# SWIM PAL®



THE DO-IT-YOURSELF PORTABLE, AUTOMATED, LIFEGUARD CHAIR FOR RIVER, LAKE, AND OCEA



WE HOPE YOU ENJOY YOUR DIY PORTABLE LIFEGUARDS CHAIR AND THAT IT GIVES YOU YEARS OF SAFE WILD SWIMMING.

TO TRANSMIT SIMPLY SWITCH ON YOUR FM TRANMITTER AND THEN THE MP3 PLAYER. ALL YOU THEN NEED TO IS TO LISTEN ON YOUR FM RADIO OR PHONE WHILST ENJOYING THE SUNSHINE, LEARNING MORE ABOUT WATER SAFETY OR RELAXING WITH THE SOUNDS OF THE SEA.

YOUR MP3 TRANSMISSION (DOWNLOADABLE FROM THE LINK/QR CODE BELOW IS SUPPLIED WITH THE FOLLOWING TRACKS:

- THE INSTINCTIVE DROWNING RESPONSE
- THE SONG OF THE BEARDED SEAL, THE KILLER WHALE,

  THE BOTTLENOSE DOLPHIN, THE NARWHAL AND THE

  MIGHTY HUMPBACK WHALE.
- IMPROVE YOUR SWIMMING TECHNIQUE: DOGGY PADDLE,

  CRAWL, BUTTERFLY, LIFESAVERS POSITION. PLUS THE

  BONUS TRACK: TREADING WATER.
- AS WELL SOME ICY COOL MUSIC:



LIFESAVER BY GURU,

HOW TO SAVE A LIFE BY THE FRAY.

LONNIE JOHNSON'S LIFESAVER BLUES

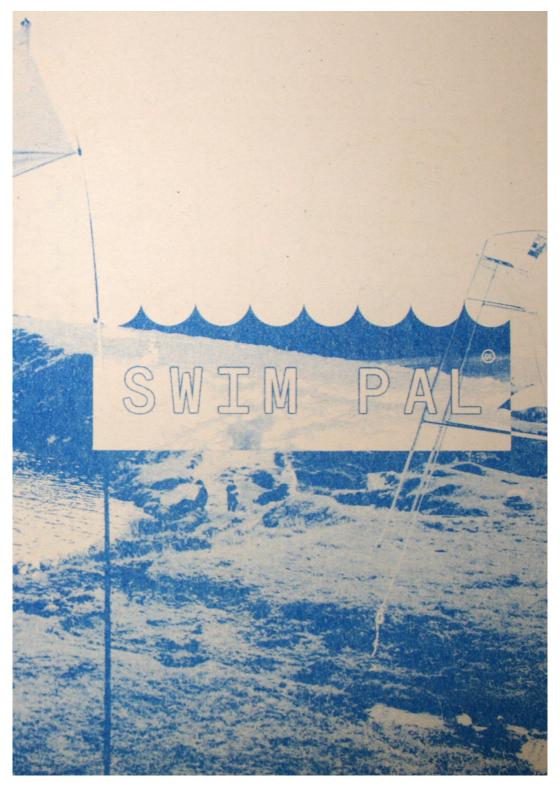
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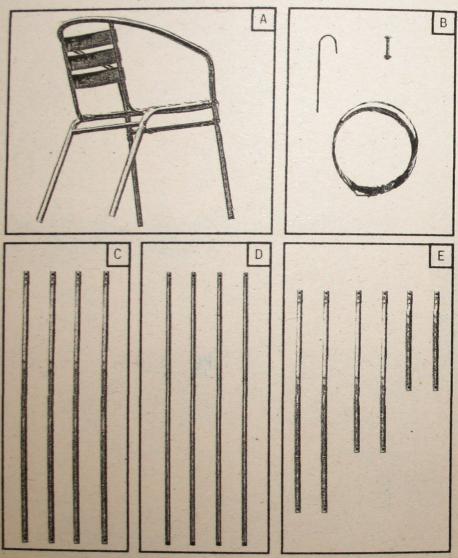
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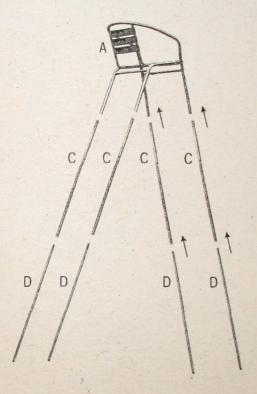
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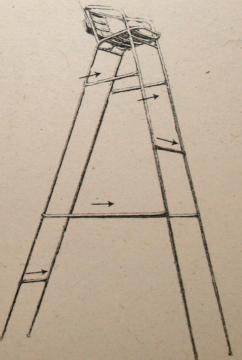
## PARTS DIAGRAM (LIFEGUARD CHAIR)



