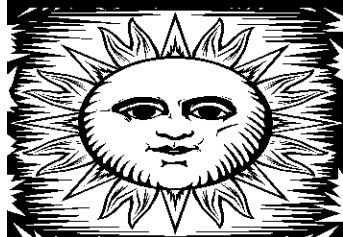
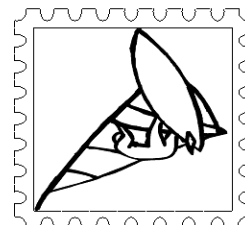


RVWA. 
P.O. BOX 547
RIO VISTA, CA 94571

RVWA
NEWS LETTER
SPRING 2003



TO:

A. WINDUSER
1 WINDY SPOT
PLANET EARTH 94639

WHAT'S UP FOR 2003

Rio Viento will be up and running this season. Rio Viento is the RV park that you have seen being constructed at 4460 W Sherman Island Rd. — You got it, right in the middle of Sherman Islands' sailing area. For more information, check out their web site: www.rioviento.com or email to info@rioviento.com. The premises look great! Check out the new driveway. We hope you get a chance to stay in the only on the water RV park on west Sherman Island.

I am proud to announce that the new board of directors is hard at work. Brian Geasa has redesigned our web site. Check it out at RVWA.com or RVWA.org. There is a place to post questions that, I am sure will be more widely used when people find out how much fun it is. There are also some new pictures. Brian would like a few more good pictures, so contact him through our web site if you have any good ones. Brian has also pulled together our tide charts.

George Ground is busy with mowing the lawns. Steve Smith is lining up Porta Potties. Rob Mackenzie is checking out the Water District. Wes Erle is taking over our books. Renee MacDougal is setting up our agenda and taking notes. Wayne Makabe has been talking to kites and picking up our mail. John Pray and Cookie Diggs have been working on By-laws. As the season continues, we hope to get a line or two from each of our site representatives for the news letter.

Gary and Amalie haven't set a date for the Lobsterfest yet, but they have been in contact and hope to have the date soon. Presently, it appears as though the old crew will be back to help again with all the Lobsterfest details.

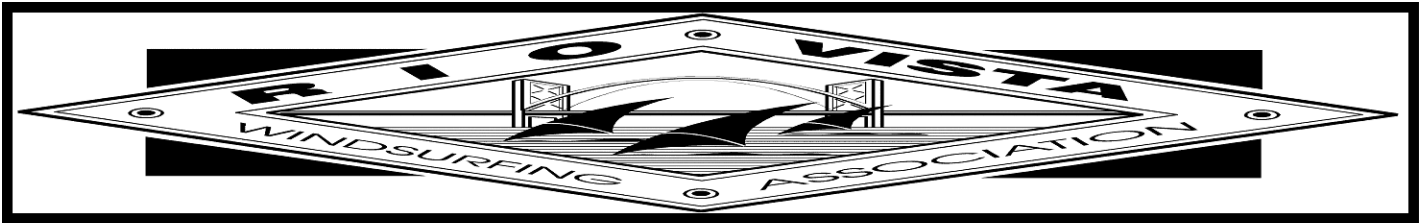
When you see a member of the board of directors, give them a personal thank you. There are many hours of work that goes into running an organization like ours.

Thank You board,
The Membership!

NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTED

President (officer and director) STEVE SMITH
 Vice-President (officer and director) BRIAN GEASA
 Treasurer (officer and director) WES IRLE
 Secretary (officer and director) RENEE MACDOUGAL
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 Director representing The Sign LANE SYKES
 Director representing Little Baja WAYNE MAKABE
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 Director representing County Park JANE WILLITTS
 Director At Large (News Letter) COOKIE DIGGS
 Director At Large CAROLE SCOFIELD
 Director At Large ROB MACKENZIE
 Director At Large MIKE CONNER
 Director At Large JOHN PRAY
 Director At Large ROCKY STONE

