

Washington Kitefliers Association

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an affiliate of the AMERICAN KITEFLIERS ASSOCIATION
PACIFIC SCIENCE CENTER, 200 Second Avenue North, Seattle, WA 98109

This will be another short, picture-less version of your club's usually copious, loquacious, verbose, voluble (read that "long-winded") newsletter. Ye Newsletterwriter Van Gilder was formerly two-thirds retired. He is now three-quarters. He and Goodwife Vi traveled nearly the whole summer. Maybe you noticed that your newsletters were late during the summer of 1985. But not this late. This points up the danger of not being two-deep at this position. Volunteers, anyone?

SCHEDULE OF IMPORTANT, IMPENDING EVENTS:

October 12, 1986: FIRST INTERNATIONAL KITE-FLY FOR PEACE

Gasworks Park, Seattle. 1:00 pm to dusk (5 pm?)
Special, official \$50 banner will be flown. Come and fill the sky with kites instead of missiles!

Background: Jane Ambrose, Skyscrapers Kites, Denver, CO, spoke at the banquet at the recent Long Beach, WA, Washington State International Kite Festival. She had visited Russia last spring with a "friendship kite".

It showed the Russian and American flags merging in the middle with the blue planet Earth above, floating in black space. This denoted that the Earth is our common home, where we should learn to live together if we do not wish to perish.

She got an appointment and visited the Soviet Women's Committee in Moscow. There was no wind that day but Moscow school students flew the kite June 1st, International Childrens' Day.

Thus encouraged, Jane organized an international day of kite flying for peace, October 12th. Kite clubs, worldwide, are participating. Let's do it!

NEXT IMPORTANT EVENT - (not in chronological order)

CLUB MEETING -- of Washington Kitefliers Association:

General meeting; business and pleasure with lots of give and take.

Pacific Science Center -- in the Board Room --

SEPTEMBER 24th - a Wednesday --

7:00 pm -- the Science Center closes and we have to be out of there by 9:00 pm, so be prompt, eh?

Business meeting: A short but very necessary meeting at which minutes are taken. "Necessary" because of our tax status.

Show and Tell following: Kites and accessories. Yours may be old stuff to you but new and exciting to someone who hasn't see it. We would like to aim this program at new members -- a chance to get acquainted and see what hidden talents are available. No one allowed in the door empty-handed!

Pictures: You should have a summer's collection -- -- prints, albums, whatever -- maybe we could borrow some for the next WKANewsletter.

Projectors: Would someone who has a slide projector bring it? Anyone having movies or VCR, phone Kathy or Tom or Jack (633 4780, 725 3615, 938 0550, in that order) to make sure that you are bringing a projector also. We KNOW there's a bundle of material out there.

We would like to see if there is interest in kite classes at the Science Center, also; beginners', specialized, club-only, advanced -- whatever. Be prepared with suggestions.

Poem: "Today I just might
Fly a yellow and red kite
In plain daylight
Because it's so bright.
We flew them on the field
And out they reeled!
The kites flew high
By and by.

- by
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FLY WITH THE HUSKIES !

For about eight years, WKA has flown kites before University of Washington football games, entertaining the troops as they fill up the stadium. Student seating is "first come, first serve" so they come EARLY. In return for our efforts, we receive free entry for up to five members. The main attraction has been Van Gilder's train of deltas. We'd like to see some stacks of stunters this year. Volunteers, anyone?

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Game time</u>	<u>We start</u>
Sept. 20th	Brigham Young	1:00 pm	11:30 am
Oct. 4th	California	1:00 pm	11:30 am
Oct. 18th	Bowling Green	1:00 pm	11:30 am
Oct. 25th	Oregon	1:00 pm	11:30 am
Nov. 15th	U.C.L.A.	12:30 pm	11:00 am

Phone Jack at 938 0550* -- first come, first serve.

Sept. 13-14th: CANNON BEACH, OR -- Festival sponsored by "Once Upon a Breeze, John Fraser (503) 436 1112

Sept. 27-28th: LINCOLN CITY, OR -- 9th Kite Festival; -- lots of prizes -- fly on the beach -- sponsored by "Catch The Wind" (503) 994 9500 or 1-800-452 2151

Oct. 2-5th: American Kitefliers Assn. National Convention; Newport, RI. Five-member delegation from Weifang, China - extremely rare event - giant Shironi kites from Japanese - lots of European kites -
- extremely critical business meeting.

Every Sunday afternoon - meet at WKA shoulder of Kite Hill, Gasworks Park, Seattle and fly with us - !

Within three weeks, "Part B" of this September WKA Newsletter will be out, hopefully. My personal apologies for the summer-long dry spell. Part B will be filled with things past:

- Seattle Kite Festival, June 29th -
- Wash. State Int'l Kite Festival, Long Beach, WA -
- visit of AKA president, Margo Brown, to Seattle -
- with lots of pictures & plans!

- submitted by Suzanne Sadow

Join WKA - Washington Kitefliers Association - !
- don't tear up this, your WKA Newsletter --
Just send your check for \$8.50 -
- and your name, address and phone number to:

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- send it on any old piece of paper (we'll even merely take it off the printing on your check) in any old envelope.
- receive six newsletters yearly listing kite events, reviewing past events, giving kite ideas, instructions, lots of pictures, kite plans; plus short-notice post-cards of special events -- even post-haste phone calls!

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