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Kites Fill The Sky At Oceanside's First Annual One Sky-One World Fly



HUNDREDS of white plastic sled kites with fluorescent pink and orange tails danced across the sky last October 12 at the first annual Oceanside Kite Fest held in conjunction with the world-wide observance of One Sky-One World, originated by Jane Parker-Ambrose (see accompanying article on page 4). The kites' dancing partners were over 500 happy children who got to make their own kites with the help of San Diego Kite Club members and other volunteers.

The myriad of white kites was a sight to behold against the clear blue sky as light winds began to materialize in late morning. By early afternoon winds became steadier and larger kites took to the air. Festival attendees were given a rare treat as Tyrus Wong showed up to fly his flock of owls. Also seen were the magnificent clipper ships and airplanes from Stratton and the always crowd-pleasing creatures made by John Rogers.

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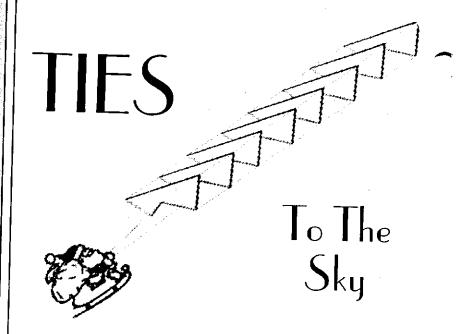
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Но Но Но,

it's that time of year again. Time to start filling in those Christmas lists with what kites you want Santa to bring you this year. I can just see it now, because of El Nino, Santa is going to give his reindeer a break and use a stack of 8 kites to pull his sleigh.

After the November meeting I got to do what I enjoy most, I taught two new fliers how to fly a kite. It was great, the winds were a bit light, but both of them caught on quickly. One of these two people had bought his kite, a Spin Off, at a garage sale for \$5.00; what a steal!

I am really looking forward to the December meeting and the gift exchange. Just bring or make a gift (\$10.00 max.) wrapped and ready to be given. Everyone who brings a gift, gets a gift. Also, at this meeting is the Christmas feast potluck.

We are in the final countdown to the New Year's Day fly at Mariners Point. At this event you will find kites galore, raffles, miniature kites auction, potluck, great exhibitions and more kite fliers than you can shake a kite stake at.

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Membership Report

RENEWAL REMINDER

The San Diego Kite Club does not send out renewal reminder notices. Most of our members are conscientious about sending in their renewals on time, but a few members have asked to be reminded when their memberships are due. We are unable to send every member an individual notice due to postage costs, but will try to accomplish this by publishing a list of members whose expiration dates are coming up. This is not a "shame list." We are not trying to embarrass anyone, just giving you a gentle reminder that this is the time to send in your renewal form.

Thank you, Dorine Imbach Membership Chairman

Members recently expired or expiring in the next two months:

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As of December 1st we have 101 paid-up and life memberships (includes families).

The New Geberghiob





SDKC's newest of the new members: Mojda Beria with Daddy Basir, and Jeffrey Scott Meyers (looks just like Chuck without the beard, don't you think?).

We are always looking for contributions to the newsletter. If you have an article, photos, kite tips, kite making plans, artwork, poetry, words of wisdom or anything kiterelated you'd like to see in the newsletter, please forward to: Dorine Imbach 14 W. Ave. San Gabriel San Clemente, CA 92672 (714)492email: skylines@fea.net FAX: same as voice phone

JANE PARKER-AMBROSE

Founder of One Sky-One World

By Joanne M'Clary

ANE PARKER-AMBROSE is the founder of One Sky-One World, the organization that is known for kite flies held the second Sunday in October each year as a gesture of good will and hope for world peace.

The historic 1985 summit meeting of Presidents Ronald Reagan of the United States and Mikhail Gorbachev of the USSR marked a significant step toward peace between the super-powers. The spirit of that meeting inspired American kite designer Jane Parker-Ambrose to create a kite commemorating this new promise of world harmony. The flags of the US and USSR are joined on the face of the kite. Halley's comet, which revisited the Earth in 1986 for the first time in 76 years, is shown as a portent of peace.

