

FlyPaper

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Volunteers needed

Hello, I need volunteers for the 2nd International kite festival. Sat Sept 6th on Rockaway beach, Jacob Riis park, Rockaway, NY. I need helpers for Bol races, Candy drops, Kite making, Stunt kite demo's, and kite field security. This will be a AKA event. Volunteers will be fed a Delicious

Chinese food buffet. Some expense money is available. Phone or E-mail me for details. 646 249-9165. carlosst_11369@yahoo.com All are invited.

God Bless
Charles Stewart
High Spirits of 14B



Free Bumper Stickers! Get two free stickers that you can cut into 6
Send a SASE to
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First Aid and CPR

A question was raised about first aid and CPR at kite events and about the "Good Samaritan law".

The Red Cross reply: In the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Good Samaritan law applies. As for the other states



in our region, you can contact The Red Cross to see if Good Sam applies.

Go to <http://www.redcross.org> to search for a chapter in your state. From the home page you can search by zip code or browse by chapters. with web sites by state.

Miniature kite supplies

*Need miniature kite supplies? I bring you this possible source of miniature kite skins:

http://www.nutroastingmachine.com/new_paper.htm

- Greg Lamoureux

How did you get into kiting?

We all flew kites when we were kids and when my kids we small I started flying kites with them again. In the early 80's Coca Cola had a commercial with the Rainbow kites and my kids would call me every time the commercial was on. While driving on Rt. 1A by Wallace Sands Beach in NH we saw a stack of Rainbows being flown. the person was selling the a complete set of 6 Rainbows for \$80.00. I wasn't going to spend that much money on kites and didn't at that time.

I saw a notice in the calendar section of the Globe in 1982 or 83 to join "Kites Over New England" for \$10.00. Sent the money to the treasurer and never heard from them. After a year Hank Manseau

contacted me to notify me the club was reorganizing and I have been flying with the group ever since.

Bought my first set of 3 Trilby's from Don McCasland "Kites of Boston".. Met Gary Engvall in Newport about "85" and showed me and my family on how to fly them, Also learned about eddie workshops with the master Richard Boisvert of Amesbury, MA. One of my first workshops was at The Prudential Center In Boston with Richard B., Don Mc. and Gary E.. In those days we made the trash bag eddie, delta, and rokaku, all in the same workshop. It was great working with city folks and flying between the buildings. Been doing workshops and flying ever since, not as active as some members, but more than most. .

Thank you Hank, Marty Sasaki, Richard Boisvert, Gary Engvall, Don McCasland and all the other people I have forgotten in the early days of this club.

It's all about the smile on a kid's or adult's face when he can fly something he has just made or borrowed from a KONE member.

-John DiMatteo

See Page 6 for more stories.

11th Annual Capriccio Festival of the Arts

Join us Saturday, September 6th, 2008, in Ogunquit Maine for the 11th Annual Capriccio Festival of Kites. 10am -2pm on the Ogunquit Beach. The Festival is part of a two-week long celebration of the Arts. We will be giving away over 300 kites to kids to decorate and fly. All volunteers who help out with the set-up, help the kids with their kites, come fly their kites, or lend any moral support will receive a free Capriccio T-Shirt and Free Parking. Come early, stay late, and help us flood the sky with kites. Contact Tracy at 207-646-2261 or oguncam@hotmail.com with any questions. Directions can be found on the AKA website Events Calendar.

Thanks a bunch!

Tracy Smith

Oguncam@hotmail.com



Want to make a kite?

AKA MEMBERS: Of course you're planning on going to the AKA convention in Gettysburg! Make it really memorable by making a kite for the auction. Even if you're not going, your hand-made kite will make the auction that much more fun and rewarding for the AKA.

FABRIC AVAILABLE

North Sail has made a bunch of Norlon 65 available for AKA "special projects." This is a "heavyish" fabric, sort of like a 1.5 oz. Various colors:

Grade A Caribbean 50 meters

Grade C Dark Blue 64.9 m

Grade A Dark Green 50 m

Grade A Fuchsia 25 m

Grade A Light Blue 72.4 m (More like a medium blue)

Grade C Natural 73.2 m (White)

Grade D Red 42.7 m

Grade B Dark Blue 50 m

If you are interested (and who wouldn't be), send me an email (shamrokkaku@verizon.net) with what you need (color and amount), and I will ship it to you.

