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#### A Note from your Chairman

Hi All, It's me again, just coming out of my winter hibernation, YAWN !

I thought winter was over, then it returned with vengeance on the 18th of March the day of the NKG fly in at New Brighton. Boy what a day that was 44mph gusts of wind, and waves crashing over the sea wall. Not much kite flying, but one brave soul put up a two liner, I bet he is still untangling his lines.

Can I please now ask all of you who want to book a pitch on the camping field for the N.K.G fly In weekend at Bolton-le-Sands on the 21st/22nd of July 2007 to please send me your money, the cost is £3.50 per person per night, can you please make your cheques out to me (Enid Knowles) and I will pay the Farmer on one cheque, I will also give him a list of who has paid and how much each person has paid .Could you please send me your cheques before the end of APRIL 2007. Thank you.

	<u>SAFETY</u>
ENID KNOWLES Chairman Emateridknowles@12freeukisp.couk Tel: 01704 894166	The powers that be are having a go at all sorts of things, and unless we are more vigilant, the next one to suffer will be the sport/ hobby of Kite Flying. The NKG insurance could be at risk unless we start to follow the Safety Rules of Kite Flying at all times when we are on a flying field. So just to refresh your memories and for all New Members here they are: No kite to be left unattended.
JOHN WELBORN Group Secretary E-mail:welbornkkc@aol.com Tel: 01904 489771	Warning Ribbon to be put on kite stakes and lines. Safety officers always appointed, even if there are a small group of you flying. The height limit of 200ft (60m) to be respected. You are breaking the law if you fly above this height without permission from the Civil Aviation Authority. Always be watchful of the General Public and other kite flyers, they could get tangled in your lines or fall over ground stakes.
MARY JONES Treasurer E-mail: Mary@kiteflyers.net Tel: 01942 201265	NEVER fly near Overhead Power Lines NEVER fly near Roads, Buildings, or Animals. NEVER fly within 5km (2 miles) of an Airport. without CAA permission. NEVER fly using lines longer than 60m (200ft). Always check the wind before you launch your kite. Always fly within your ability. and NEVER underestimate the power of the wind. Wear appropriate safety equipment for the activity you
DAZZZ Editor E-mail:Dazzz@dsl.pipex.com Tel: 01254 776819	are doing. Always pay attention to any local Rules or By Laws. SAFE OPERATION OF YOUR KITE IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY. Well that's all from me for now , I'm really looking forward to the New Kite Season, I've missed you all. See You Soon ENID (your own little rocker)

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### WELCOME TO ALL NEW MEMBERS

Stephen Ransom, Dorothy Ransom

A warm kiting welcome to you all, it's lovely to have you in our group.

#### EDITORS CORNER

Hello again everyone, I hope everyone has survived the winter months ok, I know its been remarkably mild so far for the time of year, and we have been out flying far more than usual for wintertime. Anyway hopefully its going to get warmer soon enough, and we can take advantage of these extra daylight hours that are slowly building up.

Theres lots of news and information from the AGM in Jauary and some interesting new things available to purchase. I'm in need of a couple of new NKG T-shirts myself will be ordering from Enid before the end of the month as well as paying her my deposit for Bolton-le-sands as we have managed to fit that into our calendar this year and i'm looking forward to a relaxing weekend up there in the summer.

We dont have any write-ups for fly-ins this time round as February's fly-in at Roundhay Park in Leeds was a very low wind affair although Fred Kaz made the place look very bright with his Fish display, and March's fly-in at otterspool was blown out by 45mph winds. Hopefully the rest of this years event will fare a little better and someone will do me a write up for the newsletter.

Please dont forget to send in your renewals for your NKG subs, if you dont renew, you wont receive anymore newsletters!

#### **STOP PRESS:**

We now have some more dates confirmed:Sunday 16th SeptemberWakefieldSunday 30th SeptemberTaylor Park St Helens

Tricks party event on 22nd april at The Dips, New Brighton. Organised by Ian Parkes. This is a fun event for fliers who are interested in learning how tricks competitions work, the event starts at 10:30am and includes experienced and Novice levels with coaching on the day to help fliers who need some help nailing those tricks for the event. Entrance is £5 to cover expenses on the day and please bring your own lunch. The cream of the NKG's trick fliers will be there to help so take advantage of the opportunity to learn all you can from these guys!

You can find out more information on the NKG website forum under non-NKG events. Or contact me and I will put you in touch with Ian.

