



Upcoming Events

Niagara Skydive Center would like to welcome everyone to join us for our annual Jello Wrestling event!! August 22nd, 2009. There will be a jello wrestling going on all night, as well as a liquor lounge, of course the legendary Hill Billy Hot Tub, and a bonfire.

This event is 19+...Please B.Y.O.B
And feel free to bring a tent to crash in after.
We don't encourage drinking and driving!

Niagara Skydive Hosts Grainger Wedding Reception



Adam & Sue got married on March 23rd, 2009 at the Valley of Fire near Las Vegas. On Saturday, June 27, 2009 Adam & Sue Grainger hosted a reception for their skydive friends at the Niagara Skydive Dropzone. It was an amazing night filled with wine, cheese, barbecuing, various salads, a liquor lounge, a roaring fire, hill billy hot tub and many friends. Al Griffiths was kind enough to document the special night with many photos. Adam & Sue would like to thank their friends for the amazing gift of Muskoka Chairs which will be put to very good use.

New Website and Web Gallery

NSC has launched our new website. We hope you enjoy the new layout and information. It is our way to keep our members informed, in contact with each other and brag a bit about our members, staff, and facility. Your comments and suggestions are always welcome, so please visit our new site and let us know your thoughts on how to make it better.

Web Gallery

We are now asking members to submit photographs and short videos for the NSC website. Decorum and good taste must, or at least perhaps should be followed. We all lead busy lives and while we hold down jobs away from the jump zone, we are always skydivers first and foremost. The gallery is just another way we can waste a little time at work pretending to be involved with business emails and spreadsheets etc. while watching a video of Sven jump off another cliff. So lets do our bit and submit some media with descriptions so that the NSC family can keep in touch and do our bit to waste some company time on the computer.

Solo Graduates

Mark Dey

Mark started skydiving with us May 3rd 2009 from Rochester New York and we are proud to announce the completion of his solo certificate on July 10th 2009. We hope to see Mark continue to jump with us this season and hopefully even join us on our Florida Skydiving



trip in February 2010!

Age: 27

Home town: Rochester, New York

Employment: Military

Andrew Milne

Andrew started jumping with us May 20th 2009 and completed his solo certificate with his father Kevin on July 14th 2009.

Age: 20

Hometown: Kitchener

Employment: student...environmental engineering. @Conestoga College

Interest/Goals: motorcycles, fitness, beer

Memorable Moment @ Niagara skydive: getting my feet caught in the lines on my 6th jump and coming down upside down, but being OK enough to be calm and "save myself"

Quote: My dad is old and if he can parachute I sure as hell can!

Emily Milne

Emily obtained her solo license on Aug 1, and is now working toward her A.

Interests/Goals: Studies at Mac, education, motorcycles, travel, fitness, and fitness training.

Age: 24

Hometown: Kitchener & Hamilton

Memorable Moment @ Niagara skydive: Asking myself what the hell I was doing while I was hanging on the strut during my first jump

Employment: RA at Mac & UW, student at Mac, & curriculum developer for CDEI

Favourite Quote: "Actually Em, we have two pairs of sunglasses here for you" (Chauntel)

Goals: Getting her A, as well as being successful in her academic and athletic endeavors.

Kevin Milne

Kevin started jumping with us May 20th 2009 with his son and daughter and completed his solo certificate on July 14th 2009. Kevin has been working with us at Niagara Skydive developing a documentary for Niagara Skydive, as well as revamping our website and creating an educational video for children regarding physics using skydiving as an example of the importance of physics in real life.

Age: 55

Hometown: Kitchener

Employment: CDEI

Interest/Goals: motorcycles, travel, board games, beer with Andrew...A license next.. Florida or bust!

Memorable Moment @ Niagara skydive: Thought our pilot was Ashton Kutcher, and hoped I would get to meet Demi Moore

Isaak Musse

Isaak started jumping with us June 7th, 2009 and completed his solo certificate only 3 days later!! June 10th, 2009.

Age:28

Hometown: Petawawa,On

Andrei Pasculescu

Andrei started skydiving with us July 8th 2009 while on vacation from Manitoba and completed his solo certificate a week later on July 15th 2009. Congratulations Andrei! He plans to keep jumping at the local drop zone



Skydive Manitoba in Gimli, Manitoba and will hopefully be joining us on our Florida skydiving trip in February 2010.

Bio: Skydiving is something I've been dreaming about doing for as long as I can remember. I was introduced to it by a co-worker who jumps with Skydive Manitoba in Gimli, when some members of that club came to Brandon, MB, and offered a First Jump Course. I ended up doing 3 IAD jumps with them in 2 days. Then I came to Ontario on vacation looking specifically to do the PFF program, and the rest is history :-)

Age:29

Hometown: Mississauga, Ontario

Employment: serves with the 2nd Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, in Shilo, Manitoba.

Memorable Moment @ Niagara Skydive: most memorable moment was being able to smile and relax during my sixth attempt (and eventual pass) at level 3. That's when it all clicked together for me, after some pretty frustrating jumps.

