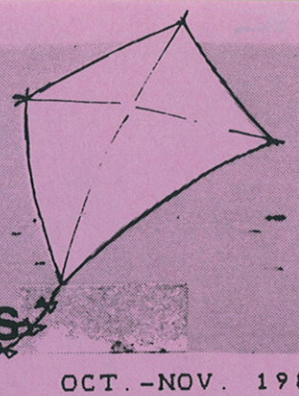


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KITES OVER NEW ENGLAND*****

HI OH SNAIL.. AND AWAY, WHO WAS THAT MASKED MAN WHO CRAWLED THRU HERE ANYWAY?

DID YOUR SUBSCRIPTION LASPE? WAS THERE A MAIL STRIKE? DID THE EDITOR GET A FLAT TIRE ON HIS WAY TO THE PRINTERS?? IF YOU WERE WONDERING WHERE YOUR "KITE FLYER" HAS BEEN FOR THE PAST TWO WEEKS, NOT TO WORRY, HERE IT IS!!!

SORRY FOR THE DELAY, ROAD ISSUE'S ARE MURDER ON YOUR FRIENDLY EDITOR NOT TO MENTION HIS GRACIOUS HOSTS, LARRY AND CYNDY MOELLER (PRONOUNCED 'MILLER' WHY? WHO KNOWS). NOT ONLY DID THEY OFFER TO FEED ME BUT ALSO ALLOW THIS ISSUE OF "KITE FLYER" TO BE PRODUCED ON THEIR APPLE II COMPUTER. FOR YOU COMPUTER FOLK, THE SOFTWARE INVOLVED IS AN "EASY WRITER" PROGRAM BY I.U.S. AS WELL AS A DB MASTER PROGRAM BY STONWARE FOR THE MAILING LABELS WHICH TOOK AN ETERNITY TO DO, I GUESS WE SHOULD HAVE SPENT MORE TIME READING AND LESS TIME PUNCHING BUTTONS. THE PRINTER IS AN INTERGRAL DATA SYSTEMS 460.

THE MOELLERS LIVE IN WESTBORO, MASSASSCHUTTES ABOUT 30 MILES OUTSIDE OF "BEAN" TOWN (BOSTON) AND 'AM I GLAD. THIS IS COUNTRY LIVING AT IT'S BEST, LOTS OF TREES, LOTS OF FARMERS FIELDS TO FLY KITES IN

AND TWO BASSET HOUNDS TO KEEP YOU ON YOUR TOES, IF NOT OFF YOUR FEET. LARRY AND CYNDY BOTH ENJOY COLLECTING AND FLYING KITES. THEY ARE ACTIVE IN THE LOCAL KITE GROUP CALLED "KITES OVER NEW ENGLAND" WHICH IS RESPONSIBLE FOR SEVERAL KITE FLYS AT LARZ ANDERSON, PARK IN BROOKLINE AND DUXBURY BEACH IN SOUTH MASS. ANYONE INTERESTED IN GETTING MORE INFORMATION ON THIS GROUP CAN WRITE K.O.N.E., P.O. BOX 1023, BROOKLINE, MA 02147.

WHEN CYNDY ISN'T FLYING BOX KITES SHE TEACHES VOICE OR ENJOYS SPINNING YARN. LARRY IS A "SALESMAN" FOR MILLER ARC WELDING EQUIPMENT AND ALSO ENJOYS MOTORCYCLES AS WELL AS APPLES, COMPUTERS THAT IS.



AKA UPDATE*****

JACK VAN GILDER WAS RE-ELECTED FOR ANOTHER TERM AS PRESIDENT OF THE AKA.

NEXT YEAR'S CONVENTION WILL BE HELD IN COLUMBUS, OHIO. BETTY AND MILLER MAKEY WILL BE CONVENTION CHAIRMEN (PERSONS).

THE AUCTION IN DETROIT NETTED OVER \$6000, NICE GOING EVERYONE WHO CONTRIBUTED ITEMS OR BID ON THE SAME.

LELAND TOY IS STILL YOUR DIRECTOR FOR REGION 11, BUT WHERE IS HE?

THE AKA IS ALIVE AND WELL. JOIN TODAY, IT'S FUN.



ILLUSTRATION BY CARLOS MARCHIONI

HERE HE GOES AGAIN!!

4 SEPTEMBER 1982

GOOD-BYE SEATTLE, THANKS AGAIN FOR EVERYTHING.

AFTER THREE WEEKS IN SEATTLE, I WAS GIVING STRANGERS DIRECTIONS ON WHERE TO GO AND I KNEW IT WAS TIME FOR ME TO MOVE ON - AFTER ALL DETROIT WASN'T GETTING ANY CLOSER AND MOSS WAS GROWING ON THE "SNAIL'S" TIRES. WITH FOND FAREWELLS, A "WKA" TEE SHIRT, AND A BLINKING ELECTRIC HEADBAND (FOR NIGHT FLYING) I WAS ON MY WAY NORTH TO VANCOUVER.

I FLEW KITES WITH ART ROSS AND HUGH HARRISON AT VANIER PARK, A BEAUTIFUL KITE SITE WITH A PANORAMIC VIEW OF STANLEY PARK AND NORTH VAN'S RESIDENTIAL AREA ACROSS A WELL USED HARBOUR. WIND CONDITIONS FOR THIS TIME OF YEAR WERE MARGINAL WITH DELTA KITES BEING THE 'KITE DE JOUR'.

