

## Monthly Yacht Club Flyer

### Na Hoa Holomoku Yacht Club

**Annual Barry Bolln Hands Across the Island Invitational.** On Saturday, October 9th we are hosting the Kona Sailing Club for fun sailing, racing and potluck. Sailing starts at noon so come on down to the Bayfront at 11AM to help set up and put boats in the water. Bring your boat or use the club's Sunfish, Walker Bay or Hobie. The Y boats will also be available—Y membership is required for the use of the Y boats. Potluck begins at approximately 4PM when all the boats are put away. This Saturday potluck will replace our regularly scheduled Wednesday potluck so there will be no club potluck on Wednesday October 13th. Call John L. 982-5959 for details.

**October Club Schedule:** Tuesday October 5 – Club Board Meeting. Saturday October 9th—Annual Barry Bolln Hands Across the Island Invitational and monthly Club Potluck. Sunday October 24—Club/UHH Race

**Our Club and Big Island Sailing Foundation on the West Side, Daniel and Alicia Starsong, hosted 18 kids at a sail introduction with other steadfast volunteers. What a success! Thanks folks**

**Reminder— Users of the YMCA Sunfish must also be YMCA members. Membership is \$15 a year.**

**John Messina has many issues of "Wooden Boat" to give to an interested member. Call him at 965-7500.**

**Thank you Kim!! Four years ago this month, Kim Magnuson organized a meeting of interested boaters at Reeds Beach for the purpose of promoting boating and watching over boats moored in Reeds Bay. Our current club grew from that meeting. Predecessor clubs were Hilo Sailing Club and Reeds Bay Sailing Association. Thank you Kim!!**

**Club Officer positions expire at the end of each year and Board positions are for a 3 year period. Commodore, Vice Commodore (East), Secretary, and Treasurer are available. A nominating committee will be formed for the purpose of finding volunteers to fill club officer and board member positions. Please volunteer to be on the nominating committee. Call John Luchau at 982-5959 for details.**

**October 2004**

**Join our island sailing community for fun, food and friendship on Saturday, October 9th beginning at noon. Details to the left.**

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Monthly Potluck—Saturday, October 9th at approximately 4PM following sailing fun. (see inside)

**Membership Dues - Dues are \$40 for Regular Family Membership, \$24 for Associate (off island) and \$20 Juniors/Fulltime Students**

#### News from Barry and Pat Bolln Cruising in Canada

June 8 – July 31, 2004

Was about to go out cruising for a week when the wind came up lots as a high-pressure ridge moved in. Good thing about not having a schedule is that you can hunker down when you need to and wait it out. Next morning was beautiful when we left the marina at 10:30am. Ten knots over the ground was easy with all that water pushing us along. The new steering seems to be doing fine. After rounding Cape Mudge at the southern end of Quadra Island, the many white caps in the distance foretold of another strong wind blowing up. The seas weren't bad, and we put up the staysail to steady her. Did not try the main in this much wind as we would have to put the battens and reefing lines in that we had not gotten done. Too bad as it would have been a wonderful sail (low seas and strong wind on the beam). After passing several more islands and going down a narrow channel, we anchored in a beautiful little spot. I know, we say that about every anchorage we come into. There was one flat rock just above the waterline with about 8 harbor seals sunning themselves. Right after anchoring in 40 feet of water, we

hoisted the main sail and added the reef lines and battens, then rowed ashore for a look around. Right near the path were two little snakes about 3 feet long, gray with a light stripe running lengthwise. By nightfall there were 2 other sailboats and two powerboats with us for the night. Since we were seeing hundreds of jellyfish, there must be billions in this harbor (Grace Harbor). I had prepared lunch and dinner the night before, so it made meals much easier while traveling. Just walked outside to see what was happening at 8:30pm. Surely glad we did. An osprey (we got out our identification book) flew from his perch in a tree and tried to get a fish in the water. He missed it but flew majestically away into another tree. When we looked at the water surface, we thought it was raining, but instead it was the unbelievable number of jellyfish that were touching the surface now that the sun had set. We identified them as Moon Jellies. How incredibly silent it is out here as the sun is going down. It does not get really dark until 10pm. Yawn! Good Night.

June 10-11-12

Grace Harbor – wow! What a nice non-rolly anchorage. Little wind here.

