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WSIKF

2024



43RD ANNUAL Washington State International Kite Festival

MONDAY AUGUST 19 - SUNDAY AUGUST 25



EVENT PROGRAM



THE WASHINGTON STATE INTERNATIONAL KITE FESTIVAL (WSIKF) IS BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE WORLD KITE MUSEUM, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CITY OF LONG BEACH, WASHINGTON

Photos: World Kite Museum Collection

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For more information about the museum, visit us at **WorldKiteMuseum.com**

For more information about WSIKF, visit us at **kitefestival.com**

The World Kite Museum is the only museum of its kind in North America, with 5,000 sq. ft. of exhibits. You'll discover kites from all over the world including Japan, China, Indonesia, and the United States of America, as well as a 1,000 sq. ft. gallery displaying the 35 winning posters from the last 40 years of the Washington State International Kite Festival. Don't miss this fantastic showcase featuring a wide variety of kites, including a 3-D horse, hand-painted samurai, a variety of animals and birds, box, bol and fighter kites, and more.

Besides the magnificent kites themselves, you'll find photos and signage to help you understand the marvelous history, uses, and the cultural significance of these kites.

A true must-see is our military room which tells the story to how kites were used during World War II (WWII).

Upon visiting the museum, every child will be given a kit to take home so they can build their very own kite!

2024 Summer hours: June 14 - September 2, 2024
7 days a week, 11:00 am-4:00 pm

2024 Fall hours: September 3 - November 2, 2024
Friday to Monday, 11:00 am-4:00 pm

2024/2025 Winter hours: November 3, 2024 - March 15, 2025, Friday to Sunday, 11:00 am-4:00 pm

The museum will be closed for Winter Break from December 23, 2024-January 2, 2025



MONDAY

- Kite Trains and Arches
- Fighter Kite Workshop
- Sport Kite Pilots Briefing
- Sport Kite Stacks

TUESDAY

- Terrific Tuesday Top Team
- Club Camps
- Pun Fun
- Fighter Kite Demo
- Individual Rokkaku Battle
- Team Rokkaku Battle

WEDNESDAY

- Kids Kamps
- 20th Annual Foster Grandparent Fun Fly
- Kids Games
- Paint Me Patriotic
- Top Kid/Super Senior
- Fighter Kite Kids Games, Demos & Lessons
- Senior Ballet
- Red, White & Blue Individual Rokkaku Battle
- WKA Dinner & Auction
- Movie: Nanny McPhee

THURSDAY

- Historic & Vintage Kite Display
- Handcrafted Kite Judging
- Theme Fly: Sea Creatures
- Wind Warrior Challenge
- Mass Ascension Pin Registration
- Handcrafted Mega Fly
- Sport Kite Stacks Demo
- FEATURED GUEST: The Windjammers
- Sport Kite Team & Pairs Demo

THURSDAY (CONT.)

- Indoor Kite Showcase
- AOK Dinner
- Movie: Chitty Chitty Bang Bang

FRIDAY

- Sport Kite Showcase #1
- Mass Ascension #1: Delta & Delta Derivatives
- Kids Mini & Mini Mega Fly
- Pin Challenge
- Fighter Kite Team Demo: Wind Warrior Cup Challenge
- Mass Ascension #2: Cellular Kites
- FEATURED GUEST: The Windjammers
- Sport Kite Showcase #2
- Mystery Ballet
- Reception: Ralph Resnik
- Lighted Kite Night Fly

SATURDAY

- Sport Kite Demos-Multi Line Ballet
- Parade of Colors
- Geoff Bland & the AEROKATS
- Teddy Bear Drop
- Where is the Kite Fairy?
- Mass Ascension #3: Cody Fly
- Rokkaku Challenge
- Mass Ascension #4: Flat & Bowed Kites
- FEATURED GUEST: The Windjammers
- Sport Kite Demos-Dual Line Ballet
- WKM Dinner & Auction
- Movie: UP

SUNDAY

- Memorial Fly
- Mass Ascension #5: Sparless & Soft Kites
- Sport Kite Team & Pairs Demo



Large Kite Area
Kite Anchors

William Clark
Memorial
Pillar

MAIN STAGE
& Beer Garden Pa

CAMP DISPLAY AREA

Registered Flyer
Parking

CAMP DISPLAY AREA

Ray Bethel
Memorial Field

FIELD A

Programmed
Activities

FIELD B

Secondary
Activities

Public Fly Area

Kite Buggy Area

North
American
Fighter
Kite
Association

Kite Festival/ LOCATOR MAP

Gray Whale
Sculpture

Sand Piper
Beach Approach

Pickled Fish

WorldMark H

Sid S

Adrift Ho

Inn at
Discovery Coast



FESTIVAL MAP KEY

- 1 OFFICIAL SHIRT SALES BOOTH
- 2 INFORMATION BOOTH
- 3 BEER GARDEN PAVILLION
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- 9 DISCOVERY TRAIL
- 10 FLYER CHECK-IN AND OPERATIONS
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- 15 POLICE STATION

Police Station

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Oceanview Inn at the Arch

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Bolstad Ave

Chowder Stop

103

Culbertson Park

Long Beach Welcome Center

14

3rd St SW

Long Beach Elementary

Best Western Long Beach Inn

Coastal Inn and Suites

FREE PUBLIC PARKING

7th St SW

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Neptune Movie House

Fun Beach Fun Center & Beachin' Bike Rentals

WORLD KITE museum

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Ocean Beach Hospital



Rules of the Festival Approach

Access to the "Registered Flyer Parking" area (marked on the map) from the parking lot to the beach area is CLOSED from 9:00 am - 5:00 pm starting Sunday, August 18th through Sunday, August 25th. If you need to leave, you can do so at the bottom of the approach via the beach, up to Cranberry approach.

DRIVING ON THE APPROACH IS ABSOLUTELY PROHIBITED BY LAW BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 9:00 am - 5:00 pm.

Failure to follow this will lead to ticketing by the Long Beach Police Department and/or ejection from the event.

Fliers are allowed to line up where the sand meets the asphalt starting at 4:45 pm. At 5:00 pm, when the fliers are released, the first car will be guided up the approach by a

golf cart. Please be aware that there will still be people on the approach, follow in a single file line, and go SLOW!

Friday Night Kite Flies:

If you leave the beach at 5:00 pm, you will not be able to drive back down to the beach for the evening events. Please plan accordingly. If you leave and want to come back, you will need to park in the upper parking lot, just opposite the merchandise booth. Parking for the evening events is free.

As a gentle reminder, please be kind and patient with all of the event staff, volunteers, law enforcement, and parking attendants. We all are working very hard to make a great event for everyone and we thank you for visiting us!

Support the Kite Festival

OFFICIAL SOUVENIRS ARE SOLD ONLY AT OUR KITE FESTIVAL MERCHANDISE BOOTH

The booth is run by volunteers and all the proceeds are used to support the Festival and the World Kite Museum.

Many new styles and colors of sweatshirts (crew and zipper), tees (short and long sleeved), and tank tops will be available. Selected styles are also available with embroidered logos. Exciting new accessories including bumper stickers, luggage tags, blankets and more!! Don't forget this year's limited edition pin & patch!

You can purchase merchandise at our sales booth, located near the buoy, starting the weekend before the festival. Sales will continue all week until the last event on Sunday.

We suggest you shop early for the best selection (and ask about possible restocks)!



Event Parking

Parking is available inside the Festival area for \$5.00 per day. Proceeds benefit The World Kite Museum and the Ilwaco High School band.

Need A Ride To The Beach?

Ask one of the parking attendants to call for a golf cart if you need a ride from the parking area to the beach.