NKG fly-in at Otterspool on 20th May has now been swapped to Halewood due to the event taking place there, but no doubt plenty of people will be off down to otterspool afterwards anyway.

#### NKG AGM 2007

#### Minutes of the Fourth Annual General Meeting of the Northern Kite Group held on 21st. January 2007 at The All Saints Community Hall, Newton Heath

#### **Trophy Winners**

Best Kite Large Best Kite Small Open Altitude Sprint (Beacon Park) Ladies altitude Sprint (Beacon Park) Karen George Julie Tebbutt Dave Green Gwen Williams

Presented by Ron Ogden Presented by Edna Booth Presented by Aled Lewis Presented by Aled Lewis

#### Present

Ron Ogden ( Honorary President ), Enid Knowles ( Chairman ) John Welborn ( Secretary ), Mary Jones ( Treasurer ), Dazzz Daryl Smith ( Editor ) Karen George ( Honorary Auditor ), Edna Booth ( Invited Guest )

Stuart Baldwin, Flo & Joe Barnes, Gina & John Bellis, Josie Bretherton, John Brainwood, Rodney Burrows, Dennis Chappell, Bernard Crick, Rodger Dawson, Neil Edwards, Ted Hearn, Frank & Jennifer Hardman, Dave Green, Fred Kaz, Tony Kidd, Fiona & Aled Lewis, Reg Lever, Peter & June Lightfoot, Mike Lewis, Elsie Ogden, Geoff & Ann Othick, Jim & Vanessa Potts, Colin Savage, Jim & Carol Simpson, Raymond & Sheila Smith, Steve Robinson, Simon Tebbutt, Marie Welborn, Margaret & Gene Watson, Gwen Williams

(This is the list of members who signed in. The 46 present met the quorum required to conduct business. Members who are under 18 are not counted in the determination of the quorum)

#### Apologies

Alan Bole, Selwyn and Joan Forster, Mark Welborn, Gwil & Lena Williams, Jack & Mary Cunningham, Paul Catchpole, David Gibbon, Phil & Lyn Howden Dennis & Pat Emslie, Keith & Lorna Proctor, Julie Tebbutt

#### **Report of the Committee**

Enid Knowles presented the report of the committee and thanked everyone for coming and for donating the prizes for the raffle. The Club had another good year with good cooperation from members. Light up the Sky raised around £2106 for Children in Need, Gwen Williams organised the permissions and licences needed to collect the money. Enid carried out the liaison with the Council who required much more infrastructure and safety requirements than last year's event.



Photo courtesy of Dazzz

#### **Editor's Report**

The magazine has come in on budget again this year including fees from advertisers. Dazzz commented that the closure of some kite traders may affect things in the coming year. Thanks were offered to those

who have contributed articles in the past year.

The display boards are being changed into the form of a horizontal banner with items fixed on with velcro. Laminated photos of the old boards provided by Tony Kidd were displayed at the meeting . Members were asked to provided photos of Club activities, people and kites. to add to the display. The items displayed on the banner can be changed when necessary by using the velcro fastenings.



Photo courtesy of Dazzz

#### **Annual Accounts**

Copies of the balance sheet were provided at the meeting and will be printed in the next magazine. The accounts showed a healthy balance at the year end but there was no insurance premium shown in this year's figures. Most of the surplus came from the donations to the Club and the auction. Expenditure has increased this year particularly the insurance premium which has increased to £556-50 more than double. It was pointed out by the Treasurer that already £1000 had been spent in the last few weeks.. It was also noted that the income from donations cannot be relied on every year.

The accounts had been audited by Karen George

The Accounts for 2006 be adopted Proposed:-Simon Tebbutt

Seconded:-Stuart Baldwin

Passed unanimously

It was proposed that the committee be given delegated power on this one occasion to increase the subscriptions up to no more than 8 pounds for individual members and up to no more than 2 pounds for Joint members before next year's AGM if in the opinion of the committee the financial state of the club warrants it.

Proposed by:- Simon Tebbutt

Seconded by:-

Stuart Baldwin

Passed by an overwhelming majority

#### **Any Other Business**

#### **Future Direction of the Club**

Association with Dave Holt Festivals & Kite Collective It was pointed out that the Club receives a donation if sufficient members attend the events. Last year it was agreed with Dave Holt for one of the events that the Club did not receive a donation.

