

Soddin' 'ell, if our Masthead preamble gets any longer... As you can see, we thought was about time our Female Fauna got top billing, along with the Males, after all, anything we can do they can just as well, if not better, with the added bonus that they can give the average Dropnik G.B.H. of the ear 'oles on the way down. The other thing you may have noticed is that we now aknowledge Parachuting Flora, Not that we've ever really excluded them, after all if anyone wants to stick a Chute on a Metricated bag of Spuds, thats fine by us.

No, the reason that we have included mention of Para Flora of a Soft Cuddley Toy persuasion is an enquiry we have had from Martin (Odd Socks) Lester, the man whose Sky Legs have Sky Danced their way into a million Hearts, as to wether or not a soft cuddley Kiwi Fruit, complete with Arms and Legs, that he owns is elligible for BMISS membership or not.

No probs Martin , come one come all(we wont Grass you up about your secret desire to be a Dropnik, you've finally seen the Light) All you have to remember is the immortal words of Theodore Edward O'Bear. "Stick a Chute on the Mother and watch the Sucker Fly"

Tunnel Vision? Yep, its a fact, along with a proliferation of Ponytails, theres also a marked increase in Po Faced Kiters Tunnel Vision. As with most of these afflictions Tunnel Vision was predicted by that erstwhile Kite Sage, Old Tom in his Monumental Tome "Rustic Kite Kraft", wotcha mean you aint got a copy. In the chapter entitled "Kiting ailments and Remedies, its there for all to see. "Arrr Oyyy, Whaan Micklemaas draw Noyy, then Po Faced doth Floy, be waarned. For they see no woyder thaan a Wingspaan, 'an that aint a lart, boy, if yew arr troying to retreeve hay Farna downwind". Old Toms remedy for Tunnel Vision involves a Red Hot Poker and lots of Eye Watering, a full description of method you can read for yourselves in Old Toms book.

Titanic teddies all shipshape

The sinking of the Titanic was no picnic but one teddy bear managed to get himself into the history books by being the only bear to survive

A special replica bear has been made by the Ironbridge toy firm, Merrythought, to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the shipwreck on April 12.

Mr Oliver Holmes, proprietor of the company, said:
"The original teddy is now in the Ribchester Museum

of Childhood, Lancashire.
"But we have decided to
make a limited edition of
5,000 special Titanic teddy

bears.

"The original bear was found sticking out of the pocket of restaurant manager Gaspare Luigi Gatti, who drowned when the liner sank on her maiden voyage but the bear was rescued and returned to his widow.

"He was the only bear recovered from the water and we have closely modelled our bears on him," he said.

Mr Holmes said the new bears will carry a White Star Line ticket pinned to their chests and would be similar to the original in many ways. O.K., Yeah, we know what you're thinking,
"Be kind to Stunters Year" did'nt last long.
no being unkind to you know who, could'nt
be further fom our minds, its just that
along with other Kiting ailments, such as
Flush Alopecia, which is caused by a blow
to the head from a Totalling Fauna, Tunnel
Vision, Stunters for the suffering of, must
be publicised.

The Piece about the Titanic Bears was supplied by Dropnik Slater who pinched it from the Shropshire Star. Cant see no mention of Parachutes, but we include it for

what its worth. Dropnik Slater says that for the Original Bear, it must have been a Bummer having a Pic-nic on an Iceberg (Numb Bum?) its also obvious that when the Shipwent down, they did'nt shout "Women and Bears First.

Owd Lad, the BMISS chief Correspondant from "OOP NORTH" suggests a modification for BMISS/ TBSFFF/Stunters, Joint code of Conduct. Dont do Totals on their heads whilst they are Practising, it could ruin their concentration. Wait for the Competition to take place.

Hello, Capstone Park Ron (an R.C, freind) who says we cant give you, Doodle Bugs, a 90ft Dene Hole, a Heat Wave with little Wind and a nice little Kite Fest a mention, nuff said ???????

We were going to tell you about a Pelatively new BMISS Branch who are based in the Hayes area. that is we still are, but with a quick name change, we'll now have to get used to "The Mini Skydivers" They were originally known as the "Mini Suicide Squad ", but after an altercation at Weynouth, when a Six Year old told Dropnik Don Newing in no uncertain terms that he would not let Don drop his Teddybear as the bear was nt into Suicide, Don decided that discretion was the part of valour, hence we now have "The Mini Skydivers" So its a big Hello Baba, Dwaine (sic) Clive, Rolly, C. J., Clara and Edd and lots

more after recent Boot sales. Hey Don, how many did you drop at Capstone? 300 odd, no won-

der you had a sweat on.

Further to an Calleren in Need report in last R.C. Dropnik Adams tells us that the Plaudits for raising all that Dosh, should go to Dropniks Les Taylor and Pete Hill. Glad to put the record straight Guys, and well done for all your effort.

It would appear that new H.Q. mob member Baron (Ha) Mauser is no more an Aristo than Be s a Fleb, like the rest of us. His real name is Rheinmetall Borsig, but he Baron Mauser was Posher. wot a Poser. Whilst we're on about names, we can some more about how H,Q. mob member "Walla, Walla, Cats Meat"got his name. This Bear was made from a Minicraft Sew Yourself Kit. This poor bear looks as if he was sewn together with a 71b Lump Hammer and a Brick Bolster, so you instantly know who

was responsible, yep the BOF strikes again. Some unkind Soul, on seeing this bear for the first time said Gordon Bennett, that looks like something the Cat dragged in, Cats Meat? Hence the name "Walla, Walla Cats Meat, Eat Brown Bread, Ever seen a Donkey Drop Down Dead...." 'kin Ada.