Plan Now for the February Road Trip

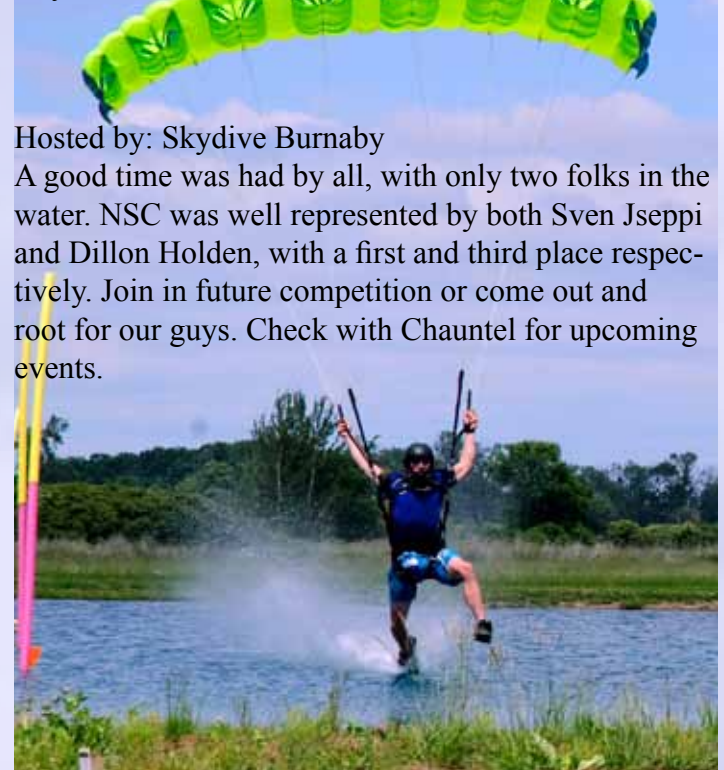
Time is marching on and we are beginning to plan for our February 2010 road trip. Information and sign up sheets, including early bird

registration discounts are now available at the Manifest desk. Please see Chauntel, or download a copy from our website.

New skydivers can enjoy the sun and get a break from winter while securing their solo certification. Experienced skydivers can keep the rust from accumulating while getting the chance to enhance their skills for opening season at NSC. Your feedback is always welcome and appreciated. Let us know your thoughts about the trip, send us some stories about your experiences last year for inclusion in next months newsletter

Canopy Piloting Swoop Competition

July 19, 2009



Hosted by: Skydive Burnaby

A good time was had by all, with only two folks in the water. NSC was well represented by both Sven Jseppi and Dillon Holden, with a first and third place respectively. Join in future competition or come out and root for our guys. Check with Chauntel for upcoming events.

NSC Wind Tunnel Program

Tim and Sven PFF trainer certified

What is it? It's an opportunity to experi-

ence the sensation of free-fall. Imagine a 14 foot cylindrical diameter vertical tube that is 45 feet tall in which the airstream is passing at a speed of 175 km per hour. Once inside the wind tunnel, you will have a real sense of what skydivers experience during the free-fall portion of their jump, which is generally done from 13 500 to 3500 feet of altitude at a speed of 200 km an hour. All of that in an environment so secure that it is even accessible to children aged of 4 years and older. SkyVenture, a revolutionary concept. The idea to live the free-fall experience indoors dates back to the 1960s and has followed a certain evolution until 1998, the year of introduction of the first generation of the vertical wind tunnel. It has since operated with great success and excep-



tional reliability. A team composed of 4 instructors were soon able to prove how accurate the simulator is after they won an important free-fall competition just from training in the wind tunnel and having only done a few actual jumps. Since then, all competing teams train in vertical wind tunnels.

NSC will be organizing road trips to allow our members and friends to have fun in the tunnel, hone existing and acquire new skills and.... well, have another reason to have a road trip. See Chauntel or our website for details. We

can organize trips and tunnel time for any size group, so let us know and we will take care of the arrangements.

NSC & Haldimand Library Planning Childrens Workshop

NSC is in discussion with Deb Jackson of the Haldimand Libraries to produce a childrens workshop using sky-diving to teach gravity, velocity, wind resistance, mass and drag. This 90 minute workshop will introduce children to



physics in a fun way using parachutes and skydiving to illustrate these principals. The workshop will combine, video with a colouring book, and instruction on how to make a parachute using the original drawings of Leonardo Davinci. The workshop will also incorporate the Skyventure wind tunnel.

Sign Up for the NSC Newsletter

Our newsletter is meant to be informative and fun and allow everyone a forum to keep up with all things Niagara Skydive. We encourage all members to submit pictures and information for upcoming newsletters. Everyones thoughts and ideas are important and welcome. Please email Chauntel or stop in at manifest to sign up for our club newsletter. Please add your thoughts and your ideas for future issues.

Cheers Tim Grech