

Na Hoa Holomoku of Hilo Yacht Club Newsletter

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From: The Commodore's Corner

Aloha again all. As we approach the end of another year, I would like to update the members on endeavors and progress we have made since our last newsletter. First, we did receive two donated containers from Matson Navigation Company, and a special thanks to those at Matson for their donation to our club. The containers are in place at the BERT site behind Gaspro in Hilo. Much work has been done at the site including not only the clearing and placing of containers, but also we have a tarp, picnic tables and other amenities to make the site better for the BERT program. A special thanks to the Bolln's for their work and also to ALL the volunteers who have given time, effort, and money to the site. On Nov. 2, the Kona Sailing Club came over for a sailing day and barbecue at the site. We all enjoyed a day of sailing and the food was great.

Recently, a number of our members again volunteered to teach an adult beginner sailing class through the YMCA. The class was a great success, and I would like to thank Mauricio Barbis, Nick Rees, and John Luchau for their efforts in organizing the latest class and for their volunteering as instructors. I would also like to thank Claudia Boucher and the YMCA for allowing these classes to be part of their aquatics program. We have recently met with Claudia and plans are in the works for more classes next year. If you have friends interested in learning to sail the Sunfish, please contact Claudia at the YMCA in order to be notified of an upcoming class. The adults that just finished the class were enjoyable to teach with much enthusiasm on their parts.

The fund raiser yard sale on August 24 was a success, and we want to thank Robbyn and Larry Peck for their kindness and efforts in allowing the yard sale to take place at their home. The proceeds were certainly needed, and I want to thank all those who donated items and time to the fund raiser. We now have T-shirts

with the club logo and are available for \$10. Roy Forbes has been instrumental in getting the T-shirt project done so a special thanks to Roy and Allie.

John Luchau printed out a survey for the membership regarding the American 25 sailboat donated and the future of the BERT site. We need your input soonest as to what you the membership would like to see done with these two items. A copy of the survey should be included in this newsletter, but for those of you who have received the survey, please respond to John at his address or email him. These are important items and your input is needed for the board to get a consensus prior to any expenditures in the future on these items.

As we approach the end of the year, we are coming up on election of expired board member terms and also the election of officers for the upcoming year. I want to thank all those board members who have served and are serving. For those that don't know, I do believe in term limits and so after two years, I will be stepping down as Commodore. It has been a real pleasure working with all of you these past couple of years, and I have high hopes that the club will continue as an asset to the local community. I want to thank you all very much for your support for the last couple of years.

Our monthly potlucks have really been enjoyable. Please continue to make them and enjoy meeting new members and talk story. Our potlucks take place the second Monday of each month at Wailoa pavilion number 3 at 6 P.M. Our Christmas Potluck will be held at the YMCA this year thanks to Claudia's allowing us to use their facilities. Instead of using the Wailoa Pavilion for our December potluck, remember to go to the YMCA for that Christmas potluck on Dec. 9.

Mahalo

Commodore Kim



All Women! What a sailing opportunity to crew with some of the best women sailors in the area November 23 & 24 in Kona. Two days of sailing fun. In attendance from our Hilo club this year Margaret Haig an experienced skipper and Patricia Walters a novice. They enjoyed the Kona Sailing Club Wahine Sailing Clinic & Regatta November 23rd & 24th 2002

This year's two day Wahine Event proved to be even better than last year! Leading the Saturday clinic, Kaya Haig. Kaya has A LOT of experience as a wahine skipper. She started sailing with the Waikiki YC junior program when she was 8 years old, started racing when she was 10 and competed nationally in the Leiter Cup (lasers) from age 12-18. Then it was off to college where she was named All-American Woman's Skipper 3 times! Last year she skippered a J22 in the Rolex woman's Championship in Annapolis, Md. Kaya is also a US Sailing Level II Certified Racing Coach. She returned to our island eager to share her sailing knowledge with us.

It was fun learning more about sailing from one of the best female instructors in the USA!

Over 28 women turned out to race on Sunday. First place overall in the 4 races were Lena, Patti and Alison in the Synicate. Second Place was Alicia, Lori, and Patricia sailing on Injoy. Third Place winners were Jennifer, Jamine and Jordonna in the Noce Vida. All the wahine were winners as they sailed their way into harbor and enjoyed a heavy pupu buffet and awards ceremony. We had fun and look forward to next year's plans to do it all again.

