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fun it is to fly kites!

The Hawaii Challenge

by Rob Scribner of Cutting Edge Kite Team

The Hawaii Challenge was held this year on March 6th, 7th, and 8th, and the Northwest was represented by three teams: Cutting Edge, Wind-a-saurus, and Team Ramjet.

We learned when we got there why they call it the Hawaii Challenge! The winds can change directions completely, and may go from 0 to 15 mph in one minute. On top of this, it can get hot!

Some of us don't see wind like this very often, and it was very hard to decide what equipment to use. For example, the announcer would declare a 0 wind warning and we would set up the team with Super Light Kites and 80 lb. lines. After we got the kites in the air, the wind would change to 12 to 15 mph and our 80 lb. lines were destroyed.

The three teams supported each other throughout the event, especially when Cutting Edge was in the middle of our Precision event and our third flier fell to the ground in pain. He had hurt his leg and could not move. The other Northwest teams set up their kites again and patiently waited knowing that they could not enter the flying area without disqualifying our team.

The judges asked us if we wanted to scratch, but our flier, Don Powell, refused and stood up on one foot in pain. We began flying again, to finish in Second Place, Experienced class.

Team Ramjet flew beautifully to a First Place in Masters Precision and Third Place in Masters Ballet. Wind-a-saurus placed First in Experienced Precision and Ballet, with Cutting Edge taking Second Place in both events.

The Northwest teams showed real teamwork and all came home with medals!

\$200 Reward!!

by T.J. Murphy

The WKA is in need of a facelift—no, not the board members, but the WKA logo.

We are having a contest. The winner will receive a \$200 gift certificate to be used at a participating Washington kite store.

The rules are simple. You must be a WKA member in good standing, and send us a copy of what you want our logo to look like. Cutoff date is June 15, 1992.

Try to keep in mind that multiple colors and intricate designs are difficult and expensive to print. The logo is essentially used for stationery, letterheads, membership cards and the newsletter. It may not necessarily be used as a kite or a pin.

The new logo will be unveiled at the WKA Pizza Feed at WSIKF in August.

For comments or questions, ask any WKA board member, or call T.J. Murphy at (206) 271-7941. Entrants should mail their submissions to T.J. Murphy, 11826 S.E. 165th, Renton, WA 98058, no later than June 15th.

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Schedule Change

The next General Membership Meeting will be held Saturday, April 25th, at the Kiona Winery in Benton City following the Sixth Annual Kiona Kite Fly. Contact Dave Christenson at (206) 471-9103.

WSIKF Update

by Kay Buesing

The Washington State International Kite Festival has some competition changes we want you to know about. As the committee works to make the events better and better, more changes will occur. Stay tuned for the latest news!

Tuesday and Thursday activities have been flip flopped. That means Hand-crafted Kite Competition is on Thursday, and Single Line Competition (homemade and commercial) is on Tuesday.

The World Kite Museum and Hall of Fame is sponsoring a special competition for pioneer kites of Europe and the United States. All the details are not complete, but individuals and groups will be eligible, and costumes will be part of the scenario. Pictures in Clive Hart's *Kites: An Historical Survey* and David Pelham's *Kites* are seeds for ideas. Details will follow.

A marvelous and unusual grand prize has been made available to the festival by the Aero-Plastic Team of Detlev Bannier. It includes a free trip and free accommodations to attend the 9th International Kite Festival of Berlin on the 26th and 27th of September 1992. The criteria for giving this award are being created right now.

Don't forget the \$1,000 prize for anyone who breaks a Guinness Kite Record during the festival. Be sure to register with the committee to meet all requirements for the prize.

Contact Kay Buesing (206) 665-5744.



Typical beach scene at Long Beach during 1991 Washington State International Kite Festival.

Would You Like A Kiting Vacation?

by Greg Greger

Anyone interested in a kite-making (teaching) vacation?

Holden Village is inland from the west, upper edge of Lake Chelan, accessible only by lake ferry. A former mining village, it is currently run by the Lutherans as an educational conference center.

Jack and Vi Van Gilder had, years ago, established a

kite-making situation there, and they would spend a week in early June training one of the summer staff people to continue the program for the entire summer. When Jack knew he could not continue, he asked me to take over, and I have enjoyed doing it for three years.