In mid October of 1985 Jane flew to the Soviet Union where she visited Moscow and Leningrad, and while there she presented her kite to Valentine Tereshkove, the first woman in space. Tereshkove was the president of the Soviet Women's Peace Com-

mittee and the kite was presented as a gift as a sign of friendship. Jane also presented a letter of friendship signed by some 300 kite fliers from the U.S., Canada, Japan and the United Kingdom. Many of the signatures from American kite fliers were members of the AKA. This gesture of international good will gave birth to the idea for One Sky-One World as an annual global kite fly. One Sky-One World is based in Denver, Colorado, and is a non-profit organization. It's mission is to focus the entire planet's attention on the need to maintain peace and protect the environment.

The first One Sky-One World kite fly took place in 1986 with more than 10,000 kites and 40,000 participants at 90 locations in 14 countries. Since that time One Sky-One World events have been held not only in every state in the U.S., including Alaska and Hawaii, but in Moscow, Bombay, Berlin, Sydney, Beijing and many other cities in Japan, France, Colombia, Guam, Chili, England, Hungary, Italy, the Netherlands, Scotland, as many other countries have been added each year. The organization tries to get a record of how many fliers participate in each location. With the 540 kites SDKC members helped youngsters in Oceanside build and fly plus approximately 60 other kites being flown, it is estimated that ap-

proximately 600 kites were flown at our One Sky-One World fly in Oceanside this year.



Jane Parker-Ambrose presents Oceanside City official Steve Jepson with a rare One Sky-One World T shirt at the Oceanside Kite Fest in October.

Jane Parker-Ambrose has traveled around the world to promote her message. In August she was inducted into the Hall of Fame in Long Beach, Washington, which is part of the World Kite Museum and Hall of Fame. This honor was bestowed on her in recognition of her never-ending efforts and the positive effect she has had on the kiting world, primarily because of her founding One Sky-One World. She has promoted interest in kiting and world peace and that has become a way of life for her.

The San Diego Kite Club was happy to have Jane Parker-Ambrose share her special day with us by attending the fun fly in Oceanside. She assisted the children and visited with club members as well as spoke kindly of the club while she was being interviewed by someone from a local radio station. She also joined the San Diego Kite Club, so we are proud to welcome her as one of our newest members. She stated she plans to come to the KTA convention in January and hopefully she will have time to come out and fly.

Reference material from SDKC Archives:

Rocky Mountain News, November 1985 edition, written by Mark Christopher

The UNESCO Courier, July-August 1992 edition, written by Tom Krol.

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Oceanside

from page 1

The club's arch, a group effort made at a workshop last year, flew proudly all day anchored at one end by a lifeguard tower. It was featured in a photograph gracing the front page of a local paper. Also seen flying were kites made by Larry Mixon, Steve Bateman, Paul & Dorine Imbach, Charlie M'Clary, Bonnie & Ed Wright, Roger Chavez, Jack Liddell, and a great authentic Jamaican kite made by an authentic Jamaican, all creating quite a spectacle for Ocean-side's first effort at a kite festival.

The city let us use their recreation center right on the beach for making the sled kites, which made things a lot easier. The large gymnasium also proved to be a great venue for indoor flying. Steve Bateman, Benjamin Messin, Brian Imbach, Steve Kent and Johnny Hsiung had a great time coaxing their indoor stunters and fighter kites into loops, up-and-overs and 360s.

Later in the day the winds picked up, way up. King Tut suddenly went into his Dynasty Dip and managed to catch a tail on one of the tall palm trees next to the pier. It made a nasty noise as the Velcro ripped away and Tut tumbled to the ground, luckily missing all the spectators. I considered the tail lost, but some of the quadline fliers in the group considered it a challenge. After about an hour of efforts by Charlie M'Clary, Ron Despojado (who literally put his life on the line) and Marshall Morgan, the tail was successfully retrieved.

Also taking advantage of the high winds was Steve Bateman who donned a wetsuit and took to the water, getting pulled through the surf by a large foil.

