



# THE WINDHUNTER NEWSLETTER



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## NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome to the premiere issue of *The Windhunter* newsletter! Future issues will be written and edited by Randy Zipser, our new Vice President, Director of Strategic Development and Communications. We are delighted that Randy has accepted this position and we appreciate his assistance in getting this first edition to you.

Since the WINDHUNTER web site first came on-line in April, 2006, it has been visited over 1.2 million times, and it continues today to attract keen interest from every corner of the world. With rapidly soaring oil prices and seemingly-inexplicable departures from “normal” climate being reported in many regions of the world in recent times, it’s little wonder that people the world over are getting concerned about their energy usage, and more importantly, the health of Earth’s environment, biosphere, oceans, and atmosphere.

In 2003, my wife, Barbara, and I decided to do something to help out our planet...our tiny home in the vastness of the universe...and set out to search for a way for humanity to curb its often-wasteful consumption of her precious natural resources. But could this be done without altering the standard of living or quality of life as so many of us around the world have come to know it? Could a realistic and achievable balance be struck—one which could free us from dependence upon technologies of the past (especially those which have ignored proven, adverse effects to our environment and atmosphere) while at the same time meet the ever-growing global demand for powering life in the 21<sup>st</sup> century and beyond? Could humanity find a way to have all the energy it would ever need without compromising our planetary home, the precious air we breathe, and water that sustains us? All these considerations were the foundation upon which the concept of the WINDHUNTER would be built.

With a background and knowledge in both engineering and social/environmental causes, Barbara and I decided that we *could* make a difference! After giving a talk about climate change with Dr. George Shambaugh (a long-time friend and the *first* WINDHUNTER consultant) in November, 2005, Barbara and I came up with an idea of using a framework of wind turbines which could be mounted to and hoisted from an offshore, moveable,



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seaborne vessel to produce “clean” hydrogen (H<sup>2</sup>)—a potential transportation “fuel” and alternative-energy source—using only renewable seawater and wind-power. We thought that this concept would be particularly appealing here in Florida because coastline, ocean water, sunshine (which drives wind), and wind year-round are all in abundant supply. So, in 2006, we built a small-scale demonstration model of the WINDHUNTER, researched and compiled data on the economics of building such a vessel, and since have exhibited the WINDHUNTER at several renewable-energy and wind-power conferences. We founded the WINDHUNTER Corporation in January, 2006, and have procured the services of two attorneys (as part of our growing global network of WINDHUNTER supporters) who have been actively working to “trademark” the WINDHUNTER name and “copyright” our concept of raising turbines from the deck of ships or floating platforms (more about this will appear in upcoming issues). The WINDHUNTER “team” currently consists of seven consultants (whose credentials appear on the WINDHUNTER web site under “About Us”), together with four-hundred forty-five supporters worldwide who, since 2006, have e-mailed their interest to keep abreast of (and even assist with) our ongoing efforts to “launch” the first-ever, real-world WINDHUNTER “concept” prototype. Presently, we are excited to report that these efforts are moving forward on several fronts!

In forthcoming issues of this newsletter, we will present in greater detail the recent activities of some of our consultants on behalf of the WINDHUNTER. For now, however, we anticipate that we will publish *The Windhunter* newsletter on-line, without charge or obligation, at least twice annually, as an effective way to keep our growing list of supporters informed about important, exciting new developments and progress with the WINDHUNTER.

If you have provided an e-mail address on the WINDHUNTER web site ([www.windhunter.org](http://www.windhunter.org)), you will automatically receive each future issue of *The Windhunter* newsletter when it is published. Otherwise, each new issue will be posted for general viewing on the WINDHUNTER web site for those who choose not to register on the supporter list (see the “Contact” link). If you have not recently contacted the WINDHUNTER web site, please visit the “Contact” link and be sure to update your contact information and correct your e-mail address, if necessary. Of course, since your privacy and security is of utmost importance to us, we will **never** sell your e-mail address or share it with any other third-party web site for any reason, nor will we use it to spam you! If you wish not to receive *The Windhunter* newsletter, please indicate this in the “Why are you interested in the WINDHUNTER Project?” field provided under the “Contact” link, and we will not include your e-mail address on the active newsletter mailing list (you’ll still be on the supporter contact list).



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On behalf of Barbara and myself, I am most delighted that you have visited our web site and have elected to contact us about your interest in the WINDHUNTER, and willingness to perhaps become a supporter of our efforts to make the WINDHUNTER a reality in the not-too-distant future. Please visit us often, and do your part to inform others about the WINDHUNTER mission!

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