

IHLGF '95 Update

Ron Scharck

Register before May 15 Save \$10

There is still time to register for the International Hand Launch Glider Festival which will take place May 20 - 21 at the TPG Poway Field. If you register before May 15 the registration fee is \$20. After May 15 the entry fee goes to \$30. Don't forget to put your order in for the great barbecue dinner that is being catered by Tony Roma's (Pacific Beach) and the official 1995 IHLGF tee-shirts when registering.

By the way, you don't have to fly in the contest to partake in the barbecue dinner or to buy a tee-shirt. You may just want to come out and spend Saturday watching the outstanding field of competitors in your new IHLGF 95 tee-shirt and enjoy a plate of ribs and chicken after the contest with the "big guns" of hand launch gliders. Sounds good to me! You can order your shirts and dinners on the registration form in the newsletter. †

Winning Photo Caption

Jerry Fry

Unfortunately, the lack of space in this issue and the lack of enough responses limits me to announcing just the winning entry. The winning caption for the photo on page 27 of April's newsletter came from Tom Dean...

"The other contestants in the Annual TPG Javelin Catching Contest grimly await their turns." †

News/Letters

Jerry Fry

You undoubtedly have noticed by now that the newsletter is thinner than usual this month. The reasons for this are many, not the least of which is the fact that I've been working about 80 hours a week during a short term crunch. This, coupled with the yearly and obligatory mailing of documents (read: money) to Uncle Sam has made for a busy month.

On the plus side, this will give me a chance to stockpile more interesting articles - keep them coming. For those of you supplying me with "required" articles like contest summaries, please try to get them in as early as possible. The newsletter is a lot of work (I'm not complaining... too much) and having a last minute, or an after-the-last-minute crunch makes the job even harder. Hopefully, it doesn't show.

I'm very interested in articles from any one of you — even if you feel like you're not experienced enough to write a technical article. Though I'd like some of our experts to generate technical articles, I'm also looking for humorous articles or ones that provide a different and "new" viewpoint.

Finally, feel free to generate "letters to the editor". I'll try to publish those that foster discussion, provide new ideas, or just generate responses to your technical questions. If you can, fax your articles/letters to me at 695-8952. I'll be able to let my computer convert it into text directly which will save me lots of time. Please call first to prep me for the incoming fax. Thanks. †

Super Raffle News

Ron Scharck

SUPER RAFFLE Prizes top \$6,500

Thanks to the generosity of the great vendors that appear on the SUPER RAFFLE Centerfold, the TPG Christmas Party is going to be merrier than ever. I know that it is a little early to be talking about Christmas, but every time I write about the SUPER RAFFLE I have to tell you, I do get in the holiday spirit. It's hard not to get a little bit excited when you know that there are 20 fabulous prizes available for the lucky winners of SUPER RAFFLE tickets.

April SUPER RAFFLE Winners

Speaking of SUPER RAFFLE winners, congratulations are in order for Jerry Fry and Patrick Dionisio. Jerry and Patrick were our April SUPER RAFFLE winners. This couldn't have happened to two nicer guys. The SUPER RAFFLE Winners Circle membership now totals six. The previous four winners are Jon Colton, George Joy, Andrew Montero and Ron Scharck.

SUPER RAFFLE Prize Review: Inventec's "ESTEEM 110"

Are you in the market for a "full house" competition ship that can put you in the winner's circle? Do you want something that is unique among the host of other competition sailplanes on the market? Does the name Daryl Perkins mean anything to you? If you answered "yes" to at least the first two questions then you should take a long hard look at the new "ESTEEM" that is produced by Mike Popescu of Inventec.

From the moment you open the box of your new ESTEEM you will know that you do not have just an ordinary competition sailplane. The wings, which are beautifully pre-sheeted with root rib installed and control surfaces routed, utilize the SD7080 airfoil. The wing planform, which can be purchased in either the 110" and 121" version, is very distinctive. It has a triple taper leading edge,

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