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Setting up on a good day at Mission

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The Editor s Turn

Here it is: the long-awaited Many Forms Issue of the *Flight Line*. Membership Renewal! Keyholder Applications! It's almost like working for a government bureaucracy! What fun! On the other hand, being a Keyholder is pretty cool. And it would be a shame to miss a good prefrontal day at Ed Levin. And this paperwork is pretty trivial: it's not like these are tax forms or anything. So please fill 'em out and send 'em in so we can go back to running for-real articles about flying.

Speaking of which... has any flying been happening? We've had a few pre-frontal days that didn't quite turn on. And a few of us snuck off to Dunlap over New Year. It was fun. Steve Koski's done a great job of getting Dunlap back together again, and it's always a great place to fly. But I must admit that these particular flights were... short.

Has anyone managed to get any serious airtime. Trips to Mexico? Trips to Quest Air or Wallaby Ranch for aerotowing over the Chad State? Send in your story to the *Y2K Flight Line Hang Writing Contest* and you may win a Valuable Prize!

Speaking of chad, we have elections for **WOR Club Officers** coming up this month. We also have a new meeting place: the Summit Point Golf Club in Milpitas. See you there!

[*Editor's Note: Notice that I have FINALLY spelled Mark's name right this issue.*]

New Meeting Location

by Mark Mulholland

We have a new meeting place: the *Summit Point Golf Club* in Milpitas. They are overlooking Ed

Levin, with a really nice view. They have a large room, plenty to eat and drink, and also a large-screen TV. Thanks to Mark Grubbs for finding us a new meeting location. I'm pretty excited about getting such a nice new home for the **WOR** meetings. Let's spread the word. Thanks!

Cabin Fever

by Eric Carlson

If I had my own freezer I surely would have shot it full of holes by now. I think the Hang 3 designation is a cruel joke created by the divine entity for his or her own amusement. After having completed a full flying season as a Hang 3, the benefits reaped by my more refined abilities are fresh enough in my mind to negatively affecting my mental health. Mainly because it has been 8 weeks now since I have gotten more than ten feet between the bottom of my feet and the ground.

Therefore, I suffer.

I looked in the mirror the other day and noticed my eyes were dark and hollow like the walk down to some lonely forgotten launch ramp high in the Sierras. I think migratory waterfowl have the right idea. They grab their mate and head south riding the low pressure in search of more favorable conditions. I wonder, if hang glider pilots chose to do the same if they would let us overnight in the refuges? Would they then have to put a limit on us?

The holiday gatherings are no help either. Sitting in an house overheated for the old folks, wearing fashions that came out the year before I started spending money on hang gliding equipment, listening to my aunt extol the benefits of matrimony and parenthood. God help me! I see the tips of my neighbors redwoods lean towards the ocean 40 miles away. Just

beyond the trees I see an elevated structure. Ah, a slide facing east. It's little Jimmy's playground set next door. Sort of a small set up area though. I hear my mother in the living room complaining about nearing retirement... still grandchildless.

I head towards the pantry looking for something swift and silent to ease my pain. I find some non-alcoholic beer and two large bags of marshmallows from the summer of 92'. The puffs of white remind me of elevated structures in the summer sky. An unorthodox idea pops into my head. I find my brother who understands but reluctantly supports my need to complete my self-therapy. As I am leaving to show Jimmy the back of my **USHGA** card, I smirk unapologetically.

My mother will have to explain the leaning tower of white marshmallows stuck securely into the flower arrangement. It is adorned with a desiccated moth from the overlooked windowsill, toothpicked flat to the side of the towering column of sugar and appearing to ascend effortlessly towards the chandelier. If there were enough marshmallows she'd have a 'marshmallow street' going through the kitchen!

Happy New Year everybody. See you for sure in the spring.

December Meeting Minutes

by Carmela Moreno

NEW MEMBERS/GUESTS

9 pilot attended the last meeting of 2000

GREAT FLIGHTS - None

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Mark Mulholland [*Hey! Check it out! I spelled his name right! Ed*]

Mark will not run for office again next year. Even though his name was spelled correctly in this issue of the *Flight Line*.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT - None

TREASURER'S REPORT - Don Jones

Site insurance due for **USHGA**

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR'S REPORT -- Carmela Moreno

We have 609 members for 2000. 116 have renewed for 2001, 22 of them through our on-line service. Renew before missing an awesome pre-frontal day at Ed Levin.

