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Is it a bird, or a ladybird – or is it Superman? No it's ...

Ladies in lingerie

WHILE many were spending the day looking for Easter eggs, spectators at Skysisters 2011's eyes were diverted upwards as it rained girls in lingerie over Toogoolawah on Easter Sunday.

As part of Skysisters 2011, the girls from across Australia were up in the air for the Lady Bird lingerie jump and they certainly caused a stir on the ground.

The lingerie was supplied courtesy of Lady Bird Lingerie of Gympie and Noosa and it came in all colours and styles and the drop zone came to a standstill as the girls made their way to the plane.

Lady Bird owner Jude Ernst, of Gympie, delivered the lingerie to Toogoolawah on Thursday and said she was thrilled to be sponsoring the lingerie jumps as part of the nine days activities which include a number of attempts to better world and national sky jumping records.

She said about 150 international and Australian competitors would be taking part in the all-female events.

Skysisters 2011 organiser Susie McLachlan said the lingerie jumps were what Skysisters was all about with the girls getting together to celebrate the female form, to push their boundaries, have some fun and attempt to break some records along the way.

"Skysisters is all about a group of girls of all ages getting together to inspire and motivate each other and we've come up with a fantastic selection of themed jumps throughout the nine-day program to keep it fun and action-packed," she said.

"We're having a blast and having so many girls together gives us a fantastic opportunity to attempt some all-female records and to take some new recruits into the air.

"Skysisters is a great opportunity to come and have a go and try skydiving for yourself. On Saturday we had a three-generation jump which was amazing so you can even bring your nana and have a try."

The girls have already done

hundreds of jumps including Easter-themed jumps and a number of formation jumps. The record attempts are expected to take place in the next few days when the girls have had a chance to practise together.

The event, which is open to the public and free for spectators, has also attracted an impressive list of attendees from within the skydiving fraternity including Kate Cooper-Jensen from California who has completed more than 9500 jumps and holds 14 world records.

Another attendee is cinematographer Norman Kent who is responsible for filming the skydiving scenes in movies like Terminal Velocity, Point Break and Get Smart.

Dates and times of jumps will be weather-dependent but regular updates will be posted on the Skysisters Facebook page at www.facebook.com/skysisters.

Lady Bird Lingerie jumps will continue each day this week.



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OUTSTANDING EFFORT: Lisa Perdichizzi

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SASSY: Easter bunny, Wendy May (photo courtesy of Norman Kent)



LOOP DE LOOP: Lady Bird Lingerie hoop jump (photo courtesy of Steve Fitchett)