Effective July 5, 2024

Departure time:		Departure time:	
Summer Trolley/ Friday & Sat.		No Service 12:30-1:15 p.m.	
10:00	Port of Ilwaco	1:20	Port of Ilwaco
10:10	Sid Snyder Beach Access	1:30	Sid Snyder Beach Access
10:15	Bolstad Ave.	1:35	Bolstad Ave.
10:22	Cranberry Museum	1:42	Cranberry Museum
10:25	DSHS/26 th St. NW	1:45	DSHS/26 th St. NW
10:30	4 th Street	1:50	4 th Street
10:45	Port of Ilwaco	2:05	Port of Ilwaco
10:50	Port of Ilwaco	2:10	Port of Ilwaco
11:00	Sid Snyder Beach Access	2:20	Sid Snyder Beach Access
11:05	Bolstad Ave.	2:25	Bolstad Ave.
11:12	Cranberry Museum	2:32	Cranberry Museum
11:15	DSHS/26 th St. NW	2:35	DSHS/26 th St. NW
11:20	4 th Street	2:40	4 th Street
11:35	Port of Ilwaco	2:55	Port of Ilwaco
11:40	Port of Ilwaco	3:00	Port of Ilwaco
11:50	Sid Snyder Beach Access	3:10	Sid Snyder Beach Access
11:55	Bolstad Ave.	3:15	Bolstad Ave.
12:02	Cranberry Museum	3:22	Cranberry Museum
12:05	DSHS/26 th St. NW	3:25	DSHS/26 th St. NW
12:10	4 th Street	3:30	4 th Street
12:25	Port of Ilwaco	3:45	Port of Ilwaco
		3:50	Port of Ilwaco
		4:00	Sid Snyder Beach Access
		4:05	Bolstad Ave.
		4:12	Cranberry Museum
		4:15	DSHS/26 th St. NW
		4:20	4 th Street
		4:35	Port of Ilwaco

Kite Buggies and Blokarts

Kite buggies, blokarts and other wind powered vehicles are allowed to run on portions of the Washington State beaches!

For a copy of the area maps and guidelines established by the Washington State Parks Department, go to: <https://parks.wa.gov/find-activity/activity-search/water-beach-activities> then scroll down to "Wind-Powered Land Vehicles" and find links to the area maps and guidelines sheet.

For further information about these sports, follow these links: North American Blokart Sailing Association (NABSA) at www.nabsa.org.

We would like to invite anyone who is interested in kite buggying and land sailing

to come on down and see a demonstration of the fun you can have when wind and wheels get together! NABSA will be out all week during the Washington State International Kite Festival near the hard-wet-sand located at the end of Sid Snyder Drive (at the south end of the boardwalk) and at the water's edge at the end of Bolstad Avenue. NABSA's here to show you what it's all about and to answer any questions that you may have.

Watch the Festival "Activities Tent" (see map on pages 4 & 5) for a daily scheduled presentation by the NABSA representatives during high tides all week during the event.

Kite Safety and Festival Conduct

There are amazing things to see and enjoy at a kite festival! But to make sure everyone has a great time, it is important to follow basic safety guidelines, whether you are a professional performer, fun flier, or spectator at the event.

MARKED FLYING AREAS

Many of the demonstration fields are roped off for safety. Larger kites or maneuverable kite performances are limited to these marked areas. The flyers are asked to keep their kites inside the boundaries, and spectators are asked to stay outside the boundaries, unless escorted by a registered kite flier (identified by a red wristband).

Performers in the demonstration field are scheduled by the festival management. Ask for a turn if you'd like to be included!

Kites anchored in the Large Kite Field are approved by safety officials and the fliers are identified by wristbands. Spectator and flier safety is paramount. **Please do NOT go into the marked fields unless you are specifically invited and accompanied by a registered flier.** Lots of other open space is provided for general flying (see the map on pages 4 & 5 for area marked "Public Fly").

GENERAL DISPLAYS

There are kites, tents, banners, and all sorts of interesting things to see all around the festival area. Feel free to look and ask questions, but please DO NOT touch any items without permission. Please be careful to watch where you are walking! It's very easy to be looking up at the sky, watching a wonderful show and accidentally trip over a display at your feet, or to get tangled up in kite lines on the ground.

SPECIAL NOTE TO KITERS

Remember the 3 C's of responsible kiting: 1) CAUTION, 2) COURTESY, and 3) COMMON SENSE. There are large, appreciative crowds at the festival.

- DO NOT LEAVE LARGE DISPLAYS UNATTENDED:
Make sure that lines on tethered kites in open areas are well marked.
- DO NOT FLY ABRASIVE OR 'CUTTING' LINE IN OPEN AREAS:
Be cautious with sport kites in crowded fields. Communicate with other fliers and share flying space. Good conduct, positive team spirit, and courteous behavior will enhance the festival experience for everyone.

SPECIAL NOTE TO NON-KITERS

Have fun! Ask questions. Meet the kite fliers. Most are happy to talk about their creations, experiences, and about other kites in the area. But please be careful- kites occasionally fall out of the sky without warning. Look out for lines and equipment on the ground.

- PLEASE KEEP DOGS ON A LEASH AND AN EYE ON YOUR CHILDREN:
Please ask your kids to be responsible as well- we want them to have a fantastic time at the festival. This is a large event and it's easy for young visitors to get separated or wander into potentially hazardous situations.

Sport Kite Spectator Guide

WHAT IS THE ROPE FOR?

The rope designates the boundary of the flying field. It is set up to protect the spectators from being hit by a kite, which can cause an injury as the kites are made with carbon rods on the edges. It also gives the boundary lines that the competitor must stay within while they are flying (unless accompanied by a registered flier identified with a red wristband). You must never go inside the boundary of the field.

WHERE SHOULD I GO TO WATCH?

The best place to watch the competition is behind the fliers and judges on the outside of the ropes.

WHY IS THERE MUSIC SOMETIMES?

There are two types of competition, ballet and precision. This is similar to what you see in skating competitions for freestyle and compulsory divisions.

BALLET:

Competitors choreograph routines to the music of their choice. These routines last from 2 to 5 minutes.

PRECISION:

There is no music. Competitors fly 3 predetermined compulsory figures with a short freestyle at the end. They are judged on each figure and on their freestyle routine.

ARE THERE SKILL LEVELS?

There are multiple skill levels. The levels are as follows: Beginners, Novice, Experienced, and Masters. There are also different classes of fliers within those levels, such as Individual, Multi-line, Pairs, and Teams. There are also disciplines: Ballet, Freestyle, Precision, and Train. For example: Novice Individual Precision (NIP), and Masters Multi-line Ballet (MMB).

WHAT IS FREESTYLE?

There is only Open Individual Freestyle. Freestyle allows the flier to use multiple kites and props during their performance. Audience appeal is one of the criteria by which the flier is judged.

IS THERE REALLY SUCH A THING AS INDOOR KITE FLYING?

Yes, there is. Indoor kite flying and competitions are becoming more and more popular. There are no fans to make the wind—indoor flyers want absolutely no wind. The kites for indoor flying are so lightweight the flier makes enough wind just by moving backward. Come experience an indoor fly- find more information on page 24!

For more information, visit the American Kiteflier's Association (AKA) at www.aka.kite.org

Content adapted by Mary Ostey from 'A Spectator's Guide to Sport Kite Competition' written and designed by Stephanie Heibert for the Eastern League Sport Kite Association.

Mark Your Calendar

2024 AKA CONVENTION

September 9-14, 2024

Seaside, Oregon

National convention and grand national kite competition.

For more information:

www.kite.org/activities/events/aka-convention

ONE SKY ONE WORLD

2nd Sunday Every October (October 13, 2024)

One Sky One World promotes annual activities in concurrence with events in hundreds of locations around the world.