The proposed events for this year is as followsBoltonAprilHalewoodMayBlackpoolMayMorecambeJulyNew Brighton Wirral FestivalJulyIt was noted that Andrew Beattie and Kathleen would bemarried at the Festival



#### Festivals 2007

Photo courtesy of Dazzz

Beacon Park Festival - 2/3 June Chester Festival - 22/23 September

We have been asked to be involved with both these Festivals again this year. They are organised by Local Councils with our guidance.

#### Festivals NKG were asked to attend

Wakefield Festival 2006 ( organised by Faceless ) A donation of  $\pounds100$  was made to Club funds

Taylor Park 2007 the date to be fitted in with Wakefield and Chester Festivals

Harewood House 2007

The Club had been asked to fly kites at Harewood House this year, it was agreed that John Welborn and Jim Potts follow up the request as soon as possible and agree a suitable date.

#### Flying sites for Fly ins

A discussion took place about fly ins and other commitments

The Club pays Wakefield Council a fee of £30 for a licence to fly at Pontefract Racecourse. Enid has informed the Rangers of all the Otterspoool Fly In dates.

Camping at Bolton le Sands Fly in will be co-ordinated by Enid , please book and pay in advance to Enid who will then pass on the bookings to the Farmer

Light Up the Sky It was pointed out that this could be done earlier in the year, one option was to combine it with OSOW but it was considered by the meeting that they should be kept as separate events due to their very different purposes.

A discussion took place about whether or not to invite the public to participate in the LUTS event. This leads to greater organisation and infrastructure requirements from the Council. It was generally agreed that we should not downgrade this event but should encourage members to collect for it and to get sponsorship but not officially invite the public to this event.

The final date and other details will be determined later by Gwen Williams and her team.

#### Club Fly In List 2007 - 2008

#### 2007

21st Jan AGM

18th Feb Roundhay Park

18th Mar New Brighton

Photo courtesy of Dazzz

Contact needed to ensure space is free on this date. Neil Edwards to contact the local council for permission etc.

15th Apr Pontefract Race Course John Welborn to renew the licence

20th May

Otterspool

17th June No Fly-in due to local events (Beacon, Wirral)

21st. & 22nd.July Bolton le-Sands two day fly in Note that Enid will receive bookings for camping with payment in advance and pass them on to the campsite 19th Aug Fleetwood beach, Fleetwood, Lancs

16th Sept Wakefield Kite festival 22nd & 23rd. Sept Chester Festival 30th Sept Taylor Park Wigan

14th Oct OSOW Otterspool and Pontefract

Nov ?Light Up The Sky (date to be Confirmed, it may be earlier in the month or in October) 18th Nov Sunday Roundhay Park

16th Dec Xmas Fly-in Stainland & Otterspool



Photo courtesy of Dazzz



#### 2008

20th Jan AGM at Newton Heath 17th Feb Roundhay Park 16th Mar New Brighton

The acceptance of the list was Proposed by:- Fred Kaz Seconded by:-Rodney Burrows Passed with an overwhelming majority

#### Public Liability Insurance

The Zurich Public Liability insurance Policy for a member to fly anywhere in the UK on their own has been set up with around 81 members taking part.



Photo courtesy of Dazzz

Each person is sent a letter giving a summary of the insurance details by the Club Secretary and their names are sent to Zurich Municipal .

It was stressed that it is important that members respond quickly to the Secretary when asked to renew the insurance otherwise the insurance policy could be lost.

#### Financing the Club

The Treasurer stated that the Club's present healthy position depended upon moneys received directly or indirectly from local council's. It is not certain each year whether these funds will be available, currently member subscriptions do not cover general running expenses.

The meeting was asked by the committee to consider that in future lunch is not provided at the AGM. The cost was £257 and a contribution of £1 was asked from members. Often the numbers attending has been overestimated and the per head cost considerably increased from its base of £4-10 per head.

After discussion the following proposals were made

The Club should provide a meal at the AGM Proposed Jim Potts Seconded Gwen Williams passed by overwhelming majority

A contribution of £3 should be made by those taking the meal Proposed Jim. Potts Seconded by Karen. George passed by a majority

The committee asked members to consider whether another venue for the AGM should be sought although the existing venue will still be used until somewhere else can be found. A discussion took place and there was no clear agreement among the members about the suitability of the existing venue.

Proposed that an alternative venue be found for the AGM

Proposer Neil Edwards

Seconder Roger Dawson

The result of the vote was close and a careful count took place For the proposal 13 votes against the proposal 19 votes The motion was not carried

Ron Ogden suggested that the instructions for finding the hall should be made clearer

#### Amendment to the Constitution

It was proposed that the words Newton Heath be removed from paragraph 5.1 Proposed by Dave Green Seconded by Vanessa Potts Passed by a majority



Photo courtesy of Dazzz

British Kite Flying Association

It has not made appropriate changes to its organisation and the committee recommend that the Club does not join.

