

St Honore 2017, Our First Time

By Augusta Wind



The first thought after returning home from St Honore kite festival is when can we go back. Passing Wind Kite Club was fully immersed in the international flavor of this event. Whether it was getting tagged from the Toronto kite fliers or spending time with a master German kite maker, every day was a new experience.



The festival starts with gathering of invited fliers at "the barn", which apparently is French for clubhouse. We got to meet Jacques Letourneau and watched him show off his hand painted windsocks like a fashion runway moment. A few creations did go south.



We also spent time with The Taylor's. Fred and Donna are such fun to fly with and having their traveling kite making RV, you never know what's coming out that vehicle. A few creations did go south.

We got to watch Rolf Zimmermann fly one incredible kite after another in all different wind conditions. Also got to learn some German such as "bastard wind" which loosely translates to "oh no" in English. I think. And a few of his creations went south.



A typical moment would be just stopping to check the sky and realize that a pod of whales was flying being lead by our friends Joyce and Jeff King. It was nice to be flying next to them when Canadian F-18's buzzed the airfield. Being from Annapolis they gave the proper awe of the moment as opposed to our "Holy crap, did you see that?"

Saturday night there was a night fly and all you had to do was follow Guy Reynolds Bat Signal to know you were at the right place. A beautiful sky of superheroes, ghost deltas, rev routines, a dragon and a poorly thought out red and green lighted mouse. Oh well it flew great.



The three days flew by and ended with a dinner in the clubhouse. We got to share our stories and revel in all the great moments from the weekend. Gary Mark took one of his trademark photos and for one moment it felt like one big family reunion.

Our gracious host Brigitte Bussières and her husband Lucien with her remarkable assistant Laurence and staff of volunteers made us all feel welcomed, appreciated and well taken care of.



Deb and Trip Bowlby
Deb and Tim Allen

On the way back home we took a detour to Montmorency falls and an overnight stay in old Quebec. Both city and falls were amazing but falling just short of the crepes suzette we had prepared table side just before we left. Oh and the fort was cool.

There is so much more and can't wait to continually tell everyone about it.

See you soon...but remember at the end of the day we are ... Passing Wind.



Editor's Note: I heard that beautiful Rolf Zimmerman Dragon along with a few owls came home with the Passing Wind Kite Club!! Congratulations

Robert Brassington Workshop at the 3rd Annual Long Beach Island Kite Festival



Robert Brassington if you didn't know is a world renowned kite designer and maker from Tasmania, Australia. Robert travels the world giving kite workshop and flying kite. We are lucky to have him in our area teaching a class.

Robert will be presenting two different kites for you to make prior to the LBI Kite Festival. The kites are the Memorial Bird or the Dragonfly.

Cost is \$30 (still confirming this as we went to print)

Location: Brant Beach Township Building

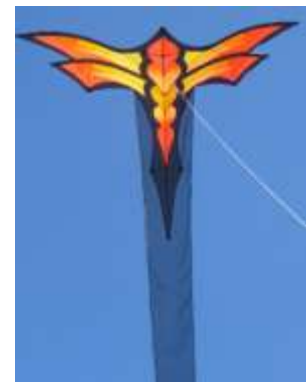
Date: October 5 and 6, Thursday and Friday

Robert will provide everything you need to make a complete kite, all you need is the proper sewing items.

Limited to the first 15 people.

Contact Lisa Willoughby at stellakite@hotmail.com for more information or to sign up

Robert can be reached at zerokite@tassie.net.au



Presidential Ponderings and Duck Droppings

By Mike Dallmer

Hello Fellow Kite Flyers, what do you do when you cannot go to or even organize an event that has been in the planning stages for close to 6 months??? Get a hold of Ben Huggett and tell him you are laid up and cannot do the final contacts and organization necessary for a successful event. This happen the week of July 4th when I wound up in the hospital and realized, oh heck, I'm supposed to be somewhere Sunday the 9th. Cel first contacted Ben and then went through my computer and found the necessary emails to complete the task. Thanks Ben for doing this and a big thank you for those who attended the **10th Annual Elliot's Legacy Event** and made SJKF look great: Cel and Mike, Donna and finally Charles and Dorothy!

Me, I'm slowly recovering from what was called "Heat Stroke". More Doc visits are in order as there are more questions than answers.

Right now Donna McGee, our **Election Chairperson**, is looking for Candidates for President and 2 Directors at Large. Interested in helping to shape the future of SJKF, contact Donna DonnaMRN@comcast.net

10/1/17, is **SJKF's 23rd Anniversary Bash!!!**. This is SJKF main fundraiser of the year. It is time to start thinking about attending and making donations of auction items and or food. SJKF is one of the most active AKA Kite Clubs that I know of, especially since I am the AKA Kite Club Liaison, and wouldn't it be really nice to stay that way. The Treasurer of the AKA, Cecilia, is often asked by the AKA Board of Directors what our secret is and why is our club so successful both physically and financially, I can only say it is because of our members and how generous they are. Thank you for making my job easier! Cannot attend but still want to donate kites or kite related items, please send them to:

SJKF Auction
C/O Mike Dallmer
306 Friendship St
Phila., Pa 19111

State of SJKF; Right now we are good, 75 members and \$6014.44 in our Treasury, this is about the same as last year, if anyone cares. Kite builds continue to be very helpful for SJKF, so if you can help out to help the club build kites it would be greatly appreciated.



SJKF has a new Presidential Award, the person of the year award going to the person who the President feels helped SJKF the most by stepping up! This award was donated by Andy Selzer, thanks Andy! If you are curious, yes it is a silver plated flying pig...

Finally, thank you, thank you, and thank you!! For being a SJKF Member and making my job fulfilling by leading a great bunch of people.