FLIGHT DIRECTOR'S REPORT- Russ Locke

There was a PG pilot launch at Mt Diablo when the LZ was partial covered in fog. By the time he got to the LZ it was no longer visible. Some serious injuries occurred.

Also at Mt Diablo the rangers again are warning us to *slow down!* Obey the speed limit.

There is no parking at Juniper campground. There is some parking on the road but do not park at the campground unless you pay for camping.

ED LEVIN SITE COMMITTEE REPORT -Steve Pittman

George Skillman and Steve did some work on the culvert to the 600ft Hill. If anyone goes up, *please check the culvert and report to Steve Pittman on its condition!*

MISSION PEAK SITE COMMITTEE REPORT - Steve Rodrigues

Key allocation is coming. Check the newsletter and/or on-line for the application. Applicants no

longer need to copy **USHGA** and **WOR** member card, but they must have it handy at the time the key is being allocated.

MT DIABLO SITE COMMITTEE REPORT - None

NEWSLETTER REPORT- None

COMPETITION COMMITTEE REPORT - None

OLD BUSINESS

Observers and examiners need to get info to our Region 2 director if they want to stay current.

The Omega Restuarant is making progress. It was intended to hold the next month meeting will be held at the Round Table in Sunnyvale [*But the meeting location has been changed! See the announcement in this issue!*]

NEW BUSINESS

A fly-in will be held the 1st week in May a fly-in to raise money for porta-potties at McClellen in Nevada. Rose Carter to run it. More info later. The fly-in to be will be called, appropriately enough, *Shit Happens*.

Nomination are being taken for **WOR** Club Officers for 2001. Elections will be held in January. Current nominations are:

President-John Wilde
Vice President-Don Herrick and Roy Spencer
Treasurer-Don Jones
Membership Director - Carmela Moreno
Flight director-Mike Vorhis
Secretary-Paul Clayton, assuming that he accepted.

Entertainment provided by Mark Mullholland who Mark bought a video of "GOOD STUFF" about skydiving

END OF MEETING MINUTES

Year 2001 Mission Ridge Key Re-Allocation!

It is time for the annual Mission Ridge key reallocation. Advanced rated pilots who are interested in becoming Keyholders and current Keyholders who wish to maintain their Keyholder status must submit an application package. This package consists of a completed application form, and proof of current vehicle insurance. The application and site procedures may also be found on the WOR web site.

****ATTENTION!** The vehicle insurance form must show a minimum limit of \$500,000.00 Liability/Bodily Injury/ per incident.

Application deadline is March 6, 2001.

Non-renewing Keyholders should notify the site committee chairman of their intentions so as to expedite key re-allocation, and refund of their key deposit.

Decision Criteria for Key Allocation:

1. 4WD vehicle with rack capacity for at least 4 Hang Gliders, and room for 5 persons.
*The rack system must pass inspection by the site committee.
2. Current vehicle insurance, Minimum limit of \$500,000.00 Liability/Bodily Injury.
3. Fire abatement equipment, i.e.: shovel and/or fire extinguisher (5 lb. Minimum).
4. USHGA and WOR member in good standing throughout keyholder tenure.
5. Good record of contribution through work parties and/or site/club administration.
6. Frequent site usage during preceding year.
7. Good record of giving rides to launch.

The key swap will occur at 7:00 PM, just before the March 20th WOR meeting. Selected applicants will be notified prior to the meeting. Bring a \$20 key deposit, or your old key if applicable. Failure to return your old key will require another \$20. The locks will be changed that evening.

If you have any questions, please contact Mission Ridge site committee chairman Steve Rodrigues H-(831) 476-2227 before 9:30 PM please, or email missionchair@wingsofrogallo.org

The Year 2001 Mission Ridge site committee members are;
Steve Rodrigues, Chairman
Pat Denevan
Mark Grubbs
Jody Lucas
Frank Peel
Michel Rege

2001 Mission Ridge Keyholder Application

Name _____

Address _____

Phone H) _____ W) _____

*Keyholder phone contact list to be published in Flight Line newsletter.

E-mail Address _____

WOR Membership # _____ Exp. Date _____

USHGA # _____ Exp. date _____

Vehicle Year / Make / Model: _____ / _____ / _____

Vehicle color: _____

Vehicle License # _____

Vehicle capacity: # of Hang Gliders: _____ , # of passengers: _____

Fire abatement equipment (circle one): Shovel / Extinguisher / Both

Site usage (circle one): Midweek / Weekend / Both

Application must include proof of current vehicle insurance, showing minimum of \$500,000.00

Liability/Bodily Injury/per incident.

