

# Westport Windriders

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### KTA TRADE SHOW

By Terry Yuncker  
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The annual Kite Trade Association Convention and Trade Show was held Jan 15-20 at the Sheraton Park Central Hotel in Dallas, TX.

The registration opened at 3:00pm on Tuesday Jan 15 with a KTA Board of Directors meeting in the late afternoon. During the evening a round table discussion was held for the retailers, wholesalers and manufactures on the topics of long term benefits for employees, inventory control & maintenance and how local regulations can hurt your business, plus industry sponsorship of events.

Weds the 16th a session was held on the "Training in the Workplace" by Mr. Dick Ruhe. The importance of customer satisfaction and going the extra mile to make the customer "King" or "Queen".

During the next three days the industry trade show opened and showed the very latest in kiting technology to all in attendance.

64 manufactures rolled out the "red carpet" to at least 160 wholesalers and retailers from throughout the world. The overall tone was very up-beat and positive for the future of kiting and kite flyers.

KTA awards were given for retailer of the year, excellence in manufacturing, best media presentation, best new kite related product, outstanding publication and most significant individual contribution.

Many new manufactures emerged with new products for all our "kite dream bags".

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### "CIRCUS IN THE WIND '91"

By Jeri

While collecting my thoughts and doing some back ground work on our "Kite Festival" in June, some questions arose. How do we want to present ourselves and "Kiting" not just to our kite peers, but to the interested spectators? How rigid a structure do we want to work from?

We call ourselves "Kiting's Fun Capital" so why not have a theme that sounds like fun, "Circus In The Wind '91"?

Our club is run without rules and by-laws, doing what we do by group consensus or whoever has an idea going forward with it, trying hard to be strictly social. So in keeping with our "laid back" approach to things we are trying to plan a family affair with the emphasis on fun, with some competition to keep it interesting. Prizes within our means, social gatherings not too expensive so everyone can attend and get to know one another better.

Our judges of events are not credential packing, but are chosen from volunteers who come forward wanting to help. Some come forward with the help of a shove and a pull. These people are all experienced and knowledgeable "Kiters" that travel the "Kiting Community". They do their home work and give as fair of an assessment as possible to each event. None of our winners names or their points go into any national or international records, so this takes us back to the fun side and having a good time together which is what it's all about.

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### WINDRIDER WEDDING

By Creda Axton

It was a sunny Saturday afternoon, with a slight nip in the air and just enough wind to keep a delta up.

The bride was outwardly calm and the groom was nervous, but the wedding went perfectly as Denise Cyford married Shannon Beardsley.

The ceremony ended with a beautiful sunset and was followed by a potluck at the Lions Club which was decorated for the event in teal blue and anemic cranberry.

After a short kite meeting wedding cake and punch were served.

A number of the guests accompanied the bride and groom to Cowboy Bobs before the couple left for their honeymoon cruise to Mexico.

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# WESTPORT WINDRIDERS KITERS PROFILE

## BARB & BILL MILLER

Barb and Bill live in Lacy and have been into kiting a few years. They started at Ocean Shores and Lacy with Ocean Shores still being their favorite place to fly.

They say they have seven types of kites including Hawaiian Team, Spinoff, Sky Dart, Cloud Cutter, Trlby (5), Renegade and Manta. Their first kite was a Trlby and continues to be their favorite kite with the Spinoff a close second.

They belong to the Westport Windriders, AKA and WKA.

Their most memorable kiting occasion was the '89 Long Beach Festival. Barb and Bill have attended festivals at Westport, Long Beach and wherever they can find one.

They like to make "single line delta kites".

They list under pet peeves about kiting or kites "power kiting & the big pull kites."

Barb's and Bill's final comment was "keep up the good work". I took that to mean that they like the Windriders and what we are doing. Maybe if they keep coming back Westport will be their favorite place to fly.

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## HOW TO FOIL STRESS

Why is a kite newsletter having an article on stress? Well the answer is simple. Kite flying is a great way to beat stress.

You get yourself a simple kite that is easy to fly like a 4' delta. Now you go to the beach and put up your kite and relax by the ocean and before you know it your stress is gone. Kiting is healthy.

## CHERYL SWEET

Cheryl lives in Westport/Olympia and says that she started in kiting six years ago.

