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"Solitude"



Editorial

This month we must thank Peter Perry's grandson Ben Mitchell for this month's cover picture. If any other member would like to submit a drawing from either their children or grand children then please do so. It will help make my job a lot easier in having a ready supply of cover pictures. Plus, imagine how proud your children or grand children will be to see their works of art in print.

Unfortunately there is no from the forum this month as it has been a bit quiet. However look out for notification of this year's Christmas bash. Yes it is that time of year again.

The London Wing meetings have been so successful that they have had to move to a new venue. Full details will be found in this month's issue.

As per normal I am always looking for more material for the magazine. Now that the nights are drawing in and the flying days are getting shorter, how about sitting down and writing something for the magazine.

Please send your submissions to :-

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E-mail :- paulcoidan@onetel.net.uk or windsock@demon.co.uk

That's it for now.

Paul

Letter To The Editor

Dear Paul,

As a very low airtime CP, I'd like to say how encouraging I found the reports of Charlie Merrett and Alison Webb.

Mostly – and quite rightly so – low airtime pilots are warned of the dire consequences of our inexperience, both for our own safety and that of others. For those of a comparatively cautious disposition, like myself, these warnings can be quite inhibiting, especially when we first leave the protection of our friendly school "nest". Some, like me, clinging on desperately for as long as possible! So, to see two such positive reports by achieving novice pilots, was inspiring!

Charlie, Alison and I have all been students of Sussex Hang Gliding and Paragliding, so thank you Tim, Russell and team. If Charlie and Alison can do it, maybe I can too – eventually!!

Yours sincerely,
Merrill Plowman



Chairman's Letter

As I write this, I'm watching the first leaves of Autumn fall. I suppose it had to happen some time this year, but it seems a bit of a surprise, considering the excellent run of weather we'd had this last 4 months. After the most depressing start to any year I remember, the logbook has finally filled up. Mine at least, that is. I've just spent the last three days flying almost alone. With 500 of us in the club, where were you all? (Working Dave ed). On second thoughts, don't answer that, I really like it like it is...

Any paraglider pilot who's ever flown at the Dyke will probably have spent many a happy hour pulling thorns out of their fingers while cursing the hawthorn bush that's reached out and grabbed their paraglider. 'Honest guv, I never flew into it, it just grabbed me while I flew past'.... Well, now's your chance to take revenge! The first weekend in November will be set aside for scrub clearance, followed by a bonfire/barbeque/firework night all rolled into one on the 3rd November.

As the thermals fly South to Spain, nominations are required for the club's annual prizes (to be awarded at the Christmas bash). If you think one of your flying mates deserves an award, let us know.

The committee need nominations for the following :-

Paragliding:

Best Newcomer
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Ron Steadman Award For Outstanding Services To Hang Gliding
Bent Uprights Award

Also:

Andy Napp award for Outstanding Services to Flying
Outstanding Achievement award.

My nasty suspicious mind has a feeling that the bent uprights and bag'o'washing awards may get the most votes, but let's please hear about the others; these are the ones that get earned by doing the right thing. Nominations (lots of them please) to the committee.

Regards

Dave

Laragne 2002 by Nick Cresswell



Take Off

August 2002 saw a number of plucky Southern Club members make their annual automotive pilgrimage to Europe; this time to Laragne. Situated about two hundred kilometres from the southern coast, Laragne is renowned for its arid terrain, reliable weather and compelling landscape, a flyer's dream, as it were. Nine of us, under the watchful eye of Ozzy Haynes and Dave Massie found ourselves in a surprisingly well equipped gite (that's a cottage to the uninitiated!) right in the middle of Laragne village. Though for most of us it was a case of bunk beds and listening to other people's snoring, the daylight hours afforded us many hours of rewarding flying.

Day one saw everyone getting away from the ridge at Charbre and thermalling their way out. The southern landing field remained curiously empty as everyone made their bid for cloud-base. Frustrated and sunburned, I could only sit and watch all of this as I was temporarily without uprights (first rule of flying abroad; don't leave your uprights at home - stupid!). The seemingly epic conditions didn't last however. A big wave bar indicated that something was on its way and sure enough, by late afternoon, the mother of all cu-nimbs had developed over Charbre and the flying was over. Bizarrely (or not - depending on your experience), this pattern seemed to continue throughout the week, with idyllic mornings followed by big storms in the afternoon; a kind of "Groundhog Weather", if you will!