- A. ONE OUTDOOR CHAIR (REMOVE RUBBER FEET)
- B. 4 X STEEL POLES (SAME WIDTH AS CHAIR LEGS)
- C. 4 X STEEL POLES (AS ABOVE) WITH RUBBER FEET
- D. 6 X STEEL POLES (AT THE THREE SIZES SEEN IN FIG. 1)
- E.2 X STEEL GUY ROPES, 2 X GUY PEGS, 20 X NUTS/BOLTS

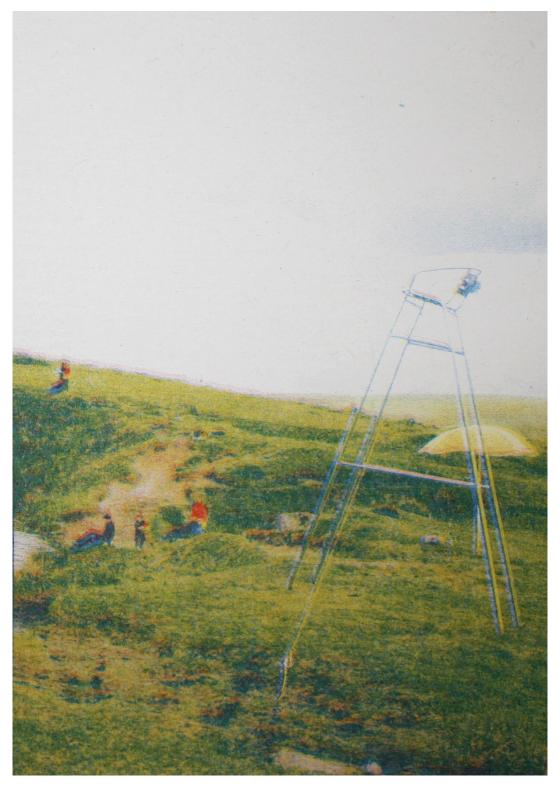


- CONSTRUCTION STEPS: PLACE CHAIR A ON IT'S STDF
- ATTACH POLES C INTO CHAIR A AND FIT BOLT
- ATTACH POLES D INTO THE BOTTOM OF POLES C AND FIT BOLT
- FIT BRACES E IN PLACE
  BETWEEN POLES AS SEEN
  IN LOWER DIAGRAM,
  FITTING BOLTS
- CLIP STEEL GUY ROPES
  ONE EACH SIDE OF CHAIR



- INSTALLATION STEPS
- FIND STABLE, FLAT
  GROUND SITUATED CLOSE TO
  PLACE OF RECREATION (MAKE
  SURE THERE IS NO WAY FOR
  ANYONE TO CLIMB ONTO THE
  CHAIR IN THIS SPACE)
- SWITCH ON MP3 PLAYER & TRANSMITTER. SEAL BOX
  - LEVER CHAIR INTO PLACE
- TAKE THE STRAIN OF THE STEEL GUY ROPES EITHER SIDE OF THE CHAIR
- USE GUY PEGS TO SECURE CHAIR IN PLACE
  - BE SAFE AND ENJOY





THE FOLLOWING ARE EXCERPTS FROM THE SAFETY INFORMATION INCLUDED ON THE MP3 DONWLOAD FOR FM TRANSMISSION TO SWIMMERS IN THE WATER:

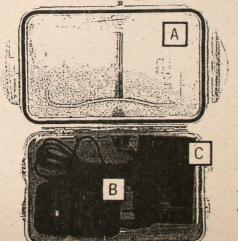
- 1. EXCEPT IN RARE CIRCUMSTANCES. DROWNING PEOPLE ARE UNABLE TO CALL OUT FOR HELP. THE RESPIRATORY SYSTEM WAS DESIGNED FOR BREATHING AND SPEECH IS THE SECONDARY FUNCTION. IT IS OBVIOUS BUT BREATHING PROPERLY TAKES PRIORITY OVER SPEECH IN THESE STRESSFUL CIRCUMSTANCES.
- 2. DROWNING PEOPLES MOUTHS ALTERNATELY SINK BELOW AND REAPPEAR ABOVE THE SURFACE OF THE WATER. THE MOUTHS OF
  DROWNING PEOPLE ARE NOT ABOVE THE SURFACE OF THE WATER
  LONG ENOUGH FOR THEM TO EXHALE, INHALE, AND CALL OUT FOR
  HELP. WHEN THE DROWNING PEOPLES MOUTHS ARE ABOVE THE SURFACE, THEY EXHALE AND INHALE QUICKLY AS THEIR MOUTHS START
  TO SINK BELOW THE SURFACE OF THE WATER.
  - 3. DROWNING PEOPLE CANNOT WAVE FOR HELP. NATURE INSTINC-TIVELY FORCES THEM TO EXTEND THEIR ARMS LATERALLY AND PRESS DOWN ON THE WATERS SURFACE. PRESSING DOWN ON THE SURFACE OF THE WATER PERMITS DROWNING PEOPLE TO LEVERAGE THEIR BODIES SO THEY CAN LIFT THEIR MOUTHS OUT OF THE WATER TO BREATHE.
- 4. THROUGHOUT THE INSTINCTIVE DROWNING RESPONSE. DROWNING PEOPLE CANNOT VOLUNTARILY CONTROL THEIR ARM MOVEMENTS. PHYSIOLOGICALLY, DROWNING PEOPLE WHO ARE STRUGGLING ON THE SURFACE OF THE WATER CANNOT STOP DROWNING AND PERFORM VOLUNTARY MOVEMENTS SUCH AS WAVING FOR HELP, MOVING TOWARD A RESCUER. OR REACHING OUT FOR A PIECE OF RESCUE EQUIPMENT.
- 5. FROM BEGINNING TO END OF THE INSTINCTIVE DROWNING RESPONSE PEOPLES BODIES REMAIN UPRIGHT IN THE WATER, WITH NO
  EVIDENCE OF A SUPPORTING KICK. UNLESS RESCUED BY A TRAINED
  LIFEGUARD, THESE DROWNING PEOPLE CAN ONLY STRUGGLE ON THE
  SURFACE OF THE WATER FROM 20 TO 60 SECONDS BEFORE SUBMERSION OCCURS.

