

THE STARBOARD QUARTER

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Bad Paul?
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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR 2008

Please note: the combinations have been changed on the Pocks at the bayfront

Congratulation Board Members and Officers

The election of new board members and officers was held in order to replace those whose terms were expiring. Since there was only one candidate for each vacant position a vote by acclamation was called for by Ron Reilly. The newly elected members are:

Ron Reilly – Commodore, **David Partlow** – Vice Commodore East, **Alicia Starsong** – Vice Commodore West, **Janine Cohen** – Treasurer, **Cynthia Derme** – Secretary, **Jon Olson** – Vice Commodore for Power, **Mac Cooper** – Vice Commodore for Sail; Board Members at large: **Lynn Nakkim, Martin Burs, Robert Garry, Paul Hirst** – (One of the newly elected board member term will expire the end of 2008. The board will determine who at the next board meeting.) Board Members are: Janine Cohen through 2008, Ray Purifoy through 2008, New member through 2008, Ron Reilly through 2009, Dave Partlow through 2009, Jon Olson through 2009, 3 New members through 2010.

New Schedule

There will be a sail day the third Sunday of the month in addition to the first Sunday, which will focus on sailing 101. In 2008 the club schedule will be standardized

Sailing 101 will be the first Sunday at 11:00 am

Board Meeting will be first Tuesday

Pot Luck will be second Wed (6:30 pm)

Sail Day will be third Sunday (11:00 am)

Work Day will be the fourth Saturday (10:00 am)

New Club Fees

\$\$\$ There will be new fees for 2008 - \$50 annually for Sail Day only. It will be an additional \$50 to sail on non sail-days. And to sail the big boats add \$100 annually (for membership to Hilo Sailing Org/Reeds Bay Sailing). (Full time students ½ of above prices.) \$\$\$

Dec. Board of Directors Meeting Minutes / *reported by Dave Partlow*

Present:

Ron Riley (Commodore)

Dave Partlow (Vice Commodore)

Janine Cohen (Treasurer)

Jon Olson (Vice Commodore for Power)

Mac Cooper (Vice Commodore for Sail)

Paul Hirst

Robert Garry

Martin Burs

Lynn Nakkim

Guest:

John Luchau

1. Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 18:45 at the Reeds Bay Hotel by Commodore Ron Reilly.

2. Approval of Minutes

2.1 December board minutes were reviewed. Ron R. advised of the misspelling of his name. Jon O. motioned to approve, Martin B. second. Motion approved.

2.2 December General meeting minutes were reviewed. Robert G. motioned to approve, Paul H. second. Motion approved.

3. Treasurer's Report

3.1 Treasurer's report from December 2007 was distributed. Balance of \$613.12. Income \$859.34. Expenses \$354.18. Dave P. motioned to approve, Paul H. second. Motion approved.

4. Membership

Janine C. reported memberships are coming in. Jon O. reported new members were generated from Sunday 101 Sail day.

5. Committee Reports

5.1. Facilities/Site Committee Report

5.1.1 No Report.

5.2. Equipment Report

5.2.1 Janine C. need safety inspection on Whippy's trailer in order to renew registration. Janine has left phone messages with Ray Nyberg but has not heard back.

5.2.2 Whippy is still at Ray Nyberg's house. John L. volunteered to contact Ray to see if any repairs were made. Martin B. advised Whippy can be moved to his property for any repairs that are needed. John will arrange moving Whippy.

5.3. Race Committee

No Report.

5.4. Sail Training Committee

5.4.1 Jon O. advised Lyons or Eagles requested a guest speaker on youth sailing at their Jan. 18 meeting. Jon O. volunteered to be speaker.

5.4.2 John L. reported this Friday's is next class and will cover Study Guide 1.

5.5. Fleet Captain's Report

5.5.1 This Sunday will be a work day to repair Windsong's mooring. Ron R., Paul H., Robert G., and Dave P. will meet at the boat ramp at 10 am.

6. Old Business

6.1 Ron R. asked about the signs that were to be made for the lockers at Bay front and KK park. The person that had volunteered to make them is off island. Lynn N. will check on cost of having signs made and will report.

6.2 John L. reminded of one new board member's term to expire in one years time. Martin B. volunteered to do this and made motion, Jon O. second. Motion passed.

6.3 Janine motioned to name the new LLC needed for mooring Kuhio Bay Sailing Org, LLC. Jon O. second. Motioned passed with one nay.

7. New Business

7.1 Martin B. motioned to leave one Walker Bay boat at Bay Front with sail kit and move others to KK park with sail kits. Jon O. second. Motion passed. Martin will move the boats.