SEVERAL DAYS LATER I HOPPED ABOARD A FERRY FOR VANCOUVER ISLAND AND FOUND OUT THE HARD WAY WHY THEY CONSIDER PARTS OF THIS ISLAND A RAIN FOREST. I HAD HEARD THAT THERE WAS A GREAT PLACE TO FLY KITES ON THE WEST COAST OF THE ISLAND CALLED "LONG BEACH" SO I DECIDED TO TAKE A RIDE OVER BEFORE MOVING ON TO VICTORIA. WELL LONG BEACH TURNED OUT TO BE A LONG WAY BECAUSE AS SOON AS I LEFT THE FERRY IT STARTED TO RAIN AND DIDN'T LET UP FOR TWO

DAYS. I SPENT ONE NIGHT CAMPING IN THE RAIN AND IN THE MORNING HEADED OUT TO LONG BEACH THRU MORE RAIN. THE ISLAND'S GEOGRAPHY PROVIDES A BEAUTIFUL RIDE THRU FOREST AND EVENTUALLY A MOUNTAIN RANGE BEFORE DROPPING DOWN TO THE PACIFIC RIM NATIONAL PARK AND LONG BEACH RECREATION AREA. WHEN I FINALLY DID ARRIVE THE WEATHER CLEARED AND I COULD SEE WHY PEOPLE ARE SO ENTHRALLED WITH THIS BEACH. IT MUST HAVE BEEN A MILE LONG AND APPEARED QUITE DESERTED IN THE WAKE OF THE PASSING STORM. I DIDN'T HAVE TIME TO CAMP OVER AND DECIDED TO HEAD BACK TO VICTORIA, A 4 TO 5 HOUR RIDE. AS SOON AS I GOT ON THE ROAD IT STARTED TO RAIN AND DIDN'T LET UP UNTIL I ARRIVED IN VICTORIA AT 11 PM THAT EVENING. I STOPPED AT THE FIRST HOTEL I COULD FIND TO DRY OUT AND HAVE A HOT SHOWER AND ASKED MYSELF IF I REALLY KNEW WHAT I WAS DOING.

THE MORNING BROUGHT SOME SUNSHINE AND I DECIDED TO CALL GRANT "LIMPLY" MADILL, GOURMET CHEF OF "LE MASON TUG BOAT" AND KITE MAKER PAR EXCELLANCE. I HAD HEARD THAT HE HAD RECENTLY HAD AN ACCIDENT WITH HIS MOTORCYCLE WITH AN OUT-OF-TOWNER TURNING LEFT IN FRONT OF GRANT, LEAVING HIM WITH HIS RIGHT LEG IN A CAST UP TO HIS HIP. (I HOPE YOU'RE BACK ON YOUR FEET BY THE TIME YOU READ THIS, WE'VE GOT A BIKE TRIP PLANNED FOR OHIO NEXT YEAR, AND YOU BETTER BE IN SHAPE) I WAS QUICKLY ACCEPTED FOR THE CHAUFFER JOB AND HAD A GREAT TIME BUZZING AROUND VICTORIA IN A FOUR-WHEELER.

I WAS ABLE TO STAY WITH THE INFAMOUS BERNARD STEWART OF FLEXI-FOIL FAME AND ALSO THE BRAINS BEHIND THE "VICTORIA KITE CLUB" WHICH OFFERS A PATCH, A CARD AND NEWSLETTER FOR LIFE FOR THE SUM OF 10\$ CANADIAN, CAN YOU BELIEVE THAT? WHILE STAYING WITH BERNARD I HEARD ABOUT SOME OF THE INCREDIBLE STUNTS THAT HE AND BARRY HEIBERT HAVE ATTEMPTED WHICH INCLUDE CROSSING THE SOUND IN A RUBBER RAFT POWERED BY FLEXI-FOILS. SOME OF THE ATTEMPTS HAVE ENDED UP IN THE

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FROM PG. 2

PAPERS AS WELL AS HAVING BARRY END UP IN THE HOSPITAL. I GUESS MARY ELLEN (MRS. HEIBERT) IS KEEPING AN EYE ON BARRY THESE DAYS AND HIS SAILING DAYS ARE OVER, THANK GOODNESS.

BARRY IS ONE OF THE MANY FINE KITEMAKERS OF VICTORIA THAT I RAN INTO WHEN FLYING AT CLOVER POINT AND ENJOYS THE TWO LINE STUNT KITES OF THE FLEXI OR RAINBOW VARIETYS. BEFORE I LEFT I HAD THE OPPURTUNITY TO FLY BARRY'S TRAIN OF 10 FLEXIES WHICH WAS REALLY FUN. JERRY "THE LUMBER MAN" BROUGHT OUT HIS 'W' KITE WHICH IS IN THE PELHAM BOOK BUT SCALED UP TO STAND ABOUT 9 FEET TALL, DECORATED WITH THE CANADIAN FLAG AND PUT TOGETHER WITH LOTS OF RUBBER BANDS. BERNARD FLEW A TRAIN OF 5(?) 10 FOOT WIDE FLEXI-FOILS IN SOME GREAT COLORS WHICH HE HAD SAILING ACROSS THE SKY IN GRACEFUL SWEEPS JUST OVER THE GROUND. IT'S SOMETHING TO BE EXPERIENCED. GRANT HAD A FEW OF HIS "ROCKET" KITES AS WELL AS SOME LIGHT WIND TISSUE DELTAS WHICH HE FLEW FROM THE TAILGATE OF HIS CAR. ONE KITE THAT GRANT HAD WHICH I HAD NOT SEEN BEFORE WAS A TISSUE PAPER FIGHTER FROM HONG KONG WHICH FLEW VERY WELL. TOM KOWALCHUK OF THE 'VICTORIA KITE STORE' (THE SMALLEST KITE STORE IN THE WORLD) CAME OUT WITH A PAPER CENTIPEDE KITE THAT HE SELLS BY THE FOOT WHICH SEEMED TO FLY GREAT. EVIDENTLY BECAUSE OF THE TRADE RELATIONS THAT CANADA HAS WITH THE ORIENT IT IS EASIER FOR THE CANADIAN KITE INDUSTRY TO IMPORT SOME VARIETYS OF KITES FROM CHINA AND HONG KONG THAN IT IS FOR THE SHOPS IN THE USA. THE FIGHTER KITES OF GRANT'S WERE FROM A SMALL GIFT SHOP IN CHINATOWN IN VANCOUVER AND NOT A KITE SHOP AT ALL.

