SOS Record

19 Mar 2005

33-way

at Florida Skydiving Center, Lake Wales, FL

Jumpers on the world record jump were: Burl Baxter (AR), Dean Bickel (IA), John Jay Bracken (VA), Jim Cook (Canada), Dave DeWolf (PA), Ed Dixon (SC), Larry Elmore (FL), Jim Fee (LA), George Frey (NJ), Scotty Gallan (AZ), Johnny Gates (FL), Pete Gruber (CA), John Hawley (VA), Sky Huminsky (FL), Danny Hupert (FL), Ray Kuemmel (TX), Jack LaLonde (FL), David Layne (AL), Russ Manhold (FL), Ron McFarland (IL), Woody McKay (FL), Pat Moorehead (CA), Tom Morrison (PA), Mike Nestor (MI), Dick Rapacillo (MT), Ted Rose (OK), Lew Sanborn (MO), DB Smith (MT), Adolfo Unda (Peru), Mike Wadel (FL), David Wall (FL), Randy Wise (VA), and Bill Wood (SC).

The jump was filmed by photographers Tom Plonka and John W. Young, Sr.

The standby group included Bill Brandon (FL), Al Bullock (FL), Kate Campain (MI), Ski Chmielewski (FL), Carl Clark (FL), Richard Crayne (FL), Marvin Emmons (TN), Harry Ervin (TN), Ed Gillespie (MA), Roger Humphrey (IN), Vic Johnson (FL), Lennart Klackenberg (Sweden), Alex Kubilis (FL), Andre LeMaire (Canada), Neil McGrath (Canada), Don McLeod (FL), Tom Place (CA), Quinton Weaver (TX), and Dave Williams (TX).

The SOS record jumps at Florida Skydiving Center were scheduled for 18-21 March, 2005. The jumpers' ages ranged from 60 to 81. Participating jumpers came from the USA and three other countries. Success came on Saturday, March 19 with a new world record 33-way. The event organizer was Russ Manhold and the load organizer was Larry Elmore, both are Florida SOS jumpers.

During the SOS event, TOP SOS Pat Moorehead presented Bill Wood (POPS #1135, SOS #2, JOS #1) with a Skydivers Over Sixty certificate for meritorious service, citing 30-years of enthusiastic support and dedication, and inspiration to all members of POPS, SOS, and JOS.



Photo by John Young, Sr.



Photo by Tom Plonka



Pat Moorehead presented a Skydivers Over Sixty certificate for meritorious service to Bill Wood. Photo by Manhold.



The SOS record administration tent. Photo by Russ Manhold



Load organizer Larry Elmore. Photo by Manhold.

Ted Rose and Russ Manhold became Muff Brothers during the event. Photo by Julie Manhold.