

# YO-YOS

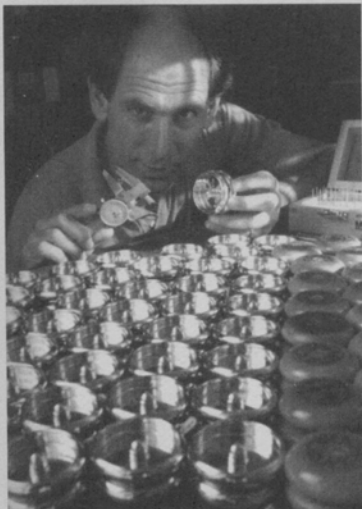
from Tom Kuhn Yo-Yos Ltd. 

## SB-2 Yo-Yo in Space

Astronaut Jeffrey Hoffman demonstrates principles of tethered satellite technology aboard Atlantis Space Shuttle. Earth visible in background.

Jeff  
878-46  
Atlantis

# WHAT'S UP WITH YO-YOS?



## Giving Thanks

Tom Kuhn Yo-Yos is not a one man show. I am grateful for 15 years of enthusiastic support from the wood turners, machinists, craftsman, engineers, and loyal employees who believe as I do, that the world needs quality yo-yos. I am grateful to my dental office team, who have put up with my crazy yo-yoing for all of these years, and to my supportive family and friends. I am especially grateful to our wonderful customers. Hundreds of you have written encouraging letters through the years which has been a sustaining force. Lastly, I thank the creator of beautiful maple trees and all the natural resources needed to produce and deliver our products.

We continue our commitment to quality and your complete satisfaction. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Tom

## YO-YOS IN OUTER & INNER SPACE

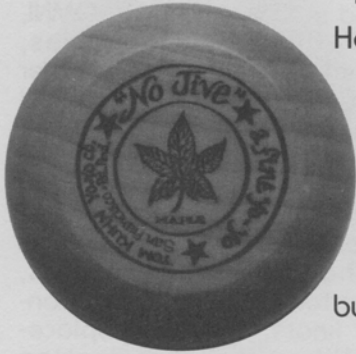
On July 31, 1992, an SB-2 was sent aloft by NASA for a real Around-the-World ride on the Atlantis Space Shuttle. It was employed as a prop for an educational video. Astronaut Jeffrey Hoffman put it through zero G maneuvers including slow motion Yo-ing. The Yo-Yo traveled 3,321,007 miles and went around the world 127 times (!) before returning to earth on August 9. Above all it affirmed the rejuvenating value of fun and play for all people (astronauts included).

What is it about yo-yos in particular that captivates kids, cats, old folks, astronauts, and even grouches? Its fun--and more. As Frank Conroy states in his novel STOP TIME: *"The greatest pleasure in yo-yoing is an abstract pleasure - watching the dramatization of simple physical laws, and realizing they will never fail if a trick is done correctly. The geometric purity of it! The string isn't just a string, it is a tool in the enactment of theorems. It is a line, an idea."* Of course, a healthy measure of silliness often supersedes the geometry lesson.

Science tells us that everything from the tiniest subatomic particles to the great galaxies are constantly spinning. On some level, perhaps the yo-yo reminds us of the spinning miracle of life, and that we're here to celebrate it in play. The yo-yo quickly connects us to that joyful inner space in us all which is always spinning and dancing.



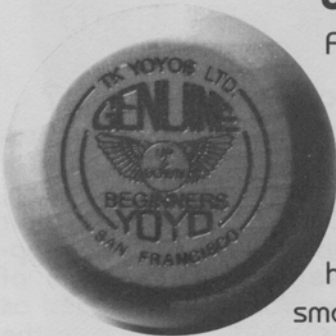
## No Jive Maple Leaf Woody



Here is an exact replica of the first No Jive Yo-Yo. 20 were given as Christmas gifts 15 years ago. They were such a hit that Tom Kuhn Yo-Yos was launched. The weight, dimensions, and contours of this yo-yo improved on the performance of the good old woodies of my boyhood. Original wood-burned logo design. A fine looper and performer!

