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Dedicated to helping
people know how much
fun it is to fly kites!

Fort Worden 1993

by Kelci Williams

Get Ready, it's coming...the TENTH ANNUAL Fort Worden Kitemaker's Conference! This promises to be the best yet.

To highlight the '93 conference, we'll be welcoming international guest Martin Lester (the leg man) and master designer Randy Tom as our keynote speakers. There will be a banquet on Saturday night, which will be open to everyone (but you must register to be included). Also, we've reserved more classroom space so that we can offer more and longer classes.

Some of your favorites like Rick Brown, Greg Greger, Dan Kurahashi, Don Mock, and Kathy Goodwind will return to inspire you. Also, there will be new teachers with new ideas and concepts to fascinate you and help you create some wonderful flying things.

Come and join us for a weekend of learning, making friends and, most of all, FUN! Register now, because space may go fast.

To volunteer your services at the conference, or for additional class information or suggestions, contact Julie Gantt at (206) 784-2127, or send a separate note with your registration. (Registration form on page 9.)

Volunteer Now!

The Washington Kitefliers Association is preparing for its annual election of officers and board members.

You are invited to run for any office which may be of interest to you. You can look at the board roster on page 5 of this newsletter to see what the various positions are. If you have any questions concerning what is involved in serving, you can call President Dave Christenson at (206) 471-9103.

If you live outside the Seattle area, remember that the WKA is a statewide organization, and telephone conferencing is possible as part of the board meeting process.

If you are interested, please call Dave now.

November Membership Meeting and Potluck

The next General Membership Meeting of the WKA will be a Potluck dinner and social, featuring door prizes, good food, photo and video viewing, and lots of friendly folks. Bring your favorite hot dish, salad, or dessert. Coffee, tea, and juice will be provided, and no alcoholic beverages are permitted.

The date is Saturday, November 7th, at 6:00 PM. The location is the Jefferson Lawn Bowling Club, which is located behind the Jefferson Golf Clubhouse at 4103 Beacon Avenue South in Seattle.

For additional information, call Dave Christenson at (206) 471-9103 or Tom Sisson at (206) 725-3615.

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Announcing

The new WKA Logo, designed by Jeffrey Reed, was unveiled at the WKA Pizza Party at WSIKF. Expect a new look for the front page of your next newsletter.

WKA's Pizza Party by Dave Christenson

The 1992 WKA Pizza Party has come and gone already. It was fun, wasn't it? It seemed like it took forever to get started, but once the doors opened and the pizza arrived, it was all a blur to me. I hope everyone had plenty of pizza and fun.

I would like to say Thank You to all the people who volunteered their help. I won't name them all for fear that I might forget someone, and I wouldn't want that to happen. So, Thank You One And All!

I also want to say Thank You to the Super 8 Motel in Long Beach for their help and use of the Banquet Room.

Door Prizes, Door Prizes and more Door Prizes. I think this year we had a fantastic group of door prizes. I would like to say Thanks to all the merchants and individuals who donated items. Through their generosity, the WKA and their guests had a wonderful evening. See the list below for the donors and lucky winners of the door prizes.

I hope to see you again next year.

WSIKF 1992—WKA Pizza Feed Door Prizes by Judy Millspaugh

Aerial Art (Scott Hampton) donated a "Kite Poster" won by Diane Beamguard.

Dave and Susie Christenson contributed a "Jackite Osprey" won by Chris Handel.

City Kites (Connie McKenzie) supplied an "Airhead by Garza" won by Pam Schroeder.

Cutting Edge Kites (Rob Scribner) donated a "Bo's Kite, Condor Team Stunt Kite" won by Ulli Steltzer. Note from Ulli Steltzer: "Since I don't fly kites, I am giving the kite I won to Detlef Banner to take back to near Berlin where he lives. He is here as one of the official international visitors, and has been making the big figures on the beach that all the children can play and crawl in."

Handel The Wind (Chris Handel) and **Pam's Mini Delights** (Pam Schroeder) gave us a pair of "Stunt Kite Earrings" won by Alke Muirhead.

Kite Post Studios (Francis Hall) supplied one of his "WSIKF Commemorative Kite Stamp Sheets" won by Margaret Holzbauer.

Long Beach Kites (Jim and Kay Buesing) donated a "Fringe Dancer Kite" won by Dawn Malone.

Mainframe Kite Shop (Matt and Jessica Palmer) contributed a "SNAP Stunt Kite" won by Greg Greger.

Don Mock gave us one of his "Fighter Kites" won by Marleen Zilar.

Ocean Kites (David Arndt) provided a "Twelve Foot Wind Sock" won by John Reinschreiber.

One of Jerry's Kites (Jerry Sinotte) supplied a "Peregrine Stunt Kite" won by Jamie Alford.

Paint The Sky Kites (John Reinschreiber and Jill Duncan) furnished a "Rhomboid Tie Dyed Box Kite" won by Aime Barsalou.

Pic-A-Patch Kites (Jeri and Richard Soulier) donated a "Telescoping Wind Sock Pole" won by Larry Zilar.

Skyaire Products (Darrell Westmoreland) contributed two "Boxes of Ripstop Remnants" won by Michel Gressier and Diane Beamguard.

Stormin' Norman's provided a "Cheetah Stunt Kite" won by Jackie Spears.

Terry Yuncker gave us a "Fort Lauderdale Kite Festival Poster" won by Patrick Lough.

