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WHAT OUR MEMBERS ARE UP TO

If you have something out of the ordinary in the skydiving game that you, your club or someone has been up to, send us a short article with a great picture – and it'll be considered for this section. apf@apf.asn.au

- **FAI World Cup in Canopy Piloting December 1st – to 6th is now complete.**

The world cup is over - congratulations to the medal winners:

Gold Medal - Jason Moledzki, Canada

Silver Medal - Christian Wagner, Austria

Bronze Medal - Pablo Hernández, Spain

A big congratulations to the Australian team who this year were very green – only two of the eleven were seasoned international competitors. For the other nine this was their first time representing Australia at a World Cup. They did themselves proud with 5 placing in the top 30 out of 65 competitors. Koppel Solomon in his first international Meet placed the highest of the Aussies – 18th overall!



The competition has not been easy with very challenging winds, not to mention the fact that they were 5000 ft above sea level. Looks like world records have been broken in distance, 181m, and speed, 2.093 seconds by USA's Nick Batsch & Gregg Windmiller respectively.

For full scores & more pics visit: <http://www.swoop4gold.co.za/cpwc/>

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

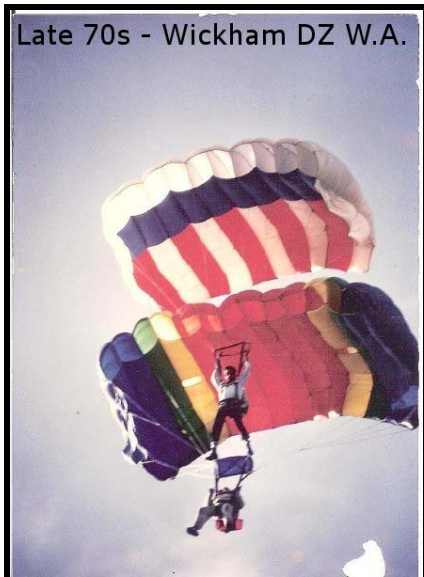
- **APF Office closing dates over the Christmas period**
The APF Office will be closed over Christmas from 1pm Thursday the 24th December through until the 4th January. Can all Clubs please ensure Pink Card orders are in by Tuesday the 23rd of December at the latest?
Members that might require new or renewed Display Licences, please ensure your applications are at the office also by the 23rd December.



- **Ratings Reminder**
A reminder to all ratings holders (packers, instructors, display licences and LDO's) to check the expiry date of their ratings. A number are coming up for revalidation in the new year. Renewal reminders have been sent.

- **APF Golden Anniversary 2010 SPREAD THE WORD!!!**

The [Australian Parachute Federation Golden Anniversary](#) group on **Facebook** is a place for members to contribute photos, scanned images, stories and memoirs celebrating the history of the sport and Federation over the last 50 years!!!



Late 70s - Wickham DZ W.A.

These images will form the basis of a slideshow and memorabilia display at the [2010 Annual Conference](#) to be held in May 2010 at Novotel Brighton Beach Sydney. Alternatively please provide your contributions on disc or via email to apf@apf.asn.au.

A different photo will be highlighted EACH APF broadcast.

A big thank you to members both past and present that have already generously supplied us with material – we have received some

amazing paraphernalia from a wide variety of people, so please keep it coming!

Make sure you label photos and include your sender details so we can contact you for further information or higher resolution images where necessary and available.

The FB site also links to the APF Golden Anniversary – 50th Celebration/Awards Night event page. Already – more than 60 people have indicated they intend to attend this event and another 100+ might – and that's ONLY FB members!



- **2010 Sports Development Grants - open now!**

The APF is pleased to announce that the application process is now officially "open" for Level 1 and Level 2 Sport Development Funding for events planned in 2010.

Check out the APF website for criteria and application details.

These grants, of up to \$5,000, support events and initiatives that help members DEVELOP further in the sport.

Each complete application is assessed against strict criteria, and there is a limited pool of money available. When the money runs out, that's it until the next year.

Please don't rush your application. The National Coach and the Funding Committee will not consider incomplete submissions. For more information visit: http://docs.apf.asn.au/index.php/Sport_Development_Funding

- **APF Awards**

Do you know anyone who should be nominated for an APF Award in its Golden Anniversary year? The Australian Parachute Federation has several awards available to recognise our highest achieving members. Whether it's in the sky, on the DZ, or at administrative level, we believe that those that make the most outstanding contributions to the sport should be honoured for their efforts.

The APF Service Award recognises outstanding contribution in the service of sport parachuting.

The APF Master of Sport Parachuting is the APF's highest honour, awarded in recognition of great personal achievement in any field of sport parachuting. It may only be awarded by a unanimous decision of the Board.

Honorary Life Membership of the APF recognises exemplary and outstanding service in any capacity.

