

The Museum Wraps Up Its Concept Design Phase

This summer, the museum's design firm, Dimensional Innovations, wrapped up its building and exhibit design concept. The result is awesome: attention-grabbing high-tech interactive technology integrated into traditional museum displays.

The museum's mission includes telling the history of skydiving through its people, equipment and events, and it does this with a series of chronological displays of each over five "eras": Discovery, Barnstorming, Pioneering, Innovation, and Contemporary. These exhibits blend recognition of major personas of the sport, the equipment they designed and used, and events in which they participated. For the next several months, the Exhibit Design, and Curations Committees will be identifying artifacts and memorabilia which will best tell our story over the ages.

Concurrently, the two committees will be looking for content for the other major galleries which include the Military Connection, Competition and Records, Education and Training, and Hall of Fame. The final gallery is a feel-good space which is actually a replica of a typical drop zone hangar, complete with couches, TV monitors, equipment, a snack bar and a store. It's also additional exhibit space which can be easily converted into event space, which will be ideal for Hall of Fame



induction ceremonies and the Skydiving Celebration Weekend. Works of our many award-winning photographers/videographers will be found throughout the museum.

What will actually be displayed in the museum and the level of information technology depends, of course, on how successful we all are at raising funds. Our Development Committee is leading the charge. Meanwhile, the museum's Curations Committee continues to sift through warehouses filled with old skydiving equipment and memorabilia — quite a tedious process, but a labor of love. So many memories.

*Chris Needels, Trustee
Chair, Building and Exhibit Design Committee*

Ambassador Program Off to a Great Start!

The International Skydiving Museum & Hall of Fame is thrilled to report one of the most successful grass-roots efforts in the museum's fundraising history. Since being introduced 14 months ago, fully 71 individuals have joined us as Ambassadors. Each Ambassador is vitally important as another voice within the skydiving community and industry sharing our exciting plans to construct a state-of-the-art museum in north Orlando, Florida. They are also important as a significant source of the financial support that will keep the project moving forward. Each Ambassador has committed to making a gift of \$5,000, paid at one time, annually over five years, or monthly for 50 months. (See page 2 for a full list of Ambassadors.)

Please consider joining us as an Ambassador. When you do, we will give you many tools to help create opportunities to tell others about the Museum & Hall of Fame. Each Ambassador receives two shirts with a choice of a handsome embroidered dress shirt, an embroidered Ambassador polo shirt or a colorful Ambassador jump jersey. They also receive custom business cards printed with their personal contact information, a lapel pin, embroidered patches and a personal numbered Ambassador card.

We hope you will join us! For more information contact our Director of Development Jim McCormick at jm@skydivingmuseum.org or +1.970.577.8700 or head to our website for more information and an online sign-up form.

*Dana Engelstad, Trustee
Chair, Development Committee*

A message from the Chair of the Curations Committee

The Curations Committee of the International Skydiving Museum & Hall of Fame is a group of individuals who work behind the scenes to collect and preserve the equipment, artifacts, media and documents that will be the heart and soul of the museum. After all, this material IS our history and without it, the museum will be nothing more than a hollow shell. This group consists of trustees, volunteers and interested individuals who share the desire — indeed the passion — for the history of our sport. Many of them are members of the parachute industry who bring years of experience and knowledge to help identify, document and preserve the valuable artifacts required to make a true record of our sport.

The committee is encouraging the "legacy skydivers" who have collected and saved mementos and artifacts from their early days of skydiving to consider donating them to the museum. That said, we have a sizeable collection of potential display equipment but realize that there is much more hiding out in closets, attics, basements and garages that may be of value to the museum. However, we don't really need many more C-9 mains, 24' reserves and similar equipment, but our greatest fear is that there are unique pieces that should be preserved but may be lost forever.

On that note, above right are pictures of the very first, #1 prototype Para Commander canopy, designed by Ed Vickery at Pioneer Parachute Company in 1962-63. As much as any parachute designed in the modern era, the PC (as it was called) changed the face of skydiving from modified military surplus equipment to purpose-built skydiving designs. It is this type of historical equipment that we hope to find and preserve for future generations of skydivers. Individuals who wish to donate equipment and artifacts may contact Nancy Kemble at nkemble@skydivingmuseum.org.



*Sandy Reid, Trustee
Chair, Curations Committee*

Thanks to our Museum Ambassadors!

The following supporters have joined us as Ambassadors as of November 1, 2017. Thank you to all! Names of those joining after that date can be found on our website and in future newsletters.

