



**January 2007**

From all of us on the Committee

Wishing all pilots

**LONG FLIGHTS AND HAPPY LANDINGS**



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## Chairmans Chat

### Happy New Year to everyone!

Well, with winter now well set in and the flying prospects seeming a little thin on the ground you would think things have been quiet in the club but nothing has been further from the truth!

December's club night was an excellent success with Steve Elkins giving a hilarious and entertaining insight into the Birdman of Bognor competition. The large crowd was amazed by the efforts made by the entrants from modifying hang gliders to building their own flying machines from scratch. Then there were the less serious costumed entrants...

Next club night on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January (first Thursday in January) we will be having a 'film show' using our superb new projector. Come along for a chat and a beer – 8pm onwards.

The club night gave me the opportunity to get the National Club XC league trophy out to be seen! Winning this is a fantastic result for the club. In fact club members made a great show in the League this year.

Dean Crosby's trophy cabinet must be bulging after taking home trophies for the longest flight this year, longest flight above 54 degrees latitude and the big one, The National XC League Winner for 2006! With Jake Herbert taking third place in the league and Chris Fountain and myself also scoring heavily, the club beat the total of its nearest rival by a huge margin.



The trophies were collected at the SPLASH (Sports Leisure and Aviation Show) at the NEC in November. An interesting event with Northern putting a big stall out, including debuting their amazing Virtual Paraglider!

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Dean has honored the Club by agreeing to step into the vacant role of Club Chief Coach. Dean and the committee are very keen to help Club members to get flying as much as possible. To achieve this we are trying to track down all the active pilots who are qualified as Coaches and get a robust list together. This will enable us to help fill the big gap that exist between the school and the club environment. So if you are qualified, get in touch with Dean and help to put something back into the sport.

Well done to Ian Sadler – first newsletter out on time. Know anyone not getting the newsletter? Email Ian and he will update his distribution list. If you have any news or articles please send them to Ian. We want to hear all that’s happening out there.

Also a big well done to Jake Herbert – the website looks better and better every time I look! [www.dhpc.org.uk](http://www.dhpc.org.uk) – check it out.

As for flying....had a fantastic day out on Sunday the 17<sup>th</sup>. Wind was forecast to be WNW, strong and dropping during the day. I got the new Omega 7 out and after the obvious 'Omega 7 fish oil' jokes had a fantastic day racing around the sky at Wether Fell. It was one of those fantastic days when both Hang Gliders and Paragliders could easily share the ample lift everywhere. The wind dropped off and eventually gave everyone the opportunity to fly. Beautiful blue skys and fantastic views for all! Well done to the 2 red ribbon pilots I spoke to. Both low airtime, soaring effortlessly around then top landing. Well done lads!! A grand day out.

Thanks to the committee for their continued support and energy – roll on 2007!

John

### ***Editors note***

Well, here it is again, the Club Mag—out more or less on time. Despite my good intent of it not being a last minute job, it is of course a last minute job. Not only that, my can of Foster’s is empty, my wife and kids are in bed, so there is no-one to cajole into nipping downstairs to get me another.....so for the moment I’m going thirsty.

Other than begging for a replacement can of lager, I’m reduced to begging for articles and photos for the Newsletter. I don’t just want to repeat ad nauseum what’s on the Web site, but to bring to you fresh and invigorating articles to make your head, heart and sphincter, cry out for flying—whether that be a gentle waft up and down a ridge, or a rock n roll ride to cloudbase....motivation is the key.

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So, here we go again, and it's as boring for me to write it as it is for you to read it, **it's your club, it's your newsletter**, and if you give me bugger all to put in it, it will be mighty thin. What's that, maybe I could learn something from the "thin aspect"....OK OK OK—the diet starts Jan 2nd. You don't need to be Wordsworth to write, Keats or Shakespeare will do. Just no James Joyce eh? **LOOK OUT FOR THE COMPETITION LATER IN THIS ISSUE.**

Following the last newsletter, I did have some feedback—mostly positive so thank you for that. I also had some **promises of articles**....where are they. **I know who you are!!** This month I will refrain from naming and shaming.

Good news on the coaching front with **Dean** stepping into the role. A number of you did express via e-mail concern over the issue of post training coaching, and it is recognised. We aim to get together a much more current list of Club Coaches who are prepared to be active, and hopefully to provide training days. Check out COACHING MATTERS later in this issue.

Google groups seems to be working and an article follows later on from Pete "slimmer" Logan as to how to get the most out of it.

