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JANUARY FUN FLY GREAT

The January Fun Fly and Potluck kicked off the new year in grand style. The weather cooperated with partly cloudy skies and no rain, it wasn't too cold if you kept moving. The incoming tide made most of the group get their vehicles off the beach in a hurry as it came in real fast and high. The 4WD people were the lucky ones as they could just pull up farther into the softer sands and be safe.

The winds were from the SW and were more than adequate. There were a lot of stunters and some single liners in the sky. There was a good showing of some larger stacks of Trlbys and a real rainbow of colors from all the stunt kites, singles and many stacks, a few of the bigger single line kites filled out the show. It was great to see so many kites in the sky on an end of January day.

The potluck was great as usual with 52 people on hand to enjoy all the great food. The celebration of Denise and Shannon Beardsley's first wedding anniversary was a special addition to the potluck. The group sang "Happy Anniversary" to them and celebrated with a beautiful cake decorated by Creda Axton.

Door prizes were won as follows: Joey Judd and Matthew Vaughn won hats donated by Vic Eshpeter. Bill Deathrage and Vic Eshpeter won Windrider pins donated by

the Westport Windriders.

In the special drawing Shannon Beardsley won a hat donated by Vic Eshpeter, Ron Miller won a fighter kite made and donated by Don Mock and Vic Eshpeter won a stunt kite donated by Cool Rain Kites.

The auction had some lively bidding on 6 kite stakes donated by Vic Eshpeter; a red, white and blue teddy bear donated by Shannon Beardsley and Richard Masetas; a box of spring plants donated by Ron & Marla Miller and two stunt kites donated by Cool Rain Kites. Thanks to all these grand people for their generous donations for the special drawing and the auction. A special thanks to Cool Rain Kites for the Whisper Lite Stunt kite, the New Horizon Stunt and the Thunder Wing stunt kite. These 3 kites made for some special interest in the auction and drawing.

LETTERS INVITED

The winter edition of the "Cowpat Hill", the kiting journal (newsletter) of the White Horse Kite Flyers of Swindon, England invites letters from America. In the Winter Edition a recipe from Frances Reese that appeared in the Westport Windrider was published.

As David said in his editorial they have gone international. We too have gone international with members in England and Canada. It is great to receive their journal and see mention of the Windriders in it.

David Jones, the new editor of the Cowpat Hill, would be happy to receive a letter from you. Set yourself down and write a short item for David and possibly you will be a writer with international publication.

I'm sure David will extend the same invitation to the readers of Cowpat Hill to send a letter to the Westport Windriders.

You can write to David at the following address:

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(Thanks for the publicity in England David.)

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WELCOME**NEW KITE FRIENDS**

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| Ronda Brewer | Lincoln City |
| Tom Ater | (Kila Hana |
| Camperland) | Westport |
| Dirk Mitchell | Bothell |
| Mark Park | Federal Way |
| Kimbery & Douglas | |
| Granger | Everett |
| Bary Crites | Olympia |

FEBRUARY FUN FLY

The weather was sunny and warm, but the breezes were a little too gentle for most folk to do really serious flying. The club members spent lot of time standing around and talking and soaking up the sunshine.

The stunt kites had lots of kites in and out of the air, with most of them having to work to keep them flying. A few single line kites were in the air, kept there mostly by the continued pumping of the line.

The potluck was attended by 51 people including Heidi and Virginia Durant from Calgary, Kimberly and Douglas Granger from Everett. As usual everyone enjoyed the great food.

Door prizes of Mama Ricci Fettuccine Sauce donated by Jack and Joey Judd were won by John Gittings, Paul Durant and Kay Gittings. Door prizes of Windrider pins donated by the club were won by Kim Granger and Judy Millsbaugh.

Thanks to Don Mock for donating a handmade fighter kite and to Al Axton for donating bags of Trlby tails and material. These items made for a fun filled auction.

WINDRIDERS KITERS PROFILE**NICK & JUDY HUFF**

Nick and Judy live in Bremerton and got their start in 1988 at Ft. Worden State Park. Nick put the blame on Ralph Tubbs for getting him hooked on kites.

Nick says "Loving bride Judy does not fly but enjoys being at festivals and at the beach with all the wonderful people who enjoy kite flying".

Nicks favorite type of kite is "stunt kites stacked". His first kite was a "Star Dart" and he says he has 103 kites now. His collection includes Trlbys, Revolution, Flexi-foil, Star Dart and custom made kites.

When asked if he made kites Nick said "Yes, single line and dual line and I leave the Parafoils to Doug".

Nick and Judy have attended kite festivals in Washington, Oregon and California. Nick says his most memorable kiting occasion was "Yakima's 1st Annual Kite Festival, great host, marginal winds but fun".

Nick said what he likes best about kiting is "It relieves the stress and relaxes me. I've made many friends in the last three years". Nick and Judy belong to the Westport Windriders and have attended potlucks in Westport.

Nick said he had no pet peeves about kiting or kites. He is just to relaxed to get upset with people.