## PARTS DIAGRAM (FM TRANSMITTER)

- A. SEALABLE PLASTIC LUNCHBOX
- B. MP3 PLAYER (SMALL ENOUGH FOR THE LUNCHBOX)
- C.FM TRANSMITTER NO STRONGER THAN 50 NANOWATTS
- D. NUT AND BOLT TO ATTACH LUNCHBOX TO CHAIR

#### STEPS:

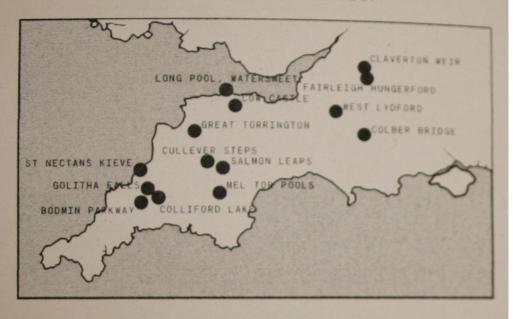
- DOWNLOAD TRACKS FROM RURAL RECREATION LINK AT BOTTOM OF PAGE & UPLOAD TO MP3 PLAYER MEASURE & MAKE A HOLE IN THE TOP SIDE OF THE LUNCHBOX BIG ENOUGH FOR THE TRANSMITTER AERIAL. ALSO MAKE HOLE IN THE BACK FOR BOLTING TO CHAIR
- CONNECT THE FM TRANSMITTER TO THE MP3
  PLAYER
- FIT FM TRANSMITTER & MP3 PLAYER INTO LUNCHBOX
- ATTACH LUNCHBOX TRANSMITTER TO CHAIR
- TURN ON MP3 PLAYER & FM TRANSMITTER
- SEAL LUNCHBOX SHUT
  - LISTEN







# WILD SWIMS - RIVERS AND LAKES OF THE SOUTH WEST (WITH GRID REFERENCES)



CORNWALL
ST NECTAN'S KIEVE (SX081885)
COLLIFORD LAKE AND DOZMARY (SX 164721)
GOLITHA FALLS (SX223687)
BODMIN PARKWAY (SX107641)

DEVON

MEL TOR POOLS (SX 697717)

SALMON LEAPS (SX 723897)

CULLEVER STEPS (SX 606924)

GREAT TORRINGTON (SS 582261)

COW CASTLE (SS 793375)

LONG POOL, WATERSMEET (SS 753483)

DORSET
COLBER BRIDGE (ST 783143)
WEST LYDFORD (ST 564319)

SOMERSET
FARLEIGH HUNGERFORD, FROME (ST 806577)
CLAVERTON WEIR, AVON (ST 792643)

### Disclaimer

- 1) The erection of the Chair(s) implies that
  swimming can take place under supervision in the
  water, and unless access the Chair(s) is restricted. they might also be capable of being used by
  members of the public (including children) in ways
  that cause them injury or worse. This could give
  rise to both civil and criminal liability.

  2) Restrictions to the Countryside Right of Way Act
  (\$2) mean that it is illegal to swim in any
  non-tidal water on any land designated Access Land.
  - 3) On private land the Occupier of the Land in which you swim is primarily liable for damage caused to members of the public on the land. As such if you ask for their permission to have a lifeguards chair (even with warning signs) they are unlikely to grant it.
  - 4) Should it be granted, we recommend posting large notices saying climbing on the structure is forbidden this will also require the permission of the Land Owner.
  - 5) In the event that you do not ask them and simply go ahead, you will be trespassing and creating a danger to the public whilst doing so. The Landlord will successfully blame you: (a) for trespassing on their land; and (b) for creating a danger on the land. You would be 100% liable under the principles of contributory negligence.
  - 6) Your insurers will not cover you unless you have the landowners permission - you must agree the Chair(s) use with them.
  - 7) To keep within Ofcom and EU licensing the FM transmitter must not exceed 50 nanowatts.

