



Newsletter

October/November 1999

WASHINGTON KITEFLIERS ASSOCIATION

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**It's That Time Again.
I Mean time for the Annual
WKA/PCKA Holiday Party.
Dec. 11, 1999, 6:30pm Fife, WA**

Last year we raised for the Fife Food Bank almost \$900.00. This year I would like to see if we all can have a Great Party and raise some money for them again. I hope to see all of you great kilters out there come on down and have a fun evening with us again this year. Please remember that the two host clubs will be supplying the turkey and ham so bring lots of other goodies to share with other guests.

If you have anything that you would like to donate, just bring it along with you. If you have a few minutes extra that evening before the party please come on by and help us set up. Set-up 5:00pm, Doors open 6:00pm, Dinner 6:30pm, Raffle to follow.

Best Wishes for a safe Holiday and a Happy New Year.

Dave Christenson
Special Events Coordinator

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

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DOORS OPEN 6:00PM

DINNER AT APPROX. 6:30PM

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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:

Bill & Jeannette Rogers

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The deadline for all submissions is January 20th, March 20th, May 20th, July 20th, September 20th or November 20th. Materials received by these dates will be published in the following issue as space allows. All submissions will be considered for publication.

Membership

To become a member of the WKA, send your name(s), address and telephone number, along with a check for \$15 per family in U.S. or Canada (all other countries please add \$5(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.

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*****REGISTER EARLY*****

World Kite Museum, 112-3rd St. NW Long Beach, WA 98631. For more information please call 360-642-4020 or e-mail the Museum at jkite@willapabay.org. Classes are held at Long Beach School on Washington St, Sat. & Sun. November 13 & 14 from 10AM till 3PM.

Christmas Gift Making Class

Silk Screen Kites, T-shirts & Cards
November 13 & 14, 1999

Elain Genser former art teacher from British Columbia promises this class will be "fun" for everyone. Genser will instruct students on how to transfer a photo or drawing onto silk screen then print it on rip-stop nylon, personalize kites, T-shirts, and note cards. Anything that can be photo copied into black and white can be used.

*****REGISTER NOW*****

Students are invited to bring a variety of images (no larger than 5" x 6") suitable for printing. Each student will make 6 pocket sled kites, personalize a T-shirt, & make 6 greeting cards. All three classes for \$25 or bring your own fabric, fee \$18. Classes start at 10AM - 3PM.

Kite Making: bring your sewing machine, extension cord, scissors, pencil, and thread. Bring one or more designs no bigger than 5" x 6" that you can silk-screen on to the kite. Students can make up to 6 kites. Flying line to test fly your new kite.

T-shirt: bring T-shirt(s) plus the design (5x6) you wish to put on the T-shirt. (Limit is 3 T-shirts per student.)

Card Making: bring 3 1/2" x 4" designs you wish to place on your card. (6 cards and 6 envelopes will be supplied)



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"AOXOMOXOA" AT WSSKC

By Sylvia Bernauer, Membership

This may look like Greek to you, if you have not heard this 'word' before, but it represents what was almost a magical moment for me.

One recent Saturday morning as I walked onto the Ocean Shores beach, I noted that the breeze was just perfect for my zippy kite. While chatting with friends standing around the competitors for the Washington State Sport Kite Competition, I found out that there were only a couple of flyers entered in the Novice events. Friends that I had seen the evening before had encouraged me to enter the competition, and would even provide music for me. For you see, I had only done a few 'for fun' Senior Ballet and Mystery Ballet competitions before. Not the serious stuff! But I decided to give it a try, since the conditions were so perfect, and the list had plenty of room on it. I also hoped that friends would cheer me on, or help me laugh at my efforts.

Well, we won't even talk about how Precision went. With the sun directly in my eyes, I did not have a clue where to 'put' the figures. One of the judges was kind enough to give me some valuable pointers, that I don't remember reading about when I last looked at that book a couple of years ago.

But the Ballet, is another story. My friends did provide music, and I had a chance to listen to it once before the event. Then soon it was my turn.

The music was very beautiful, and as my kite flew through the air, I tried to capture the feeling and rhythm of the music. Then there was a change in the melody. The next section was even more lilting than the earlier. And I wanted to show it even more.

This I did by starting to move and almost dance with the music, letting the music flow through me to the kite. I almost got lost in it. This is a rare moment, especially in front of an audience.

I was very fortunate to be able to work in a couple of simple moves before touching down on the last note. This was a performance that felt magical. Maybe my ballet (dance) teachers would also have been pleased.

