

Newsletter

April / May 2003

WASHINGTON KITEFLIERS ASSOCIATION

April is National Kite Month!

Looking for something to do for National Kite Month? Come celebrate with kite lovers everywhere at one of the many local events and displays!

Check out the fabulous workshops and events presented by the World Kite Museum in Long Beach. They include "From Manlifter to Gorgeous in the Sky" and "Make & Fly a Box Kite", plus much more. Make sure to sign up ahead of time!

The Four Winds Kite Shop is sponsoring "Tulip Town Kite Flys" at Tulip Town, Mount Vernon every Sunday during April. The Lilac City Wind Chasers will also be hosting fun flys every Tuesday at Friendship Park in Spokane.

Several kite related displays are set up around the Northwest. Jerry Graham and Glenda Kleppin colorfully decorated the Bonney Lake Public Library with kites. As did Kathy Goodwind to the Bellevue Regional Library. Elizabeth King has once again livened the atmosphere at the Shari's Restaurant in Tacoma with kites. Kay Buessing also has a kite display on "How the Kite Invented the Airplane" at the SEA-TAC airport from April 14th to May 4th. So, if you happen to be in the area, make sure to stop by and take a look.

Please visit www.nationalkitemonth.org for more information about these events and the complete list of nation wide events.

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WKA/Sisson Scholarship for 2004

WKA sends one member to the Fort Worden Kitemakers Conference each year in memory of one of our Founding Fathers.

If you are a member of WKA, you can send in a post card with your name, address, and phone number, to be held for our next scholarship contest drawing, which will take place at the annual WKA Spaghetti Feed on Wednesday, August 20, 2003 at Long Beach during the fun of WSIKF week. This drawing will be to win room and board, and some extra towards classes, at the 2004 Fort Worden Kitemakers Conference.

Mail in a postcard (one entry per member per year) to:

Washington Kitefliers Association Pacific Science Center 200 Second Ave. North Seattle, WA 98109

This program is a FREE benefit of membership. Membership must be current at the time of the drawing and at the time of the conference to be eligible. For further information, contact the Membership Director, Sylvia Bernauer at 425-822-4605 or dbrn1@earthlink.net.

A Membership Reminder

E-mail address changes? ... Again???

Has your e-mail address changed recently, or you don't remember if you told us? If so, send a message to dbrn1@earthlink.net so that our records can be updated. Thanks, Sylvia

From The Mail Bag

Dear Members of the Washington Kitefliers Association.

There are not words to thank you enough for your generous contribution of \$1408.17 to the Fife Milton Edgewood N.E. Tacoma FISH Food Bank. Your continued support and great generosity is a God send to us during these hard times. May the child Jesus bless you all and make your holiday a very happy and blessed one.

Sincerely, M. Weltch

Providing high flying fun since 1979! Fife Milton Edgewood N.E. Tacoma F.F.B.





Upcoming Events

	Upcoming Events
April 5-6	"Clear Brightness Festival" Portland, OR
	Portland Classical Chinese Garden
	Contact: Blake VanRoekel 503-228-8131
April 5-6	"Manlifter to Gorgeous in the Sky" Workshop, Long Beach, WA
	Contact: World Kite Museum or Rob robcp@msn.com
April 10-13	"Puyallup Spring Fair" Puyallup, WA
	Contact: PKCA, Georgean Curran programs@pcka.org
April 12	"Kite Strings 2003" Squaw Creek Ranch, Sisters, OR
7-75-1	Contact: Jim Simpkins 541-549-4335 or kitestings.sistersart.org
April 12	"Columbia Crest Winery" Patterson, WA
	Contact: Larry Zilar 509-627-6751
April 13	"Ben Franklin Kite Society's Spring Fly-In" Richland, WA
	Contact: Greg Greger 509-943-3951
April 26	"Puffin Kite Festival" Cannon Beach, OR
. spili 20	Contact: Sandy Newman 503-436-2274
April 26-27	"Spring Barrel Tasting at Kiona Winery" Benton City, WA
· · ·	Contact: Lary Zilar 509-627-6751 or Vi Weeks 509-967-2488
April 27	"Sunset Beach Fun Fly" Warrenton, OR
	Contact: Phil Thompson tnphil@pacifier.com
April 27	"Spokane All City Kite Fly" Spokane, WA
	Contact: Bill Lester 509-327-2829
May 3-4	"Spring Kite Festival" Lincoln City, OR
CONTRACTOR OF THE PROPERTY OF	Contact: Ronda Brewer 541-994-7556
May 3	"NWSKL Sport Kite Competition" Ocean Shores, WA
3.50 F.51	Contact: Mike Huff 360-289-9050
May 4	"Art for All" Tacoma Art Museum, Tacoma, WA
	Contact: PCKA, Elizabeth King services@pcka.org
May 17-18	"Oregon Rhododendron Kite Festival" Florence, OR
William Control	Contact: Wally Morey
May 17-18	"Spring Break" Seaside, OR
	Contact: Wind Dancer 541-717-0138
May 17-18	"A Strictly English Kite Sculpture" Workshop, Long Beach, WA
200020.30	Contact: World Kite Museum
May 24	"Wild Rivers Coast Windfest" Port Orford, OR
	Contact: Ed Dowdy 541-332-0131 or dowdy@harborside.com
June 15	"Seattle Celebration of Kites" (aka Father's Day Fly) Seattle, WA
	Contact: WKA, Ken Conrad ken@greatwinds.com



