### Early starts --If morning wave works...

Fairfield

Long Flights from Fairfield Routes and Tasks...

Early starts in wave Early starts on High Rock ridge Early starts under cloud streets Common long tasks: FAI 500k/1000k, OLC 1000 Late returns to Fairfield

### Early starts --If morning wave doesn't work. High Rock & Blue Ridge

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Early starts --If morning wave doesn't work... wait for thermals and follow street upwind to ridges

# Late Returns --Racing the sunset back to Fairfield...

LBL

### Long Duration/Distance Flying Considerations (8 – 14 hours in cockpit)

- Fluid/Food (food & drink)
- Seat comfort & ergonomics
- Pee'ing
- Sun Protection
- Emergency Bag
- Cell Phone & Emergency Power Supply
- Road Maps
- GPS coupled ELT and SPOT Tracking
- Proper Mindset (accept the possibility of a multi-day retrieve; don't stress about it...)

### WM Cockpit E-Bag

- Cell phone
- Cell phone recharger
- **2 flashlights** 
  - Flint
- Multi function tool
- Mini hacksaw
- Para cord
- Survival blanket
- Pen
- AA batteries
- Mini first-aid kit



- Water ballast issues
- Clothing suggestions
- Cockpit procedures
- Snow/Icing risks

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#### January 2011 early morning Fairfield launch

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Water Ballast Issues (Ballast is good, but in winter???) 1. Unable to drop ballast, landing risk 2. Structural damage risk 3. CG creeping aft, flight controllability risk

### ANTI-FREEZE????

# Clothing







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### Clothing ... Landout & night retrieval

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Cockpit Procedures/Practices

 Practice reaching and operating controls
 Take off with forward canopy vent open
 Pee'ing
 Ear plugs
 Blanket
 Emergency-bag
 Hydration

# Cold Weather Flying Considerations Snow/lcing Canopy Frost/lce

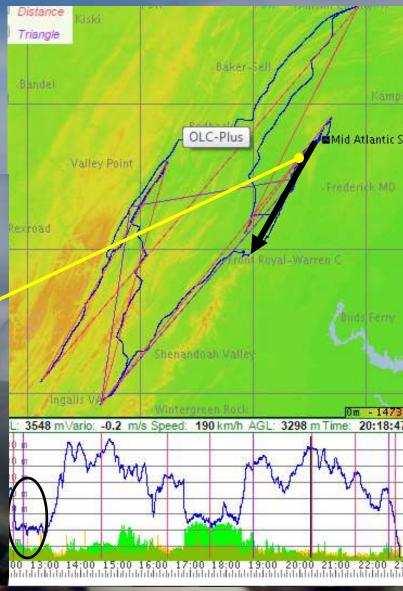
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### A Long Wave-Ridge Flight – 23 April 2014 1340km (OLC) 10 hrs 38 min task



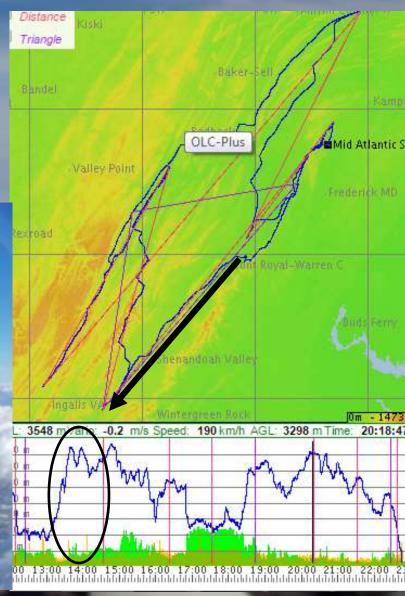
## Leg 1A – No Wave at Fairfield, South bound on High Rock/ Blue Ridge





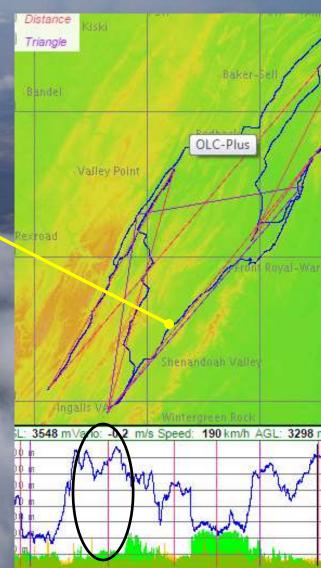
Leg 1B – Enter Wave from Blue Ridge, continue south down Shenandoah Valley in wave until blue