Club night is back on track with a line-up more or less confirmed throughout the year. So much going on, we actually had to refuse someone.....how about that? Trev may sign up for the Bird-brain of Bognor competition—though after hearing of his exploits with a soldering iron, personally I'd recommend that he stays away from modifying anything.

Without simply reiterating John's point, I'll reiterate John's point that the Web site is really becoming "top drawer"! Any issues with this? For me it lies a little too far to the left (steady!) in my Mozilla browser. Any other comments about it?

Overall, it feels like the energy I talked about last month about getting the Club a club again, and not just a bent stick, has been maintained. But, as always, the bottom line is that it's only as good as the members want it to be—so please do contribute.

Other than that, Happy New Year. I wish everyone good and safe flying.

Ian  
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## Training Opportunities

BHPA Club Coach Course 20-21/01/07

The Sir George Cayley Sailing Club will be hosting a BHPA Club Coach course for anyone rated CP with 10 hours and above. This is the essential course to become a Club coach who's role is to provide encouragement, education and guidance to Club Pilots, especially those fresh from flying school. Coaches are a valuable asset to any Club in helping newly qualified pilots find their feet once training is over and passing on their knowledge. If you think you could fill this role and climb to the next step in your flying "career" then contact:-

Andy Berzins of the Cayley club

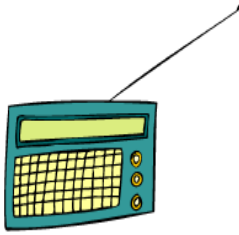
Phone: 01964 535 436

Email: berzins1@aol.com

The course will be held on the 20th and 21st of January 2007 at Pocklington near York. Anyone can go but only CP pilots with 10 hours airtime can be awarded their Club Coach rating. Accommodation can be provided. The cost of the course is **£25** (payable on the day.)



## **General News—Google Groups**



Last month I brought you news of various developments and changes within the Club, some forced changes, others not so. The demise of Smartgroups was one, with the move to Google Groups pending. Since then Pete Logan has transferred over/invited subscribers to Smartgroups. Here's Pete Logan to tell you more about it...

Why thanks Ian.....you ask the questions, I'll answer them...OK Pete.....

### **Google Groups - What's that then?**

#### **What is it?**

Google Groups is an email forwarding system otherwise known as a mailing list that turns one email sent to it into an email for each member of the group. It also stores those emails and other files that can be pictures, sounds, data and video that all the members of the group might be interested in. Once you are a member of the group you can send emails to the group and upload files you think other people might want to see.

#### **OK, what does the Dales Club use it for?**

We use it to notify other members about club nights, events, competitions. There are occasional discussions about flying issues and members asking who is going out flying. There are files stored containing pilot notes, an online Google Earth sites guide to all the northern sites in England and a few multimedia files of a recent radio interview and the club video promo.

#### **Will I get flooded with emails?**

No, there are about 170 subscribers now and the number of emails per week averages at around five or six. Subscribers don't usually post anything frivolous or off subject and there are no commercial postings so you just get information or discussion about the club and flying.

#### **So how do I sign up?**

- The easy way is to email me on [contacts@dhpc.org.uk](mailto:contacts@dhpc.org.uk) and I will add you to the group. You may be asked to sign up later on when you want to view Google groups on the web so just use the instructions below.
- The not very much harder way is to go to [http://groups.google.com/group/dales\\_hpc](http://groups.google.com/group/dales_hpc) and look in the top left of the screen under the Google Groups logo. Click on New users: Join and then fill in a few details on the page that comes after. There's an odd looking word that also needs copying in to the form. This is to stop spammers automatically creating accounts and sending us email we don't want. Click on the bottom button to create your account and Google will send an email to your account to make sure everything works. When you get that email just click on the link inside and you're all signed up.