For more information:

www.oneskyoneworld.org

OREGON KITEMAKERS RETREAT (OKR)

January 9-12, 2025

For more information:

360-921-2785

okr1@comcast.net

www.kitemakersretreat.com

FORT WORDEN KITEMAKERS CONFERENCE

March 13-16, 2025

Warm Beach @ Stanwood, Washington

www.10times.com/fort-worden-kitemakers-washington

For more information: www.kitemakers.org

WASHINGTON STATE INTERNATIONAL KITE FESTIVAL

Volunteer! **For more information:**

www.kitefestival.com



Visit LongBeachMerchants.com for information/to volunteer at these events:

Long Beach Razor Clam Festival – April-May (weather permitting)

Sandsations Sandcastle Competition – July

Garlic Festival - September

Holidays At The Beach – December

Kite Clubs

AMERICAN KITEFLIERS ASSOCIATION (AKA)

Region 10@aka.kite.org

www.kite.org

ASSOCIATED OREGON KITERS (AOK)

PO Box 25616, Portland, OR 97298

Okr1@comcast.net

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Facebook: Longbeach Kite Flyers

NORTH AMERICAN POWER KITING ASSOCIATION

Facebook: KiteOregon

NORTH AMERICAN BLOKART SAILING ASSOCIATION

Club website: www.nabsa.org

Facebook: North American Blokart

Sailing Association

NORTH WEST SPORT KITE LEAGUE (NWSKL)

Bob Wendt - 253-223-2526

PIERCE COUNTY KITEFLIERS ASSOCIATION (PCKA)

Bob Wendt – 253-223-2526

Facebook: Pierce County Kitefliers Association

ROGUE VALLEY WINDCHASERS

www.windchasers.org

WASHINGTON KITEFLIERS ASSOCIATION (WKA)

Scott Davis – President, 253-732-5743

www.wka-kiteflyers.org

WESTPORT WINDRIDERS

Bary Crites – bigbearkites@comcast.net

Facebook: Westport Windriders and

Westport Windriders festival

HIGH AS A KITE CLUB

Samantha Turner

Facebook: High as a Kite Club

Meet Ralph Resnik

Ralph Resnik's incredible artistic eye and worldly experience established him as a master kite designer and founder of North American Fighter Kite Association's (NAFKA) Israeli Air Force. We're celebrating Ralph's return to WSIKF after 20 years!



About Ralph

Ralph is a graduate of the Johannesburg College of Art, where he studied graphic design. His professional life includes 28 years of advertising design and art direction. Emigrating to Israel with his wife and two children in 1995, Ralph maintains his South African heritage through his world-renowned African wildlife artwork and colorful graphic motifs from the Ndebele tribe applied to fighter kite sails.

His interest in Indian kites gained him an invitation from the Gujarat Ministry of Tourism where he experienced and was greatly inspired by the original roots of

Indian fighter kiting. This opened up a whole new canvas for his artwork.

This year he will share both his knowledge and enthusiasm with the festival participants through informal workshops and on-field instruction.

In conjunction with NAFKA, WSIKF is delighted to have Ralph join us for WSIKF 2024!

Come learn more about Ralph at his meet and greet on Friday, August 23rd from 5:00-7:00 pm. More information found on page 26.

Future WSIKF Dates

August 18-24, 2025

August 17-23, 2026

Celebrating our 45th Year!

August 16-22, 2027

Visit www.VisitLongBeachPeninsula.com for information regarding accommodations, events, and things to do in Pacific County.



Meet the Windjammers

This year, the Washington State International Kite Festival is proud to have the Windjammers as our international team returning to the West Coast after 10 years. Gary, Michael, Jon, George & Ronnie will be sure to stun and amaze everyone with their choreographed stack kites and other displays of aerial artistry.

FIND THEM FEATURED ON THE WSIKF FIELD A:

Thursday, August 22, 2024 at 2:30-3:00 pm

Friday, August 23, 2024 at 2:30-3:00 pm

Saturday, August 24, 2024 at 3:30-4:00 pm



About The Team

On almost any weekend at a small island park in the middle of the Detroit River, you may find the Windjammers Kite Team consisting of Gary, Nate, James, Mike, George, Jean, Jon, and Ronnie, practicing their craft. In 1983, these metro Detroiters, with members now in Indiana & Canada and their mutual interest in kites, established one of the oldest kite teams in the United States and possibly the world. On Belle Isle, they have become a regular attraction for island visitors, stopping traffic with their stunning display of aerial artistry that can only be described as phenomenal. Along with Belle Isle visitors, The Windjammers also have thrilled thousands of other sky-watchers. They have performed at many events worldwide, including the Selfridge Air Force Base and Detroit Air Shows, Singapore, France, and Canadian kite festivals, The Michigan Hot Air Balloon Challenge, Miami, Cleveland, and Milwaukee International Kite Festivals, to name a few. As a National Sport Kite Circuit team, they have won many awards.

They specialize in flying trains of kites. Each pilot flies ten or more kites on long lines, often with streaming tails, presenting a sky filled with color as they dance across the field.



GEORGE



JON



GARY



RONNIE



MIKE



ATTENTION FLIERS

You must be registered and have a wristband in order to fly on the designated field. This is an insurance requirement – there will be no exceptions.

Please check in and register at the operations tent located on the beach.

KITE TRAINS & ARCHES

Amy Curry — Event Director

Registration from 8:00-10:00 am, Tent #2

8:00 am-10:00 am, Field A

Judging begins at 10:00 am

Trains and Arches have a variable number of kites arranged along a single line. The two main styles of trains and arches are European and Ohashi. Stunt Kite stacks are 2 or more, multiple-lined kites, connected together and flown by one person. Awards will be given for longest arrangement and at the judges whim.

FIGHTER KITE WORKSHOP

Robert Loera — Event Director

11:00-12:00 pm, Tent #2

This year we will be conducting a discussion on the various types of fighting kites from around the world. Kites include the Tahara, Buka, Korean, Indian, and the modern American Fighter.

Our special guests include: Ephraim Meyer, Dave Miles and Bob Hegman.

Ephraim is joining us from Israel, though he was raised in India, which is where his love for kiting flourished. He will show us how to make and build a fighter kite. Dave is just back from competing in the Weifang International Kite Festival in China. Bob is known best for his modern and innovative circular shaped fighter design.

SPORTS KITES PILOTS BRIEFING

Scott Weider — Event Coordinator

Registration Tent #2

1:00-1:30 pm, Field A

Do you want to help add spectacular sport kite displays throughout the week? Do you want to offer some of your sport kite talent? Attend this pilots' briefing to help develop an exciting sport kite showcase later in the week.

SPORT KITE STACKS

Dylan Nguyen — Event Coordinators

2:00-3:30 pm, Field A

In stack flying, pilots control not one, but multiple sport kites linked together, creating a performance that is as spectacular as it is physically challenging.

Get ready to be amazed by the individual displays and daring team maneuvers of the kite fliers, all set against a backdrop of vibrant colors and music. This event promises to be an unforgettable experience, filled with fun, thrills, and picture-perfect views.

The Sport Kite Stack Fly has been a beloved tradition of the festival for many years. In 2019, we set a world record for the largest number of stacks flown at one time, with 127 quadline kites flown by 20 pilots. Each year we strive to make the event even more spectacular!



TERRIFIC TUESDAY TOP TEAM



Pam Knight — Event Coordinator
Registration 9:00 am Tent #2
Event all day

Teams are limited to 10 members. Points are earned for each of the activities on Tuesday's schedule. Each entrant earns points for participating, in addition to the points earned for winning or placing in individual and team events. Clubs, family groups— any group of people who choose to "bond" for the day—may register as a team and accumulate points throughout the day. The winner will earn the right to fly the "Top Team" banner until next year. The winner will be announced at noon on Wednesday.

Club Camp and ROK battle participants can donate their points to a team of their choosing. Look for Pam at the end of the day and give her your points, and who you would like to donate them too.

CLUB CAMPS



Pam Knight - Event Coordinator
Registration 9:00-10:00 am, Tent #2
Judging from 1:00-2:00 pm

A "club camp" is a ground display, set up by a particular team. This can include ground art, banners, flags, tents, kites "at rest," people, pets— use your imagination. Judging is based on color coordination, artistic merit, innovation, and overall presentation. Judges probably can be influenced by the presence of things like chocolate and other edibles.