2,000tt plunge miracle A TRAINEE skydiver whose chutes failed to open escaped

death yesterday when he landed in the sea. Navy seaman Joe Dutton, 26, suffered only minor back injuries after plunging 2,000ft into Jervis Bay, on the coast south of Sydney, Australia.

Below, is a letter from one of our members who, up until the Swindon Fest, did'nt have a name (he don't 'arf Type good) What the letter does nt tell you is the funny part of it. When Dropnik Billings dropped the Bear, he thought that he had dropped him into some long Grass, so Steve spent the best part of an hour Thrashing around in said Grass whilst anyway read the letter. "The Tale of a Twig"

ON SUNDAY 10 MAY I WENT WITH MY OWNER STEPHEN (DROPNIK) BILLINGS TO THE SWINDON KITE FESTIVAL.

STEPHEN SAID IT WAS OKAY FOR ME TO MAKE MY SECOND PARACHUTE JUMP!!

OFF I WENT.....UP......AND FINALLY AWAY..... STRAIGHT INTO A TREE!!!!!!

THERE I STAYED, AND SAW MOST OF THE FESTIVAL FROM A VERY GOOD VANTAGE POINT.

LOTS OF OTHER BEARS WERE PARACHUTING ABOUT, BUT NONE WERE SEEING THE FESTIVAL AS GOOD AS ME.

AT LAST SOMEONE GOT ME DOWN AND STEPHEN COLLECTED ME FROM THE 'PA' VAN.

WHEN SOMEONE ASKED MY NAME (THE B.O.F) SAID .. "TWIG" ... WELL WHAT ELSE WOULD YOU CALL A BEAR WHO WAS ALMOST PART

HORROR NO LIFE JACKET LET ALONE A PARACHUTE LIFE ON THE OCEAN WAVES, SODDIT, I SHOULD HAVEJOINED

The Brain Dead B.O.F. cant remember who supplied the Sailor Bear Pic, wot a Wally.....

We have had another missive from Lord Colin of Checkley, aka Howling Mad, From his letter it would appear that the Medieval Combat Sciety wer nt offering out the BMISS, its just that the BOF as usual had got the wrong end of the stick. Lord Clin goes on to tell us of a Paddington Bear charity collecting box which he and his mob had placed outside a local Hostelry, being stolen by some Low Life Tow Rags. However the Medieval Combat Society soon replaced it with a Custom Armoured Knight made by Lord Colin . Lets hope that this box is'nt lifted. Lord colin also asks if we would give a mention to Coggers, a suasion. Apart from being an Pink Dragon of a soft cuddley per -For this goes Paragliding with Lord Erstwhile Alcoholic, Coggers also Chute / Pack Para-Colin, but we're not too sure if he also does Combination this chuting as well. By the timeyou read a Fauna/Flora Gear, Combat Lord Colin, his Kites, Para Fauna, of approx their Girlfreind and as much Dosh as they can lay 80z/ 250gms South of hands on will have departed for the will give a Spain, being fed up to the back Teeth with nice descent his Chainmail going Rusty, and also speed. lighter Browned off with Kiting in the Winter, F/F will give and so he says, of Kiting in our Summlots of drift er, when the Rain is just a touch warmer. so be prepared Cor' wot a Softie , anyway, heres a for a chase. Pic of Lord 1 cm Colin in his Piece of Medieval washup liquid Getup, combottle goes plete with here. Three Sword, with Eyelet are which he Fixed at X would with zinch/ like to 12mm loop of OFF Smite line at A those 51 Tow Gore sizes given CM Rags include 1cm hem all round Chute needs What, you may ask is that peculiar 14 shroud Black Line wandering around this page CHUTE lines 90 cm for ? Lots of Dropniks (well, a couple) or 36 inches have asked the BOF about his Parachute long approx. Packs. Actually when the silly old Sod stops mucking about etc, he does knock As with everyap a pretty decent line in Packs. thing BMISS Right, wot you have here is a full size use lots of Half Pattern for a Pack suitable for a 14 Gore MkI Eyeball 20 Inch/ 0.5 metre Parachute. The size of this Pack combined with Engineering a chute made from Unproofed Ripstop leads to a very tightly stuffed Pack which literally Explodes when the Pin is pulled .. The Pattern should be transferred to thick Cardboard or Mardboard € 0.5M for Hotcutting . The pack is made as follows . First a piece of Ripstop large enough to contain the Pattern is placed on your cutting Surface APPROX (Plate Glass is best) on top of this place a piece of Heavy Gauge i.e. if it Polythene (or Two average Carrier Bags) then on top of the Polythene place another piece of Ripstop. Finally place Pattern on top of the looks right Sandwich, with a heavyish weight to hold it down as the Sandwich dont then it probarf Skid about. Hotcut with a Soldering Iron , taking your time as you ably is right The bottom line have quite a lot to cut and weld . The resultant Pack can be stitched around the edge and stiffened in the centre with a piece of the trusty is, Fly Kites, Drop Fauna old wash up liquid bottle. Unproofed Ripstop not available in your Have FUN. Locality ? not to worry, use Proofed or whatever is available. Make the Chute first, then increase size of pattern via paper and sticky tape until you get a good fit, you will need only a minimal size increase. Your News, Views, in fact any old Rubbish however vaguely Para Flora and Fauna to the Boring Old Fart at the Teddytorial, 48. Laurel Lane, West Drayton, Middx, UB7.7TY. U.K.