When asked how many kites she has Cheryl answered "at least 35". Her collection includes; Trlbys (a stack of 25), Hawaiians and a Star Dart and some single liners. She is a member of the "Trlby Team" of the Windriders and can be seen flying her stack of 25 Trlbys in wonderful maneuvers with the other team members. She is also sometimes a part of the glorious crashes.

What Cheryl likes best about kiting is "it's fun & relaxing". She belongs to the Westport Windriders, WKA and AOK kite clubs.

When asked where you have attended festivals she lists Westport, Long Beach, Cannon Beach and Ocean Shores.

Being a nice gal with a great outlook she has no 'Pet peeves' about kiting or kites. She is a mellow gal and good to be around on the beach.

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IF YOU HAVE FILLED OUT A WINDRIDERS PROFILE FORM OVER A YEAR AGO THE NEXT POTLUCK YOU COME TO PLEASE FILL OUT A NEW FORM AS THE INFORMATION NEEDS TO BE UP-DATED TO HAVE A GOOD PROFILE IN THE NEWSLETTER.

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By

**CHRISSY & TOM  
HOLLAND**

*"may your breezes be  
pleasant in '91"*

## ELISA & DICK HANSEN

Elisa and Dick live in Central Point, OR, moving there just last year from Montesano, WA.

They originally started flying kites in Hawaii 3 1/2 years ago but got into the serious stuff in March of '89 at Westport.

Dick's favorite kite is a Trlby as in a stack of over 20 and Elisa's favorite is the Hawaiian team kite.

When asked what their first kite was they said "Astrial Dolphon Star". They number their collection at 27 plus including Trlbys, Hawaiian Team Kite, Felixfoil, Deltas, Tumbling Star and Astrial Dolphon Star.

Dick and Elisa attended their first festival in '89 at Westport. They belong to the Westport Windriders.

They say what they like most about kiting is "relaxing and the fun - it's a good way to meet people".

Their pet peeve about kiting/kiters is "Non-kiters that don't watch where they are walking. I don't mind sharing the beach, but some people are down right rude even after explaining something to them."

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DON'T FORGET ABOUT THE PROGRESSIVE SPECIAL DRAWING FOR A HAGAMAN 35 PARAFoil.

COME TO THE POTLUCK AND GET YOUR TICKETS FOR THIS GREAT KITE.

WE ARE ABOUT HALF WAY TO OUR GOAL OF 650 TICKETS.

LET'S ALL SUPPORT THIS SPECIAL DRAWING AND HELP THE CLUB.

## KTA TRADE SHOW

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It's hard to believe how many new manufactures of stunt kites had displays. You can tell the growth of this skyward industry by the numbers there. Manufactures from the following countries were in attendance: Holland, Germany, England, Australia, Switzerland, Canada and the United States.

Mr. Bill Ochse of the Kite Loft in Ocean City, Maryland was kind enough to hold a seminar concerning "Proven Sales Techniques" and "On Target Employee Incentives".

Who is the KTA anyway? Well it's an organization comprised of retailers, wholesalers, manufactures and industry contacts whose sole purpose is to further advance the kiting industry by communication of any and all facets toward this common goal.

As of Dec 1, 1990 there were: 155 retail members, 37 wholesale members, 79 manufacture members and 156 non-member companies.

Next year's convention and trade show will also be held in Dallas at the Fairmont Hotel on January 14 - 19, 1992.

What a fantastic year with our opening of Ocean Kites, Wash. State International Kite Festival, the AKA and World Cup in Seaside, OR, the KTA in Dallas, my appointment as chairman of events for the WSIKF In 1991, election to president of the Long Beach Merchants Assoc., election to the Presidents Club for the Peninsula Organizations co-operative movement and election to the Long Beach Planning Commission Board, all in 1990.

We at Ocean Kites can not tell all of the members of the Westport Windriders how much we have appreciated your support and most of all your friendship. Thanks for a great 1990 and we look forward to a bigger and better '91. Please don't forget Hal Norman in your prayers

for his up-coming successful treatment.

Great winds and happy landings to you.

Terry Yuncker

## 'CIRCUS IN THE WIND '91"

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Our festival is a great warm up for other "official" competitions for points or just because we like to gain experience in competition and have fun.

Right now we are working from a four day format, like last year. A few added events and some changes in the event schedule should make this year's festival even better than last year.