A big thank you to all those who helped to make this event a success. Helping make kites were Marshall Morgan, Linda & Larry Mixon, John Rogers, Dave Thomas and Greg Lawrence. Mitch Anderson brought and set-up equipment, Joanne M'Clary manned the membership/information table, Kite Country, Revolution Kites helped with supplies. Special thanks to Virginia Warnke for cutting out all those kite skins. I'm sorry if I missed anyone; thank you all.

The City of Oceanside has already set the date for next year's festival, again coinciding with One Sky-One World. So mark October 11, 1998, on you calendar and come fly with us at the Oceanside Pier.





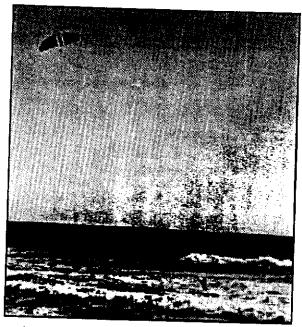


Thanks to the efforts of SDKC volunteers such as Marshall Morgan, Linda Mixon (above left) and Greg Lawrence (left), the results can be seen above in the eyes and smile of this little girl.



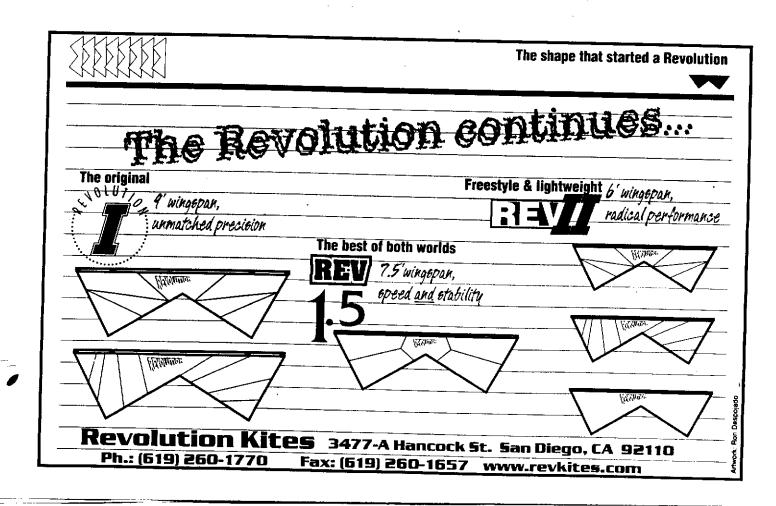
Tyrus Wong gets ready to launch one of his hand-painted owls. He flies several of them off a single line, producing a realistic flying effect. Many people thought they were real birds. Below, Brian Imbach tries indoor flying for the first time and does pretty well.





Above, Steve Bateman uses wind power to drag himself through the waves. He was several hundred yards down the beach in a matter of seconds. Right: Marshall Morgan maneuvers his quadline to dislodge King Tut's tall while Ron "Daredevil" Despojado ignores his acrophobia, climbs the pier railing to rescue the wayward tail.





WHERE BIG THINGS FLEW IN 197

John Rogers takes his flying companions out on the road

HEN I STARTED FLYING and then making kites a few years ago, I never dreamed that some day people would actually pay for me to come and fly my creations at their festivals. As a matter of fact, I didn't even know what kite festivals were back in 1991. But I guess my weird flying people and characters have gotten popular and it seems as though they are a big hit with kids of all ages. Some of the other kites I've made are of interest too, being a little bigger than the average kite you see in the air. At any rate, this year my flying creations got me invited to several festivals and one of my kites won a pair of medals at the Smithsonian festival in Washington, DC.

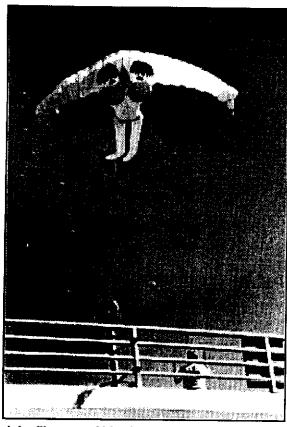
The first festival was at the AVI casino in Nevada. Kathy Plummer had been asking me to come over and we finally did. I sure am glad as there was a huge collection of master kite builders. The best part for me was the band that played some smooth jazz while we were flying. Of course the meals, pool, jacuzzi and the AVI itself were fantastic.