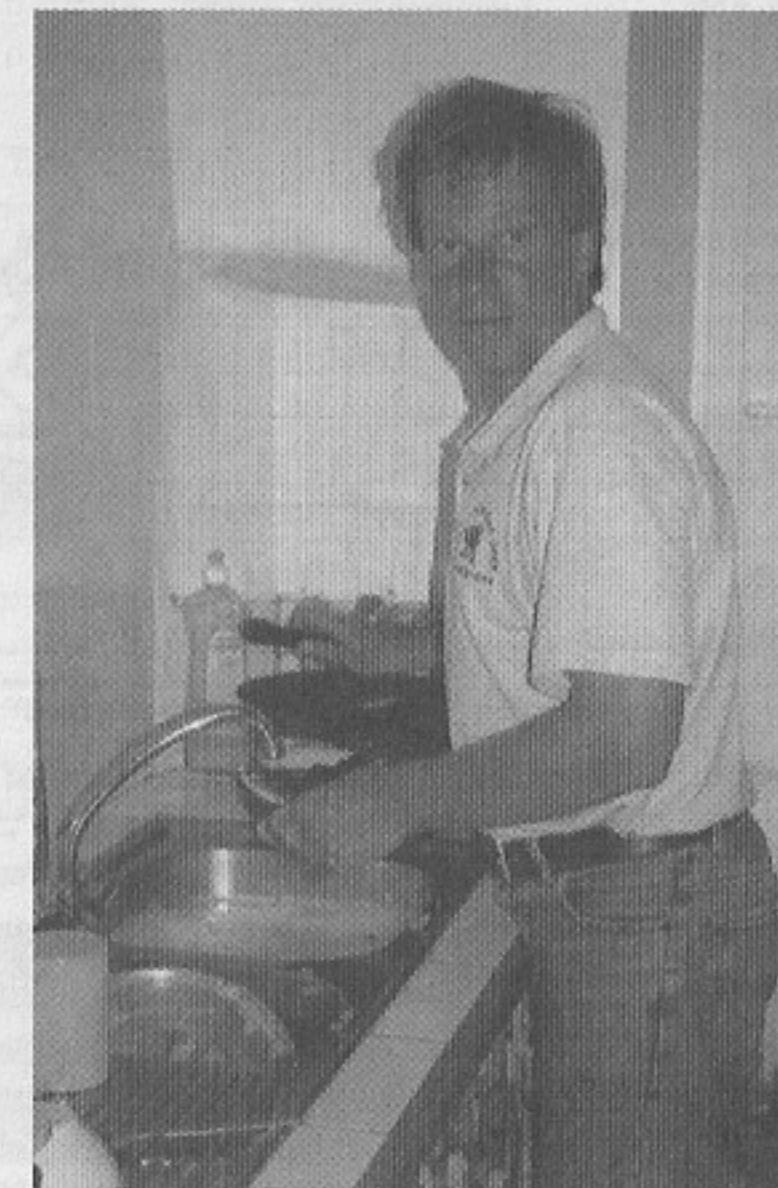
Despite being soaked to our sunburned skin on more than one occasion, confidence among the group grew and by the end of the week, even the lowest air-timers were bagging their first XC's.

A good trip for injuries too (if there is such a thing), with only a sprained ankle and bruised calf bringing anyone any discomfort. So by the end of the week, we'd lowered the French wine lake, wound up the neighbours with our singing and shouting and nearly everyone went home with a serviceable glider - success!