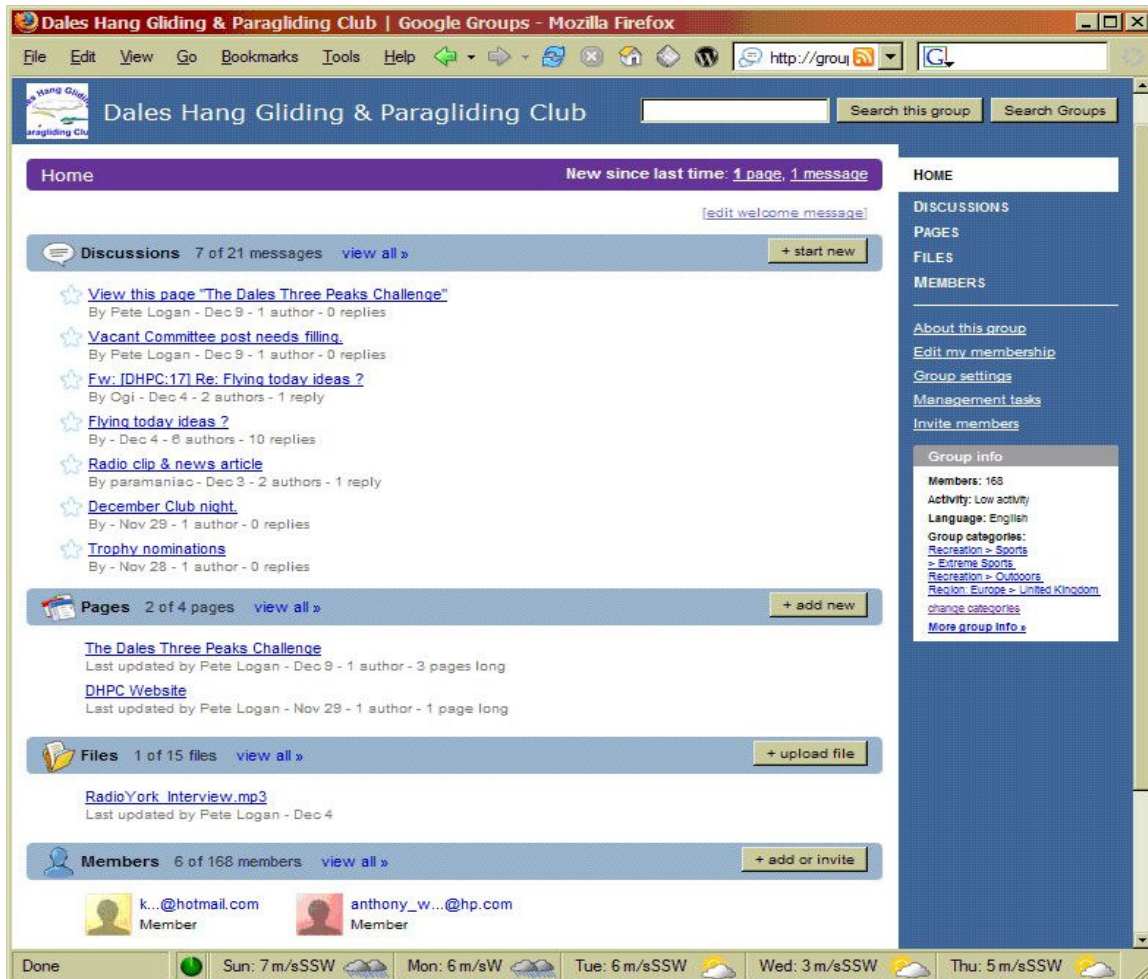
#### **Where do I usually go to look at the Dales Group and my Google account?**

[http://groups-beta.google.com/group/dales\\_hpc](http://groups-beta.google.com/group/dales_hpc)

You'll notice it looks better on screen. Google is trialling a way of personalising group sites so I decided to make it look a bit better than normal Google groups if you are used to using them.

Whispers...."Insert picture here lan-----OK Pete—here goes...."





### How do I send a message?

All you have to do is email [dales\\_hpc@googlegroups.com](mailto:dales_hpc@googlegroups.com).

or

Sign into the website and click on the "Start New" button on the discussions section at the top of the page shown above.

### Can I just read it online, without the emails being sent?

Yes, click on "Edit my membership" on the right hand panel and select from:

No Email

I will read this group on the web

Abridged Email (No more than 1 email per day)

Get a summary of new activity each day

Digest Email (Approximately 1 email per day)

Get up to 25 full new messages bundled into a single email

Email (Approximately 2 emails per day)

Send each message to me as it arrives

This space....is intentionally blank...just in case you thought I forgot something....Ed!



### **Flying Today? A new buddy system...**

As you know from last months bumper issue, **Ogi** proposed a new buddy system in order to promote togetherness, brotherly and sisterly (lest I should be called sexist) flying love, and to avoid flying alone. The idea was well received and a number of ideas were put forward and subsequently discussed at the last Committee meeting.

A "shoutbox" would seem to be a very workable idea (thanks Pete) and you can check this out at:-

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shoutbox>

It would be very easy to leave messages on the front page of the website that way and would not need another system i.e email or whatever in order to get the message out.

If anyone has any other ideas on this, please let us know at Clubnight or via [dhpc.news@yahoo.com](mailto:dhpc.news@yahoo.com). Many thanks.

### **Congratulations are in order**

"Hi Ian

At the **BHPA AGM**, John Aldridge announced that there are to be 2 bronze awards from the Royal Aero Club to be presented in March by Prince Andrew:

- Steve Uzochukwu for his excellent reports of paraglider tests, etc.
- Me for services to hang gliding over a long period of time.