PUN FUN



Pam Knight - Event Coordinator
10:00 am-12:30 pm, Field A

During this event different types of kites will be flown together in one area. The idea is to present pleasant visual displays in the sky by putting up many kites of a designated type at the same time. Some of the categories lend themselves to allowing a visual pun to occur in the air. A point will be given for each kite flown that fits the category. Points will be credited toward winning the Top Team Banner. There will be 20 minutes dedicated to flying each type of kite. Field crews will begin counting five minutes after the scheduled start time. Flyers are requested to fly their kites until the announcement is

made that all kites have been counted. Ten minutes between categories will be allowed to provide time for assembling and disassembling kites. A point will be given for each kite flown that fits the category with a maximum of 50 points in any category. There will be a "Best of Show" award.

PUN FUN CATEGORIES:

DIAMONDS ARE A GIRL'S BEST FRIEND (10:00-10:20 am):
 Fly your diamond kites, big and small. Earn an extra point if the flyer at the end of the line is a "girl." Five bonus points to be awarded to the largest diamond kite on the field.

DELTA DAWN & HAPI TOGETHER (10:25-10:45 am):
 All deltas and delta derivatives to the field, please. Is there a flower on your delta? That'll earn you an extra point. Everyone wearing a hapi coat will earn an additional point.

PILLOW TALK (10:50-11:10 am):
 All soft "pillowy" kites are invited to the flying field—no sticks allowed! An extra point will be awarded to flyers brave enough to wear their slippers or a nightcap on the field.

CRAZY (11:15-11:35 am):
 We're crazy to think these would ever fly! Bring out your circoflexes, freeform kites, asymmetrical kites, character kites, etc. An extra point will be awarded to anyone wearing a crazy hat. The craziest hat will be awarded 5 bonus points.

TAIL ENHANCES THE KITE (11:40 am-12:00 pm):
 Bring on the TAILS. The longest, brightest, most creative tails will get the most points. Tails that add to the style and design of the kite will earn extra points.

PIECES / PATCHWORK (12:05-12:25 pm):
 Some kites are just plain. These won't be!! They will have lots of pieces, colors, designs, and applique. Maximum points will be awarded to the most creative and challenging use of fabric.

FIGHTER KITE DEMO

Robert Loera - Event Coordinator
12:30-1:30 pm, Field A

Robert, with the assistance from members of the Northwest American Fighter group, will present a hands-on workshop that covers how to launch and control a fighter kite. For the event, kites and lines will be provided by Bruce Clark, the innovator of the Wind Warrior fighter- a new single line acrobatic stunt and sport kite being marketed and made in the USA.

The current, modern high-tech versions are made by a handful of master kite builders including Scott Bogue, Bob Hegman and Steve Bateman. Their kites are all built using carbon fiber spars and battens



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using a sophisticated tensioning system for the spines and venting for higher winds. They're like race cars; fast and capable of flying in strongest winds up to 30 mph (very sport kite like)! Other prominent Northwest master builders including Steve Childers, Stone McLaren and Brian Johnson build their kites in a unique way; fast and maneuverable, but choosing to use materials that blend more organically together. All modern made fighters are super fast and sensitive to fly, so it takes a master to fly them. Northwest-made fighter kites are the fastest, lightest and strongest fighters made anywhere in the world!

Since the conditions of the Northwest include fog, rain and wet sand, the American fighter kite has been transformed into more of a Sport kite. This transformative design includes materials purposely made to repel the moisture of the fog and rain, including carbon fiber frames, waterproof coverings, water resistant glues and spectra flying line. These modern adaptations are far from the traditional paper kites with bamboo spars and cotton lines of first traditional India fighter kites.

INDIVIDUAL ROKKAKU BATTLE

Ronda Brewer- Event Coordinator
Pilots Meeting 1:00 pm, Tent #2
Battle 1:30-3:00 pm, Field A

The individual Rokkaku Battle will feature traditional shaped Japanese Rokkaku battle kites. All participating kites may be no larger than four (4) feet. No kevlar or cutting line may be used. The judges may disqualify a kite if the construction materials appear to be unsafe. Other safety regulations may be announced if deemed necessary. Gloves must be worn, and hard hats are optional. All kites and line are to be provided by the contestant. The battle will be run in as many heats as time allows. Line length will be limited to 150 feet. During competition, contestants may move about the entire field.

A grounded kite must be removed from the field immediately. Kites may not be grounded by intentional physical contact between contestants, between contestants and an opposing kite, or line. Only contestants and staff may be on the field during the battle.

SCORING:

Last kite in the air: 5 points
 Next to last kite: 4 points
 Second to last: 3 points

Every contestant will get 1 point for each kite that they down. Extra points for lights on your hard hat and also for boxing gloves.

TEAM ROKKAKU BATTLE

Ronda Brewer- Event Coordinator
Pilots Meeting 3:00 pm, Tent #2
Battle 3:15-4:30 pm, Field A

This team competition gives teams a chance to demonstrate their skills as a group. The objective is to knock or cut other kites out of the sky using your team's kites. Gloves are required. AKA competition rules will be used. In order to ensure the safety and maximize the enjoyment of the teams, the following rules will be strictly enforced.

1. A team has at least three members. They must fly a traditional (hexagonal) shaped kite. All team members must be on the flying field at the beginning of the competition. The addition of team members from outside the field will result in immediate disqualification and removal of the team from the field. All team members must be holding on to their kite line during the entire competition - failure to do so will result in disqualification of the team. Team members must avoid body contact with opposing team members and their lines. Any obvious attempt to make such contact will result in disqualification.
2. Sharp objects connected to the line will result in disqualification. Any attempt to cut an opposing team's line with a knife, or other sharp object, carried onto the field by a competitor will result in disqualification.
3. Members of teams that have been forced down or disqualified must leave the field immediately. They may not make any attempt to interfere with the remaining teams.
4. Any team observed not engaging for a 30-second period will be given a 30-second warning. They will be timed by a judge and disqualified if contact is not made. Teams will also be timed for contact on a random basis.
5. The judges may stop the competition at any time by sounding a whistle or horn. All competitors must stop in place at the sound. It is expected that this will only occur when an injury has occurred or an unsafe condition is felt to exist on the field. This event is usually run in several heats, with scoring determined by the finishing places of the teams in each heat. The event director will determine the number of heats based on the available time and the condition of the flyers. The judge's word is final!

Wednesday, August 21

KIDS KAMPS

Glenda Davenport - Event Coordinator
Registration 9:30-10:30 am, Tent #2
Event hosted everywhere
Judging from 1:30-2:30pm

Join the fun! With your family and friends, set up a camp display that appeals specifically to kids by using current or classical books, movies, songs, and/or nursery rhymes as inspiration for your camp display. You will earn extra points if you have an educational component and/or actual kite making activities taking place at your camp. All participants will receive a special-colored Kids Day pin. There are separate awards for camps that have been set up by kids under the age of 18, so be sure to let the registration people know if you are a "kid" with your own camp. Make sure registration knows where to locate and how to identify your camp.

20TH ANNUAL FOSTER GRANDPARENTS FUN FLY

Brian & Debbie David - Event Coordinators
Kids Ages 3-12
Registration 9:15-11:30 am, Tent #2
10:00-11:30 am, Field A

During this event, "Foster Grandparents" are paired up with kids who select a kite, and are given lessons on how to properly fly and care for it. For many, the first memory of flying a kite is associated with an outing with an older family member, often a grandparent.

The Foster Grandparent Fun Fly event was inspired by Mariam Schaffler, who made and gave away kites to kids at the festivals she attended. For the first few years of the event, kites were purchased and given out to the kids. Then, several years ago, Ann Huston started sewing a Fringed Delta Kite that is given away during the fly. As the popularity of the event grew she enlisted the help of James Babst to help sew kites and cut out kite kits that are given to sewers. For 2024 we have 33 kite makers creating the 200 Handcrafted kites needed this year. **Kite Kits will be available for those who would like to make kites for the 2025 season. (Contact Brian or Debbie David.)**

KIDS: The first 200 kids (ages 3-12) to register for this event will be paired with a "Foster Grandparent", who will help them pick out, and show them how to safely fly their new kite.