7.2 Martin B. reported that one of the Walker Bay boats at KK part has a broken transom. Martin motioned to designate this boat as a tender only boat for the big boats. Jon O. second. Motion passed.

7.3 Paul H. advised of confusion on member dues, what clubs had to be joined to use what boats for what purpose, i.e., do you have to join Hilo Bay (small boat club) to use walker Bays as tenders for big boats if you have paid the Reeds Bay (big boat club) dues. Paul motioned that if you are a big boat member and do not use the small boats for sailing, that you can use a Walker Bay as tender for big boats. Jon O. second. Motion passed.

7.4 Robert G. motioned that requirements for big boat usage be that all dues are paid for the current year, you must have completed sailing courses 1, 2 and 3 and Knots course, and have had three check out rides in the big boat you will use to qualify to captain and use that model big boat. This would apply to those who have been using the big boats in the past that have not completed the courses. Martin B. second. Motion passed.

7.5 Janine C. advised she was asked by a member if work could be traded for membership dues. It was discussed and agreed that there are several members who put in their time without this compensation and it would be exploiting them. Also that in the past it was generally accepted that to use the boats for an hour you would volunteer work for an hour. It was decided a motioned needed to be made so this is clarified. Janine motioned to allow work in exchange for dues, Jon O. second. Motion denied.

7.6 Our Public Service Announcements need to be changed with the change in sail days. Jon O. will give Paul H. dates, addresses and phone

numbers of PSA contacts. Paul can e-mail info to them. Lynn N. will write up announcement to be used.

7.7 Janine C. has received liability insurance application from the agent we had been using who has apparently changed companies and the policy is not the same. The application we received would only cover race events. No beach coverage. Lynn N. advised she would ask her agent about liability insurance. Mac C. suggested an E&O insurance for non profits. Ron R. put Lynn and Mac in charge of committee to check on policies asap.

7.8 Ron R. reported on a situation in Hilo Bay with one of the Sunfish. He was kayaking and saw the Sunfish with two members on it outside the breakwater. He kayaked out to them and asked if they needed assistance. They had apparently been blown out with a wind out of the south and where trying to get back in. Ron noticed the dagger board was up and told them they needed to lower it. They advised they had been trying but it kept popping back up. He explained the usage of the shock cord in order to keep it down. With Ron's coaching they managed to get back toward Coconut Island, but were not able to get back to the beach. A jet boat driver asked if they needed assistance and Ron decide they needed to be towed back to the beach. Apparently the two are current members and have had sailing 101, but Janine reported they had not paid the Hilo Bay dues to use the boats on other than sail days. It was suggested that perhaps we need a follow-up class, Sailing 102, for

further instruction in order for small boat usage on other than sail days. It was also suggested that the lock combos be changed at least once a year at membership renewal time and that the combo only be given out to currently paid up and qualified members. Janine will change combos. An e-mail will be sent out to membership advising they will need to contact a board member in order to get the current combo.

8. Race/Sailing Days

No Report.

9. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 20:50.

Next meeting will be held at Reeds Bay Hotel, Tuesday, Feb. 5, 2008, at 18:30.

Work day scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 26, 2008.

REMINDER

Everyone needs to bring their own re-usable utensils, plates, cups, napkins etc. to cut down on plastic and paper waste at our potluck events. As of Jan. there will be no more brought to potluck!

Write Your Legislators!

From: SkiprJohn@aol.com
To: members@hilo-sailing.org
Subject: [Sailing Club Members] Sailboater friendly Boat
Date: Sun, 30 Dec 2007 14:08:06 EST

Our representatives need to hear from you. So far, written testimony has been given by Glenn Shiroma, Ron Reilly and me. Our representatives might think that only 3 people in Hawaii are interested in this problem.

If you agree that Hilo Bay needs a boat ramp that sailboaters can use then please send a message to the following legislators. This might be the time to get them to take notice. Although our desires have been forwarded to state reps in the past there has been no positive results.

Please help if you can. Some of my thoughts follow these addresses. You can borrow those ideas but please don't just copy them directly. They might see through that.
Thanks

-- John Luchau --

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Sen. Lorraine R. Inouye
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* Goal. Our Club's (Na Hoa Holomoku of Hawaii) training effort for the past seven years has been to make safe sailors on Hilo Bay. We voluntarily train approximately 100 persons a year. Our students have been as young as 8 and as old as 80.