Laragne 2002 -- The Pictures



Dining Alfresco



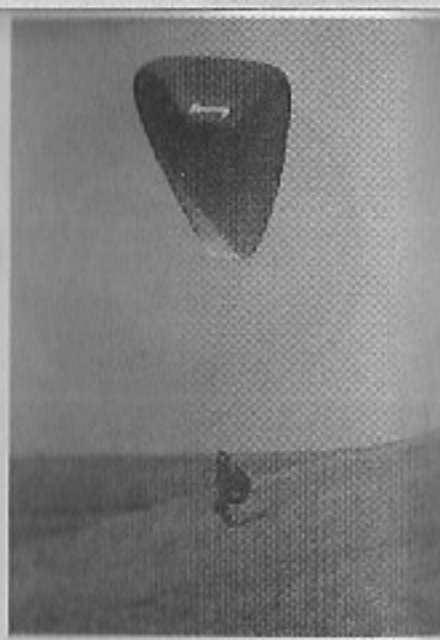
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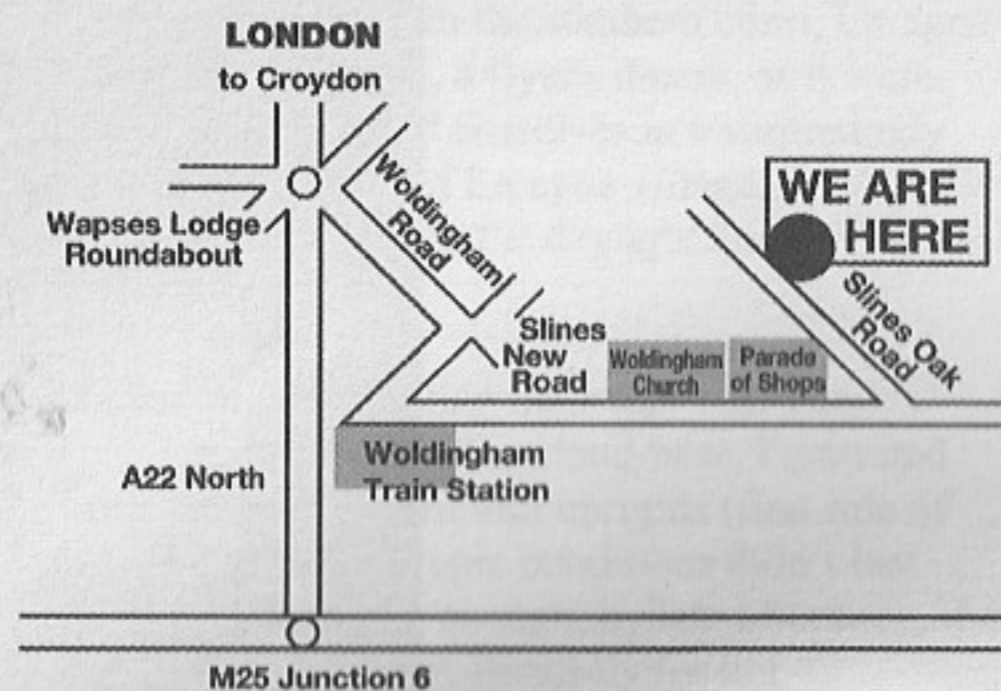
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2. **Beef & Yorkshire Pudding**
3. **Double Chicken Breast**
 - With a chasseur sauce
4. **Fillet of Salmon**
 - With a creamy broccoli and asparagus sauce
5. **Brie & Redcurrant Tart**

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Desserts

1. **Christmas Pudding**
 - With a brandy sauce
2. **Pancakes**
 - With red fruits and cream
3. **Profiteroles**
 - Followed by Coffee and Mince Pie

