



Newsletter

January—April 2015

WASHINGTON KITEFLIERS ASSOCIATION

WKA — a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping people know how much fun it is to fly kites!
For the latest news check our website: wka-kiteflyers.org

A Fun Fly to Start the New Year —Protest the Bowls 2015

Another gorgeous day—blue sky and sunshine. But darn it, where was the wind? On January 1, one secretly does not want wind. After all, it is what, 40-some degrees outside? In the five years or so that Dan and I have participated in Protest The Bowls, only one year did we have a cold, moist day. Huddled inside a small picnic shelter encircled with blue tarp, the small cast iron stove heated up the space. Potluck was out. We were toasty, enjoying the camaraderie of fellow fliers. There were spells of nice weather where kites were put in the air. But, the start of 2015 escorted in the strangest patterns of weather to the Pacific Northwest—warm—too warm, and dry. Ski areas had temporarily closed during what should have been some of the best skiing time of year. Bare ground. As of this writing in late February, Snoqualmie Pass will not reopen to skiing. The east coast suffers under over 100 inches of snow and it continues to fall. Radio Shack announces it is Going Out of Business after 94 years. More and more strip malls are ghosts on a concrete pad. Washington State and the Pacific Northwest cannot afford another 2014 fire season with low reservoirs from less precipitation this winter.

Kite fliers look up and around what is going on around them. They do not let a kite falling out of the sky stop them from putting up another one. It is called **fun**. At Golden Gardens, located in the Seattle neighborhood of Ballard on the Puget Sound waterfront of Shilshole Bay and Marina, Washington Kitefliers Association members were not going to be out in the cold. Ten o'clock up went the banners, and more banners, more than I have ever seen at this event—18. **Fred Marchand** brought six beaver banners, **Sylvia Bernauer** set hers up along with the WKA banner, **Rick White** put up his poles with whirling kites, and other ground paraphernalia went up. **Dan Ecker** set up a bench with WKA info for passers-by. Potluck was put out. Everyone who came set something up, flew something or other, talked with those who asked questions, visitors were asked if they wanted to fly a kite, and were loaned one. Kids were given extra kites to keep if members had any. Note to self: bring kids kite making supplies for 2016 or give-away kites.

During the day, **Jerry Graham** called **Dick Curran** over for a presentation. If it is not Dick, it is Rick White who manages to get a kite sucked into a tree during an event. Dick and trees are like birds in a cage so Jerry and **Glenda Kleppin** thought it



fitting that Dick take first place. A colorful red tee shirt embroidered with "Richard Curran, 2014 Tree-eating Kite, 1st Prize" encircled a tree with, of course, a kite stuck in its branches. The true bow-in-the-birdcage came during Father's Day on Kite Hill in Magnuson Park. Dick dropped his large Smiley Face delta flowtail kite into a huge patch of blackberry bushes. With the assistance of kites and some hours later, Smiley was again smiling with virtually little damage. The wounded warriors were honorably sporting their success of the operation. Jerry pulled out a giraffe to hand to Dick. This "Jerry-affe" hails back to a WSIKF Kite Museum dinner a few years back which had an animal theme. As the noble giraffe has its head above it all, it can see what needs to be seen and what needs a response. Jerry and Glenda enjoy keeping track of the silliness among kitefliers, much of which is *never* publicly acknowledged. The tree-eating competition between Dick and Rick has continued subtly for years. It was simply time to semi-formally acknowledge it.

Interestingly, no kite has ever been left behind at day's end, although remnants can be seen of one left behind from an earlier time. A victim to a tree. Poor soul, its spirit living on elsewhere, **free!** Jerry quaintly reports that the very tree stitched onto Dick's tee shirt ate their embroidery machine in the process. It was a colorful event that an onlooker could not pass without stopping and wondering what was going on.

Bonnie Ecker, WKA Secretary more photos here and there

The 2014 PCKA / WKA Christmas Party is now a pleasant memory. About twenty fliers and friends showed up early for some indoor fun flying. More came as the afternoon progressed and a number of people were able to get lessons and try the indoor game. I expect several of them will be out for more indoor events!

As we got close to 5:00 PM many more arrived for the social time, dinner and bag raffle / auction. By the time dinner was served we were at full capacity with 78 fliers, friends and family. As always the food was excellent. If anyone left hungry it was their own fault!

