Aeromedical Support to Multi-Record Winning Wingsuit Attempt

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What is a Wingsuit?

- Fabric between Arms & Legs
- Creates a Surface Area & Acts Like Aerofoil
- Shallow Glide Angle & High Speed
- Parachute For Landing
- Fraser's 'State of the Art'
- Advanced Composite Components





Fraser's Record Breaking Wingsuit





What's Wingsuit Flying Like?



You will believe a man can fly!





The Record Attempts

Highest Altitude Jumped

Highest Speed Achieved

Longest Time Flown

Furthest Distance Flown









Aircraft, Balloon & Altitudes



Aircraft 38,000 Feet

Balloon 42,000 Feet



Hypoxia

At 42,000 ft lack of Oxygen = Loss of Consciousness in 12s Even 100% Oxygen Inadequate to Support Exercise Pressure Breathing System Required

Altitude	Time of Useful Consciousness
45,000 feet MSL	9 to 15 seconds
40,000 feet MSL	15 to 20 seconds
35,000 feet MSL	30 to 60 seconds
30,000 feet MSL	1 to 2 minutes
28,000 feet MSL	2½ to 3 minutes
25,000 feet MSL	3 to 5 minutes
22,000 feet MSL	5 to 10 minutes
20,000 feet MSL	30 minutes or more





Decompression Sickness



Use of a 100% Oxygen System with Long Pre-Breathe Mandated



Cold Effects on Man & Equipment

42,000 feet is in the Tropopause Average temperature is -56C (-69F) With Windchill at 200mph+ Equivalent to ~-95C (-139F) Extreme Cold Protection Required



		Air Temperature (Celsius)																
	ľ	0	-1	-2	-3	-4	-5	-10	-15	-20	-25	-30	-35	-40	-45	-50	-55	-60
Wind Speed (km/hr)	6	-2	-3	-4	-5	-7	-8	-14	-19	-25	-31	-37	-42	-48	-54	-60	-65	-71
	8	-3	-4	-5	-6	-7	-9	-14	-20	-26	-32	-38	-44	-50	-56	-61	-67	-73
	10	-3	-5	-6	-7	-8	-9	-15	-21	-27	-33	-39	-45	-51	-57	-63	-69	-75
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	90	-10	-12	-13	-15	-16	-17	-25	-32	-39	-46	-53	-61	-68	-75	-82	-89	-96
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			-10 Low		-10 to -2	5 Mode	rate 🚽	25 to - 4	5 Cold		-45 to -	59 Extre	me -	SO Plus	very Ext	reme		

Equipment: Oxygen Regulator

Cobham CRU 103 Regulator 100% Oxygen Only: (Hypoxia & DCS) Pressure Breathing Enabled (40kft+) Dynamic Testing showed Excellent Breathing Performance

Man Mounted, heated & insulated









Head Equipment Assembly

Modified Phantom Oxygen Mask (Gentex MBU Derivative) Integrated within Helmet Visor Assembly (Impact & Cold Protection) Expiratory Gases Ported Out (Reduce Icing of Expirate)









Oxygen Cylinder and Console

Oxygen Cylinder (Cobham) Carbon Fibre Full Composite (CFFC) 3000psig, 410 litres O2 (NTP)

Oxygen Console (Cobham Phantom) 3000psig, 3,600 litres O2 (NTP) STANAG 7056 Certified for Prebreathing







Cold Protection for Man & Equipment

Insulated Wingsuit & Thermal Skinsuit

Electric hand warmers (Li ion)

Chemical Heating Pads (for hands & regulator)





Teaching, Hypoxia & Pressure Breathing Training

Teaching: Altitude, Hypoxia, DCS Cold Implications, Prevention & Management

Personal experience of Hypoxia

Pressure Breathing Training





A Competitive Edge? Altitude Acclimatization

Live at Altitude for Several Days

Reduced Oxygen Breathing Device





The Jump & Record Attempt



Weather!

Jump 1 From Aircraft

Jump 2 from Balloon





Aircraft Altitude Restricted by Heat



The Jump & Record Attempt



However, this is how it went







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The Jump & Record Attempt: Result

Despite Only having One Attempt Fraser Broke the Following 4 Records:

- 1. World Record for Fastest Peak Speed (246.6mph, 396.88kph)
- 2. FAI Continental Altitude Record (10,824m, 35,509ft)
- 3. FAI British Altitude Record (10,824m, 35,509ft)
- 4. FAI European Record Furthest Distance of Fall (9,741m, 31,959ft)





The Jump & Record Attempt: Conclusions

All of the following worked very well:

Wingsuit

Oxygen System

Thermal Protective Systems

Pre Attempt Preparation & Training

Had Weather been better More

Records would have Probably Fallen





Questions?



