



SAFETY NOTICE

Issued by Angus Pinkerton - Chairman of the Flying & Safety Committee, 16 November 2001.

All paraglider dual pilots, Safety Officers, Coaches and Instructors must READ, DIGEST AND TAKE ACTION on the contents of this Notice and keep it for future reference.

If you hold a copy of the BHPA Technical Manual this notice must be inserted into it and retained until it is withdrawn or superseded on instructions from the Chairman FSC.

AIREA 'FAT WILLIE' TANDEM PARAGLIDER IN BIG EARS

Recent detailed testing of the Airea 'Fat Willie' at a loading near the bottom of the weight range has revealed a serious deep stall problem when in Big Ears. This was most pronounced with the trimmers applied.

At present we have no data for the glider's behaviour whilst in Big Ears at other payloads. Until such data becomes available our advice to all Airea 'Fat Willie' owners / operators is that Big Ears should not be used with this paraglider.

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