

Summer Fun

Kite Surfing on
Rossall Beach
Family Fun Day at
Layton



Kite event takes off in stormy skies

DARING residents and tourists braved winds of 40mph to kite surf.

More than 200 people watched as professionals from Fleetwood shop, Hangtime Kites, surfed the seas, being pulled along by huge multi-coloured kites.

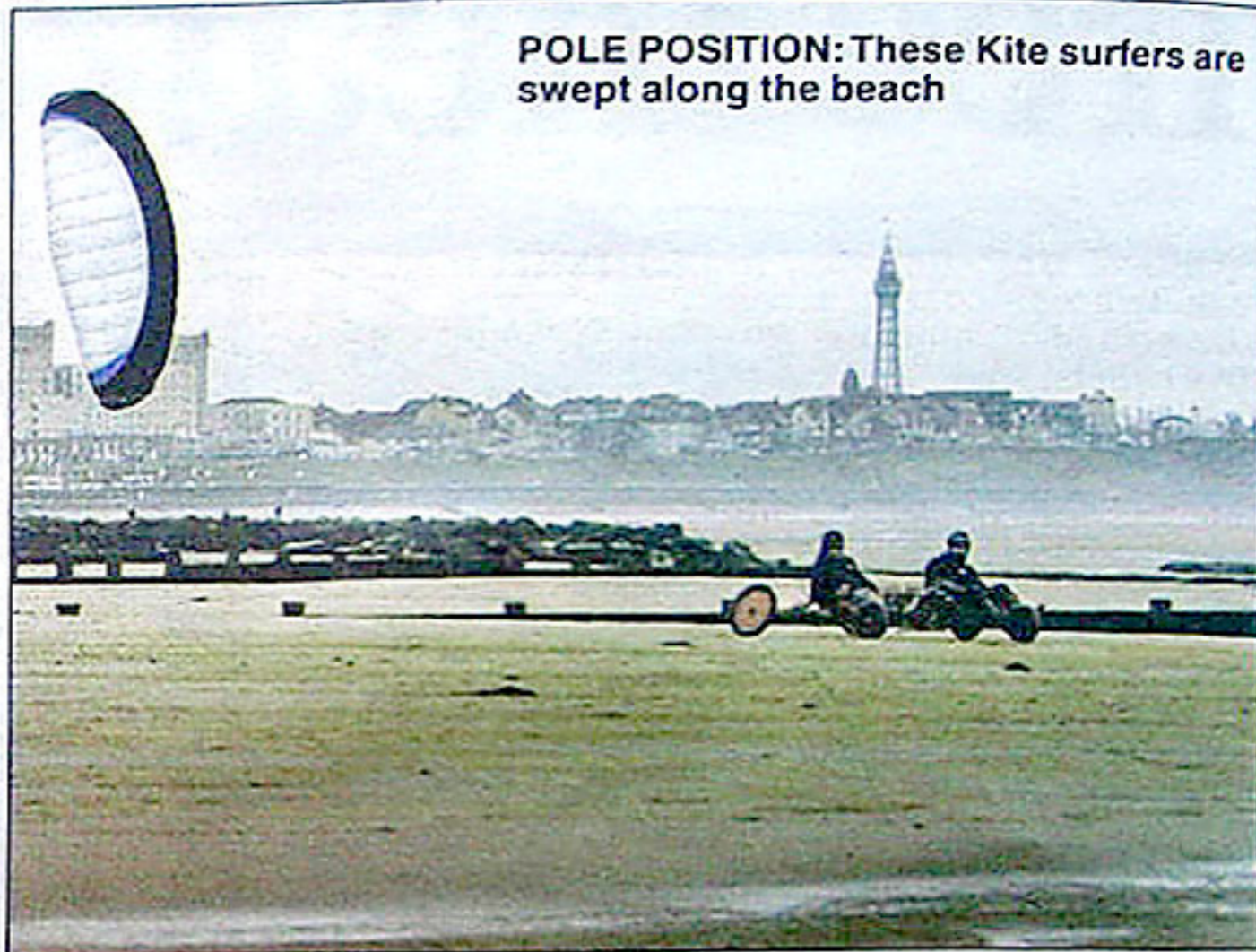
Buggies

Others joined in, with the mighty gusts powering the kites to pull them along on special land buggies at the kite surfing event on Cleveleys beach, opposite The Vue cinema.

Alex Fishpool, owner of Hangtime Kites, on The Esplanade in Fleetwood, said: "It was such a fun day, and more than 200 people either watched or joined in.

"There were winds of up to 40 mph, which, believe it or not, is actually too fast for kite surfing, but our demonstrators managed to put on a show.

"Onlookers even joined in, and the winds were so strong we managed to get kites pulling the landbuggies along



POLE POSITION: These Kite surfers are swept along the beach

in tandem."

The event, held with the Rossall Beach Residents Association, raised money for the

group's bid to improve the North Promenade.

Mr Fishpool added: "Kite surfing is getting more and more popular,

and to have events like this livens up the beach.

"People have really enjoyed themselves."



FLYING HIGH: John Luke gets ready to surf
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