Reports say it is really blowing outside as the front moves through. Forget moving to a new place. We are quite comfortable here and enjoying our resident family of critters. An eagle is building a nest in a tree nearby. The osprey flies around and occasionally will drop into the water for a little fish. The gulls fly wildly and scream insults at both. A Common Merganser duck flies around or rests on the beach with his ladies (5, we think). They dive for their food. One harbor seal can often be seen poking his head up peering at us with his huge black eyes. We took a hike up to a 16 acre lake through a wonderful forest. A few birds sang for us as we climbed over small downed trees. There were thousands of water plants with yellow blossoms. Later we put the crab trap in the dinghy and headed out to the harbor entrance. With the bait inside and the float tied on, we threw it overboard and watched it sink, hoping that when we pulled it back up the next morning, we would find 4 legal sized dungenous crabs (the limit for our 2 license). Well, the next morning we found a big pink sunflower sea star. He was pretty, but no crabs would enter with him in there. (To Be Continued)

**"SOMETHING DIFFERENT..."  
SAILING IS FOR A LIFETIME**



As continuing federal and state funding cutbacks impact our country's ability to effectively deal with substance abuse, teen pregnancy, domestic violence, crime and all the other challenges that afflict our youth,

**the urgency increases to offer constructive and engaging activities for our youth.**

One such activity particularly appropriate for an island community is sailing. Sailing promotes independent thinking, teamwork, physical and mental fitness, and a positive outlook on life. It is an extraordinary sport in that it can be enjoyed and developed during most of an entire lifetime.

A co-educational sport that occurs at high school and collegiate levels, sailing is also a sanctioned Olympic international event.

Opportunities exist for skilled youth sailors to receive college scholarships.

**Significant promotion of existing youth sailing programs in Hawai'i County has been limited by the lack of dedicated funding.**

Such funding would support boat acquisition, purchase of safety equipment, boat maintenance (including storage, accessories and insurance), training for sailors and instructors, travel expenses for off-island competitions, scholarships, and the creation of island-wide and inter-island sailing events.

**BISF will support existing and new youth sailing programs throughout Hawai'i County through three types of activities:**

- 1. Promote training of youth sailors for local, statewide, national and international amateur competition**  
primarily by partnering with community-based organizations serving youth ages 8-18 (such as Na Hoa Holomoku Yacht Club and the Island of Hawai'i YMCA with branches in Hilo, Waimea and Kona)
- 2. Promote public interest in youth sailing programs throughout Hawai'i County**  
via programming, media, and public informational events
- 3. Provide educational and travel scholarships for trainings and competitions to youth sailors who need financial assistance**



**THE MISSION OF BIG ISLAND SAILING FOUNDATION:  
TO RAISE AND PROVIDE FUNDING  
FOR YOUTH SAILING PROGRAMS  
THROUGHOUT HAWAI'I COUNTY.**

**YOU CAN HELP BIG ISLAND KIDS LEARN ABOUT SAILING  
AND ALL THE LIFE SKILLS THAT GO ALONG WITH IT.**

YES, I'D LIKE TO MAKE A DONATION!

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*All contributions are tax-deductible to the fullest extent of the law.  
Please make your check payable to BISF.*

**MAHALO FOR YOUR KOKUA.**



Incorporated as a  
 non-profit organization  
 in the state of Hawai'i  
 in September 2002,  
 BISF received 501c3 status  
 from the IRS  
 in September 2003  
 and is now actively  
 raising and distributing funds  
 for youth sailing programs  
 in Hawai'i County.



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*"My first boyfriend came from my high school sailing class and some of my closest friends now are friends I made by spending every weekend on the water with them since I was 8. You get closer to people in a sport like sailing - not only is it the only true 'co-ed' sport I know of, but it's hard to look good in a lifejacket. You end up shedding a lot of the acts you put on during school and even with your crowd you hang out with outside of school, just because they don't make sense in the setting. Sailing is such an old-school kind of sport: wind, water, sun, nature...and you. There's no ball or coach or missed goals. No short shorts or cool uniforms. And yet, you get to wear a swimsuit and jump in the water whenever you're hot. You can sail alongside dolphins and see turtles.*



*You can take sailing to any level you want to - if you just want to cruise along on a boat with a couple of friends, you can do that. If you want to be a hardcore racer, you can do that too. You can sail in college. You can sail in the Olympics. I did other sports (paddling, track, cross country) and made a lot of other friends in high school. I went to the mainland and lost contact with most of them, but the ones I always get back together with when I come home are my sailing friends. I guess we bonded more in our sailing class than I realized. I'm glad I spent so much time doing something "slightly different" - it's affected my life way beyond high school."*  
 KAYA HAIG, HAWAII SAILOR