# Leg 1B – Passing Massantten Peak about 10,000'.

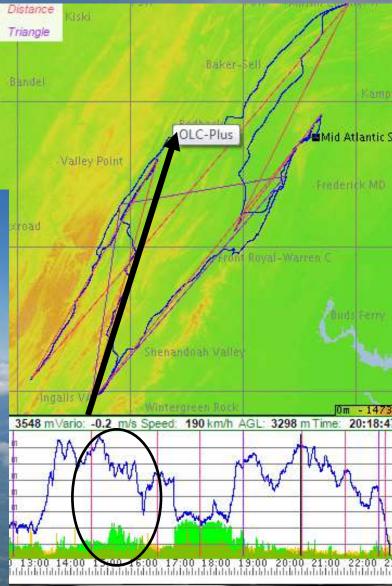
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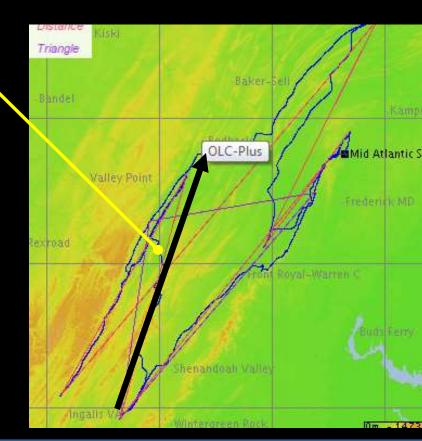
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## Leg 2 – Fly wave north and upwind to Main Ridge near Cumberland

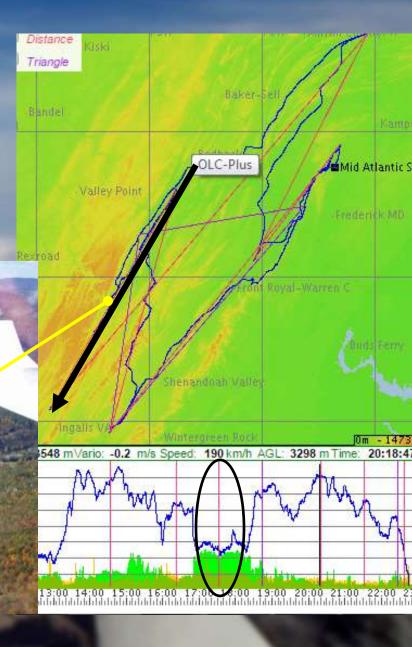




# Leg 2 – Approaching Petersburg In Wave.

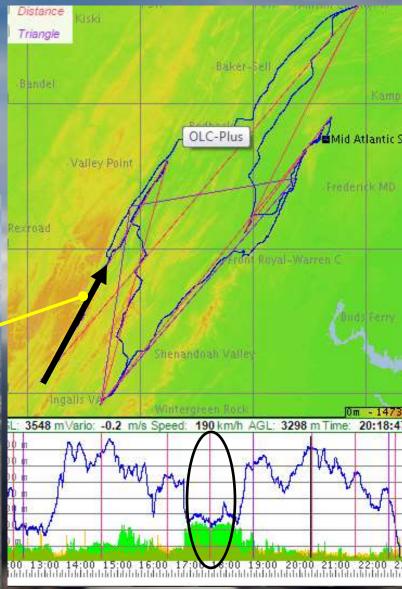


Leg 3 – Forced down from Wave near Petersrburg. Ran Main Ridge south to Mountain Grove.



