FROM OUR COMMODORE

Aloha Na Hoa Holomoku Yacht Club members.

My name is Larry Peck and I have been elected as the new Commodore for 2003. I have been involved in the Club since its very



beginning and believe strongly that our Club can and will make a difference in our community.

I also believe that Na Hoa Holomoku has already made a significant difference in the lives of some of our members and throughout the larger community as well.

In the past two years, members of our club have been active in rescuing a number of boats that have come loose from their moorings. Our club has participated in the downtown Hilo New Year's parade for the past two years. We have also joined with the YMCA in developing a highly successful sail-training program.

We have made huge strides toward our statement of mission and goals. In short, it has been a very successful and rewarding two years.

The coming year will prove to be no different. We have already had great success with our Saturday Sail Days.

The participation of our members has been wonderful. Our membership is growing, with many of our newer members already actively participating in events like Sail Days. In short, it is going to be a great year and I see a bright future for Na Hoa Holomoku.

Let me encourage all Club members to participate in any way they can. I encourage you all to invite others who might be interested to join. Or give someone a gift of a year's membership. I have given memberships to friends as Christmas gifts. Some of them may never really get involved, but others will.

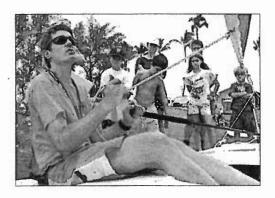
If you have any questions or want to know about ways you can help, call me at 960-1314 or come to one of our next board meetings held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:00pm in Hilo at 56 Ahona Place,

-----Larry Peck



For club information, photos, news updates and more visit our website!

www.hilo-boating.org



NOTE FROM NICK

Our sailing season, begun a few weeks ago, has gotten off to a very successful start. Over 50 people have signed up for sailing and nearly all of them completed a swim test and a capsize drill.

Participation has been fantastic, with everyone pitching in to help where needed and being patient as we work out the details of this new venture.

I hope all of you who came down had a good time — I know I did. Let your friends know about it. While our capacity to serve everyone is limited, we welcome new faces and are currently working towards getting more boats on the water and increasing our pool of available instructors.

Thank you all for your support and participation! Remember this weekend to bring protective footwear - reef shoes or similar — and of course don't forget sunscreen, hat and shirt.

See you on Saturday!

----Nick Rees

Na Hoa Holomoku Spring Schedule

Feb 10

February Potluck Meeting, 6:15pm, Pavillion #3, Wailoa Park.

Feb 22

Fifth day of 2003 Sailing Season

Mar I

Sixth day of 2003 Sailing Season

Mar 4

March Board of Directors meeting, 6:00pm, Peck Residence.

Mar 8

Seventh day of 2003 Sailing Season

Mar 10

March Potluck Meeting, 6:30pm, Waiakea Settlement YMCA

Mar 15

Final day of 2003 Sailing Season... potluck, presentations, fun day!

Mar 24-28

YMCA Spring Break Sail Training Course (Tentative)

Apr 8

April Board of Directors meeting, 6:00pm, Peck Residence.

Apr 14

April Potluck Meeting, 6:30pm, Waiakea Settlement YMCA.

April

YMCA Fund Raising, Boat Maintenance month!

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Potluck on February 10

The next club meeting will be held at Wailoa Park, Pavilion 3 at 6:15 pm on Monday, February 10. As always, it's a potluck, so come and share food and swap stories with your old – and new – friends.

Please note: starting in March we will not have the use of the Wailoa Park pavilion and will be moving our meetings to the Waiakea Settlement YMCA on Lanikaula St. in Hilo.



Hear from our new Commodore, Larry Peck. See his "From our Commodore" column inside.