joined the Club as a non-flying member out of enthusiasm for the sport, died from natural causes.

It's a great shame to lose two such selfless people

TA

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The above coaches are here to give help and assistance to new members and those new to our sites - so use their experience.

If they are not readily identifiable by a "Club Coach" armband, ask someone on the hill to point them out to you - they are there somewhere.

CLUB COACHES

Editorial

As another flying season draws to a close let's take a moment to reflect on all the good times we have had over the past few months, XC's, flying holidays and the superb All Out!

I have just reflected on the emptiness of my Windsock file - November and December issues are looking like they might be distinctly thinner than usual.

As we prepare for winter and the conditions it brings why not re-live those special times from the summer with your Southern Club chums - don't be shy, I know many of you could make great contributors - pull out those fingers and get writing, (send photos too).

A message was recently passed to me from Nick Dolan regarding Combe Gibbet:

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The Pilot did a RUNNER, all we know is that he used to fly Coombe, many years ago, has just arrived in the UK, from abroad, and was flying a Navajo Canopy.

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1 Mark Watts	73.34	68.50	68.03	61.18	58.39	42.79	372.2
2 David Newns	73.34	68.03	64.78	61.18	54.53	45.74	367.6
3 Dave Watts	54.00	35.40	31.91	28.17	25.84	24.95	200.3
4 Mike Millwood	49.76	37.73	27.67	15.2			130.4
5 Kaz Harland	36.28	19.51	14.57	13.68	10.16		94.2
6 Steve Purdie	28.7	23.1	15.8				67.6
7 Ian Blackmore	45.9	13.7					59.5
8 Adam Goodsell	25.4	23.4					48.8
9 Stuart Swanton	24.91	11.30					36.2
10 Nico Preston	22.58	10.34					32.9
11 Steve Uzochukwu	14.99	10.60					25.6
12 Simon Oliphant	25.18						25.2
13 Carlo Borsattino	25.1						25.1
14 Stroller	20.62						20.6
15 Graham Hutton	17.18						17.2

Sussex League

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
1 Mark Watts	73.34	68.50	68.03	58.39	42.00	31.00	341.3
2 David Newns	73.34	68.03	54.53	45.74	34.48	28.30	304.4
3 Dave Watts	54.00	35.40	31.91	28.17	25.84	24.95	200.3
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Sussex Weekend League

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
1 Dave Watts	31.91	24.95	23.74	16.32			96.9
2 Mark Watts	58.39	14.81					73.2
3 David Newns	28.30	14.81	12.92				56.0