I was totally shocked as I had no wind of this at all – others did, mind.

Cheers  
Trevor Birkbeck"

Thanks TREVOR and well done!! **Article and pictures to follow** in the **April Edition**.

{{{Your club **STILL** needs **YOU**}}}

### **COMMITTEE VACANCY**

The **SOUTHERN SITES OFFICER's** role is vacant. Sean is only filling in, sorting out the farmers for Xmas etc.—it's a crucial role so talk to John Ellison, Pete Logan or Sean to see what's involved. **PLEASE!**

The small print...FREE T & Biccies to be had at meetings.....



## *Suspenders...or should that be suspension?*

Hi Guys & Girls

I now have in my sticky little hands (writes Trevor Birkbeck) the suspension tripod for testing PG harnesses which is on permanent loan (until required back) from Steve Mann. It's a military device, so super strong but designed for field use so breaks down into 1.6m length i.e. great for the bigger guys like Pete & Ian, but will go into an estate car boot.

As we will undoubtedly be blessed with warm evenings from April onwards, the device will be available at Club Nights to enable people to work on harness set-up etc..

Thanks Trevor.

## **MORE CONGRATULATIONS**

Catch up with Tony Blacker

Congratulations to DHPC members Tony Blacker & Andrew Webster for getting selected on the British Paragliding Accuracy team. They will be competing in the World Championships in Trakai, Lithuania from 8th-19th February 2007. The competition takes place on a frozen lake, with well organised tow winches. For a report on the 2006 pre-world competition, see [www.bhpa-accuracy.org.uk](http://www.bhpa-accuracy.org.uk). Also on the site are details of the rest of the team and photos from previous competitions.

Accuracy competitions involve precision flying, and sometimes extreme climate conditions. Anyone interested in these competitions please contact [tony@blacker.org](mailto:tony@blacker.org) or just book in for a local comp as advertised on the accuracy site or Skywings. If anyone knows of potential sponsors for the team, please pass on their details to Tony.



## **MORE on the WEB SITE.....**

### **SITES – TRAFFIC LIGHT SYSTEM**

While the wind is howling and it's hammering down with rain, please do check out the web site and familiarise yourself with the new layout.

We are developing the sites information page, and I would like to make you aware that we now apply a simple colour code to each of our flying sites to indicate its availability. **Green – no problems; amber – restrictions in place; red – no flying or serious restriction.** Please check that the site is available before you go flying. If you are familiar with the site and the colour code is green – load your gear in the car. If the colour is amber or red, and you don't know why, check for further detail. When we get the online sites guide up and running this will be a simple click away.

Does anyone have any thoughts on this?

Martin Baxter  
Sites (North)



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**To be sure of your ticket, please contact  
Tony Pickering at any of the numbers below, or  
snail-mail him directly, including your menu choice @**

**Tony Pickering**

**48 The Whartons, Otley, LS21 2AG**



Set in magnificent countryside close to the market town of Skipton 'Gateway to the Dales' and not far from Pendle Hill.....

The Tempest Arms is a fine country pub offering all you would expect and a little bit more....  
After the superb successes of the last two years we will be returning to the Tempest Arms. After the last two excellent events there are many happy people who can vouch for the quality of food and service at this excellent establishment.

We will be dining in THE PICKHILL BARN which can easily accommodate up to 70 and have the option of an annex for late bookers – so book early to be in the thick of the action as numbers usually well exceed this!!

#### MENU

##### The Warm Up Act

##### **MUSHROOM AND STILTON CASSEROLE**

Button mushrooms cooked in a light creamy sauce of Stilton and port

##### **A WARM SALAD**

Crispy bacon sauté potatoes served with crisp salad oatcakes and fruit chutney

##### The Main Show

##### **LAMB THINGY ME BOB**

The one and only famous joint of lamb born at the Tempest served on the bone topped with a real gravy of mint and redcurrant

##### **SALMON BLUSH**

Fillet of salmon served on a pool of sun blushed tomato sauce enhanced with basil