This is the closest that I have come to AoxomoxoA. - The condition that exists when you and your kite are in perfect harmony with the wind and the world.

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The following two articles were taken from Jewels of the Sky club in Ft. Worth/Dallas Texas.

JUNCTION 2000

Memorial Day Weekend, year 2000!!!

Bob Josjor is compiling the schedule for instructor bids; he's at RJosjor@Lakemac.com. It will be \$200 per person, which pays for AC dorms, classrooms, meals Fri thru Mon noon, also barbecue and dance.

There will be kite making workshops, free time to fly, oughta be great, it was last year.

Pre-registration is \$25.00. Mail to Judy Kingery at: 1118 Barrow, Abilene, TX, 79605. Total amount is less pre-registration. Only 75-90 people will be accepted. It'll be great fun.

Do you have a video of something AMAZING?

The NBC television program "THE WORLD'S MOST AMAZING VIDEOS" is searching for compelling, dramatic "caught on tape" video of kites to feature in an upcoming show. If you have a video of an amazing "caught on tape" event, "THE WORLD'S MOST AMAZING VIDEOS" will pay \$\$\$ for your tape.

Please Contact: Phil P. email: nashent107@earthlink.net or call (collect if you want) - (323) 463-5015

Letter from Kay

October 1, 1999

Dear Carol, WKA Officers and Members,

The Board of Directors, Jody Hagaman and I and our many volunteers thank you sincerely for your generous donation to the Tom's Kid's Kite Corner. The Museum is indeed honored to be able to provide this hands on opportunity for kids who come to the Museum and for school classes and youth groups from the surrounding areas. Also with this new emphasis from you, we will develop kite-making learning kits to send beyond the area.

Though we briefly announced the Tom's Kid's Kite Corner in our last newsletter, it will get national coverage in the Museum workshop at the AKA Convention next week in Muncie. In fact each workshop participant will get to make what I have dubbed the Sisson Conover Eddy.

Thank you all again for this wonderful opportunity.

Yours truly,
Kay Buesing
Museum Director

Editor's Echo

Sorry for the delay in the newsletter but it couldn't be avoided. With preparations for Muncie and going to Muncie we just haven't had the time. And now with a beautiful fall day calling me to go fly I am sitting here doing the newsletter instead. Anybody interested in taking this over?? :-)

It was a great trip to Muncie. I will write up a full report for the next newsletter. I would have this time but need to make sure I know who all the single line flyers are who went before I can do a proper report. I know all the dual line/quad line flyers but don't know all the single liners and need to make sure I get all of them included.

I apologize for the mis-information on the Seaside competitions in the last newsletter. The last word I got prior to the newsletter going out was that it was on. I found out a few days later that this was no longer the case. By then it was too late.

There are rumours of trying to get some earlier comps going next year (maybe April or May) and I will try and keep on top of this information and keep you informed.

It was great seeing Sylvia Bernauer jump into competition. She did great and had a great time. A lot of people are hesitant to try it out and I would encourage you to just give it a go and see if you like it or not. If you don't enjoy it then don't do it, but if you do then here is another aspect of kiteflying you can enjoy. It isn't so much about winning or losing, it is about having fun with a bunch of other kite addicts.

The next newsletter should be on time, now that we are heading into the hit and miss time of the year for flying. Of course that was this past summer too.

Bill and Jeannette Rogers



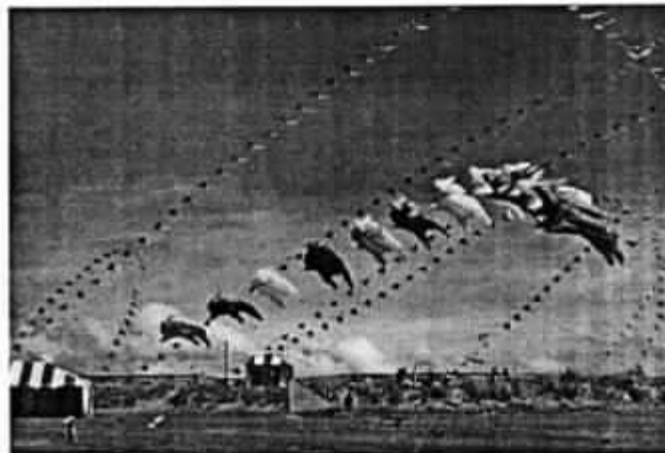
Tom and Jean Sisson are surrounded by many kite friends and family at the Everett Kite Festival on August 1. Tom was honored that day for his many dedicated years of making kites with kids



Flowforms, the Genie from Alladin and Bert & Ernie, brought to WSIKF by Team No Limit from Germany add color to the sky.