Nominations for these awards are assessed by Awards Validation Unit (AVU), then considered by the APF Board.

More on these awards, including who can make a nomination, how to prepare a nomination, who is the Awards Validation Unit, Awards Assessment Guidelines and the Nomination Form can be found on the APF web site at: <http://docs.apf.asn.au/index.php/Awards> Check out the APF Register of Awards to see previous recipients: http://docs.apf.asn.au/index.php/Register_of_Awards

Nominations MUST be received at the APF Office by 5pm on 31st March 2010.

- **Call for Nominations – the Tim Bates Award**

The 'Tim Bates Award' – is an annual award recognising and rewarding an outstanding APF member for their passion, ability, input, excellence and contribution to the sport of Skydiving. Nominations are therefore being sought from any APF member and must be received by 5pm on 31 March 2010. This award celebrates the spirit and skills of skydiver Tim Bates, who unexpectedly died from the effects of Diabetes in 2005. His family wished the Award to embrace the attributes that Tim brought to the Skydiving Sport.

For more information visit: <http://docs.apf.asn.au/index.php/Awards>

- **CASA Instrument 405/09**

Direction under regulation 209 (CAR209) of the Civil Aviation Regulations 1988 – Conduct of parachute training operations. On the 9th of October 2009 the Civil Aviation Safety Authority issued Instrument 405/09 which governs the conduct of parachute training operations, in particular with jump pilot and parachuting aircraft operations. Members are encouraged to read the document which is available at http://docs.apf.asn.au/images/CASA_Instrument_405-09.pdf and if they have any queries or concerns to contact either the Chief Executive Officer, Brad Turner ceo@apf.asn.au or the Director Aircraft Operations, Grahame Hill hilly@optusnet.com.au. The Instrument came into effect 1 November 2009 subject to subsections 6 (2) and 6(3) which come into effect 1 July 2010.

RIGGING ISSUES / SERVICE BULLETINS

The Index of all Rigging Bulletins from Manufacturers, Federations, Aviation Authorities, APF and the International Parachuting Commission (IPC) can be found linked off the Rigging & Equipment Portal on the APF web site at: http://docs.apf.asn.au/index.php/Rigging_and_Equipment

INDUSTRY VACANCIES & GEAR FOR SALE/WANTED

- **Skydive the Beach Sydney - Tandem Masters needed**

Sigma, display "B" and HC required

Professional well presented instructors needed. Make great money over summer and work with an awesome crew! Call Tim 02 4225 8444 or 0418 512 634 tim@skydivethebeach.com

- **Position Vacant – Skydive Coffs Harbour**

Tandem Master wanted. Please contact Dave on 0433 254 438 or skydivecoffsharbour@australiaskydiver.com

- **Newcastle Sport Parachute Club - Tandem Master needed**

NSPC is seeking a Tandem Master with Sigma rating, IB. Handy Cam an advantage but not necessary and AFF rating would be an advantage for extra work. The successful applicant will be the sole TM for the operations and we offer full facilities, accommodation on the DZ and camping also available. Take off and land at the DZ, so no travel involved. Be part of a club member owned and operated Hunter Valley club celebrating 50 years operations. All applications to be made to gwjennison@bigpond.com

- **Tandem parts for sale.**

Vector Tandem Drogue with 40 jumps. Vector Tandem free bag and pilot chute. The lot \$250. Contact Brad on 0458 077 678 or bdelekta@hotmail.com

- **2nd Hand equipment** can be found at: http://docs.apf.asn.au/index.php/Gear_for_sale

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- **A Fresh Pick” STC for your Cessna.** <http://www.182stc.com/>

This link was provided by an APF Member. It may be useful for owners of 182 p & q models.

Now there's a new Supplemental Type Certificate (STC) that will increase the useful load of your Cessna 182P or 182Q by 150 to 160 pounds, and your ramp weight (in most cases) by 160 pounds.

Best of all, this new STC requires no parts, no modifications, and no installation labor costs. One low initial price, and your airplane suddenly gains greater utility, value, and safety benefits.

How did we do this? By investing in a multi-year FAA engineering, flight test, and certification program. We call the STC a Fresh Pick because no similar STC has been introduced for your airplane since it was built some 28 to 36 years ago.

