



Starboard Quarter

Spring

March 1, 2004

Monthly Potluck Day Changes

By now most everyone knows that we are having our monthly potluck on Wednesday evenings at pavilion #3 at Wailoa State Park. Just in case you haven't gotten the word via e-mail we'll publish it again here.

For the remainder of 2004 the club potluck will be the second Wednesday of each month at Pavilion #3 in Wailoa State Park beginning at 6:30PM. This change was made to accommodate the schedules of more of our club members. It was found that trying to combine a sail day and a potluck was a bit unhandy due to the preparation of food

conflicting with actually sailing. In some club members' minds food took a backseat to sailing. "Go figure!"

So just to be clear, our next potluck will be Wednesday, March 10th, 6:30PM at Wailoa State Park pavilion #3. Bring friends, bring food and enjoy the camaraderie of good sailing company. If equipment and photos can come together as planned Robbyn will present a sailing photo slideshow, "A Year in Review."

Membership Dues

Membership dues are due now for 2004 membership. At the last gen-

eral membership meeting a vote was taken to raise dues to \$45. Associate membership remains at \$24 and student membership remains at \$20. If you have not received a membership card with an expiration date of December 31, 2004 then we have not received your dues.

If you have not done so please send in your dues now. You really don't want to miss these great issues of the Newsletter do you?

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Wailoa Dry Storage

Many of our members have found the need to make necessary repairs to their boats and because of the boat size could not tow them and store them at home. Wailoa Dry Storage located across Manono Street from the Wailoa boat ramp filled this necessary niche for years.

Unfortunately the State DLNR-Boating is unable to find a way to maintain the area to keep it from becoming unsightly. Volunteer efforts did not keep up with the maintenance of the grounds. This is another one of those "good things" that Hilo boaters have enjoyed for so many years

that will disappear because of state lack of support for it. The area is scheduled to close at the end of July. Many boat owners will be looking for a new home for their boats and many will have to sell.

For further information call Les Wachi at 933-0414.

Club Officers

- ♦ *Commodore: Larry Peck*
- ♦ *Vice Commodore (East): John Luchau*
- ♦ *Vice Commodore (West): Richard Messina*
- ♦ *Rear Commodore Power: Carl Shioji*
- ♦ *Rear Commodore for Sail: Vacant*
- ♦ *Rear Commodore Sail: Secretary: Nick Rees*
- ♦ *Treasurer: Robbyn Peck*

First NHH Handicap race for '04 slated for March 28

March 28th will be the second race in our year-long race series but marks the first and beginning of our 5 race handicap series. This is the series for those of you who love the thrill of coaxing all you can out of a boat, but are not prepared to fold yourself up in a Sunfish to do it. Since larger boats are involved, this is also the perfect time to bring along a friend or family member as crew, and introduce them to sailing and racing.

The course will be longer than the one used for the small boats, and will encompass nearly all of Hilo Bay. This will provide enough distance to make it interesting, while keeping it in the flat water of the bay. Boats will be given a handicap rating based on the size and model, which in theory allows different boats to race each other. The finishing times are recorded, and after the handicaps are applied, a winner is pronounced.

Lots of fun to be had!

A Notice of Race will be emailed out before the race. If you have any questions please call Nick Rees at 935-4158.

"Naupaka" Club's American 25

Warning—this is a repeat request for help!

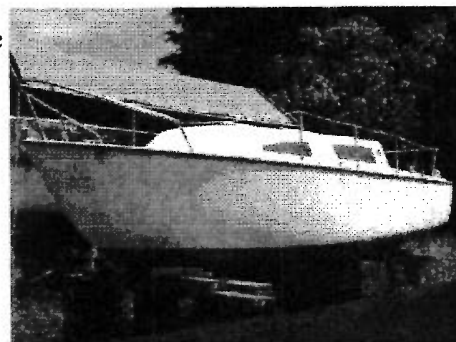
"Naupaka" is still in the boatyard at Wailoa. As you may have read in an earlier article the Wailoa Dry Storage area will be closing at the end of July and John Luchau will no longer be able to mount the effort to relaunch "Naupaka" due to numerous other commitments. "Naupaka's" bottom has been patched, glassed and painted and work is being done on her sides. Several members have expressed a desire to keep "Naupaka" as a

club boat and we're waiting for you to step forward with your time and energy.

A gang of five met to consider what needs to be done to get her launched. Our goal is to make her available for use by club members who have completed a sailing checkout. "Naupaka" will be a great training platform for the next step up from dinghies.

