



APF BROADCAST NEWS

15th October 2009

Notice of Proposed Rule-Making

Legislative changes originating from the review by the Statutes Committee
as directed by the APF Board

Intents document - Request for comment by members.

NPRM Process – APF Operational Regulations Rewrite

Background:

At the annual board Meeting in May 2008 the APF Board of Directors directed the Statutes Committee to conduct a review of the Operational Regulations. That review has now been conducted and is being presented to the Members for the NPRM Process. The regulations have undergone multiple changes including re-indexing and restructuring throughout the document. An Instructor C has been introduced and regulations governing the privileges of the Tutor have also undergone changes.

The Draft Operational Regulations is now ready for consideration by all APF Members.

http://docs.apf.asn.au/images/DRAFT_APF_OP_REGS_V9.pdf **Note:** Revised version of Draft Operational Regulations uploaded Tuesday 13 October 2009 which includes recently issued CASA Instrument 405/09

Intention:

The function of the NPRM process is to ensure that the wishes of the Board are properly translated into regulation and that the proposed changes are in the best interests of the Federation.

This document sets out the intention of the proposed changes to the Operational Regulations, which will reflect on the Training Operations Manual and some other legislative documents.

What to do:

This stage of the process is to allow members to comment on the proposed re-write. After the closing date the Statutes Committee will

- Consider all comments, and
- Revise the proposals if necessary, and
- Draft definitive regulations

Following this 21 day process all comments will be considered and any necessary amendments made prior to APF Board approval. The proposed changes will then be relayed to CASA for approval after which time the changes will be incorporated into the relevant documents and an effective date will be determined. This is a Draft document and the Regulations should not be regarded as final.

Please reply:

- In writing preferably by email to apf@apf.asn.au and write NPRM in the Subject Line.
- Or by mail to APF, PO Box 144, Deakin West ACT 2600, or by fax to 02 6285 3989, marked for the attention of the Statutes Committee.
- **By Friday 30th October 2009** – Comments received after this date may not be considered.

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 hihilly@optusnet.com.au. The Instrument will come into effect 1 November 2009 subject to subsections 6 (2) and 6(3) which come into effect 1 July 2010. Further information on subsections 6 (2) and 6 (3) will be broadcast in the near future

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WHAT OUR MEMBERS ARE UP TO

NSW Canopy Piloting State Championships Results

This competition was held at Sydney Skydivers over the weekend 10th/11th October. There were 13 competitors in the Open class and 6 in the Intermediate.

Results:

Open Overall

1st Michael Vaughan; 2nd Rob McMillan; 3rd Shane Price

Open Speed

1st Rob McMillan; 2nd Shane Price; 3rd Gary Hamilton

Open Accuracy

1st Michael Vaughan; 2nd Rob McMillan; 3rd David Noble

Open Distance

1st Michael Vaughan; 2nd Andrew Gellatly; 3rd Tom Gilmartin



Open Overall Medalists: Shane Price, Michael Vaughan, Robbie McMillan.
Photo: Koppel Solomon



Intermediate Overall Medalists: Conor King and Keven Walters.
Photo: Koppel Solomon



Michael Vaughan
Photo: Simon Martin

Intermediate Overall

1st Conor King; 2nd Keven Walters; 3rd Clayton Werner

Inter Speed

1st Keven Walters; 2nd Conor King; 3rd Fully Sik

Inter Accuracy

1st Keven Walters; 2nd Conor King; 3rd Clayton Werner

Inter Distance

1st Conor King; 2nd Clayton Werner; 3rd Keven Walters



Conor King
Photo: Simon Martin



Koppel Solomon

Safest Flyer Award

Koppel Solomon

For all the results go to: http://docs.apf.asn.au/images/2009_NSW_S.M_CP.pdf

Congratulations to all medalists and competitors.

US Nationals 2009

The Competition is well under way and all FS 4-way categories are completed.

There is a great [US Nationals web site](#) to look at, which includes results, the draws, the comp schedule, a daily blog and even a live feed (during their daytime).

A new World record (yet to be ratified by the FAI) was set on the 14/10/2009 by "Spaceland Force" of 45 points in time on burner round 6. [Click here for video.](#)

The previous record was 44 points, set jointly by Black Cat team and Russian Team Extreme in 2006.