We have taught three plastic kites, the connover eddy, sled and delta, using colored, tall kitchen trash bags, dowels and tape. The usual pupils are parents and their children, and teachers or group leaders.

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The Editor encourages your participation in your newsletter, and requests that you send your contributions pertaining to kiteflying. Submissions that illustrate how much fun it is to fly a kite will be given priority for publication. Mail submissions and photographs (include the name, address and telephone number of the source) along with a stamped, self-addressed envelope of sufficient size and postage for return (if you want your photographs back) to Judy Millspaugh, 7573 Old Redmond Road, No. 5, Redmond, Washington 98052. The deadline for all submissions is the 15th of the month prior to the issue — May 15th for the next issue. All submissions will be considered for publication.

As part of the staff, you are treated royally—food and lodging are supplied to staff at no cost. The only expense, other than driving there, is the three-hour ferry fee (about \$19 round trip).

Usually, the instructional requirement for kite making can be done in two or three hours a day, leaving the rest of the time for attending other sessions, hiking, or whatever.

If you are interested to learn more details, check with Greg Greger at (509) 943-3951, or 1425 Marshall, Richland, WA 99352.

Fun In The Yakima Sun

The Yakima Valley Kite Flyers are presenting their third annual Yakima Valley Kite Festival on June 13th and 14th. They have a new location for the event this year, Fulbright Park in Union Gap, Washington. This beautiful park has easy access, is close to town, and has more than 80 acres of unobstructed, level flying fields.

There will be individual and team stunt games and demonstrations, as well as single line events and a Rokkaku challenge. The festival will include entertainment and various vendors at the park. On Saturday night, the Yakima Valley Kite Flyers will host a fliers barbecue. They will provide hamburgers, buns, condiments and dinnerware. Please bring salad, chips and dip, beans, or a dessert to make it a potluck.

On-site dry camping, drinking water, and restrooms will be available starting on Friday, June 12th.

If you have any questions, you may call Debbie Rodgers during the day at (509) 966-2249 or Pat Teague after work at (509) 966-3812.



Kiters having "Fun in the Yakima Sun" during the Second Annual Yakima Valley Festival.

I "Luv" My Kites

Seventh Annual Westport Kite Festival '92

June 25-28, 1992—Four days of fun, games and competitions on the beach each day!

Thursday (6/25), 12-4 PM, HAND-CRAFTED KITES, displayed and judged for trophies. 6 PM, Get acquainted at the pizza party, Chateau Westport Motel, 150 seating limit. Sign Up Early.

Friday (6/26), 12-5 PM, STUNT KITE COMPETITION, Junior and Adult, Individual and Team, Precision and Ballet. 6 PM, BBQ POTLUCK and BONFIRE on the beach, lighted kite display in the air at dusk.

Saturday (6/27), 12-2 PM, SHOW TIME WIND ART DISPLAYS, judged for awards. 2-4 PM, CHILDRENS PROGRAM, Fantastic Teddy Bear Sky Drop. 6 PM, AWARDS DINNER, trophies, gift certificates, drawings and door prizes (location not final at this time).

New WKA Pins!!

The Washington Kitefliers Association has a new pin available for 1992. This stunning design, by WKA member Wilda Boyd, features a kite flying over the mountains against a star filled night sky. Individual pins are \$5 each, with lots of 25 available for \$75. For yours, write WKA Products Chairman T.J. Murphy at 11826 S.E. 165th, Renton, WA 98058 (make checks payable to WKA), or just ask at the next WKA event you attend.

There are a few of the 1991 pins available as well, so be sure to let her know if that's what you want.

Membership

To become a member of the WKA, send your name(s), address and telephone number, along with a check for \$10 per family (outside the U.S., please add \$2[US] for additional postage) to Washington Kitefliers Association, Pacific Science Center, 200 Second Avenue North, Seattle, Washington 98109. Membership includes an official WKA membership card entitling the bearer to discounts at certain kite shops, and a one-year subscription to the WKA Newsletter.

Sunday (6/27) 12-4 PM, FIGHTER KITE and ROKKAKU CHALLENGE, Battles of the Kites. 4 PM, Competition winners of the day and Best Performance at Festival Presentation.

Again this year, Pic-A-Patch will give a Doug Hagaman Parafoil "35" in a drawing. Tickets available to workers and to those entering contests and competitions.