Starters

Main Course

Desserts

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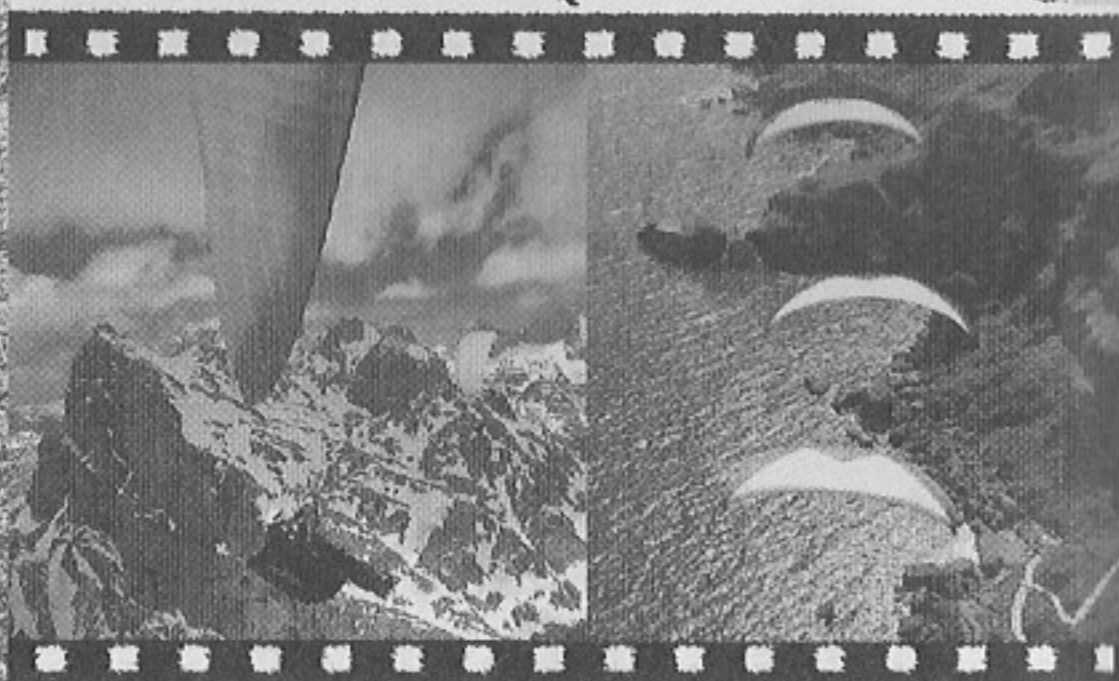
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SHGC Committee meeting 2nd October 2002

Summary

- Gate at Firlie getting left open - we will get new auto closer.
- Meeting arranged for all interested in PG winch launching.
- New membership secretary needed - Claire moving out of the area - many thanks for her service.
- Christmas do 7th Dec, menu available, book now!
- Aerotow group team won event as Long Marston. Also Avian road show day a great success.
- Still too many broken bones and aluminium - beware of rotor behind cliffs!
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A driving instructor teaches you to pass your test, not to drive properly. The same can be said for being taught to fly to Novice (CP) Pilot level. Only experience can really improve your ability to either fly or drive better. By improving your knowledge and skill, you will naturally gain a better understanding and awareness; which in turn makes you a safer pilot or driver.

I see two areas of weakness in the existing coaching system that I can help address.

The first is when you leave the school environment. You're very nervous about going to a club site for the first time, you don't know anyone, you may not have flown there before and understandably you're a bit apprehensive. You could do with someone there to help you for the first few days.

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Coaching Column By Trevor McLoughlin

The London Wing

A while back, one of my ex-students (who has always come along to my meetings in Seaford) asked me why I didn't hold a meeting in London seeing as I lived there. My answer was very simple; I spent more time in Sussex than I did in London because I was working there.

A few weeks later, whilst sat in a bar in Spain and joined by another student. I suggested he try it off his own bat to see what happens, and if he got enough people together then I would join him and maybe help out with a lecture or two.

So, thanks to Dave Roberts and David Williams and lately with the help of Laurence Ying The London Wing has been resurrected. The rest (as they say) is history; you know they've been going from strength to strength every month just getting together for a chat over a beer.

Well, now they're getting serious – they have the use of a pub function room and have asked me to come along and give my support by doing a lecture sometime. This I will do in November, but for this month – October; Steve Uzochukwu will be talking about choosing and buying your next glider. Remember, he has done several reviews for Skywings this year. This meeting will be held in The Blue Post, which is in Newman Street (just off of Tottenham Court Road) on **Monday the 28th October**. Start time will be 7.30, but people will be there before then. Dave Roberts phone number if you need it, is: 0786 753 7957

Well done guys, you've done a great job – keep it up. Hopefully, by having regular attendees and guest speakers you'll get it like the Seaford meeting where the regulars turn up regardless of the subject matter and any advertising.

Seaford Meeting

The usual meeting will be on **Thursday 31st October**. The topic of discussion will be map reading - both Landranger Ordnance Survey maps and airmaps. We will talk about coordinates, XC flight planning and what airspace you can and can't fly in. The usual start time at 7.30.

Some Questions

It was suggested that I should ask questions on a regular basis to try and help people get used to the idea of taking exams. So, I decided I would give it a try to see if it proves popular. This isn't a competition; it's just an exercise for your benefit. If you want to send me the answers before I publish them in the next issue of Windsock, then please feel free to email them to me - trevor@skygypsy.co.uk

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- 3) Where will you find the 'chord' on your wing?