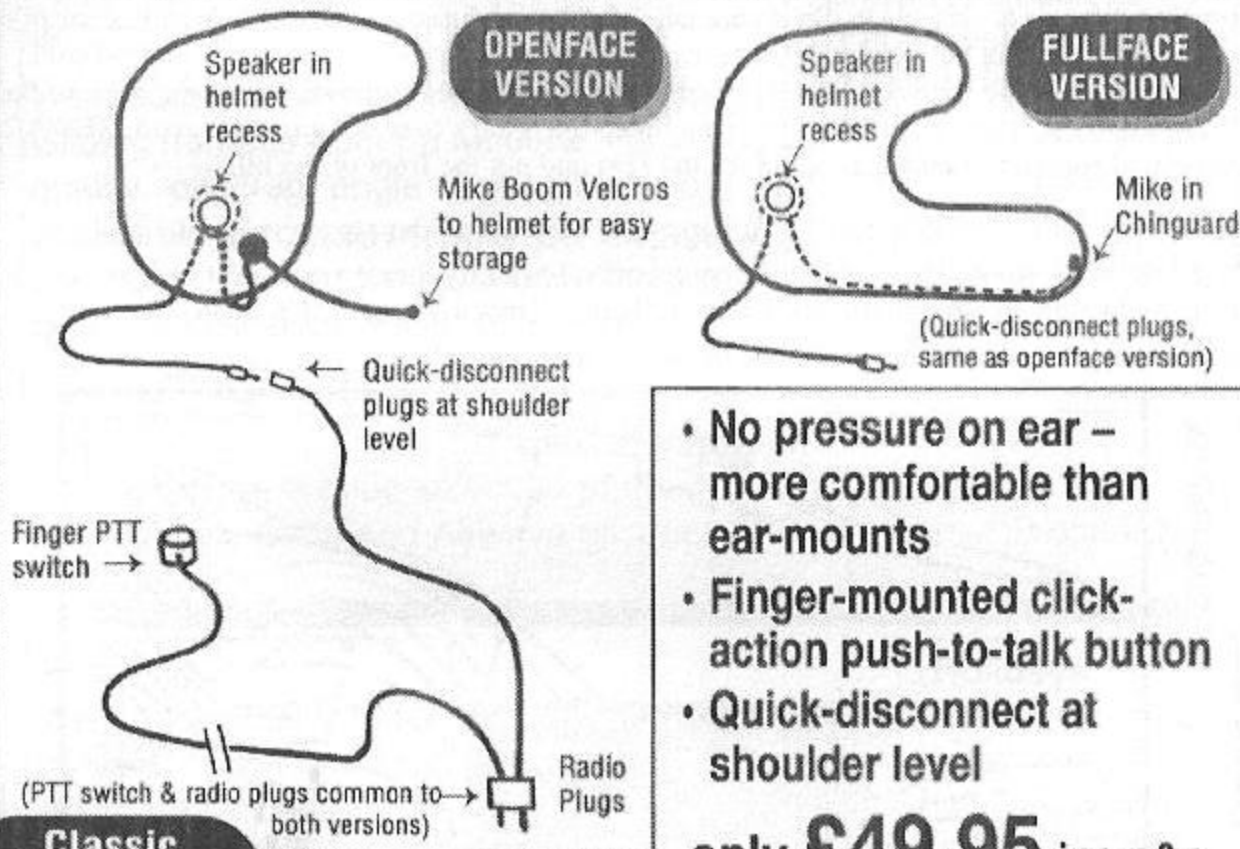
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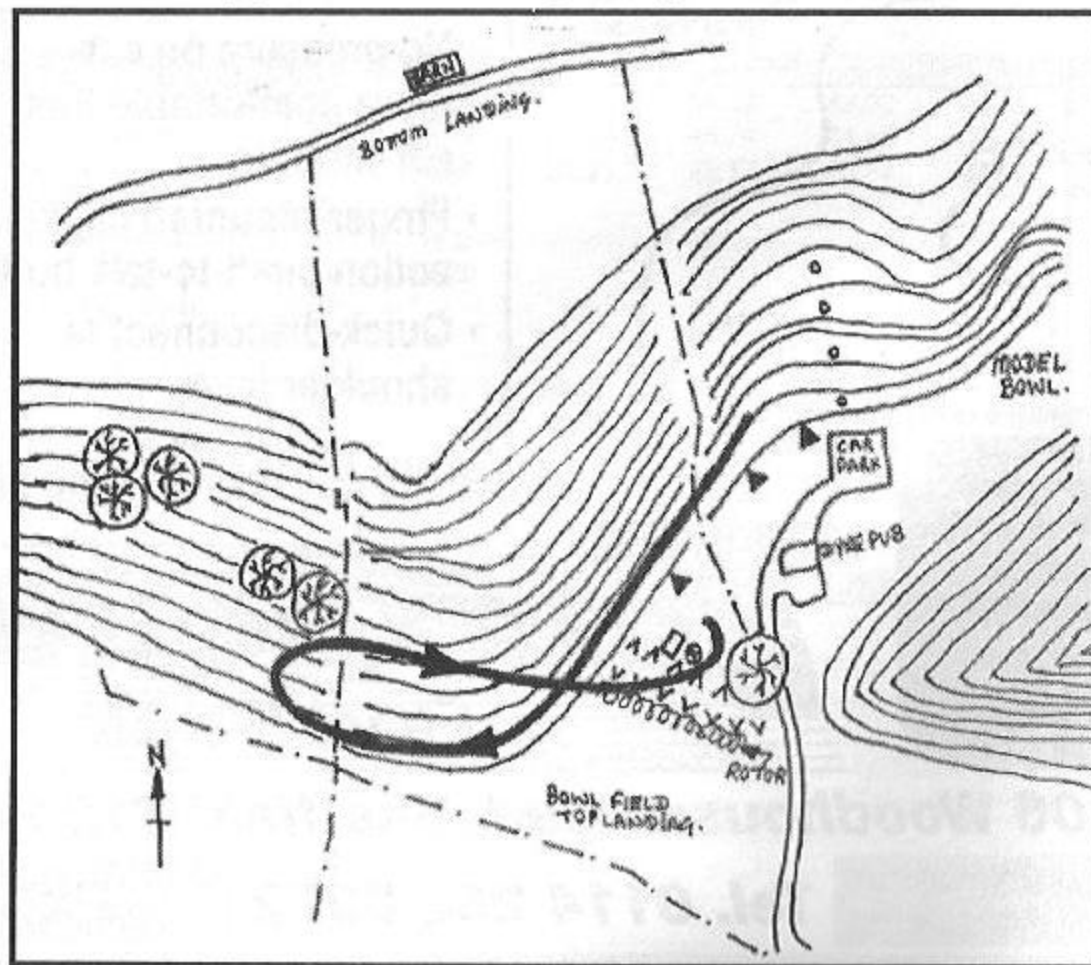
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Aim to get West of the fort and the scrub tree behind it. Turn before the Trig Point. Make sure you are well in front of the trees at the back of the field. Overshooting here is no problem; the air is very clean. So do not take chances on going too far back. Watch other pilots landings. If you are not sure which direction to land in. If the wind is off to the West, the approach is from the modellers bowl; across the front of the Dyke Pub.; over the barbed wire fence and land. Do not fly over or behind the road. BEWARE, into wind sometimes means heading for the Fort and not the front of the hill.