ON SEPTEMBER 15 I LEFT VICTORIA AND MADE MY WAY DOWN TO SALT LAKE CITY WHERE I MET LARRY AND LIZ FOOTE. LARRY HAPPENS TO BE ANOTHER ONE OF US KITER-BIKERS, ALTHOUGH LARRY IS INTO THE MORE EXOTIC ITALIAN BIKES AND ALSO LIMITED EDITION KITES SUCH AS THE 150 FOOT DRAGON KITES BY HELOISE LOCHMAN, AND A ONE OF A KIND KITES ,SUCH AS A KITE

BUILT BY LOIS CLARK WITH THE LOGO FOR ONE OF LARRY'S MOTORCYCLES "LAVERDA" APPLIQUED AS THE DESIGN.

THIS WAS MY FIRST TIME VISITING THE WASATCH MOUNTAIN RANGE THAT BORDERS THE EASTERN BOUNDARY OF SALT LAKE CITY. A TOUCH OF FALL WAS IN THE AIR AND THE SCRUB OAKS WERE JUST BEGINNING TO TURN RED AS THE "QUAKES" SHIMMERED IN GOLDEN YELLOW. A VISIT TO SALT LAKE CITY WOULDN'T BE COMPLETE WITH OUT STOPPING BY PROVO UTAH AND VISITING LOIS CLARK THE TALENTED KITEMAKER WHO'S HURRIKITES ARE WELL KNOW BY THEIR BRIGHT GRAPHICS AND EXCELLENT CRAFTSMANSHIP.

FROM SALT LAKE I TOOK HIGHWAY 40 TO DENVER AND VISITED "HI-FLI KITES" A KITE SHOP RUN BY REZA RAGHEB OUT IN THE MIDDLE OF AURORA , ABOUT 15 MILES OUT OF DOWNTOWN DENVER. REZA IS THE SOLE IMPORTER OF THE VERTICAL VISUAL KITES MADE BY JILLY PELHAM AND DAVE POWAL OF ENGLAND. THESE KITES ARE SOME OF THE MOST UNIQUE DESIGNS AND COLORS THAT I'VE SEEN SO FAR ON THIS JOURNEY, AND WELL WORTH ADDING TO YOUR COLLECTION IF YOU HAVE A FAT BANK ACCOUNT. I PARTICULARILY LIKE THE CLASSIC ROLLER FOR IT'S FLYABILITY AND UNIQUE COLOR COMBINATIONS.

BOULDER, COLORADO STILL RETAINS IT'S SMALL TOWN ATMOSPHERE AND IS THE HOME OF "INTO THE WIND" A KITE STORE THAT IS EASILY FOUND ONCE YOU FIND THE NATURAL FOOD RESTRAUNT ON PEARL STREET (THE KITE SHOP IS RIGHT BEHIND IT). THE OWNERS JIM GLASS AND GEORGE EMMONS ALSO HAVE A MAIL ORDER BUSINESS OF THE SAME NAME AND HAVE COME OUT WITH TWO VERSIONS OF A DELTA-CONYNE CALLED THE "DC-6" AND "DC-8". I WAS WONDERING IF THE "DC" WAS SUPPOSE TO MEAN DENVER COLORADO BUT FORGOT TO ASK. THE WINDS IN THIS AREA ARE QUITE TRICKY TO FLY IN AND I WENT OUT TO TRY MY LUCK WITH THE KITES I HAD BROUGHT ALONG AND COULDN'T FLY ANYTHING. GEORGE PUT UP ONE OF HIS "DC'S AND IT WENT UP AND STAYED UP, FIRST CLIMBING THRU LIGHT TURBULANT BREEZE AND THEN TAKING SOME VERY STRONG WIND AT HIGHER ALTITUDES, NOT A BAD TRICK FOR ANY KITE. CONT. PG. 4

FROM PG. 3

ON MY WAY OUT OF TOWN I STOPPED BY THE SKYNASOUR FOLKS IN LOUISVILLE, AND CAUGHT THEM ON THE WAY OUT THE DOOR, THE WIND WAS UP AND THEY HAD CLOSED THE OFFICE TO GO KITE FLYING, SO I TAGGED ALONG TO SEE WHAT THEY WERE UP TO.