Next came Little Rock, Arkansas, which turned out to be a fantastic trip. The weather was scary with tornados just a few days before and a terrific thunderstorm the night I got there. Bob Riggins was a great host and I got to meet team TKO and they put on great demos.

On Memorial Day weekend I got invited to the San Ramon Wind and Art Festival, which is just east of San Francisco. That was a great experience and Rosie and Julia got to go with me and shopped till they dropped at all the art tents. I bought a hat that sure is great for keeping the sun off. For all those who have asked me about it, their number is 1-888-U-PICNIC and the hats are \$20 or so. Anyways, Ron and Nichole came too and we put on a good show. The huge crowds were really happy with our demos. Ray Bethell was there too along with the Bay Area Sundowners. Their routine with the BIG stacks almost makes me want to fly stunt kites!!

One of the nicest experiences was going to Brookings, Oregon, and meeting Larry and Lynn who put on one of the best-organized events I've seen. The whole town came out to watch and also sup-

ported all the kite flyers to a degree I've never experienced. The flight in was a little wild as I sat in the front middle seat



John flies one of his signature "well-endowed" ladies over the crowd from the Oceanside Pier.

and the pilot had so leave to cockpit door open so we would have leg room! The Big Pink Bag didn't make it, but did show up later that night. There was a time when I got to fly all the characters at once, or actually lots of others flew them including Julia and Scott Skinner. I got to wave to the crowd as my work was showcased. What a big thrill that was. One of the last memories of that weekend was getting ready to fly out and watching the baggage cart drive out to the plane and seeing kite bags falling off all along the way! At least I had sparless kites! Oh yes, those cookies were about the best I've ever had!

Tom MacAlister called me up and asked me to come up to Berkeley and I had to accept as I had never been there and it would be a chance to see a lot of friends again. Never mind the wind that nearly pulled my arms off or actually dragged the Pontic Grand-Am rental car that was anchoring the Big Snake, the festival was great. I managed to get into all the mass ascensions, although I had to stretch the interpretation of the type of kite a little at times. The dinner Sunday nite was great and it was nice to see so many So Cal flyers getting awards. I even got one, "The Best of How." Seems as though there was a slight misprint on the plaque. But as Ron Gibian said, I really know How! -

A short drive up the road and we all went to Huntington Beach to help Steve Kent put on a show in support of a music and entertainment festival. I guess I am getting old because the sand sure tires me out, but the sight of all those flowforms, including Big Mo, was worth the trip.

Dan Rubesh invited me up to Port Hueneme for their Harbor Days celebration and that was great. The number of flyers was small but the crowds were big and the Polynesian theme and entertainment was great. The kites were on the local cable company's event



A pair of kites John was hired to make for a Chesterfield commercial to be shown in Europe. Nice work if you can get it.



coverage extensively, which was nice.

Close to home, I went to the First Oceanside Kite Festival and it turned out to be a blast. The high point was getting to see Tyrus Wong again and his flock of owls. We made over 500 kites for the kids, although I goofed and started an hour early, but it worked out okay. I think they want to do again next year!

The next to last festival of the year has not got here as I write this. It is going to the AVI casino again. I really look forward to seeing those kite builders again and the Plummers who organize the event.

The last festival and probably my favorite is our New Year's Eve and Day festival and I sure hope this year we will have sun again. It is getting famous as it is advertised on our web site and on Rec. Kites. Maybe I can find some time to make a new kite of two before then???



A Pitch from our P.R. Man



Dear Fellow Kite Flyers,

I've been wanting to say that for years. Now I have documented proof that I have the right. Walt Thompson caught me with a single-line kite in my hand not once, but twice over the last two weeks.