The only requirement is that the kite is complete and either in my hands by the middle of September or brought to the convention.

I thank you, and the AKA thanks you.

Bob Kelly"

COLT Park was a blast.

We had a great time at Colt Park on Sunday.

The day started off overcast with the wind coming over the trees. Not great, but once we got the kites over the trees, it wasn't bad. I got caught in a brief rain shower while I was walking towards the upper parking lot. Everyone else was nice and dry under the tent. Around 3 o'clock the wind shifted, and came straight off the water, clean and strong and steady.

Dick and Jackie had a bunch of single line kites up, and they took turns flying their stack of Hyper-kite style kites. Those shiny tails really looked great in the sun.

Pauly and Tara spent a bunch of time flying the great Mylar dragon. It started its life as a 150 ft dragon but over the years pieces have been chopped off. I once owned that kite. I got it by saying that I liked it. I was told if I took it in I could have it. OK. One time was enough for me, and I said the same thing to Pauly. Leave it to him to come up with a winder that makes putting away easy.

Gail and I had her light weight Delta anchoring one of the Premier fishes and lifting the Duo-octo pod. That kite works well in very light winds and did a great job being a sky anchor.

The afternoon wind was perfect. We launched my HQ sled to be the anchor for my lobster. OMG, the bridle sleeve trick worked the nuts. Hooked the claws in place, slid the sleeve down, the Lobster went up without a hitch. THANK YOU JOHN MARTIN for this great idea (and for doing the work). I'll actually fly this kite more than once or twice a year now. It was easy to put up, easy to put away, and it made a great impact in the sky.

One visiting group of "older" women couldn't believe that we could own these kites. They were convinced that the park owned them and were paying us to fly them. I like that idea a lot.

The lobster was flying so well, we even got Jeanne to take a break from sleeping in the sun. She came over and took some pictures and told us she was hungry AGAIN.

The Newport Margaritas were sublime. Every time the Del's truck stopped in front of our camp we got some lemonades and made margaritas from them. YUMMY, summer has started for me..

The turnout was light. There was only seven of us, but we managed to fill the sky and have a great time. I don't know who was looking at who more. The public looking at the kites, or us looking at the public.

All in all, a good time. A fine way to spend a Sunday afternoon with friends.

See ya

Ralph Reed

Letter from the AKA President

One More Chance to Make Your Voice Heard!

The deadline for responding to the AKA 2008 Member Survey was June 30th. Thanks for your inputs! Your ideas will be used to make AKA a better organization for all kitefliers. And remember -- all responses are strictly confidential.

The AKA Convention is coming up, September 22-27 in Gettysburg, PA. Registration is open! Sign up early and save! Come fly into history with us!

Region 4 has a new Regional Director. TeeCee took a new job outside of the Region and a replacement had to be made. Jay Nunes was appointed to be the new Region 4 Regional Director and confirmed by the Board of Directors. Jay will serve until the Annual Business Meeting on Wednesday, September 24, 2008. Whoever is elected in the next election this fall will then serve the remaining 2 years of TeeCee's term.

Have you been to the AKA Kite Talk Forum lately? There is a lot of great stuff in there, including discussions about the Survey, summaries of recent Board meetings, and lots more.

See you out there somewhere.

good heavens,

Gary Engvall

Revere Beach Kite Festival

Saturday, Aug. 23, 2008

* Kite making for Kids * Moon bounce

* Face Painting * Children's Entertainment

* Loads of fun for the whole family

Time: 9:00 am to 4:00 PM

This event is free and open to the public

(Rain date Sunday, Aug. 24, 2008) Sponsored by Revere Beach Partnership

www.reverebeach.com



NEKITE Photo Contest

Petra and I made a small sled kite and it will be a prize for a photo contest on mainekites.com. See this link for the contest details..

<http://mainekites.com/Photo%20Contest.htm>

I hope to get some nice entries from all of you.

Tony

mainekites.com

<http://www.mainekites.com>

Thank You From Boston Kite Festival 2008

A warm thank you (no pun intended) to all those who attended this weekend's Boston Kite Festival at Millennium park. There are so many people to thank for their support, too many to name here without forgetting someone. To those who managed to do great demos in the heat, to those who got really big show kites up and flying, to those who helped with the field and making sure the spectators got their kites launched. Thanks to those who helped with the bol races (for kids and parents) and for the spectators "impromptu dancing" at the sidelines with some great music from the DJ...