THE WINDS WERE BLOWING ABOUT 20 TO 30 MPH AND IT WAS A WARM AND SUNNY DAY WITH FEW CLOUDS. WE DROVE ABOUT 5 MILES FROM THE OFFICE TO A PLACE THEY CALLED "THE RUINS" THE FORMER LOCATION OF A RESTAURANT THAT BURNED DOWN. THE FIELD ADJACENT TO THE PARKING AREA OF THIS RESTAURANT HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS "GREEN SPACE" AND IS A BUFFER ZONE OF RANGE LAND SURROUNDING BOULDER AND AN EXCELLENT PLACE TO FLY KITES. IT DOES HAVE A FEW WEEDS AND CATUS BUT YOU CAN'T HAVE EVERYTHING!! I HAD NEVER FLOWN A SKYNASOUR BEFORE BUT HAD HEARD OF THE KITE IN A NUMBER OF SPORTING GOOD SHOPS AS WELL AS KITE STORES. WHEN THEY SET THEM UP (IT DOESN'T TAKE LONG) AND STARTED FLYING IT WAS INCREDIBLE TO WATCH A KITE DRAG SOMEONE AROUND THE FIELD. THEY CAN REALLY DO THAT, I HAVE FIRST HAND EXPERIENCE. CURRENTLY THE SKYNASOUR FOLKS ARE WORKING ON A SMALLER MODEL WHICH WON'T BE AS DIFFICULT TO HANDLE, AND SHOULD BE OUT LATE '83 OR SOMETIME IN '84. THE ONLY CRITICISM I HAVE ABOUT THE SKYNASOUR IS THE TWISTED NYLON FLYING LINES PROVIDED WITH THE KITE, IT STRETCHES TOO MUCH. SKYNASOUR HAS DONATED A KITE FOR MY JOURNEY AND IF YOU CARE TO TRY IT OUT WHEN I PASS THRU I WOULD BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO SHOW IT TO YOU.

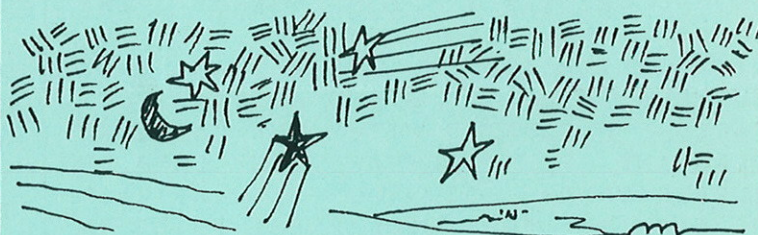
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, I ARRIVED IN KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI AFTER TWO DAYS ON INTERSTATE 70, KANSAS WAS PRETTY FLAT WITH LOTS OF WIND. IN KCMO I STAYED WITH BILL SHAPIRO AND LYNN REESE, KITE FRIENDS OF CAROL AND THE BIMBO OF S.F. (AFTER MY VISIT, I'AM NOT SURE THEY'RE STILL FRIENDS, BUT I HOPE SO). BILL FLYS ABOUT THREE BLOCKS FROM HIS HOME AND WE TRIED FLYING FOR SEVERAL DAYS BUT THE KANSAS WINDS MUST HAVE STOPPED AT STATELINE. WE WERE ABLE TO FLY SOME

LIGHT WIND PARAFOLDS AND GRANDMASTERS BUT LITTLE ELSE WOULD COOPERATE. I TOOK IN SEVERAL QUILT SHOWS THAT WERE HAPPENING AND HAD A NICE TIME EXPLORING THIS OASIS IN MIDDLE AMERICA BEFORE HEADING FOR DETROIT AND THE 5TH ANNUAL AKA CONVENTION.....



TO BE CONTINUED.....
NEXT ISSUE!!

I THOUGHT HE WOULD NEVER STOP!!



FLYING BY NIGHT*****

SOME OF MY MOST INTERESTING FLYING HAS BEEN OCCURRING AT NIGHT THESE DAYS. AS THE WINTER MONTHS HAVE DECENDED UPON THE JOURNEY THERE SEEMS TO BE LESS AND LESS DAYLIGHT HOURS TO FLY IN SO IF THE NIGHT WINDS ARE UP, YOU MAY AS WELL TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THEM.

THE FIRST TIME I FLEW AT NIGHT WAS AT THE MARROWSTONE MUSIC CAMP IN WASHINGTON. I WAS WITH JACK VAN GILDER AND WE ATTACHED A SMALL FIREWORKS TO A PARFOIL, LIT IT AND SENT IT UP. IT LOOKED PRETTY GOOD BUT NEEDED TO BE SOMETHING THAT WOULD LAST A LITTLE LONGER LIKE A FLARE FOR ANYONE TO REALLY SEE IT. SINCE ANY TYPE OF FIREWORKS WERE RESTRICTED OFF THE FACILITY WE DIDN'T TRY ANYTHING ELSE THAT EVENING.

ON MY WAY ACROSS KANSAS I CAMPED AT AN INTERSTATE REST AREA AND THE WINDS WERE A GOOD STEADY 12-15 MPH. I COULDN'T LET THEM GO TO WASTE, SO I TOOK OUT MY J-16 CUSTOM AND ATTACHED A FLUORESCENT FLASHLIGHT TO THE BRIDLE POINT. SINCE AN AIRPORT WAS NEAR BY I DID'T FLY TOO LONG WITH THE LIGHT ON, BUT DID TETHER THE KITE FOR A WHILE AFTER REMOVING THE LIGHT.