As your PR Director I thought I'd bring you up to date and ask for your assistance at the same time. I've just spent the past two hours writing the Super Bowl Committee trying to sound good (ha! ha!), and I do think I did all right. We will see what happens there. When I finished I thought, "Where do we go from here?" I have mentioned at the meetings that I plan to contact some of the hotels, maybe the Convention Center, and possibly some of the local sports teams etc., but after that I sort of ran out of ideas. At the last meeting Walt asked me if I had thought about the Del Mar Fair, which I had not, but now I will. I would truly appreciate it if any of you have an idea, that you bring it up to me. We are at a poor time of year to really push our craft, i.e., fewer daylight hours, cold, and rain, but it would be a good idea to have a plan of sorts as to who we'd like to approach in a few months. With your help I think we can have that plan.

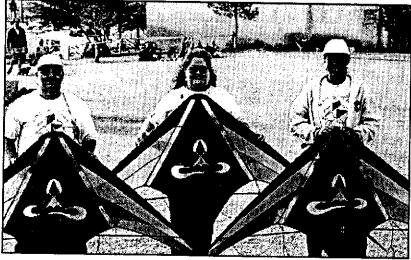
I also thought I would, by writing this letter, give a bit of assistance to Dorine. From what I have heard Skylines is one of the best local kite newsletters in the entire kiting community. The last issue of Skylines was pretty slim, and you can help.

By my definition, a Master Kite Flyer is a person who has the ability to keep a kite in the air for 15 minutes in any one-hour period and fill the sky with hot air (BS) for the other 45 minutes. I know for a fact that the SDKC is full of Master flyers because I've been around you for three years now. We have a lot of new members this year. Maybe a few of you could tell us what got you hooked on kite flying or maybe some of you who have been here awhile could share a tall tale with the rest of us. We all have a story or two in each of us and every one of them is interesting to read and fun to hear, even if it's for the third time.

Sincerely, Greg: Master Kite Flyer



GROUP PHOTO BY STEVE DAVIS. Attendees at Avi IV included: Ron & Sandy Gibian, Bobby Stanfield, The Hsiungs, The Berias, John Rogers & family, the Lindsays, Imbachs, Mixons, Scott Skinner, Randy Shannon, Mike Shaw, Elain Genser, Mr. Nasty, Mr. Stiles, Roger Maddy, Flight Squadron, Papalotes, Aggers, Eshelmans, Karen Gustavson, Steve Bateman, David Bui, Jug Buckles, JoAnn Weber, Kathy Goodwind, Sam Huston, Rick Miller, John Gabby, Mary Baier, Mel Edlund, Jose Sainz, Steve & Joyce Davis, M'Clarys, Chuck & Tricia Abney, Scott Hampton, Don Mock, Betty Street, bill lockhart, Kelly Reed and probably many others I can't remember right now.

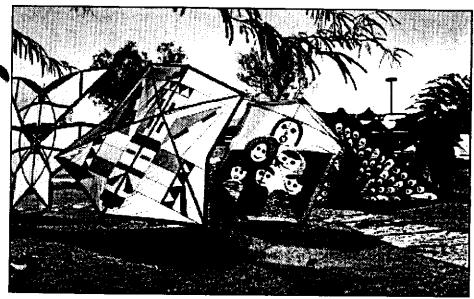


AVI IV GALLERY

The Wind Witches put on one of their best performances ever and were quick to congratulate each other after it was over.

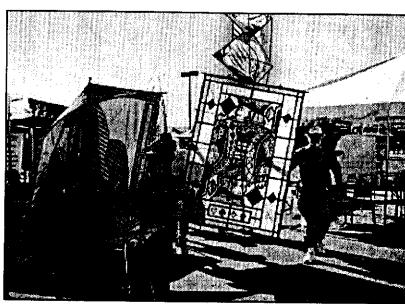






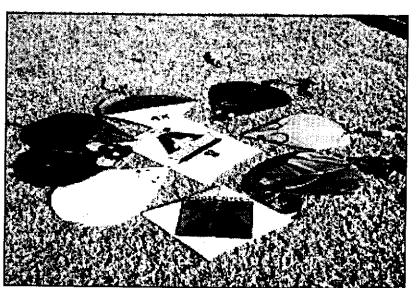


What do you do when the wind doesn't cooperate? Ground display! And the latest no-wind activity: the Kite Parade.



JoAnn Weber from Minnesota with her beautiful highaspect kite shows a different way to stack rokkakus.





