



Newsletter

April / May 2003

WASHINGTON KITEFLIERS ASSOCIATION

April is National Kite Month!

Looking for something to do for National Kite Month? Come celebrate with kite lovers everywhere at one of the many local events and displays!

Check out the fabulous workshops and events presented by the World Kite Museum in Long Beach. They include "From Manlifter to Gorgeous in the Sky" and "Make & Fly a Box Kite", plus much more. Make sure to sign up ahead of time!

The Four Winds Kite Shop is sponsoring "Tulip Town Kite Flies" at Tulip Town, Mount Vernon every Sunday during April. The Lilac City Wind Chasers will also be hosting fun flies every Tuesday at Friendship Park in Spokane.

Several kite related displays are set up around the Northwest. Jerry Graham and Glenda Kleppin colorfully decorated the Bonney Lake Public Library with kites. As did Kathy Goodwind to the Bellevue Regional Library. Elizabeth King has once again livened the atmosphere at the Shari's Restaurant in Tacoma with kites. Kay Buessing also has a kite display on "How the Kite Invented the Airplane" at the SEA-TAC airport from April 14th to May 4th. So, if you happen to be in the area, make sure to stop by and take a look.

Please visit www.nationalkitemonth.org for more information about these events and the complete list of nation wide events.

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WKA/Sisson Scholarship for 2004

WKA sends one member to the Fort Worden Kitemakers Conference each year in memory of one of our Founding Fathers.

If you are a member of WKA, you can send in a post card with your name, address, and phone number, to be held for our next scholarship contest drawing, which will take place at the annual WKA Spaghetti Feed on Wednesday, August 20, 2003 at Long Beach during the fun of WSIKF week. This drawing will be to win room and board, and some extra towards classes, at the 2004 Fort Worden Kitemakers Conference.

Mail in a postcard (one entry per member per year) to:

Washington Kitefliers Association
Pacific Science Center
200 Second Ave. North
Seattle, WA 98109

This program is a FREE benefit of membership. Membership must be current at the time of the drawing and at the time of the conference to be eligible. For further information, contact the Membership Director, Sylvia Bernauer at 425-822-4605 or dbrn1@earthlink.net.

A Membership Reminder

E-mail address changes? ... Again???

Has your e-mail address changed recently, or you don't remember if you told us? If so, send a message to dbrn1@earthlink.net so that our records can be updated.

Thanks, Sylvia

From The Mail Bag

Dear Members of the Washington Kitefliers Association,

There are not words to thank you enough for your generous contribution of \$1408.17 to the Fife Milton Edgewood N.E. Tacoma FISH Food Bank. Your continued support and great generosity is a God send to us during these hard times. May the child Jesus bless you all and make your holiday a very happy and blessed one.

Sincerely,
M. Weltch

Fife Milton Edgewood N.E. Tacoma F.F.B.
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Longbeach, WA 98631

Phone: 360-642-4020
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jkite@wiliapabay.org

