

Welcome to a short bulletin version of the NKG newsletter. The AGM has come and gone and I will reprint the full minutes in the next newsletter. You should also have a subscription renewal form in the same envelope as this bulletin if you haven't already renewed your subs for this year. Subscriptions are due from March 1st 2009.

Welcome to New Members

John McNally, Dianne Allman, Michael Allman, Jason Wilson, Stacey Wigham, Lewis Wigham, Tia Wigham, Jack Wigham

NKG Fly-ins 2009 - 2010

2009

15	Feb	New Brighton/Pontefract
15	Mar	Roundhay Park
19	Apr	Crosby
17	May	Pontefract
21	Jun	Fleetwood
12	Jul	Ainsdale
15/16	Aug	Bolton le Sands
19/20	Sep	Chester
11	Oct	Otterspool/Pontefract OSOW
18	Oct	Otterspool LUTS
15	Nov	Beacon/Roundhay
13	Dec	Otterspool/Stainland Xmas Fly-in

2010

17	Jan	AGM Oldham
21	Feb	New Brighton/Pontefract
21	Mar	Roundhay

Beacon Kite Festival 2009

There were reports in the Champion newspaper of forthcoming budget cuts that may affect many council run events and services and one of those under threat was the Beacon Kite Festival.

However we have now received word via our lovely Chairman Enid that the festival has not been one of those affected by the cuts and everything is going ahead as planned.

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Other Kite Events

3/4	May	Driffield
30/31	May	Harewood House
6/7	Jun	Beacon Park Kite Festival
6/7	Jun	Wirral International Kite Festival
14	Jun	Moss Bank Park Bolton
4/5	Jul	St Helens Kite Festival
4/5	Jul	Sunderland Kite Festival
19	Jul	Morecambe Kite Festival
11/12	Jul	Barmouth
18/19	Jul	Leominster
25/26	Jul	Silloth
1/2	Aug	Woodvale Rally
1	Aug	Sheffield Kite Festival
15/16	Aug	Shrewsbury
12/13	Sep	Bristol International Kite Festival
27	Sep	Wakefield
3/4	Oct	Bolton Abbey

New Secretary for the NKG

As many of you know John Welborn had announced his plans to step down as Secretary of the group some time ago and we had been looking for a replacement to step into his shoes.

And I am happy to say we have finally found the man for the job. Dave Bleasdale has agreed to take over the job of secretary and John will continue to offer help and advice during the transition until Dave is fully up to speed.

I'm sure everyone will join me in wishing good luck to Dave and also a very big thank you to John for his tireless efforts over the years in the NKG.

NKG Photo Competition

Neil Edwards has started a quarterly Photo Competition on the NKG web site forums.

The competition forum is at the bottom of the list of topics and also contains help on how to submit your entries.

Rules:

You have to be a member of the NKG (not just a forum member).

Picture must be kite/NKG related.

Entry is maximum 2 pics per person.

Must be submitted on time. Late entries will be removed.

Submission of your entry is taken as assurance that the work is your own and taken within the time relevant for the current competition.

Pics to be available for the NKG mag, but remain the property of the entrant and no image theft allowed without express permission of the photographer.

Kites for Sale

A message from Paul & Helene from skybums. As most people will know Tony Slater passed away in October, his wife has asked them to sell off his collection of kites.

Anyway they have asked me to pass this info onto our members & you can see the kites that are for sale by visiting their web site:

<http://www.skybums.freemove.co.uk/>
and clicking on Tony's Kites.

Kite Workshop

If anyone is interested in attending a kite building workshop and hasn't already let me know then please contact me for details.

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NKG Web Site changes

The NKG website has been hosted since its inception by one of our members Malcolm Pitcher for free, but Malcolm is moving on to pastures new abroad so our thanks go out to Malcolm for his generosity in hosting the site for so long.

Thanks also to Peter Bindon for all his hard work in managing the site and transferring it to its new home, upgrading the software and with no loss of service to our members.



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Submissions to the Newsletter

I was recently asked how someone could send me something for the newsletter and in what format they could send it, so I thought I would put a note in here about how to do it.

The simple answer is, any way you like....

If you want to send me something, keep it simple, don't worry about type or size, just jot it down in an email, or word or text document, anything I get sent gets changed into the newsletter format anyway. If you want to type it and post it then that's fine too, I'll just re-type it at this end. You can also send it on a CD if you so desire.

Photos? I like photos, these I always prefer to get in the highest size/Resolution you can send them to me in so I can reproduce them at the best possible quality in the newsletter, you can send them on CD or by email, either format is good for me.

So what sort of things go in the club newsletter?

Write ups of fly-ins and festivals are always appreciated, news about future events, Photos, old, new and funny are also good. Got any thoughts on the group or any tips you think other people might find useful then please send it to me for the next newsletter.

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