

The Journal of the Bearly Made It Skydive Squad. The Brother and Sisterhood of Parachuting Fauna and the U.K. Ted Devils.Politically incorrect, made of Carbon and only Green when we're Chundering over the Ships Rail on a Booze Cruise, Hic!

This Bear is Buzz ightyears ahead

HOLY COW! IZZIT A BOID? IZZIT A PLANE? NOPE, Its alledged to be

Of course the ve you beliare convinced Grizzly Mishap Plaster Cast Tot-Brain Dead Furry

the well known ing, Steel Plate in Barsteward, who is convi-

even after Stiffing himself some 397 times on the trot in descents from Kites, Yes, its patently obvious that the silly sod cannot fly, But hey, who knows maybe at last he's had a result. Perhaps all that Bucket kicking due to his almost pathologic refusal to use a Parachute has paid dividends.

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loonytoon named Yves Rossy, doing his own boid-

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What we saw on the goggle box looked pretty good, the outer wing sections unfolded, the four model aircraft engines fired up, lots of whizzy manouvers, including a couple of barrel rolls, it really was flying. We've always thought that G.M. was away with the Fairies and even poor Ernie Fosselius, G.M's erstwhile Dropnik was of the opinion that he was permanently out to lunch, but who knows maybe them fairies have imparted some serious advice along the lines of, Ditch them bleeding Bat Wings, get thee hence to a higher degree of Tech, namely four jet engines and a soopa doopa wing and the jobs a good 'un.

The more cynical among you may ask how come a bashed up furry wotsit can afford them jet engines and a hi-tech wing, they dont come cheap. Ah, aint you heard of appearence

money? All them Kite Fest organisere cheerfully whack out One and Eightpence a time to see the sillyold sod marmalise himself, and them One and Eightpences soon add up, Oh yes, Grizzly Mishap certainly drives a hard bargain for putting on a show. Hmm 1/8d, thats about 7p, maybe 12 cents in U.S. funds. Sodding Hell, life in the fast lane.

IN HIS WOODSHED) ANOTHER Funny enough, considering wossisnames aversion to using a Parachute, which has made every previous landing the Crash, Bang, Wallop sort, we never actually saw him make a landing. We are reliably informed that he did make a good landing, probably along the lines of anything you walk away from is good and we dont think that there is any additions to the plaster cast/steel plate in skull collection, so we wonder was the landing a sort of BSA jobby , where rapid deployment of a fire extiguisher or possibly even a hose pipe directed at them thar nether regions really saved the day and put a smile back on the face of Grizzly Mishap.....

You Rang??? BSA? Bloody Sore Arse, Yoo Wot



NOT SO LONG AGO IT WAS QUITE SOMETHING TO HAVE TEDDIES AND OTHER ASSORTED FAUNA OF A SOFT CUDDLY TOY PERSUASION DO-ING DROPS IN AID OF VARIOUS CHARITIES FROM THE TOWER OF LOCAL PARISH CHURCHES.

That now appears to be Old Hat and the charity drops are going upmarket. Don Bagget sent word of a recent session in aid of Salisbury Distric Hospitals childrens ward which involved the furry wotsits shouting Geronimo from a platform on the front of Salisbury Cathedral. High church or what?

Actually each fauna has a for free jump, but each was expected to have £10 worth of sponsorship. No news of how much was raised, but we hope it was a few squids. If utilising the venerable fabric of the Cathedral was a first, hows about

Out of the heavens, the skydiving Archbishop

having the Mayor and Mayoress of Salisbury, Kevin & Jan Cardy no less, doing a promo for the event, cannot get much more up market than that.

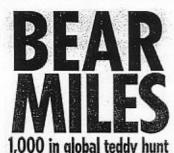
AND HOT ON THE HEELS OF THAT EC-

CLESISIASTICALLY FLAVOURED CHARITY BASH, HOWS ABOUT THE ARCHBISHOP OF YORK DOING A TANDEM JUMP IN AID OF ANOTHER CHARITY?

You've got to hand it to the Archbishop John Sentamu, he's a bit of a game geezer. Famous amother things for cutting up his dog collar on Prime Time T.V. in protest against the Zimbabwean Tyrant, having his hair shaved off and camping out in a tent in York Minster. The Archbish aint in the usual mould of priests and thats a



fact. Dr Sentamu jumped in tandem with Lance Corporal Lee Read of the Red Devils from a height of 13,000 ft. They free fell for abut a minute before landing safely at Langar Airfield, Notts. The Archbish said it was an amazing experience, very exhilerating, but confessed that he was doing some heavy duty praying during the descent. His jump was expected to raise about £75,000 for the Afghan Trust which helps the families of soldiers killed or wounded in the conflict.





OPERATION BEAR NECESSITY INVOLVED AN ESTIMATED 1,000 PEOPLE AND LASTED 44 DAYS AND TOOK IN A JOURNEY OF ABOUT 3,000 MILES, BUT HEY WHO CARES IF THE END RESULT MEANS A YOUNG GIRL IS REUNITED WITH HER TEDDY BEAR.....