ADULTS: The first 75 to register to be a "Foster Grandparent" will receive a special event pin and share their joy of kite flying with one of the next generation. They will accompany their "Student" for kite selection and then onto the field for flight lessons.

ENTHUSIASTIC FLIER: During the Foster Grandparents Fun Fly show that you are an Enthusiastic Flier! Judges will have wide latitude on guessing fliers ages and who are the most Enthusiastic Fliers.

AGE CATEGORIES:

- 5 and Under
- Kids: Ages 6 to 12
- Teens: Ages 13 to 20'
- Young Adults: Ages 21 to 45
- Young Grandparents: Ages 45-ish to 60-ish
- Grandparents: Age 60+



KIDS FOR TODAY EVENTS

Glenda Davenport — Event Director
Sign-up Sheets in Tent #2 to help the Kite Fairy events throughout the week

Please join WSIKF participants in the effort to make the enjoyment of kiting more accessible to the younger spectator. In 2001, Glenda Kleppin, the WSIKF Kite Fairy, began adding events to the WSIKF program to invite participation of younger kite fliers. In 2019 she decided to retire and passed the WSIKF Kite Fairy duties onto Glenda Davenport.

Special Kids Day pins will be awarded to helpers of the Kite Fairy, Kids Camp participants, Foster Grandparent participants, Enthusiastic Fliers, and Parade of Colors.

KIDS GAMES

Bob Wendt & Paul Muncrief — Event Coordinators
11:30 am-12:30 pm, Field A

Children do NOT need to register for this event. They should go directly to Field A. A large turnout may result in more age groups being added to this event.

4-9 years – Participants may be coached, but may not receive physical assistance.

10-12 years – May not receive any assistance.

SPRINT: At the signal, you will run between two points without your kite touching the ground.

REEL OUT: At the signal, kites are launched and reeled out until the next signal. Winners are the children with the most line out.

GAMES FOR ALL AGES:

RUNNING OF THE BOLLS: Bols are round, spinning creations that are normally used as line art. In this event small bols will be strapped onto each child and they will race across the kite field. This is similar to what happens at the end of a drag race, but without all of the noise!



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PAINT ME PATRIOTIC



Robert Moar – Event Coordinator

- Judging will be from 2:00–4:00 pm
- All day event

Fly your red, white, and blues all day, everywhere, starting from 12:00 noon.

Categories include:

- Biggest Piece in The Sky (Kite or Line Laundry)
 - Most Impressive Display on One Line
 - Most Kites, Banners and Stuff from One Family
- Remember to have fun and the judges' word is final!

TOP KID ON THE BEACH AND SUPER SENIOR



Glenda Davenport – Event Coordinator

- Wednesday through Saturday
- Ballots must be cast by 4:00 pm on Saturday
- Ballots available Wednesday thru Saturday, 9:30 am–3:00 pm, Tent #2

There are always special kite fliers on the beach who spend a great deal of time and energy at WSIKF doing things to attract kids to the sport of kiting. This award is to acknowledge their efforts.

PLEASE VOTE FOR YOUR TOP KID ON THE BEACH & SUPER SENIOR!

Please nominate people you see on the beach who you feel should receive this award for each category:

- TOP KID ON THE BEACH (under age 60)
- SUPER SENIOR (age 60+)

Be sure to fill in WHY you think the person you nominate should receive this award. All nomination forms will eventually be passed on to the named people so that they know that their efforts are appreciated and will be encouraged to do it again next year!

TOP KID ON THE BEACH and SUPER SENIOR awards will be announced and honored at the beach on Saturday at 4:30 pm.

FIGHTER KITE, KIDS GAMES, DEMOS AND LESSONS

Robert Loera – Event Coordinator

- 12:30–2:00 pm, Field A

Back by popular demand, Robert will present the "Catch the Tail on the Fighter", a challenge for young audiences with prizes for those who can catch the tail! There will be two age categories for the competition: 4-9 years old and 10-15 years old.

Robert will show off his skill maneuvering the fighter acrobatic kite while the tail goes up, around and away from the group of challengers. This is Robert's version of kite piñata!

SENIOR BALLET



Bob Wendt & Paul Muncrief – Event Coordinators

- Registration 10:00 am–1:00 pm, Tent #1
- Performance 2:00–3:30 pm, Field A

Performers must be age 50+. This competition will be judged on music selection, which should include change of tempo or mood suited to kite flying, smoothness of movements to show control and flow with the music, number and variety of moves, innovation and overall enthusiasm. Each performance is limited to 5 minutes.

RED, WHITE AND BLUE INDIVIDUAL ROKKAKU BATTLE

Ronda Brewer – Event Coordinator

- Registration/Pilots Meeting 3:15 pm, Tent #2
- Battle 3:30–4:30 pm, Field A

This event will follow the same rules as on Tuesday with the following additions:

- 1 extra point for red, white & blue kites
- 1 extra point for seniors age 50+
- 1 extra point for costumes

Gloves are mandatory.

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WKA DINNER, RAFFLE & AUCTION

Wednesday, Aug 21st

Doors open at 5:00 pm

Dinner at 6:00 pm

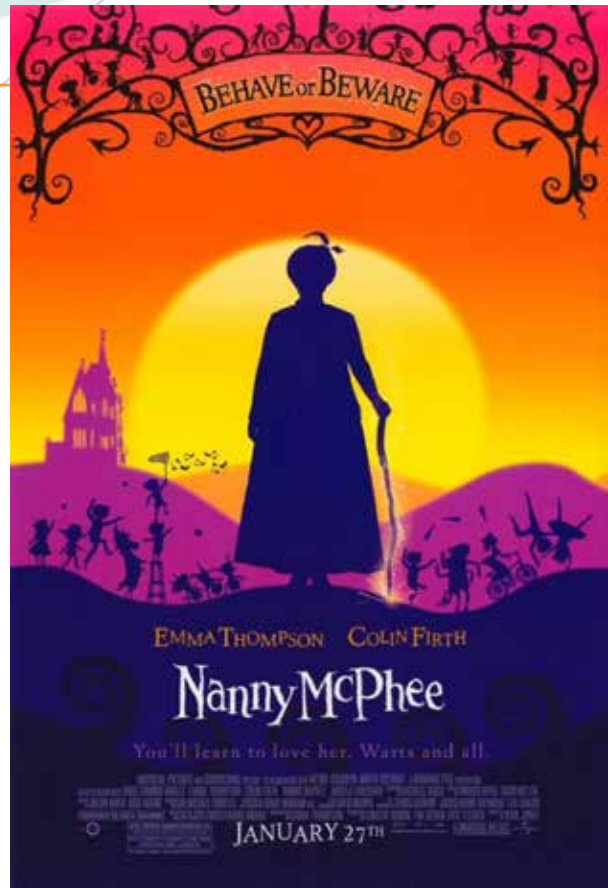
\$15 per person, pre-sales on
the beach

Long Beach Grange
5715 Sandridge Road

MOVIE NIGHT

Nanny McPhee
Wednesday, Aug 21st
Starting at sunset
(approx. 8:30 pm)
on the beach

A frightfully entertaining
nanny takes on the daunting
task of reigning in the seven
bratty children of a widower.
Meanwhile, the widower
must find a new wife in order
to retain his inheritance.
Sponsored by **WWest
Communications**. Check out
their new streaming platform,
Columbia Coast!



HISTORIC AND VINTAGE KITE DISPLAY



James King — Event Coordinator

- 9:30 am–12:30 pm, South End of Field A
- Judging from 11:00 am–12:00 pm

Kites have been part of our culture for generations, with the earliest written account of kite flying being documented in China around 200 BC. Benjamin Franklin started conducting electrical experiments with kites in 1752. During World War II (1939–1945) large steerable diamond kites were used by the military for target practice off the back of ships. Many of us remember our first kite made of sticks and paper, usually with old bed sheets ripped to make kite tails. Back in the day, we paid about 10 cents per kite.

