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BHPA

1: Insurance Update

There have been a number of requests from members regarding the possibility of covering additional activities beyond our third party aviation block policy - the mainstay of our insurance for years. The first query concerns travel insurance, and I'm sure members will be aware that there is a wide range of products available offering very basic, cheap cover through to those that offer expensive things like search, rescue and repatriation after an incident. The other area of interest is Personal Accident cover, which probably offers a narrower range of insurance products to pilots, and some policies are common to both.

Whilst it is convenient to suppose that these items are all "insurance" and can simply be added on to our third party policy, the current law makes that too difficult for an organisation whose core business is promotion of an outdoor sport. From the legal point of view, the BHPA would need to adopt the position of Insurance Adviser or Insurance Intermediary and effectively become a brokerage. This would necessitate us becoming registered with the Financial Conduct Authority in order to advise members to the level required by the recent financial legislation.

Unfortunately, we cannot justify the expense and manpower of obtaining and maintaining registration with the Authority and anticipate that the insurance needs of individual members would be too diverse for us to handle effectively at the office. Therefore members wishing to explore insurance for travel or personal accident would be best advised to approach an FCA Registered Broker with an interest in outdoor sports.

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2: Marc Asquith Available for Club Visits

Would you like to learn more about the BHPA? Have your questions answered? Learn more about where the money from your subscriptions goes?

Marc Asquith, chairman, and long-standing flying member is available to make club visits.

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3. BHPA Emergency Parachute Conference

Saturday 28th November 2015
Venue : Derby Conference Centre DE24 8UX
Cost £40

Includes parking tea/coffee, lunch and full programme 9.00 to 17.00 hrs.

This Conference will be for all BHPA EPS packers and other BHPA members who wish to have a full update in Paragliding and Hang Gliding emergency parachutes and their use. In the last ten years, the types and variety of systems has grown from the traditional round canopies, to the revival of the rogallo types and the recent emergence of cut away systems. This event will cover the full range of systems with talks and practical demonstrations so that all participants are better briefed on this wide range.

Just ask if any questions. Thanks Bill Morris

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4. Courses

Available Club Coach Course Dates

17th - 18th October 2015

21st - 22nd November 2015

Avon HG & PG Club Contact: Chris Jones
Tel: 07966 170 014 E-mail: chrisjonesbath@gmail.com

5th - 6th December 2015

Southern HG Club Contact: Dave Lewis
Tel: 07884 072 536 E-mail: info@skylarkparagliding.co.uk

16th - 17th January 2016

Devon & Somerset Condors Contact: Viv Fouracre
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13th - 14th February 2016

5th - 6th March 2016

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