For information about how you can help "Naupaka."

Please come forward and volunteer to head up a new charge to re-



launch this valuable asset to the club. You can reach John Luchau at 982-5959 if you have questions about what needs to be done.

Classifieds

- "Olali" a Cal 2-30, new ProFurl, Genny, Bimini, Dodger and Lewmar traveler, recent haulout and new paint 17K. Call Barry, 961-4474.

- 15ft Ali'i Kai w/45hp & 6hp kicker \$4500. Call Peter 981-0827

- 28ft Corsair. Call Mark 965-6373.

- 16ft Hobie Cat. Call Gene 964-1832.

- El Toro (8ft sailing dinghy) plans \$20, Call John 982-5959.

- "Start Sailing Right!" book \$15 and "Small Boat Sailor Cert. Record Book \$1, Call Claudia at 935-3721.

- Jon Olson is offering up his treasure chest chock full of great sail and power boat items. 443-1036. He may have what you want. Partial listing: 40gal. SS water tank round 18x46," 50gal. Alum 6061T6 tank round 22x46,"

Beckson opening port never installed (self draining) 5x12," two old style Danforth anchors 30 and 40lb. Fram fuel filter sets (2) FCS 1136M, a Morse surface mount gear and throttle control. He wants SS 43C Teleflex/Morse Cable Clamp

- Club Burgees, \$20. Robbyn at 960-1316

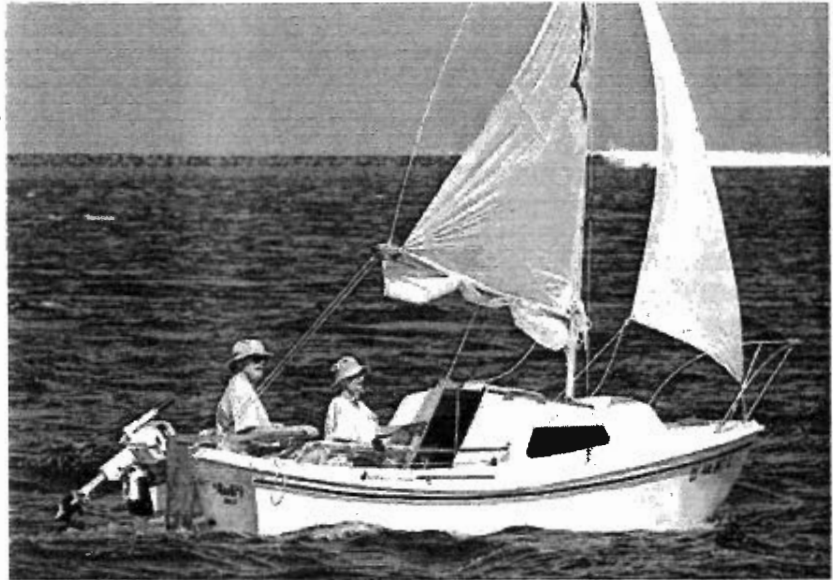
- Club T-Shirts, \$10. Roy at 935-6101

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Roy and Allie Forbes—Skippers in the Spotlight

Our Skippers in the Spotlight for this quarter are Roy and Allie Forbes. I believe them to be the most active sailing couple in our club. They are pictured at right in "Auli'i" on port tack with a reef tucked into her mainsail. "Auli'i" is a West Wight Potter 15 which they've owned since 2000. Roy and Allie are on the water at least every other week and some weeks two or three times.

Roy learned to sail in an El Toro that he finished from a bare hull in the '60s. He sailed in Kawaihae and Hilo Bay. That very same boat is still being used these days by the YMCA for training at Kawaihae. He moved up to a West Wight 14, then "Sea Fox" his Bristol 22 which he purchased in 1978. (Cont'd page 4)



YMCA Plans 2004 Sailing Class

Claudia Wilcox-Boucher is planning two Sunfish Sailing Camps for ages 8-14 and one for ages 15 plus. Dates will be March 22-26, June 28-July 2nd for kids and September 17-19, 24 and 26 for adults. Friday September 17's class will be from 4PM to 6PM. The following Saturday's and Sunday's class times will be determined by the lead instructor. The cost will be approximately \$100 for Y members. Call the Y 935-3721.