Proposed That the Club do not join BKFA until such time that the possible financial risk and detriment to the Club has been removed and after consultation with all club members. Proposed by Jim Simpson Seconded by Dave Green Passed with an overwhelming majority

#### Safety statement by Enid

Enid reminded members to be diligent about safety even when attending an event run by another organisation. Members were reminded of the need to have a Flying Safety Officer of the day at fly ins to satisfy the insurers. Enid asked members to make sure they mark stakes when tethering Kites especially at fly ins. Enid also asked that tethered kites are kept under observation at all times.

The club has been advised not to go overboard with large detailed risk assessments and that a simple list of rules should be sufficient.

#### Any Other Business from members

Beacon Park Festival

The committee considered that a large tent was needed for use at Beacon Park Festival, however the Council would only provide one if it was used for a kite workshop run by NKG. The committee felt that the Club members would not want to run a kite workshop for the whole period of the Festival. The only other options were to hire one from a local group, hire one commercially or to buy one for the Club. After a discussion about the need and the possible ways of obtaining one the following proposals was made

It was proposed that the committee be left to decide the appropriate course of action for obtaining a large tent.

Proposer Frank Hardman Passed by a large majority Seconder Josie. Bretherton

A discussion took place about the siting of the arena and the possibility of moving further down the field where the wind is usually better. A request was also made about siting toilets on the field itself closer to the camping.

Enid would discuss these matters with the Park Rangers

#### NKG Kites

Bernard Crick talked through his proposals for an NKG kite to a standard design that each member could make or obtain. The Club could then have

make of obtain. The Club could then have mass fly.

Members were asked to submit ideas for such a kite. Proposer – Gwen Williams Seconder – Dazzz Smith



Photo courtesy of Dazzz

Sew Ins

Fred Kaz suggested that informal sew ins in addition to the more formal workshops would be useful for members to swap ideas and learn from each other. This was accepted generally as a good idea.

#### LUTS

Gwen reported on the results for this year £2106 was raised in total including the following: £228 in donations £123 in lucky bags £87 collections £342 from the auction £1071 in sponsorship

A vote of thanks was given to Gwen for organising Luts

#### **Kite Library**

Neil Edwards gave an explanation of the arrangements for the library, previously kept by Jack Cunningham, which is now being run via the website forum.

It covers books, some kites, videos etc. Requests for items are made via the forum and the person holding the item is responsible for posting on to the person wanting it next. If a person leaves the Club they must send the item back to us.

Dazzz agreed to put a piece in the magazine about it and also offered to operate the system on behalf of any member who did not have access to the Club's website.



Photo courtesy of Dazzz

#### Vote of Thanks

It was explained to members that the Club's website existed because of the work of Peter Bindon Webmaster and because of Malcolm Pitcher's generosity in hosting it free on his own server.

Formal Votes of Thanks were given to Peter Bindon Webmaster, to Malcolm Pitcher Website hosting,

and also to Karen George Honorary Auditor. The members voted unanimously in favour.

#### 7. Election of Officers

The existing officers offered to stand for re election

Proposed by:- Jo Barnes Seconded by:-Dennis Chappell That the existing officers be re elected en bloc

Passed by an overwhelming majority The officers are as follows

Chairman	Enid Knowles
Treasurer	Mary Jones
Secretary	John Welborn
Editor	Daryl Smith (Dazzz)

Honorary Auditor Karen George Proposed – Frank Hardman Seconder – Simon Tebbutt

A vote of thanks was also made to the Committee Members for all their hard work over the last year. The meeting was closed by the Chairman

#### GREEN MONDAY IN CYPRUS

After retirement, my wife and I moved to Cyprus, where we have been living now for nearly two years. Very hot in the summer and much colder than we expected in the winter, Cyprus is blessed with many windy days that are ideal for kite flying. That is, if you can find a flat piece of land with no scrub bush, Carob trees or overhead power cables. Unfortunately, almost all of the power and telephone utilities in Cyprus are distributed by overhead cables – ideal for snagging the lines of your kites. Given the many days of winds, that would be ideal for kite flying, relatively few kites are normally seen sailing those unseen air currents – EXCEPT for Green Monday!