Our secretary, Jeannette Mandanas, is having a good time sitting on Tom's lap. Other club officers, past and present, and friends are also sharing the moment.



A very different kite arch, the "Hare Line" by Aime' Barsalou at WSIKF.



The WKA banner, being carried by Rick White, in the banner parade at WSIKF.



Another shot of the banner parade

Photos courtesy of Sylvia Bernauer

Kite Calendar

Event organizers, please contact Bill and Jeannette Rogers at (360) 697-2917 or billrogers@earthlink.net by the first of odd numbered months with Kite Calendar information. Please include as a minimum the date, time, place, contact person, phone number, and email address (if applicable).

NOVEMBER

November 13 & 14, 1999

Workshop with Elain Genser
Elain Genser, former art teacher, and now a kite nut, will be instructing this workshop. Genser will teach the student how to print on rip stop nylon, transfer a photo or drawing onto silk screen then print it on rip stop. Personalize your kites, your T-shirt, your note cards, etc. Anything that can be photocopied into black and white can be used. In this workshop, the student will be working with a small, easily handled printing unit that will transfer your image to a screen, and then be ready to print. Several colors can be used at the same time. Students will make about a dozen small sled pocket kites that can be used as gifts, or souvenirs.....excellent as Christmas gifts. Students are invited to bring a variety of images so that a suitable printing choice can be made.

For more details and registration call The World Kite Museum or e-mail the Museum at jkite@willapabay.org

Sign up early for this super fun class; REMEMBER Christmas is just around the corner.

November 14, 1999

Sci Fi last scheduled fly of the year at 10th street, prior to 5p.m. potluck dinner, raffle, meeting and election of officers

November 20-21, 1999

Fun Fly at Ocean City. An informal get together of kites to do your own thing. For more information contact Herb Andrews at 253-627-1653.

DECEMBER

December 4-5, 1999

Workshop with David Butler & Tom Tinney
David Butler, Origami Specialist & Tom Tinney Miniature Kite Expert have teamed together to give students a chance to make a miniature kite for yourself or a friend, then make a unique origami box to hold it.

For more details and registration call The World Kite Museum or e-mail the Museum at jkite@willapabay.org

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December 31, 1999

BLACK TIE ONLY Millennium Party for the Quintet Kite
Who will win The Last Great Kite Raffle of the Millennium? The Museum Board of Directors plans an early evening champagne and nibbles event for Museum members. The highlight will be the raffle drawing for the exquisite cellular Quintet kite designed by Jan Pit and made and donated by Til Krapp.

Everyone must wear a black tie! Any kind of black tie! (Check Museum Membership page for how to be included)

FEBRUARY

February 12 & 13, 2000

Workshop with Bary Crites.
For more details and registration call The World Kite Museum (360) 642-4020 or e-mail the Museum at jkite@willapabay.org

MARCH

March 10-12, 2000

Fort Worden Kitemakers conference, Port Townsend, WA

APRIL

April 22 & 23, 2000

Workshop with Debra Cooley.
For more details and registration call The World Kite Museum (360) 642-4020 or e-mail the Museum at jkite@willapabay.org

JUNE

June 17 & 18, 2000

Workshop with Georgan Curran. For more details and registration call The World Kite Museum (360) 642-4020 or e-mail the Museum at jkite@willapabay.org

ADVERTISEMENTS

For items relating to kites or kitefliers. Charge is 10 cents a word (\$3 minimum) per issue. Lost, Found, Stolen, or Free items will be listed free if under 30 words. Make checks payable to WKA, mail to Bill & Jeannette Rogers Editors, P.O. Box 2393, Poulsbo, WA 98370.

For Sale

Like new Rev I with handles Hot Pink & Royal. \$120.00 or offer. Contact Steve Nimocks (206) 938-2665 or premier@wolfenet.com

WKA Patch

Patches featuring the WKA logo are available for \$4 each. Make check payable to the WKA. Contact Susie Christenson, PO Box 2119, Westport, WA 98595.

WKA 3-Pin Sets

The new WKA pins are a 3 pin set that, when put together, form a Rokku. The center pin lists all of the kite clubs in the WKA. The 3 pin set is priced at \$10 including postage (\$11 outside the US). Make check payable to the WKA. Contact Susie Christenson, PO Box 2119, Westport, WA 98595.

25th Anniversary Pin

The new pin is green with a red, blue or yellow kite in it. It is our 25th anniversary pin. The pin is priced at \$5 including postage. Make check payable to the WKA. Contact Susie Christenson, PO Box 2119, Westport, WA 98595.