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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 — November 15th for the next issue. All submissions will be considered for publication.

A Great Pizza Party by Dave Weigand

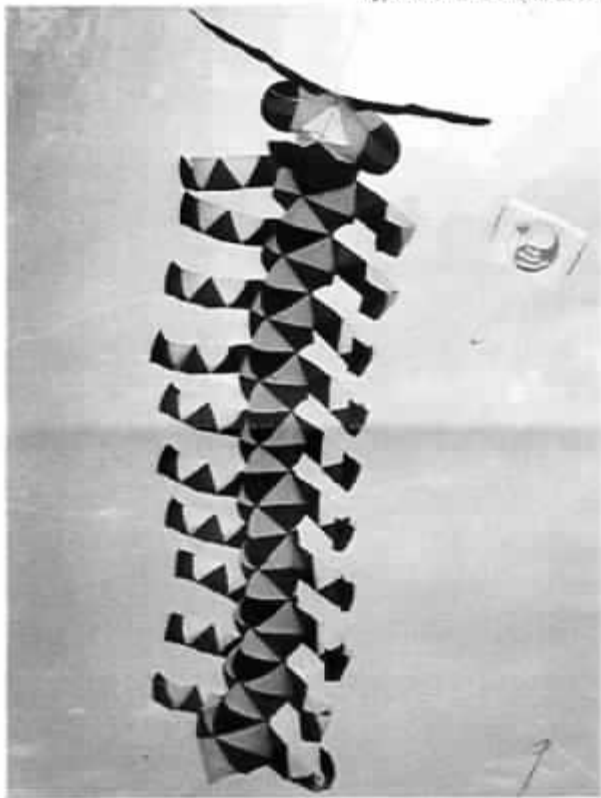
A big thank you to all who donated the great door prizes to the WKA Pizza Reception Wednesday night at the Long Beach Kite Festival. The excitement was intense as numbers were called and prizes were given. Many of our international guests were in attendance and, in fact, took home some of those terrific prizes. Again, our sincere thanks to everyone who gave so generously. We've listed those who gave and those who won. Let's support our local kite shops and businesses that donated.



Typical beach scene at WSIF 1992



Winner of Smallest Kite Competition, Leonard Hogg of Reedsport, Oregon



This fanciful dragon was one of many inflatable creatures brought to WSIF '92 by International Guest Detlef Banner of Germany. Also from Germany is Millie the Millipede shown to the left.



Some of the Cody kite fliers who attempted to set a new record for most Codys in the sky at one place at one time. A new record was NOT set, so be sure to bring your Cody to next year's WSIF and help us establish a record in 1993.



The new WKA logo flying at WSIF '92 on banners made by Dave Christenson (left) and Julie Gantt (center).

Magnuson Fun Fly

by Judy Huffman

Hi. My name is Judy, and some of you may remember me from the WKA Fun Fly held on 10 August 1992 at Kite Hill, Magnuson Park, Seattle. This was a first for me. My neighbors Dave and Sue Christenson invited me to come along and see what kiting is all about. I must say that the last time I flew a kite, I had to run like the wind to get it up in the air. I didn't know there are so many kinds. It was a learning experience as well as a lot of fun.

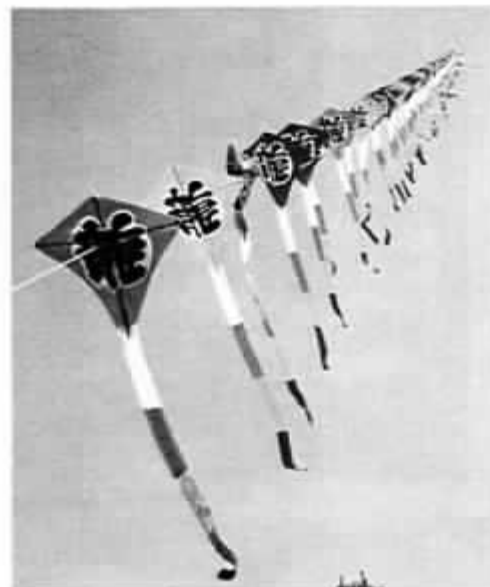
I met a lot of very nice people. Dave and Sue brought their nephew Donovan with them. Tom and Jean Sisson were there with a multi-colored kite of pastel checks. Rob and Sherrie (Scribner) were there working on their team efforts with stunt kites of pink and violet. (Gene) Smiley was there with his wife Vera. He helped with the beautiful train kite flown by Ken (Conrad) and Suzanne (Sadow). Ken brought along some fun things for the kids, and his wife brought cookies and watermelon for a refreshing treat. Harold (Writer) was flying his intricately-made box kite of pink and violet. There was also a beautiful kite of black with brilliant red roses flown by Steve and Judy (Millspaugh).

There were a lot of people there enjoying the wind as it took their kites on a ride of turns and twists, spins and flips. Donovan and I walked up to a kite (Doug Bowers) that had a wing span of 25 feet, which was huge. I would be afraid that the kite would not be the only thing flying; I would too. It takes skill to fly kites of any size.