For your convenience, there will be food concessions, a broadcasting truck, information booth, and sanitary facilities on the beach at the Bounge Road entrance. Plan to take advantage of the FREE BUS SERVICE to and from the beach and the dock area. Parking gets to be a problem, so spectators are welcome to this FREE service. Lots of parking in the dock area. The bus makes stops at the RV Parks and Motels on its route.

For information, call (206) 268-0877, or write Jeri at Pic-A-Patch Kites, P.O. Box 1487, Westport, WA 98595.

President's Letter

by Dave Christenson

Well, Spring is here and its time to get all of those nice creations that we have been working on all winter out into the sunshine. I have to admit that I slacked off on my kite building this winter. I got several projects started and like some of you, that is as far as they got. I spent more time on my new computer than building kites. My wife says to get busy, but I can't find the right color ripstop to get my ideas going right (sounds like a good excuse to me).

Susie and I went up to Everett the other day for the SCI-FI fun fly. By the time I found it (Marine Park, that is), the wind died and everything started coming down. I talked to Robin Haas for a while, and he told me of some plans for upcoming events that sounded great. Stay tuned for future information.

Those of you who attended Fort Worden this year know all about the great friends, great weather, and all the fun had by all. At least everybody I talked to said they were having a good time. I would like to say THANK YOU to the Fort Worden Kitemakers Conference Officers and all the other people that helped. I think that they did an outstanding job, and deserve a round of applause for all their hard work.

David Bogle and Francis Hall put on a fantastic slide show! I still say they take some of the best kite pictures I've seen. I think we should name Francis the "Mad Bomber" after the airplane fight at the dorm social on Saturday night. He sure was doing a lot of dodging and firing of styrofoam airplanes.

I would like to say my own "Thank You" to all of the people and companies that donated items to the Kitemakers Conference. Without your generosity there wouldn't be future retreats.

Best Winds, Dave

Board Meeting Notes

by Bob Alford

A board meeting was held on February 26, 1992, in Kirkland. The meeting was called to order with sixteen members present. After the minutes were read and approved, Kelci provided a financial report. At that point, she showed us a proposed 1992 budget. All those present at prior years marathon budget negotiations were quick to move, second and approve the proposed budget. The next reports concerned Fort Worden, newsletter advertising and distribution, and T.J. Murphy's selection of a gift of appreciation for David Bogle.

Tom Sisson told us that we will be hanging kites at the Science Center on March 27th. General Membership meetings were scheduled for July 11th at the Crystal Mountain Fun Fly, November 7th at the Jefferson Lawn Bowling Clubhouse, and the May meeting to be scheduled in Eastern Washington. It was decided to sponsor a Logo design contest to come up with a new logo for the WKA. The first prize will be a \$200 shopping spree at a participating Washington kite shop.

A decision was made that we will not be doing a Bayside Realty Kite Fly this year. We also began organizing to attempt to put on a Seattle Kite Festival during the third weekend of July.

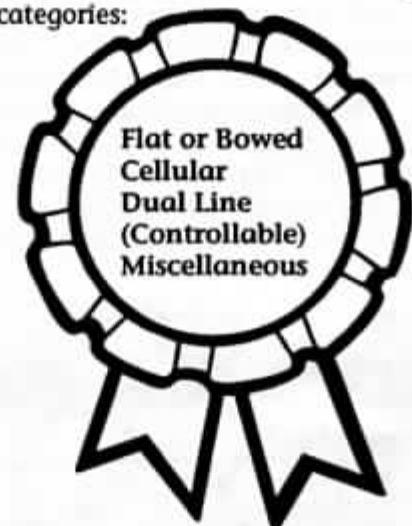
Other items discussed were newsletter/postage costs and the possible need to increase our dues, the possibility of moving our elections to a different time of year to try to get more member participation, and requests for mailing labels. One other item of interest was that the check printing company Clarke American offers checks with kites on them called Flying Colors. Ask your friendly financial institution about them the next time you have to order checks.

Gotta go, heard that there is WIND!! C YA NEXT TIME!!!

Kites at the Puyallup Fair

by Jessica Palmer

Hand-crafted kites will be included in the Western Washington Fair this year. Prizes and ribbons will be awarded for the following categories:



This is the first year a kite division has been open for judging. If there is enough interest, it will become a yearly event at the Fair. Entries will be accepted into the beginning of September. For information, contact Mainframe Kite Shop at (206) 627-1653.