Every year we have a bag raffle and auction to raise money for the local food bank and World Kite Museum (WKM). For the fourth year in a row we exceeded the previous years' numbers! After covering a few expenses we were able to give \$1,736.02 to the food bank. This was especially nice because other donations have not kept up with the food bank needs. We also raised a record amount for the WKM and its festival activities. \$135 was sent directly to the WKM and \$500 was raised for the WSIKF foster grandparents-kids day fly. This money was used to buy a quantity of fabric which is being made into kites to be given free of charge to kids at WSIKF. For those who didn't know, the World Kite Museum is now in charge of running the annual Washington State International Kite Festival each August.

As a side note regarding the kite making referred to above, several years ago **Anne Huston** took it upon herself to make 80 kites for the kids. Two years ago **James Babst** teamed up with Anne on the project and the number of kites went up. This year **Brian David** has joined the team. He has already finished 50 kites – WOW!!! If you have been on the beach for the Kids day at WSIKF you will know that these kites are excellent fliers, beautifully made and decorated – far nicer than many of the commercial products you frequently see. Suffice it to say that a **lot** of fabric has been run through their sewing machines. Any surplus fabric that is just lying around unused would be well received for this effort. Donations can be given to Anne, James, Brian or any of the PCKA / WKA officers to be forwarded to the right people.

I hope everyone has a wonderful New Year full of good friends, new kites and warm breezes.

Bob Wendt

Brian David with his whale banner to be auctioned



Ken Conrad and Bob Wendt with one of Ken's KAP photos from WSIKF



Group photo below—

Ken Tumminia tie dye was a theme and this is the picture we sent to **Deb** in memory of Ken.



Crossroads Bellevue Youth Theater and Indoor Kites



also wrote up short bios on each flier to have available for the audience.

We were sorry the people involved/ interested in the theater opening must have stayed over there and few came to the Open House in the main building or to our program in the gym. We were very happy Elliott and his wife Nell joined us that day as he was in poor health. We were all very concerned for him and were very saddened to learn of his passing on March 27, 2015. Elliott will be sorely

After a year or more in planning and construction of a new youth theater building next to the **Crossroads Community Center** (which includes the gym), the official opening ceremonies took place on Saturday, March 14, 2015.

On first hearing about the plans for the new theater building, our indoor fly coordinator (and dedicated promoter), the late **Elliott Brogren**, had the most wonderful idea that maybe the indoor fliers could be included in whatever opening ceremonies would be held. This would be a perfect way to show the public what we have been doing in the gym the last couple of years and maybe gain new fliers. Elliott received the approval of **Vicki Drake**, of the Community Center, and sent out invitations hoping some of our local top-notch Northwest competitors could do demo flights. He planned to include quad-line, dual-line, and single-line fliers. We were very fortunate to have special invited fliers **Spence Watson** and **Travis Reedy** join our group of regular Crossroads fliers. He

missed. Without his efforts with the Bellevue Park Department, none of this would have happened.

The Crossroads fliers will continue to fly there. Please join us on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays from 6 to 7:30 PM in the gym. The community center is just east of the shopping center. No cost, just come and fly with us.

In this photo below are the fliers along with Elliott.

Sylvia Bernauer



Ron Suyematsu

Travis Reedy

Jeff Reed

Elliott Brogren

Sanjiu Fang

Sylvia Bernauer

Spence Watson

Kites over Kingston

Scott Hartley put on a great show with his ground displays. Thanks Scott! We had a really good turn out of helpers, including one from Windermere Reality. Thanks to all of you who came out.

Rick White



This was our 5th year at the Kites Over Kingston festival and it was great this year. Sunny, dry and just the right wind. It just won't get any better than this at Kingston.



It seems that the kids are the overwhelming theme at this kite festival, so the WKA tent was very busy as usual. There are two places — there are crowds on the grassy field and at the kite making tent.

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Notes and Photos from Georgan Curran—

I am sure all who went to the “Fort Worden” Warm Beach kite conference will sing the praises for the new spot. Great setting, class rooms, sleeping accommodations, and no stairs or elevators. Top that off with great classes and instructors, you can't beat it.

We went to the **Entiat Kite Festival** this spring. It wasn't as organized as last year, but there was some wind. More of a local kite fly with kite making for kids. Got to fly all three new kites from the week before (Warm Beach), so that was fun. Looking forward to some real festivals this year as last year was pretty well taken up with moving.