BEWARE OF GETTING TOO LOW BEHIND THE EARTHWORKS. This can hurt. In a Northerly, rotor exists behind the earthworks. If you fly into it you risk at best losing your right and having to land in the bowl field. or being dumped into the ditch behind the earthworks. This is why you need the extra height and speed.



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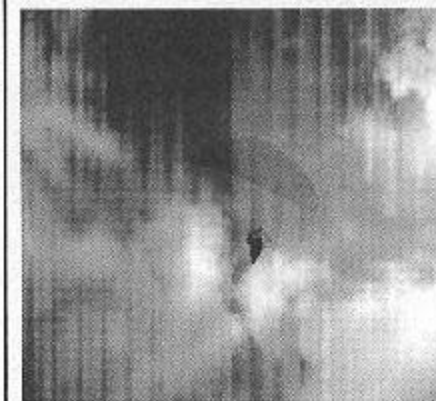
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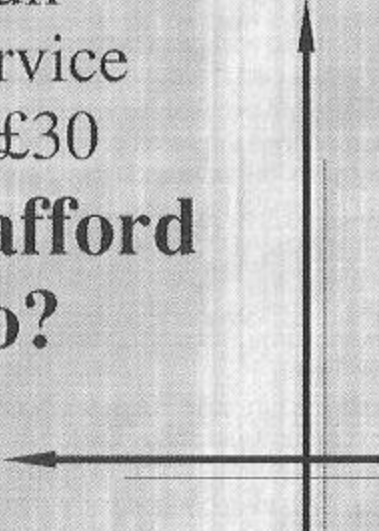
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Tales of the Iron Lion: Running the Spanish Main

Words & Pictures - Steve Uzochukwu

Saturday Night on the 10th of August: Three weary travelers arrive in Pierdrahita, exhausted after a long drive from Portugal. They are competition ravaged, one of them has a broken arm and two of them have been rotored in at least once in the last week. That was us, Dave Massie, Vic Shears and me. We'd achieved some success in the Portuguese Open, Dave 11th and I was 16th, but Dave had broken his arm and I'd flown with one maillon undone! Arriving late in Pierdrahita, just relieved to find accommodation and get our faces in the trough. I'd been hoping for a rest day on the Sunday but talking to Steve Ham it transpired Sunday was a flying day.

