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## *First edition Newsletter Rijsbergen Kitefestival*

Here is the First edition of our newsletter of the Rijsbergen Kitefestival. The newsletter comes a few times a year. You can subscribe on our homepage, or send an email to [info@rijsbergsevliegerdagen.nl](mailto:info@rijsbergsevliegerdagen.nl), you can also unsubscribe at this email address.

In this newsletter we keep you informed of the Rijsbergen Kitefestival, but also news and information from the kite world can you expect here. We also introduce a number of people from the Rijsbergen Kite Festival. Obviously this newsletter is free. Of course we also inform you of the Rijsbergen Kite Festival on 17 and 18 August 2013.



Nest Lernout and Karel van Dam. (Photo: Pierre Luijten).



(Photo Erwin Martens=- [www.erwinnet.nl](http://www.erwinnet.nl))



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*New homepage is online.*

Already looking forward to our 5th year anniversary, we decided as an organization to create a new homepage. There are nowadays increasing demands for a good homepage. The current homepage was an own product. For a contemporary homepage to have to deal with all the modern facilities to match it, you need a professional company and we have found that in Maarten Pijpers. Maarten supported us with all technical "issues" at [www.rijsbergsevliegerdagen.nl](http://www.rijsbergsevliegerdagen.nl) you can see the result.

The homepage has a new login screen, guestbook and 4 languages, Dutch, German, English and French. Were you present at one of the Rijsbergen Kitefestivals and you like to be mentioned at our kite team links, please let us know at [info@rijsbergsevliegerdagen.nl](mailto:info@rijsbergsevliegerdagen.nl). Also facebook and twitter are linked to the homepage. You will also see a calendar showing the kite festivals. Do you have a date that you would like to see listed in the calendar, mail it to us.

See for yourself at [www.rijsbergsevliegerdagen.nl](http://www.rijsbergsevliegerdagen.nl).

[www.maartenpijpers.nl](http://www.maartenpijpers.nl)



Cees Kuppens : [www.vliegerfoto.nl](http://www.vliegerfoto.nl) (Photo Erwin Martens)



Jan Grutterink and Ruud Kugel (Photo : Barry de Vooght)



Team-4-fun (Photo: Barry de Vooght)



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## *We propose a volunteer of the Rijsbergen Kite Festival*

Introduction:

For anyone who is wondering who is the one on the Rijsbergen Kite Festival walking around in a volunteer shirt and with a video camera in hand, I am: Barry Vooght, married with Jeannet and father of Fenna (4 years) and Lucas (2 years) .

In my daily life I am working as a hardware engineer in industrial automation, or as you can say: designer of electrical control systems.

My hobbies are triathlon, cycling, electronics, Duplo play (with the kids) and of course filming / video editing.

As far as I can remember, I have my first kite, schoolcamp built. It was the well-known traditional form made of wood and paper and bows in the tail. The line we had on the cross section of the sticks and the kite was completely flat. The connoisseurs will guess: the kite did not fly but I have gotten a good condition of running. The first time I "really" have flown a kite was during a holiday at the foot of the Mont Ventoux with a hang glider. René Baremans asked after a short demo to give it a try. Soon I managed to get some circles and count to keep the line from the knot to hold. After a while hanging in the wind, I noticed a small kite still can catch pretty much wind and they are also pretty hard to land when you make a small mistake. To prevent damage, I got the strings put soon back in the hands of René. During this holiday René and Petra told of the plans to organise the Rijsbergen Kite Festival.

A few months before the Rijsbergen Kite Festival I was asked to come and film. I had some film experience with triathlons and liked some more with photographs and film to do so. On the first day I could not believe my eyes. I was amazed how the strangest forms yet entered the air. What I also noticed was the huge togetherness that the participants have. Always willing to help each other and together contribute to the successful kite festival event. Now some years later I start the kinds of kites to recognize / identify and understand why my "Eddy" years ago was not in the air. What the tuning of a hematoma and tensioner all can not do.

In recent years I also help with the assembly and disassembly of the Kite Fields and I also do the video editing for the kite festival. A time-consuming hobby, the rule of thumb is one hour per minute montage film, but rewarding given the positive reactions. The challenge, however, every year with something new and original to come. Why I'm already working on ideas to work for the anniversary edition. I look forward to see each other again.