##### The Encore

##### **A STICKY TOFFEE MERINGUE**

Crisp meringue loads of cream and warm runny caramel

##### **OPEN LATTICE APPLE PIE**

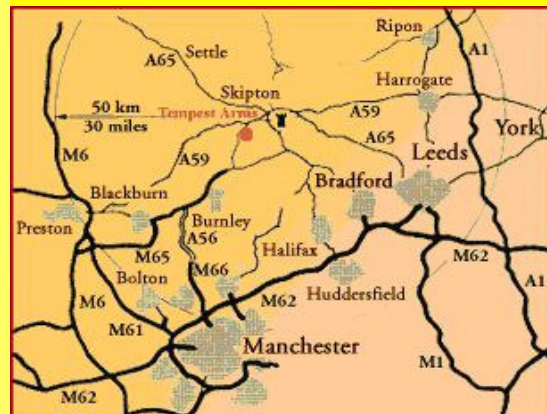
Served warm with ice cream

##### The Drive Home

##### **FILTER COFFEE**

With mint chocolate

#### Arrive 7.30 for Dinner at 8



**Tickets £25 including raffle!!**

**From: Tony Pickering**

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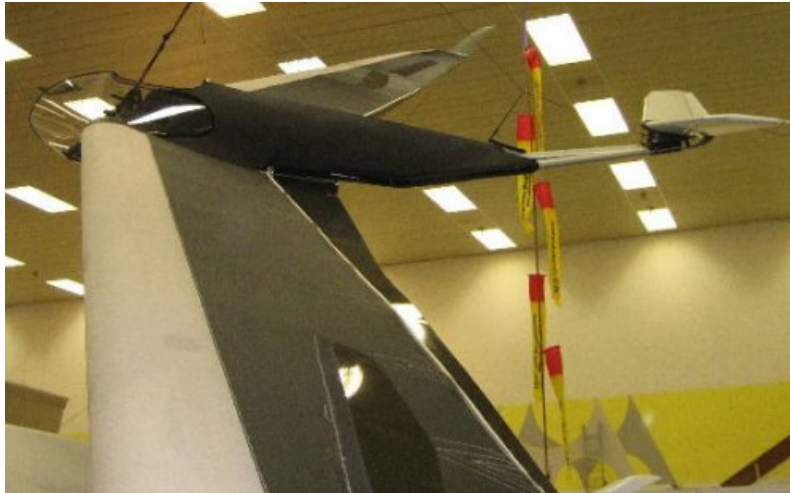
**Further details and directions at:**

**<http://www.dhpc.org.uk/>**

## AIR produce Atos with pilot in the wing

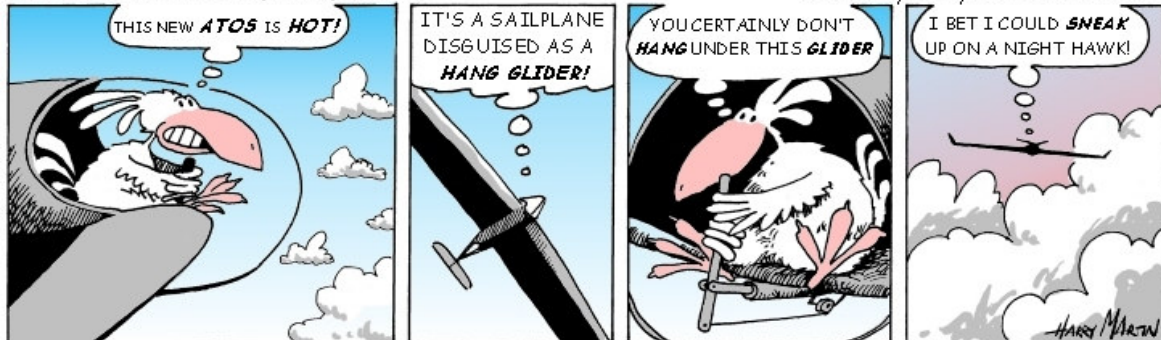
It's already made its first test flight, from a tow-launch. It will be foot-launchable, stick-controlled, with the pilot in the wing, and promises a significant performance boost over stock Atoses. Christoph at AIR writes: We will show our ATOS Cage at Thermik, the project we have worked on for years on it where the pilot is in the wing.

Trevor Birkbeck



**Croak & Cluck** by Harry Martin

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## The things people do....part one

### FARMERS' CHRISTMAS DRINKS 2006

Every year we give each farmer a little something to say thank you for letting us use their land. This is generally in the form of a bottle of their favourite tippie. Delivering the drinks in person gives me a chance to get to know the farmers, discuss any problems and catch up on any changes that have taken place during the year. This year we also delivered Christmas cards along with an invitation to the Dinner Dance.

In the north of our area we have 11 sites and that translates into about 28 'farmers'. Of course it isn't just farmers: there are owners, tenants and sometimes separate shooting rights. Often the different parts of a site (parking, access, take off(s) and landing field (s)) are owned by different families so it can get quite complicated.