**\$8.00**

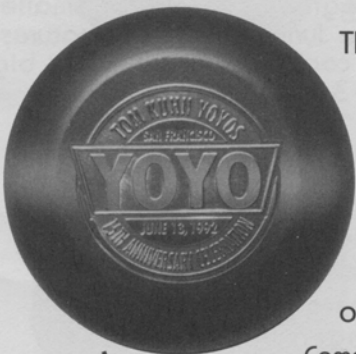
## Up & Down Beginner's Yo-Yo



For 2 years, Tom Smothers persisted in his request that I perfect a foolproof up-and-down yo-yo for beginners and adult yo-yo phobics. (It was a challenging project). Now here is that yo-yo. Even a 5 year old can feel like a star! Also does loop-the-loop, hop the fence, and forward pass. Slightly smaller with classic red and black painted halves.

**\$4.00**

## Commemorative Woody



Those who appreciate subtle improvements, will notice that the new Woody has been recontoured from previous models. Painted a beautiful metallic blue with white stripe and gold logos, you will love how it loops and performs. Fourteen year old yo-yo star Robert Litton used a pair of these to win our 15th Anniversary Yo-Yo Championships.

Commemorative model for limited time only **\$8.00**

**NEW!**



# REPLACEABLE WOODEN AXLE YO-YOS



## The No Jive Yo-Yo

*"It looks like a small piece of flying furniture"\**

- Precision turned Hard Rock Maple
- Made in California

\* John Cassidy - The Klutz Catalog

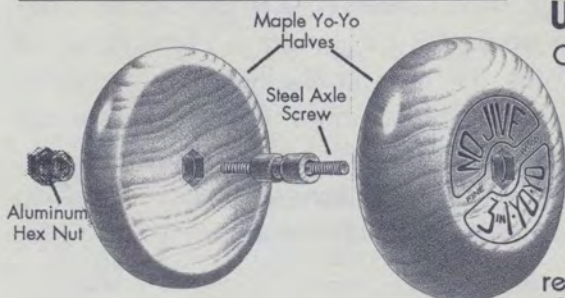
## No Jive 3-in-1 Yo-Yo

Featured in Science Digest, OMNI, Sports Illustrated, Games, Readers Digest, and many other publications worldwide. Preferred by many champions and aficionados, the No Jive has brought thousands of adults back to the sport. Assemble it backwards or even "piggyback", it works great. This and the following models, unscrew for easy access to tangles or knots, and axle replacement. When the long lasting wooden axle sleeves eventually wear out (you'll know), just slip on a new one. Extras included.

Regularly \$18 special \$15.00

## Why a Wooden Axle?

Over 100 No Jive Yo-Yo prototypes were made with axles of brass, aluminum, steel, Teflon, Delrin, Oilon, and other space age materials supplied by NASA. None of these materials performed as well as wood. This led to the replaceable wooden axle design of the No Jive and related yo-yos.



## No Jive Junior

Shaped like the Beginners Yo-Yo for smaller hands, the two tone Junior sports big features. It works in three configurations like its big brother the No Jive 3-in-1. It likes to loop!

\$10.00



## Performance Detail

A subtle yet important advantage of Tom Kuhn Yo-Yos is the steel reinforced wooden axle sleeve. It allows the wood diameter to be thinner where the string attaches. Thinner axles give longer spins. Regular wooden yo-yos need a bit more thickness here for strength.





## Mandala 1

The Mandala 1 Yo-Yo proves that an optically dazzling design need not be made of plastic. This 24 pointed pattern is precisely laser-carved into yo-yo halves of eastern hard rock maple. Watch it spin and be delighted. Comes with 5 spare strings, 2 spare axles and instructions.

\$20.00



## Mandala 2

This Mandala Yo-Yo was presented as a gift to a renown guru from India who spoke of the value of meditating on Mandala designs. You may become happily enlightened when playing with this excellent performer or by just contemplating its overlapping star design. This one feels great in the hand.

