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LARRY MITCHELL RETURNS FOR BIRTHDAY BALL! O-CLUB DUES GO UP AGAIN.

Pilots going to the O-club bar for a beer have found themselves unable to light on any old place at the bar. Complying with the latest SAC reg change, the O-club restricted pilots from touching down anywhere but the first 1500 to 2000 centimeters of the approach end

of the bar. Training flight pilots may use the first 3000 centimeters. Captains' bars are painted all the way down the bar for staff pilots. Headquarters pilots will find their captains' bars at any exit. All navigators have video tape and kibitzing privileges.

DOW JONES AT ALL-TIME HIGH. O-CLUB DUES GO UP.

The Crew Dog Gazette is proud to announce its 1988 Recon and Non-Tactical Awards.

1. The Freddy Kreuger Creative Medicine Award goes to the entire staff of the Ehrling Bergquist Medical Hobby Shop.
2. The Prince Of Darkness Award goes to stan/eval nav Chuck Cooper. Coop's PK has been bested only by the SA-5 and Theodore Bundy.
3. The Friends of Animals Award goes to the 1st ACCS crews for their research on birds as an alternative fuel source.
4. The Who's On First Award goes to 55th SRW/DOC for manning a flying wing command post without a single rated officer.
5. The Fevered Dreams Ground Training Award goes to Tactics Division for their continuing effort to persuade 2nd ACCS crews that anything in SACR 3-1 really applies to them.
6. The Burning Fossil Award goes to the 343rd SRS for having more lieutenant colonels (none of whom made it here) per square meter than any other unit in the 55th.

More Earthquakes Rock Russia. O-Club Dues Go Up.

Emergency medical teams were dispatched to the Offutt O-Club Friday as Major General Dreedle succumbed to a piece of meat lodged in his throat. The general was eating the Friday special - clam chowder - and, of course, did not anticipate any actual clams being present. When the general started choking, his aide crawled out from his seat beneath the table to offer assistance.

Twelve nearby staff officers convened to do a staff study on the problem of just whose lips should be used for CPR. Meanwhile, Dreedle's aide decided not to use his Heimlich maneuver after unsuccessful practice on two nearby retirees. When the medical team arrived, General Dreedle had revived on his own and was telling both interested onlookers that just as he was ready to die, he remembered that AFR 50-21 states, "general officers are not required to breath in order to sustain life." The O-Club manager commented that dues will be raised next month. The staff study is expected to be complete in time for the second quarter of fiscal year 90.

TESTS SHOW ROCK HUDSON'S LOVER IS AIDS-FREE. O-CLUB DUES GO UP AGAIN.

Air Staff announced the initiation of a new career development program for Bonus Ineligible Copilots, or BICs. The program, entitled Career Leadership Intensification Course, or CLIC, will begin Aug 89. BIC CLICs will enter a 6-month preparatory correspondence course to teach them basic skills used by real Air Force leaders. These skills include sight recognition of individuals they outrank, sight recognition of those they don't outrank (groveling is a staff officer elective), and recognition of their own parents. Before graduating, each BIC must demonstrate SACR 51-135/52/1/2(B) proficiency in two of the three skills. U-2 pilots need only remember one skill and then only in a positive pressure environment. SR-71 candidate skill requirements are being phased out at Mach 3+. The BIC CLIC next enters a 16-year program to further hone these skills. To make the program even more attractive, no ADSC or DOS is attached. However, early withdrawal or premature ejection from the course at any point is not allowed. When criticism of the course length surfaced, the Air Force Information Office

assured the CDG that this is not a cheap retention trick. The cost is incredible. The CDG staff verified this with a local recruiter and The National Enquirer.

More programs are planned to support other rated specialties presently ineligible for bonuses. BINS, Bonus Ineligible Navigators, may participate in the Bearing Intolerable Grief (BIG) program. BIG BINS will learn to smile while they drive their Hyundais past the Daedelian parking spots occupied by Jaguars and BMWs. Navigators in the grade of O-4 with 16 or more years of commissioned service will be re-classified as High-time Aviation Service, or HAS BINS.

Several restrictions apply to this program. First, non-rated officers may not participate. Second, pilots already receiving bonuses, or BONERs, are also restricted from the program. Dissatisfied BONERs should take their complaints to MAJCOM Pilot Retention Offices. A special program is being considered for BONERs with weak leadership skills. Weak BONERs will be able to sign up for the Leadership Improvement & Management Program and be officially referred to as LIMP BONERs.

MILDENHALL RUNWAY REOPENS. O-CLUB DUES GO UP.

SAC headquarters recently announced approval of the Equity in Aviation Medal, or EAM, for 2nd ACCS aircrews. The EAM is intended to fill the awards and decorations morale gap 2nd ACCS crews experience whenever reconnaissance aircrews receive air medals. The medal is a small gerbil running on a metal wheel attached to the center of a silhouette of the state of Nebraska. The ribbon is bright lavender.

CONGRESSIONAL PAY UP 50%. O-CLUB DUES GO UP.

Lt Col Wilson L. Richards, Air Staff expert on officer dress and appearance, refused comment today on the latest loss of flight training. Crew dogs wearing their leather A2 jackets to fly have been refused takeoff clearance. Recent regulations do not allow the wear of A2 jackets off base, an area clearly outside the confines of the runway. A change is being staffed to further restrict A2 wear to any on-base area away from real airplanes.