Vintage kites are special. We want you to join us as we fill the sky within an eclectic collection of vintage kites on Field A. We welcome you to bring your vintage kite(s)—at least 25 years and older—and be part of our special vintage kite fly. There will be some of the World Kite Museum's vintage advertisement kites on display—come share stories, new and old, with spectators and kitefliers alike. Let's have some fun and see how many vintage kites we get in the sky... and who brings the oldest kite! Judging will be based on condition, ability to fly and age.



HANDCRAFTED KITE JUDGING & SHOWCASE

Kara Zubal, Carol Bechard, and Sandee Rodgers — Event Coordinators

- Pre-registration Thursday at 8:30–9:20 am, Tent #2, Field A. Listen for announcements.

All kites entered in today's competition will be flown and judged by the "RULES AND GUIDELINES FOR COMPREHENSIVE KITEMAKING COMPETITION," published by the AKA, as a guideline.

- Every participant in the Handcrafted Kite Competition will be a winner! A special participation pin will be given to every competitor that enters at least one kite for judging.
- Judging criteria includes craftsmanship, structural design, kite flight and handling, and visual appeal.
- Each event (except Smallest Kite) will include three competitor levels: **APPRENTICE**, **JOURNEYMAN**, and **MASTERS**. A questionnaire form will be available to determine each competitor's skill level. Flyers may choose to compete at a higher skill level than the questionnaire determines.
- Kites that have placed in the Handcrafted Competition at WSIKF in previous years are ineligible to compete.
- Kites can be built by an individual or cooperatively by two or more people.
- Upon the completion of the competition, drawings will be made from the entries of **APPRENTICE** and **JOURNEYMAN** levels for prizes.

APPRENTICE

- A free ride scholarship to Fort Worden Kite Makers Conference (room, meals and tuition).

JOURNEYMAN

- A free ride scholarship to Oregon Kite Makers Retreat (room, meals and tuition).

MASTERS:

- A gift basket full of surprises.
- PROXY FLIERS will be allowed to assist with your kites if you have entries in both of our combined categories.

HANDCRAFTED EVENTS:

A brief description is included for each category below. Times are approximate and based on number of entries in each category.

9:30 am

ARCHES, TRAINS AND CENTIPEDES

Kites of any shape or structure that are connected by lines to each other.

LINE ACCESSORIES & GROUND ART

Sometimes referred to as "line art," this category includes any tethered object. The object may be tethered to a kite, line, or the ground. Examples could include wind socks, bols, wheels, etc.

TRADITIONAL KITES

Kites include Eastern or Western kites using designs that might have been found before 1950 and/or based on designs indigenous to the region they represent. Kites must be made from traditional materials such as paper or silk with a bamboo frame. This includes countries such as Bali, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, and Thailand.

SMALLEST KITE

The kite should demonstrate stability in flight. Once meeting this requirement, the kite with the smallest amount of lifting surface will be declared the winner.

INNOVATIVE CONCEPTS & DESIGNS

This category recognizes new designs or styles of kites that do not fit within any other category. Imagination, innovation, experimentation, and originality are added emphasis.

FIGURE OR NOVELTY KITES

Shapes of these kites represent persons, animals, or other objects. May be controlled by two or more lines. Kites whose surfaces are decorated with pictures or representations of the above are not considered figure kites.

10:30 am

ROKKAKU KITES

Kite shape must be six-sided and framed as a traditional Sanjo Rokkaku.

DELTA OR DELTA DERIVATIVES

Usually a triangular winged kites.

FLAT OR BOWED KITES

The lift surface is a single plane. Diamonds, Della Portas, Eddys, Edos, and Bermudas are all examples of Flat or Bowed Kites.

SOFT & SEMI-RIGID

The shape of the kite is maintained by the interaction of the wind on the sail and the proper bridling of the kite. Semi-rigid kites may have spars going in one direction only.

CELLULAR OR DIMENSIONAL KITES

A three-dimensional structure with the wind flowing through channels formed by the sail surfaces which are also lifting surfaces.

12:00 pm

FIGHTER KITES

This category is open to all types and designs of fighter kites.

STUNT / MULTI-LINE KITES

Kites which require more flying lines to lift the kite in the air and keep it steady as it flies.

Thursday, August 22

THEME FLY: SEA CREATURES

Robert Moar - Event Coordinator

- 12:00-4:00 pm
- Judging from 2:00-4:00 pm

Fly your favorite sea creature anywhere starting from 12:00 pm.

Categories include:

- Biggest Piece in the Sky (Kite or Line Laundry)
- Most Impressive Display on One Line
- Most Exciting Ground Display

WIND WARRIOR CHALLENGE

Robert Loera - Event Coordinator

- 10:00 am - 5:00 pm, area between Field B & Sid Snyder

From the late nineties till 2011, the North American Fighter Kite Association (formerly the Northwest Fighter Kite Association) gathered for a week of skills games, line touch competitions. The group became more-or-less inactive for almost 10 years, but during the COVID lockdown got reacquainted via Zoom.

After getting together elsewhere for several years, NAFKA regrouped at WSIKF last year and had such a great time, they're back to do it again!

MASS ASCENSION PIN REGISTRATION

Monty Davenport —Event Coordinator

- Registration: 10:00-11:00 am, Tent #2

The first 125 people that sign up will receive a pin. If you do not want a pin, no registration is required, please feel free to join all of us on Field A. You will receive a card for all 5 of the Mass Ascensions. The card must be presented to the judges during each of the Mass Ascension events to receive your pin.

HANDCRAFTED MEGA FLY

Monty Davenport — Event Coordinator

- 12:30-1:30 pm, Field A
 - Registration to receive pin - Thurs 10:00 - 11:00 am
- Kitemakers! Here is your chance to display your many incredible handcrafted kites for all to see. You may fly any number of kites by anchoring

them or having a proxy flier. These can be new creations or kites that have been enjoyed for years. Let's fill the sky!

SPORTS KITE STACKS DEMO

Dylan Nguyen — Event Coordinator

- 1:30-2:15 pm, Field A

Once again the stacks will be out. Pairs and teams of stack fliers will put on amazing displays of coordinated flying and unbelievable kite artistry.

FEATURED GUEST - THE WINDJAMMERS



- 2:30-3:00 pm, Field A

This year, the Washington State International Kite Festival is proud and honored to have the Windjammers as our international team. Gary, Michael, Jon, George & Ronnie will be sure to stun and amaze with their choreographed stack kites and other displays of aerial artistry.

SPORT KITE TEAM & PAIRS DEMO

Bob Wendt, Paul Muncrief & Scott Weider - Event Coordinators

- Signups: 9:30 am, Tent #2
- 3:00-5:00 pm, Field A

This is open to all flyers and will consist of ballet performances set to music of your own choosing. Music should be between two and four minutes in length. You won't want to miss the spectacular displays by International world class performers!

Thursday, August 22

INDOOR KITE SHOWCASE

Scott Weider- Event Coordinator

- 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm setup and warm-up for Indoor Demos
- 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm Indoor Showcase

Brought back by popular demand: The Indoor Kite Showcase! For one evening only! Don't miss the unique and exciting indoor kite flying at Long Beach Elementary on Washington Avenue & South 4th Street (see the map on pages 4 & 5).

The kites used in the indoor event are very light-weight and the combination of movement of the flier's feet and his/her manipulation of the kites diving or being pulled directly overhead, creates enough pull to make them dance.

Not all performers want to create a graceful ballet. Others perform acrobatic jumps and crazy antics. Flyers perform individually and sometimes in twos and threes. The flying is choreographed to the beat and the mood of a predetermined piece of music.

Come join the fun and witness a truly unique kiting experience. If you want to see more indoor flying, plan to attend the 25th Annual Windless Kite Festival in Long Beach in January 2025 (dates to be announced soon)!