One of my predecessors warned me that this job was a little like having a leading role in an episode of 'All Creatures Great and Small'. I thought that you might be interested in how I got on as the farmers' Santa Claus this year.

A perusal of the database revealed a bill for 15 bottles of whisky, 2 *Baileys*, 1 brandy, 1 *Drambuie*, 2 for wine, 2 for beer (one with chocolates) and 2 book tokens. Three farmers didn't want anything. One was listed as 'beer and chocolate flowers' but having searched high and low for 'chocolate flowers' I eventually concluded that it was chocolate/flowers and settled for just chocolates. I had a budget of about £10 per head. Originally I planned to go to my local *Tesco* (and benefit from the Clubcard points!) but a quick check of their prices on the internet revealed an extortionate £14.99 for a 70cc bottle of *Famous Grouse*. *Asda* and *Morrisons* were both much cheaper but not quite as convenient. After phoning around I found a local *Bargain Booze* that had *Famous Grouse* for £10.99 a bottle, and they offered me a 5% discount on the whole deal: good enough. I later popped into *Tesco* to get the chocolates and book tokens to find bottles of *Famous Grouse* on special offer at £9.99 a bottle. Bugger!

I also bought a box of 30 Christmas Cards. On each one I wrote 'from all members of the DHPC' and inserted an invitation to the Dinner Dance with a copy of the menu. The farmers who didn't want anything and those asking for book tokens got their cards and invitations by post. The rest had to be delivered.

I probably picked the wrong day, but other commitments meant that I couldn't leave it any later. So armed with a car boot full of booze and a very poor weather forecast I set off for the Dales.

By way of planning I had printed out a small map of each address using the postcode and *Post Office/Multi Map* software. I then plotted them all on a 1:50,000 map and worked out a rough route – *Nappa Scar* along *Wensleydale* towards *Hawes* then up to *Tailbridge*, back through *Dentdale*, *Whernside* and finally *Littondale*. It took a lot longer than expected. The postcode software turned out to be something of an area weapon – often hundreds of yards out; marking the name of your farm doesn't seem to be a top priority for sheep farmers; and at about half of the addresses there was nobody around. However asking for directions worked wonders: locals seem to know everyone in the same village.

My 3/5/7/9 point turning skills came in very handy but I am ashamed to admit that as the weather got worse and my car steamed up I managed to scrape my rear bumper on a stone wall (no damage to the wall!). The torrential rain was an obstacle in other ways. *Semer Water* was more like an inland sea than a lake. It had waves that you could probably have surfed on and it was so flooded that the farm shown on the map at the top end was actually half way along. The road running past the car park at *Semer Water* was completely submerged and forced me to take a long detour. I later discovered that the mail van had got bogged in there the day before, so I was glad that I didn't try it. Farmyards were water logged and *William Brennand's* farm at *Bruntscar* was completely cut off (I gave his whisky to his brother *Frank* who has sensibly moved to a housing estate in *High Bentham*).

If no-one was around, but I could confirm that it was the right address, I left the booze in a 'hiding place' and wrote the location on the card. Plastic bags proved invaluable. I will phone around later to confirm receipt.

Apart from getting bitten by a sheep dog (my fault); I discovered one farmer who has separated from his wife and moved out. I eventually managed to track down his whereabouts (with his new girlfriend). One farmer admitted that he didn't have an interest in any of our sites anymore and another, who wasn't admitting to anything, has sold his land and therefore won't be on next year's list. I didn't actually manage all the deliveries in one day, although with better weather and knowledge of the locations it should be achievable next year.

Oh, and finally there is the farmer who lives in *Litton (Cow Close Fell)*. I was moaning to *Sean* (who looks after the southern sites) about how difficult it was to get there. He explained that he knew precisely what I was talking about: he had made a delivery there the week before! If you fly *Cow Close Fell* in 2007 and you spot a farmer with a big smile on his face; you now know why he is having a particularly Happy New Year.

Martin Baxter  
Sites (North)

P.S. Sean has taken up the appointment of PG Comps and we are looking for someone to manage our southern sites. There are far fewer farmers in the South (about 6) and Sean will show you the ropes so if you fancy a part in the next episode of 'All Creatures Great and Small' and want to put something back into the club please get in touch.

### **Stolen from [Mirror.co.uk](http://Mirror.co.uk) 18 Dec 2006 - the things people do - part two**

GLIDE OF HIS LIFE..AT 91

A MAN of 91 yesterday became the oldest Brit to go paragliding. Reg Rose-Innes took to the skies 800ft above Devil's Dyke, West Sussex, for a 20-minute tandem flight. Reg, a retired ecologist, of Beddingham, East Sussex, said: "It was marvelous being in the air."