Check the tentative 2004 Sailing Calendar on the website: www.hilo-sailing.org for other events and activities



First Lesson: Learning to Capsize and Right Boats Safely

More Classifieds and Stuffs

(Classified Cont'd) 33' Ranger 1970, unfinished restoration. 12.6SR Sea Eagle inflatable with solid plastic floors and two seats, Call Peter at 982-7905 or 936-9272 e-mail peterwa@aloha.net
-New in the Box Honda 15hp long shaft, electric and pull start, power lift and tilt. Factory warranty. \$2500. Mike Thomas 935-8338. **Wow!**

-Various assorted used sails for 32-36 ft boat. Call Donna at 969-7708.

-An adventure! A woman Donna knows needs crew to help sail her boat from Tonga to Hawaii. For specifics call Donna at 969-7708.

-Wanted—8 to 10' Whisker Pole. Call Richard at 937-0808.

-Rumor has it that Larry and Robbyn might have some boats for sale. To confirm call 960-1314.

-30' Ketch. Daniel at 883-9230

-Want sailing instruction? Club

members who are U. S. Sailing Certified Instructors who can sign your qualifications for use of Hilo Sailing Org. boats: Mauricio Barbis 961-6730, Kevin Horton 965-1084, Drew Kerlee 938-5622, John Luchau 982-5959, Kim Magnuson 966-7788, Jon Olson 965-6093, Jacques Peysson 981-5323, Nick Rees 935-4158.

Wanted: Volunteers for Club jobs. Contact Larry at 960-1314 or John at 982-5959.

Would you perhaps care to put-up a pack of paddlers?

♦ By Kevin Horton

The IVF World Sprints Championship for outrigger canoes will be held from August 9th to August 15th on Hilo Bay. This is the "Super Bowl" of short distance canoe racing, and it is quite an honor that it is going to be held on Hilo Bay. This is going to be a huge event with hundreds of participants and over 20 countries participating. With this many

people coming housing is needed, as there is not enough hotel rooms in town. If anyone is interested in becoming a host family for any number of paddlers, they can contact Darlene Iokepa. Her numbers are: W. 933-0897, and H. 959-6460. The host family's responsibilities are simply a place to stay, and access to the homes facilities. All transportation, and

food is the responsibility of the paddlers. The payment is \$12-\$15 per day per paddler. My family hosted a couple for the World Indigenous Peoples Conference in 1999 and it was a wonderful experience getting to know people from a different culture.

Skippers in the Spotlight (Cont'd)

Allie learned to sail at the age of 15 in Interlaken, Michigan and she's sailed a Snark, Cal 20, Aurora 21 and the boats that she and Roy have shared. These two avid sailors met at the Honoka'a Sugar Company and worked together from '76 to 1988 when they both retired. Allie continued to work for a few more years for the county and was even working for the mayor's office until she retired.

Roy and Allie also have a Livingston 10 with a 6hp Evinrude engine onboard. They have

been extremely helpful in assisting stranded sailors from time to time with their Livingston even coming out at 3AM once to help assist a sailor stuck on the sand bar in Wailoa River. Roy and Allie were very active in the former Hilo Sailing Club and remember many of its former members who also sailed West Wight Potters. Our state representative, Helene Hale was one of those who owned and sailed a similar West Wight.

Allie has filled in several times as our club secretary and Roy served on the Board of Directors and has

helped on the race committee. They are charter members of Na Hoa Holomoku and remain extremely faithful assets to our club.

"Auli'i" means cute or handsome when translated from the Hawaiian language. Cute and handsome can describe this fantastic couple on their able craft.

Roy and Allie were married in '91 and Roy states that since then they have had the time of their lives enjoying each other and their sailing.

NHH and YMCA Host Sunfish State Championship

August 21st and 22nd our club and the YMCA are teaming up to host the Sunfish State Championships. There are many positions from Race Committee to participant that each of our club members can fill. Please volunteer to get involved with this effort. It promises to be a fun filled weekend.

To gear up for this event, the club and the YMCA need to get their boats in good shape in order to

provide race participants an equal competitive opportunity.

Nick Rees through Hilo Sailing Org has been able to come up with several new sails which can be used for racing and has rebuilt a hull. Rudders and daggerboards are the next items that need to be upgraded.