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## *Choto Tara*

The Foundation Rijsbergen Kite Festival aim is to promote and introduce you to the kite sports. This manifests itself in the workshops for children and demonstrations in the field. We would like the children to build kites and let them enjoy the kiting. In Bangladesh, there are children who we want to enjoy life, that is why the foundation Rijsbergen Kite Festival and Foundation Choto Tara decided in the future to support each other in their activities. Choto Tara was the past two years also attended at the Rijsbergen Kite Festival. Sandra and Erik-Jan made us acquainted with 'their' children in Bangladesh.

This has made a great impression. There was soon a 'click' between Sandra, Erik-Jan and the Rijsbergen Kite Festival, a logical consequence therefore this collaboration. For more information look at [www.chototara.com](http://www.chototara.com).



You can find their stand on the Rijsbergen Kite Festival. (animationfield)

## *Photo contest winner 2012*



Every year we ask for photos to send, after the closing date, we choose the best photo. The winner will get a gift voucher worth 25 euros.

This year, Jonathan van den Broeke from Vlissingen the Netherlands, won the first price.

Congratulations Jonathan and next year send again to [info@rijsbergsevliegerdagen.nl](mailto:info@rijsbergsevliegerdagen.nl)



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## *We propose a member of the organisation Rijsbergen Kite Festival*

Hello my name is Jan Borsboom now 50 years young, family with 3 children and for work I am a carpenter. Kiting is one of my best hobbies. However, only in 2004 seriously started a mattress four line kite of 2.5 meters it did not fly very good in the beginning.

What was still very inexperienced that I put the top lines of the kite at the bottom of the handles mounted after having rectified this, I was totally sold. I immediately searched on the Internet to larger kites.

This went on and became increasingly my kite bag becoming fuller and fuller, I also bought a buggy and all other kind of stuff to become a good kiter.

I also looked on the internet to see if there are other people who have the same passion as I had, and sure enough, in a short time (2006) I came in contact with Rene (team Sky pirates) what was then a power kite team.

That was all even when I was much younger, faster and heavier it did not matter I was indeed strong and fit enough. But now some years older. I don't do all that no longer, so a different direction of kiting was taken. For the last years I flew with one-line kites and build replica's of historical kites. So the sky-pirates.nl are now an all-round kite team.

Home the sewing machine of woman was snapped up for myself, I searched in many books that I had collected over the years and made a choice of what I was going to build. I also find a beautiful old aircraft, it caught my eye, it is actually equal to a cody and made of bamboo and cotton, so I thought I must build this.

And as same as with the power kites, in no time I had a car full of one line kites. It is very nice in the winter months to build a kite and fly it in summertime.

As we are now an allround kite team we visit more and more Kite Festivals. Consequence was that we also want to organise a Kite Festival, and see the Rijsbergen Kite Festival was born.



I also have other hobbies, they all have to do with flying, such as preferably helicopters, flying simulation on the PC, where I have done several flights in all kind of aircrafts. With this story, you know who is behind Jan Borsboom, and if we meet on a kite festival or on our own festival at Rijsbergen, you know who I am and what my passions are.

Greetings from Jan Borsboom





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## *Rijsbergen Kite Festival 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of August 2013*

Meanwhile we are already working on the Rijsbergen Kite Festival on 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of August 2013. Most important is that we again are welcome in fields of the Families Machielsen, at the Tiggelsestraat 13/16 in Rijsbergen, so we'll have a perfect kite field.

Meanwhile the evaluation meeting of 2012 is behind us. It was the warmest Rijsbergen Kite Festival until now, there we definitely earned a record, 43.3 degrees Celcius on Sunday measured in the middle of the kite field! The next edition of the Rijsbergen Kite Festival, we will have the 5<sup>th</sup> year anniversary. We already have plenty of plans and ideas, but we will come back later on this.

## *Did you know that ?*

The Rijsbergen Kite Festival is also on Facebook and Twitter to find



- We again had in 2012 a record number of participants ?
- It was a "bit" warm during the Rijsbergen Kite Festival 2012!!?
- Martijn and Maikel organised a wonderful nigh kite show
- Peter Heayns told us that they had a different size of glasses in Engeland .....Pints !!
- The Rokkaku kite fighting was a demo this year
- Next year a real Rokkaku kite fighting????

## *Finally*

So much for the First edition of the Rijsbergen Kite Festival Newsletter.

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*The North East Kite Flyers (foto Erwin Martens)*

Kind regards,

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