

Paul Gianniotis

Paul lived in Hong Kong for 20 years and was a founding member of the Hong Kong Balloon & Airship Club. His job as flight engineer with Cathay Pacific brought him to WA and he came to Northam to conduct extensive training with members of the Grenade Balloon Group. In 1980 Paul set the World AX4 Distance Record of 154.68kms, landing near Wickepin, in 'Sprite', a very small AX4 balloon (lifting capacity of one person). Since then he has flown balloons in Hong Kong, Japan, UK, Canada, USA and just about everywhere in Australia.

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