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BHPA

1: Courses

Club Coach Courses

Individuals wanting to take a course should contact the host club direct to book a place.

November 09/10 Sky Surfing Club 07786 34 88 64 Paul Cashmen cloudbase10@googlemail.com

The following weekends are still available for club bookings. Organisers should contact Dave Thompson to get further information once a date has been allocated.

2013

19th / 20th October 2013 30th November / 1st December 2013

2014

11th / 12th January 2014 25th / 26th January 2014 8th / 9th March 2014

Emergency Parachute Systems Course

The date for the next EPPS Course is now confirmed as 12/13 October. This date will be confirmed in due course but if you are interested in attending the course please contact Stef Blankley.

For more information contact: Stephanie Blankley, 0116 289 4316, stephanie-blankley@bhpa.co.uk

2: BHPA School Renewals

In order to help schools during the current difficult financial climate, at the last Executive Council Meeting it was agreed that the school renewal fee could be paid in two installments.

The first installment should be paid at the normal renewal date for each school and the second installment must be paid no later than six months after that.

For more information contact: Stephanie Blankley, 0116 289 4316, stephanie-blankley@bhpa.co.uk

3: Emergency Parachute Repacking: Liability Insurance

A recent enquiry highlighted possible scope for confusion among members on the topic of liability insurance for emergency parachute repacking.

The BHPA negotiated insurance cover for those persons who have been trained and licensed as Parachute Packers. This cover only covers these licence holders. Anybody else carrying out parachute repacks, installations, etc. for other people, whether on a voluntary or paid basis, has no cover under the BHPA policy.

Clubs organising repack events should take care to ensure that, if repacking is being carried out by persons other than the pilot/owner, the repacker is a current BHPA EPS Licence holder.

For a list of BHPA Emergency Parachute Systems Licence holders see:

http://www.bhpa.co.uk/members/safety/packers/index.php Obviously, members can pack their own emergency parachutes. (But BHPA advice is to seek the services of an Emergency Parachute Systems Licence holder if not skilled and knowledgeable in this area.)

For more information contact:

Mark Dale, 0116 289 4316, mark-dale@bhpa.co.uk

4: Return of Membership Books

New Introductory Membership books will be sent out to all schools within the next two weeks, ready for use from 1st April.

It is very important that the old books are returned to the office as soon as possible after 31st March and under no circumstances should they be used after that date.

For more information contact: Michelle Lanman, 0116 289 4316, michelle-lanman@bhpa.co.uk

5: Membership Checks

Would clubs please note that in order to check whether your members are current BHPA members you only need to send us four columns on a spreadsheet: BHPA membership number, first name, surname, postcode. Sending extraneous information causes more work and slows the process down.

For more information contact: Jennie Burdett, 0116 289 4316, jennieburdett@bhpa.co.uk