2015 Kids' Fest at Fort Lewis

PCKA & WKA began making kids' kites at the Ft. Lewis Kids' Fest nearly a decade ago. Always on the first Thursday in April, the Fest kicks off the celebration of the “*Month of the Child*” on Ft. Lewis. I really don't remember how I got tangled up in this, but I have enjoyed each of the sessions.

The Fest is normally held in the Ft. Lewis skating rink but there have been exceptions regarding location. Last time the skating rink was remodeled the Fest was held at the American Lake Club for two years. Since the skating rink is being remodeled again (your tax dollar at work!) this years' Fest was split into two groups.

The first group was held in the MWR “tent”, a huge white steel-framed plastic covered structure large enough for indoor soccer games. The second group was held in the Parents' Community Center, about 150 yards away. The kids were expected to walk between the two structures. I'm very glad it wasn't raining or we'd have lost more of the kids than we did.

We used **Carl Williamson's** sled kite again this year. Thanks again, Carl. It goes together quickly and no one has to align a seriously bowed cross-spar. I didn't keep close track of how many went out the door, but I doubt we made a full 100 kites. The split venue interfered with the traffic flow we have come to rely on.

When we arrived we found that “the committee” had assigned us space in a small side room along with the JBLM library booth. Since there was a much larger space available in the main hall we moved there, “borrowing” all the comfortable chairs in sight. The library crew followed right behind us.

This is the smallest group of makers I can remember seeing: **Rick White** of WKA, **James Babst**, **Glenda Kleppin**, and **Jerry Graham** from PCKA. (Actually we are all also WKA members, but I wanted to spread the blame.) Normally we have volunteers coming out of our ears, but this group worked out very well. Enough elbow room, relatively quiet, and a crowd flow that was steady but not overwhelming.

All in all, it was a very nice outing.

Jerry Graham

Kite Clubs

Associated Oregon Kiters (AOK)

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Email: tucoolkites@earthlink.net
PO Box 25616, Portland OR 97298
Membership includes 4 issues per year newsletter

Ben Franklin Kite Society (BFKS)

Contact Larry Zilar
509-627-6751 or email: zilarlm@charter.net

Lavender Winds Kite Club

Brian Bradley
email: KiteBear@aol.com
Meet 2nd Sunday, noon in Long Beach, WA

Lilac City Wind Chasers (LCWC)

Contact Bill Cox
509-327-7974 or email: cxbil@aol.com
Starting in June meet first Sunday of the month in Sky Prairie Park, W. Strong Rd, just east of N Five Mile Rd, Spokane, WA

Northwest Sport Kite League (NWSKL)

Contact Bud Hayes
email: bud@thehayesplace.com Calendar at www.nwskl.org

Peninsula Breeze Blenders

Contact Bill Rogers or Lisa Ryan
email: lisaryan@mail.com or billrogers@earthlink.net
Meets 2nd Wednesday every month, Fire Station, Loxie Egan Blvd.

Pierce County Kitefliers Assn (PCKA)

President: Bob Wendt
Puyallup, WA 98374, 253-848-6325 (home)
staff@pcka.info Calendar at www.pcka.info

Squalicum Kite Flyers (SKF)

Contact Mike Button

360-733-7380 email: kite102@aol.com
Fun fly every Wednesday & Sunday afternoons during daylight savings time until sunset
Zuanich Point Park, Squalicum Harbor. Bellingham WA

Washington Kitefliers Assn. (WKA)

Contact: Butch Harviston
email: harviston.west@comcast.net
Address on back page of newsletter
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Westport Windriders (WW)

Contact: Bary Crites
360 491-8605 email: bigbearkites@comcast.net
Meets 4th Saturday every month at Grayland Beach, followed by potluck at Willapa Grange Hall

Whidbey Island Kite Flyers (WIKF)

Contact Lisa Root
360-678-7052 LRoot0208@aol.com
Meets 3rd Saturday April - Oct at Fort Casey
www.whidbeykiteclub.org

American Kitefliers Association (AKA)

Contact Scott Davis - Regional Director
email: region10@aka.kite.org Regional: www.aka.kite.org/region10 or www.aka.kite.org

British Columbia Kitefliers Assn (BCKA)

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Vancouver, BC Canada V6H 4E4
Membership: \$20 (CDN)
Includes quarterly newsletter
www.bcka.bc.ca

So sorry to report that we have lost one of our most enthusiastic indoor flyers and competitors.