Thanks,

Jackie & Greg Lamoureux

Sea Side Kites, Inc

I found your pin!

My name is Toby. Through my hobby of metal detecting, I recently discovered your club. I was searching a baseball field located next to the American Legion in Plaistow, New Hampshire. In the middle of the field, I found one of your club's pins buried at about 2 to 3 inches down in the soil. The pin is in remarkable condition.

As soon as I got home, my wife and I looked up your club information on the internet. That is when I realized that my pin is different than your modern day logo. Your logo is blue, with the states of New England surrounded in Yellow. The pin that I found has a gold background, and the states of New England are surrounded in blue. Basically, the same logo, just opposite colorings.

With that, I was wondering if you could answer a couple of questions?



Firstly... based on the color scheme, could you give me an idea of how old this pin could be?

Secondly, did your club have an outing in that baseball field? If so, do you know when/ what dates? To know when it was lost would be very neat.

Lastly, do you know who this pin belongs to? If so, I would be more than willing to return it

to the proper owner if they would like it. Thank you in advance for your help. I truly and deeply appreciate it.

Toby S. Upham

Tel: (978) 948-6919

L.L. Bean Employees Gets Fit With Kites

Employees at LL Bean in Freeport ME were treated to a display of kites and kite flying demonstrations at their recent Wellness Fair. At this annual event, both LL Bean employees as well as outside exhibitors share information about healthy activities and hobbies with fellow employees in the Distribution division of the company at the Desert Road Campus.

Tony Heesch set up a display of kites and kite pictures and flew kites including stunt



kites, single line kites and fighter kites in less than ideal conditions. Kite making was another feature of the kite table where the participants made 25 diamond kites to take home. Many remarked that they had never flown a kite before. This is the third year for the kite demonstrations at the facility, the first for kite making.

Check it out at <http://www.mainekites.com>

2008 Calendar of Events

This calendar is compiled from a variety of sources. KONE takes no responsibility for its accuracy or completeness. Always check with event coordinators before making plans to attend any event. See below for contact info.

- July 4 - Hatherly Country Club Time: 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM
- Jul. 13-14 Brenton Point Kite Festival, Newport, RI
- Jul 26-27 NJSKC: 2008 New Jersey Stunt Kite Championship, (Jersey City, NJ) Rosanna Rosanova, 845-628-8245
- Aug. 9-10 Boston Area Stunt Kite Championships (BASKC), Millennium Park, West Roxbury, MA – Greg Lamoureux
- Aug. 10 Christmas in August Kite Fly & Pot Luck, Harkness Park, Waterford, CT – Richard Bromley
- August 23 - Revere Beach Kite Festival Time: 9:00 am to 4:00 PM (Rescheduled from April 13, 2008)
- Sep. 6 Ontario Winds Fall Fort Fly, Fort Ontario, Oswego, NY – Thom Shanken (shanken@verizon.net)
- Sep. 6 Capriccio Festival of Kites, Ogunquit Beach, ME – Tony Heesch
- Sep 14, Kids fest at Wollaston Beach Time: 10:00 am to 3:00 PM
- Sep. 22-27 AKA National Convention, Gettysburg, PA – www.aka.kite.org
- Oct. 1-5 Niagara International Kite Festival, Niagara Falls, NY – Meg Albers, www.niagarakite.com

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Membership Report

Renewals

*Anthony & Mary Otis, Gene Capuano
 Mike Toner, Gregg, Ron and Paul Mazzotta
 Carol Master/Sherry Mayrent, Gary Quinton
 Joe and Anne Woikowski, Larry & Jackie Woitkowski*

Please Welcome Our New Members:

*Bob Phinney
 Keith Oakley
 Leo and Liz Albert*

*KONE has a 3-month grace period for expiring memberships.
 Please check to see if your name is on the list. If it is, we really want
 you to renew.*

Expired in April 2008

*Michele A. Gariepy
 Judi Tynan, 2nd Ave Flag & Kites
 The Cary Family*

Expired in May 2008

*Paul Lawrence
 Stephen Vaglica*

*John DiMatteo, Jessica Vallee & Laura Kaplan
 Dena Dyke, Matt Littlehale*

Expiring in June 2008

*Larry Moeller
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 Edwin & Sandra Rice
 Lee & Jane DeNike
 John Ruggiero
 Marty Sasaki
 Dick & Schulz
 The Jacavano Family
 Stan Feener & Family
 Helen Mulry
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Expiring in July 2008

