

Hot! Hot! Really hot!

Yarnell: Chad and others had incredible glass off flights. Hot!

Mingus: Closed until further notice.

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Mt. Eldon: Closed until further

Sedona Airport LZ: The "official" AHGA stance is to avoid landing at the Sedona airport unless you absolutely have to. Hal Hayden has volunteered to take up the issue we have with our designated LZ with the new FBO. If you plan on flying X/C over the rim call the airport before you launch to let them know you may possibly be landing there.

Presentation from Mark Barry:

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Donations for raffle went to

Mark Barry for presentation

Eagle: Shawn for his spot on Channel 10 teaching Gail Jansen how to hang glide.

Turkey: Dan Schroeder for driving over cactus and puncturing his tires.

Meeting adjourned.

Arizona Hang Gliding Chat Room

If you would like to check out the happenings in Arizona please feel free to join the az-hang-gliding list at yahoo. If you're already a member of yahoo, just select the az-hang-gliding and make it one of your groups.

If you not, you will need to go to www.yahogroups.com and register with yahoo to use the free service. Just follow the prompts to join whatever group you are interested in.

Classifieds

For Sale: HPAT 145, good condition. \$800.00 OBO.

Craig Thompson 303 466-5855

For Sale: RamAir 146 Very good condition. Former AZ XC record holder glider. Eric Bahr 623 873-2147

For Sale: Moyes Xtralite 138 Good condition. \$700.00

Contact Dave Smith at 602 997-7856

was still unable to get high enough to continue on past Piute and decided to call it quits.

As I came out to land, this is where Joe's true spirit came out. He got on the radio saying that the west winds were just beginning to kick in and that I couldn't "just quit" after making it this far. It was 4:30, just below Piute, and I was so tired I could hardly move my arms. On top of this, I had to listen to Joe and his driver explain the sheer pleasure they were getting out of the ice cream cones they had stopped for. As I continued out to set up yet another approach, Joe again got on the radio. "Schroeder, I guess I'm gonna have to call Dale and tell him you're a quitter" Shit!!!, that was deep Joe! No sooner than that, my vario began beeping and there was no longer any choice...I'll show him!

Within minutes I was at 13,000ft, at the base of a cloud street, and had Joe on the radio saying, "Stop all that circling Schroeder and just head north". This is where the flight finally got fun. All my pain went away, my strength came back, my ambition returned and I wanted to finish the flight as best I could. He then instructed me to get as high as possible at Boundary Peak since this was the end of the Owens Valley. I did just that, topping out at 16,500ft, and set out for what would be a 20+ mile final glide.

At about 600ft, Joe once again came on the radio saying, "Schroeder, you can't land here either. This is where Len landed last year and it's only 109 miles. You have to break Len's record or you'll be walking back". (Now he was beginning to annoy me) Not able to glide past a small mountain range, I had to go back a quarter mile and work a small thermal for an additional 4,000 ft. It took forever, but it was enough to put me over the little mountain range and give me an additional 12 miles. The flight finally ended at 7:10 pm with Joe driving up with a smile..."Tear that thing down Schroeder, we're hungry and you're the one buying dinner"

The reason for wanting to tell this story is due to the many times I too have sank out and found myself "hoping" others would sink out so I wouldn't feel so bad. Joe did something for me on that flight that I will never forget. He put himself second and looked out for the interests of a fellow pilot. Because of that, this will forever remain my most memorable flight. Because of Rob, I now question if the dead have ways of influencing humanity even after they have crossed over?

Thanks again Joe & Rob,
Dan Schroeder