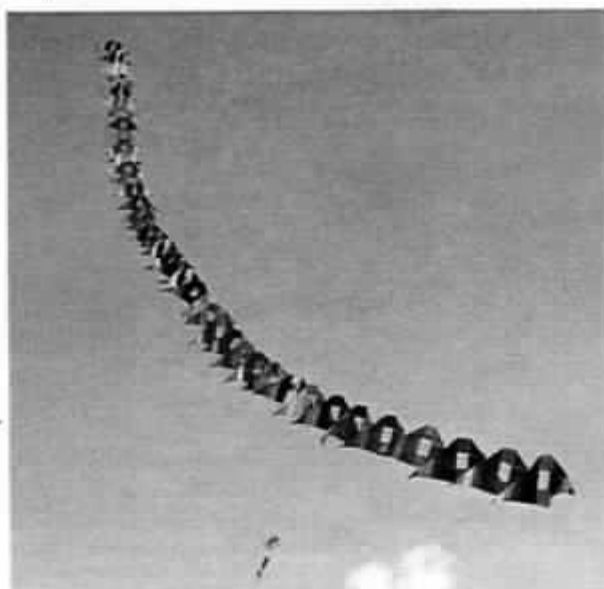
I was one of the first to see the new flag for the WKA made by Dave. Some of the kites were old to people who had seen them numerous times, but to the first-time watcher they were just as beautiful as they were the day they were introduced into the club. The colors were magnificent in a glorious blue sky with minimal clouds.

The day started out with little breeze and few people, but before long the hill and the sky were an array of bright colors in a temperature of 80 degrees plus. I took a walk and noticed the people watching as the kites sailed in the sky, like birds flying above but going nowhere. The Chinese train went for miles on end, reaching the heavens. Dave's kite, which he made some time ago, made me think of the coat of many colors—it was beautiful, as they all were.

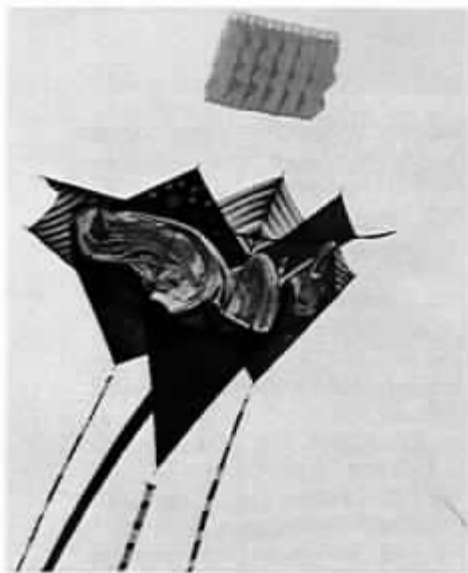
I would like to take the time to say that this fun-filled activity is for the young as well as the old who are young at heart. Thank you, Dave and Sue, for inviting me along. Thank you all for making me feel a part of your club.



Suzanne Sadow, Steve Millspaugh, Ken Conrad, Tom Sisson, Nina Conrad and Donovan bringing in the train shown in the above picture.



At the Squalicum Kitefliers Picnic and Fun Fly at Fort Casey, Sunday, September 6th, following the WKA General Membership Meeting, Al and Darlene Cook flew this spectacular stack of 40 eight-foot delta conynes (believed to be a new North American record). They were assisted by a number of WKA members including Tom Sisson, Bob Allford, Dave Christenson and Mike Button.



Kite of WSIKF International Guest Michel Gressier.

KITE CALENDAR

by Darryl Stephison

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OCTOBER

October 4 (Sunday), SCI-FI Fun Fly & Potluck, 10 a.m., Marine Park and Boat Launch, Everett. Contact: Four Winds Kite Shop (206)339-9334.

October 9-11 (Friday-Sunday), 5th Annual October Kite Festival, 9 AM, On the Beach, Ocean Shores. Contact: Mike Brown, Ocean Shores Kites (206)289-4103.

October 10 (Saturday), 7th Annual Manzanita Kite Festival, Manzanita Beach at Laneda Ave., Manzanita, Oregon. Contact: Gone Flying Kites (503)368-7114.

October 10 (Saturday), 14th Annual Yachats Kite Festival, On the Beach, Yachats, Oregon. Contact: Yachats Chamber of Commerce (503)547-3530.

October 11 (Sunday), One Sky, One World, Gasworks Park, Seattle. Contact: Barbara Anne O'Neill (206)878-5772.

October 11 (Sunday), One Sky, One World, 12 Noon, Columbia Point Marina Park, Richland. Contact: Marleen Zilar (509)586-2664.

October 17-18 (Saturday-Sunday), Cranberry Festival Kite Fly, Bolstad Street Access, Long Beach, fun fly. Contact: Long Beach Kites (206)642-2202.

October 18 (Sunday), SCI-FI Fun Fly, Fort Casey State Park, Whidbey Island. Contact: Robin Haas (206)670-3963.

October 24 (Saturday), Westport Windriders Fun Fly and Potluck, 10 AM, Twin Harbors State Park, Westport. Contact: Pic-A-Patch Kites (206)268-0877.

October 28 (Wednesday), WKA Board Meeting, 7 PM, Soft-check, Kirkland. Contact: Dave Christenson (206)471-9103.

October 28 (Wednesday), PCKA Meeting, 7 PM, Fife Grange Hall, Fife. Contact: Mainframe Kite Shop (206)627-1653.

NOVEMBER

November 1 (Sunday), SCI-FI Fun Fly & Potluck, 10 AM, Marine Park and Boat Launch, Everett. Contact: Four Winds Kite Shop (206)339-9334.