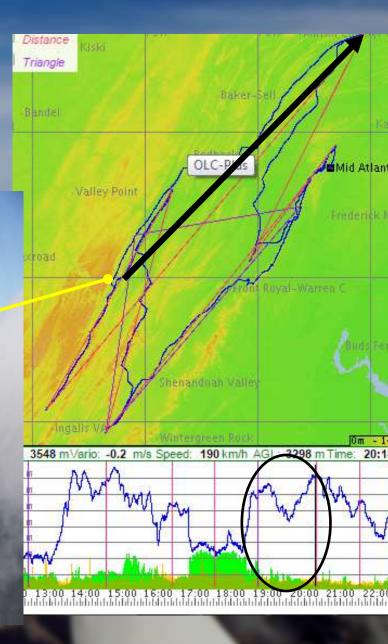
Leg 4a – Heading back north on Main Ridge. Snowy Mtn behind and Seneca Rock ahead.



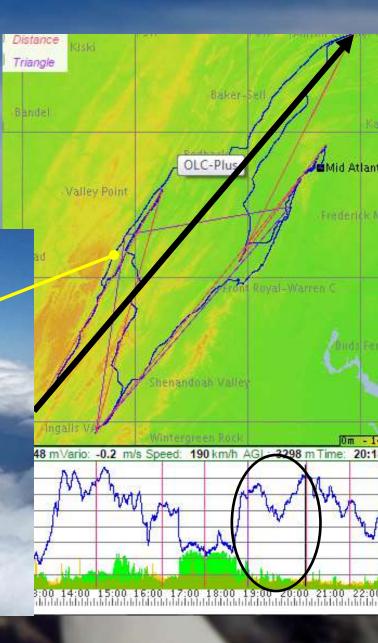


### Leg 4 A-B Reenter wave near Petersburg.



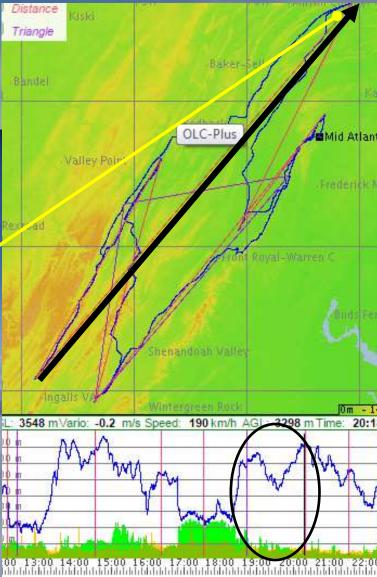


## Leg 4B -- Running primary wave north toward Cumberland.

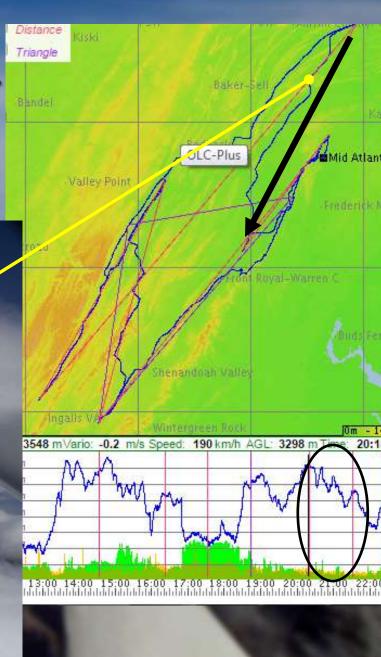


### Leg 4 (377km)– Solid deck to north ends leg 4.

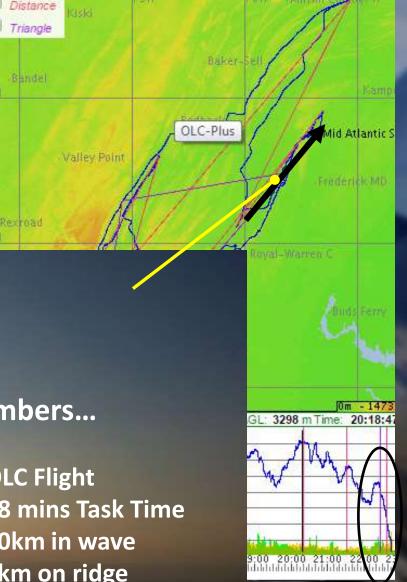




## Leg 5 – Back south and downwind in wave – starting the endgame with beautiful lennies.



# Leg 6 – Turning for Fairfield, transitioning from wave to **High Rock ridge to thermals.**



### **Final Numbers...**

1341 Km OLC Flight 10 hours 38 mins Task Time About 1000km in wave About 300km on ridge