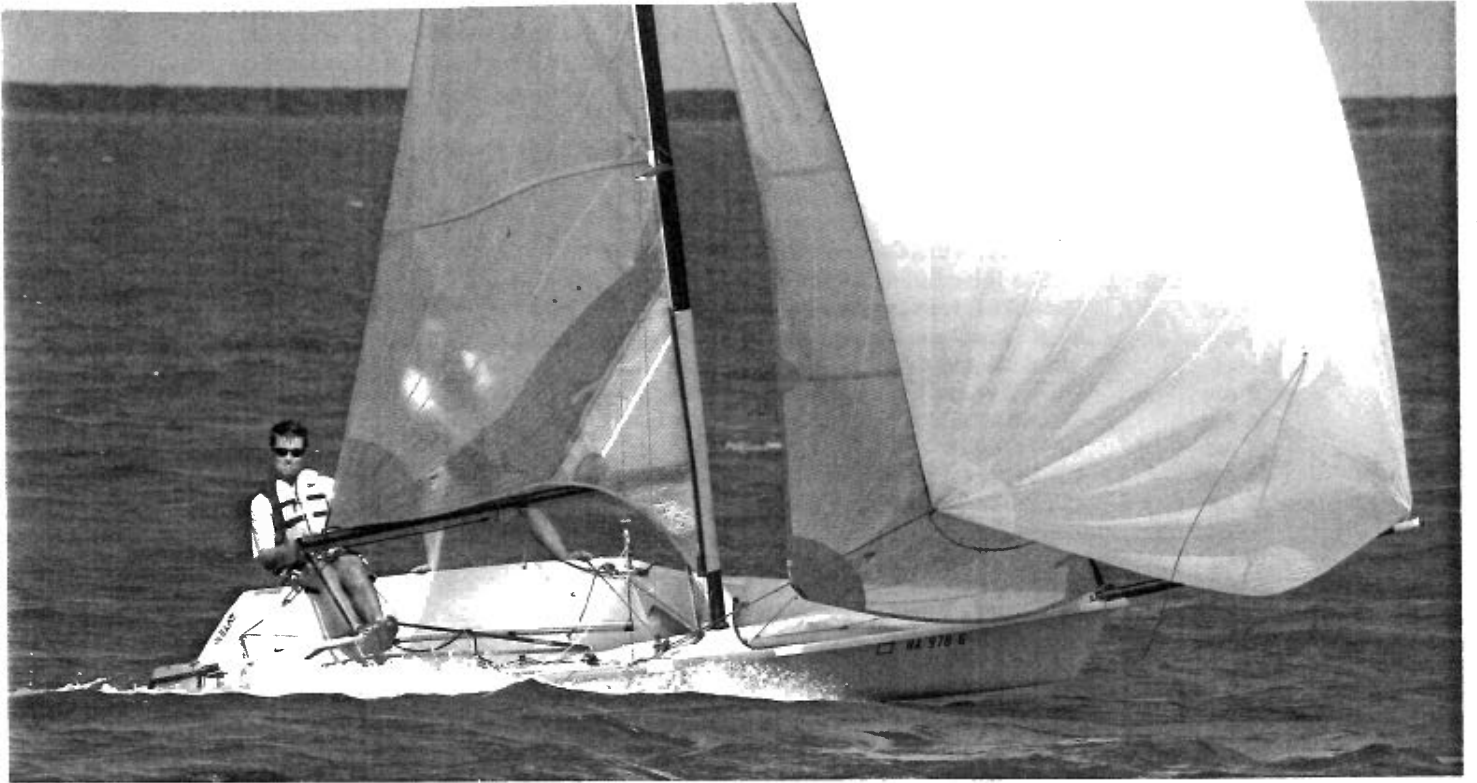
John Luchau has built and rebuilt several rudders as well as repaired and painted hulls. Jon

Olson has made hardware and rigging repairs and Kevin Horton has helped keep the fleet together. Ivo Hanza adopted a hull, took it home and repaired and painted it. Thanks too to the many who showed up for volunteer hull repair days at the Y.

If you have some time to devote to this effort please contact Kevin at 965-1084.