Old Friend, New Event

by Steve Millsbaugh

Our old friend Terry Yuncker is off to a "flying start" in his new home, presenting the first annual Daytona Beach International Kite Festival on May 16 and 17, 1992. For you newcomers who may not recognize the name, Terry was formerly owner of Ocean Kites in Long Beach, and was field event coordinator for the 1991 WSIKF. His new project sounds exciting, with a fantastic line-up of events too numerous to detail here. For those of you fortunate enough to be able to consider visiting the festival, or those just wishing to purchase pins or patches, his new phone number is (904) 258-0818, and his mailing address is 1401 S. Palmetto Ave., Apt. 207, Daytona Beach, FL 32114.

Fort Worden Commentaries

Garth Westhoff:

Here are my impressions of the 1992 Fort Worden Conference:

The weather was the best we have had...there was sunshine and there was wind for the afternoon kite flies. I missed lots of "Got to see or hear" classes and instructors; however, did attend Dan Kurahasi's and Elmer Wharton's. They were a good team for information on the old, tried and true material—bamboo.

Deb Cooley was swamped in her room doing the appliqué bit, while cutting, suggesting colors for the templates which the students chose, and answering multitudes of questions.

Bonnie Stout, a first-time instructor at Fort Worden, taught decorative painting, and did a very informative and entertaining class by guiding us through techniques of brushing, design, and color wheel theory on material.



Results of Bonnie Stout's teaching.

The raffle was a success through the tremendous efforts of Marlene and Linda Zilar. They were able to obtain excellent items for the raffle, an activity which was enjoyed by all.

Ancillary to the classes and the lectures, the conference provided the opportunity to meet new people and old friends.

Jessica Palmer, Mainframe:

Being a kite shop owner, I attended the Fort Worden Kitemakers Conference more because I felt that I should finally see what it was all about than because I really wanted to go. I was pleasantly surprised. The people there were unbelievably friendly. It didn't matter if you were an expert or a beginner, since everyone seemed to be helping each other through the classes.

The only complaint I have is the raffle—why did that person sitting next to me (and she knows who she is) win eight or ten things with half as many tickets as I had, and all I ended up with was a T-shirt? Next year, I want to see a class on raffling!

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Linda and Marleen Zilar shown here with some of the "goodies" they raffled off.

Steve Millsbaugh:

In my commentary on Fort Worden for 1992, I would like to start by expressing a couple of thank yous. Linda and Marleen Zilar did an outstanding job on the raffle this year. I found myself caught up in the exciting variety of items up for grabs. I spent a bunch on raffle tickets, and won some neat prizes. In the process of doing this, I spent a lot of time in the hospitality suite this year, where Cathy and Win Smith did another fantastic job. As usual, the slide show on Saturday was a highlight, with both David Bogie and Francis Hall sharing some great photos with us. Also fun on Saturday was the tall tales contest—this new event should be a keeper, as it was a lot of fun for everyone. Tom Sisson placed third, Kay Beusing placed second, and Della Pederson took first place with her story.

To all the teachers and organizers, an overall THANK YOU for a great weekend.

Fort Worden



Don Mock, surrounded by his striking Northwest Indian motif kites, explains his kitemaking techniques.



Della Pederson, winner of Saturday's Tall Tales contest, with husband Russell, subject of her story.



Deb Cooley hard at work teaching her applique techniques.



Fort Worden Kite Art by Ronda Brewer.

1992 Pictorial



Rick Brown picks the winning ticket for the magnificent Cody he built and donated.



Debbie Rodgers takes home one of the most sought-after prizes.



Linda Zilar, Dave Christenson and Mike Button choosing the winner of a Cody built and donated by Harold Writer.

Regional Reports

Snohomish County Incredible Flying Individuals (SCI-FI)

Contact Robin Haas at (206) 670-3963 or Dawn Clark at (206) 339-9334.

Greetings, fellow kite fliers! We hope that all of you have enjoyed the mild Winter that we had, and are glad that Spring is finally here. It doesn't seem possible that it has arrived already!