Good winds...Mike

Need a Hotel for AKA

Just got this from an un-named source:

Planning to be at Convention in Ocean City? If you are interested in staying on the boardwalk with super convenient parking, Angel would like to hear from you! Call the Shoreham Hotel (800- 926-7972 or 410-289-7972) Ask to speak to Angel Conner. She is in at least once a day, but not always at the same times. If enough kilters are interested in staying at the Shoreham, Angel will work with the owner to stay open for us that week!



...yes it is a silver plated flying pig...

Calendar of Events for SJKF

8/24/17 (Thursday) **Logan Branch Library Kite Build**, 30 Kites, Time starts at 2pm, Location: 498 Beckett Road, Logan Township, NJ 08085 Contact mikedallmer@verizon.net or 215-722-4092 or Heather Marquette 856-803-5096 hmarquette@gcls.org (Make up Workshop)

9/15/17 **Deadline for submissions of article for next issue of WindWriters**. Send to Mike Dallmer mikedallmer@verizon.net 306 Friendship St., Phila., Pa 19111

9/17/17 (3rd Sunday) **SJKF Meeting**, 1 pm, Gloucester County Library, Mullica Hill, NJ, Meeting Room A. Contact Mike Dallmer for more information mikedallmer@verizon.net or 215-722-4092

9/21/17 – 9/24/17 **Sunfest Kite Festival**, Ocean City, MD for more information contact the Kite Loft at 410-289-7855 or jay@kite loft.com

9/23/17 (Saturday) **325th Anniversary of Bensalem Township Kite Fly and Kite Build**, from noon till 4 at the Growden Mansion, 5408 Neshaminy Valley Blvd. Bensalem PA 19020 Rain Date 9/24/17. For more information contact Mike Dallmer mikedallmer@verizon.net or 215-722-4092 or Sally Van Sant Sondesky sallyvsant@aol.com

10/1/17 (1st Sunday) **SJKF 23rd Anniversary Bash** At the Dallmer Household, 306 Friendship St, Phila, Pa 19111. Festivities with start around noon, kiteflyers time. There will be plenty of food and our fabulous once a year SJKF auction.

10/6/2017 -10/9/2017 **3rd Annual Long Beach Island Kite Festival**

10/9/17 – 10/14/17 **40th Annual American Kite Flyers Convention**, Ocean City, MD

10/22/17 (Sunday) **4th Annual Belmar Kite Festival**, parking will be provided. The flying area is on the beach at

Second and Third Avenue. Time is 11 a.m. – 4 p.m, get there around 10 am for setup. Contact is Saltwater Inn (732) 681-1047 SaltwaterInn@gmail.com or Mike Dallmer mikedallmer@verizon.net 215-722-4092

11/5/17 (Sunday) **The 32nd Olan and Bernice Turner International Invitational Open Peanut Butter Cookie**

Kite Fly and Bake Off, will be held on the Boardwalk in Seaside Park, NJ. Contact Cel cdallmer@verizon.net or Mike Dallmer mikedallmer@verizon.net 215-722-4092

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12/3/17 **SJKF's Annual Holiday Party**, Randi's Restaurant and Bar, from noon till 3 pm. Location, Grant Plaza II, 1619 Grant Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19115, phone: (215) 677-7723 Contact Cel Dallmer cdallmer@verizon.net or 215-722-4092 Same place as the last few years.

10/14/18 (Sunday) **5th Annual Belmar Kite Festival**, parking will be provided. The flying area is on the beach at Second and Third Avenue. Time is 11 a.m. – 4 p.m, get there around 10 am for setup. Contact is Saltwater Inn (732) 681-1047 SaltwaterInn@gmail.com or Mike Dallmer mikedallmer@verizon.net 215-722-4092

Visit www.easternleague.net for more information on Eastern League Events

President's Note: Though these dates are accurate at time of printing it is best to check with the contact to make sure the proper dates are listed.

Got an event that you want listed, send it: Mike Dallmer mikedallmer@verizon.net 306 Friendship St., Phila., Pa 19111

Photos on this page are from Ben Huggett taken at the Chester County Balloon Festival





SJKF MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Help us get to know you! Fill in the form below. Return this application along with your check payable to SJKF and you're in! Welcome to the club!

Name _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ ST: _____ ZIP: _____
 Phone(H): _____ (W) _____

Return to:
 South Jersey Kite Flyers
 C/O Mike Dallmer
 306 Friendship St
 Phila., Pa 19111
<http://sjkf.webs.com/>

E-Mail Address: _____

New member: _____ Renewal _____

Membership Type: Individual _____ Family _____

(For family memberships, list additional names below. Circle name if under 10 years old)

Favorite Kite(s): _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

Individual Membership:

- 10-1 till 12-31 is \$15
- 1-1 till 3-31 is \$11.25
- 4-1 till 6-30 is \$7.50
- 7-1 till 9-30 is \$3.75

Family membership:

- 10-1 till 12-31 is \$20.00
- 1-1 till 3-31 is \$15.00
- 4-1 till 6-30 is \$10.00
- 7-1 till 9-30 is \$5.00

Renew date is 10-1 of each year

Quacks Facks

Inspired by Russ Mozier, written by Mike Dallmer

This issue's contributions come from Dawn Weber and her trip to Harrisburg, Pa



Help Quack Facks out, do you have a Dallmer Duck Banner? If so where was it displayed?

<p>Membership Application</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> New Member <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Reinstatement</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Don't publish my name in the Directory</p>	<p>Name _____</p> <p>Address _____</p> <p>City _____</p> <p>Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____</p> <p>E-mail _____</p> <p>URL _____</p> <p>Other family members joining _____</p> <p>Visa/MC/Discover/AMEX # _____</p> <p>Exp. _____</p> <p>Signature _____</p>																											
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