Upcoming Events

- April 5-6 "Clear Brightness Festival" Portland, OR
Portland Classical Chinese Garden
Contact: Blake VanRoekel 503-228-8131
- April 5-6 "Manlifter to Gorgeous in the Sky" Workshop, Long Beach, WA
Contact: World Kite Museum or Rob robcp@msn.com
- April 10-13 "Puyallup Spring Fair" Puyallup, WA
Contact: PKCA, Georgan Curran programs@pcka.org
- April 12 "Kite Strings 2003" Squaw Creek Ranch, Sisters, OR
Contact: Jim Simpkins 541-549-4335 or kitestings.sistersart.org
- April 12 "Columbia Crest Winery" Patterson, WA
Contact: Larry Zilar 509-627-6751
- April 13 "Ben Franklin Kite Society's Spring Fly-In" Richland, WA
Contact: Greg Greger 509-943-3951
- April 26 "Puffin Kite Festival" Cannon Beach, OR
Contact: Sandy Newman 503-436-2274
- April 26-27 "Spring Barrel Tasting at Kiona Winery" Benton City, WA
Contact: Lary Zilar 509-627-6751 or Vi Weeks 509-967-2488
- April 27 "Sunset Beach Fun Fly" Warrenton, OR
Contact: Phil Thompson tnphil@pacifier.com
- April 27 "Spokane All City Kite Fly" Spokane, WA
Contact: Bill Lester 509-327-2829
- May 3-4 "Spring Kite Festival" Lincoln City, OR
Contact: Ronda Brewer 541-994-7556
- May 3 "NWSKL Sport Kite Competition" Ocean Shores, WA
Contact: Mike Huff 360-289-9050
- May 4 "Art for All" Tacoma Art Museum, Tacoma, WA
Contact: PCKA, Elizabeth King services@pcka.org
- May 17-18 "Oregon Rhododendron Kite Festival" Florence, OR
Contact: Wally Morey
- May 17-18 "Spring Break" Seaside, OR
Contact: Wind Dancer 541-717-0138
- May 17-18 "A Strictly English Kite Sculpture" Workshop, Long Beach, WA
Contact: World Kite Museum
- May 24 "Wild Rivers Coast Windfest" Port Orford, OR
Contact: Ed Dowdy 541-332-0131 or dowdv@harborside.com
- June 15 "Seattle Celebration of Kites" (aka Father's Day Fly) Seattle, WA
Contact: WKA, Ken Conrad ken@greatwinds.com



USED KITES AND ACCESSORIES FOR SALE
by Mike Wood & Niper Design

www.primoweb.com/kites
Now under new local ownership!

If you want your June or July events listed here, please send your information to the newsletter editor, Patrick, at wkaeditor@hotmail.com by May 20th.

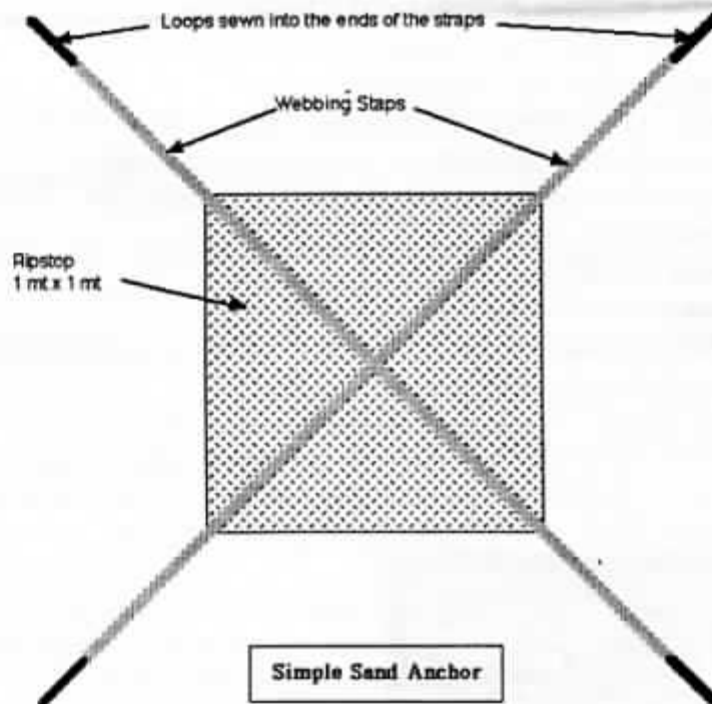


Kite Sand Anchor

Ever been at the beach and flying your single line kite and wished you had something to tie it to? Here's an idea for a sand anchor. Take a piece of ripstop, canvas or similar material approx a metre square and sew two pieces of webbing diagonally across it leaving about 1 metre out each end to make loops.

Fold the ends of the webbing over and sew loops in to the ends of the webbing. Use a good quality sailmakers thread and sew an area of 10 to 15 cm long.