2004 Club Calendar

9-Mar	Club Board Meeting 6:30 Peck's Construction
10-Mar	Club Potluck, Wailoa Pavilion #3, 6:30 pm
13-Mar	Club/YMCA Sail Day, 1:30PM Club/UHH Race
22-26 March	YMCA Basic Sailing Kids 8-14, 9AM to 1PM
28-Mar	Club/UHH Handicap Race
3-Apr	UHH Class Basic Sailing 10-1, Advanced 1-4
6-Apr	Board Meeting 6:30 Peck's Construction
10-Apr	UHH Class and Club/Y Sail Day, 1:30PM Club/UHH Race
14-Apr	Club Potluck, Wailoa Pavilion #3, 6:30 pm
17-Apr	UHH Class
24-Apr	UHH Class
25-Apr	Club/UHH Race 1PM
1-May	UHH Class
4-May	Club Board Meeting 6:30 Peck's Construction
8-May	Club/YMCA Sail Day, 1:30PM Club/UHH Race
12-May	Club Potluck, Wailoa Pavilion #3, 6:30 pm
23-May	Club/UHH Handicap Race
8-Jun	Club Board Meeting 6:30 Peck's Construction
9-Jun	Club Potluck, Wailoa Pavilion #3, 6:30 pm
12-Jun	Club/YMCA Sail Day, 1:30PM Club/UHH Race
27-Jun	Club/UHH Race 1PM
June 28 - July 2	YMCA Basic Sailing Kids 8-14, 9AM to 1PM
6-Jul	Club Board Meeting 6:30 Peck's Construction
10-Jul	Club/YMCA Sail Day, 1:30PM Club/UHH Race
14-Jul	Club Potluck, Wailoa Pavilion #3, 6:30 pm
25-Jul	Club/UHH Handicap Race & Beach Cat Mania
10-Aug	Club Board Meeting 6:30 Peck's Construction
11-Aug	Club Potluck, Wailoa Pavilion #3, 6:30 pm
14-Aug	Club/YMCA Sail Day, 1:30PM Club/UHH Race
21-22 August	Club/YMCA Hosts Sunfish State Championships
7-Sep	Club Board Meeting 6:30 Peck's Construction
8-Sep	Club Potluck, Wailoa Pavilion #3, 6:30 pm
11-Sep	Club/YMCA Sail Day, 1:30PM Club/UHH Race
17-19 Sep	YMCA Basic Sailing Adults age 15 plus Fri. 4:30PM - 6PM, Sat and Sun 9AM - 2PM
25-26 Sep	9AM - 2PM YMCA Basic Sailing Adults age 15 plus Sat and Sun 9AM - 2PM
26-Sep	Club/UHH Handicap Race
5-Oct	Club Board Meeting 6:30 Peck's Construction
9-Oct	Annual Barry Bolln Hands Across the Island Invitational Regatta for KSC 10-4. Potluck begins after boats are put away @ 4PM
13-Oct	Club Potluck, Wailoa Pavilion #3, 6:30 pm
15-Oct	YMCA/HAAS Maintenance/Basic Sailing HS Students
22-Oct	YMCA/HAAS Maintenance/Basic Sailing HS Students
24-Oct	Club/UHH Race 1PM
29-Oct	YMCA/HAAS Maintenance/Basic Sailing HS Students
5-Nov	YMCA/HAAS Maintenance/Basic Sailing HS Students
9-Nov	Club Board Meeting 6:30 Peck's Construction
10-Nov	Club Potluck, Wailoa Pavilion #3, 6:30 pm
12-Nov	YMCA/HAAS Maintenance/Basic Sailing HS Students
13-Nov	Club/YMCA Sail Day, 1:30PM Club/UHH Race
19-Nov	YMCA/HAAS Maintenance/Basic Sailing HS Students
28-Nov	Club/UHH Handicap Race 1PM
7-Dec	Club Board Meeting 6:30 Peck's Construction
13-Dec	General Membership Meeting/Christmas Party/Potluck 6:30PM



Sail Training Vessel "Irving Johnson" in Hilo by Mike Pearson

On Sunday, February 29th the 90 foot (110' counting spars) sail training vessel "Irving Johnson" arrived in Hilo Bay after crossing from La Paz, Mexico by way of Socorro and Clarion Islands. The ship arrived with students from Long Island University who are taking semester at sea courses.