The next day I got all my competition stuff and began to frantically program in all the turn points. Up the top the rush to rig is on and then the task is set. The first task is a 44 km race to goal, starting with an out and return section on the ridge to spread us out. The goal is 10 km West of Avila on the N110. The window opens and the gaggles build up over take off. The Pierdrahita "Gaggle Sheep" T-shirt is 100% appropriate. There are 160 pilots in this competition and there's a mid air on the first day! The 18.6 km return run to the Corral near Villafranca takes me an hour and a half. Much groveling low at the Corral, then I got up and crossed the Villafranca pass, only to find myself low on the far side. I get two small thermals, but they head into the boonies without much of a climb rate. Just as I'm about to accept the fate of the Villafranca w**ker, I get a strong climb out of there. This gets me to over 9,800 ft above sea level and I run off over the Villatoro pass as fast as I can. Most of the field take the route over the high ground, but I fly along over the foot hills. It's hard going, but I'm flying with an Advance canopy who finds thermals. After he bombs out I fly with a Moyes GTR for a while. He's an excellent thermal seeker. I'm heading for a turnpoint about 10 km from goal, which I hope to just get round, as the day is well advanced, it's nearly six o'clock. Squeaking round the turn point, just getting the photo then planning to go on glide to goal. A monster climb materialises which gets me back up to 9,600 ft amsl then off on a glide to the goal field. for a while I'm flying with Jocky Sanderson and Judy Leden, out here giving a Competition master class. I then started to assume I'd get to goal. Jocky and Judy both make it but I end up 600m short, decked by a very strong head wind. I packed up quickly and got on the goal bus back to Pierdrahita, exhausted after five hours flying. I was in the mid twenties in placing, which would improve after turnpoint photo checks.

Monday dawns, I needed a rest. today the task was set as the Corral out and return, the over the back to a turnpoint some 18 km away, then back to the Castle near Avila and finally a goal on the N110 road. Large numbers make the turnpoint over the back but all are decked by a strong headwind in the Menga pass. I bomb not far over the back well short of the first turnpoint, and wind up in about 81st place for the day. Nobody gets to goal, though.

Tuesday arrived and I was better rested after a shorter flying day the previous day. Steve Ham, the meet director sets a circuit around the Pierdrahita valley. there is no out and return to the Corral today, and we head off straight over the back to a turnpoint behind the high ground not far from Villatoro. Boating over the back I experience the same strong sink as the previous day and end up very low with two gliders ahead of me. they get a low save and I join them and try to repeat the feat. Two minutes later they are 400 ft above me and I'm turning into wind 120 ft above the deck cursing and swearing. as I'm S-turning checking wind direction I get a big surge under the right wing which I bury the brake into desperately, pausing only for breath after a 1,300 ft climb. The thermal improves further and eventually I lose it at 8,800 ft amsl. The start gate is now visible and I head off through some severe turbulence, which, having created a 60% asymmetric turns into a 10 up to 10,600 ft amsl.

The run to the turnpoint is a catalogue of sink all the way, and after getting the turnpoint photo I'm left groveling around just above the top of the high ground behind the village where I'm sure a thermal will blob off. It does, very weak and a lot of time gets spent working light cores. I see Carlo Borsattino, a fellow Southern Club member and call out to him. He joins me in my thermal. My luck then goes the other way, with a strong climb to base at 11,600 ft amsl and big ears or B-lining in use to stay out of cloud under a street that goes the 15 km to the next turn point. We are now on the Northern side of the valley Pierdrahita is in, and things began to slow down after the turnpoint.



Team MasterClass... winners of team event. Steve Simpson, Nick Dolan, Retrieve driver Hugh Ginty, Jocky Sanderson, Judy Leden, Nico Preston.

With nobody climbing well I accept any climbs at all to stay up with drifting towards the final turnpoint. I'm losing out big time as I approach the final turnpoint. Kaz Harland is very low and gets a save just beyond the turnpoint. This allows me to get a low photo too then head off to their thermal very quickly. Several pilots climb out in different cores, and one by one they dash for goal. The leaders get hammered by sink, so I stay with the thermal. They stop half way to goal to top up, and I felt sure I made the right decision. However the air then decides to lift all the way to goal and most of us arrived there with big ears in and still about 1,500 ft agl. I'm about 28th into goal and over the moon. I've made goal for the first time in a big competition. My euphoria is short lived when my film jams in the camera. I had to send the whole camera away but the film does eventually get processed and I get the points. By now I've crept up to about 28th place.

