



CLUB BULLETIN 138: 11 - 12/2004

This monthly bulletin is aimed mainly at club contacts/secretaries. It usually covers administrative topics and news from the Executive Council. General interest items are repeated in Skywings magazine for the information of all members.

If you require further information on these items please contact:

1: Course Dates

2005

Instructor Courses.

These are booked through the BHPA office. We require a deposit to secure a place on all instructor courses, so if you'd like a place, send a deposit.

To make planning possible, we need to be sure of sufficient numbers WELL IN ADVANCE to avoid cancellation charges. The deposit is non refundable at the manager's discretion, as we are charged for places left unfilled.

Contact Tony Mitchell, 0870 870 6490.

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mitchell@bhpa.co.uk*

Next Instructor course May 3-5 2005 at Lilleshall National Sports Centre, near Telford.

Senior Instructor Courses.

If you wish to take this course, mandatory for potential SIs, please let us know. We will organise a course when there is sufficient interest.

Emergency Parachute Packing Systems licence EPPS (Reserve repacking)

Subject to numbers interested, we are hoping to run an EPPS course early in 2005. Please contact Tony as above. Cost £250 plus accommodation.

Coach Courses.

Bookings and payments are administered by host Clubs: contacts are given below.

Winter 2005 dates are:

February 19-20 Airways, Derbyshire. Andrew Rastall 01335 344308, office@airways-airports.com

March 12-13 Green Dragons HG & PG Centre, Surrey Tel: 01883 652666
fly@greendragons.co.uk

2: Safety Notice

Hang Glider Aerotowing: Foot Launching With a 50/50 Bridle - Notice attached.

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3: Peak Soaring Association (PSA) Site Appeal Summary

Attached PSA Bulletin

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4: Tensio Tester

There is now a free service (courtesy of FSC) for all tow based clubs / schools to have their tensiometers tested with a new electronic test rig.

The device is "bookable" at any time and can test any kind of tensio either winch or vehicle based (Hg or Pg).

It will hopefully be brought to all UK tow based paragliding competitions throughout the 2005 season and in any case is available throughout the winter by appointment.

Further details are available from Russ Hicks, if any school or club (Hg or Pg) wishes to take advantage of this service.

Russ Hicks
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btopenworld.com

5: Examinations - Pilots and Advance Pilot Papers

Please check when returning these exam papers for marking that the Application for P/AP Rating is attached and signed off, either by a CFI/Chief Coach or Senior Coach as required. The exam paper and application form should be mailed to the BHPA office with a £10 fee to avoid a delay in processing.

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6: Office Holiday Dates

The office will be closed from Thursday 23th December 2004 and will reopen on Tuesday 4th January 2005.

The BHPA staff would like to wish all our Members, Clubs and Schools a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

7: FAI Young Artists Contest 2005

The FAI has pleasure in announcing the 2005 FAI Young Artists Contest, the main purpose of which is to promote interest in air sports in particular and in aviation and space generally. The theme of next year's contest is "More than 100 years of human flight", with the closing date being 1st June 2005. Please contact the BHPA office for further details.

Stephanie Blankley
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8: School Contact Details

Could all schools and clubs please ensure their contact e-mail address is correct with the BHPA office. It has become clear that email contacts are changed on a regular basis, this will save a lot of time and resources in promoting the sport.

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Enclosed: Safety Notice
Peak Soaring Association - Site Appeal Summary Bulletin

Distribution: Club contacts/secretaries, Executive Council and sub-committee members, BHPA Officers

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