

30TH ANNUAL LINCOLN CITY FALL KITE FESTIVAL

Lincoln City, OR -The 30th Annual Lincoln City Fall Kite Festival was great fun for the entire family. There was a great turn out with about 5000 people enjoying the kite demonstrations throughout the weekend.

The city of Lincoln City really gets behind this event. You can hear about the Kite Festival on the radio in Portland, in newspapers all over Oregon and in magazines from the Northwest United States. Marquees and reader-boards in front of local Lincoln City businesses had “Welcome Kite Fliers” displayed on them.

This year’s theme was “Oodles of Octopi”. At the 2008 Lincoln City Summer Kite Festival the world record for most octopuses in the sky at one time was broke with 21 of these giant (40 pound, 90 foot) kites. The fall festival brought with it light wind but sunny skies. Sunny skies are nice but a light wind does not afford the chance for many octopuses to be flown. Saturday afternoon there were three of these creatures that were able to become airborne with only one octopus making the attempt on Sunday, as the wind was sligher.

The Rokkaku Battles were the hit of the festival. Saturday the winning kite was “An Exceptional Place to B&B Inn” flown by Penny Lingenfelter and “The Nordic Oceanfront Inn” flown by David Gomberg was the winner on Sunday. The Kids Kite Making allowed several kids to participate in the Kids’ Parade and the Kids’ Passports to Kites were a big hit!

Lincoln City boosts three kite festivals each year. The 2009 line up is: Indoor Kite Festival March 28-29, 2009, Summer Kite Festival June 27-28, 2009 and Fall Kite Festival is October 10 & 11, 2009. For more information please call 800-452-2151 or visit www.oregoncoast.org