*Note; While current membership is required in both USHGA and WOR, copies of cards are no longer required with Keyholder application.

I am applying for a key to Mission Ridge. I understand the gravity and responsibility inherent in receiving Keyholder privileges. I understand and will comply with the Mission Ridge Site Procedures and Regulations. I will maintain the required vehicle insurance and memberships in both USHGA and WOR during my entire tenure as Keyholder. I will comply with all requirements and rulings deemed necessary by the site committee. I understand that I may be subject to the loss of key and/or flying privileges, or other punitive measures, if so deemed by the Site Committee.

Applicant signature _____ Date _____

COMPLETE APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 6, 2001

Return completed applications to: Steve Rodrigues
3013 Arlington Drive
Aptos, CA 95003-3165

Please do not write below this line. Site Committee use only

USHGA Advanced	_____	Vehicle ins./\$ amt.	_____	
WOR member	_____	Vehicle rack/capacity	_____	
Site fees	_____	Key deposit	_____	
Fire abate equip.	_____	Old key returned	_____	
Site contribution	_____	New key issued	_____	Checked by _____

Place USHGA Hang Gliding Card or temporary rating here and photocopy.

Keep Original for your records

Place USHGA Paragliding Card or temporary rating here and photocopy.

Keep Original for your records

New Members - Please complete the Application in full.

All Others – Enter only information that has changed or is different than USHGA card.

Mail to:
Wings of Rogallo
PO Box 361885
Milpitas, CA 95036-1885

First Name: _____ Last Name _____ Middle Initial: _____

Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Home Tel # : (_____) _____ Work Tel # (_____) _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Tel # (_____) _____

Birthdate: _____ Profession: _____

USHGA Appointments: _____ Today's Date: _____

Optional:

Email address: _____ HAM call sign: _____

Dues and Fees (based upon a calendar year)

WOR Renewal (If a member during the last 2 years) \$18.00 _____

If Not a member during the last 2 years - _____ months at 1.50/month _____

Family Membership (Family members WOR#) _____ \$6.00 _____

Mission/Diablo Renewal (If Mission/Diablo rated in the last 2 years) \$12.00 _____

If Not a member during the last 2 years - _____ months at 1.50/month _____

Donation for cards and stickers: \$2.00 _____ \$3.00 _____ \$5.00 _____ Other _____

Would you like to receive WOR newsletter by mail? Yes _____ No, I'll download a copy _____ **Total:** _____

Check ONLY if sticker(s) required (year stickers are issued automatically)

Hang Gliding

Paragliding

Other

_____ Hang 1 (green)

_____ Para 1 (green)

_____ WOR ID

_____ Hang 2 (red)

_____ Para 2 (red)

Note: Your WOR ID# will change
If a new ID Sticker is issued.

_____ Hang 3/4 (blue)

_____ Para 3/4 (blue)

_____ Mission / Diablo (Silver)

_____ Mission / Diablo (Silver)

Reason for sticker(s) _____

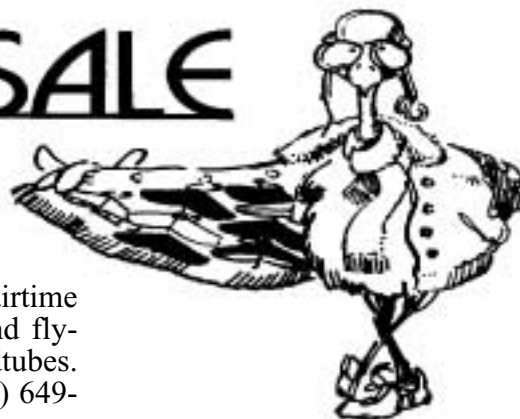
(ie. new member, new helmet, sticker wore off, .etc.)

Important – The following should accompany this Application:

1. **Photocopies** – USHGA card (s) and/or temporary ratings.
2. **Waivers If not already on file** – Ed Levin Park and/or Diablo (legible, signed and properly witnessed)
3. **Self Addressed stamped envelope** (helps to speed up the process)

Note: Application not filled out properly will be returned. All pilots are required to have a proficiency sticker **BEFORE** flying.