\$20.00



## Mandala 3

The Yo-Yo as art. This ancient and intricate Mandala design is our most detailed. Impeccably lasercarved into maple, carefully stained by hand with a brush, rubbed, and individually tuned for immediate play. Besides its beauty, it works exceedingly well. When not in use, be sure to display it -

\$20.00



## Flying Camel - F

A Yo-Yo with a unique character all its own. The "butterfly" shape will help newer players by making string tricks easier to do, and yet it is also superbly balanced for "Shooting-the-Moon". As your skill improves you'll find yourself reaching for the Camel F again and again. This Camel can really fly!

\$20.00



## PERFORMANCE SIX PACK

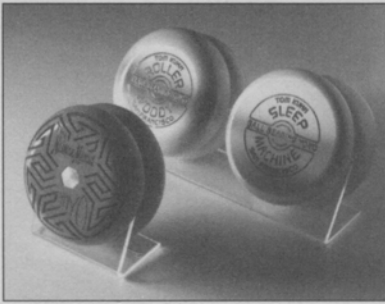


### Ultimate Desk Accessory

If you could only take six yoyos with you to a desert island, take these. Each yoyo has its unique character and charm, and represents the highest state of the yoyo art. Included in our High **Performance Six Pack** is the Commemorative Woody, No Jive 3-in-1, Diamond Special, Painted Sleep Machine, Roller Woody, and SB-2. This exquisite collection is housed in a custom hand crafted, lasercarved hinged oak box, lined with velvet. Measuring only 5 1/2 by 8 1/2 inches (the size of this catalog), it proves that great things do come in small packages. Comes with complete instructions, 30 strings, spare axles, and accessories. Keep it on your desk for inspiration and instant fun.

\$200.00

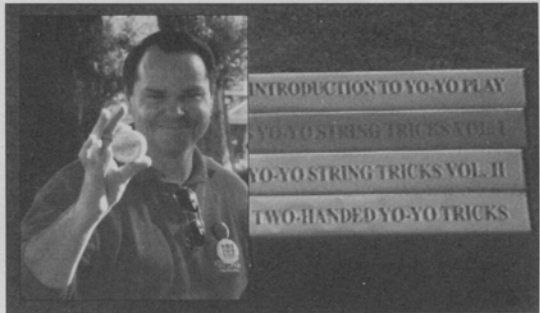
# INSTRUCTION AND ACCESSORIES



## Lucite Yo-Yo Display Stands

BY DON WATSON

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| SINGLE YO-YO DISPLAY | \$2.00 |
| DOUBLE YO-YO DISPLAY | \$2.50 |

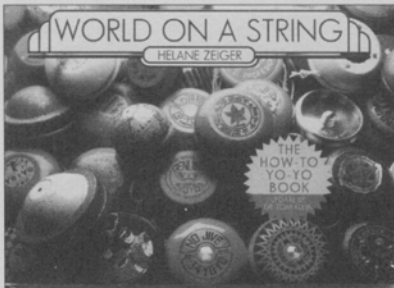


## Dennis McBride Video Series

Now that the traveling yo-yo demonstrators are gone, video is an excellent way to learn the art of yo-yoing. Dennis McBride's video series will take you to higher levels of proficiency. The String Tricks Videos are guaranteed to make a star of you, so line up a good agent now!

1. **Introduction to Yo-Yo Play**- Will quickly get you up to speed and far past the basics.
2. **Yo-Yo String Tricks Vol.1** -The best video to learn intriguing front mount string tricks.
3. **Yo-Yo String Tricks Vol. 2** -Superb instruction for side mount tricks.
4. **Two Handed Tricks** - None better to help you learn this highly advanced skill.

\$20.00 each



## WORLD ON A STRING

BY HELANE ZEIGER

175 pages of tricks, history and yo-yo lore. Profusely illustrated with tricks for all levels of proficiency. Addendum By Dr. Tom Kuhn. It's the definitive book on yo-yoing.