Onto day Four. The usual Corral out and return, with a similar small circuit near Pierdrahita. Steve sets an early task to avoid late afternoon CB. Having got a low (150 ft) save just outside the town with an Alto XM pilot I hear the task has been canned over the radio as overdevelopment threatens safety.

Day Five, and I bomb straight to the bottom landing field. As I pack up the overdevelopment kills the task again.

Day Six: A very early task day, with a race to goal at El Barco de Avila. The goal closes at 2.20 p.m. and I'm a glide and a half away at 1.50, out in front. I fail to slow down when all goes into shadow, and end up 3 km short, whilst overheard Jocky leaves the thermal and his pupils to blast into goal 59 seconds before it closes the only pilot that day to get time points. Lots of pilot make goal but without time points, only 150 points separate me in 43rd from Jocky in 1st.

Day Seven: Wind is 30 km over the back at Pena Negra. No task, and the presentation is at 23:00 that night. An excellent meet, due to the brilliant task setting by Meet Director Steve Ham. The first three places go to Spanish pilots, with Jocky fourth despite running a class, leaving thermals to big ear down to show pupils the core, etc. The best team prize goes to Team MC (Masterclass) which is Jocky, Judy, Nico Preston, Nick Dolan and Steve Simpson. Well done guys!! I'm in 23rd place out of 160 gaggle crazed nutters. Some awesome climbs, low saves, excellent cheap food, cheap beer, guess where I'm going next year??



ABOVE: The Ian Blackmore MasterClass....lesser Sky Gods become Greater!

BELOW: Jocky charms the Girl from Ipanema



Dear Dan,

I wonder if you would be good enough to put the enclosed details in yor mag. The Suffolk Coastal Floaters always welcomes Southern Club members to their tow site at Mendelsham, Suffolk and although it's some distance from your own sites some of your pilots have made the journey (out of desperation?) and in fact have got some good XC's so if they want to make a weekend of it they might like to stay over. This site is just at the end of one of the runways and the proprietors are happy to have pilots stay on their site. Suffolk Club charge non-members £2.00 a tow and tow most weekends.