	FYE 3/31/2004	FYE 3/31/2003	FYE 3/31/2002	FYE 3/31/2001
	Budget	Actual	Actual	Actual
Cash at Beginning of Year	4,034.75	7,139.90	3,618.27	1,118.28
Receipts	15,000.00	20,480.00	14,816.00	11,554.00
Site Leases	1,500.00	1,500.00	3,000.00	1,500.00
Insurance	2,500.00	2,105.25	2,005.25	2,006.00
Tide Charts	1,300.00	1,268.81	959.26	904.00
Newsletter & Mailings	2,000.00	1,944.45	1,044.63	755.72
Toilets	2,000.00	1,555.26	1,763.82	1,902.91
PG&E -The Sign	600.00	533.35	301.89	162.86
Sand Bags	2,200.00	905.30	1,962.00	1,545.00
Website	0.00	60.00	175.00	175.00
PO Box Rental	65.00	65.00	64.00	64.00
US Windsurfing Assn	50.00	50.00		
Misc	100.00	43.88	18.52	38.52
Site Improvements	3,000.00	13,553.85		
Total Expenses	15,315.00	23,585.15	11,294.37	9,054.01
Outstanding Check 678			2006.00	2006.00
Cash at End of Year	3,719.75	4,034.75	9,145.90	5,624.27



**APPLICATION FOR
RVWA — RIO VISTA WINDSURFING ASSOCIATION
SICO — SHERMAN ISLAND KITE ASSOCIATION
P. O. BOX 547, RIO VISTA, CA. 94571**

RENEWAL NEW ADDRESS KITE WINDSURF KITE & WINDSURF

TO HELP AVOID INCORRECT INFORMATION PLEASE WRITE CLEARLY

FIRST NAME _____ LAST NAME _____

COMPANY NAME _____

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CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ BUSINESS PHONE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP CONTRIBUTION (APRIL 1 TO MARCH 30)

___ INDIVIDUAL-\$20

___ FAMILY-\$30 OR MORE

___ SUSTAINING-\$50 OR MORE

___ CORPORATE-\$100 OR MORE

REFERRED BY: _____

OCCUPATION: _____

FAVORITE SAILING SITE _____

WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO VOLUNTEER _____

Rio Vista Windsurfing/Kite Association would like to thank you for your generous support. Your contribution will help ensure that windsurfers and kites can continue to exercise our privileges as we do now. From the sandbags, information signs, Porta-potties, and beach cleanups at various sailing sites, to our political activity in local and state government - your contribution is hard at work.

Your membership entitles you to our tri-annual newsletter, our unique tide charts, parties, and other activities to numerous to list.

SWAP AT THE SIGN

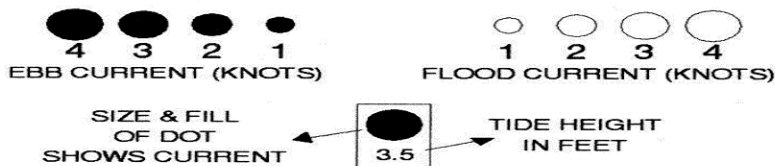
SUNDAY MAY 25TH

10 A. M. TO 2 P. M.

*A Big **THANK YOU** to **Walt White**
for providing Sherman Island Tide Data
that we use to create the
"RVWA Tide Chart and Area Guide".
Walt has been providing the data for 10 years, and
in celebration of this anniversary, he provided this
years data at no charge!*