Elliott Brogren passed away early morning Friday, 3/27/15. He had been courageously battling cancer for the past year and was having some significant problems recently.

Elliott had a long career working at Boeing and was a docent and led tours for many years at the Museum of Flight in Seattle. When he discovered kites a few years ago, he became enthusiastic about indoor flying. He built and flew Platz gliders and simple trash bag kites that he shared with others. Over the years he and his wife Nell and family including daughter Gail and granddaughter Rosie hardly missed an indoor event at Long Beach, Ocean Shores, Whidbey Island, Seaside, Milton and Shoreline.

He put forth a great deal of effort for several months to get indoor flying time in the gym at Bellevue's Crossroads Community Center. The staff there was amazed at what kites could do indoors.

Elliott left a message with his daughter Gail: *He had a great respect for everyone involved, a passion for the kites, and that he will miss all of his kite flying friends dearly.*

Please keep the family in your thoughts and prayers.

A memorial service was held on Saturday, April 25 at 2 PM at Grace Lutheran Church, 9625 NE 8th Street, Bellevue WA, a few blocks west of Bellevue Square. Email messages to the family can go to ewbnmb@centurylink.net.

Sylvia Bernauer



These two kites of Elliott's were up front at the memorial service. Kites were invited to come early to decorate the inside with kites. And then were invited to fly kites outside after the service.

President's Corner



Make Kites, Fly Kites!!

NY Day Fly
Bonnie Ecker



Head's Up: Whidbey Camping and Parking 2015

Due to new rules by Camp Casey:

Just to let everyone know ahead of time, we have camping available in the forest campground (Friday, Saturday & Sunday nights), for \$25 per night. However, we must have received your paid reservation no later than Thursday, September 10. Sorry, no exceptions. Write to **Marjorie Taylor** at Marjorie@taylor635.com to arrange camping and pre-payment. This is a separate action from any online registration you may be doing.

There is no RV parking in the large public lot this year. Reserved parking for single-liners on the southwest side of the field is available. The only method you can count on (therefore the only method) is to email **Allen Taylor** at allen@taylor635.com. First come, first served. If you don't reserve parking, you may not be able to park on that side of the field. Parking in the large (public) lot will be \$1/day this year (going to Boys' and Girls' Club of Coupeville.)

We hope you can work with the above methods and come to enjoy our lovely island and the well-loved atmosphere of the **Whidbey Island Kite Festival**.

A kiter friend of ours will be missing from WSIKF trains and arches day at WSIKF



Bill and Connie Lester

WKA and other kite clubs lost another long time friend. **Bill Lester** passed away in November, 2014. Bill and Connie joined WKA in 1985. For many years they flew kites weekly with the **Lilac City Windchasers** in a park in Spokane. They brought their kite trains to the boardwalk at Long Beach for WSIKF. In recent years it was a treat to be able to see them for at least one day, until he was no longer able to make the trip. Our condolences to Connie and her family.



This note is from **Deb Tumminia** December 3rd we lost **Ken Tumminia**. He was a kite lover for 39 years. Also a very big kite collector, I'm almost afraid to start going through them to figure out just what we have. I know I could fill the van 3 to 4 times with everything we have. He was the love of my life and it is hard to go to the kite festivals without him. I'm just glad I know he is watching over me. He was the Chairman of the **Oregon Kitemakers Retreat**, and the Vice President of **AOK**.



Also, he was a member and present at the meeting back when it was decided to call the club **AOK**.



In March we lost another long-time kiting friend **George "Greg" Greger**, husband of the late **Margaret Greger** (former teacher and author of kite making books) passed away on March 5, 2015. His son **Jan** said that he really enjoyed the kite flies with friends. He died peacefully in his sleep on Thursday evening, March 5, 2015. He lived on his own in the B house he'd converted for his family fifty years ago. Greg had just finished his taxes and was planning his garden.



Kite Making With Kids McLendon's Hardware Stores

We have a new annual repeater with **McLendon's Hardware**. They have been supporting the WKA's kids kites for several years by supplying surveyors ribbon and sticks. This year they smartly put on a kite clinic for every one of their 7 stores. Every store had a good turnout partly due to the fact that they pre-signed up on line. Each store put up several tables and had the kite making materials and coloring pens already set up. It was fantastically planned out and well executed. Many thanks to **Linda Holmes** (Maiden name McLendon). I have been fortunate enough to know both her aunt (or was it mother) **Dorothy** and grandfather, **Pop's McLendon**. His picture is mounted in the Renton store. It brings back many memories of the original store on Wells St. which burned down back in 1981. Pops was always very nice. The Hardware store chain has ever since been known as the hardware store that has every thing the other's don't have. I hope you can give them your business.