Thursday This will be "Handcrafted" and "Wind Art Banners" day with novice and experienced classes. There will be an added award for a handcrafted "Theme Kite". Come on you talented "Windriders" and out do yourselves on a theme kite. A pizza party is being planned for this evening. This will be a kind of get acquainted or re-acquainted party with lots of food of course.

Friday We will turn the whole day over to our "Stunt Fliers". Instead of trophies we are kicking around an idea of a small registration fee and then Pic-A-Patch will sweeten the pot with the money usually spent on trophies. This pot would be used to present cash prizes to the winners. Friday night will be a picnic on the beach and the lighted kite fly. We had fun with this last year and we'll improve on it this year with a tent to serve from this year.

Saturday We shine here with our great expanse of beach. This is the day for our single line kite competition, "Giant Kites" and Wind Art on a pole and on a kite line displays. Commercial and non-commercial can enter in separate

classes. We will have the children's program in the afternoon with the "Clown Alley" clowns to entertain on the beach with free kites, balloons and contests. Doug Hagaman and his giant parafoils will take care of the "Teddy Bear Sky Drop" again this year. 4 giant "Teddys" will be given in a drawing among the children 2 to 12 years of age. Friday evening is the awards dinner with the theme "This Is Fun". Don't miss this "public invited" dinner with lots of good food. The Windriders are known for the kind of table they set.

Sunday Junior stunt kite competition starts early followed by "Fighter Kite" demonstration and competition, and a "Rokakku Challenge". Last year's champions of "Rokakku" our "Junior Team" who had it all figured out may be back. They won the "Best Decorated Kite and Team" plus the battle last year. We can't let them go unchallenged this year can we?

Well that's our un-rigid plan for four great days of fun that we hope will send you home happy.

I will need volunteers and to them I vow you'll be better informed than in the past. This does mean a few get togethers in groups which is not always easy. Again this year a Hagaman 35 Parafoil will be given in a drawing for workers and participants in events.

A local person said quote "Oh well there's not that much planning for a Kite Festival, you just all get together on the beach and put your kites in the air." JUST THAT SIMPLE, don't we wish.

Here we go again!!!

Jeri

**GIVE JERI A  
PRESENT  
VOLUNTEER TO  
HELP AT THE KITE  
FESTIVAL IN JUNE**

**SEND CARDS AND LETTERS**

A couple of lovely ladies would like to receive cards and letters from the Windriders.

One is Jan Slinner, you have met her on the beach with Phil Bellgardt and her dog Champaign. She is recovering at home from serious surgery. She would appreciate hearing from the club members.

Her address is:  
304 W Dennis  
Tumwater, WA 98501

The other is June Sweet who is also recovering at home. June is missed from the meetings and she would be very happy to receive a note or letter from you.

Her address is:  
P.O. Box 92  
Westport, WA 98595

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**SUNDAY MARCH 24TH**

**LITTLE RICHARDS**

**ON THE DOCKS**

**WESTPORT**

**IF YOU CAN'T MAKE IT DOWN TO WESTPORT YOU CAN MAKE A DONATION TO THE "HAL NORMAN FUND"**

**SEND IT TO JERI AT  
PIC-A-PATCH KITES  
P.O. BOX 1487  
WESTPORT, WA 98595**

**KEEPING UP WITH THE WINDRIDERS**

By Sheba

**Woof!! Woof!! Congratulations to Denise & Shannon Beardsley, they got married on the beach on January 26th with a lovely sunset in the background. The marriage ceremony brought tears to your eyes & smiles to everyone's faces. I was dressed up with my Mickey Mouse scarf & watched the ceremony from the car. Cameras were clicking & the video camera was running. Relatives & Windriders huddles close (to keep warm, it was bitter cold & the sun was about to disappear) to watch & listen as Shannon's brother performed the service. There was a long line after the service to congratulate the happy couple. Then it was off to the Lions' Hall to get warm & have a potluck dinner & what a dinner it was. The tables at the hall were beautifully decorated with ribbon, leaf branches & candles. Must say the candles gave off a lovely fragrance. There was a beautiful three tier wedding cake, with a water fall, made by Creda Axton. (you have many lovely talents Creda) My master told me the potluck was wonderful with turkey, dressing, gravy (mmmmm my favorite) mashed potatoes, pizza, salads, dips, chips .....How come you guys never invite me in? I love scraps...The happy couple left the next day for a week long cruise.**