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★ has recruited at least 2 Ambassadors
★★ has recruited at least 5 Ambassadors

Board of Trustees Welcomes Graeme K. Windsor, Australian F-59

Graeme Windsor has devoted his life to skydiving since his first jump in October 1968 in Papua New Guinea. He has won many Australian National Championships medals in style, accuracy, para-ski, and formation skydiving and has competed extensively in FAI World Championships, winning the 1982 Team Accuracy bronze medal in Lučenec, Czechoslovakia. He has been a national coach, operations and safety manager, chief instructor, instructor examiner, and a parachute rigger. He was a member of the Australian Parachute Federation (APF) board, which included stints as chairman, alternate IPC delegate and later the delegate. He was the APF Chief Executive Officer, retiring in 2008. Graeme has served in almost every capacity during his illustrious career, including terms as head of delegation, controller and jury member at several world championships. He is the longest serving President of the FAI's International Parachuting Commission (nine years). The FAI made him a Companion of Honor and he is an FAI President of Honor having served as president of the Air Sports General Commission from 2011 to 2016. Graeme still jumps regularly, with over 7,000 jumps. He is the Air Sport Australia Confederation treasurer and is a member of the organizing committee for the 2018 World Parachuting Championships to be held in Queensland, Australia. Earlier this year, the Australian Parachute Federation recognized Graeme with its highest award, Master of Sport Parachuting, for his outstanding representation in competition and administration for nearly 50 years. Graeme is a member of the nominating, development and Hall of Fame committees of the museum board. He was inducted into the International Skydiving Hall of Fame in September 2017.



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Now Accepting Nominations for the 2018 Hall of Fame

Only nominations received at the International Skydiving Museum's headquarters by December 31, 2017, will be considered for induction into the Hall of Fame Class of 2018. All valid nominations received by the Hall of Fame since its inception in 2010 have remained on file for future consideration. The committee will deliberate at its meeting in February 2018 in Dallas.

The Hall of Fame recognizes and



honors those who, through leadership, innovation and/or outstanding achievements, have defined, promoted, and advanced skydiving at the highest and sustained levels such that they have made it possible for generations of skydivers to enjoy the sport.

If you would like to nominate someone, please visit our website for further details and a nomination form, or contact Nancy Kemble, Museum Administrator. All nominations will be kept confidential.

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Donations can also be made online at www.skydivingmuseum.org.

2017 Hall of Fame Weekend Celebration Event Memories!



(Top left to right) Hall of Fame Class of 2017 (from left) Norman Heaton accepting on behalf of General John Singlaub, Mark Limond accepting on behalf of Roy Johnson, Jan Works accepting on behalf of Pat Works, Graeme Windsor, Buzz Bennett (Photo by Marylou Laughlin); Donna Wardean making her first jump since 2001 with tandem instructor Chris Rea (Photo by Amy Bowen); Nancy LaRiviere with Becky Johns at Manifest (Photo by Marylou Laughlin); Jim McCormick interviewing Tribute CRW for Skydive TV (Photo by Marylou Laughlin); Tribute jump for PIA with museum flag (Photo by Christopher Wilkins); CRW Tribute Team made jumps Friday and Saturday (Photo by Carlos Felix Ortiz); PIA early members (John Sherman, Bill Booth, John Higgins) with Honoree Paver (Photo by Marylou Laughlin); Heading to Altitude (Photo by Carlos Felix Ortiz); 9-way with several new SCR Award Recipients (Photo by Christopher Wilkins)



2017 Hall of Fame Weekend Celebration Event Memories!



(Top left to right) Larry Bagley presenting to Inductee Graeme Windsor (Photo by Marylou Laughlin); Longtime friends Barbara Roquemore, Norman Heaton, and Marge Bates; Dick Williams presenting to Inductee Buzz Bennett (Photo by Marylou Laughlin); Chuck Collingwood Exit (Photo by Carlos Felix Ortiz); Pat Moorehead presenting to Jan Works who accepted on behalf of her husband Pat Works (Photo by Marylou Laughlin); Mark Limond, Cheryl Stearns, Dana Engelstad, and Chuck Collingwood with Roy Johnson's plaque (Photo by Marylou Laughlin); A three-generation jump... Kim Knor, daughter Tara Rupp, and granddaughter Katie Crone (Photo by Jo Beck); Chicagoland Skydiving Center owner Doug Smith and Director of Marketing Becky Johns (Photo by Marylou Laughlin); General Singlaub accepting his plaque (Photo by Thom King)