The kids had a great time if the pictures are any indication, and all 7 stores reported the same results. Great time and fun for all! I want to thank all the volunteers who went to each store. They are; **Dan Schwenk**—Kent; **Paul Knight** and sons, **Nick** and **Jakob**—Sumner; **Richard Hurd**—Puyallup; **Marla** and **Ron Miller**—Tacoma; **Ken Conrad** and **Suzanne Sadow**—White Center; **Butch Harviston**—Woodinville; **Launny Herriges**—Renton; many thanks to you all!

Like many of these volunteers have already said: *we look forward to doing this again next year!*

A side note —This year we did not receive any requests from the King County Libraries. My guess is they did not get funding with the Ms Obama “get outside—exercise” program like they did the year before. Too bad.

Rick White

Washington Kitefliers Association
Products Coordinator/Past President



Woodinville Store—Photo by **Butch Harviston**



Puyallup Store—Photo by **Richard Hurd**



Renton Store—Photo by **Rick White**



Tacoma Store—Photo by **Ron and Marla Miller**

Whidbey Island Kite Fliers News

Submitted by Lisa Root

Whidbey Island Kite Festival
September 19-20, 2015

Join us at the Whidbey Island Kite Festival in September!!! This event is known for its laid-back and friendly atmosphere. There will be two mass ascensions (pins for the first 40 to sign up), a sport kite competition, kids' kite making, beginners sport kite competition, teddy bear drop, running of the bols and our big raffle tent.

There is food, and espresso goodies at the field provided by the Central Whidbey Lions and the Kaffee Haus. Or you can pre-order lunches.

Saturday night pizza dinner tickets are available by pre-order through September 1 on the website or at the festival. To guarantee pins or a t-shirt or sweatshirt in a particular color/size, please pre-order by September 1. This year's logo to be featured on the shirts and pins will be on our website.

Parking near the single-line camp area is by reservation only, available on a first-come-first-served basis. Email Allen Taylor at allen@taylor635.com

There will again be the special "Single-Line Challenges", two flies each day featuring a theme or specific requirement. A special-edition pin is awarded to the "two favorites" for each fly. Check our website for further details. We look forward to seeing you in September.

Information:
www.whidbeykites.org.

Whidbey Island Kite Festival Association (WIFKA)
Scholarship Application - 2015

Application for scholarship to:
Fort Worden Kitemakers Conference (WarmBeach, WA)
March 10-13, 2016 http://kitemakers.org/
(Oregon Kitemakers Retreat (RockawayBeach, OR)
January 14-17, 2016 http://kitemakersretreat.com/
World Kite Museum Class Year: 2016
(Class registration fee plus lodging Friday&Saturday nites)

Date of application: _____

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Please complete each of the following lines:

I have _____ or have not _____ before attended the Fort Worden Kitemakers Conference

I have _____ or have not _____ before attended the Oregon Kitemakers Retreat

I have _____ or have not _____ before attended a kite making class at the World Kite Museum

I have a sincere desire to learn about kite making and the history of kites, as well as a willingness to make the time commitment required.

I understand this scholarship is non-transferrable. If I am awarded this scholarship and am unable to use it myself, I agree to notify WIKFA as soon as possible so that it may be awarded to the next eligible applicant.

Signature (Guardian if under 18) _____

Return completed form to: WIKFA PO Box 1320 Coupeville WA 98239-1320.

Deadline for application receipt: September 30, 2015.

Applications must be received by September 30 in order to be eligible for scholarship for the following calendar year. All applications will be drawn by the WIKFA board, and scholarships awarded in order of drawing until all scholarship funds are depleted (giving preference to those persons who have never attended any of the kite making events.) Scholarship recipients will be notified via e-mail.



Sam and Cari King—a happy couple!

Editor's Note: makes me homesick for the good times at the Fort Worden Conference. Miss those creative times and seeing friends. Great memories.



Kara Zubal, lookin' happy



Gerry Pennell: What's happening?