WINGS FOR SALE



Wings for Sale

(Ad policy: ads run for 6 months, then are cancelled automatically unless they are renewed. Ads are free to WOR members)

Rigid Wings

Millennium, lots of upgrades, good condition, excellent performance and handling. The best rigid wing for the stick pilot. Photo at: <http://www.sirius.com/~mlbco/mill2.jpg>, \$7000 obo, Call Rick Cavallo at (650) 961-5735, rickcav@earthlink.net

Flexwings

Aeros Stealth 2 151 (Fresno area) Excellent shape. Has only been flown inland. A little over 1 year old. Very fast and handles excellent. Note: This is an advanced hang glider. Check out the pictures at: <http://www.geocities.com/skygodmatt/stealth.html>. \$3000 obo. Call Matt Potter (559) 243-1831

Aeros Stealth 2 12m (Seattle area) purple with bright yellow wing tip,. Need to sell to pay for my new Stealth 3! This little glider is FAST - took first place in three speed gliding qualifier meets, and was part of the US Women's Bronze Medal Team in Greece. Less than 25 hours. \$3200 obo. Call C.J. Sturtevant, (425)-888-3856, georges@nwlink.com

Aeros Stealth 2 151 (late 1998), matrix cloth, climbs great, very fast, billboard glider, white LE, red and blue undersurface, must sell (ordered new Stealth). Comes with additional sail and 2 extra dtubes. \$2900 obo. Call Reto at (916) 804-4063, reto_s@yahoo.com

HP-AT 145. Approx 150 hours (or less). Good condition. Orange-

light green-white. 6 hours airtime since last super pre-flight and flying wire change. Spare dtubes. \$800 obo. Call Weegie (510) 649-8181, weegie@lightroom.com

HP-AT 158. Orange/Red, Approximately 400 hours airtime. \$800. Call Steve at (415) 385-0423, swerthei@us.oracle.com.

HP AT 158. Great shape, new side wires, spare dtubes. Photo <http://www.sirius.com/~mlbco/class.htm> \$1000. Contact Rick at rickcav@earthlink.net, (650) 961-7825 ext 345.

HP-2. Blue/Turquoise, Good condition, Approximately 300 hours airtime. \$400. Call Steve at (415) 385-0423, swerthei@us.oracle.com

Moyes XS 169 Good condition. Blue and yellow under surface. \$550 Call Bruno (925) 837-4261, Brunoj@worldnet.att.net

Moyes XtraLite 164. Mylar sail. Good condition. Blue and yellow undersurface. \$1,150. Call Bruno, (925) 837-4261, Brunoj@worldnet.att.net

Wills Wing Spectrum 165. Excellent condition Includes UV bag, ladder rack, straps, etc. Great beginner/intermediate glider. \$2250, Call Roger at (408) 882-0382 (w) (408) 224-1815 (h) rohang3@aol-com

Wills Wing Supersport 163. Major price reduction worth \$2,200 plus only want \$1700 original owner Excellent shape Lots of life left in it. Many extras Call Tom (408)747-0414.

Paragliders

FreeX Spear (L), violet/white. Approx. 150 hours. Still covered by FreeX 300 hours guarantee. One of the most responsive DHV 2 gliders around. \$900 obo. Call Steve Thorpe (408) 435 2600 ext. 506 (w), (408) 260 7029 (h), thorpes@arklogic.com

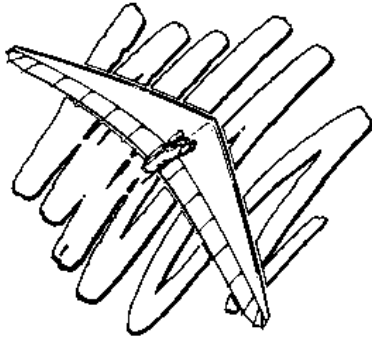
Equipment

Apco Top Secura Harness with kevlar backplate and CO2 air-bag protection. \$200 obo. Call Steve Thorpe (408) 435 2600 ext. 506 (w), (408) 260 7029 (h), thorpes@arklogic.com

CG 1000 harness for 5' 5" - 5' 8", \$200. **22-gore High Energy reserve**, bridles for both hang and paragliding, \$200. Call (510) 787-6867 Cage2usa@aol.com

Tangent flight computer, \$500, Call Reto at (916) 804-4063, reto_s@yahoo.com

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The next Wings of Rogallo Meeting will be held
Tuesday, January 16.
at the Summit Point Golf Club in Milpitas near Ed Levin Park
Check the Wings of Rogallo WWW Page
<http://www.wingsofrogallo.org/meetings.html>
for details and directions.