Alicia Starsong
Wahine Event
Director
883-9230



Please note Kaya is the daughter of Margaret & John Haig members of our own Na Hoa Holomoku of Hilo Yacht Club.



Get Ready ! We are going to be in a **Christmas Parade** December 7th in downtown Hilo. We will be needing people to volunteer as a driver or be with the driver. We also need help to decorate the boats.

Come join in the fun as we make a statement that Boating people are fun.

Please meet about 1:30 P.M. at to decorate the boats and line up at Wailoa Park The King Kamehameha Statue area. Parade starts at 3:00P.M. For more information call Mauricio Barbis at 961-6730.

Christmas Party !!!!

Come Join in on the fun as we each bring a \$5 gift to play the number game. Turkey and punch will be provided. Please bring a dessert or side dish. The Party will be at the YMCA at 6:15 p.m. Dec 9th Monday evening. We will be voting on new officers for the New Year. Remember our membership dues are due on or before January 1, 2003. See you there!

Notes From YMCA

Claudia Boucher

This year has been a **BLOCKBUSTER** for YMCA. Sailing at the Waiakea Settlement YMCA. In December 2001, members from the Na Hoa Holomoku of Hilo Yacht Club and YMCA members participated in the US Sailing Certification Course held at the YMCA Kawaihae Aquatic Center. Then our program "really" got off the ground in February 2002 when Tommy Hamilton from the UHH student Services donated 9 sunfishes and a Prindle to the YMCA. In March 2002 the "brave" ventured into a "practice session" with children from the YMCA Spring Fun program. In May we got our safety boat. In June and July, we held two classes for youth and in October our first adult sailing Course. In total over 50 children participated in the classes, 25 completed the course and another 25 were introduced to sailing in a Boat overview/safety lecture held at the YMCA. Six adults participated in the October Courses and hopefully will continue with our program and be a part of Na Hoa Holomoku Yacht Club.

Highlights included driving our youth sunfish mates out to the YMCA Ocean Festival in conjunction with the Uncle Pete Hendricks Regatta in June and watching them sail the day away. They made us so proud. Another highlight was having a foster child complete the course and share with his social worker that the sailing class was the best thing that has happened to him in a long time. None of this could have happened if not for the following people: Barry and Pat Bolln, John Luchau, Mauricio Barbis, Nick Rees, and Commodore Kim Magnuson. They have given so much to the program and have shared their love of the sea and of sailing.

The Island of Hawaii YMCA is 501c (3) non-profit organization. we have had a presence on the island for over 80 years. The YMCA exists to meet the physical, emotional and social needs

of the community by providing programs and services that stimulate healthful development of the total person. Waiakea Settlement YMCA focuses on child care programs and youth oriented programs we are so appreciative and grateful to the above named volunteers for their assistance to the Sailing Program. What better gift than to share the ocean with our island children.

Next year we will continue to offer classes and courses to children and adults. We will start with a new partnership with the Hawaii Academy of Art and Science Charter School in Pahoa that will feature program of community service in exchange for an introductory course to sailing. We will host the students in the morning for maintenance and repair on the sunfishes and in the afternoon they will participate in boat/ocean and sailing curriculum. This is so exciting. We invite you to come by the YMCA on Friday mornings starting December or Bayfront Friday afternoons to check out and experience. Thank all of you for your support and encouragement. This is just the beginning....

Claudia



Lesson NUMBER 1!

You must turn the boat over and over until you get so wet you never want to get wet again ! Then you can sail.

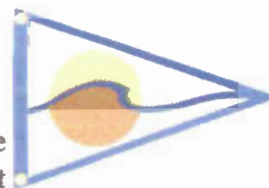
US Sailing Certification Course

Great Opportunity for members to up grade or learn new sailing skills. See Claudia or call her at 935-3721



Membership Dues - \$36 Charter & Regular Members - \$24 Associate (Off Island) \$20 Junior Members - \$500. Life time Memberships \$250 for 10 year Memberships Make checks payable to **Na Hoa Holomoku Yacht Club.** Mail to **PO Box 1661, Keaau, HI. 96749** or bring to any meeting. (Include any address, phone number, or email changes.)
Dues are due on or before Jan 1, 2003.

BURGEES STILL AVAILABLE - \$20 -
 Make checks payable to **Na Hoa Holomoku Yacht Club - write to address P.O. Box 1661 Keaau, Hi. 96749** if you are out of town or you can give to **Treasurer Robbyn Peck** at the next meeting.
Treasurer Robbyn at the next meeting.