SCI-FI has had a very active winter and as a result is planning some events that we hope everyone will attend. The first is a bus trip to Westport. (Any of you Windriders reading this please move on to the next paragraph because it is supposed to be a surprise!) We have chartered a bus for May 23, 1992, that will leave Everett early in the morning and travel to Westport to join them for their monthly fun fly. We will make two or three stops along the way (like Northgate, Tacoma, and ?) if we have people desiring to join us from there. The cost will be \$20 per person, round trip, and is open to any adult wishing to go along. Call Pierre or Pat Langlois at (206) 334-6108 for more information or to sign up. Hurry though, the bus is filling fast!

An event that we are proud of and excited about is the First Jetty Island Days Kite Festival. It will be held on Sunday, July 12, 1992, from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM. We are putting this on along with the Everett Parks Department. Jetty Island is an island with lots of flying space just off the waterfront, and is accessible by private boat or a free 63 passenger ferry that starts running July 8, 1992. When the wind is blowing it is as near to ocean fresh as can be found in the Puget Sound. We will be having kite building and face painting for the kids, demonstration stunt kite flying, and as many single line kites as possible. Bring your big ones because there are large concrete tie downs on the island. We hope to make this an annual event so that we can convince the City of Everett that kite flying is a growing hobby and that an event like this will attract people from out of the area.

One last item of business. Our monthly fun fly is usually held at the Marine Park and Boat Launch on Marine View Drive in Everett. The field that we use is also the site of carnival rides during the city's annual festival, Salty Sea Days in June. It just so happens that the rides will be operating during our Fun Fly. Unless you are very daring and want to fly a kite from the top of a Ferris wheel, come and join us at our alternate site at North Middle School. The school is right across the street from Alfys, which is where we hold our business/lunch meeting at 12:30 PM. For more information on this, any SCI-FI event, or about our club please contact Robin Haas at (206) 670-3963 during the day. This is a local call from Seattle or Everett.

Pierce County Kitefliers Association (PCKA)

Contact: Mainframe Kite Shop, 3340 East 11th Street, Tacoma, WA 98421 (206) 627-1653 or Dave Christenson (206) 471-9103.

Several members of the Pierce County Kitefliers Association attended the Fort Worden Kitemakers Conference, including two members who were instructors there.

We are also very proud of PCKA members Team Ramjet, who beat three world champions to win a First Place in the competitions in Hawaii.

Things are rolling right along for the club. We are planning a bigger and better fun fly at Crystal Mountain in July, and we're also gearing up for the Puyallup Fair in September. We have scheduled a fun fly at Fort Steilacoom for April 12th.

PCKA meets at Mainframe Kite Shop at 7 PM on the last Wednesday of every month. Everyone is welcome. Club membership is \$5 yearly. Enamel pins are available for \$5. (Editor's note...this is a really nice pin, one of my personal favorites.)

Kite Group of Boise (kgb)

Contact David Bogie, kgb operative, at (208) 336-2038, 1411 North 25th Street, Boise, Idaho 83702

Mick and Lena Dahms and I were the only kgbs able to make it to Fort Worden. We enjoyed seeing our friends and making new acquaintances. We were amazed by the diversity of class and lecture offerings. We were amused by the food. We were delighted to see so many new kite enthusiasts. We were pleased with how the conference was run. And we were worn out by the long drives to and from the Seattle area.

Many unsung WKAs must feed the Fort Worden organization with enormous amounts of their professionalism, creativity, concern, and crisis management skills. That the conference occurs at all is no small miracle, folks. Thank you for making it possible.

The kgb has been invited to host a kite flying demonstration on April 11th, at Mountain Home Air Force Base, located about an hour from Boise. The Boise Kite Festival is scheduled for Saturday, April 25th. Give us a call if you can come to town.

Those of us with the time and energy to spare will be showing up at regional events this Spring. Hope to see you all at Yakima and Long Beach. Keep the pointy side up.

PS Thanks for the, er, clock.

Squalicum Kite Flyers

Contact Don or Shirley Allen (206) 733-3777, 505 West Baker-view, No. 114, Bellingham, WA 98226.



Westport Windriders

Contact Chuck Reese (206) 875-6385, P.O. Box 233 South Bend, WA 98586. The Westport Windriders host a fun fly and a meeting featuring potluck dinner on the fourth Saturday of each month.

