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Hello again Dear Members

As usual, I am able to report that theres yet another increase in our Membership with a Veritable explosion of Members in the Good Old U. S. This came about as the result of an enquiry I received from Theodore Edward O'Bear, of Newfield, New Jersey. Theo is one Heck of a Bear, for as well as Parachuting, he runs a Kite Society with upwards of 460 Members. Of course in running this Society, he does have the help of his Nutty assistant, one Leonard M. Conover. Theo says that he does have a bit of trouble with Len, due to his delusions of Granduer. The poor chap thinks that he is the President of The Greater Delaware Valley Kite Society, Anyway, Theo says that we must humour him so as to keep the Peace. I know all about this as J.B.'s the same. Theo was enquiring as to what we of the I.B.P.F. /B.M.I.S.S. get up to, and I was able to Relate some of our Exploits etc. Theo admitted that he and his fellows were some way behind us here in Europe, as regards Parachuting Equipment etc, but after I read of some of his exploits and those of his fellows, I can honestly say that No Way are they behind us in tems of Derring Do.

Your Chairbears Letter.



Thanks Fred, Well now, there's a thing. Apart from Two American Members who we knew about it seems that there are vast numbers of Parachuting Fauna, who are alive and well, doing their own thing across the Herring Pond. Actually, this is exactly as we suspected, for no matter how many Registered Members we had, it was obvious that out there, were countless others doing their own Parachuting Thing.

I'll take this opportunity to Welcome those New Members that we are aware of. Firstly, I'd better give GOLDILOCKS a mention as Dropnik PATTEN says she is getting a bit Miffed at being neglected. GOLDIE is a rather swish DOLLY BIRD with the most amazing long Blonde Plaits and also the most amazing pair of long Blonde Legs. A Girl with a mind of her own, she would do better if she occasionally opened her Chute. A Member who joined at Old Warden in October is little LOTJE from Holland. LOTJE is a very small Lady Bear, who certainly seems to have got her Parachuting Act together, and as we saw she has'nt much to learn, Nice one LOTJE. Now we come to our American Members. Along with Theo, we have one WINSTON DASHIEL BEAR, A Lady Bear Named Natasha, a Spaced Out Nutter by the name of Gorgeous George, Garfield, a Parachuting Moggie, Astro Mickey Mouse who sports a very Natty Nylon Jump Suit and an equally Natty Expression of Surprise/Shock/Horror, Waldo Washington Bear (don't they love long names) A Bear of a different feather, DAKS, a real snappy Dresser. Also there is Substantial Bear, who so far has'nt got a Chute, (very novel that, Parachuting without a Chute) Anonymous Parrot, who, we are assured, Jumps with his "PARROT CHUTE" (oh, whaat) Chester Chimp who Monkeys around and Unknown Coyote who jumps with a Brown Paper Bag on his Head ( obviously, what you cannot see, you cannot be afraid of)

As you can see thats quite an increase in our Membership, with more to come.



AH SO! BANZAI BEARS BEGORNAH!

GAMLEY.



Gamley did forget Two other American Members, Aloysius Bear and Baron Von Moogle the Titular head of the Polish Kamikaze Air Force in exile, BVM, says "Imay be Yellow, but I'm no Chicken". Moogle seems to be from the same mould as the Near Legendary Air Commadore PADDY WHACK BEAR, who as you all know is the Leading IRISH KAMIKAZE, rumoured to be shortly setting offon his ThirtySeventh Mission.

Theo Bear did send a nise ?? sorry nice lot of Photos of himself and his friends, we also received from Belgium some good Pics of Two of our members. FOGO and COSMOS, these two have been experimenting with Hang Gliders, andthey certainly seem to be doing the BIZ. Our good friend KOBUS sent a Photo of his Balloon Flight, which unfortunately disappeared into the ever hungry Maw of Dropnik Barkers chaotic filing system and so far it has'nt Surfaced. This is the latest in a long line of similar happenings.

Does any Member get the feeling that the Humes are out to spoil our Fun ? The reason I ask is that recently there has been a spate of Humes trying to get in on the act. For instance Theo says that when giving a Demo sans Chute at the Smithsonian Kite Festival, two Twits from the A.S.P.C.A, suddenly rushed out and caught him in a Blanket, Fireman Style, Just as he was about to use a rather large Lady for a soft Landing. This action really incenced Theo's young Nephew, one BEAUREGARD BEAR (Sorry I did not mention him as a newmember, ED) who is by the way a true Southern Gentleman. Anyway, Beau, screaming about Hoisting up the Stars and Bars and Firing on Fort Sumpter, had to be forcibly restrained, otherwise the two Humes would have been treated to an instant Demo of "YEAHH, WE WHUPPED THAYR ASS " Fhew, those Good Ole Southern Boys, really take their Parachuting seriously.

Seen at Old Warden, Some of our Dutch Friends ascending the Kite Line by means of a device similar to a scaled up Gunther Ferry. Precise details are not to Paw but it should not be too difficult for your Dropnik to construct something similar. As we saw, until the Wind really got up, the device did'nt perform too well.

**SPORTING SAM . . . . . by Reg Wootton**



SEE, THE HUMES ARE TRYING TO GET IN ON OUR ACT.

To those members who have them, this piece must seem to be rather elementary. 'THEM' are Safety Helmets. We have no hard and fast Rules where Helmets are concerned, Members should use their own discretion.

Some Drproniks seem to be uncertain as to what most Helmets are made from, to which we can only answer, BALLS, No, dont get us wrong, we're not being rude,

these are the best things to make Crash Hats from, for a made to Measure Fit. Childrens Play Balls are very easily converted into 'TITFERS' ( Titfertat= Hat, for overseas Fauna)

**THERMO PLASTIC BALL WILL SHRINK WHEN PUNCTURED AT VALVE**

**WONT FIT**

**Suspension Strap slots, holed to stop plastic running**

**Guestimate ear slot position.**

**WHO'S A RIGHT POSER THEN**

**REMEMBER..... Remove small amounts of plastic at a time Needs lots of Trial Fitting which will make Bears Eyes Water. Most Balls are Decorated, for Plain Helmet, Turn inside out. You can Decorate Helmet with Felt Tips, Warning this takes weeks to Dry, I kid you not.**

Select Ball, slightly larger than Head as they Shrink when Punctured. **Cut away shaded parts**

**A's** **B's**

**Knicker Elastic** **Goggles via T.V.**

**Chin strap with** **Co-ax, Sewn & Taped**

**Double Eyelets. 'A' Eyelets First.** **Balls are Decorated, for Plain**

**Then 'B' Eyelets are forced over 'A's** **Helmet, Turn inside out. You can**

**with Eyelet Fliers, works a Treat.** **Decorate Helmet with Felt Tips, Warning**

**this takes weeks to Dry, I kid you not.**

O.K. Members, I think that nearly all Dropniks can Pick the Bones out of that lot, if not, they must be right Nutters, Remember, EARS will be worn AKIMBO, or out, only WALLIES wear them in and no IBPF/BMISS Member is a WALLY. Alright, Nuff Said.