www.primoweb.com/kites Now under new local ownership! If you want your June or July events listed here, please send your information to the newsletter editor, Patrick, at wkaeditor@hotmail.com by May 20th.

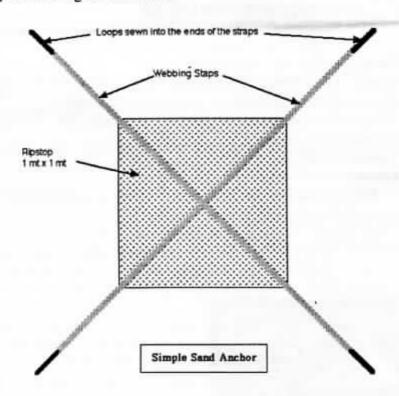


Kite Sand Anchor

Ever been at the beach and flying your single line kite and wished you had something to tie it to? Here's an idea for a sand anchor. Take a piece of ripstop, canvas or similar material approx a metre square and sew two pieces of webbing diagonally across it leaving about 1 metre out each end to make loops.

Fold the ends of the webbing over and sew loops in to the ends of the webbing. Use a good quality sailmakers thread and sew an area of 10 to 15 cm long.

To use, scoop out a hole in the sand, lay the anchor in the hole, webbing side down, leaving the looped ends out, and push all the sand back in to the hole covering the anchor. The size of the hole and the amount of sand required will depend on the pull of the kite. Bring all four looped ends of the webbing together and pass a short length of heavy rope through all the loops. Tie your kite line to this rope. To remove after flying simply release the heavy rope, grab two corners on one side and pull. The anchor will slide out from under the sand without having to be dug up. Roll the whole thing into a ball and stuff in the corner of your kite bag for next time.



Courtesy of the Australian Kitefliers Society and www.moreinfo.com.au/aks/Res_Usanchor.html





A is for Axels, that I haven't quite mastered.

B is for Bridles, to keeps kites at bay.

C is for Carbon, which makes the frame strong.

D is for Drogue, which increases the drag.

E is for Eddy, that are easy to make.

F is for Fighter kites, which fly round and round.

G is for Gloves, used with big kites.

H is for Hap'pi coats, which make you feel happy.

I is for Indoor flying, an incredible task.

J is for Jumping, which thou shalt not do.

K is for Kite-lover, which everyone should be.

L is for Line, a must for all kites.

M is for Mylar, which can be used for the sail.

N is for Nose-dive, just be sure to pull up.

O is for Ocean Beaches, the best place to fly.

P is for Parafoils, which pull you to the sky.

Q is for Quad lined kites, which require great skill.

R is for Rain, but we'd rather see sun.

S is for Spool, to hold all your line.

T is for Tails that wag when the kite's happy.

U is for Ultra-light, which need no wind to take flight.

V is for Vane to tell the wind's direction.

W is for Wind, which makes kites fly.

X is for eXciting, which I hope your experience shall be.

Y is for Youth, which kite flying brings back.

Z is for Zilar, a founding kite flier.