Regularly \$12 special \$6.00



Leather with snap

## Belt Holsters

Black Leather  
Black Cordura or  
tan available

\$6.00



Cordura with Velcro



## Roy Rogers Round-Up King Yo-Yo

Roy Rogers and Trigger are American Icons. They represent happy trails to all of us. A few more of these 45 year old yo-yos in mint condition are available to all good buckaroo fans of Roy, Dale, and Trigger. You'll love the old fashioned plastic. Packaged with original spare string. A true collector's item.

\$20.00

# Postcards

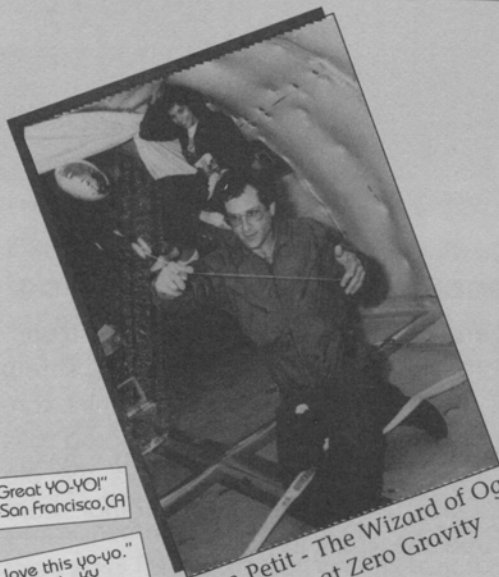
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Dale Myrberg, Robert Litton, Tom Kuhn  
15th Anniversary Celebration June 13, 1992  
In the State of YO

"The Craftsmanship and beauty of the Mandala is incredible. I really enjoy the precision. Thank you for producing such a quality product."  
-- Iowa City, IA

"Last night I received a gift from god... the SB-2. Its amazing. Almost 3 years ago, Tom Smothers convinced me to purchase the original SILVER BULLET, after a show he did in my hometown. I was convinced that nothing could be smoother, and faster, while retaining that true yo-yo feel. 23 hours ago I was proved wrong. I threw a 40 second sleeper on my first try... About an hour ago I performed double or nothing to rock the baby to braintwister and I flipped. I can not thank you and your company enough for creating such an incredible product."  
-- Beverly, MA



"Great YO-YO!"  
--San Francisco, CA

"I love this yo-yo."  
--Padukah, KY

Don Petit - The Wizard of Og  
No Jive at Zero Gravity

"I thought I would take a minute to tell you how much I am enjoying the Roller Woody and Sleep Machine...they are both providing numerous hours of relaxing pleasuring."  
-- Santa Monica, CA

"I recently received one of your yo-yos as a gift, and I must admit I have never had so much fun with a yo-yo before."  
--West Chester PA

"I wanted to write you and praise your work. Good Show! The NO JIVE really huns in all three designs. I have a pretty fair collection of yo-yos dating back to my childhood. I have special favorites, but I have to admit the NO JIVE takes the cake."  
--Rehoboth, DE

"I have one of your yo-yos and it almost never leaves my finger."  
--Charlottesville VA



No Jive YoYo Booth  
Get your No Jive Yo-Yos here!

"It really surprized me that there are still companies that believe in true 100% customer satisfaction. To me Tom Kuhn Yo-Yos is the epitome of customer satisfaction."  
--Dallas, TX

"Yo-Yo tremendous. Great gift to be waiting for me."  
--Javernier, FL

"I purchased 3 of your models to be used working with elementary school kids to reduce stress when talking about substance abuse and their families. Works well!"  
--Linden, NJ

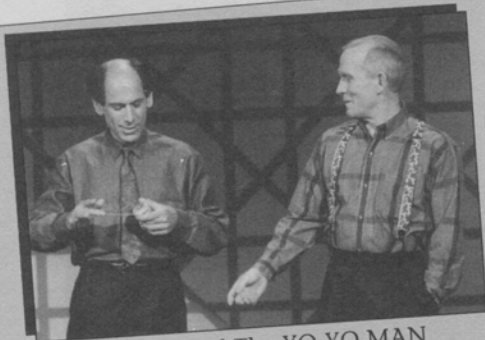


"The day I found your No Jive 3-in-1 YO-YO was indeed the high point of my journey to the State of YO... Needless to say my life started to fall into place after that. My plants grew, my fish were happy, and the purest YO I've ever felt was spinning from my hand."  
 --Fort Ord, CA