November 7 (Saturday), WKA Potluck and General Membership Meeting, 6 PM, Jefferson Park Lawn Bowling Club, Seattle. Contact: Dave Christenson (206)471-9103.

November 8 (Sunday), BFKS Fun Fly, 12 Noon, Columbia Point Marina Park, Richland. Contact: Greg Greger (509)943-3951 or Marleen Zilar (509)586-2664.

November 8 (Sunday), 4th Annual Harvest Fun Fly (formerly Turkey Fly) 12 Noon, Magnuson Park, Seattle. Contact: Darryl Stephison (206)432-1931.

November 18 (Wednesday), PCKA Meeting, 7 PM, Fife Grange Hall, Fife. Contact: Mainframe Kite Shop (206)627-1653.

November 28 (Saturday), Westport Windriders Fun Fly and Potluck 10 AM, Twin Harbors State Park, Westport. Contact: Pic-A-Patch Kites (206)268-0877.

DECEMBER

December 6 (Sunday), SCI-FI Fun Fly & Potluck, 10 AM, Marine Park and Boat Launch, Everett. Contact: Four Winds Kite Shop (206)339-9334.

December 13 (Sunday), BFKS Fun Fly, 12 Noon, Columbia Point Marina Park, Richland. Contact: Greg Greger (509)943-3951 or Marleen Zilar (509)586-2664.

December 23 (Wednesday), WKA Board Meeting, 7 PM, Soft-check, Kirkland. Contact: Dave Christenson (206)471-9103.

HAVE FUN FLYING WHEREVER YOU ARE!

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.

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Washington State International Kite Festival Winners

On behalf of the kiting community, the editors of the WKA Newsletter would like to thank Barb Wright for her outstanding work during WSIKF and for providing us with the following results of this year's competition.

Most Beautiful Train: Chuck Reese, South Bend, WA—Joel Scholz Parrots

Most Unique Train: J. R. Tolman, Hayward, CA—Gold Coins

Longest Train: Mary Yoshimi, Long Beach, WA—Arch Train

Vintage Kite Competition

1st: Tom Caldwell, San Mateo, CA—Barn Door Kite

2nd: Mike Sterling, Portland, OR—Cody Kite

3rd: Don Counce, Forest Grove, OR—Cody Kite

Terrific Tuesday Pioneer Costume Competition

1st Three-Way Tie: Marleen Zilar, Kennewick, WA; Mary Yoshimi, Long Beach, WA; and Rick Brown, Eugene, OR

Children's Events

Five-Year Old Reel Out

1st: Tommy Evans, Bangor, WA
2nd: Megan Young

3rd Tie: B. J. McGaughey, Lynnwood, WA; and Carl Fagerstrom, Seattle, WA

Five-Year Old Sprint

1st: Tommy Mosich, Tacoma, WA
2nd: Tommy Evans, Bangor, WA

3rd Tie: Steve Mansfield, Tacoma, WA; and Carl Fagerstrom, Seattle, WA

Six-Year Old Reel Out

1st: Michael Martin, Tacoma, WA
2nd: Kate Costantino, Portland, OR

3rd: Savannah Beaty, Long Beach, WA

Six-Year Old Sprint

1st: Amanda Parks, Ocean Park, WA
2nd: Alanda Brunner, Long Beach, WA

3rd: Michael Martin, Tacoma, WA

Seven-Year Old Reel Out

1st: Ronnie Mansfield, Tacoma, WA
2nd: Stacy Perrault, Richland, WA

3rd: Hillary Mosich, Gig Harbor, WA

Seven-Year Old Sprint

1st Tie: Bailey Roth, Redmond, WA; and Stacey Perrault, Richland, WA

2nd: Unable to get name
3rd: Hillary Mosich, Gig Harbor, WA

Eight-Year Old Reel Out

1st: Steven Erickson, Edmonds, WA
2nd: Erik Fagerstrom, Seattle, WA

3rd: Jessi Upton, Lake Oswego, OR

Eight-Year Old Sprint

1st: T. J. Person, Seaview, WA
2nd: Erik Fagerstrom, Seattle, WA

3rd: Kyle Davis, Spokane, WA

Nine-Year Old Reel Out

1st: Aaron Beamguard, Vancouver, WA

2nd: Brian Imbach, San Clemente, CA

3rd Tie: Chelsea Glob, Enumclaw, WA; and Greg Young, Edmonds, WA

Nine-Year Old Sprint
1st: Brooke McGaughey, Lynnwood, WA

2nd: Emily Hinshaw-Peterson, Auburn, WA

3rd: Greg Young, Edmonds, WA

Ten-Year Old Reel Out
1st: Brianne Watrous, Vancouver, WA

2nd: Amber Martin, Tacoma, WA
3rd: Annika Svore, Seattle, WA

Ten-Year Old Sprint
1st: Derrick Brandstrom, Billings, WA

2nd: Chris Mockford, Vancouver, WA
3rd: Kim Gunn, Seattle, WA

Eleven-Year Old Reel Out
1st: Michael Lary, Portland, OR

2nd: Tina Lovell, Camas, WA
3rd Tie: Jasmine Budrow, Olympia, WA; & Melissa Erickson, Edmonds, WA

Eleven-Year Old Sprint
1st: Katie Hendrix, Mount Vernon, WA

2nd: Heather Guffin, Roy, WA
3rd Tie: Melissa Erickson, Edmonds, WA; & Jasmine Budrow, Olympia, WA