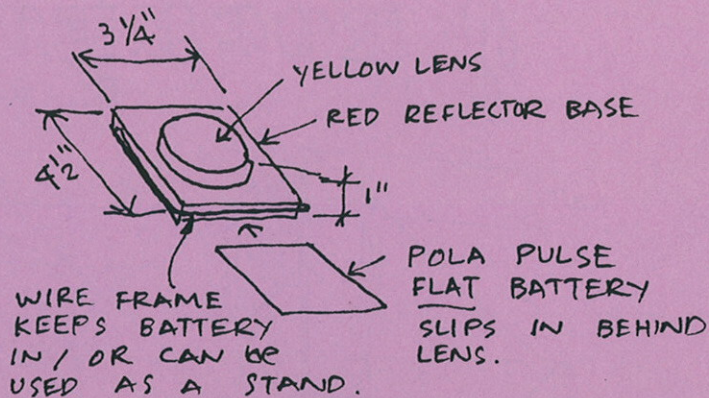
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AFTER THE DETROIT CONVENTION I VISITED ADRIAN CONN IN WINSOR, ONTARIO AND WENT NIGHT FLYING AT A NEARBY SCHOOL YARD. JODY AND I PUT TWO STROBES INTO THE OUTER LEGS OF A "SIAMESE FLOWFORM" (ADRIAN ENJOYS BUILDING UNIQUE KITES) AND SENT IT OFF. THE EFFECT WAS EXCELLENT, SINCE THE STROBES WERE BUILT IN CLEAR PLASTIC BOXES THEY COULD BE SEEN FROM ALL ANGLES. THE WEIGHT OF THE STROBES MOST LIKELY EFFECTED THE FLIGHT CHARACTERISTICS AND THE KITE WAS REALLY MOVING AROUND THE NIGHT SKY UNTIL IT FINALLY WENT INTO ONE OF "WHAT DO I DO NOW" DIVES AND EJECTED THE STROBES, JUST BEFORE IMPACT. THE FALLING STROBES LOOKED LIKE TWIN FALLING STARS. WHEN WE PICKED UP THE PIECES, ONE HAD COMPLETELY SELF-DESTRUCTED AND THE OTHER GOT AWAY WITH MINOR INJURIES.

ADRIAN'S STROBES WERE BUILT FROM A KIT AVAILABLE FROM CHANEY ELECTRONIC INC. THEY CALL THEM A "3VDC WARNING FLASHER KIT C3207" AND COST ABOUT \$7.95 THIS KIT IS ONLY FOR THE ELECTONICS, YOU NEED TO ADD A BATTERY PACK, MICRO-SWITCH AND A BOX. FOR MORE INFROMATION, WRITE: CHANELY ELECTRONICS INC. , CATALOG #24-C 1982/1983, P.O. BOX 27038, DENVER, CO 80227.

MY LATEST NIGHT FLYING ADVENTURE WAS A WARM NOVEMBER EVENING IN NEW ENGLAND. THIS TIME I WAS OUT WITH LARRY AND CYNDY , AND WE FLEW TWO LINERS. LARRY HAD A PETER POWELL WITH TWO CYALUME LIGHTSTICKS ON THE CENTER SPAR AND I HAD A STACK OF 6 RAINBOWS WITH A LIGHT STICK ON THE LEAD KITE AND ONE MORE ON KITE #3. CYNDY HELPED LARRY FOR A WHILE AND THEN TOOK A TURN FLYING THE RAINBOWS.

WE HAD TRIED TO FLY WITH AN INTERESTING LOOKING STROBE UNIT LARRY HAD PICKED UP AT A GAS STATION IN MAINE ON ONE OF HIS TRAVELS. IT'S REALLY A UNIQUE ITEM THAT HAS A FLAT, YES YOU READ CORRECTLY ,FOLKS!, A FLAT 6 VOLT BATTERY. THE BATTERY SLIPS INTO A SLOT BEHIND A YELLOW LENS COVER AND



POLA PULSE - SLOW STROBE RATE.
(THE KIT IS BRIGHTER & QUICKER)

MAKES FOR A VERY COMPACT PACKAGE THAT WEIGHTS ABOUT 4OZ. THE UNIT IS CALLED A POLA PULSE, MANUFACTURED BY POLAROID AND COST ABOUT \$5.00. ALTHOUGH IT WAS TOO HEAVY FOR THE STUNT KITES IT LOOKS LIKE IT WOULD BE IDEAL FOR SENDING UP IN OTHER TYPES OF KITES.

SO NEXT TIME THE SUN GOES DOWN, DON'T PUT YOUR KITES AWAY, JUST TURN ON YOUR LIGHTS.

FROM THE REFRIGERATOR DOOR OF SUSANNE SADOW: 'IF EVERYTHING IS COMING YOUR WAY YOU MUST BE DRIVING IN THE WRONG LANE.'

FISH CREEK WHERE????????????????????????????????????

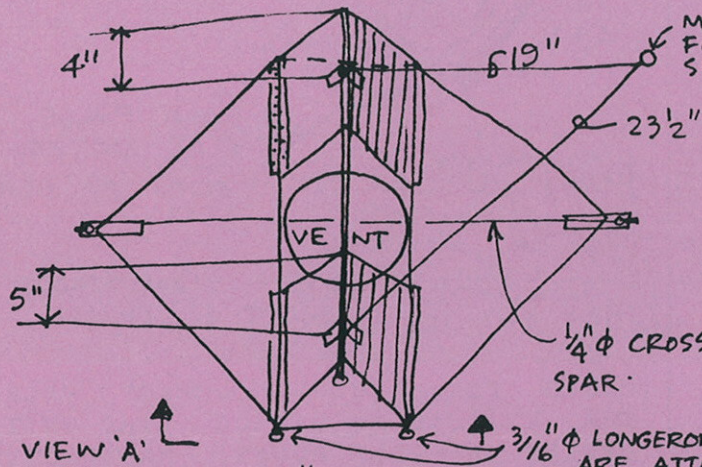
TOBY SCHLICK OF THE FISH CREEK KITE CO. IS JUST ONE OF THE LIVES EXPLORED IN A BOOK ABOUT DOOR COUNTY, WISCONSIN BY AUTHOR NORBERT BLEI. THE BOOK ENTITLED "DOOR WAY" CELEBRATES THE UNIQUE LANDSCAPE OF THIS AREA THRU ITS INHABITANTS AND ITS HISTORY. TOBY IS ONE OF THE PEOPLE NORBERT WRITES ABOUT AS BEING AN INDIVIDUAL THAT CONTRIBUTES HIS THREAD OF KNOWLEDGE AND INTERESTS OF KITES TO THE TAPESTRY CALLED DOOR COUNTY. SO NEXT TIME THE SOMEONE NEEDS TO KNOW SOMETING ABOUT MIDDLE AMERICA GET A COPY OF "DOOR WAY" AND SAY HELLO TO TOBY WHILE YOU'RE THERE.

