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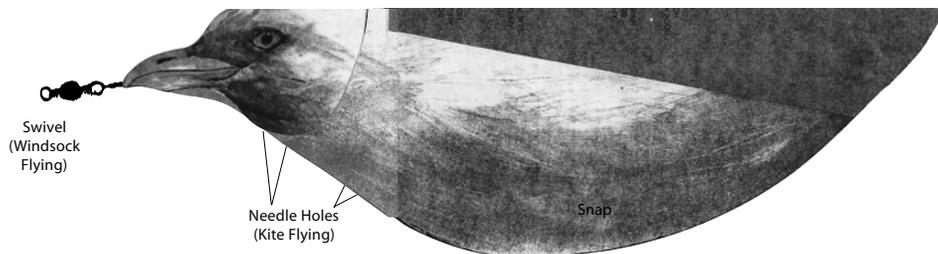
*in memory of  
Marguerite's Father  
"Happy"*

# Jackite™ Happy Gull

## ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

Your Jackite™ Happy Gull is tough, constructed of Tyvek® and a solid fiberglass spar. It is water resistant and highly tear resistant, and will provide you with many hours of flying pleasure.

The Jackite Happy Gull original was made for the 1996 Summer Olympic Games. The original artwork was drawn with gold and silver ink.



Peel tape along edge of head. Press together to form head.

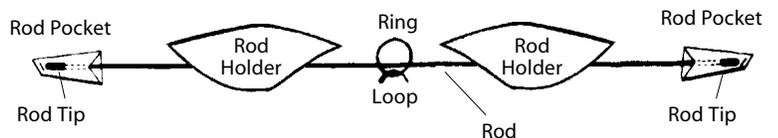
Snap together body.

Crease hard on center score line. Fold over each outside score line forming a 3-D leg. Cool isn't it? Snap to body with white snaps.

Insert rod under rod holders and through ring.

Install rod ends in pockets.

Attach swivel through holes in beak.



**STORAGE:** Remove the rod. Unsnap body. Lay on flat surface, body side down. Roll up and store in tube.

**DISPLAY:** You may desire to share the beautiful design of the Jackite with others as a decoration for your home or office. It's a real conversation piece. Attach wire from the fore ring to the aft ring with a loop midpoint. Suspend by the loop. ENJOY!

**LINE:** Use 6-10 lb. test line.

**POLE FLYING:** Drive a stake into the ground and attach a 20' telescoping fishing pole or cane pole.

**JACKITE TRAIN:** Attach swivels to each end of a 3 foot line: attach a swivel to the aft ring of one kite and other swivel through the beak of the next line. It's fun to fly a pair.

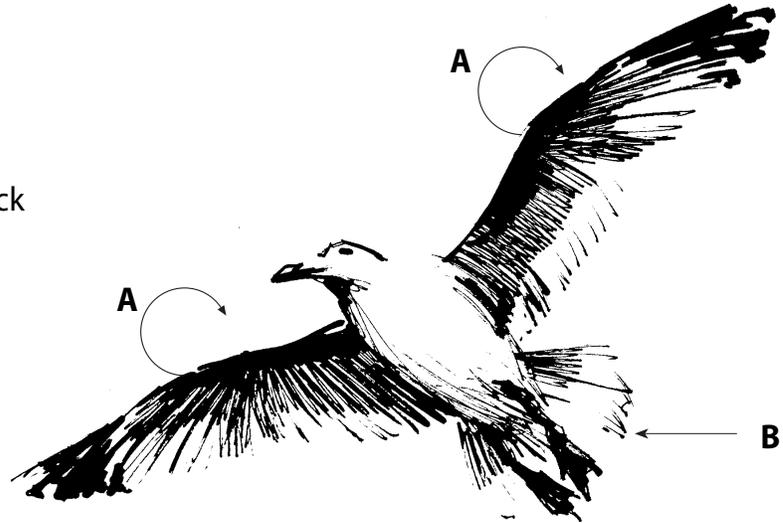
# Flying Your *Jackite*<sup>™</sup> Happy Gull

Your **Jackite**<sup>™</sup> was designed as a gentle-wind kite, but flies well in varying windspeeds.

## Initial Flight

Your Jackite is formed by the wind:

- A. Leading edges of the wings fold back up and over the rod.
- B. Sides of tail diverge upward.



Your **Jackite** Happy Gull has to learn to fly. In a light wind, gently bend the leading edges of the wings (A) backward. In a strong wind, bend the leading edge of the wings backward hard. It is important that the bends are *uniform*, stabilizing the kite and flexing with the wind to correct positions of the kite. (Wet the wings with water.) Pole fly until the **Jackite** adjusts its wings to their proper attitude. Your **Jackite** is precision balanced and once the kite is formed by the wind, it will “remember” its shape.

Note: If you fly your **Jackite** in a very strong wind, it may be necessary to form it again. Remove the rod, and lay it flat on its back. Smooth the wings and tail with a damp cloth. Allow to dry. It will again form to a gentle wind.

## Kite Flying

Use a 10-12 lb. test line, attach to swivel to fly high in the sky.

Because a **Jackite** is so wind sensitive, you can fly it on as little as ten feet of line. As it lifts to the sky, let out the line as it pulls upward. We like to fly our **Jackite** on about 100-200 feet of line, amazed as it flits across the sky.

An exciting way to fly your **Jackite** is to attach it to the light-weight line of a fishing rod. Disengage the anti-reverse on the reel, enabling you to control the line.

Emulating a bird in flight with a natural grace and beauty, your **Jackite** will actually flap its wings, soar to a new position, flaps its wings again and soar to another position. Lo and behold! Is it a Sea Gull or is it a **Jackite** Happy Gull?

## Windsock Flying

Winds tend to be variable and gusty, posing many problems for the kite flyer. Your Jackite will fly wonderfully from a pole even under these conditions. Using 8 feet of line, simply attach your Jackite to a 20 foot flexible pole (collapsible, available from Jackite), and let the wind take over. We recommend pole flying in low to moderate winds only.

We fly our Jackite along a river to the delight of passing boaters.