To use, scoop out a hole in the sand, lay the anchor in the hole, webbing side down, leaving the looped ends out, and push all the sand back in to the hole covering the anchor. The size of the hole and the amount of sand required will depend on the pull of the kite. Bring all four looped ends of the webbing together and pass a short length of heavy rope through all the loops. Tie your kite line to this rope. To remove after flying simply release the heavy rope, grab two corners on one side and pull. The anchor will slide out from under the sand without having to be dug up. Roll the whole thing into a ball and stuff in the corner of your kite bag for next time.



Courtesy of the Australian Kitefliers Society and www.moreinfo.com.au/aks/Res_/sanchor.html

The Kiting ABC's

A is for Axels, that I haven't quite mastered.

B is for Bridles, to keeps kites at bay.

C is for Carbon, which makes the frame strong.

D is for Drogue, which increases the drag.

E is for Eddy, that are easy to make.

F is for Fighter kites, which fly round and round.

G is for Gloves, used with big kites.

H is for Hap'pi coats, which make you feel happy.

I is for Indoor flying, an incredible task.

J is for Jumping, which thou shalt not do.

K is for Kite-lover, which everyone should be.

L is for Line, a must for all kites.

M is for Mylar, which can be used for the sail.

N is for Nose-dive, just be sure to pull up.

O is for Ocean Beaches, the best place to fly.

P is for Parafoils, which pull you to the sky.

Q is for Quad lined kites, which require great skill.

R is for Rain, but we'd rather see sun.

S is for Spool, to hold all your line.

T is for Tails that wag when the kite's happy.

U is for Ultra-light, which need no wind to take flight.

V is for Vane to tell the wind's direction.

W is for Wind, which makes kites fly.

X is for eXciting, which I hope your experience shall be.

Y is for Youth, which kite flying brings back.

Z is for Zilar, a founding kite flier.



WKA ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT January thru December 2002

Profit and Loss

Income

Donations	534.25
Dues Income	2,400.00
Grants	800.00
Interest Income	154.03
Misc. Income	1,807.50
N/L Ads Prepay	-66.64
Newsletter Ads	200.00
Product Sales	469.00
Tom's Kid's Kite Corner	81.25
WSIKF Spaghetti Feed	<u>3,316.50</u>

Total Income 9,695.89

Expense

Affiliation Dues	0.00
Bank Charges	47.00
Clubhouse Rent	341.33
Gifts & Grants	3,074.92
Insurance	298.00
Misc. Expense	1,440.75
Office Supplies	79.52
Postage	1,036.52
Printing	1,519.24
Products	421.45
Supplies	138.95
Telephone	89.95
Travel	253.90
Website Expense	<u>430.00</u>

Total Expense 9,171.53

Net Income **524.36**

Calvin and Hobbes **By Bill Watterson**

Balance Sheet

Assets

Current Assets

Checking/Savings	
Certificate of Deposit	6,036.68
Seafirst/Regular	4,140.58
Seafirst/Saving	<u>3,127.09</u>
Total Checking/Savings	13,304.35

Accounts Receivable

Receivables	<u>0.00</u>
Total Accounts Receivable	0.00

Other Current Assets

Deposit/Club House	600.00
Inventory	<u>238.05</u>
Total Other Current Assets	<u>838.05</u>