Young Jaimee Armstrong arrived home from a holiday in Spain only to discover that she had left her Bosom Buddy Orange Ted at Gerona Airport. Her Mum contacted the airport and yes the Ted had been handed in, but would have to be collected in person. Their travel agent sent out an S.O.S. to a 1,000 colleagues across the the globe to see if anyone was going to Gerona. there was, and Ted was picked up and taken on a two week driving holiday in Spain and France. Orange Ted was then handed over to another travel rep whose visitng parents flew back to North Yorkshire where finally they posted Orange Ted the 200 odd miles back to Jaimee in Burnham on Sea in Somerset. Wow that was some trip. Jaimee's Mum said that O.T. was a scruff, with only one eye, but meant the world to Jaimee.

YEA VERILY, THE FICKLE FINGER OF FATE POINTETH AND PUTS THE MOCKERS ON ANOTHER NOT SO WELL LAID PLAN, SO ONCE AGAIN ITS BACK TO THE DRAWING BOARD.

Once upon atime the Silly Season was always in August. nowadays it seems as if the Silly Season can occur at any time of the year. Case in point is what happened recently in Canada where an attempt on the World Record Highest Parachute Descent had actually got as far as Balloon inflation.

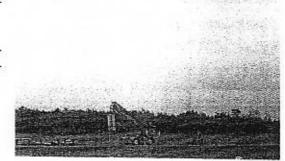
In recent issues we have made mention of the proposed Tourist Daredevil trips into space where the worst case scenario would involve an emergency jump thereby breaking the record and we also made mention of a British Proposal to just go for the record via a hoist with a Helium Balloon which would involve the longest freefall, the highest terminal speed and many other mindboggling crazy phenomema.

Whilst all the wishful thinking capers were being floated, it would appear that a Frenchman Michel Fournier had been planning for the last 20 year or more to do for real what others had been dreaming about. Over this period he estimated that it had cost him, wait for it, £10,000,000, holy cow.

Be that as it may, he had made attempts before in2002 and 2003 but had been defeated when the wind ripped his fragile Balloon to bits.

Balloon rises ... pilot deflated

This time everything at the North Battleford site in Saskatchewan was looking good. The pressure capsule was ready as was the pilot, all that remained was to fill the £100,000 high tech Balloon canopy with Helium. this was proceeding when all of a sudden the Balloon broke free and did a proverbial runner. Oh dear, How sad, Never Mind. The remains of the Balloon were found some 20 odd miles away but was beyond repair. Perhaps its just as well that it all went a bit pearshaped, floating up to a height of about 25 miles before jumping and enduring a 15 min freefall in a spacesuit at a laughingly estimated terminal speed of 1,500 mph(yoo wot) is pushing your luck just a bit, even if you are French.



IT'S GERONIMOAK!

FOR A LOT OF OUR MEMBERS THIS IS WELL ALONG THE LINES OF BEEN THERE, SEEN IT, DONE IT, WORN THE OLD HAT AND GOT THE TEESHIRT....

A Student who took up Skydiving to beat her fear of heights went Arboreal on her firstsolo jump when she landed in a tree after being blown away from her intended D.Z. Natalie G.... jumped from a height of 3,500 ft, but ended up being entangled in the branches of an oak tree some 60ft above the ground.

She was stuck up the tree for 90 minutes until two fire crews got her down by ladder near Cark airfield in Cumbria. Liverpool University student Natalie of Ormskirk Lancs said that the parachute jump was O.K. but being stuck up the tree was a bit scary, and what frightened her the most was hearing the fire engines and thinking, oh boy are they going to be mad at me. Has the tree caper put her off Parachuting? No said Natalie, now, I've really got the taste for it now.....

The cuteness stops at age four

FOREMOST AMONG URSINE CHARACTERISTICS ARE SOLITARINESS, WRATHFULNESS AND PARANOIA. IT IS NOT FOR NOTHING THAT THE RUSSIAN NATION HAS LONG BEEN DEPICTED THUS, MAMA MIA!

However, according to Bears; a Brief History, by Bernd Brunner, Yale University Press, the Bear is the most fundamentally unknowable of all the wild creatures of the earth. Even more so when they discover Kites, Parachutes and Beer. All jokes aside are Bears anything to be frightened of? Well yes, and its not surprising really when you consider what humans over the years have done to Bearkind. A Bear will happily pursue you and rip your guts out

> THESE ARE A RIGHT

BARSTEWARD

WHERES THE BEER AND GIZUB :

KITES, CHUTES

NO BEER

SOP THAT

OF TIN

AND POT NOODLES

PAW WHEEL DRIVE

most thoroughly, so on the whole its best to admire them from a great distance, and the Po-Faced Kiters will surely drink to that.

> America puts polar bears on danger list

WELL, WADDYA KNOW. THE UNITED STATES HAS PUT POLAR BEARS ON THE THREATENED SPECIES LIST. Not before time you might say after scientists warned th-

at two thirds of the 25,000 Polar Bear poulation could be gone by 2050.

Mind you the U.S. interior secretary who announced the decision also said that it wo-

uld be wholly inappropriate to introduce protection measures that harmed the U.S. economy. Earlier this year the administration had sold rights to drill for oil and gas off Alaska. home to 15,000 Polar Bears. Makes you

think, more loss of habitat, who cares, its the pursuit of the

FOR A GAME) almighty dollar.

Excelsior or Kapok, it matters SOLDIERS not a Jot, doing a total from, oh 500, means you bounce a lot.

As ever its yoo know wot, to the yoo know where, The Teddytorial c/o The Boring Old Fart, 48 Laurel Lane, West Drayton, Middx, UB7 7TY in what forever will be ENGLAND No Matter wot. Nice one Paddy for sticking it to 'em. They really needed that.....