AOK DINNER & RAFFLE

Thursday, Aug 22nd

Doors open at 6:00 pm

Dinner at 7:00 pm

\$10 per person

Long Beach Elks BPOE

110 Pacific Avenue



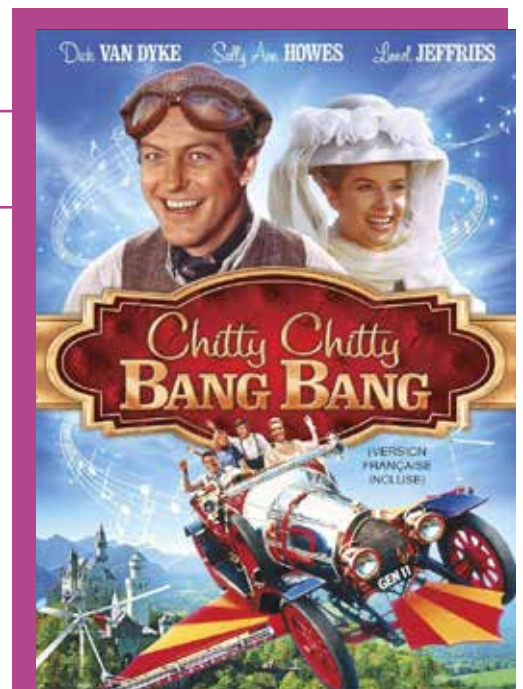
MOVIE NIGHT

Chitty Chitty Bang Bang

Thursday, August 22nd

**Starting at sunset (approx. 8:30 pm)
on the beach**

Chronicling the whimsical exploits of two children, their nutty-inventor father and his girlfriend in a flying auto in 1909 Britain. The musical gets a lot of mileage out of a tuneful tankful of songs by Richard M. and Robert B. Sherman, with the title number being Oscar nominated. Based on a collection of children's stories by James Bond creator Ian Fleming. Sponsored by **WWest Communications**. Check out their new streaming platform, **Columbia Coast**!



Friday, August 23

SPORT KITE SHOWCASE #1

Bob Wendt, Paul Muncrief & Scott Weider - Event Coordinators

- 9:30-10:30 am, Field A
- Registration beginning Monday, Tent #1
- Pilots meeting 9:15 am, Tent #2

This is open to all flyers and will consist of ballet performances set to music of your own choosing. Music should be between two and four minutes in length.

It will feature controllable, dual and quad line kite ballets, as well as individual, pairs and teams performing to chosen music with detailed choreography. You won't want to miss the spectacular displays by international world class performers!

MASS ASCENSION #1 DELTA & DELTA DERIVATIVES

Monty Davenport — Event Coordinator

- 10:30-11:30 am, Field A
- Registration is NOT required BUT if you want to collect the 5 part Mass Ascension Pin set, you must register on Thursday 10:00 am in Tent #2. Limited number of pins are available.

KIDS KITES & MINI MEGA FLY

Butch Harviston — Event Coordinator

- Fly time 11:30 am-12:30 pm, Field A
- This is for kids to fly their kites on Field A. No registration is required.

PIN CHALLENGE

Monty Davenport – Event Coordinator

- 11:30 am at the Red & White Activities Tent on the Approach

Come and join us for the Pin Challenge event. Bring your trader pins and compare and trade with other pin collectors. Try and fill in your collection with pins you do not have. Pins will be awarded to the first 33 traders that register during this event.

WIND WARRIOR CUP CHALLENGE

Robert Loera — Event Coordinator

- 12:30-1:30 pm, Field A
- Come and enjoy the first Fighting Kite Competition in the USA since 2011! Top international competitors will all be utilizing the same design of kite, so it's all about how the pilots master their individual abilities.
- The Wind Warrior Cups Challenge is between a drag race and flag football competition. To win the round, when the whistle is blown, the two challenging participants will race as fast as they can towards the ground anchored pole to knock the cup off. We promise the most exciting fighting kite competition you've ever seen! There is also a beginner and intermediate tail fighting contest with prizes- come join us!

MASS ASCENSION #2 CELLULAR KITES

Monty Davenport — Event Coordinator

- 1:30-2:30 pm, Field A
- Registration is NOT required BUT if you want to collect the 5 part Mass Ascension Pin set, you must register on Thursday 10:00 am in Tent #2. Limited number of pins are available.

FEATURED GUEST - THE WINDJAMMERS

- 2:30-3:00 pm, Field A

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SPORT KITE SHOWCASE #2

Bob Wendt, Paul Muncrief & Scott Weider - Event Coordinators

- 3:00-4:00 pm, Field A
- Registration beginning Monday, Tent #1
- Pilots meeting 9:15 am, Tent #2

This is open to all flyers and will consist of ballet performances set to music of your own choosing. Music should be between two and four minutes in length.

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MYSTERY BALLET



Bob Wendt, Paul Muncrief & Scott Weider — Event Coordinators

- **Registration 10:00 am–2:00 pm, Tent #1**
- **Performances 3:30-5:00 pm**

This is an event you won't want to miss. Single line, dual line and quad line fliers put their skills to the test. In other sport kite competitions fliers have practiced their routines to music of their own choosing. In this event, fliers will not know what song they will be flying to until the music begins. This usually sparks creative adaptations that are a favorite among the fliers and the audience alike.

All songs will be 2-4 minutes in length. The contestants' flight order will be determined by random draw. With a few exceptions, rules from the AKA rulebook will be followed. The judges will score each contestant on the following criteria:

- **CHOREOGRAPHY:** How well the flier performs to the music.
- **TECHNICAL:** The variety and difficulty of the maneuvers performed and how well they are executed.
- **RESPONSE:** How well the flier "wows" the audience. Make some noise for your favorite fliers!

RALPH RESNIK RECEPTION

- **5:00-7:00 pm, 303 Sid Snyder Dr**

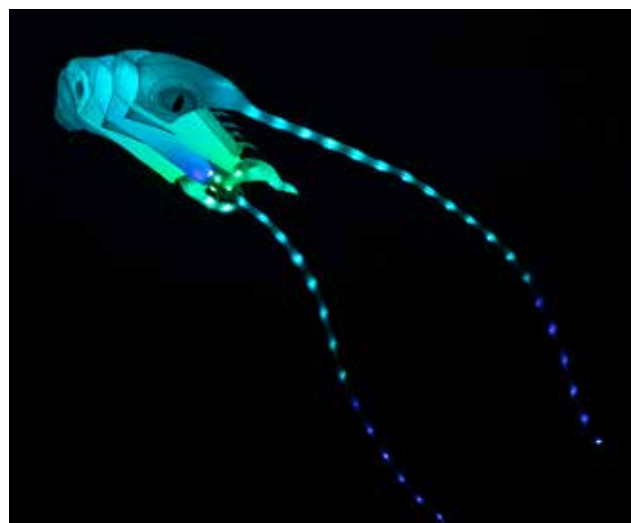
We encourage you to read Ralph's bio (found on page 11) to learn about this incredible, international kiter. Ralph, NAFKA and the World Kite Museum invite you to join us for a special meet and greet, learning more about Ralph's kite construction and his unique works of art featuring animals seen on safari.

LIGHTED KITE NIGHT FLY

Barry Matties — Event Coordinator

- **Registration All Day Friday, Tent #2**
- **Mandatory Pilots Meeting 7:00 pm**
- **8:00 - 10:00 pm, Field A**

Join us for a fun-filled event at our annual Lighted Kite Night Fly. Lighted kites of all shapes and sizes will fill the sky with a magical show as world-class kite fliers make their lighted kites dance to music. Bring your lighted kites and help us fill up the sky! We will start the program around dusk, when we welcome the youngest fliers. No lights on your kites? No worries. We will help you get a glowstick light affixed onto your kite. Let's see how many lighted kites we can get up in the sky!



SPORT KITE DEMOS - MULTI LINE BALLET

Bob Wendt, Paul Muncrief & Scott Weider - Event Coordinators

- Registration Thursday All Day, Tent #1
- Multi Line Ballet 9:30-11:00 am
- Dual Line Ballet 4:00-5:00 pm

This is open to all fliers and will consist of two Ballet performances set to music of your own choosing. There will be Multi-Line and Dual Line categories. Music should be two to four minutes long.