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- 1) What do you call a cumulus cloud when it grows taller than it is wide?
- 2) Why does cumulus cloud form at approximately the same level?
- 3) Is the air in an anticyclone ascending or descending?

Pilot Lectures

My apologies for repeating this lot once again this year, but I've been asked to do another series of lectures for the 'Pilot' exam. They will follow the same format as the last few times; three two-hour lectures one week apart followed by an exam evening. The start time will be **8 o'clock** and the dates are as follows:

Tuesday November 12 th	–	Air law
Tuesday November 19 th	–	Theory of Flight
Tuesday November 26 th	–	Meteorology
Monday December 2 nd	–	Exam Evening

So, who should be attending? Anyone!! Although these are intended to help you get through the exam, it doesn't mean only people willing to take it should come along. However, those of you thinking of taking the exam must make sure that you're ready for it: Is your flying up to 'Pilot' level?

Despite the list of tasks that follows, I personally think the most important requirement is consistency (but it is only my opinion). Do you get it right more than 95% of the time? Is your ground handling and launch technique good – in light wind, strong wind and in thermic conditions? Remember, you are now supposed to be the master of your craft – ready to attempt cross-country flying (if you fancy it). If you still cock up your take offs, can't land where you want to and still have to ask other people whether you should be flying or not, maybe you should consider waiting a little longer. Just because you know Joe Bloggs is 'Pilot' rated and his ground handling, flying and decision-making is appalling, it doesn't mean you have to be like that. There will always be someone who likes to make a fool of themselves - don't let it be you!

Paragliding Pilot Tasks

To achieve your 'Pilot' rating you must complete the following tasks (from the BHPA task book):

- 1) Complete a minimum of 50 flights since attaining CP rating, with at least 15 flights to a height above take-off, at least 15 flights in wind speeds of over 15 mph and at least 5 flights in thermic conditions
- 2) Demonstrate controlled 360 degree turns in both directions.



- 3) Complete at least 5 flights of over 5 minutes duration: (at least 5 minutes are to be above take-off height). Additionally you must complete a minimum of 25 hours flying since achieving CP rating.
- 4) Complete 5 controlled landings in a designated area (not to exceed 10 metres radius). Plus two top landings at each of two sites.
- 5) Experience flying in four different wind directions and at two sites.
- 6) Display an ability to fly competently and safely in the company of others, maintaining a good lookout, complying with the Rules of the Air and exhibiting good airmanship.
- 7) Satisfy the Instructor/Coach as to the correct attitude to continue a flying career both safely and competently.
- 8) * Safely demonstrate slow flight awareness and discuss the relevant symptoms and dangers. (WARNING: deliberate stalls must be avoided.)
- 9) * Maintain directional control whilst showing recovery from tucks of not less than 50%.
- 10) Discuss and be able to explain the techniques for avoiding and recovering from tucks, stalls and spins; and emergency rapid descent techniques (B line stall and spiral dives).
- 11) Pass the Pilot written examination paper.

*** I strongly recommend you get a thorough briefing from a qualified instructor before you attempt to do the fifty percent asymmetric and slow flying tasks.**

Hang Gliding Pilot Tasks

- 1) 3 takeoffs and 3 landings within 10 metres of a defined spot. All accomplished in winds of less than 5 mph.
- 2) 2 top landings on each of three different sites.
- 3) Flights from 5 different sites, 3 of which should be inland sites.
- 4) A minimum of 30 flights logged since gaining CP
- 5) A minimum of 25 hours logged airtime.
- 6) 2 flights out of ridge lift during which the ground clearance exceeds 1,000 feet for over 10 minutes duration.
- 7) 5 flights of not less than 5 minutes duration, each followed by controlled landings within 25 metres of a designated spot.



- 8) Fly co-ordinated 360 turns in both directions.
- 9) Manoeuvre the glider safely, considerately, and in accordance with the Rules of the Air.
- 10) Achieve a height gain of at least 2,000 feet (barographs are not necessary).
- 11) Attend club lectures on Meteorology, Principles of Flight, Air Law and Navigation, Instrumentation.
- 12) Pass the Pilot written examination paper.
- 13) Pass a final assessment on airmanship.