Son Crispin, 57, said: "I thought it would be a wonderful opportunity for my father to have a go before he bites the bullet."

FILM star Ewan McGregor, 35, has taken up paragliding. The actor wants to fly off the top of a 3,000ft Scottish mountain.



## Crete 2006

First week in May 2006 I set off to Leeds Bradford airport to meet up with six friends, all paraglider pilots, we were going to fly out to Heraklion in Crete for our annual pre-season jolly. Everything had been pre-booked and arranged with impeccable attention to detail, by our very own "Thomas cook" A.K.A. Andrew.

Baggage allowance was 20Kg checked and 7Kg hand luggage so the trick is to wear everything you can including flying boots, carry your instruments and cameras etc, and fill the glider bag with the remainder up to the 20kg limit. All checked in OK with no excess to pay and off we go. We were met at Heraklion by Grigoris Thomakakis of ICNA Paragliding a really nice guy, with an excellent knowledge of the local sites and conditions.



We loaded up the little red Mitsubishi mini bus and set off for the Marina apartments in Hironisos, three bedrooms, kitchen diner, bathroom, swimming pool and bar, all to a very good standard. He does have other more basic bunk house type accommodation actually in Avdu the main flying site if that's what you're looking for.



The main site we flew was Avdu; this takes a NW-N-NE wind direction and has a take-off about half way up the mountain at 620Meters. The drive up the dirt road is a little bumpy but virtually no walking is required. The take-off is a good size and has been well prepared, but don't expect grass, its covered in small stones.

The locals all prefer to alpine launch, and in hindsight it would have been worth practicing a few before the trip.

Reverse launches were preferred, and Grig assisted by telling us when to launch, straight into the thermals. It's a little strange at first to get the ridge soaring mentality out of your flying, and to go and find the thermals, of which there are plenty.

Nice gentle climbs, no problem if you loose the thermal, just fly off and find the next! It would have been possible to stay up all day, but lunch at the local was just too tempting for some. The food really is excellent, and keeps on coming until you just can't eat any more!



The thermals started to work in the middle of the morning and carried on into the evening. Cloud base could be reached with a little effort, and an XC flight to the coast was possible, although no one actually went for it. (Next time for sure). There is a huge valley to fly round, a second and third mountain to cross onto and a ridge run for the adventurous. The landing field is smaller than we were used to, and because we were landing in the middle of the day it could be a little thermic patience was required at times.

The other site we flew was at Sisi, it's a little like the east coast but without a top takeoff or landing option. The takeoff we used was about 1km inland, you then flew out on to the cliffs to soar, and afterwards landed on the beach, or alternatively on the hotel football pitch!

We lost only one day to the weather, but this gave us a chance to check out the coastal resort, and have a rest. You need to be CP+ 10 hours minimum and be confident at takeoff and landings if you fancy Crete check out the website below. Just one word of warning, don't start a political discussion with Grig unless you are a mastermind on world history, but that's another story!

Website <http://www.icna.gr/>  
Kevin McLoughlin

## COACHING MATTERS

Coaching does matter, and it's been highlighted on numerous occasions that pilots complete their basic training and...SPLAT...fall into a bit of a void where ongoing training is concerned, and new pilots are pretty much left to their own devices. So as a Committee we are trying to do something about it, and to make Coaching a much more active and pro-active process. We are privileged to have within our club one of the most talented pilots to grace the skies, Dean Crosby, and Dean has agreed to become our Chief Coach.

Obviously Dean has to balance the day to day workings of Active Edge, his business, with his commitment to the club. So the general idea is for Dean to coach the Coaches, and to improve the coaching network within the Club.

So if you already hold the Club Coach qualification, and want to make that qualification work by putting something back into the Club and the Sport, please contact Dean directly - [dean@activeedge.co.uk](mailto:dean@activeedge.co.uk) - with CLUB COACH as the subject matter of the e mail. A brief paragraph about where you are at with your flying and your coaching career would also be helpful, as well as a contact phone number. Alternatively give Dean a call for a chat on 07793 678133.

## CLUB NIGHT

**Is set to go ahead as normal — first Thursday of the month/Jan 4 and we hope to have one or two new films to show.**

**MEET @ 8 CLUB NOTICES 8.15 THE HAPPENING 8.30**

## !!!COMPETITION!!!

As I said at the outset, in order for the club newsletter to work, we need articles from **YOU**—the members (and not Committee members).

Motivation is the key—and motivation comes in the form of a pair of **flying gloves** to the value of £30.00 donated by **Dean at Active Edge**, just in time for the new season while the air is still cold!