Ten- to Fourteen-Year Old Launch and Retrieval
1st: Heather Griffin and Jasmine Budrow

2nd: Poppy Budrow and Coral Boyce
3rd: Tina Lovell and Janna Lovell

Senior's Events

Big-Band Ballet
1st: Ken Linn, Ocean Park, WA

2nd: Richard Hurd, Elma, WA
3rd: Charlie M'Clary, Redlands, CA

Best All-Around Senior Flier
1st: Phil Hebner, Whidbey Island, WA

2nd: Betty Johnson, Kerns, UT
3rd Three-Way Tie: Oscar Schotz, Frankfurt, Germany; Everett Lobe, Sequim, WA; and John Overmier, Marysville, WA

Handcrafted Kite Competition

Flat/Bowed Apprentice
1st: Bill Mazzoncini, Tacoma, WA

2nd: Sara Kay Norgaard, Portland, OR

3rd: Tony Perez, San Antonio, TX

Flat/Bowed Masters
1st: Mike Hagen, Chico, CA

2nd: Joni Smith, Washougal, WA
3rd: Sonny Hamner, Reedsport, OR

Cellular Apprentice
1st: Doug Scott, Salt Lake City, UT

2nd: Chuck Sigal, Albany, CA
3rd: Gail Lindsay, Chula Vista, CA

Cellular Masters
1st: Tom McAlister, Richmond Annex, CA

2nd: Joni Smith, Washougal, WA
3rd: Leonard Hogg, Reedsport, OR

Trains and Centipedes Masters
1st: Bill Lester, Spokane, WA

2nd: Dave Colbert, Lincoln City, OR
3rd: Jerry Spruge, Tacoma, WA

Soft/Semi Rigid Apprentice
1st: Katharine Crowell, Portland, OR

2nd: Teresa Barthol, Bellingham, WA
3rd: Jared Barthol, Bellingham, WA

Figure and Novelty Apprentice
1st: Clinton Reed, Renton, WA

2nd: Tony Perez, San Antonio, TX
3rd: Michael Lary, Portland, OR

Figure and Novelty Masters
1st: Mike Sterling, Portland, OR

2nd: Dorine Imbach, San Clemente, CA
3rd: Don Mock, Aberdeen, WA

Delta Apprentice
1st: Dusty Sargent, Myrtle Point, OR

2nd: J. Loren Dingwall, Sultan, WA
3rd: Ray Dobos, Longview, WA

Delta Masters
1st: Bill Lester, Spokane, WA

2nd: Dave Colbert, Lincoln City, OR
3rd: Aime Barsalou, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

Smallest Kite
1st: Leonard Hogg, Reedsport, OR

2nd: Ken Neidigh, Eugene, OR
3rd: Olive Barsalou, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

Stunt and Multi-Line Apprentice
1st: Gail Lindsay, Chula Vista, CA

2nd: Michael Chandler, Federal Way, WA
3rd: Bob Fisher, Puyallup, WA

Stunt and Multi-Line Masters
1st: Joel Scholz, Austin, TX

2nd: Mike Sterling, Portland, OR
3rd: Sam Huston, Kent, WA

Historical

1st: Rick Brown, Eugene, OR
2nd: Dale Vanderhoof, Weed, CA
3rd: Leonard Hogg, Reedsport, OR

Eastern

1st: Ronda Brewer, Lincoln City, OR
2nd: J. R. Tolman, Hayward, CA
3rd: David Tan, Fresno, CA

Co-op Apprentice

1st: Janet and Ray Herzog, West Jordan, UT

2nd: Mike and Katie Eason, Lake Stevens, WA

3rd: Andrea and Richard Maestas, Tumwater, WA

Co-op Masters

1st: Dave Colbert, Lincoln City, OR
2nd: Richard Curran, Puyallup, WA
3rd: Richard and Amy Krog, Puyallup, WA

Terrific Territories

1st: Team Peregrine—Deb and Tom Rodgers, Rod Yarger, Yakima, WA; and Jerry Snotte, Ocean Park, WA

2nd: Stars and Stripes—Ken and Audrey Marks, Olympia, WA

3rd: Borgworld—Mike Sterling, Portland, OR

Stunt Kite Events

Junior Dual-Line Competition

1st: Dustin Tackett, Portland, OR
2nd: Michael Schuss, Richmond, BC, Canada

3rd: Ryan Elter, Tacoma, WA

Team With A Twist

1st: Greg Clark and Tom Rodgers
2nd: Richard Krough and Raymond Carroll

3rd: Richard and Arland Hured
Slalom

1st: Steve Kline, Salem, OR
2nd: Raymond Carroll, Portland, OR
3rd: Roy Nakano, Seattle, WA

Rokkaku Challenge

1st: Die Krauts—Cary Thorogood, Tami Wright, Liane Ferry and Carey Butler

2nd: Yakima Sun—Greg and Sue Clark, Dave Bogle, Jan Mock, Linda Watkins and Howard Trindel

3rd: Otis All Stars—David and Sue Gomborg

Rokkaku Team Spirit

1st: Team Taz—Ronda Brewer, Travis Fields, David Scott, Troy Gunn, and Andy Anderson

Best-Dressed Rokkaku Team

1st: Fighting Bozos—Richard Kros, Bob Fisher, and Mike Hagen

Fighter Kite Competition

1st: David Tan, Fresno, CA
2nd: Tom Joe, Long Beach, CA
3rd: Johnny Hsiung, Granada Hills, CA