All of these tasks should be signed off in your logbook for me to look at before I apply for your exam paper. You can't take the exam until the rest of the tasks are done. Any of our coaches qualified in the same discipline (i.e. HG or PG) can sign these tasks off for you providing they're 'Pilot' rated themselves.

If you want to attend these lectures, then please fill in the form below and send it to me at the following address:

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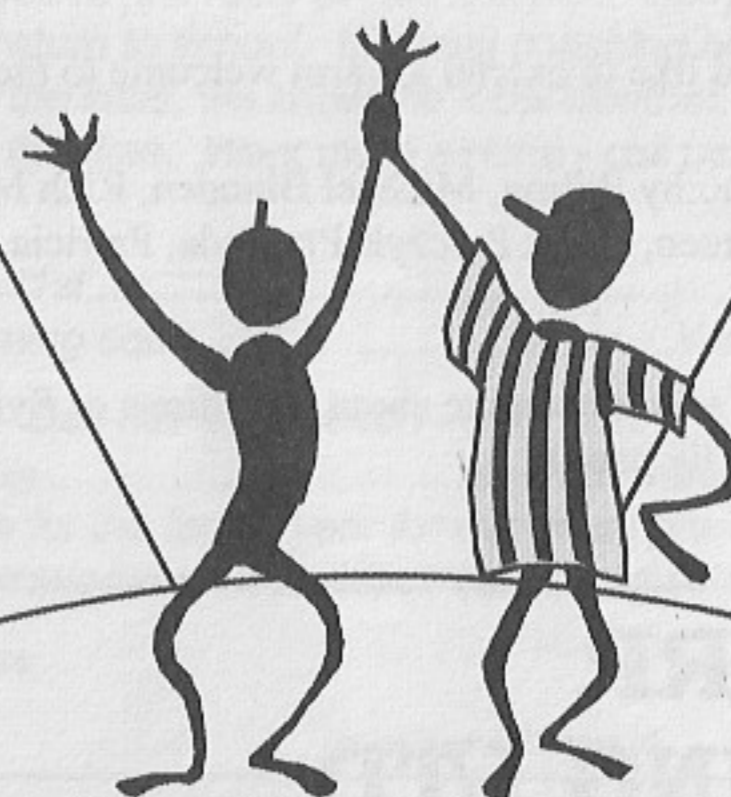
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Lost And Found

Some bright sparks have finally woken up, and claimed their property back last month. Still available to previous owners are the following:

- One Minolta camera, found on the middle spur of Mount Caburn
- One battered Compass (hang-glider?) found on Firle months ago
- One black 'North Face' glove, XL size. Found on the Dyke.
- One wind meter, found on the bottom of Caburn, at least a year ago.

If any of these are yours, contact me on 01403 268601 or 07973 146532 to reclaim your stuff.

A warm Welcome To our New Members

The club and all it's members would like to extend a warm welcome to the following new members.

Derek Godfrey, Ryan Wheeler, Timothy Pilling, Michael Blunden, Rich Muehlenbeck, Eric Amsrud, Colin Curry, David Evans, Brian Green, Janek Polczyk-Przybyla, Patricia Aparicio, David Reeves, Geoff Deady.

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Crete: Sept 24th - Oct1st.....Just returned. Excellent place will be returning soon..... Watch out for our 2003 calendar.