PLAN NOW FOR THE 7TH ANNUAL WESTPORT KITE FESTIVAL JUNE 25 - 28.

WINDRIDERS KITERS PROFILE**DAVE CHRISTENSON**

Dave lives in Tacoma and when asked how long have you been flying and where did you start he said "Started serious flying 3 years ago at Long Beach's "89" International Festival".

Dave said his favorite kite is "My handmade crazy quilt rokkaku". He stated his first kite was "A small 3' yellow stunt kite from "Stormin Normin" in Long Beach". Dave says he has "about 40" kites. His collection includes single, dual and quad line kites.

Dave said what he likes best about kiting is "Being able to go to so many events and meeting all the great people in kiting".

Dave belongs to the WKA, UPPCKA, Westport Windriders, AKA, AOK, BFKS and the Cody Society. He is really into kiting.

When asked if he had ever attended a Windrider potluck the reply was "Yes, and the food is always great".

Dave's most memorable kiting occasion was "The first time I entered a contest and was asked to participate in the Peoples Choice Award. Although I didn't win I thought it was great to be with other great kitemakers. He makes stunt kites and single line kites that look great.

Dave has attended festivals at Long Beach, Westport, Ocean Shores, Seaside and Cannon Beach.

When asked what his pet peeve was he said "I try not to have any because I enjoy kiting too much to get peeved". Dave just enjoys himself too much to let any one get to him.

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING KITING EVENTS

Mar 14 : Long Beach, WA - Peninsula Fliers - regular fly at 10th Street approach, Potluck 7 pm Super 8 Motel, for information call (206) 642-2202.

Mar 28: 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.

Apr 11: Long Beach, WA - Peninsula Fliers - regular fly at 10th Street approach, Potluck 7pm, for information call (206) 642-2202.

Apr 25: Westport - 4th Annual Trlby Party, Twin Harbors State Park, Westport Windriders potluck, 6 pm, Lions Hall Westport City Park, call (206) 268-0877 for information.

May 9: Long Beach, WA - Peninsula Fliers - regular fly at 10th Street approach, potluck 7pm, for information call (206) 642-2202.

May 9 & 10: Lincoln City, OR Lincoln City Spring Kite Festival, call 800-452-2151 for information.

May 16 & 17: Daytona Beach Florida, 1st Annual Daytona Beach International Kite Festival, for information call Terry Yuncker (904) 258-0818.

May 23: Westport - regular monthly fun fly, Twin Harbors State Park, Westport Windriders potluck 7pm, Lions Hall Westport City Park, call (206) 268-0877 for information.

Jun 13-14: Union Gap, WA 3rd Annual Yakima Valley Kite Festival, "Fun In The Yakima Sun", Fulbright Park in Union Gap, for information call Debbie Rodger 509-966-2249 days or Pat Teague 509-966-3812 nights.

Jun 25, 26, 27 & 28th Westport, WA - 7th Annual Westport Kite Festival, Twin Harbors State Park, Windrider potluck and festival awards 7pm VFW Hall Westport, for information call (206) 268-0877.



Jul 25: Westport - regular monthly fun fly, Twin Harbors State Park, Westport Windriders potluck 7pm, Lions Hall Westport City Park, call (206) 268-0877 for information.

Aug 17-23: Long Beach, WA 11th Annual Washington State International Kite Festival

Aug 22: Westport - regular monthly fun fly, Twi Harbors State Park, Westport Windriders potluck 7pm, Lions Hall Westport City Park, call (206) 268-0877 for information.

(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 1992 Newsletter should be submitted by April 10, 1992.

**PLEASE SEND IN
ITEMS ON KITING
HAPPENINGS IN YOUR
AREA FOR THE NEXT
KITING CALENDAR**

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SUPPORT FESTIVAL

Sponsor a trophy or a gift certificate and be a supporter of the '92 "I Love My Kites" festival in Westport June 25th - 28th.

It takes a lot of work to organize a kite festival and one of the most important items is often overlooked. That item is the trophies and gift certificates that are awarded at a festival. It is usually the sponsoring organization's job to beat the brush and get these donated.

Why not take some of the load off Jeri and Richard? Stop in at Pic-A-Patch Kites and tell Jeri what you would like to sponsor. Sponsorship is open to businesses and private people and can be in the form of cash or merchandise.

Another great way that many people help support the Westport Kite Festival is by donating their time and talents. There is always need for another helping hand when you are putting on a festival. If you can spare a couple of hours during the festival let Jeri know and she will find you something to do. If you have a talent that you think might be helpful talk to Jeri, you might just be the right person to help her make it all come together at the festival in June.

Jeri really appreciates her "helpers" who show up every year with their experience in getting things done. Why not join "Jeri's helpers" and make the load a little lighter for everyone.

Remember this is your festival too. By doing something a little extra you can help make this year's festival a really great one.

Let's make it the "LUCKY 7TH" annual festival.

YOUR FLYING THE PLASTIC

In a kiting publication it was noted that the Westport Windriders are known for "flying the plastic". I don't know if that was praise or a put-down. I took it as praise.