"the ease of use with your SILVER BULLET YO-YO makes the novice not only look better than they may be, it speeds the development process of mastering the art of yo-yoing."  
 --Arlington Hts, IL

"I am a 21 year old senior at U.C. Berkeley. To relieve pressure at finals time I bought one of your yo-yos and I love it."  
 Berkeley, CA

"Billed as the 'World's Best Yo-Yo', I had to try it. I agree!"  
 --Glendale, MO



Dr. YO and The YO-YO MAN  
 Smothers Brothers Comedy hour

"I received one of your laser engraved yo-yos as a gift and am in sheer ecstasy. I have not seriously 'YOed' since I was in grade school 25 years ago but I can still do the tricks that won me third place in the local yo-yo competition. Your NO JIVE YO-YO is an extremely precision piece of equipment.. I have also stirred up a lot of enthusiasm with my friends who would also like to get one."  
 --Steamboat Springs, CO

"Your yo-yo works great! It is the best constructed yo-yo I have ever used. I love it!"  
 --Sherman Oaks, CA



Deer learning yo-yo trick



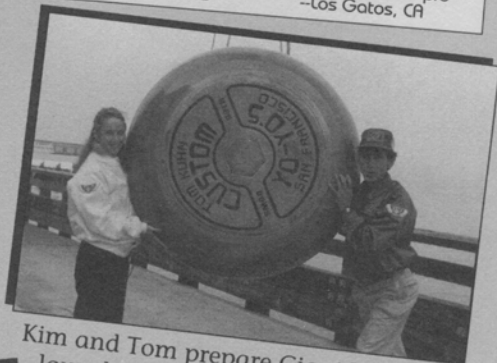
Mark Sittou, Robert Litton, Malcolm Pullinger, Ryan Carver  
 1992 California State Yo-Yo Champions

"I am a fourth grader at Washington School. I have been practicing YOing with a NO JIVE YO-YO and I love it!"  
 --Charles City, IA

"I bought a NO JIVE YO-YO at Pier 39 for my grandson's birthday. So now I've decided I need one too."  
 --Rialto CA

"My congratulations for your excellent contribution to the yo-yo as an adult art form"  
 --Tulsa, OK

"We love the yo-yo we received from the Smothers Brothers!" Enclosed is a check for 18 more in presentation pouches  
 --Los Gatos, CA



Kim and Tom prepare Giant Yo-Yo for launching at Pier 39 San Francisco

"Love the yo-yo and use it everyday for 'therapy'. Everyone is real impressed by the quality of your yo-yos!"  
 --Lithonia, GA

"Your SB-2 is a phenomenal instrument. It does everything and does it exceedingly well. I think what you're doing is great and wish you and yours a wonderful year."  
 --Montreal CANADA

*and Letters  
 from our friends*

# THE HEIRLOOM COLLECTION



## Our Best Collection

It doesn't get better than this! When you open the laser-carved lid of this deluxe velvet lined oak box, you are treated to a feast for the eyes. Here is our finest collection of 15 yo-yos. Original Maple Leaf, Beginners, No Jive Junior, No Jive 3-in-1, Mandala 1,2, and 3, Flying Camel F, Diamond Special, Smothers Autograph Yo-Yo, Painted Sleep Machine, Roller Woody, Silver Bullet, and SB-2 Anodized. All instructions and extras are included in this thrilling collection that even your grandchildren will cherish. This is the top of the line!