To **WIN** this prize all you have to do is to **submit an article** to the Club **NEWSLETTER** - [dhpc.news@yahoo.com](mailto:dhpc.news@yahoo.com).

**Article** can be on any flying related subject i.e, could be weather, clouds, flying abroad, XC tips. About a sheet of A4 + pics (so the more devious amongst you can't send in a page of two pics and call it an article). Ditto no HUGE fonts!!

**Deadline January 31st**

**Review Feb Committee Meet**

**PRESENTATION CLUB NIGHT THURSDAY 1ST MARCH**





# NORTHERN PARAGLIDING

## Pure Flying Fun



### MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE!



#### LAST MINUTE WEB-TASTIC CHRISTMAS GIFTS!!

If you're still struggling for Christmas presents, let us help you. We have selected some superb products that we would love to receive on Christmas day, so we are sure your pilot will too!

Surf your way to the all-new [www.northern-paragliding.com](http://www.northern-paragliding.com). Massive secure shop, reviews, buying guides, news, bargains, weather... its all there!



Next day delivery on most items.

While you're there why not sign up to our email newsletter so we can keep you in touch with all that's new. We also regularly send you discount vouchers to spend online!

What are you waiting for? Get surfing...

### Sup'Air

The superb 2006 range of harnesses is **AWESOME** if you haven't clamped bum cheeks on one yet, make sure you do soon. Our list of stockists is shown below and of course we have them all at our shop, just 15 mins off the M6 J38.

**AIRRando**  
Reversible harness/  
rucksack bag enough  
for normal wing.  
Auto buckles,  
carbon seat, double  
analog. **PICTURELIT**.  
2300g/£590



**AIRIX**  
TOP SELLER  
New double  
analog,  
undersat  
reserve, auto  
buckles,  
superb flying  
position. Only 6900g.  
£680



**AirTech**  
The best  
protection.  
Robust  
construction,  
undersat  
reserve, auto  
buckles, superb  
flying position.  
Only 4700g.  
£390



**Evo XC**  
An old  
favourite  
refined &  
improved.  
Bump Air  
protection,  
undersat  
reserve. Only  
4400g. £495



**PreFeel XC'06**  
Possibly the  
ultimate in  
comfort,  
protection and  
feel. Unbeatable  
for long XC  
flights.  
Undersat  
reserve,  
Bump Air  
protection.  
3100g. £475



**Varep &  
Varep'Air**  
Slim, fast and  
so, so light. A  
competition  
must. From  
£525 complete.



#### Where to try one...

Active Edge	Dales	0845 129 8286
Airworks	Sussex	01273 858108
Airtopia	Cotswolds	01453 827202
Fly Bubble Paragliding	Sussex	01273 812209
High Adventure	Isle of Wight	01983 752322
High Flyerz	Southampton	02380 845791
Leavesley Aviation	Miclands	01588 630253
Mid Wales Paragliding	Mid Wales	01974 261112
Par Avion	Wiltshire	01672 861380
Slick & Wrong	Lakes	017687 80297
Sussex Paragliding	Sussex	01273 858170
Welsh Airports	S Wales	01443 836955

#### Plus...

Ultralight  
and tandem  
harnesses,  
clothing  
and  
accessories.

#### HUGE EX-DEMO SALE..

Now is the time to move up to the wing you really want with one of our ex-demo, low hour wings. We may also accept part exchange on these wings!

Advance Epsilon 5 28	Turkish	DHV 1-2	RRP £2249	SALE £1686
Apco Salsa M	Red	DHV 1-2	RRP £1999	SALE £1199
Apco Salsa L	Red	DHV 1-2	RRP £1999	SALE £1199
Apco Lambada S	Blue	DHV 2	RRP £2150	SALE £1290
Apco Lambada M	Red	DHV 2	RRP £2150	SALE £1320
Airwave Sport 3 M	Time	DHV 1-2	RRP £2195	SALE £1756
Gin Bolero + L	Rocks	DHV 1	RRP £1899	SALE £1400
Swing Mistral 4 26	Orange	DHV 1-2	RRP £2199	SALE £1759
U-Turn Bodyguard S	Or/Grey	DHV 1	RRP £1750	SALE £1250
U-Turn Infinity II M	Felix	DHV 1-2	RRP £1999	SALE £1550
U-Turn Free-Force 22	Felix	DHV 2	RRP £2199	SALE £1539
U-Turn Free-Force 24	Felix	DHV 2	RRP £2199	SALE £1539
Windtech Kali 24	Gold	DHV 1-2	RRP £2100	SALE £1750

Plus end-of line harnesses etc etc..

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