DOOR WAY IS PUBLISHED BY THE ELLIS PRESS, PEORIA, ILL, 1981.

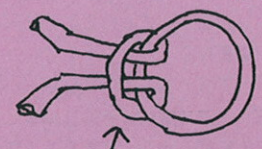


ROCKET KITE

BY G. "LIMPLY" MADILL, VICTORIA, B.C. CANADA



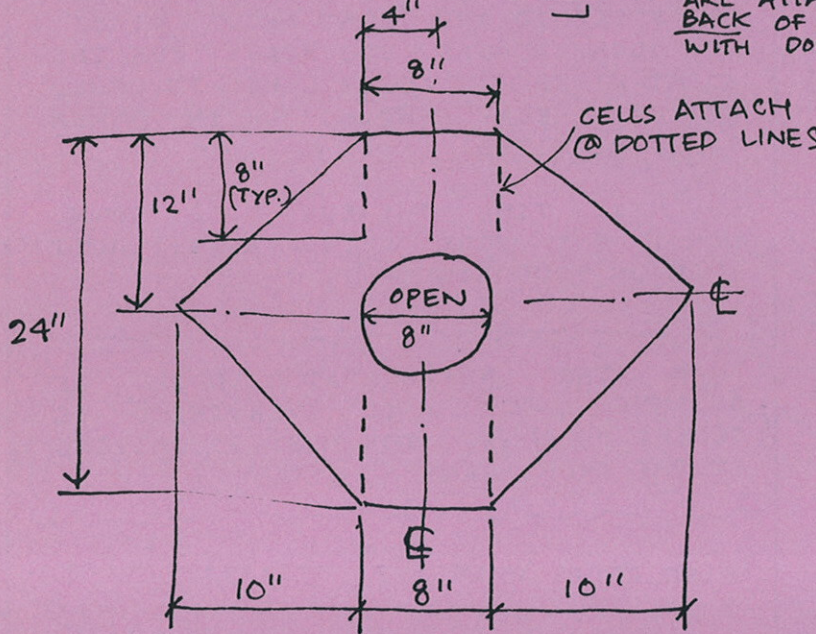
MINI-SPLIT RING FOUND @ FISHING SUPPLY PLACES



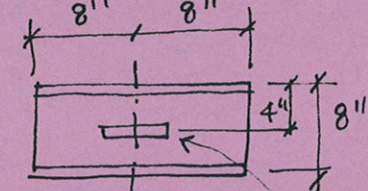
ADJ. HITCH FOR MOVING BRIDLE IF NEEDED.

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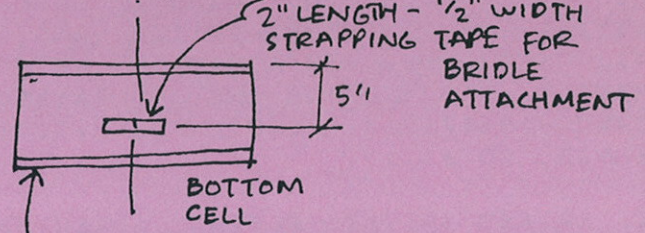
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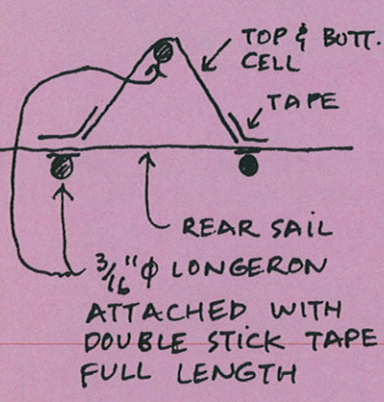
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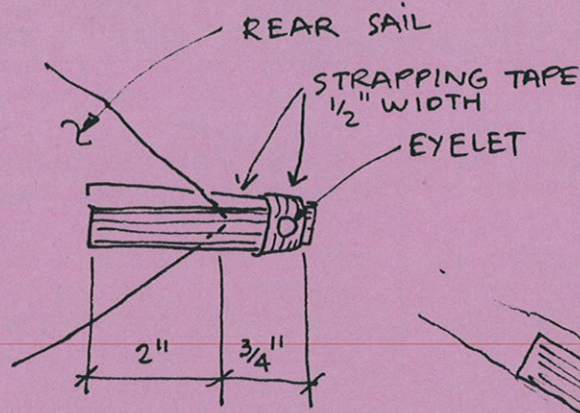
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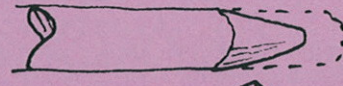
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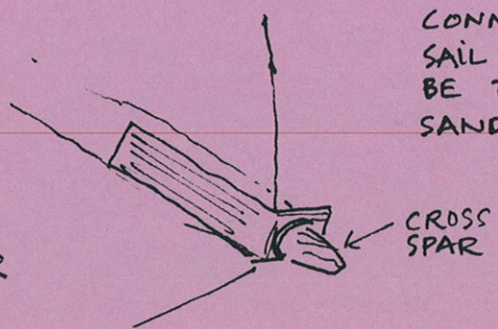
VIEW 'A'