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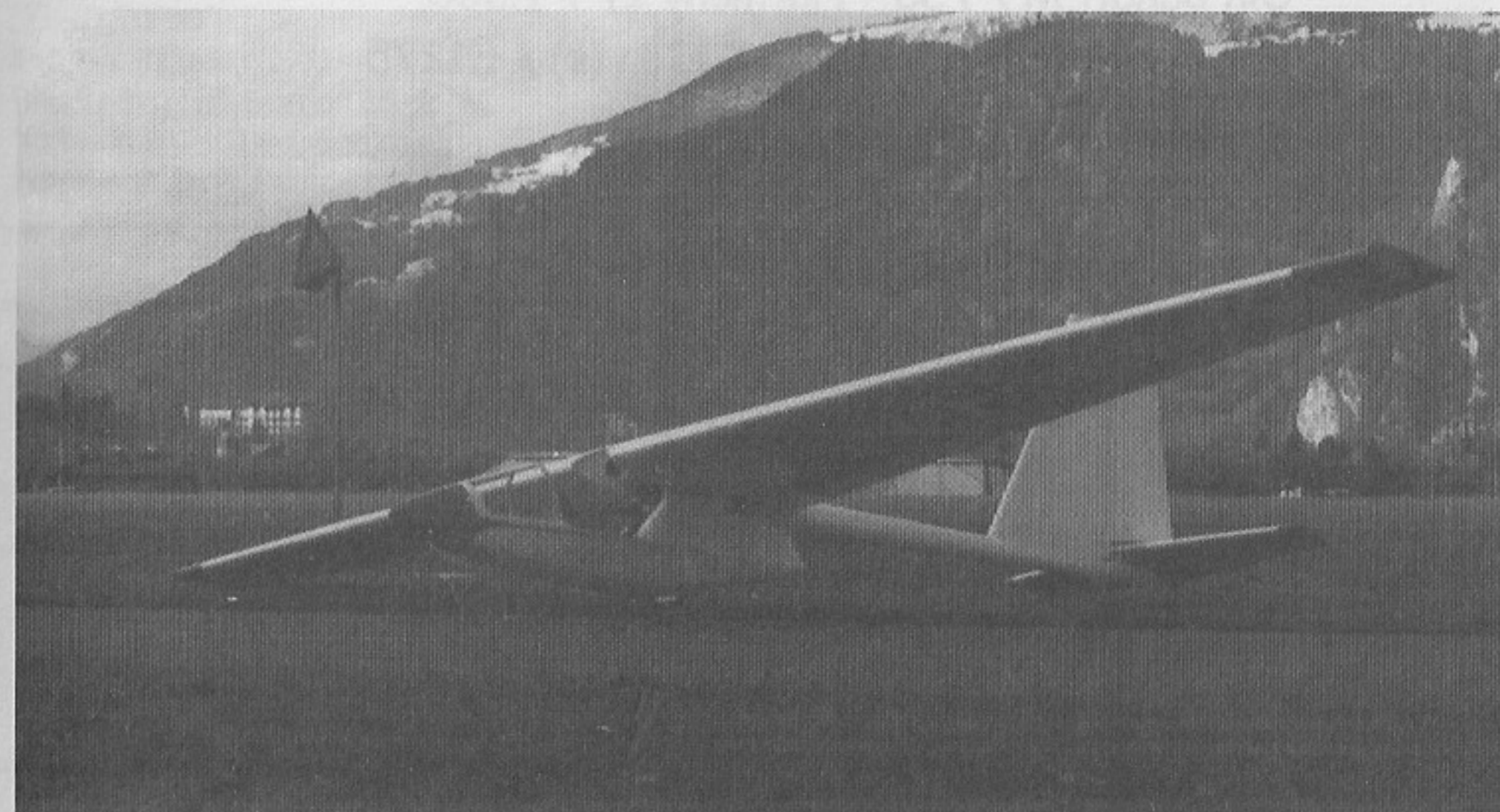
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News

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Coaching meetings take place at 1930 hours at the Wellington, Seaford on the last Thursday of each month (map within this issue under 'Coaching'). Trevor McLoughlin would be pleased to welcome all pilots with varying experience including Coaches. Email or phone Trevor if you travel a distance to get to these meetings. It may be that someone else is coming down from your neck of the woods.

Right Hand 360's Only Please

Members are reminded that on all club sites the ruling regarding 360's is that below 100 feet above take off, only right hand 360's are allowed. Once you are above 1000 feet above take off then 360's in either direction are allowed. Also please remember that, when joining other gliders in a thermal, join them going in the same direction of rotation



News

Low Air Time Pilots

Low airtime pilots must speak to a coach on the hill before flying to ensure the conditions are safe to fly.

Modeller's Bowl

Hang gliding and paragliding pilots must not fly below 250ft above take off over the modeller's bowl, whether they are flying or not. Four white posts mark the boundary.

Important

Once hang gliders are rigged, paragliders must not land in the hang gliding paddock except in emergencies. DO NOT RE-INFLATE in the paddock.

Air Law Reminder

Give way to pilots who have the ridge on their right. Do not fly in to them.

The London Wing

Due to increasing numbers attending, The London Wing meetings will from this month (October) move to the Last Monday of each month and will take place from 19.00 hours in the upstairs bar at:

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Future dates are 28 Oct, 25 Nov & 27 Jan (No meeting in Dec).



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