Wind Art

Handcrafted On A Pole

1st: Rainbow—Darryl Stephison, Renton, WA

2nd: Unicorn—Judy Millsbaugh, Redmond, WA

3rd: Screen Banner with Kites—Gail Lindsay, Chula Vista, CA

Commercial On A Pole

1st: Stars and Stripes—Ken and Audrey Marks, Olympia, WA

2nd: Team Peregrine—Deb and Tom Rodgers and Rod Yarger, Yakima, WA

3rd: Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary Gift—Ruth and Leonard Hogg, Reedsport, OR

Commercial On A Line

1st: Wiggle Snake—Jon Reinschreiber
2nd: Rose Delta with Eleven Rosebuds—Marla Miller

3rd: Delta Whirlwind—Stan Zimmer

People's Choice Kite

1st: King Tut—Dorine Imbach, San Clemente, CA

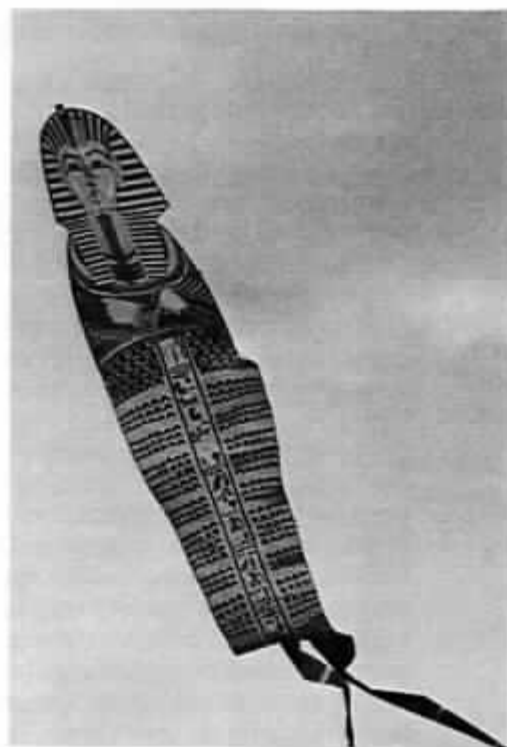
2nd: Sailing Ships—Leon Kite and Betty Ho, Taiwan

3rd: Marilyn Monroe—Mike Hagen, Chico, CA

People's Choice Kite Flier

1st: Team Peregrine, Yakima, WA
2nd: Aime Barsalou, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

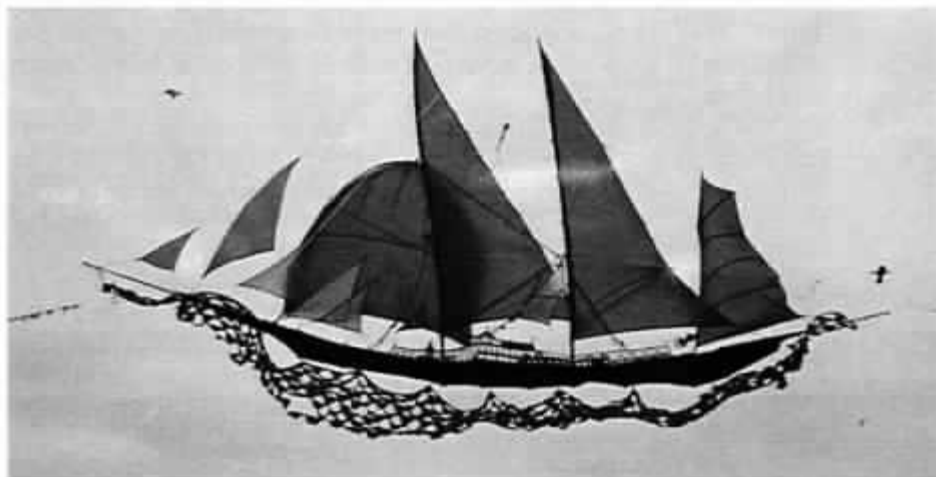
3rd: Don Mock, Aberdeen, WA



"King Tut" People's Choice First Place



"Marilyn Monroe" People's Choice Third Place



"Sailing Ship" (one of three) People's Choice Second Place

On Sunday, Record Number of Kites in the Air: 3,990
Established World Record: Ray Bethel, Vancouver, BC, flying three stunt kites at one time for five hours and forty minutes.

President's Letter

by Dave Christenson

Well, has everybody been having fun the last couple of months? I got a few free days lately, and got in some good flying. I was supposed to be doing some work around the house, but somebody said to go fly a kite, so I did. Wrong thing to tell me if you want some work done.

The Magnuson Park Fun Fly turned out with lots of sun and some good wind. There were some great thermals, and some strange kite flying going on. But I think everyone got some good flying in.

Long Beach has come and gone already. What's to say, it was fantastic! If you were there, you know how great it was. A lot of it went so fast that it seems like I lost a few days down there. Susie and I got in several days of judging different events this year, and had lots of fun doing it. You sure learn to look at things differently when you judge than when you're a competitor. We didn't have a rokkaku for the battle this year, but several of us got to be on the teams of some of the International Guests. To me that was a thrill and a great honor. Dave Gomberg tried so hard to win the battle that I think he forgot to have fun like the rest of us. Better luck next time, Dave. There were so many new kites to see that there wasn't enough time to see it all. Seven days can sure go by fast!