Total Current Assets 14,142.40

Fixed Assets

Equipment	<u>643.76</u>
<u>Total Fixed Assets</u>	<u>643.76</u>

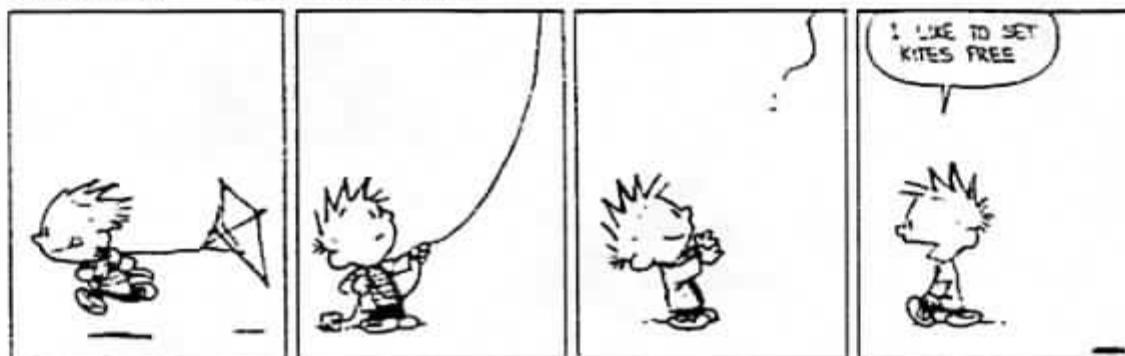
Total Assets 14,786.16

Liabilities & Equity

Equity

Earnings	3,015.01
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Net Income	<u>524.36</u>
<u>Total Equity</u>	<u>14,786.16</u>

Total Liabilities & Equity 14,786.16



WKA BOARD MEETING – Sunday, Feb. 23 2003 Lacey Timberland Library

Attendees:

Courtney Hanson, Vice President
Carol Lord, Treasure
Sylvia Bernauer, Membership
Ken Conrad, Education
Patrick Adriatico, Newsletter
Jerry Graham & Glenda Kleppin, Merchant Liaisons
Susie Christenson, Products

BOARD REPORTS

Treasurer: Carol handed out detailed copies of our latest financial report. Discussion followed.
Membership: Sylvia handed out copies of the membership report. Discussion followed.

BUSINESS

Promoting WKA

Several suggestions were made to improve and help promote the club. They include the following: A list of WKA sponsored events needs to be posted in the newsletter and on the website so our members will know what we are doing. Inform people of our 10% discount and make a sign listing the participating kite shops and thanking them for their continued support. Inform members of our event insurance. This is the same type of insurance AKA lists as one of their benefits. Our presence at kiting events needs to be improved. Therefore the WKA board voted unanimously to purchase a high quality canopy for club use. Jerry and Glenda will purchase it and will bring it to kiting events.

Website

It has been one year since our website has been updated. As our president, Charly needs to talk to Tom and see what action needs to be made to resolve this problem.

Products

Spaghetti Feed Pins: The board unanimously voted in favor of purchasing pins for the next four years in bulk, 75 pins available per year totaling 300 pins.

Banners: Susie will contact Mary Bos to see if she is willing for members to contact her directly to order WKA banners. The board voted unanimously in favor of purchasing one pre-made banner and one set of tag board templates from Mary.

Ft. Worden Scholarship

Problems with the scholarship over the last two years have shown a need to amend the rules. The amendments include explicitly stating the winner must be a current member at the time the application is submitted and at the time of the conference, all changes must go directly through WKA, and the scholarship is not transferable.

EVENTS

Seattle Celebration of Kites

Our Seattle Celebration of Kites (a.k.a. Father's Day Fly) at Magnuson Park will be held on Father's Day, June 15th. Ken Conrad has taken care of the permits and even got our event listed in the Parks Department's summer activity calendar.

WSIKF Participation

Kite Hospital: As an act of good will and a way to attract people to the WKA camp, we will be offering a "Kite Hospital" where minor kite repairs can be made for free.

Kid Area during Mass Ascensions: Upon approval of the WSIKF board, WKA will sponsor a children's flying field during all three mass ascensions. Quick repairs and flying tips will be available to help make the children's kites fly better. The board voted unanimously in favor of sponsoring this event.

Christmas Potluck

The vote which took place at the Christmas Potluck is not something that was discussed previously by either the WKA board or the PCKA board and therefore the vote to change the donation recipient is null. If any proceeds are meant for charities other than the Fife Food Bank they need to be auctioned off accordingly. This last year we donated \$1400 to the Fife Food Bank; that money was then distributed thru out the Pierce County Area.