Arizona Airspeed took the Gold in the Open 4s with an average of 25.1 over the 10 rounds.

Silver: Spaceland Force – 24.4

Bronze: Perris Fury – 24.3

The following events (from their Schedule page) will be also contested at this meet.

FS – 8 way, 16 way, 10 way

VFS

Artistic Events

CF – 4 seq, rot, 2 seq, 8 way, (ProAm - a test event, not conducted under USPA auspices)

Style/Acc

Canopy Piloting



Oz team: Black – official team photo at the US Nationals

South Queensland Parachute Council Web Site

Check out the NEW South Queensland Parachute Council web site check it out at

<http://www.sqpc.org.au/>

If you are not on the SQPC mailing list there is a link at the bottom of the page. Just add your details.

There is also a link to register your interest for the SQPC State Champs which is going to be held at Willowbank on 30 Oct-1st Nov.

Justin de Waard

SQ State Coach

OFFICE UPDATES

- **Daylight Savings**

A reminder to all members that the ACT is now on Daylight Savings Time!

- **Message from the Director Instructors**

The development of an Instructor C Rating.

A new Rating is being developed to replace the current Instructor B Tandem only or Instructor B DZSO only Rating with the relevant course syllabus and exams still a 'work in progress'. With the rewrite of the Op Regs now in the NPRM process, this Rating is very close to inception. As there are currently only two approved course trainers in Australia, any interested members must contact me prior to application or commencement.

Director of Instructors

Mike Carre

- **Position Vacant**

Australian Parachute Federation Licensing & Ratings Officer

A position has become available within the APF for a highly organized, multi talented, self motivated & creative individual able to show initiative & leadership qualities with a solid administrative background & possessing advanced computer skills. With a Portfolio including maintenance of licensing & ratings processes, assistance with implementation & advancement of APF development programs, the successful applicant should preferably be a skydiver with an Instructional background.

Currently located in Canberra, the APF National Office is relocating to Brisbane within six months & the applicant would have to be prepared to relocate. This is an exciting opportunity for the right person working with a dynamic team focused on membership services & advancement of the federation & our sport. Apply to the APF Office Manager with resume & covering application letter: susan@apf.asn.au

- **Call for photographs**

Thanks heaps for the fabulous photos received at the Office, please keep them' coming! Any skydiving shot that's worth sharing with the rest of Australia! The APF is updating all posters and manuals, and we'd love to showcase some of our star camera jumpers out there.

Where practical, we'll aim to give you a subtle photographer credit when we use your shot.

Thanks for doing your part to help us create a brighter APF. Send your pictures to: apf@apf.asn.au

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

POSITIONS VACANT & FOR SALE

- **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 Rainbow Beach**

Live the coastal lifestyle over summer, jumping on the beach, right on Fraser Island's Doorstep. We are seeking a capable, professional Tandem Instructor with personality to join our Skydive Rainbow Beach Crew. Display B, Handycam, Strong endorsement required.

Call Rob on 0418 218 358 or email info@skydiverainbowbeach.com



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

Slots available for Airspeed 4-way Skills Camps

Airspeed is extremely pleased to announce the dates for the famous Airspeed 4 Way Skills Camp:
November 3 - 7th 2009

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. There are spaces left, to make enquires or book the camp contact [Todd by clicking here.](#)

Subscribe to the Airspeed Mailing List – [Click Here](#)

The following State & National events AND MORE can be found in detail at:

http://docs.apf.asn.au/index.php/Calendar_of_Events

6TH ASIANA Video Competition – On Now!

New South Wales 4 & 8-Way FS State Championships 17 - 18 October 2009

Location: Sydney Skydivers - Picton DZ

1st New South Wales v Victoria POPS Championships, 30 October - 1 November 2009

Location: Skydive Nagambie, Victoria

SQPC State Championships 31 October - 1 November, 2009

Location: Brisbane Skydivers, Willowbank QLD

NSW VFS State Championships, 14 - 15 November 2009

Location: Sydney Skydivers, Picton NSW

International Parachuting Commission Meeting, 26 – 31 January 2010

Location: Lausanne, Switzerland

ASIANIA FAI Judge Training Course, 4 – 18 February 2010

Location: Jeddah, Saudi Arabia

Have a great weekend!

Your team at the National Office

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