Ben Franklin Kite Society

Contact Larry or Marleen Zilar (509) 586-2664, 1030 West 14th Avenue, Kennewick, WA 99337; or Greg or Margaret Greger (509) 943-3951. To get a BFKS patch (\$3.50) or a BFKS pin (\$4) and a free BFKS membership, send check to Larry Zilar at the address shown above. Please make checks payable to Larry Zilar.

Lavender Winds Kite Club

Contact Brian Bradley (206) 896-6190, P.O. Box 5396, Vancouver, WA 98668.

S. F. Cody Kite Society

Contact Rick Brown (503) 689-8175, 1082 Bethesda Street, Eugene, OR 97402. Membership \$10, for one year, or \$17 for two years, includes quarterly newsletter.

Capitol City Flyers

Contact Cool Rain Kites (206) 943-5700, 222 North Capitol Way, Olympia, WA 98501.

Associated Oregon Kitefliers

P.O. Box 25616, Portland, OR 97225. Membership \$7, includes bimonthly newsletter.

British Columbia Kitefliers Association

P.O. Box 35653, Station E, Vancouver, BC V6M 4G9, Canada. Membership \$8 (US money orders only, please).

Yakima Valley Kite Flyers

Contact Rod Yarger (509) 453-4679, 209 North 24th Avenue, Yakima, Washington 98902.

Become a Pen Pal

Dear Sirs

My name is Ofer Levy

I'm a great fan of kites and kite building for some years now. Regretfully, kite works is new and undeveloped in my living area, and therefore, professional literature is not available. I'll be grateful if you could send me any kind of prospects or other material your club publishes. Also, I'll be thankful if you can inform me where could I be in touch with other fans of kite works building and flying.

Yours Sincerely

Levy Ofer

Kfar Mall 45920

ISRAEL

New Northwest Stunt Team

Dear WKA

1991 has been a great year for us; we have met so many nice friends and businesses throughout the United States and Canada.

We hope that our presence in the area benefits kiting for the region and the industry.

As a new team, we have heard that we must pay our dues. We didn't really know what that meant until we had to practice every weekend. When we say the weekends, that means in the rain, the sun, light wind, heavy wind, no wind, mud, sand, rain gear, sick and healthy. This also meant broken lines, broken kites, spare parts, mopeds crossing your flying area, horses doing the same, and those inevitable spectators asking questions just as we are doing a four person wrap.

Well, we now can say that we are ready for 1992, and we still love it. We passed the winter test.

We hope to meet more teams and businesses around the nation this year, while trying to make most of the kiting events around the area. The Cutting Edge team has committed itself to creating a unity with the Northwest community and the average flier, while promoting Washington as a primary kiting region and manufacturing supplier.

The team would like to thank the WKA and the PCKA for the support and knowledge to enter the Cutting Edge team into the kiting circuit. We would also like to thank the following teams: Ramjet, Wind-a-saurus, WingZ, Air Heads, OGO, and Prevailing Winds of California.

We also would like to recognize Great Winds Kites, Gasworks Park Kite Shop, Mainframe Kite Shop, Ocean Shores Kites, and Cloud Nine Kites.

Special Thanks to Don Schultz, our coach.

Thank you all, The Cutting Edge Kite Team

Japanese Kite Tour

The Checkley 1992 Japanese Kite Tour should be the best one yet, and all 19 of them have been memorable. Early in 1991, I requested the Japan Kite Association to include several famous kite areas for the 1992 tour. All of my suggestions were endorsed by Mr. Modegi, President of the JKA, and we believe this tour will be outstanding.

Because of the Japanese hosting for three nights, I was able to keep the cost close to the 1990 tour price. Also, because of the special hospitality we will experience, the tour will be limited to fifteen people.

Dorothea Checkley (206) 284-5350

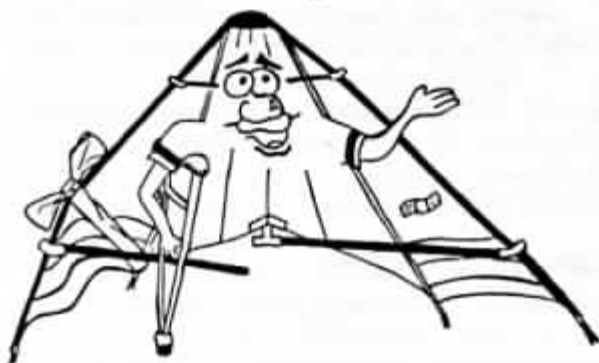
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WKA Teacher's Packets

Plans for seven kites, including an eddy, a cobra, a delta conyne, two sleds and two deltas. All for \$2. Order packets from WKA Products Chairman, T.J. Murphy (make checks payable to WKA, please), 11826 S.E. 165th, Renton, WA 98058.