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 Clare Guiffrida, Jan & Kathy Helbers
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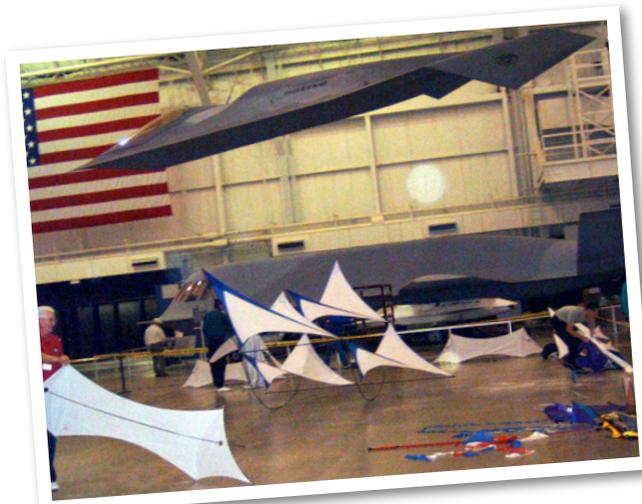
KONE Online Store: <http://www.cafeshops.com/KONESHop>. Patches and pins are also available from the KONE gear czar. Contact any KONE BOD Member.

Newsletter: The deadline for each issue is the 15th of the previous month. Items can be submitted by e-mail to koneinfo@verizon.net or by regular mail to Gary Quinton 75 Coburn Street Lynn, MA 01902. All members are more than welcome to contribute articles, info, photos, and suggestions.

Flypaper by e-mail: You can have the FlyPDF e-mailed right to your computer every month. If you're interested send an e-mail to Gary Quinton, koneinfo@verizon.net

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Flying indoors at the 2003 AKA convention, Dayton Ohio. Air Force Museum

AMERICAN KITEFLIERS ASSOCIATION

31st ANNUAL NATIONAL CONVENTION COMPETITION AND FESTIVAL

GETTYSBURG, PA USA
SEPTEMBER 22-27, 2008

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Three little fishes all in a row at Wildwood

Photo— Glenn Davison

How did you get introduced to kiting?

I recently asked that question on the NEKite Mailing list. I thought it would be fun to share the responses and hope to get more. I received enough of them to stretch this out for a couple of Flypaper issues. I can always use more, so send me your story at soulflyr@msn.com

Let me lead off with a newbie's brand new experience he shared with the Liberty High Spirits of 14B in NJ.

I just wanted to share my first experience of flying a stunt kite at LSP last week. It was a experience that has me hooked from the moment that kite shot off into the sky. I can say it was like watching a rocket or space shuttle lift off. The first flight was a lot shorter than the set up, but it only got better as the day went on. By the time I was done I could do stalls, landings, spins, a back flip where it spins out to the right (don't know the names yet sorry...) and I was just loving flying the kite on the edge of the window, so AMAZING! Well

don't want to ramble, but I am looking forward to flying as much as I can and learning more. Hope to see some other flyers at the park...

-Marko

The way I got hooked;

I was living in Seattle, we had a friend who's sister owned a house in Long beach Washington. She had just finished remodeling the garage into a bungalow. It was available one weekend in August. This was the weekend of the Washington State International Kite Festival (WSIKF).

I think it was back in 1988, I'd never seen so many kites and so many varieties. There must have been 5000 people flying kites on the beach. I was totally overwhelmed. There where kite trains with 200 kites connected to powered reels of piano wire, huge parafoils and lifters with all kinds of line laundry. The thing that really caught my eye was this guy standing down by the water with a relatively small kite and it wasn't very high in the air. Actually it was all over the place and I figured

this guy was away from all the other kites because it was too unstable. Then I noticed the kite seem to be dancing, and the spinning seemed like it was symmetrical and with purpose. The kite was a Prism Radian and the flier was Mark Reed. I didn't talk to Mark that day, but I did go to one of 6 local kite shops and got myself a small Cheetah delta sport kite. This thing was one of the latest, it even had standoffs!