The first Monday of Lent (50 days before



the Greek Orthodox Easter) is a Bank Holiday in Cyprus (Green Monday) and is celebrated by Greek Cypriots with family barbeques and kite flying on a grand scale. Families and friends gather for meals of bread, vegetables, olives and sometimes barbequed squid and octopus, at the start of the Orthodox festival of fasting and contemplation. Many avoid the consumption of any animal products during this fasting period, including milk and butter.

On this one day of the year, hundreds gather at convenient locations. This year we were invited by good friends, Kiris and Louise with children Chris and Maria to share, with their family, their Green Monday celebrations.

The extremely colourful kites are primarily all of the same six sided design and purchased from the local supermarkets and only available at this time of the year. The three cross pieces, forming the frame of the kite, are made from flat wooden strips, bamboo or plastic rod. The body of the kite is made from heavy duty, coloured plastic. They can be purchased from between £4.80 - £6.90 UK. There seems to be very little effort to produce home made kites.



Near to where we live (Peyia), the main area where people gather is Agios Georgios. This is a flat grassy/sandy area adjacent to the sea, with no overhead utility supply lines, an ideal picnic and kite flying location. I can only roughly estimate the number of people gathered there on Green Monday at well over a 1000 and the kites simultaneously flying at over 100.



My wife and I have lived and worked in many countries in Africa, the Middle East and Far East and I have been collecting kites from these regions for many years.

On Green Monday I had agreed to take along a selection of kites for some of the children and for my own entertainment of course. The kite that attracted the most interest was my flying galleon.

Easy to launch and extremely stable I always enjoy seeing this kite sail the invisible waves of air. For the first time this year I also flew my circular multi-celled kite, purchased from the Philippines. Other of my kites taking the air were a selection of bamboo framed Chinese kites of silk and paper in the shapes of butterflies, locus and a phoenix. The children also enjoyed flying a kite purchased from Sri Lanka with a



long black tail as well as some small kites in the shape of doves and bats.

There are some signs of serious power kite flying taking hold in Cyprus. I have seen paragliding and kite surfing taking place at Kourion and Traction Kiting at Lady Mile Beach near Akrotiri. Although I am interested in finding out more about the paragliding my wife is reluctant to allow me to progress this interest further, until she has checked out my insurance cover.

If you are in Cyprus during early March next year watch out for the Green Monday celebrations.

Ken Jones (Peiya, Cyprus)

#### 24 PANEL ROTOR PLAN

The 24 panel was designed to have a maximum diameter with a minimum of fabric. The prototype has 1.5 m inner diameter.

#### Prototype 1

The rotor can be flown on a kite line or without a kite on a long line anchored to the ground. This 24 panel rotor has low pull compared to a bol, and it has 48 connection points so these connection points do not take a lot of stress.

The rotor can be scaled up or down inclusive of the bridle lengths. The plan below is for a 3.69 meter inner diameter.

#### 3.6 inner diameter held by hand



Building instructions:

(hot)cut 12 rectangular panels: 1397 long, 374 high (add seam allowance)

Cut these on the diagonal, thus they become 24 triangular panels. Sew these together as shown on the drawing.

Make sure to use a double straight stitch or a zigzag.

When the used fabric is strong enough no tabs are needed.

This can be tested with a piece of scrap: fold it like the hems you use and sew the

bridle along the hem with a zigzag be sure the needle runs trough the bridle. Pull and see what happens.

The bridles:

For the bridle use 0.7mm Dacron (tensile strength: 30kg). There are :

24 external bridles: 1720mm long + losses in attachment point

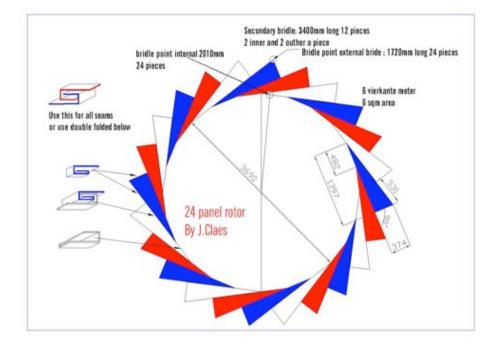
24 internal bridles: 2010mm long + losses in attachment point

12 secondary bridles: 3400mm long + losses in attachment point

I usually combine inner and outer bridle in one piece of Dacron: Cut 24 pieces: 1720+2010= 3730 long + losses in attachment point; Mark the 1720mm point. This is the center point where the secondary bridle goes

The bridle is sewn on to the rotor inner and outer diameter. Losses in attachment point are 150mm for sewn on bridle.