Happy to report that Jeri & Richard returned from the South with suntans & looked well rested. They have a busy year ahead of them & plans are already in the works for this year's Kite Festival. Now is the time to start working on those special kites & wind art that you want to enter or just have fun flying. June will be here before you know it. I know Spring is just around the corner because the

birds are singing & chirping. (Jody also knows that Spring is coming because Sheba has been going in the ocean)

We are still getting settled in our new home & have a lovely view of the bay. So far we have seen a white egret, red tail hawks, blue herons & herds of 50 elk go by. We can also see the Olympics & Mt. Olympus on nice clear days. Woof!!Woof!! See you on the beach...Stay warm...Start exercising...Get those kites ready for flying...

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**THANK YOU ALL**

The Windriders made our wedding and reception all that we could have hoped for. From the weather on the beach to all that great food.

Thank you for all the cards and gifts. The kite was a real surprise. We have had it in the air and it flies great.

To all those who worked so hard to make our wedding day go off without a hitch, you did great. "Thank You".

We couldn't ask for better friends than we have made in the 1st year since we joined the club.

Our honeymoon cruise to Mexico was just fantastic, but as all vacations, all too short.

**THANK YOU ALL**

The Beardsleys  
Shannon and Denise

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**BRING SOME JOY INTO THE LIFE OF A CHILD. BUY THE CHILD A SIMPLE KITE AND TAKE THAT CHILD KITING.**

## KITERS KWIZEEN

This issue's recipe is submitted by Paul Durant - Calgary

### HOT GARLIC POTATO SOUP

2 - Tbs Butter  
 1 - Medium Onion - Diced  
 6 - Cloves Garlic - Chopped  
 1 - Tsp Red Pepper Flakes  
 2 - Large Potatoes - Peeled & Diced  
 2 - Carrots - Peeled & Diced  
 1 - Stalk Celery - Chopped Fine  
 1 - Cup Cabbage - Diced  
 4 - Cups Chicken Broth  
 1/2 Cup Milk  
 1 - Tbs Flour  
 1 - Cup Sour Cream  
 1 - Tsp Salt - Or to Taste  
 Pepper to Taste  
 1/2 Sw. Red Pepper Seeded & sliced

Saute onion and garlic in butter, add red pepper flakes, add potato, cabbage, carrots and chicken stock. Simmer for 15 minutes or till veggles are tender. Remove 2 cups of cooked veggles, combine with milk, flour and sour cream and puree in blender or mash with fork. Stir back into soup, add salt & pepper to taste. Garnish with red pepper slices & serve immediately.

## WELCOME NEW KITE FRIENDS

Lyda Takacs	Windsor, Ont.
Jamie Towle	Westport
Mr & Mrs Ed Hagaman	Bellevue
Jackie Ward	Seattle
Pam Lucas	Kenniwick
Dan Johnson	Spokane
Richard Hurd	Elma
Neil Venard	Silverdale
Jackie Goodrich	Westport
Allen Selanes	Westport
Chuck & Tommie Turner	Auburn
R. Scott Kangas	Ocean Park
Bob Murry	Alexandria, IN

**BE ONE WITH THE WIND,  
FLY A KITE**

## HEARD ON THE WESTPORT WINDS

Jeri and Richard back from their annual trek down South. All nice and tanned, full of energy and ready for a busy year.

Joel Scholz a possible to join us during Kite Festival week in June.

Darrell Wiltman sick and missing a potluck. This must be the first one he has missed. The food was great Darrell.

Darrell Westmoreland has re-named his company "Skyaire Products" to lessen the confusion with names that sound alike. He is still making those giant air tubes.

Denise and Shannon Beardsley's family and guests at their wedding reception being introduced to the wonderful world of "Windrider's Potlucks".

Terry Yuncker back from the KTA Convention and Trade Show all pumped up about the new things in Kiting.

## THEME KITE AWARD

This year at the 6th Annual Westport Kite Festival there will be a "special" Theme Kite Award for the handcrafted kite that best expresses the theme "Circus in the Wind '91".

This should be a great opportunity for the many talented kite makers in the Windriders and also the ones who are not club members. With that theme the first thing that came into my mind was "Lions, Tigers and Bears, Oh My" along with clowns, camels, zebras, horses and all the animals of the circus.