When I returned to Seattle I found Gasworks kites, and Prism manufacturing just about across the street. I stopped in and Mark invited me out to kite hill, a local spot with a panoramic view over Lake Washington with mount Raines and the cascades as a backdrop for a few more lessons. I was hooked. I was weaned on Prism sport kites and never got off, except to start a collection of single lines, and to learn how to buggy.

-Mike Dioguardo

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Freedom Fly

photo by Sue Boyle



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I got hooked when my brother gave me a Gayla bat kite. Ten years later I saw a Peter Pan Peanut Butter commercial with a six pak of Rainbow Stunt Kites and I jumped up pointing to the TV telling my family: "I want one of those!". A high school friend brought me to Outermost Kites in P-town and I've been hooked ever since.

I agree with Mike, the best experience is getting a new person flying kites and watching the pleasure it brings them.

That is why I love my job so much. You can help expand the kite and weather education at Great Blue Hill by encouraging your local and other senator and representative to ensure Blue Hill Observatory Science Center gets a long term lease. To find out how to contact your local rep or senator, go to <http://www.mass.gov/legis/legis.htm> this is a great page to learn more about Mass. government and how to get more involved.

To use an expression from Outermost Kites: "Come Fly With Us"

Thanks for your support. I hope to see you soon.

-Donald McCasland

Sue & I always loved going to the Beach. That beach was Middletown's 2nd Beach- can't beat it. Afterwards we liked to BBQ at the "free" State Park, Brenton Point in Newport. It was there we tried our very first Stunt Kite, a Dynakite. Who else but our very own AKA President was there, Gary Engvall. He showed us how to set the kite up properly and fly it. We never stopped. That was in the early 80's. As for organized Kiting "AKA", we stumbled upon the 1986 Convention, in Newport, at our very own kite flying field.

-Steve Santos and Sue Moskowitz

I got started after moving to South Portland Maine in 1989. My son was in a day care at Fort Williams Park in Cape Elizabeth and sometimes I would see stunt kites when I drove into the park to pick up



Elliot. A year later I was divorced and thought that a stunt kite would be a good way to fill the time on weekends when I did not have my son and a good thing to do when I did have him. I got a simple stunter with dacron lines from Into The Wind and the rest is history. Funny thing is that after I bought my kite, the local stunt kite flyers seemed to have moved on, I was the only one flying a stunt kite for a year or so and I really had to teach myself everything.

-Tony Heeschen

I flew kites as a kid and never really stopped flying kites. I think my introduction to serious kiting came when I went to California and bought a small stunt kite. The kite needed plenty of wind and wouldn't fly until one day when there was practically a storm and I flew it near Woods Hole, MA. Then I was hooked and bought a "huge" Prism kite in Maine for about \$160 and I couldn't believe I was spending that much money on a kite! I've since spent much more, but it was exactly the right thing to do at the time. The Prism kite was 8 feet wide and perfect for light wind and I could fly it any time... and I still fly that kite once in a while.

Another introduction to kiting came when I was on vacation on the island called Nevis. I met a teacher from Nashua and after flying a bunch of different kites for my vacation week ...and letting her try just



about every one... she invited me to visit her classroom and talk to her students about kiting.

-Glenn Davidson

Years ago (those are "computer" years, not "kiting" years) I went to a computer show. One of the vendors was selling kites, and had a video running showing the kites flying. These were a pair of stacked diamond shaped dual line stunt kites with long tails. I stopped and watched .. and finally bought a pair. These were Trilby's .. but not as big as standard Trilby's, AND instead of link lines there was a flat plastic arrangement to "punch-out" that did the same thing (hard for me to describe, sorry) I went to Revere beach the next day and set up one of the pair. Not knowing the proper way to launch a stunt kite I guessed .. and was able to launch the single kite AND keep it in the air! While flying a kid came up and wanted to fly my kite .. cool. Some weeks later I went to the Strawberrys in Boston the magazine department and was amazed to see that there was a magazine about flying kites! I bought it. In the back there was a list of KITE STORES. The closest was on the Lynnway in Lynn. I went over and checked it out. The guy told me to go to Nahant Beach because that's where all the local kite flyers were ...and the rest is history.

-Richard Amirault

Do you have enough kites?

How much is enough? A car full? A store full? No, not enough? Do you make your own? Tell us your kite story. Inside this edition of the FlyPaper you'll find stories about people's introduction (or re-introduction) to kiting. Plus news, special offers, event schedules and more. Kites Over New England is your kite club. Make it fly.