Unfortunately the mouse-ka-fighters never got a chance to fly. Perhaps they will meet again at some other cheesey kite event. Hey, how did that moosekiteer get in there?



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November meeting



Victor Heredia of Kite Country shared his fighter kite expertise with the club at the November meeting. He discussed his kites, choice in reels and line, and gave tips on tuning kites, fighting technique and strategy. Afterward members got together with Vic for an informal "fun" fly.





The Wind Witches showing off their new hats at the Autumn Sea Fair at Cabrillo Marine Aquarium in San Pedro.





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Treasurer's Report

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from City of Oceanside	700.59
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November Raffle	203.00
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for KTA park use fee	38.00
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November mailer	20.00
Park use fee for KTA show	32.00
Newsletter printing	96.98
Bank fees, Sept., Oct., Nov.	30.00
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Any questions? Feel free to call Steve Bateman at (619)287 geokite@sprintmail.com



Calendar Of Events

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Board of Directors Meeting, Jimmy's Restaurant, 3577 Midway Dr.., 7:30 p.m. Contact: Marshall Morgan, (714) 369

Monthly General Meeting: South of the Hilton on East Mission Bay Drive, 1:00 Christmas gift exchange, potluck.

Annual New Year's Day Fly, Mariners Point, Mission Bay Mini kite auction, demos, fighter kites, potluck, fun, fun.

11-15 Buggy Boogie Thang III, El Mirage Dry Lake Contact: Dan Rubesh, (805) 659

Board of Directors Meeting, Jimmy's Restaurant, 3577 Midway Dr.., 7:30 p.m. Contact: Marshall Morgan, (714) 369-

Monthly General Meeting: South of the Hilton on East Mission Bay Drive, 1:00 Team flying with Flight Squadron and Wind Witches.

Board of Directors Meeting, Jimmy's Restaurant, 3577 Midway Dr.., 7:30 p.m. Contact: Marshall Morgan, (714) 369.

Monthly General Meeting: South of the Hilton on East Mission Bay Drive, 1:00 Bring your no-wind toys — yoyos, juggling, boomerangs, bubble machines, etc.

(Events subject to last-minute changes, Call Marshall Morgan (714) 369 or Joanne M'Clary (619) 223 for latest updates.)



Tidbits

In the last issue we listed San Diego Kite Club members who received awards at WSIKF this past August. We neglected to mention **Howard Gordon**, who won 3rd place in the Senior Fighter Kite Competition. Sorry about that, Howard.

Workshop presenters for the 10th Annual Junction Kite Retreat include Robert Trepanier and Dan Kurahashi from Canada, Willi Koch from Germany, Morihiro Takeda, Mrs. Sato, Masaki Modegi, and Mikio Toki from Japan, the Malaysian Kite Team, Martin Lester from England, Jeff Howard, Stuart Allen, Dan Proebstel, Jose Sainz, Lisa Schirmer, Basir Beria and Joe Hadzicki.

The Retreat will be held May 22-25 and the cost including housing & meals is \$178. If you have never attended a kitemaking retreat, I urge you to call **Betty Street** at (806) 745—and ask her to send you a brochure. As anyone whose been there can tell you, it is well worth it!

The following was seen recently on rec.kites. Sounds like fun. If anyone can come up with such a setup, bring it to the February meeting.

My son and I discovered a new game to play with a stunt kite. We attached the reciever of a laser tag set he has to kite. We took turns shooting at the kite for hours. The highest ratio of shots to hits wins the round. (near ground passes were the only fair way to give the shooter a clean shot). Needless to say, you need a big kite or strong winds to lift the reciever.

ADVERTISING RATES

The San Diego Kite Club is accepting ads for its newsletter, SKYLINES, to offset printing and mailing costs.

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HELP WANTED

Skylines needs a few volunteers who would be willing to write a few paragraphs on kiting events they attend, including our monthly meetings. Your editor is barely finding time to put the newsletter together and needs help desperately with the writing. If you would be willing to write up one event every couple months, it would help immensely. Please contact Dorine at the addresses/numbers listed on page three if you would like to help.

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