**NW Stunt Kite League Schedule
2015-2016 Schedule**

Indoor

2015

- August 20 WSIKF Single line - Long Beach
- August 21 WSIKF Open
- Sept 19 Whidbey Island Kite Festival - Whidbey Island
- Nov 7, 8 Run from the Rain - Ocean Shores

2016

- Jan 16-17 Windless - Long Beach

Outdoor

2015

- June 6 & 7 Festival of Colors - Ocean Shores
- July 10-12 Westport Windriders - Westport
- Aug 17 -23 WSIKF - Long Beach
- Sept 19-20 Whidbey Island Kite Festival - Whidbey Island

The precision figures will be posted on the website www.NWSKL.org

At Ocean Shores and Westport we will have a Fun Fly/Demo/Lessons events on Saturday and will fly competitions on Sunday. That will give us a great fun weekend of relaxed flying before the competition.

FORMAT: 3 precisions figures will be flown. No freestyle. Then ballet will be flown. No leaving the field.

Looking forward to seeing you in the air at these events, and others!!

Bring a friend to learn to fly or join in some Mega-flys—dual and quad.

Lisa Root
NWSKL Secretary


New Member Report
 **Charles Aggenbach** Kirkland
 **David Knoll** Lynnwood
 **Patricia Schulze** Indianola
 We are so happy you have joined us in WKA!
 **Welcome aboard!!**
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Join the WKA & share the fun! Benefits include our quarterly newsletter, a membership card which entitles you to a 10% discount on kite related items at participating kite stores, entry to members-only drawing for a scholarship to the annual 3-day Fort Worden Kitemakers Conference, & information about special events in the Northwest kiting community. Membership per household in U.S. is \$15.00/year, outside U.S. \$20.00/year. Fill out application, return it with a check or money order payable in US funds to WKA.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Mail to:

Washington Kitefliers Assn
Membership Director
Pacific Science Center
200 2nd Ave N
Seattle WA 98109-4816

Name _____ Spouse _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Names of Other Household Members (Include different last names):

Visit us on the Web at
<http://wka-kiteflyers.org>

Calendar of Events —

- June 6-7 Festival of Colors - Ocean Shores, WA
- June 27-28 Lincoln City, OR Summer Kite Festival
- July 10-12 Westport Windriders KiteFestival, GraylandBeach WA
- July 17-19 Brookings OR Kite Festival
- Aug 17-23 WA State International Kite Festival, Long Beach
- Sept 19-20 Whidbey Island Kite Festival
- Oct 10-11 Lincoln City, OR Fall Kite Festival
- Nov 7-8 Run from the Rain - Ocean Shores, WA
2016
- Jan 14-17 23rd Oregon Kitemakers Retreat, 2016
Visit OKR on Facebook
- Mar 10-13 Fort Worden Kitemakers Conference
(Warm Beach, WA) www.kitemakers.org/

There is way more information at the WKA website. A wealth of info, past, present, future! Please drop us a line if you have events which need to be revised or added to the calendar.

Then we all will be in the 'know'!

wka-kiteflyers.org

Editor's Notes—

This winter has been tougher than most for me. So, I am finally getting this newsletter out. Sorry it is so late. Some times life happenings get in the way.

I hope to do the next issue before the end of July, mainly to have coverage of what's happening at WSIKF in August and at Pacific Beach Up Your Wind festival in September.

Please do not feel you have to wait for me to ask for input, if you have something you want covered send it in and I can get a head start. Huge thanks for everyone's pix and articles in this issue. We do have such great reporters.

Anyway, do have a great kiting season. The weather seems to be getting better, hope it will continue on.

See you out there some where some time,

Marzlie



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Sylvia Bernauer



Dick Curran tempting fate by the trees
NY Day photos by **Bonnie Ecker**

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Printed Material Newsletter

The last page photo
New Years Day fly by Bonnie Ecker



Ocean Shores Kites

Now with two locations to serve you.
172 W. Chance A La Mer Blvd. ~ 759 Pt. Brown Ave.
Kites for all skill levels, Parts, Repair, Accessories, Beach & Wind related toys,
Windsocks, Windchimes, Yard spinners, Flags, banners, and more.
360-289-4103
www.oceanshoreskites.com

The advertisement features a cartoon crab character holding a kite string. The crab is smiling and has large eyes. The kite is a diamond shape with a smiley face on it. The text "Ocean Shores Kites" is written in a stylized, bubbly font. Below the illustration, there is contact information for two locations, a list of products offered, a phone number, and a website URL.