

# LET RIP



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Newsletter of Ripcord Skydivers Assoc.

## Player Profile

Name: Erin Maree Ranjani O'Donoghue  
AKA: Rani

DOB: 27/09/1987

Jump number: 27

Jump Goal: Finish my A licence. Once I have enough experience I would like to try freestyle.

Best Jump: Tracking has been my favourite so far

Scariest jump: Apparently watching someone open on their back is scary.

Occupation: A SWIT (social Worker in training), Checkout Chick/Deli Duck and Packerella, most likely the laziest Packer B ever.



If you could invite three people to tea who would they be and why?: Dad, Freddie Mercury, Clifford the Big Red Dog because they are awesome and I guess I could break the rules a bit and invite LJ too.

Best words of advice on life: Here are a few of my favourites

“If your not part of the solution your part of the problem”

“We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give.”

“A well balanced diet is a piece of cake in each hand”

Recommended readings: A cage of Butterflies by Brian Caswell and Came Back To Show You I could Fly by Robin Klien.

Where are they now.



Tobias Turner; Loving life up in Misson Beach (Near Cairns North Queensland), working hard at camera. I just recently got my instructor D and AFF endorsement. Happy new year to all at Ripcord from Toby and Chenoa.

Mason Corby; Three months to go in Iraq, the temperature here is 2 to 12 degrees on average and gets colder in January. It will be three winters in a row, I will be used to the low temperature when the door opens. England was good two weeks of fun and too much alcohol consumed. I didn't like Paris, thought the locals were rude and boring. I am looking forward to getting back and start jumping again. Happy new Year to all from Mason.



Preet Chohan wishes everyone a great 2008.



Feeding time, Brian, son Joona and girlfriend Pauliina. (Pronounced Brenda, Yowna and Poulena). Welcome to Ripcord enjoy your stay till march. Keep an eye on Brenda he would steal candy from a baby.



From the editors desk; Hi everyone, November LET RIP was late due to my computer crashing, lost lots, \$900 to repair a twenty two months old laptop, so the replacement Apple has been a huge learning curve (who said I'm slow). 2007 was a big big year at the DZ, lots of tandems and first solos alas, not enough cartons. Club membership (Ripcord Skydivers Assoc inc) is down but spirits are up, evidence in the turnout for the Scotty memorial, Rani's birthday, Christmas and New Year parties despite the rotten weather for each. Get well soon John G.

Annual awards presentation was a huge success. "Jump slut award" went to Sam Hood, the "Friz up-and -coming award" to Bear, "Most explosive pilot award" to Travis,"Camera geek award" to Brad, and an award (forgotten what for) to Cathy.

Photo competition winner was Bear (first and second), accuracy competition to LJ, "Scotty memorial swoop and chug" to John-Paul. Thanks to Bear and James for the fantastic "Gatton 07" video, copies available for sale from Bear. Now is the time to start capturing footage and photos for "Gatton 08", many thanks to our executives Erica, Cathy and LJ. Thanks to everyones kind words after my surgery, biopsy results today said it's looking good, radiation treatment will solve it.

As usual the newsletter tray is empty so any photos, funny stories, rumors (true or false), notes of skydiving interest,etc..... are required for LET RIP to survive. John-Paul  
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Warning the consumption of alcohol is a major factor in dancing like a retard,  
Warning the consumption of alcohol may cause you to tell your friends that you love them,  
Warning the consumption of alcohol may make you think you can converse with the  
opposite sex without spitting,  
Warning the consumption of alcohol may cause you to think you can sing,  
Warning the consumption of alcohol may lead you to think people are laughing with you,  
Warning the consumption of alcohol may create the illusion that you are tougher, smarter,  
faster and better looking than most people.

Submitted by Mohammed



Welcome back Renee and Koppel still waiting on that first jump back, weather permitting.

### Events Calender.

26JAN08 South QLD Parachuting  
Council Championships.

16FEB08 Byron Bay Boogie.

23FEB08 Night Jumps.

25FEB08 Learning Curve Camp.

08MAR08 National Accuracy  
Championships.





Annual photo competition winning entry to the left and below "Rani in a bit of a tangle" photo by Bear. Second place (not shown) was an equally excellent photo by Bear of a student faceplant. My favourite (due to the subject matter) is above, also by Bear.

For video and photo sales see  
sKyBeAr Productions

James, topless.