CROSS SPAR "VARLEY" CONNECTOR



SHARPEN ENDS OF CROSS SPAR TO FIT CONNECTORS. SAIL SHOULD BE TAUT. & SAND SMOOTH



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BOSTON 11

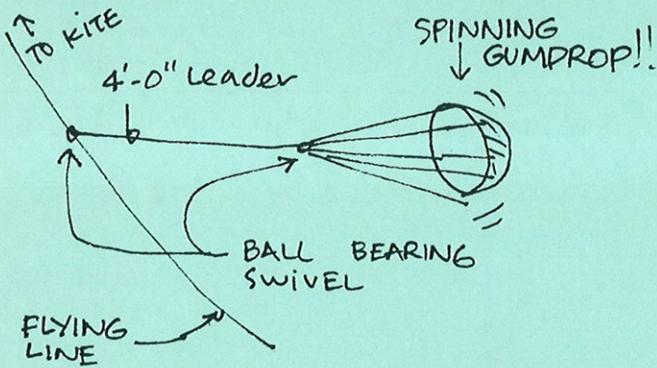
GUMDROPS:*****

LOOK, UP IN THE SKY, IT'S A BIRD,
NO IT'S A DROUGE, NO YOU'RE BOTH
WRONG IT'S A SPINNING GUMDROP. WHEN
GEORGE HAM WAS IN SEATTLE HE MET
FELLOW PARAFOLIO MAKER DOUG HAGAMAN.
WHEN DOUG DECIDED TO BREEZE THRU
THE CITY BY THE GOLDEN GATE HE
SHOWED GEORGE A SPINNING DROUGE
THAT HE HAD GOT FROM DOM JALBERT.

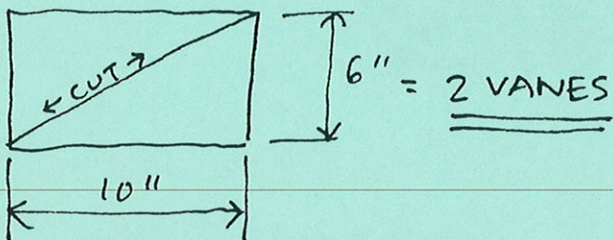
I WAS ABLE TO TALK WITH DOM AT THE
AKA CONVENTION TO ASK HIM ABOUT THE
DROUGE AND HE SAID THAT HE HAD
INVENTED IT, BUT THAT WE COULD
PUBLISH PLANS SO YOU CAN MAKE YOUR
OWN.

THE PLANS THAT FOLLOW ARE A
VARIATION OF THE ORIGINAL AND SEEM
TO WORK QUITE WELL. YOU SHOULD
EXPERIMENT AND TRY VARIING SIZE, AND
NUMBER OF VANES AND SEE WHAT
HAPPENS.

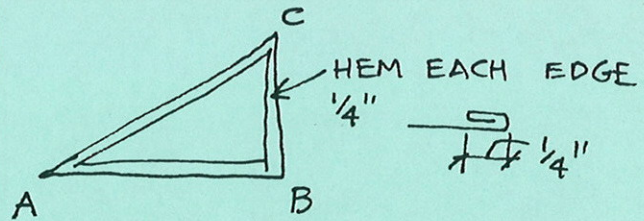
CURRENTLY GEORGE IS WORKING ON
MAKING 100 OF THE THINGS IN VARIOUS
SIZES TO BE LIFTED ON THE LINE OF
ONE OF HIS GIANT PARAFOLIOS. LAST
TIME I SAW GEORGE HE HAD ABOUT 15 TO
20 COMPLETED, HOW'S IT GOING NOW,
GEORGE?



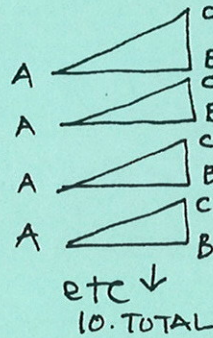
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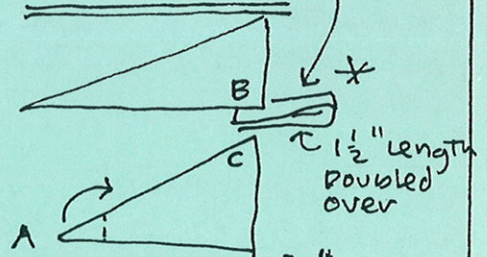
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HEAT CUT W/ SOLDERING IRON
OR HOT KNIFE.



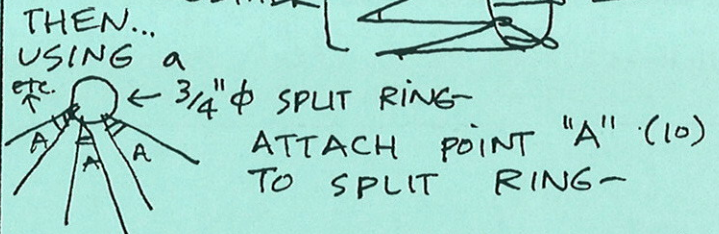
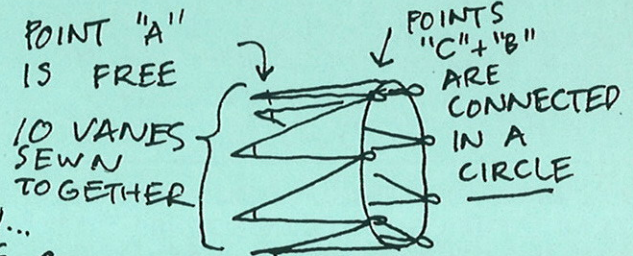
ATTACH 10 VANES
TO ONE ANOTHER, POINTS
"C" TO POINT "B"



ADD A LOOP
OF WEBBING
IN BETWEEN
AS YOU GO.



