POPS HIT AND ROCK RULES

THIS IS A TIMED EVENT. TIME STARTS WHEN A JUMPERS FEET TOUCH THE GROUND ON LANDING AND STOPS WHEN JUMPERS BUTT HITS THE CHAIR SEAT. THE EVENT IS A 1 (ONE) JUMP ONLY COMPETION.

THE JUDGES SHOULD HAVE ENOUGH STOP WATCHES AT THE TARGET TO TIME TWO COMPETITORS SHOULD THEY LAND AT ABOUT THE SAME TIME. WATCHES SHOULD RECORD TO THE HUNDREDTH OF A SECOND.

CLOCK STARTS WHEN THE COMPETITOR HITS THE GROUND AND STOPS AS HIS/HER BUTT HITS THE CHAIR SEAT.

SEPARATE PASSES AT 2500 FT. WITH A MINUTE GO ROUND WORK BEST, BUT AN EXIT ALTITUDE OF 3000 FT. AGL. WITH TWO TO A PASS AS LONG AS THE OPENINGS ARE STACKED, WITH THE SLOWER DECENDING CANOPIES OPENING LAST WITH A MINUTE GO ROUND ALSO WORKS WELL AND MIGHT SAVE TIME.

THIS IS THE SCENARIO :: THE JUMPER LANDS, DOES NOT MOVE TOWARDS THE TARGET, REMOVES HIS/HERS HARNESS , RUNS TO THE TARGET (OK TO TOUCH WITH HAND OR FOOT) RACES TO THE CHAIR AND SITS DOWN. THE CLOCK STOPS AS HIS/HER BUTT HITS THE SEAT. NOTE : SOMETIMES , AS THE JUMPERS STRUGGLES TO REMOVE THEIR GEAR THEY MAY INADVERTENTLY INCH A BIT TOWARDS THE TARGET (THIS IS NOT CONSIDERED A VIOLATION OF THE RULES AS LONG AS THE JUDGES ARE CONVINCED THAT IT WAS NOT A BLATANT MOVE TO BETTER HIS CHANCES). IF THE COMPETITOR HAS NOT CLEARLY TOUCHED THE TARGET ON HIS WAY TO THE CHAIR, HE MUST RETURN TO THE TARGET AND HIT IT AGAIN. IF JUMPER DEAD- CENTERS THE TARGET, HE/SHE MUST HIT IT AGAIN AFTER REMOVING HARNESS. IF CANOPY FALLS ON THE TARGET, IT MUST BE REMOVE SO THE JUDGES CAN SEE IF THE TARGET WAS STRUCK BEFORE RUNNING TO CHAIR.

THE CHAIR SHOULD BE SAFE AND SOFT BUT STURDY AND SHOULD BE BRACED BY PIT HELPERS TO KEEP FROM TIPPING OVER AS COMPETITORS LAND IN IT. DISCARDED SOFA CHAIRS ARE SOMETIMES USED, IF A ROCKER IS USED THE ARMS SHOULD BE PADDED.

THE CHAIR IS PLACED 90 DEGREES OFF THE WIND LINE AND PRECISELY40 FT. FROM THE TARGET (40 FOR POPS) THE DISTANCE SHOULD BE CHECKED OFTEN AS THE CHAIR TENDS TO MOVE. A CAN OF SPRAY PAINT CAN BE USED TO MARK CHAIR POSITION.

FLYING LEAPS ARE NOT ALLOWED AND YOU DON'T HAVE TO LIFT YOUR FEET AFTER SITTING DOWN.

COMPETITORS MAY UNDO THEIR CHEST STRAPS UNDER CANOPY IF THEY WISH, BUT NOT LEG STRAPS, THE LEG STRAPS CAN BE LOOSENED, BUT REMEMBER THE MORE YOU LOOSEN THE LEG STRAPS THE HIGHER UP YOUR STEERING TOGGLES GO TO REACH. ALL LEG STRAPS MUST BE CONSIDERED 'STEP THROUGH' AND MAY NOT BE DISCONNECTED IN ANY WAY, EVEN AFTER HE LANDS.

THIS IS A GREAT SPECTATOR EVENT, SO ENCOURAGE FRIENDS AND FAMILY TO BE AT THE PIT TO CHEER ON THE COMPETITORS AS THEY RUN FOR THE CHAIR. HAVE YOUR CAMERA'S AND VIDEO'S READY.

AWARDS ARE USUALLY GIVEN TO 3RD. PLACE. CONSIDER AN AWARD TO THE POOR SOUL WHO LANDS SO FAR AWAY THEY CAN HARDLY BE SEEN-----AND THEN STILL RUNS TO THE TARGET.

OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT: HELMETGOGGLES,GLOVES,ALTIMETER, SHOES