I usually combine two secondary in one piece of Dacron: Cut 6 pieces: 2\*3400= 6800 long + losses in attachment; Mark the centre point here the swivel is connected.





Attach 2 internal and 2 external bridles to one side of a secondary. Do this 12 times. Use "**simple simon over**" knot.

Take together all the centre marks on the secondary bridles (6 lines) And knot them with a larks head to a thicker rope : 75 kg, 4mm polypropylene is used. Mainly to have a thick string for the swivel. A 75 kg swivel with bearing is required. This is how it should look:

After connecting the swivel make sure all external bridles have the same length. To adjust move the knot of the secondary along the innerexternal bridle combination.

Jan Claes (JC) Claes\_J@pandora.be

(Many thanks to Jan for giving me permission to reprint his plan in our Newsletter. Dazzz)



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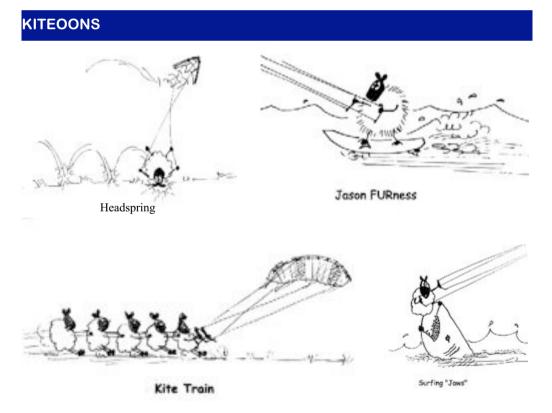
#### To All Members

Congratulations to all who have paid their membership for this year. If you have paid you will find sticker/s to attach to the back of your membership card/s. If for some reason you do not have a membership card please let me know I will arrange for one to be forwarded to you.

To all those members who have not paid there is a "Renewal Reminder" enclosed, with the hope that you still wish to be a member. If you do not pay your subscription you will not receive any further magazines or other benefits of being a member.

Happy Kite Flying for the 2007 season

Mary Jones (Treasurer)



#### **NKG BANNER PHOTOGRAPHS**

As you may have read in the minutes of the AGM, I am replacing the old wooden NKG boards with a new horizontal display banner made from a a blow through material you may have seen on some banners on the flying field.

Tony Kidd has been kind enough to supply pictures of the old boards which have now been laminated so they can be attached to the banner materials via stick on velcro.

But what I need is more photographs from you people out there, I know you've got some, i've seen them handed around and uploaded onto web sites, its no good being modest, I need your photographs!

They dont need to be photos of kites, pictures of people within the NKG or groups or gatherings will look just as good, i'm looking for photographs that you think show the nature of the NKG and our shared passion for kiting and getting together and having a laugh.

If you have a print you think would look good or that think may capture the spirit of the NKG then please send it to me, I will have a copy made and return the original back to you. If you have digital photos, either on-line or sitting on a disk at home please send them to me so I can put together a nice collection to display on our club display banner.

The address as usual is: Dazzz 39 Blacksnape road Darwen Lancs BB3 3PN

#### NKG KITE LIBRARY

The NKG kite library will soon be available from the website http://www.nkg.org.uk/forum/index.php and at the bottom of the list is the NKG kite library.

Here you can request any of the books, magazines, kites and other items held in the library.

If you want an item from the library you post a request on the forum and it is then posted out to you or handed over at a fly-in or festival if possible.

You are then responsible for that item, if someone else requests the item you are responsible for posting it on to them.

If you leave the club you would need to send back any club library items in your possesion.

If you do not have access to the NKG website then please contact Dazzz by phone or letter using the details in the front of the newsletter and he will post your request on the website to get the item sent out to you, and will contact you if the item is requested by anyone else.

Full details of the contents of the NKG library will be in the next issue of the NKG Newsletter.

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You can download an order form on the NKG web site by going to:http://www.nkg.org.uk/Clothing.htm and then sending your order to Enid. (Rugby shirts also available, ask Enid!) Order before the end of April to get your stuff for Beacon Festival!

#### CAPTION COMPETITION



Heres a picture of one of our previous caption competition winners Ted Hearn, with a lovely blue Papillon courtesy of Shirley from the Highwaymen. Well done Ted, hope to see you on the field with it in the coming season!