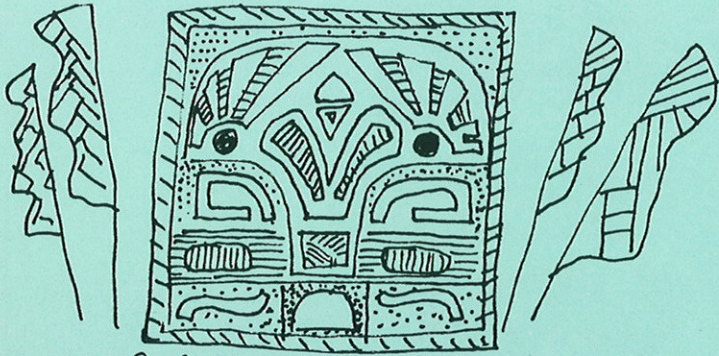
FOLD
TIP "A" TO FORM A LOOP - 3/8"
AT THIS END. DO THIS ON
ALL 10 VANES.



* ADD 20"-30" BRIDLES - 100#
TEST BRAIDED LINE - (THE
WEIGHT IS MORE IMPORTANT
THAN STRENGTH.) TIP LINES
EQUAL LENGTH - TO BALL BEARING
SWIVEL. ADD 4 FOOT LEADER
AND ANOTHER SWIVEL, TO
ATTACH TO YOUR FLYING LINE -
& WATCH EVERYTHING GET
TWISTED UP.

GOOD LUCK 😊

ICE & HOT KITES!!

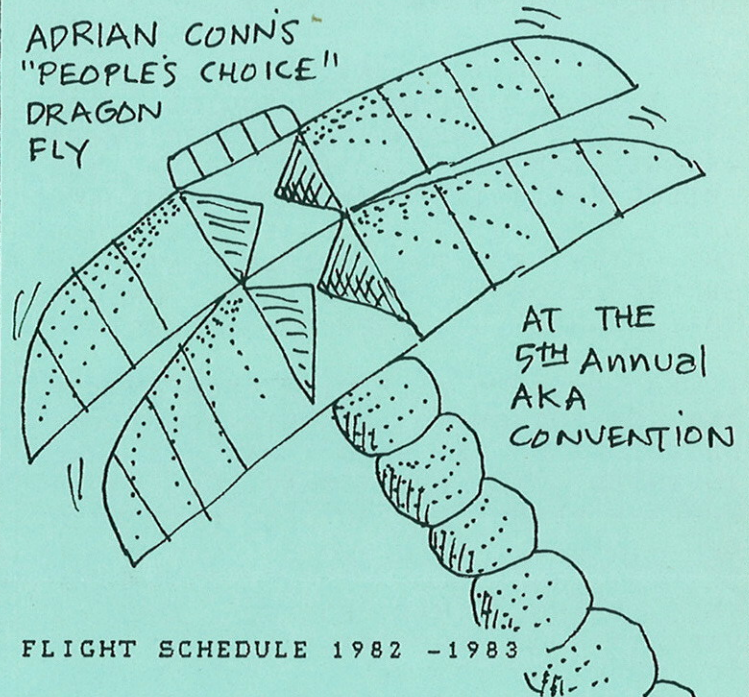


ICE & AIR ENVIRONMENTAL
ART @ FROZEN LAKE GEORGE
UP STATE N.Y. SOMETIME IN
FEB. GET YOUR MITTENS OUT -
GEORGE PETERS, TAL STREETER +
PLUS MORE.

NOTE!! TAMURA-SAN, KAZUO IS
COMING TO TUCSON ARIZONA
WITH 4 OTHER SHIRONE KITE PEOPLE
DEC. 7, 1982

AND NEEDS INFORMATION @ KITE
SITES + WEATHER. PLEASE WRITE
HIM A.S.A.P. IF YOU HAVE ANY
INKLING WHAT TUCSON'S ABOUT!!
KAZO TAMURA, SAKURA-MACHI,
SHIRONE-SHI, NIIGATA-KEN
〒 950-12 JAPAN THANKS

ADRIAN CONN'S
"PEOPLE'S CHOICE"
DRAGON
FLY



AT THE
5TH Annual
AKA
CONVENTION

FLIGHT SCHEDULE 1982 - 1983

NOVEMBER 21 - "MAYOR OF THE GREEN
DAY"
DECEMBER 19 - "CHRISTMAS KITE FLY"
JANUARY 2 - IF YOU CAN OPEN YOUR
EYES COME OUT AND FLY.
FEBRUARY 13 - HEART KITE DAY

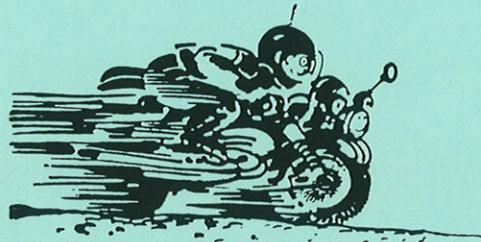
KITE FLYER'S FLIGHT PAD IS LOCATED
AT THE SAN FRANCISCO MARINA GREEN.
WE USUALLY GATHER NEAR THE MONUMENT
AT THE MID-LENGTH OF THE GREEN.
THESE FLYS ARE NON-COMPETITIVE. SEE
GEORGE HAM FOR YOUR I.A.K.U. CARD.

BY WAY OF STANDARD REFERENCE--KITE FLYER NEWS IS AVAILABLE SIX TIMES A
YEAR (WEATHER PERMITTING) AT THE MINIMAL COST OF A TRIP TO DOGGIE
DINER--FIVE BUCKS A YEAR. SEND ALL MONEY, TRADING STAMPS OR GOLD BARS
TO: KITE FLYER, 1883 GRAND VIEW DRIVE, OAKLAND, CA 94618

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