Above are our new **Club T-Shirts** See Roy or Allie Forbes The cost is \$10.00 . The sizes are S. M. L. XL . They are cotton and have our logo and club name on them . They come in a rich looking gold color. Great Christmas present for yourself or spouse.

Please send items for **newsletter** to Patricia Walters at e-mail:pamelaeast@hotmail.com or mail to P.O. Box 533 Kula, HI 96780 You may fax or call me 966-9854 please leave a message. I have a scanner and would love **pictures, stories, and anything about your sailing life.** If you would like to have a newsletter each month. I need you help in getting the information as quickly as possible . Anyone wanting to create or help with the newsletter please call.

Mahalo,
 Patricia

It is time again to elect new officers! Thanks to all our present officers and volunteers for all your hard work to make this club what it is today.

Nominees for the following offices are;

Commodore :

Larry Peck

Vice Commodore(west):

Vacant

Rear Commodore for Power :

Carl Shioji

Rear Commodore for Sail:

Mauricio Barbis

Members interested in being on the board are; Nick Rees, Peter Altendorf, Joel Rutter. If you have an interest in serving please call Commodore Kim at 966-7788, to add your name to the ballot before December 9th meeting at the "YMCA" when we vote for the new officers and board members.

The American 25 "Naupaka"

Thanks to Claudia Wilcox-Boucher and the YMCA the club now owns "Naupaka." The question is, "What does the majority of members want to do with "Naupaka." It will take at least \$500 for maintenance and mooring fees annually and insurance has been quoted as \$1000 a year to use it for a sail platform that the entire membership may use. We have not determined how much insurance would cost if the club were to use "Naupaka" for just training purposes and for a race committee boat.

Please indicate below by placing check marks next to the sentence or sentences which best describe your feeling about "Naupaka" and either e-mail SkiprJohn@aol.com or call John Luchau at 982-5959 or cut or tear out the results and mail them to Na Hoa Holomoku Yacht Club, PO Box 1661, Keaau, HI 96749. Only one response per person and no more than two responses per family.

Name: _____ and _____

Please keep "Naupaka" as a boat that can be used by trained club members and increase my membership fees to \$50 a year.

Please keep "Naupaka" as a boat that can be used for training purposes and for race committee only and increase my membership fee to \$42.

Please keep "Naupaka" as a boat that can be used by trained club members, race committee and for training purposes for members who pay sailing fees of \$100 annually.

I want to use "Naupaka" when available.

I will probably never use "Naupaka."

Please keep "Naupaka," do not raise membership fees, and only use her for race committee and training purposes.

I would like training on "Naupaka" and am willing to pay _____ per hour for training.

Please keep "Naupaka" and support her with fundraising and (circle one) I will help, I can't help.

Please sell "Naupaka" and put the proceeds in the Club account.

Please sell "Naupaka" and put the proceeds into our Club Building Fund.

Please sell "Naupaka" and put the proceeds in an account for _____

Please bring your survey sheet with you to the Christmas Party or send them to John Luchau.

Building Site (B.E.R.T.)

Many of you have been helping to improve the site for our club purposes. The question is, "Now that we have a site, what do we want to do with it?"

Please take the time to give us your opinion by placing check marks next to the sentence or sentences which best describe your feeling about the Building Site and either e-mail SkiprJohn@aol.com or call John Luchau at 982-5959 or cut or tear out the results and mail them to Na Hoa Holomoku Yacht Club, PO Box 1661, Keaau, HI 96749. Only one response per person and no more than two responses per family.

Name: _____ and _____

Please make the following improvements to the (BERT) site

___ Install some type of bathroom, portable or otherwise. (approximately \$600 for one portable per year)

___ Increase my annual membership fees to defray the cost \$42.

___ Do with fundraisers and (circle one): I will help, I can't help.

___ Install a boat ramp which could be used for launching the Emergency Response Boat and club small boats. (approximate cost: \$2000 if allowed on the site)

___ Increase my annual membership fees to \$42 to pay for it.

___ Do fundraisers and (circle one): I will help, I can't help.

___ Make available an area in which members could store small boats, kayaks and windsurfers securely for a small monthly fee to pay for the improvement and provide security.