PARADE OF COLORS

Monty Davenport & Breanna Muncrief - Event Coordinators; Mayor Sue Svendsen & The Windjammers - Special Guests

- Line up at 10:45 am in the North End of the Boardwalk on Bolstad Avenue
- Parade begins at 11:00 am

Join the Parade of Colors with your flag or banner. Everyone is welcome. Line up beginning at the north end of the boardwalk. The parade will march on the boardwalk and then down to and around Field A. If you cannot walk through the sand, go to the corner of Field A, near the tents and join us on the field. The first 100 participants who line up with a flag or banner will receive a special Parade Pin.



GEOFF BLAND AND THE AEROKATS



Geoff Bland, Ken Conrad & Suzanne Sadow — Event Coordinators

- 11:30 am-1:00 pm, Activities Tent

NASA flies kites too!

Geoff Bland of NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center alongside Ken Conrad and Suzanne Sadow of Great Winds Kite Company, a NASA Partner in Seattle, will introduce beginners to experienced kitefliers to NASA's AEROKATS and ROVER Education Network (AREN)* project. At this interactive show and tell session, the audience will engage with science (and kites!) in unexpected and exciting ways, sparking curiosity, creativity, collaboration and most of all, fun. Find out about the methods, kites and gear used to perform AEROKATS scientific missions - everything from preparing to fly, to lifting instruments with kites, to collecting, recording and sharing data.

*AEROKATS (Advancing Earth Research Observations with Kites and Atmospheric/Terrestrial Sensors) started in 2009 as a research project within NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center. NASA's AEROKATS and ROVER Education Network (AREN) project, operating since 2016 as part of NASA's "Science Activation" (SciAct) program, engages kite fliers of all ages to use kites and novel instrumentation to explore our environment. AREN is sponsored by NASA's SciAct program, and uses Great Winds' Frustrationless Flyer™ kite kits in first level training and TOWER™ kite kits for lifting small instruments as a next step experience.



Saturday, August 24

TEDDY BEAR DROP

Cliff & Gerry Pennell — Event Coordinators

- Field Setup 11:00 am
- Registration: 11:15–11:45 am, Tent #2
- Drop begins at 12:00 pm, Field A
- For Children Ages 9 and Under

Is that a “Bear in the Air”? Yes, the Long Beach Bears will be performing at the WSIKF on Saturday. This year’s graduating class includes expert skydivers jumping for the opportunity to go home with a lucky boy or girl. The whole squadron of Bears has been practicing all year to get ready for this event! Fifteen members of the Long Beach Bears Squadron are looking forward to retirement and enjoying the “easy life” in their new homes. This event is FREE to all children ages 9 and under. All those children present who have registered prior to the jump will be in the drawing to provide a good home for one of the skydivers. 15 names will be drawn, and those 15 children must be present at the drawing in order to take home a Long Beach Bear.

WHERE IS THE KITE FAIRY?

Glenda Davenport — Event Coordinator

- 12:15 pm, Right after the Teddy Bear Drop, South end of Tent #2

Join Kite Fairy Glenda Davenport and her friends. The first 200 children to find the Kite Fairy and her Friends will receive a special stuffed toy.

MASS ASCENSION #3 CODY FLY

Monty Davenport & Rick White — Event Coordinators

- Registration 9:00 am, Tent #2
- Fly 12:30–1:15 pm, Field A

Registration is NOT required BUT if you want to collect the five part Mass Ascension pin set, you must register on Thursday 10:00 am in Tent #2. Limited number of pins are available.

Please stay after the fly and get in on the group picture! Your picture of previous years and this year can be downloaded from the Washington Kitefliers Association website at wka-kitefliers.org.

ROKKAKU CHALLENGE



Ronda Brewer — Event Coordinator

- Registration/Pilot’s Meeting 1:00 pm, Tent #2
- Challenge 1:30–2:30 pm, Field A

This is a team competition with an emphasis on fun, more than winning. The objective is to knock or cut other kites out of the sky using your team’s kite. AKA competition rules will be used. In order to ensure the safety and maximize the enjoyment of the teams, the following rules will be strictly enforced.

- A team consists of at least three members. They must fly a traditional Rokkaku (hexagon) shaped kite. All team members must be on the flying field at the beginning of the competition. The addition of team members from outside the field will result in immediate disqualification and removal of the team from the field.
- All team members must be holding onto their kite line during the entire competition. Failure to hold on to the line will result in disqualification of the team. Team members must avoid body contact with opposing team members and their lines. Any obvious attempt to make such contact will result in disqualification.
- Sharp objects connected to the line will result in disqualification. Any attempt to cut an opposing team’s line with a knife or other sharp object carried onto the field by a competitor will result in disqualification.
- Members of teams that have been forced down or disqualified must leave the field immediately. They may not make any attempt to interfere with the remaining teams.
- Any team observed not engaging for a 30 second period will be given a 30 second warning. They will be timed by a judge and disqualified if contact is not made. Teams will also be timed for contact on a random basis.
- The judges may stop the competition at any time by sounding a whistle or horn. All competitors must stop in place at the sound. It is expected that this will only occur in the event of an injury or if an unsafe condition is felt to exist on the field.

MASS ASCENSION #4 FLAT & BOWED KITES

Monty Davenport — Event Coordinator

- 2:30–3:30 pm, Field A

Registration is NOT required BUT if you want to collect the 5 part Mass Ascension pin set you must register on Thursday, 10:00 am at Tent #2. Limited number of pins are available.



FEATURED GUEST - THE WINDJAMMERS



- 3:30–4:00 pm, Field A

This year, the Washington State International Kite Festival is proud and honored to have the Windjammers as our international team. Gary, Michael, Jon, George & Ronnie will be sure to stun and amaze with their choreographed stack kites and other displays of aerial artistry.

SPORT KITE DEMOS - DUAL LINE BALLETT

Bob Wendt, Paul Muncrief & Scott Weider — Event Coordinators

- Registration Thursday All Day, Tent #1
- 4:00–5:00 pm, Field A
- Multi Line Ballet 9:30–11:00 am
- Dual Line Ballet 4:00–5:00 pm

This is open to all fliers and will consist of two Ballet performances set to music of your own choosing. There will be Multi-Line and Dual Line categories. Music should be two to four minutes long.



Saturday, August 24



Catered By:



WKM DINNER & AUCTION

Saturday, Aug 24th

Doors open at 5:30 pm

Dinner begins at 6:30 pm

Auction begins at 7:15 pm

\$25 per person, limited to 100 tickets

- available at the Kite Festival
Merchandise Booth.

Long Beach Elks, 110 Pacific Ave

MOVIE NIGHT

UP

Saturday, August 24th
Starting at sunset
(approx. 8:30 pm)
on the beach

Carl Fredricksen is a 78-year-old balloon salesman who dreams of seeing the wilds of South America, and it looks like he may get there after tying enough helium balloons to his house to take flight. The only kink in his plan is the 8-year-old stowaway on his front porch. Sponsored by **WWest Communications**. Check out their new streaming platform, **Columbia Coast!**



MEMORIAL FLY

- 10:00 am, Field A

Please leave the names of the kite fliers you wish to remember on the clipboard located in Tent #1 (flier check-in and operations). This clipboard will be there all week. The names will be written on a kite that will be released during the fly. This is expressly for those who have passed in the past year. Please feel free to fly your own kite during this memorial as well.

MASS ASCENSION #5 SPARLESS & SOFT KITES

Monty Davenport — Event Coordinator

- 10:30-11:30 am, Field A

Registration is NOT required BUT if you want to collect the 5 part Mass Ascension Pin set you must register on Thursday 10:00 am in Tent #2. Limited number of pins are available.

SPORT KITE TEAM & PAIRS DEMO

Bob Wendt, Paul Muncrief & Scott Weider —
Event Coordinators

- Signups 9:30 am, Tent #2
- 11:30 am-1:00 pm, Field A

This is open to all flyers and will consist of ballet performances set to music of your own choosing. Music should be between two and four minutes in length. You won't want to miss the spectacular displays by international world class performers!



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