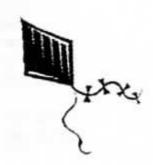








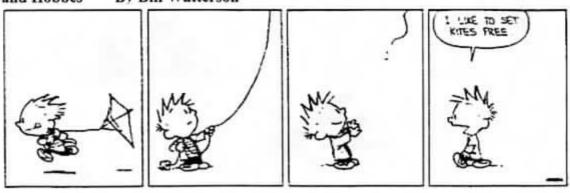




WKA ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT January thru December 2002

Profit and Loss		Balance Sheet	
Income	24.742	Assets	
Donations	534.25	Current Assets	
Dues Income	2,400.00	Checking/Savings	
Grants	800.00	Certificate of Deposit	the second secon
Interest Income	154.03	Seafirst/Regular	4,140.58
Misc. Income	1,807.50	Seafirst/Saving	3.127.09
N/L Ads Prepay	-66.64	Total Checking/Savings	13,304.35
Newsletter Ads	200.00		
Product Sales	469.00	Accounts Receivable	
Tom's Kid's Kite		Receivables	0.00
Corner	81.25	Total Accounts Receivab	le 0.00
WSIKF Spaghetti			
Feed	3.316.50	Other Current Assets	
Total Income	9,695.89	Deposit/Club House 600.00	
	CHO-MANAGEMENT # 1	Inventory	238.05
Expense		Total Other Current Assets 838.05	
Affiliation Dues	0.00	Total Current Assets	14,142.40
Bank Charges	47.00		ACTIVE CONTRACTOR
Clubhouse Rent	341.33	Fixed Assets	
Gifts & Grants	3,074.92	Equipment	643.76
Insurance	298.00	Total Fixed Assets	643.76
Misc. Expense	1,440.75	Total Assets	14,786.16
Office Supplies	79.52		
Postage	1,036.52	Liabilities & Equity	
Printing	1,519.24	Equity	
Products	421.45	Earnings	3,015.01
Supplies	138.95	EQUITY	11,246.79
Telephone	89.95	Net Income	524.36
Travel	253.90	Total Equity	14,786.16
Website Expense	430.00	Total Liabilities & Equity	14,786.16
Total Expense	9,171.53		590 M 25 8 5 8 5 8 5 8 5 8 5 8 5 8 5 8 5 8 5

Net Income 524.36 Calvin and Hobbes By Bill Watterson



WKA BOARD MEETING - Sunday, Feb. 23 2003 Lacey Timberland Library

Attendees:

Courtney Hanson, Vice President

Carol Lord, Treasure

Sylvia Bernauer, Membership

Ken Conrad, Education

Patrick Adriatico, Newsletter

Jerry Graham & Glenda Kleppin, Merchant Liaisons

Susie Christenson, Products

BOARD REPORTS

Treasurer: Carol handed out detailed copies of our latest financial report. Discussion followed. Membership: Sylvia handed out copies of the membership report. Discussion followed.

BUSINESS

Promoting WKA

Several suggestions were made to improve and help promote the club. They include the following: A list of WKA sponsored events needs to be posted in the newsletter and on the website so our members will know what we are doing. Inform people of our 10% discount and make a sign listing the participating kite shops and thanking them for their continued support. Inform members of our event insurance. This is the same type of insurance AKA lists as one of their benefits. Our presence at kiting events needs to be improved. Therefore the WKA board voted unanimously to purchase a high quality canopy for club use. Jerry and Glenda will purchase it and will bring it to kiting events.

Website

It has been one year since our website has been updated. As our president, Charly needs to talk to Tom and see what action needs to be made to resolve this problem.

Products

Spaghetti Feed Pins: The board unanimously voted in favor of purchasing pins for the next four years in bulk, 75 pins available per year totaling 300 pins.

<u>Banners:</u> Susie will contact Mary Bos to see if she is willing for members to contact her directly to order WKA banners. The board voted unanimously in favor of purchasing one pre-made banner and one set of tag board templates from Mary.

Ft. Worden Scholarship

Problems with the scholarship over the last two years have shown a need to amend the rules. The amendments include explicitly stating the winner must be a current member at the time the application is submitted and at the time of the conference, all changes must go directly through WKA, and the scholarship is not transferable.

EVENTS

Seattle Celebration of Kites

Our Seattle Celebration of Kites (a.k.a. Father's Day Fly) at Magnuson Park will be held on Father's Day, June 15th. Ken Conrad has taken care of the permits and even got our event listed in the Parks Department's summer activity calendar.