* Uniqueness of the Problem. The

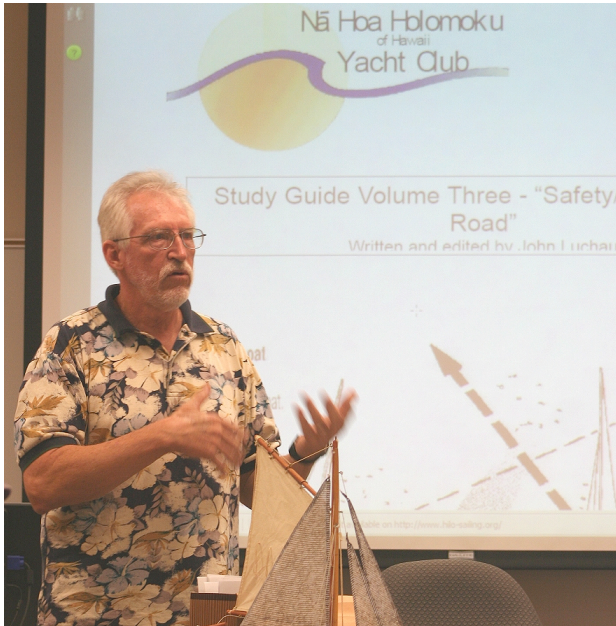
existing boat ramp is unique in all of Hawaii and creates special problems in that boaters need to launch then negotiate the channel and pass under a very low bridge (Wailoa River bridge with 12 foot clearance) to access the Bay and open water. While this is not necessarily a problem for powerboats, it is a problem for sailboats. No other Hawaii harbor has this problem without an alternative ramp. This is problematic for many boats, and especially sailboats, whose masts cannot fit under the bridge.

* Unsafe Condition for Sailboats. Erecting and rigging masts while sailboats are already launched and in the water on a moving deck presents an unsafe obstacle for our sailing students. It not only is difficult but is also potentially dangerous. It is not the recommended safe way sailboats should be launched and you can imagine our volunteer's frustration with training new sailors without a safe facility at which to launch fully rigged trailerable sailboats.

* New Boat Ramp is Needed. A new boat ramp seaward of the Wailoa bridge is needed within Hilo Bay. The current boat ramp has some very specific problems for large powerboats as well as the obvious problems for sailboats. A new ramp designed for large powerboats with "tuna towers" and trailerable sailboats could "kill two birds with one stone" and provide an avenue for more economic growth of the marine industry in Hilo.

* Hilo Bay is Ideal. Hilo Bay is sheltered from oncoming seas with its breakwater and enjoys light trade winds most days which blow toward the shore making it safe for the new sailor. There is nearly two miles of useable area for sail training and all it lacks is a sailboat friendly ramp.

Big Boat Skippers / Classes



John Luchau explaining starboard tack right of way

The following minimum qualifications have been established to qualify you as “Big Boat Skippers:”

1. Be a current member of Na Hoa Holomoku of Hawaii Yacht Club - \$50 annually, plus \$50 to sail on non sail-days.
2. Be a current member of Hilo Sailing Org/Reeds Bay Sailing - \$100 annually (Full time students ½ of above prices.)
3. Pass exams for Vol I, II and III written for our club study guides. Be able to tie 6 knots. A passing grade is 90 percent correct of the questions asked on the exams. Study guides are on line or available from John Luchau at most meetings or on Sail Days. Knots required are: Cleat hitch, Figure eight, Bowline, Clove hitch, Rolling hitch, a Round turn and two half hitches. Knots that will give you extra credit are: Slippery reef, Anchor bend and Sheet bend. Exams are given on Potluck nights or on special days, which John will publish via email.

4. Take checkout rides on "Whippy," "Wei Ji," "Cheers" or "Private Dancer." Do a capsized recovery on the Hobie Getaway.

5. (Recommended, but not required) USCG Aux. Basic Boating course.
*Hilo Sailing Org/Reeds Bay Sailing are non-profit sailing organizations that own the boats and has authorized use by Na Hoa Holomoku Yacht Club. The organizations currently have 5 Walker Bay 10s, 5 Hobie Ones, 14 Sunfish, one Hobie 14, a Hobie Getaway 16, a West Wight Potter 19, a Wharram 23 and two International Folkboat 26s.

All these boats are available to Hilo Sailing Org/Reeds Bay Sailing members to check out and use at any time providing they meet minimum qualifications and are current paid members of either organization.

Classes and Tests to qualify big boat skippers are being held on UH campus, UCB 103 on Fridays from 6-9pm. Nomenclature, Sailing Theory, Safety/Rules of the Road, Knots, Coastal Piloting and Celestial Navigation will be covered on a repeating basis.

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Sail Day

photos by Robert Garry



Christmas Party

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