Regards,

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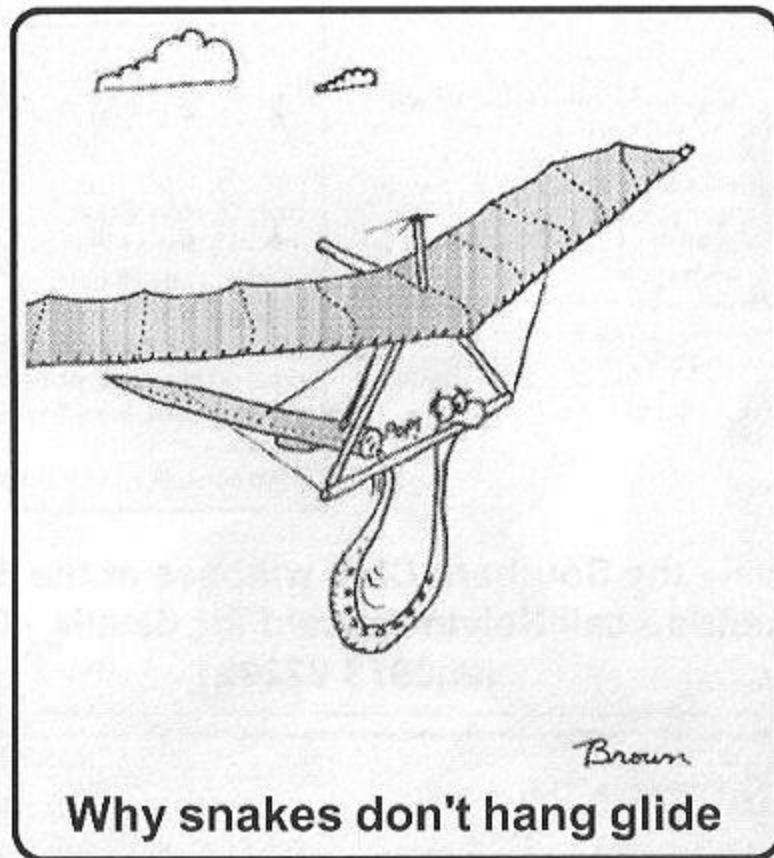
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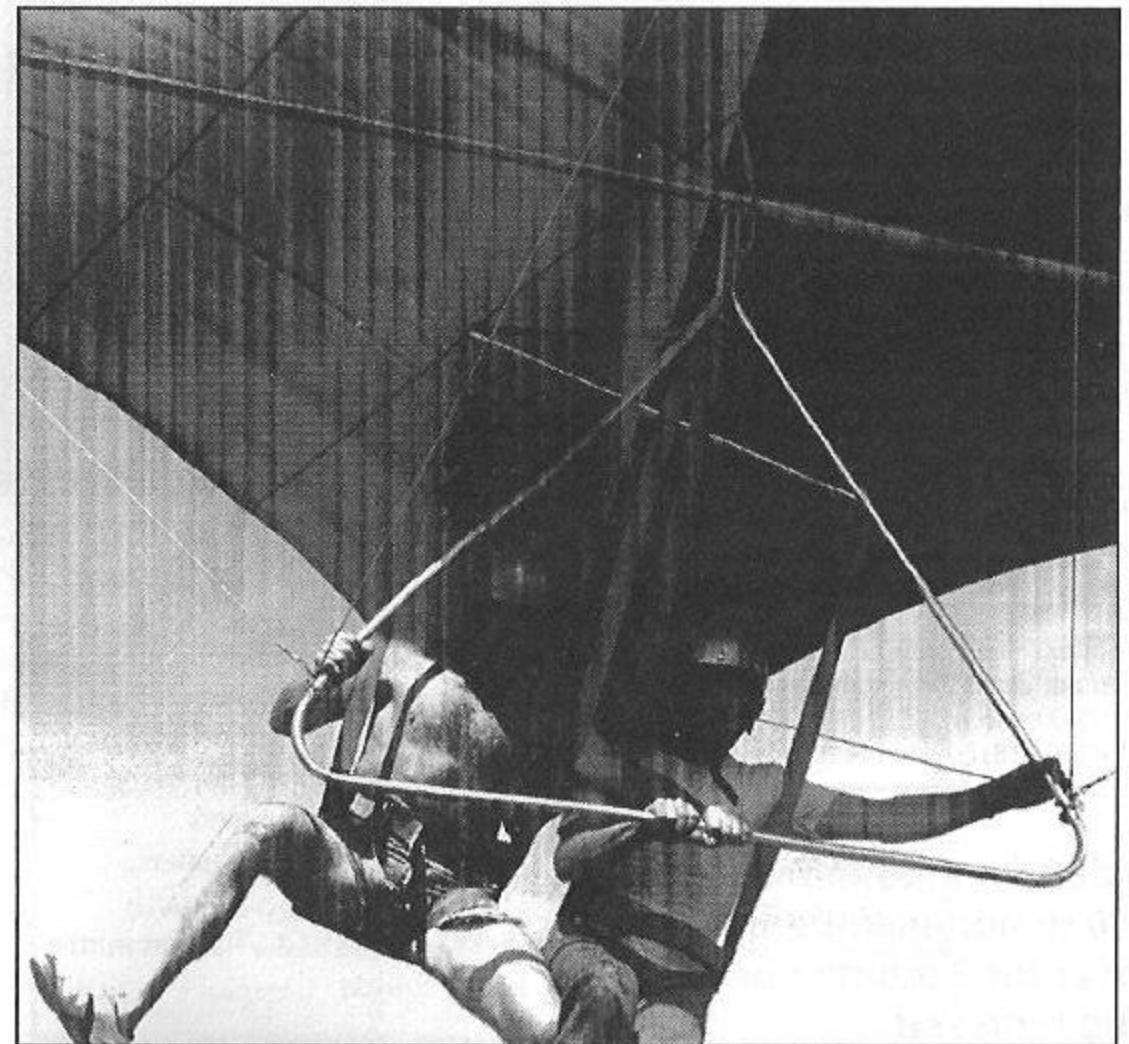
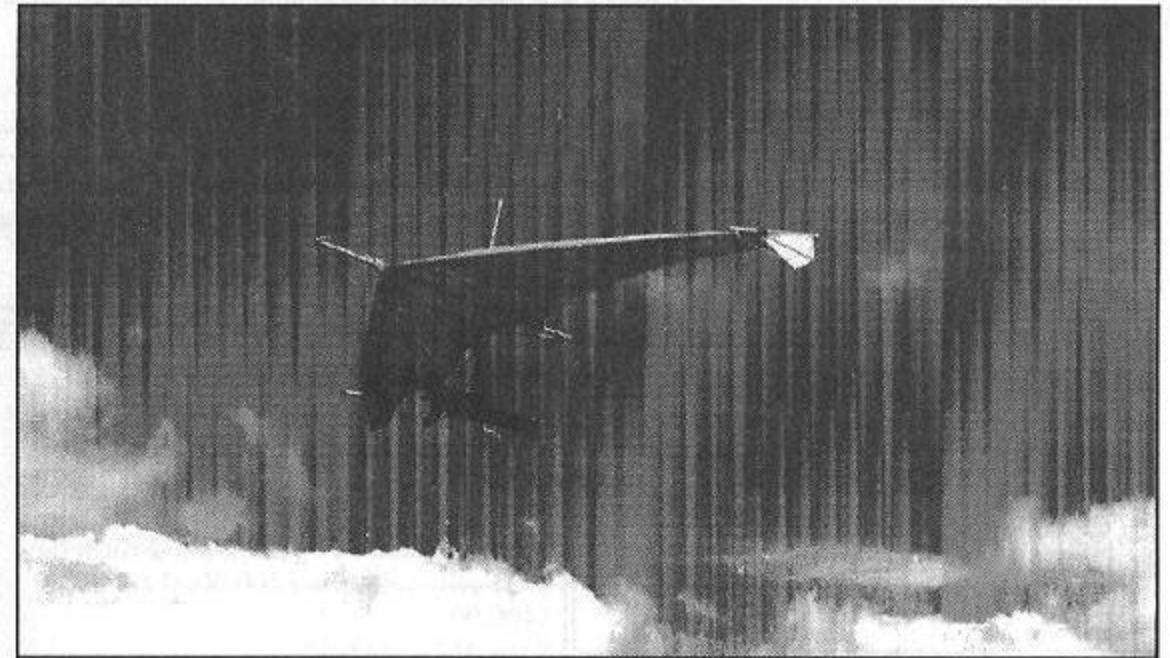
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1. Don't pack your helmet into your PG bag. It will withstand impact but not the crush of other bags thrown on top. (Yes, I have lost a helmet this way.)
2. Pack your vario and other instruments deep inside your rolled up PG. That protects them as well as any other independent packing technique.
3. Pack your PG to provide dense support for your harness' back plate. Like the helmet, this can get banged pretty heavily by someone's monster suitcase.
4. Don't forget your name on everything.
5. Check all your gear VERY carefully when you unpack. An extra-detailed version of your usual pre-flight check is in order. Things can get broken, pins that hold reserves in can work their way out, etc. Don't assume it will be the same as when you packed it.
6. Strap down all the shoulder straps or waist bands on your PG carry bag tightly. Loose straps could get caught on something and rip off or tear open the bag. (see also 7)
7. Pack the PG in its bag into a tough plastic bag before handing it over to the airline. This will cut down on abrasion and dirt on the PG bag.
8. Send your PG by delivery service to the airport ahead of time (popular here in Japan). This lets you travel with just your regular stuff. The PG is small for an airplane but BIG for a bag.
9. Someone meeting you at the airport? Be sure to ask if they are coming with a car big enough to hold your PG and everything else. A big PG will not fit through the opening of some trunks. (Yes, I have almost gotten stuck on this one.)
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