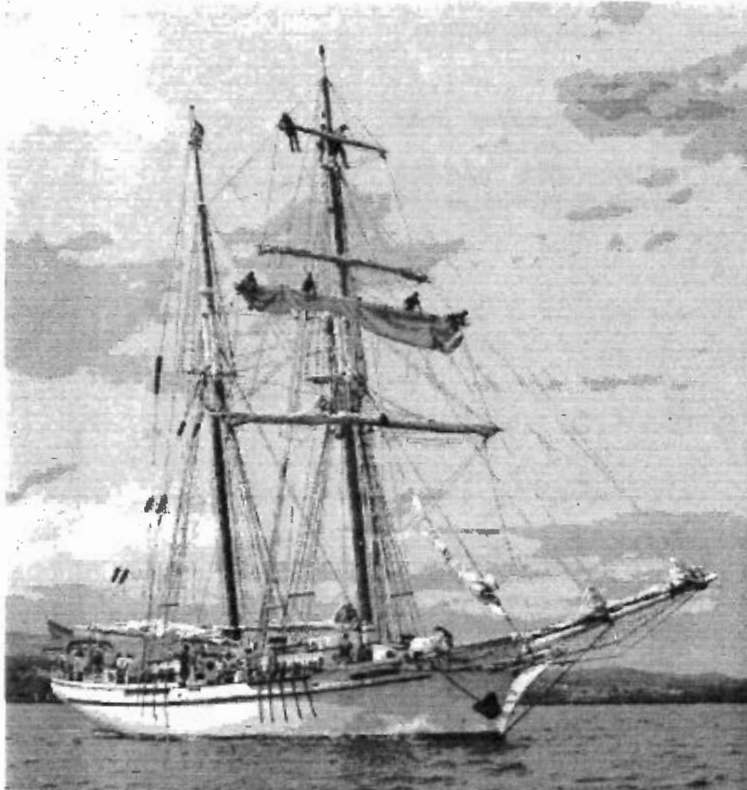
The "Irving Johnson" and her twin "Exy Johnson" are traditional rigged brigantines constructed and fitted out in San Pedro, California. They are owned and operated by the Los Angeles Maritime Museum. Commissioned just about 1 year ago the "Irving Johnson's" passage to Hawaii is her longest to date while the "Exy Johnson" sails in her home waters of southern California.

Mike Pearson spoke with the captain on VHF prior to their entering Hilo Bay and went out to greet them in his tender. About 2 days out of Hilo they encountered the storm that hit the islands. Needless to say their return "Aloha" from the rigging was full of enthusiasm for their arrival. Once dockside the captain had every-

one swabbing and cleaning and with only 2 days in port offered to give a tour of the ship.

Lisa Parr brought 17 of her marine science students and Mike rounded up the cruisers from Radio Bay along with Barry and Pat Bolln. The 2nd mate spoke about the

building of the ship, her namesake and their plans to cruise the Hawaiian Islands before heading back to California about April 1st. For more information on the Los

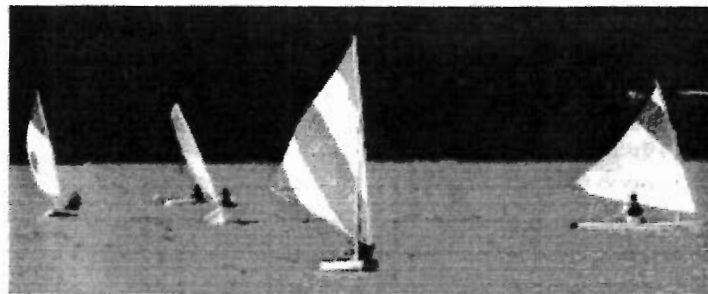


Angeles Maritime Museum and the museum's two ships visit: <http://www.lamitops.org> and <http://tallships.sailtraining.org/>

Some Sailing Scenes



One key to a good start is not to stray too far from the committee boat. Here Sunfish and Walker Bay 10s jockey for a good start position and starboard tack Sunfish the other side of the Commit-



tee Boat is in the best position if not over the line early. Port tack Sunfish behind will have to stay out of the way of all boats unless he tacks to starboard. The photo at right shows. One starboard

tack boat and three port tack boats in various stages of sail trim. Closest Sunfish is under-trimmed. Walker Bay is over-trimmed and Sunfish to the rear is trimmed just about right.

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Potluck begins at 6:30PM March 10th at Wailoa State
Park Pavilion #3

Membership/Donations

Since our Club began in late 2000 our membership has steadily grown. We started with 47 Charter Members and had about 120 not including honorary members at the end of 2003. As you know, membership ends on December 31 of each year and we now have 58 members for 2004 not counting honorary members. That's really good and I know we'll bring in more this year.

Our budget and what we can do depends on you so renew now with a check to Na Hoa Holomoku mailed to P. O. Box 1661, Kea'au, HI 96749. Make certain you notify us of any change of address, phone numbers or e-address. Talk to your friends about us. Our membership depends on

"word of mouth."
Spread the word!

Membership:
Regular family membership \$45. Associate (off island) \$24 and Junior (under 18 or fulltime student) \$20.



"Auli'i" and Skippers in the Spotlight (page 3) Photo by Robbyn Peck