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SAFETY NOTICE

1. An incident occurred at Peterborough Parachute Centre involving a Pegasus Canopy.
2. This canopy is fitted with rubber protection sleeves to prevent damage to the grommets of the sliders from the speed links if the slider strikes them during opening.
3. On the jump in question, after an apparently normal opening the parachutist initiated a turn in one direction and found that the steering line jammed down keeping the canopy in the turn.
4. Obviously if this happened in a late turn close to the ground the result could be severe.
5. It is suggested that parachutists using equipment such as this check, immediately after opening, that the slider grommets are not jammed onto the rubber protectors.
6. Peterborough have banned these rubber protectors on canopies in use there.
7. This incident will be discussed at the STC Meeting on 29th April 1982.

Pete Sherman
National Coach & Safety
Officer

14th April 1982

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