With all the colors and excitement of a circus to translate to a kite the entries for this award should be one of the must see things at the festival.

This extra bit of competition should really add to the show on the beach and be eye catchers for the visitors to the festival.

## WHAT IS A POTLUCK ????

A potluck is where every one brings something to eat and everything is shared. All the food is put together to make a big spread and everyone has a variety to eat and a good time is had by all.

Sharing the preparation and bringing of the food is not the only thing that is supposed to be shared. There are those other things like setting up things, worrying if there will be enough food, washing and drying the dishes, cleaning up afterwards and making sure everything is back in place when you leave.

Could it be that too many of us are depending on the other guy or gal to do these things?

Connie and Marla sure could use some help, especially when we have 80 or more people at a potluck. They have been working real hard to make sure everything gets done. Let's make it a point to give them an extra hand and share the load. Connie and Marla deserve a big hand for all the work they have been doing to make our potlucks the successes they have been.

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FLY A KITE.**

## CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar 2-3: Port Townsend, WA - Fort Worden Kitemaker's Retreat.

Mar 23: Westport - Regular monthly fun fly, Twin Harbors State Park, Westport Windriders potluck, 6 pm Lions Hall Westport City Park, call (206) 268-0877 for information.

Mar 24: Westport - Hal "Stormin" Norman Sunday - Little Richard's House of Donuts, on the docks in Westport, Wa

Mar 28-Apr 12: Wefang, China - Wefang International Kite Festival, Join the Lincoln City Delegation, call 800-452-2151 for details.

Mar 31: Westport - 1st Annual Westport Easter Egg Hunt, Twin Harbors State Park, Bounge Rd Approach, 3-5pm

Apr 7: Richland, WA - Tri-Cities Spring Fly-In, Leslie Grove Park in Richland, call Larry Zilar at 509-586-2664 for information.

Apr 27: Westport - Regular monthly fun fly and 3rd Annual Trlby Party, Twin Harbors State Park, Westport Windriders potluck, 6 pm Lions Hall Westport City Park, call (206) 268-0877 for information.

Apr 27-28: Richland, WA - 5th Annual Kiona Vineyards Winery Tasting and Kite Fly, call Larry Zilar at 509-586-2664 for information.

May 4-5: Pasco, WA - Preston Winery Kite Festival. Wine tasting, model car and boat races, concessions, call Larry Zilar at 509-586-2664 for information.

May 11-12: Lincoln City, OR - Lincoln City Spring Kite Festival, call 800-452-2151 for information.

May 25: Westport - Regular monthly

fun fly, Twin Harbors State Park, Westport Windriders Potluck, 6 pm Lions Hall Westport City Park, call (206) 268-0877 for information.

Jun 15-16: Oregon State Stunt Kite Championships, conducted according to AKA rules, call 800-452-2151 for information.

Jun 20-23, 1991: Westport - 6th Annual Westport Kite Festival, "Circus in the Wind '91", Four Fantastic Days, for information call (206) 268-0877.

Aug 20-25: Long Beach, WA - 10TH Annual Washington State International Kite Festival, biggest on the West Coast, make your reservations now!

(Editors Note: The information on coming events is accurate to the best of our knowledge. Changes do sometimes occur, and it is best to call the sponsor or contact number to verify details.)

Thanks to all who have contributed to the calendar. If you have information on upcoming events in kiting share it with the readers of the Westport Windriders Newsletter.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Please submit articles for the newsletter and information on upcoming events in kiting to: Westport Windriders, P.O. Box 233, South Bend, WA 98586 or call Chuck Reese (206) 875-6385 in the evenings. The Westport Windriders Newsletter will be published 6 times a year on odd numbered months. Information to be included in the May 1991 Newsletter should be submitted by April 10, 1991.

## SEND IN ITEMS ON KITING HAPPENINGS IN YOUR AREA FOR THE KITING CALENDAR

THE SPECIAL DRAWING AND AUCTIONS AT THE MONTHLY POTLUCKS ARE OUR ONLY FUND-RAISING EVENTS. PLEASE ATTEND THE POTLUCKS AND SUPPORT YOUR CLUB.

THANKS TO ALL WHO HAVE DONATED ITEMS FOR THE AUCTIONS, DOOR PRIZES AND SPECIAL DRAWINGS YOUR HELP IN THIS WAY IS GREATLY APPRECIATED

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