Did you see our new banner on display at the beach? It was made by Julie Gantt of Seattle. We got it just in time to display it at the Pizza Party on Wednesday night. Thanks, Julie! Now that we have one, let's see some ideas using the new logo to make some more. Everybody that saw it flying on the beach said it was great. A lot of members said it was nice to finally have something to meet around. Let's not stop now.

Well, folks, I don't see anybody jumping up to say they will help run this club. As one of the largest and best clubs in the nation, it doesn't run by itself. We have had a great group of volunteers that have been serving as board members and officers for the last several years, and they would like a much deserved break. I know that a lot of you fliers out there can spare a few hours a month. If you think you can't do it because it's too far to travel for our meetings, take heart. We are thinking of having a telephone conference, so you can take part in the meetings right at home. This is but one idea that we are considering. So come on—volunteer to help. Give me a call or drop me a card, but let me hear from you.

With the year slowly coming to an end, it's time to have our pre-holiday get together. This year it will be at the Jefferson Lawn Bowling Club in Seattle. Last year we had a great feast! There sure are a lot of good cooks in our club. So far I have an Astrofighter donated by Kathy Goodwind for our first door prize. If anybody would like to donate anything else for door prizes, please get in touch with me. Check the Kite Calendar for the date and time.

I didn't see very many of you at the Fort Casey Meeting and Fun Fly. A good time was had by the fliers that did show up. Have you ever seen 40 delta conynes flying from one line? If you had been there you could have seen it first hand. (Editor's Note: See picture on page 4.)

I had better close for now so somebody else can have something to say in this newsletter. I hope to see all of you Tako Kichi folks on the flying field real soon. Fly Safe! Best Winds!

Board and General Meeting Notes

by Bob Alford

A board meeting was held on August 26, 1992, in Kirkland. The meeting was called to order with twelve members present. The minutes and financial reports were read and approved. We decided to save the donation (originally intended for the WSIKF Pizza Party) by Kathy Goodwind for the November Pot Luck Meeting.

SCI-FI would like for the WKA to participate in an event they are planning to hold in July of 1993. Dave is going to get more information.

After plenty of discussion concerning One Sky, One World, it was moved, seconded and approved to provide a \$150 donation. Bel Square would like for us to display some Japanese kites October 3rd-11th. The Washington Convention Center would like to keep the kite display for an additional month. What's in it for us?

We discussed recognizing volunteers, a "Get Well" card for Larry Chinn, the "check-in-the-mail" from King County Fair, and finally, which officers are willing to continue next year. A question was raised concerning the possibility of tele-conference board meetings. We decided to buy the WKA banner Dave had made up with our new logo.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

The shortest and most fun General Meeting in the history of the WKA was held September 6, 1992, at Fort Casey State Park. No minutes, no financials, no hassles. We need volunteers for next year. Let's go fly! There was almost enough wind to keep the bees away. Time to set a record for stacked delta conynes. Get camera quick!!! We made it!!

Wishing you adequate winds!!!

Registration Form

Fort Worden Kitemaker's Conference 1993

It's time to sign up for the 1993 Fort Worden Kitemaker's Conference being held on March 5th, 6th and 7th at Fort Worden State Park in Port Townsend, Washington. Remember to register early; we may run out of space.

FLASH!...we are attempting something new this year—a BANQUET. It will be held on Saturday night, and individual tickets will be available as indicated below. Sign up for the FUN!

Accommodations included in the conference package are dormitory style and primarily single rooms, with only a limited number of doubles available. Rooms will be assigned on a first come, first serve basis to registrants who are paid in full.

Campsites and Officer's Row houses may be available and can be reserved by calling the park office (206) 385-4730. Contact the Port Townsend Chamber of Commerce, 2437 Sims Way, Port Townsend, WA 98368, for information about accommodations in town.

Please note: There will be additional fees for materials/kits for some of the classes. Information about these fees will be included in your registration packet, and will be payable at the conference.

ALL ATTENDEES ARE REQUIRED TO PAY THE \$45 CONFERENCE FEE.

To register, please enter the information requested below:

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_____ Number of Meal Packages at \$45 per person = \$ _____
(Meal package includes Banquet plus 5 meals)

_____ Number of Banquet tickets at \$15 per person = \$ _____

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Send registration form, along with a check payable to "Fort Worden Kitemaker's Conference" to:
Fort Worden Kitemaker's Conference
c/o Bob Alford
320 N.E. Fourth
North Bend, WA 98045
For registration information, call Bob at (206) 888-2812.

Classified

WKA Kite Pins

The 1992 WKA pin (Night Scene) is sold out. However, there are a few 1991 pins (Rainbow) available, and a VERY few 1990 pins (Mt. Rainier) available, for \$5 each (make checks payable to WKA). Contact T.J. Murphy, Products, 11826 S.E. 165th, Renton, WA 98058.

Classified Ads

Any items relating to kites or kite fliers only 10 cents a word (\$3 minimum) per issue. Lost, found, free or stolen items will be listed free of charge, if under 30 words. Send to Judy Millspaugh, Editor, 7573 Old Redmond Road, No. 5, Redmond, WA 98052.

Support Your Local Kite Store!

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) additional for 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.

NOTE: Effective January 1993, membership will be \$15 per family (\$20 outside the U.S.).