SHERMAN ISLAND May 2003

6 AM	7 AM	8 AM	9 AM	10 AM	11 AM	12	1 PM	2 PM	3 PM	4 PM	5 PM	6 PM	7 PM	8 PM	9 PM	
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3.2	2.3	1.4	0.6	0.1	-0.1	0.3	0.9	1.7	2.6	3.2	3.6	3.5	3.0	2.4	1.8	2 FRI
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3.6	2.7	1.8	0.9	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	0.4	1.1	1.9	2.7	3.3	3.5	3.3	2.8	2.2	4 SUN
○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	5 MON
4.1	3.5	2.7	1.8	0.9	0.2	-0.2	-0.3	0.1	0.7	1.4	2.2	2.9	3.3	3.3	3.0	6 TUE
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4.3	4.0	3.4	2.6	1.7	0.9	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	0.1	0.7	1.4	2.1	2.7	3.2	3.3	8 THU
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4.2	4.1	3.7	3.1	2.3	1.4	0.7	0.1	-0.2	-0.2	0.2	0.8	1.4	2.1	2.7	3.1	10 SAT
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3.8	4.0	3.9	3.5	2.8	2.1	1.3	0.6	0.1	-0.2	-0.1	0.3	0.9	1.5	2.2	2.8	12 MON
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3.2	3.7	3.9	3.8	3.4	2.7	2.0	1.3	0.6	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.4	1.0	1.7	2.4	14 WED
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2.3	2.9	3.5	3.8	3.7	3.4	2.8	2.0	1.3	0.6	0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.6	1.2	2.0	16 FRI
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1.6	2.0	2.7	3.3	3.7	3.7	3.4	2.8	2.1	1.3	0.6	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.8	1.5	18 SUN
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1.2	1.2	1.6	2.2	2.9	3.4	3.7	3.5	3.0	2.3	1.6	0.9	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.6	20 TUE
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1.1	0.7	0.7	1.2	1.9	2.7	3.4	3.7	3.6	3.1	2.4	1.7	0.9	0.4	0.2	0.4	22 THU
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1.3	0.6	0.2	0.3	0.9	1.7	2.6	3.4	3.8	3.7	3.3	2.5	1.7	1.0	0.5	0.4	24 SAT
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2.5	1.4	0.3	-0.4	-0.7	-0.4	0.4	1.4	2.4	3.3	3.8	3.8	3.4	2.7	1.9	1.2	28 WED
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3.4	2.2	1.0	-0.0	-0.7	-0.9	-0.5	0.3	1.3	2.4	3.3	3.8	3.8	3.4	2.7	1.9	30 FRI
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4.2	3.1	1.8	0.7	-0.3	-0.9	-1.0	-0.5	0.3	1.4	2.4	3.3	3.8	3.8	3.4	2.7	6 AM
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4.8	3.9	2.8	1.6	0.5	-0.4	-0.9	-0.9	-0.4	0.4	1.4	2.4	3.3	3.8	3.8	3.3	8 AM
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5.1	4.7	3.9	2.9	1.7	0.7	-0.2	-0.8	-0.9	-0.4	0.3	1.2	2.2	3.1	3.7	3.9	10 AM
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2.6	3.3	3.8	4.0	3.7	3.2	2.4	1.6	0.8	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.3	1.0	1.8	2.6	4 PM
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1.6	2.2	2.8	3.3	3.6	3.4	3.0	2.3	1.6	0.9	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.6	1.3	2.1	6 PM
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1.2	1.2	1.7	2.3	2.9	3.3	3.3	3.0	2.5	1.8	1.2	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.6	1.1	8 PM
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1.9	1.1	0.4	0.0	0.1	0.5	1.2	2.0	2.7	3.2	3.3	3.0	2.5	1.9	1.4	1.1	4 PM
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2.3	1.4	0.6	0.0	-0.2	0.1	0.6	1.4	2.2	2.9	3.3	3.4	3.0	2.5	1.9	1.4	6 PM
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2.8	1.8	0.9	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	0.1	0.8	1.6	2.4	3.1	3.4	3.3	2.9	2.3	1.8	8 PM
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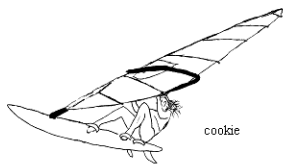
The wind is blowing, and the morning is early. The sailing should be great; but I have to be quiet so that I don't wake David up. David doesn't sail, but that doesn't preclude me from sailing.

The motor home is warm from our body heat so jumping into a wet suit won't be too hard. I put on the coffee and tip toe-to the back for my wet suit. I have to move slowly and quietly so as not to disturb David. Here we go, one leg in, then another. Suck in the tummy and pull up the torso. To the arms we rush. Don't let them flop around and make a wake up noise.