Our FAA Approved STC (SA03608AT) allows:

An increase in useful load of 150 - 160 pounds

A potential increase in in payload of up to 160 pounds

A ramp weight increase to 3110 pounds (up from 2950 or 2960 pounds)

A Maximum Gross Takeoff Weight (MGTO) of 3100 pounds (up from 2950)

An increase of 260 to 310 nautical miles or more in range *

An increase of 2 to 2.6 hours or more in endurance *

The widest CG range of any fixed gear Cessna 182 ever built

* These numbers assume that the increased MGTO is used for fuel only, and will vary with specific fuel consumption and your chosen cruise power settings. For more go to: <http://www.182stc.com/>

- **Wanted – FS teams interested in sharing an International Coach with Oz 4-way Champs ‘Rotor Out’**

Current Australian Champion & Australian Record Holders FS 4-way team ‘Rotor Out’ is looking to train 10-13 Feb 2010 (Wed to Sat) at Picton DZ in NSW.

If you are interested in sharing a coach (either from the US or France – as yet unconfirmed) and aircraft on those days please let Darren know.

The good AUD rate against the US means it will be as cheap as it will ever get.

The team is looking to make 10-12 jumps per day.

Contact Darren Pearson to make enquires on darren.pearson@11e7.com or 0412 549 696.

- **NSW Parachute Council Instructor rebate**

NSW Council is now offering a rebate of \$200.00 for any new Instructor Rating gained by a NSW Instructor. Any skydiver who gains an ID rating or upgrades to an IB or IA is eligible to claim the rebate. This only applies to ratings and not endorsements, so an ID Tandem who subsequently became AFF as well would not be eligible for example. Any rating gained after 11th August 2009 is eligible. Please send a copy of your rating to the IPC jaeger@shoalhaven.net.au with your name and postal address for claims.

- **FAI has ratified the following Class G (Parachuting) European and World record:**

Claim number: 15665 and 15626

Sub-class: G-1 (Individual jumps)

Category: Feminine

Group: Performance / Individual records Type of record: G-1-b : Landing accuracy with 0.02 metre disc

Course/location: Montauban (France) Performance: 6 cons. Landings + 0.02 m Parachutist: Deborah FERRAND-

PLAT (France) Date: 08.10.2009 Previous European record: 4 cons. Landings + 0.01 m (17.08.2007 - Liudmyla

ZEMS'KA, Ukraine) Previous World record : 5 cons. Landings + 0.03 m (31.07.2008 - Olga LEPEZINA, Russia)

FAI congratulates the Parachutist on this splendid achievement.

- **Airspeed Free Camps!**

Camp Dates: January 23rd - 24th and July 3rd-4th

Bring your 4-way team to Skydive Arizona and World Champion 4-way FS Team Arizona Airspeed will provide free ground coaching to your team.

Advice and coaching on block technique, team dynamics, training methods, debrief methods and communication, are just some of the things that Airspeed has to offer your team.

Airspeed is the best in the world because of how they train. During these camps you can learn from them for FREE!

Start Time: 8:00am Saturday morning

Contact: please email or contact Eliana if you have any questions. elianaskyctic@yahoo.com

- **Registration for March Airspeed 4-way Skills Camp is open.**

Airspeed is extremely pleased to announce the dates for the famous Airspeed 4 Way Skills Camp: March 2 - 6th 2010

They have been running these camps for many years and the use of the tunnel in the Skills Camps have elevated the experience of campers. By the end of this intensive, challenging but enjoyable camp, your skydiving will have improved exponentially. Your future jumps will demonstrate the 4 Way skills that you can only learn from a World Champion.

For more details check out their [web site here](#) or email [Todd by clicking here](#). Subscribe to the Airspeed Mailing List – [Click Here](#)

The following State & National events AND MORE (including club events, boogies and Instructor courses) can be found in detail at: http://docs.apf.asn.au/index.php/Calendar_of_Events

- **Dubai Parachuting Championship and Gulf Cup, 06 - 18 January 2010**

Total Prize Money of USD 230,000!! Will be distributed to the winning teams/performers.

Location: Palm Jumeira Dubai, UAE. **Registration has been extended!** Preliminary Rego - 30/11/2009. Final Rego - 15/12/2009. International teams & individuals welcome.

- **Vic/Tas State Meet 23-24 January 2009**

Location: Skydive Nagambie. FS 8-way Open & Inter, 4-way Open & Inter, CF Rotations & 2-way Seq, Free Fly Inter & Open.

- **International Parachuting Commission Meeting, 26 – 31 January 2010**

Location: Lausanne, Switzerland

- **ASIANIA FAI Judge Training Course, 4 – 18 February 2010**

Location: Jeddah, Saudi Arabia

- **National Championships Canopy Piloting, 17 – 21 February 2010**

Location: Sydney Skydivers, Picton NSW

- **National Championships Formation Skydiving & Artistics, 13 – 20 March 2010**

Location: Sydney Skydivers, Picton NSW

- **National Championships 10 Way Speed, 16 Way FS , 2-5 April 2010**

Location: Sydney Skydivers, Picton NSW

Have a fabulous week - From all of us at the National Office!

For more information, comments or suggestions please email apf@apf.asn.au

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