REGIONAL CLUBS

ASSOCIATED OREGON KITERS

P.O. Box 25616, Portland, OR 97298. Membership includes bi-monthly newsletter.

BEN FRANKLIN KITE SOCIETY

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

BRITISH COLUMBIA KITE-FLYERS ASSOCIATION

Box 755, 101-1001 W. Broadway, Vancouver, BC, CANADA V6H4E4. Membership \$15.00 Canadian or \$10.50 US. Our website is www.bcka.bc.ca

kgb - KITE GROUP OF BOISE

Gary Self, 5403 Paulson Circle, Boise, ID 83704. Individual membership \$7.00 includes a quarterly (?) newsletter.

LILAC CITY WIND CHASERS

Meets every Tuesday (during daylight savings), 5:00 PM, Friendship Park, 7200 block of N Standard. Contact Bill or Connie Lester, 3524 W Kiernan, Spokane, WA 99205 (509) 327-2829 blester@ix.netcom.com.

NORTH COAST SKY PAINTERS KITE CLUB

Our club contact person is Secretary Jeff McArthur 425-228-3875 and e-mail at windzup@nwlink.com. Our web site is <http://crabble.olympnet.com/NCSP/index.html>

NORTHWEST BUGGY PILOTS ASSN.

Contact Morrie and Kelci Williams, P.O. Box 1358, Westport, WA 98595-1358 (360) 268-0318 williams@techline.com. Meetings on the 4th Saturday of each month, usually at Washaway Beach, Grayland. Check with Morrie and Kelci for current location.

PCKA - PIERCE COUNTY KITEFLYERS ASSN.

Contact Dick Curran (253) 927-8779. Meets on the 4th Thursday of each month. Call for details.

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Contact Four Winds Kite Shop (425) 339-9334.

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

WESTPORT WINDRIDERS

Contact Barry Crites (360) 491-8605 or bearkites@aol.com. Funfly and meeting/potluck dinner on the 4th Saturday of each month. Call for location and details.

NORTHWEST FIGHTER KITE ASSOCIATION, NFKA

A club for fighter kite fans. Our mission is fly and have fun with fighters, so that's what we do. Information about membership should be directed to Bruce Lambert (360) 704-7280, fax: (360) 704-7282 or brucel@cco.net. The membership fee is \$15 per person, paid one time. No annual dues. We meet and fly the 3rd Saturday of the month. Visit our web site at <http://www.eskimo.com/~johnsen/nfka/>

REGULARLY SCHEDULED EVENTS

GRAYLAND, Northwest Buggy Pilots Assoc. Fun flies 4th Saturday of every month at Wash-Away Beach. Verify location with Morrie and Kelci Williams, P.O. Box 1358, Westport, WA 98595-1358 (360) 268-0318 williams@techline.com

OCEAN SHORES, North Coast Sky Painters. Meets the second Saturday of every month except June, July and September at the Ocean City Lions Club 6PM Standard and 7PM Daylight Savings time. We fly in Ocean Shores or Ocean City regularly. The June meeting is at the Annual Ocean Shores Challenge at the Convention Center. We attend the Westport Festival in masse in July and the Up Your Winds at Pacific Beach in September. Our club contact person is Secretary Jeff McArthur 425-228-3875 and e-mail at windzup@nwlink.com. Our web site is <http://crabble.olympnet.com/NCSP/index.html>

SPOKANE, Lilac City Wind Chasers. Fun flies every Tuesday, 4:00 PM until dark, at Friendship Park, 7400 block of North Standard.

TACOMA, Pierce County Kitefliers Assoc. Meetings on the last Thursday of the month at Summit Branch of Pierce Co. Library, 7:00 PM. Contact Dick Curran (253) 927-8779.

EVERETT, SCI-FI. Fun flies 2nd Sunday every month, 10th Street boat launch, Everett WA. Contact Four Winds Kite Shop (425) 339-9334.

WESTPORT, Westport Windriders. 4th Saturday every month. Fun fly and potluck. Contact Barry Crites 360-491-8605 or bearkites@aol.com.

DO ANY OTHER CLUBS HAVE REGULARLY
SCHEDULED EVENTS THEY WOULD LIKE TO
LIST?

If so, send the information to the *WKA Newsletter*
(address on page 2)

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Washington Kitefliers Association
an affiliate of the American Kitefliers Association
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

25th Anniversary Year!

YES!

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

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

Membership
Washington Kitefliers Association
Pacific Science Center
200 Second Avenue North
Seattle, Washington 98109



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