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KITE CALENDAR

by Darryl Stephison

The WKA attempts to provide accurate and timely kite calendar information for its members, however, all listings are subject to change. We recommend that you call the contact listed to verify details.

APRIL

March 28 (Saturday) - April 26 (Sunday), 14th Annual Pacific Science Center Kite Exhibit, Pacific Science Center, Seattle. Contact: Tom Sisson (206)725-3615.

April 3-5 (Friday-Sunday), 8th Annual Welcome Spring Kite Festival, 9 AM, On the Beach, Ocean Shores, competition. Contact: Mike Brown, Ocean Shores Kites (206)289-4103 or Ocean Shores Visitors Bureau (800)874-6737.

April 4-5 (Saturday-Sunday), 14th Annual Kite Fair, 10 AM, Pacific Science Center, Seattle, making kites with kids. Contact: Tom Sisson (206)725-3615.

April 5 (Sunday), 11th Annual Tri-Cities Spring Fly-In, 12 noon, Leslie Groves Park, Richland, fun fly & picnic. Contact: Greg Greger (509)943-3951.

April 5 (Sunday), Fun Fly, 1 PM, City Park, Sand Point, Idaho. Contact: Arts & Crafts Council (208)263-6139.

April 5 (Sunday), SCI-FI Fun Fly, 10 AM, Marine Park, Meeting, 12:30 PM at Alf's on Broadway, Everett. Contact: Robin Haas (206)670-3963 (days) or Dawn Clark (206)339-9334 (evenings).

April 11 (Saturday), 4th Annual Bellevue Kite Day, 10 AM, Downtown Bellevue Park, Bellevue, family fun with competition for children. Contact: Darryl Stephison (206)432-1931.

April 11 (Saturday), All City Kite Show, 10 AM, Franklin Park, Spokane, fun fly and kite flying demonstrations. Contact: Will or Connie Lester (509)327-2829.

April 11 (Saturday), Peninsula Kitefliers Fun Fly, 10th Street Access, Long Beach, Potluck at 7 PM, Contact: Long Beach Kites (206)642-2202.

April 12 (Sunday), PCKA Fun Fly, Fort Steilacoom Park in Lakewood. Contact Mainframe Kite Shop (206)627-1653.

April 22 (Wednesday), WKA Board Meeting, 7 PM, 12515 Willows Road, Suite 220, Kirkland. Contact Dave Christenson (206)471-9103.

April 25 (Saturday), 8th Annual Boise Kite Festival, 12 Noon, Ann Morrison Park, Boise, Idaho, family fun with KGB flying demonstrations. Contact: David Bogie (208)336-2038.

April 25-26 (Saturday-Sunday), Puffin Kite Festival, Cannon Beach, Oregon. Contact: Rick Talbot (503)324-5070.

April 25-26 (Saturday-Sunday), 6th Annual Kiona Winery Barrel Opening and Kite Fly, 12 Noon, Kiona Winery, Benton City, fun fly and picnic. Contact: Larry Zilar (509)586-2664.

April 25 (Saturday), WKA General Membership Meeting, 7 PM, Kiona Winery, Benton City. Contact: Dave Christenson (206)471-9103.

April 25 (Saturday), Westport Windriders Fun Fly (4th Annual Trilby Party), 10 AM, Twin Harbors State Park, Potluck, 6 PM, Lions Hall, Westport. Contact: Pic-A-Patch Kites (206)268-0877.

April 25 (Saturday) - May 8 (Friday), Japan Kite Festival Tour. Contact: Dorothea Checkley (206)284-5350.

April 29 (Wednesday), PCKA Meeting, 7 PM, Mainframe Kite Shop, Tacoma, Contact: Matt or Jessica Palmer (206)627-1653.

MAY

May 2-3 (Saturday-Sunday), 8th Annual Preston Wine Cellar Kite Social, 12 Noon, Preston Wine Cellar, Pasco, fun fly with potluck on Saturday. Contact: Larry Zilar (509)586-2664.