In the last issue we had two pictures for you to choose from, and no surprise the picture of Gwen with the statue at

Formby drew the most entries. After much consideration the winner by a pun was Paul Catchpole with "He didn't want his bols in the picture".





Congratulations Paul, i'll be in touch shortly to arrrange delivery of your prize, which in this issue is one of these fantastic NKG Mini Banners donated by me.

I saw the mini banners advertised on the Kitesup website and ordered myself two with the same graphics as the full size NKG banners to see what they were like. The banners are 1.2 metres tall and came with 3mm glassfibre poles, unfortunately the glassfibre poles were a bit inadequate and the banner leans over a bit too much for my liking so I replaced it with 3mm Carbonfibre and as you can see in the picture they do look good.

After seeing mine, Fred Kaz also ordered himself a couple, although Fred has framed his differently, with a flexible top section which then fits into some carbon tube for a more solid bottom section. As I was so happy with the mini banners I had a chat with Hayley at Kitesup and arranged a deal for NKG members to get one of these banners at a great price.

#### You can own one of these banners for £9.99

This is just for the banner itself with no spars in it, that way you can use any type of spars you have laying around or just buy a length of 3mm carbon fibre or similar to frame it with. Just add a dab of glue and you have a small but visually very appealing mini banner for a great price. Or could you get a small 3 Metre pole from one of our advertisers and just use the top 2 sections.

To get your banner just send your payment to Dazzz at: 39 Blacksnape road Darwen Lancs BB3 3PN (Cheques need to be made payable to the NKG) Orders need to be with me by 29th April 2007 All the banners will be ordered at the end of April, once I have them I will arrange to get them to you.

#### **REVALATIONS DISPLAY TEAM**

Well sports fans, its probably best blaming Dave Bleasedale [AKA the dark lord] for getting us all started. Steve [AKA pudders] wanted something to fly when the wind was over trick kite speed. He fancied a Vented rev, Neil had one already as did Dave, I didnt want to be left out and thought Steves idea of flying something when the wind was 18mph+ was a feasible excuse to buy more kites.

We all started to learn quickly and eagerly, started flying in twos, threes and then suddenly here we are six months on looking quite good for a set of middle aged blokes who live miles and miles from eachother. We are all quite committed and all enjoy each others company. It can get a little fractious, but nothing too ugly .I have to mention our fifth beatle, Fred Kaz. Fred helps as well and is always good company. Bakardi is our Hollywood contact and Video link to the STARS.



We at first had quite a gap in ability. Now we realy are all very competent Rev flyers and I believe will be very good if we can just get the next few years behind us. The strains of modern day lifestyles and different working hours, different family ties and a host of different things, weather, sites, travel, costs, can get a little testing at

Picture courtesy of Fred Kaz

times. Not to mention four/five very strong characters all with sometimes different ideas and varying moods.

We hope to have a little routine for beverley festival time. Nothing to fancy as we are still very much in our infancy. That said we do get crowds at some flying sites and the odd round of applause has been heard, with the odd cheer of MARVELOUS, WELL DONE, FANTASTIC, we like to think its Jim Potts...

Brian Williamson (BigBri)

#### A KITE FOR THE NKG

Several suggestions were made at the AGM regarding an NKG kite and holding sew-ins as well as fly-ins for members who may be interested. The intention is to make available to members a kite that can be flown en-masse at fly-ins and festivals to make a really nice display.

As a result of this the committee and other members have come up with a couple of options that we hope will meet with members approval.

We intend to hold a workshop on saturday 12th May 2007 with the intention of building a kite based on the NKG Logo. The Hall and material will be paid for by the club, all you have to pay for is the spars for the kite. We recommend carbon for strength and the best wind range and expect the cost to be around £10.00, if you want to go for Dowelling that would be cheaper still. The kite will be 1.5 Metres tall by 1.35 metres wide (approx)

The workshop is open to full and joint members of the NKG. There will be a number of experienced kite makers at the workshop to help those who may not have a lot of kite building experience. We expect an experienced builder could build the kite in 2-3 hours so there should be no problem for new or novice builders to complete a kite in a day.

If you want to attend the workshop or just come along to help out then please contact Dazzz by the 29th April, stating your preference for carbon or Dowel spars. If you cant attend the workshop but still want to make your own NKG kite, let me know as well and we will try to organise a sew-in in your area and order enough materials to cover that as well.



For those people who cant make it to a workshop the committee have made arrangements with Karl Lonbottom to produce an appliqued NKG kite that can be bought from the club. These are handmade by Karl with a carbon frame and ripstop tails.