I am so proud of myself, I've completed the task without a sound. I think I'll have that coffee now and maybe a power bar. How sweet the feeling, coffee and food while attired in a wet suit. I relax a minute with my refreshments and ponder the sailing session I am going to have. I wonder how long I'll be able to sail before I fall in. Will I scare myself? Can I do a new trick? I'll never find out if I don't get going.

It's time to finish getting ready. First I slip on my booties. What a stretch that is! I think my wet suit shrank since yesterday. Now the harness. One leg snap, two legs snap. A tug to the right side of the hook and tug to the left. Tighter and tighter I pull, until I can hardly breath. One more yank and the harness is as tight as it can get.

I am glad my sails are rigged. I can slip out the door and jump right into sailing. Shh! I quietly walk to the door and open it. David is still asleep, what luck. I shut the door and pick up my rig. Just as I start to walk away I hear David yell, "Mommy, don't you want to play with Daddy and me?" I keep going, because I know Daddy and David will have a good time of their own. Besides, my turn is only so long. Daddy will be wanting his turn soon!



Kite Corner by Cam

Kiters are popping up all over the river. What a sight to see those Jumps are. More and more kiters are getting higher and doing more elaborate tricks. Beginners are making that transition into the intermediate level, by learning to stay upwind and making their turns. Hopefully the windsurfers are beginning to feel more comfortable around the Delta kiters.

Kiters please remember to be courteous on the water and on the beach. What you choose to do out there, affects all of us. Here are some Do's and Don'ts to help us co-exist and enjoy our passions together:

- Do help each other out if someone needs assistance.
- Do respect the rights of other water users and remember that many people are extremely intimidated (freaked-out) when you come around them on the water or on land.
- Do ask an experienced Delta kiter if you need local knowledge regarding launching, landing or kite handling.
- Don't launch upwind of popular windsurfing zones if you know you can't stay upwind.
- Don't Be a Jerk! Your actions reflect how others perceive kiting.

Windsurfers and kiters have become closer as the kiting community has grown. We're doing a good job of co-habituating the Delta. Every season we are able to convert more windsurfers into kiters. With a record like this, we may soon forget that some people consider windsurfing and kiting two different sports.

Keep up the good work comrades!

I'd like to write an article about water quality in the Sacramento River and health issues that could affect windsurfers at Sherman Island. Any information, studies or anecdotes would be appreciated. Please e-mail me at tjpray@astound.net or call me at home, 925 256-9119.

Thank you
John Pray

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that the first news letter of the year is sent to anyone that has been a member for the last 3 years. We do this in hopes that you will fill out the enclosed membership application and send it to us at RVWA PO Box 547 Rio Vista, Ca. 94571.

Did you know that receipt of the next news letter is up to you?

Did you know that without donations from people like you kites and windsurfers could loose the privilege of sailing from Sherman Island.

Did you know that we are glad you are a part of the wind and water family?

CLEAN UP DAY MAY 24TH

**WE NEED YOU TO PICK UP TRASH FROM
YOUR FAVORITE SAILING AREA ON THE LEVEE
AND ANYWHERE ELSE YOU FIND IT
BRING SOME TRASH BAGS!**

**WATCH FOR SAND BAG MATERIAL AT THE SIGN
WE NEED PEOPLE WITH TRUCKS, SHOVELS AND TIME
TO SAND BAG THEIR FAVORITE SAILING AND KITING SITES
WHY ARE THE SANDBAGS BETTER AT ONE PLACE THEN ANOTHER?
THE AREAS WITH THE MOST HELPERS GET THE BEST RESULTS**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL STEVE SMITH
916 776-2543**



**I LIKE TO ROLL IN POO
SO I CAN COME
AND LOVE YOU
HUG ME AND KISS ME
AND I'LL LOVE YOU TRUE
BUT MOSTLY
I LIKE TO SHARE MY POO
WITH YOU**
(Come on all you singers out there
Get this song ready to sing at the
Lobsterfest)
**BETTER YET, JUST PICK UP
THE POO**

*THIS IS YOUR NEWS LETTER
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