May 2-3 (Saturday-Sunday), Redwood Coast Kite Festival, Eureka, Calif. Contact: (707)442-9245.

May 3 (Sunday), SCI-FI Fun Fly, 10 AM, Marine Park, Meeting, 12:30 PM at Alf's on Broadway, Everett. Contact: Robin Haas (206)670-3963 (days) or Dawn Clark (206)339-9334 (evenings).

May 9-10 (Saturday-Sunday), 10th Annual Spring Kite Festival, D River Wayside, Lincoln City, Oregon. Contact: Lincoln City Chamber of Commerce (800)452-2151.

May 9 (Saturday), Peninsula Kitefliers Fun Fly, 10th Street Access, Long Beach, Potluck at 7 PM, Contact: Long Beach Kites (206)642-2202.

May 16-17 (Saturday-Sunday), Daytona Beach International Kite Festival, Florida. Contact Terry Yuncker (904)258-0818.

May 23-24 (Saturday-Sunday), Memorial Weekend Kite Fly, Bolstad Street Access, Long Beach, fun fly. Contact: Long Beach Kites (206)642-2202.

May 23 (Saturday), Westport Windriders Fun Fly, 10 AM, Twin Harbors State Park, Potluck, 7 PM, Lions Hall, Westport. Contact: Pic-A-Patch Kites (206)268-0877.

May 23 (Saturday), Great SCI-FI Trek. Chartered bus to Westport. Contact Pierre or Pat Langlois (206)334-6108.

May 24 (Sunday), Squalicum Picnic, 10 AM, Fort Casey State Park, Whidbey Island. Contact: Mike Button (206)733-7380.

May 27 (Wednesday), PCKA Meeting, 7 PM, Mainframe Kite Shop, Tacoma. Contact: Matt or Jessica Palmer (206)627-1653.

May 28-31 (Thursday-Sunday), Junction Kite Retreat, Texas Tech University, Junction, Texas. Contact: Betty Street (806)742-3027 (days) or (806)745-6803 (evenings).

Are you keeping your "flight log" up to date? I am still wondering who the real kite nuts are in this group. If you see me on the kite field some time, come over and show me your diary...Darryl Stephison.

Kite Calendar Continued

JUNE

June 7 (Sunday), SCI-FI Fun Fly, 10 AM, North Middle School, Meeting, 12:30 PM at Alf's on Broadway, Everett. Contact: Robin Haas (206)670-3963 (days) or Dawn Clark (206)339-9334 (evenings).

June 6-7 (Saturday-Sunday), 3rd Annual Yakima Valley Kite Festival, Fulbright Park, Union Gap, competition. Contact: Cliff Bond (509)697-6248.

June 13 (Saturday), Peninsula Kitefliers Fun Fly, 10th Street Access, Long Beach, Potluck at 7 PM, Contact: Long Beach Kites (206)642-2202.

June 14 (Sunday), Stunt Kite Demo Day, Magnuson Park, Seattle. Contact: Gasworks Kite Shop, (206)633-4780.

June 14 (Sunday), BFKS Fun Fly, 12 Noon, Columbia Point Marina Park, Richland. Contact: Greg Greger (509)943-3951.

June 24 (Wednesday), WKA Board Meeting, 7 PM, 12515 Willows Road, Suite 220, Kirkland. Contact: Dave Christenson (206)471-9103.

June 24 (Wednesday), PCKA Meeting, 7 PM, Mainframe Kite Shop, Tacoma. Contact: Matt or Jessica Palmer (206)627-1653.

June 25-28 (Thursday-Sunday), 6th Annual Westport Kite Festival, Twin Harbors State Park, Westport, competition, with emphasis on fun. This year's theme: "I luv my kites". Contact: Pic-A-Patch Kites (206)268-0877.

June 26-28 (Friday-Sunday), 3rd Annual Northwest Regional Stunt Kite Championship, Bolstad Street Access, Long Beach. Contact: Eric Forsberg (503)375-7557.



In The Wind

You can expect changes in the calendar for July. The Crystal Mountain Fun Fly has been changed from July 18th to July 11th. The WKA General Membership Meeting on July 11th has been changed from Magnuson Park to Crystal Mountain. SCI-FI has scheduled a fly called "Jetty Island Days Kite Fly" on July 12th. Look for more details in the next newsletter.

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