Regional Kite Clubs

Associated Oregon Kites

Judy Brown
judyb7@mindspring.com
P.O. Box 25616
Portland, OR 97298
Membership includes bi-monthly
newsletter

Basin Kitefliers Association

Bill Watson
BKA@mlfloral.com
509-765-9111
115 W. 3rd Ave.
Moses Lake, WA 98837

Ben Franklin Kite Society

Larry Zilar
zilarlm@charter.net
509-545-6727

Lilac City Wind Chasers

Bill Cox
cxbil@aol.com
509-327-7974
Meets every Tuesday at Friendship Park,
Spokane, 4pm

North Coast Sky Painters

Monica Barber
flying@cuttingedgekites.com
360-289-5682
Meets 2nd Saturday of the month,
at Ocean Shores Lions Club

N.W. Buggy Pilots Assn.

Morrie & Kelci Williams
williams@techline.com
360-268-0318
Meets the 4th Saturday of the month,
call for location

N.W. Fighter Kite Assn.

Bruce Lambert
kitefighter@yahoo.com
360-289-2717
www.fighterkites.org
Meets the 3rd weekend of the month,
location varies

N.W. Sport Kite League

Neal Parker
pres@nwskl.org
www.nwskl.org

Peninsula Breeze Blenders

Bill Rogers
billrogers@earthlink.net
Meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month,
email for location

Pierce County Kiteflyers Assn.

www.pcka.org
Meets the last Thursday of the month at
the Summit Library in Tacoma, 7pm

Snohomish County Incredible Flying Individuals

Four Winds Kite Shop
425-339-9334

Squalicum Kite Flyers

Don & Shirley Allen
360-733-3777

Whidbey Island Kite Flyers

Allen & Marjorie Taylor
360-678-9358
Meets the 3rd Saturday of the month, call
for location

Westport Windriders

Barry Crites
bearkites@aol.com
360-491-8605
Meets the 4th Saturday of the month at
Grayland Beach

International Kite Clubs

American Kitefliers Assn.

www.aka.kite.org
Mary Bos – Region 10
region10@aka.kite.org
www.aka.kite.org/region10

British Columbia Kite-Flyer Assn.

P.O. Box 755
101-1001 W. Broadway
Vancouver, BC Canada V6H 4E4
www.bcka.bc.ca
Membership \$20 (Canadian funds)

WKA Welcomes New Members

Bob & Mary Neitzke Long Beach, WA

Membership

To become a member of WKA, send us your name(s), address and telephone number, along with a check or money order for \$15 (US funds) per family. For countries other than U.S.A. or Canada, please send an additional \$5 for postage. Membership includes an official WKA membership card entitling the bearer to discounts at participating kite shops and a one-year subscription to the WKA newsletter.

WKA Newsletter

The Washington Kitefliers Association Newsletter is published six times a year by the WKA. We encourage your participation and request that you send us articles pertaining to kite flying. Submissions that illustrate how much fun it is to fly kites will be given priority for publication. Mail submission along with your name address and telephone number to our mailing address below or email them to the newsletter editor. Please send pictures via email. The deadline for all submissions for the June/July newsletter is the 20th of May. All submissions will be considered for publication.

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David Jam
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Membership Application

By becoming a member of WKA, you receive the WKA Newsletter every other month for one year, a membership card that entitles you to discounts at participating kite stores, and a wealth of information about special events and goings-on in the Northwest kiting community.

Join the WKA and share the fun! Find out more about the fastest growing popular pastime in the United States today. WKA meetings offer individuals and families the opportunity to participate in the administrative support and planning of local kite events and workshops. Membership cost per household in the US or Canada is \$15.00. Fill out this application and return it with a check or money order payable in US funds to WKA. Mail to:

Membership
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Seattle, WA 98109

Visit us on the web at
www.wka-kiteflyers.org

Name

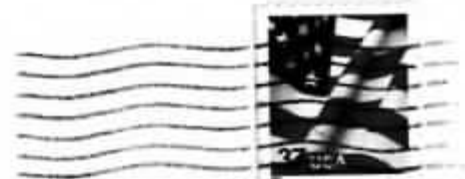
Address


City/State/Zip

Phone/Email

Names of additional family members

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