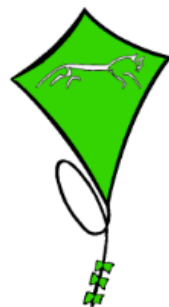


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BANK ACCOUNT

Please be aware that The Club bank account has now been transferred to Lloyds. If you need to make a payment please contact one of the committee for details. We are not publishing these as our previous account was hacked and we have been advised not to make them available on line.

This always seems a little early but the next issue will not be out until the New Year so the editor and all members of the committee would like to take this opportunity of wishing all our readers the season's greetings.



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Diary Dates

October 2018

14th Barbury Castle club fly-in. (OSOW)

November 2018

11th Barbury Castle club fly-in.

18th AGM

December 2018

9th Barbury Castle club fly-in

27th Christmas Pudding Fly

January 2019

13th Barbury Castle club fly-in

February 2019

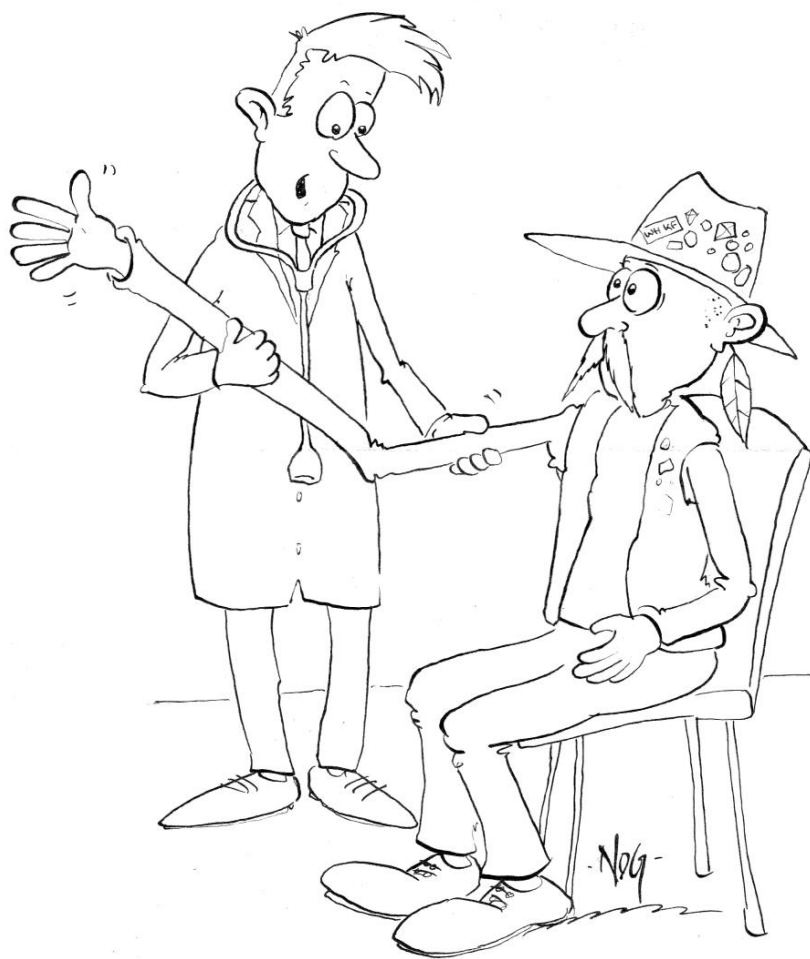
10th Barbury Castle club fly-in

23/24th Workshop with Ralf Maserski

March 10th 2019

10th Barbury Castle club fly-in

Dead line for next issue 30 th December 2018



"I RECCOMEND YOU TRY HOLDING
YOUR KITE IN THE OTHER HAND
FOR A WHILE!"

CLUB WORKSHOP FOR 2019 WITH RALF MASERSKI

Making Ralf's Positive, Negative Kites.

The workshop is being held on 23rd & 24th February 2019 at St Josephs School in Swindon, using "The Street" as last time.