___ Install water to use to hose down small boats after use and for other purposes. Pay for the water installation and service from:

___ An annual increase in membership fees.

___ Fundraising and I will help.

___ A fee levied on those who store boats and/or use the ramp (when installed).

___ Install solar electricity for radio communication and for lighting in the evening for club meetings, get-togethers,

___ Pay with an annual membership fee increase.

___ I will provide (circle one or more): Solar Panel, Battery, Wire, Other

___ Pay for it with by fundraising, or from storage/ramp user fees.

___ Make no additional improvements.

___ Continue to have meetings at Wailoa Park

___ Use the site for BERT and Storage for BERT and other common club property only.

Recommended Bylaw Changes

Vice Commodore John Luchau

During our December Christmas Party and Annual Meeting there are two things on which members must vote. The most important item is the election of officers and board members and the second is bylaw changes. I will attempt to explain why we are recommending the changes and you can actually see the changes as they effect the bylaws on our web page at www.hilo-sailing.org or www.hilo-boating.org:

The first recommended change clarifies who is a junior member in Article III of the bylaws. We added full time students to the junior membership classification.

The second change also in Article III clarifies the prorating of membership fees for new members and states that new member's fees will be prorated a monthly rate determined by the Board of Directors for any full and partial months remaining in their first year of membership.

The third change occurs in Article V and explains how we elect Board of Directors at the expiration of their terms at the annual membership meeting.

The fourth change in Article V again explains how we elect Board of Directors in case of resignation or illness by a majority of the Board of Directors at a scheduled Board of Directors meeting.

The fifth recommended change also in Article V increases the quorum required at a Board of Directors meeting from three to five.

The sixth recommended change in Article X clarifies how and at what time we make amendments to the bylaws.

The last recommended change also occurs in Article X and explains when bylaws reviews take place and when and how it should be presented to the membership. It recommends that the membership be notified at least 30 days prior to the annual general membership meeting of the recommended changes.

Please contact me if you have any questions concerning these recommended bylaw changes or any

questions regarding the existing bylaws. 982-5959 or SkiprJohn@aol.com.

Boating Emergency Response Team.

An initial meeting with Coast Guard Auxiliary Rear Commodore George Burkley Nov. 12. indicated that our BERT mission to help sailors save their boats and assist cruisers new to the island is compatible with their own mission in many ways. Those club members who are interested in joining the Coast Guard Auxiliary in order to gain new boating skills and to meet BERT mission please call John Luchau at 982-5959

Items up for discussion are the Recommended bylaws changes and election for Officers and Directors.

Monthly Board Meetings have been moved on the calendar to the Tuesday before our monthly potlucks. Board meetings are open to the membership and are held at Larry and Robbyn Peck's home.

YMCA/Yacht Club Adult Sailing Course
Vice Commodore John Luchau

Congratulations to Chrissy, Kevin, Debbie, Robbyn, Mack, and Arjun for completing our first ever combined YMCA/YC adult sailing course. In addition to becoming qualified to sailing Sunfish they also were presented with complimentary membership in our club. That makes Robbyn a double member including being a member of the board of directors and the Treasurer. Thanks to instructors Nick Rees, Kim Magnuson, and Maurico Barbis who assisted me during the 5-day course. The students reported "learning a lot" and "having lots of fun." This was the fourth and last course for 2002.

2003 promises to include more courses and some weekend clinics during which graduates can sharpen their skills out on the water in our beloved Sunfish including, "Stinky", "Leaky" as well as "Old Red". For those who want to become involved with teaching big and little folks to sail or being a support member of our sail training effort contact John Luchau at 982-5959 or Claudia Wilcox-Boucher at the "Y" 935-3721

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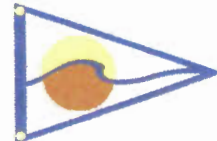
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We need your help!
We have a position open for the following:

Social Director

Next Meeting:
December 9, 2002
YMCA Christmas Party & Potluck
6:15 P.M. Bring your great side dishes and a \$5.00 exchange gift each
See you there!

Club Officers



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Commodore	Kim Magnuson	966-7788	boatilo@hotmail.com
Vice Commodore(West)	Richard Messina	326-7603	rcmgypsy@cs.com
Vice Commodore(East)	John Luchau	982-5959	SkiprJohn@aol.com
Rear Commodore for Power	Carl Shioji		
Rear Commodore for Sail	Barry Bolln (Race Committee)	961-4474	holokai@hawaii.edu
Secretary	Nick Rees	935-4158	n.rees@jach.hawaii.edu
Treasurer	Robbyn Peck	981-2606	peckinc@hailoha.net
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