WSIKF Participation

Kite Hospital: As an act of good will and a way to attract people to the WKA camp, we will be offering a "Kite Hospital" where minor kite repairs can be made for free.

<u>Kid Area during Mass Ascensions</u>: Upon approval of the WSIKF board, WKA will sponsor a children's flying field during all three mass ascensions. Quick repairs and flying tips will be available to help make the children's kites fly better. The board voted unanimously in favor of sponsoring this event.

Christmas Potluck

The vote which took place at the Christmas Potluck is not something that was discussed previously by either the WKA board or the PCKA board and therefore the vote to change the donation recipient is null. If any proceeds are meant for charities other than the Fife Food Bank they need to be auctioned off accordingly. This last year we donated \$1400 to the Fife Food Bank; that money was then distributed thru out the Pierce County Area.

Regional Kite Clubs

Associated Oregon Kiters

Judy Brown

judyb7@mindspring.com

P.O. Box 25616 Portland, OR 97298

Membership includes bi-monthly

newsletter

Basin Kitefliers Association

Bill Watson

BKA@mlfloral.com

509-765-9111 115 W. 3rd Ave.

Moses Lake, WA 98837

Ben Franklin Kite Society

Larry Zilar

zilarlm@charter.net

509-545-6727

Lilac City Wind Chasers

Bill Cox

cxbil@aol.com 509-327-7974

Meets every Tuesday at Friendship Park,

Spokane, 4pm

North Coast Sky Painters

Monica Barber

flying@cuttingedgekites.com

360-289-5682

Meets 2nd Saturday of the month, at Ocean Shores Lions Club

N.W. Buggy Pilots Assn.

Morrie & Kelci Williams williams@techline.com

360-268-0318

Meets the 4th Saturday of the month,

call for location

N.W. Fighter Kite Assn.

Bruce Lambert

kitefighter@yahoo.com

360-289-2717

www.fighterkites.org

Meets the 3rd weekend of the month,

location varies

N.W. Sport Kite League

Neal Parker

pres@nwskl.org

www.nwskl.org

Peninsula Breeze Blenders

Bill Rogers

billrogers@earthlink.net

Meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month,

email for location

Pierce County Kiteflyers Assn.

www.pcka.org

Meets the last Thursday of the month at the Summit Library in Tacoma, 7pm

Snohomish County Incredible Flying

Individuals

Four Winds Kite Shop

425-339-9334

Squalicum Kite Flyers

Don & Shirley Allen

360-733-3777

Whidbey Island Kite Flyers

Allen & Marjorie Taylor

360-678-9358

Meets the 3rd Saturday of the month, call

for location

Westport Windriders

Barry Crites

bearkites@aol.com

360-491-8605

Meets the 4th Saturday of the month at

Grayland Beach

International Kite Clubs

American Kitefliers Assn.

www.aka.kite.org

Mary Bos - Region 10

region10@aka.kite.org

www.aka.kite.org/region10

British Columbia Kite-Flyer Assn.

P.O. Box 755

101-1001 W. Broadway

Vancouver, BC Canada V6H 4E4

www.bcka.bc.ca

Membership \$20 (Canadian funds)

WKA Welcomes New Members

Bob & Mary Neitzke Long Beach, WA

Membership

To become a member of WKA, send us your name(s), address and telephone number, along with a check or money order for \$15 (US funds) per family. For countries other than U.S.A. or Canada, please send an additional \$5 for postage. Membership includes an official WKA membership card entitling the bearer to discounts at participating kite shops and a one-year subscription to the WKA newsletter.

WKA Newsletter

The Washington Kitefliers Association Newsletter is published six times a year by the WKA. We encourage your participation and request that you send us articles pertaining to kite flying. Submissions that illustrate how much fun it is to fly kites will be given priority for publication. Mail submission along with your name address and telephone number to our mailing address below or email them to the newsletter editor. Please send pictures via email. The deadline for all submissions for the June/July newsletter is the 20th of May. All submissions will be considered for publication.

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Washington Kitefliers Association An affiliate of the American Kitefliers Association Membership Application

By becoming a member of WKA, you receive the WKA Newsletter every other month for one year, a membership card that entitles you to discounts at participating 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:

Phone/Email

Membership
Washington Kitefliers Association
C/O Pacific Science Center
200 Second Ave. N.
Seattle, WA 98109
City/State/Zip
Visit us on the web at

Names of additional family members

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www.wka-kiteflyers.org

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