Hang Gliding & Paragliding - Sports/Commercial Tandem Operations Policy Document

In response to requests to permit Tandem operations at Spion Kop launch site, the Dynasoarers club has formulated a Sport/Commercial Tandem Operations Policy Document which applies to all sites administered by the Dynasoarers with specific reference to

- Spion Kop, which is our most sensitive site with restrictions placed upon it by <u>Energy</u> <u>Safe Victoria</u> via an <u>Exemption</u>
- <u>South Side</u>, which is a very popular and busy paragliding and tandem paragliding site near Bells Beach

The Dynasoarers club

Is the delegated site operations managing club, as such it;

- Deems tandem activities at its managed sites to be a pilot privilege not a right
- Has authority to maintain control of all tandem operations
- May permit, remove or prohibit tandem operations from any managed sites at any time
- Reserves the right to refuse club membership
- May remove an individual's privilege to perform tandem activities for a breach of rules or any activity which endangers the;
 - General public
 - Other HGFA members, or
 - \circ Site tenure
- May remove an individual's privileges and membership for activities or actions which degrades the public perception of Hang Gliding/Paragliding
- May revise the tandem operations policy at any time

Commercial Operator's Requirements

Parks Victoria has issued Standard Permits and Licences under the National Parks and Crown Land (Reserves) acts for use of the launch sites to the HGFA/VHPA for non commercial operations only. To perform a commercial operation you must have a <u>Tour</u> <u>Operators Permit issued by Parks Victoria</u> (Note; this applies to most sites managed by the Dynasoarers club). Refer Parks Victoria for detailed or updated requirements.

All Tandem (commercial and sports) pilots

- Must be a current HGFA member
- Must have a current <u>HGFA tandem endorsement</u>
- Must be a current member of the <u>Dynasoarers club</u>
- Must register with Dynasoarers club as a Sport/Commercial tandem pilot

General Tandem Operations (applies to all sites administered by the Dynasoarers)

- •___Normal (single pilot) flying takes precedent over all tandem operations.
- Rules of the air always apply.
- Once on launch Tandem operations have precedence and must be respected and given time and clearance to launch safely (remember there are two people to organise)

<u>Spion Kop</u> Specific Tandem Operations

- Must have a <u>Spion Site Endorsement</u>
- Only THREE tandems at any one time

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- Time limit of 30 min applies if required
- No handing over of controls within 90 meters of powerlines (Note sports tandems cannot hand over controls at any time)