We have negotiated a special rate for NKG members which is being subsidised by the club. so for £33.00 you can own your very own NKG kite made by one of the country's top kite makers. This offer is a one time only offer, one kite per full member. Additional kites can be purchased but would be at a non discounted price, you need to order by 29th April by sending payment to: John Welborn 27 Cedar Glade Dunnington York YO19 5PL

If you are paying by cheque, please make it payable to the NKG.

#### WORKSHOP

After the success of previous workshops we have decided to run another one making the Small Edo. (Pictured)

Date: Sunday 29th April 2007 starting at 10am

Venue: ERYCA Hall, Queen Street, Hoddlesden, Darwen, Lancashire, BB3 3LY (5 minutes from junction 5 on the M65)

Participants would need sewing machine, extension lead, pencil, ruler, scissors, thread, and preferably a cutting mat and knife and the class should take about 4-5 hours. Some kite building experience is required.

Places are limited so please send a £10 deposit per person and

your contact details and kite preference to reserve your place, (make cheques payable to NKG) to: Dazzz

39 Blacksnape Road

Hoddlesden

Darwen

Lancashire

BB3 3PN Due to the short amount of time until the workshop please contact me before 21st April to make sure we can reserve a kit for you if you havent already done so.

#### KITESUP SPECIAL EVENT

#### NORTH HAMPSHIRE KITER'S JOLLY UP-July 28th & 29th 2007

Come along and join us for a FUN Weekend of Kite Flying for Kite Fliers!

On site camping is available from Friday evening onwards (£5 per tent/camper for the weekend).

There will be a Saturday evening BBQ (nominal cost, bring your plate and cutlery please!)

A Raffle is also to be held on the Saturday evening, please be generous (you may donate a prize if you wish !)

Roy's Refreshment Tent will be open for Business, normal rules apply..

For further info, please either contact:

Roy on 07778 352825 Colin on 07770 338419 Or e-mail <u>roy@kitesup.co.uk</u>

Please Note: this is NOT a Buggy/Boarding weekend, thank-you.



#### BEVERLEY KITE FESTIVAL 5TH & 6TH MAY 2007

This is one of the best flying areas in the UK, with plenty of space for every one. This event is held in the centre of Beverley racecourse. Also taking place are carboot sale, craft stalls, trade stalls, fairground and dog show.

Camping is from 3pm Friday until 8pm Monday at the cost of  $\pounds 22.50$  booked before the event, the booking form can be downloaded off the web site <u>www.kite-festival.co.uk</u>. The kite fliers camping area is within the flying area for insured kite fliers.

Day visitors will need to prove membership of a kite club (membership card) otherwise entry fee will have to be paid  $\pounds 2.50$  adult,  $\pounds 1$  child. Only persons named on the card will get fee entry.

Flying areas will be the same as previous years- the members flying area for those with Public Liability Insurance. Clubs will be asked to produce a copy of their insurance. If fliers have no Public Liability Insurance there will be an alternative area for them to fly and they will be asked to sign a disclaimer. There will be a number of display teams present these include Wigsley Wings, Sky Artists and Sky Magic, plus Graham Lockwood who specialises in flying 3 stunt kites individually at the same time.

If there are any questions on the kite side please contact: Doug or Linda on 01522884744 or email <u>wigsley.wings@ntlworld.com</u>

#### Information sheet.

#### Camping.

£22.50 has to be pre booked, you can pay by credit/debit card/cheque. From 3pm Friday – 8pm Monday. Campers will be given a pass for entry into festival and they must carry this with them at all times.

**Day visitors** will have to prove membership of a kite club i.e. membership card otherwise entry fee will have to be paid.  $\pounds 2.50$  adult,  $\pounds 1$  child. Only the person/s named on the card will be allowed free entry.

<u>Flying areas</u> will be as last year, members flying area for those members with <u>Public Liability</u> <u>Insurance</u>. Clubs will be asked to produce a copy of their insurance. If fliers have no Public Liability Insurance they will be asked to sign a disclaimer and there will be an alternative area for them to fly in.

<u>**Car movement</u></u>. - No movement of vehicles will be allowed between 10.30am & 5pm. Speed 5mph with warning lights.</u>** 

<u>2<sup>nd</sup> Summer Kite Festival 8<sup>th</sup> & 9th September</u> <u>Contact</u> – Blooms A1 Events 01430 860070 <u>www.kite-festival.co.uk</u>. Email <u>ann@countyshow.fsnet.co.uk</u>





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