The reason for putting this out so early is to try and get as many people as possible attending. So if you know of anyone who might be interested please let them know.

The workshop will be Ralf's kite the "Positive, Negative" the colours of which you can choose from the pictures provided, I will let you know when colour selections are required. You will end up, hopefully with 2 kites not just the one.

The cost of the workshop will be £145, which as usual covers lunch on both days and free running tea/coffee, a £50 deposit is required, could you please pay this on or before the AGM in November.

If you pay by BACS could you make it known it is for the workshop and also let me know you have paid by BACS.

As per normal a restaurant will be sorted out for the Saturday evening meal, which the price of is not included in the workshop price.

If you are interested could you please let me know ASAP and I can sort out numbers.

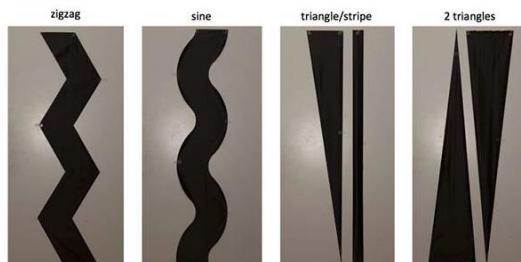
Any questions please get in touch with me. You can either contact me via Facebook or email me at donald.baggett@virginmedia.com

Don Baggett.

Colour options:



Pattern options:



Design examples:



green

sine



purple

triangle/stripe



red

sine



blue

2 triangles

Robinson's Ramble

What a great shock to hear about the news of Neil's fall, up to the point of writing this Ramble I haven't had a chance to visit him, however Janet, Marla & Ron (who are staying with us between Dieppe and our Fun Fly) did visit him.

It was a great shock hearing about it, apparently he was in his garden getting some things ready for the Fun Fly when he had a bad fall, resulting in a very serious leg injury, which involved being taken to hospital by air ambulance.



Today, (24/9/), Janet, Ron & Marla visited Neil in hospital they said that he is out of bed, they said that he was very determined to get better as soon as possible.

Armed military personnel patrolling the streets, a small French Naval ship offshore. No this isn't Beirut, it's how seriously the French take the security precautions for this year's Kite Festival in Dieppe. I must say it wasn't constant, it seemed to be on the Wednesday when all the local children are off of school, and lots of them are brought to the event, if only we could convince Schools in the UK that there are some interesting things for Children at kite events, the sooner we may be able to attract families and new members to kite flying the better.

It was yet another great festival, the weather was really good, only one overcast, cool day.

Janet and I are AKA members so we were able to use their stand as a base. In return we did a little helping out on the stand, which we were very grateful for, it makes it so much better when you have a base.

The weather was like this for most of the week



There were some rumours going around that this may be the last event, however I have heard this after the last two events prior to this, so let's keep our fingers crossed for the future

What a weekend in "Wet-lade", otherwise known as Lechlade, could the weather have been any worse! Thank you to all of you who came, considering how bad the weather was all of those who did come said that they had enjoyed the event, despite the lack of flying that was possible.

Thanks too "The Food Crew" led by Kevin, assisted by David Thompson and Helen Peace, and a special mention to Carol & Ann on the washing up, a couple of volunteers who kept everything clean all weekend. Kevin should be really congratulated for coming up with the menus!

I thought it was going to be a Kite-less weekend but some flying did get done when the sun came out on the Sunday afternoon and some members got their kites out.

David Robinson

ONE SKY ONE WORLD
14th October 2018

I have been trying to find out what is happening with the reporting of OSOW. Up to 2012 there was an official web site where you could post your event reports and pictures. This can still be found at:-

<http://subvision.net/sky/osow/>

With the increasing popularity of social media in 2013 most people were posting to Facebook and the organisers did good work transferring information across. This was the last year for that and most people left random information at:- <https://www.facebook.com/groups/137062827909/> This site has started to become a location for more general kite topics.

This issue of the magazine should be distributed at this year's event that will be celebrated as usual by WHKF at Barbury Castle. I will be trying to do a count and get some pictures that I will post to FB. If you get anything that you would like included please mail to me. I will probably post to our FB page and link that to the OSOW site so you should be able to add to our site.