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Regional Reports

Kite Group of Boise (kgb)

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

In spite of the fact that we have had one of the windiest Summers within recent memory, kiting activity has been slow in Boise. Personal and professional commitments have kept most of us off the flying fields.

Several kgb's attended the Yakima Festival in June, where Team Boise took first place in the Rokkaku Challenge. Thanks to Sue and Greg Clark for hosting the Bogie family.

In August, many of us traveled to the Coast to attend WSIKF. It was a good trip for our local entrepreneur, Dean Bigler, as he promoted the quad line kite he invented and builds. Yours truly presented a retrospective slide show at the banquet Saturday night which featured my favorite photographs from the four previous *KITESHOWS*. For the many who left the event before my presentation could be shown, I'm hoping to run it at Fort Worden in March.

WEATHERWISE magazine ran an article two months ago about the history of kites at the Weather Service. Back issues are available from the publisher. The address was listed here a couple of months ago.

Pierce County Kitefliers Association (PCKA)

Contact Mainframe Kite Shop (206) 627-1653, 3340 East 11th Street, Tacoma, Washington 98421.

The club is involved with the Western Washington Fair now, and boy are we having a great time! A whole bunch of kites were turned in for the judging category, and they make quite a collection hanging from the ceiling of the Hobby Hall. The response has been tremendous.

Winners in the Handcrafted Kite Division of the 1992 Puyallup Fair are:

Best of Division: Sam Huston—Northwest Indian Motif "Eagle" Stunt Delta

Flat or Bowed: First Place: Dave Christenson—Patchwork Rokkaku

Cellular: First Place: Terry Lee—Multicolored Triangle

Cellular: Second Place: Dick Curran—Five Shelf Ladder Box

Cellular: Third Place: Frank Boyko—Double French Military

Dual Line: First Place: Sam Huston—Northwest Indian Motif "Eagle" Stunt Delta

Dual Line: Second Place: Barb Sprogue—Stack of Five Rainbow Deltas

Dual Line: Honorable Mention: Buddy Wadsworth—"Vector Elite" Delta

Miscellaneous: First Place: Craig Rundle—Two-Bladed Styrofoam "Kopter Kite"

Miscellaneous: Second Place: Dave Christenson—Parafoil

The PCKA welcomes Prism Designs as guest speakers for their October meeting. Everyone is invited to bring their favorite Halloween treat on Wednesday, October 28th at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Fife Grange Hall.

Our November meeting, on Wednesday the 18th, will be a potluck, also held at the Fife Grange Hall. All kites are welcome. The more the merrier, right?

The PCKA meets (usually) at Mainframe Kite Shop at 7:00 p.m. on the last Wednesday of every month. You are invited to join us and share some kiting stories. There will not be a December meeting. Five-color enamel pins of the club logo are available for \$5. A new pin of the Crystal Mountain Fun Fly is also available in limited quantities. Individual or family membership is \$5 a year. This includes a subscription to the quarterly newsletter, free use

of the club library, access to the club copier, and discounts at local kite shops.

The Pierce County Kitefliers Association extends to you their warmest wishes this holiday season, and the happiest of breezes for the coming year.

Snohomish County Incredible Flying Individuals (SCI-FI)

Contact Robin Haas at (206) 670-3963, or Four Winds Kite Shop at (206) 339-9334.

SCI-FI is getting ready for the coming Fall and Winter. We are in the process of soliciting our membership for new officers. We are also in the planning stages for another brand new event that will take place next year. More details will be coming, but look forward to attending the Washington State Stunt Kite Championship next July! Yes, an honest to goodness stunt kite contest in Puget Sound! We are in the process of negotiating on the site, soliciting sponsors, and just general planning activities. If you would be interested in helping out, just call and let us know.

We are always looking for new members. The only requirement is that you share a love for kites (and part with a few dollars for dues). Our current members range from Seattle to Bellingham. You don't have to live in wonderful Snohomish County! Despite the rumor that is going around, Everett really is not at the end of the world.

Just added! For those who don't want to admit that summer may be ending, a Fun Fly has been added to the schedule on October 18th at Fort Casey State Park on Whidbey Island.

SCI-FI holds a monthly fun fly at Marine Park and Boat Launch located at 10th Street and Marine View Drive in Everett on the first Sunday of each month. There will be no fun fly or meeting in December. At 12:30, everyone who is interested (and sometimes those who aren't) meets at Alf's Pizza on Broadway for lunch and a business meeting. When we finish stuffing our faces, we head back down and fly.

Capitol City Flyers

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

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 (BFKS)

Contact Greg or Margaret Greger (509) 943-3951.

Squalicum Kite Flyers

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

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.

Associated Oregon Kitefliers (AOK)

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

British Columbia Kitefliers Association (BCKA)

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.

The Art of Kite Post

by Steve Millsbaugh

Long-time WKA member Francis Hall, the creative force behind Kite Post, has been recognized with a showing of his kites and "Artistamps" at Troll Art in the Fremont District of Seattle. An opening reception was held on Sunday, September 20th, which was attended by members of both the kiting and art communities.

Attendees included master kite-maker Harold Writer, whom Francis credited as his mentor in the field of kitemaking.

For those of you unfamiliar with the term "Artistamp," it is a type of art using the form of postage stamp type formats with graphics of whatever items are of interest to the artist. In Francis' case, he does primarily kites.

The show will continue through October 20th at Troll Art, 3427 Fremont Place North in Seattle's Fremont District. Check it out.

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