If "flying the plastic" means flying Trlby Kites with great enthusiasm and putting on wonderful shows with stacks of 25 or more Trlbys then yes the Windriders are known for "flying the plastic".

The Trlby is not a kite with screaming speed, it is not expensive, it is not hard to learn to fly and it is not just a kite for kids.

A stack of Trlbys is beauty in motion in the sky; it is the graceful turns and loops with streaming tails; it is a powerful force when trained in large stacks; it is one of the most under-rated kites, by people who don't fly them.

If you want to see a fantastic display come on down to Westport and catch three or four stacks of 25 Trlbys flying together. This is one of the truly great displays of stunt kiting and will really show you what "flying the plastic" is all about.

Don't forget Trlby weekend, the fourth Saturday and Sunday of April. Last year we had over 350 Trlbys on the beach. Let's beat that total this year.

**This Page Sponsored
By**

Greg and Sue Clark

Gentle Breezes

HEARD ON THE WESTPORT WINDS

Jeri and Richard back from the sunny Southland with nice tans and their batteries re-charged for another year.

Terry Yuncker back into kiting by organizing the 1st Daytona Beach International Kite Festival in Florida. We knew Terry couldn't stay out of kiting for very long.

Rich Vaughn having a scare at Long Beach when strong winds broke the 1200 lb test line on his parafoil and it was a free flying kite for a short time.

Denise and Shamon Beardsley celebrating their first anniversary at the Windriders potluck in January.

Paul & Virginia Durant and Granddaughter Heidi Durant down from Calgary visiting the February Windriders potluck. They must have been escaping from the cold weather in Canada.

The Windrider's Frances Reese getting her recipe in the "Cowpat Hill", this is the kite journal of the White Horse Kite Flyers in Swindon, England.

Connie and Darrell Wiltman due home anytime after wintering in Texas.

Wanda and Gary Wagner from the Peninsula Flyers making the journey to Westport for the January potluck.

Al Axton recovering from eye surgery in December.

It's official the AKA has accepted the Westport Windriders as an affiliated club.

Ralph Tubbs being blamed for getting Nick Huff hooked on kiting.

Sonny Kersh working very hard to keep Al Axton's Coyne kite in the air.

**PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THE SURF CAN BE DANGEROUS
WATCH OUT FOR LOGS AND LARGE DEBRIS IN OR NEAR THE SURF
DON'T GO IN THE OCEAN ON THE OUTGOING TIDE**

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

TO: THE WINDRIDERS

3RD ANNUAL YAKIMA VALLEY
KITE FESTIVAL

"FUN IN THE YAKIMA SUN"

Come and join the Yakima Valley Kite Flyers for a fun filled weekend June 13 and 14 (Flag Day) at our new location Fulbright Park in Union Gap, Wa. (see map) This beautiful park has easy access, is close to town and consists of 80+ acres of unobstructed level flying fields! It is also the home of the Central Washington Agricultural Museum and hiking trails that view the valley.

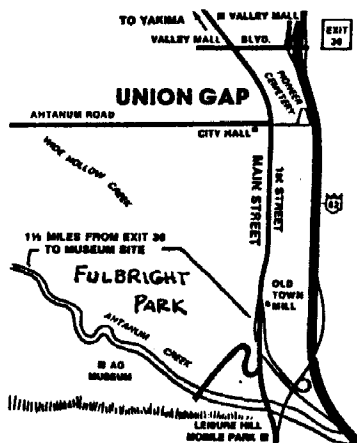
We will offer single line events, a Rokkaku challenge, as well as individual and team stunt games and demonstrations. There will be vendors and entertainment at the park.

On-site dry camping, drinking water and restrooms will be available starting Friday. There are motels just minutes from the park. Be sure to make your reservations early.

Saturday night the Yakima Valley Kite Flyers will again host a flyers BBQ. We will provide hamburgers, buns, condiments and dinnerware. We are asking you to bring either a salad, chips and dip, beans or a dessert.

If you have any questions you may call Debbie Rodgers during the day at 509-966-2249 or Pat Teague after work at 509-966-3812. This will be the best Yakima Festival yet! Do not miss the "FUN IN THE YAKIMA SUN".

The Yakima Valley Kite Flyers



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

TO: CHUCK, JERI, RICHARD
AND ALL THE WINDRIDERS

How the hell are you? Gosh we miss all you kite nuts.

I've enclosed a sheet on our first festival. The city gave us some "bucks" for our first year's budget.

We will have pins and patches galore for sale in about 8 weeks. \$5.00 each. They look like the picture below.

If you don't mind putting some info in the next newsletter we appreciate it and please send me a copy of the issue.

Enclosed is a donation for 1992.

Best winds to you and all the Windriders.

Terry Yuncker



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Westport Windriders

Hi,

How do you join your organization? I have enjoyed reading your newsletter and would like to get my own subscription.

Thank you for taking the time to get the info to me.

Gentle breezes,

Ronda Brewer
Lincoln City, OR