Let us hope that we can continue the initiative started by Jane Parker-Ambrose stated in The Proclamation:-

One Sky One World festivals will be held annually around the world to promote protection of the planet, peace, friendship and understanding between all people. Beyond this, One Sky One World does not endorse any ideology or political agenda.

Full details of this can be found at:-

<http://www.oneskyoneworld.org/contact.html>



Christmas Pudding Fly

Come and join us at Barbury Castle on 27th December from 10AM and blow away some of those Christmas excesses. Add to them with our Christmas Pudding fried in butter and flamed with brandy served with custard.



Then it's out with those new Christmas presents and do a bit of running round or just stand around and chat to your friends.



Notes from the Chair

This is the first in a series of occasional information articles designed to keep members abreast of important dates and changes.

The AGM. The AGM this year will take place on Sunday 18th of November in the Sports Hall at St Joseph's College Swindon. The meeting will commence at 12.00 and will include the usual Club Raffle (donations gratefully received) as well as the standard AGM items of election of officers and reports from the past year. Kitchen facilities this year mean that the menu will consist of Sandwiches and cakes. This is your opportunity to question the club officers and have input to the clubs future so please make sure you attend.

Insurance. Members will be aware that, as a club, through the auspices of the BKFA we offer the opportunity for individuals to purchase personal insurance to cover Kite flying at events other than those officially part of the clubs recognised calendar. The premiums for this insurance have, until now, been collected at a different time of the year to that of the membership fee. For administrative reasons the committee has decided that premiums for this insurance for the coming year will be collected along with membership renewal at the AGM. This decision is intended to ensure that the club does not pay in advance for members who may choose not to take up the personal insurance option. At the AGM the club will therefore require payment of the annual membership £16 and the personal insurance premium of £14 for those wishing to avail themselves of this facility.

David Thompson

Chair WHKF

WHKF AGM AGENDA 18/11/18

- 1) WELCOME FROM THE PRESIDENT**
- 2) APOLOGIES**
- 3) MINUTES OF LAST YEARS MEETING**
- 4) MATTERS ARISING**
- 5) CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**
- 6) HON. SEC'S REPORT**
- 7) HON. TREASURER'S REPORT**
- 8) COWPAT EDITORS REPORT**
- 9) ELECTION OF OFFICERS**
- 10) WHKF. FUN FLY**
- 11) ANY OTHER EVENTS**
- 12) INSURANCE**
- 13) FEES FOR THE NEW YEAR**
- 14) GDPR**
- 14) PROJECTS FOR 2019**

**A BUFFET LUNCH WILL BE SERVED
AT AN APPROPRIATE TIME.
CLOSE OF MEETING BY THE PRESIDENT**

White Horse Kite Flyers Code of Practice

Always fly safely

Always be considerate to others using the same area be it noise or physical intrusion into their space.

Always fly legally taking in to account all National, Local and CAA restrictions.

Never fly at a height of more than 60m above ground level, in the UK unless a CAA clearance is in force. (as at festivals) IF YOU DON'T KNOW.....ASK.

Never fly a kite in wet or stormy weather. Always try and keep you line dry.

Never fly near power lines, transmission towers or aerals.

Never fly near airfields.

Never fly a kite with anything metallic in the line.

Always when tethering a kite ensure that the ground anchor is suitable (see BKFA report 6 June 06).

Always use a brake line when flying large kites.

Always wear good quality gloves when flying large powerful kites.

Always give priority to domestic animals particularly if they are showing signs of distress.

Always clear up after yourself, especially lines, tails and bits of plastic that could trap, choke or injure domestic animals.

Never fly near kite-eating trees.

Note the use of traction kiting at Barbury Castle is forbidden by law.

Finally remember.....your kites can get really quite lonely up high in the sky; just occasionally, look up and give them a SMILE. It will make you feel better too.

WHITE HORSE KITE FLYERS meet at Barbury Castle country Park on the second Sunday of each month.

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