**\$350.00**

# ORDER FORM

| QTY   | DESCRIPTION  | PRICE                       | TOTAL |
|---|--|-----------------------------|-------|
|   | Maple Leaf Woody - <i>Replica of 1st yo-yo by TK Yo-Yos</i>  | 8.00                        |       |
|   | Beginners Yo-Yo  | 4.00                        |       |
|   | The Painted Woody - <i>Commemorative model for limited time</i>  | 8.00                        |       |
|   | No Jive 3-in-1 Yo-Yo <i>The One and Only! On Special!</i>  | 15.00                       |       |
|   | No Jive Junior -   | 10.00                       |       |
|   | Mandala 1 <input type="checkbox"/> , Mandala 2 <input type="checkbox"/> , Mandala 3 <input type="checkbox"/> , Flying Camel-F <input type="checkbox"/> | 20.00                       |       |
|   | Flying Camel-C (classic shape) <i>On Special!</i>  | 16.00                       |       |
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|   | Sunburst Mandala (butterfly configuration) <i>On Special!</i>  | 16.50                       |       |
|   | Silver Bullet Yo-Yo with velour pouch  | 35.00                       |       |
|   | Silver Bullet Yo-Yo with leather case - black <input type="checkbox"/> , tan <input type="checkbox"/>  | 40.00                       |       |
|   | Smothers Brothers SMO•BRO•YO- official autograph model   | 22.50                       |       |
|   | Smothers Yo-Yo Man Video   | 17.50                       |       |
|   | SMO•BRO•YO & Yo-Yo Man Video - The Set <i>On Special!</i>  | 30.00                       |       |
|   | Roller Woody - <i>Tomorrow's yo-yo today!</i>  | 35.00                       |       |
|   | Sleep Machine - <i>Simply unbelievable performance!</i>  | 40.00                       |       |
|   | Sleep Machine - Painted model <i>For a limited time</i>  | 40.00                       |       |
|   | SB-2 - <i>The Space Yo-Yo!</i>   | 75.00                       |       |
|   | SB-2 - Anodized - Elegant black and tortoise shell color   | 85.00                       |       |
|   | Roy Rogers Round-Up King Yo-Yo. <i>While they last</i>   | 20.00                       |       |
|   | Performance Six Pack - <i>The Ultimate Desk Accessory</i>  | 200.00                      |       |
|   | The Heirloom Collection - <i>The Ultimate Yo-Yo Keepsake</i>   | 350.00                      |       |
|   | Six Pack Box - velvet lined oak with hinged snap closure   | 65.00                       |       |
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|   | McBride's String Trick Videos - check part 1 <input type="checkbox"/> , or part 2 <input type="checkbox"/>   | 20.00                       |       |
|   | Other McBride's Videos - Introductory <input type="checkbox"/> , 2-handed play <input type="checkbox"/>  | 20.00                       |       |
|   | Yo-Yo Holsters --Leather Black <input type="checkbox"/> , Tan <input type="checkbox"/> , Black Cordura <input type="checkbox"/>                        | 6.00                        |       |
|   | String- 100% Cotton TK brand - Packs of 5 strings  | 1.00                        |       |
|   | World On A String: The How-To Yo-Yo Book <i>On Special!</i>  | 6.00                        |       |
|   | Lucite Yo-Yo Stand - \$2.00 single <input type="checkbox"/> , \$2.50 for double <input type="checkbox"/>   |                             |       |
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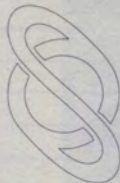




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## No Five News



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**SB-2 YO-YO IN SPACE**  
DOES 127 AROUND-THE-WORLDS  
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### PRECISION BALL BEARING POWERS SB-2

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. - Astronaut Jeffrey Hoffman put the SB-2 Ball Bearing Yo-Yo through zero gravity maneuvers aboard the Atlantis Space Shuttle which went aloft July 31, 1992 and returned on August 9. NASA purchased the SB-2 to demonstrate principles of tethered satellites for an educational video soon to be released. Astronaut Hoffman reported that slow motion yo-yoing was possible, but he was unable to sleep the yo-yo. This SB-2 did 127 actual Around-the-World orbits! The record for "Around the Worlds" on earth with this yo-yo is 102.

## NEW!

- Painted Sleep Machine
- Heirloom Set of 15 Yo-Yos
- Performance Six Pack
- Commemorative Woody
- Many Specials and more!

**Here's Your Catalog of the World's Finest Yo-Yos**  
*Yo-Yos were never like this!*