



NEWSLETTER FOR BIG ISLAND BOATING

CALENDAR

January

14th—Annual Membership meeting

Potluck— 6:15pm

Election of Officers & By-laws approval
Board of Directors meeting—5:45pm

19th—Hilo Bay Regatta

February

11th—General meeting—Potluck, 6:15pm

Board of Directors meeting

16th—Valentine's Regatta

March

11th—General meeting—Potluck, 6:15pm

Board of Directors meeting

16th—St. Patrick's Regatta

April

8th—General meeting—Potluck, 6:15pm

Board of Directors meeting

13th—April Regatta

May

13th—General meeting—Potluck, 6:15pm

Board of Directors meeting

5th—Cinco de Mayo Regatta

26th—Regatta (TBA)

June

10th—General meeting—Potluck, 6:15pm

Board of Directors meeting

16th—Regatta (TBA)

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Our Annual Meeting will be January 14, 2002, and the agenda will include the very important election of 2002 officers and approval of amended by-laws. Here is a sample ballot so that you can get ready for the meeting by having a "cheat sheet" with you when you arrive. No hanging chads will be produced during the election, however, there could be recounts. Please notice that we have an opening for Secretary. For details about that position call me at 982-5959 and please volunteer at your earliest convenience. Nominations for any position may be taken from the floor at the January meeting.

Na Hoa Holomoku of Hawaii Yacht Club 2002 Officers & Board

Ballot for Officers:

Commodore: Kim Magnuson _____

Vice Commodore (East): John Luchau _____

Vice Commodore (West): Richard Messina _____

Rear Commodore for Sail: Barry Bolln _____

Secretary: _____

Treasurer: Robbyn Peck _____

Ballot for Board of Directors: Vote for Four only

Robbyn Peck _____

Roy Forbes _____

John Messina _____

Mike French _____

Peter Boucher _____

Jim Miles _____

Barry Bolln _____

Peter Altendorf _____

Membership Dues - \$36 Charter & Regular Members - \$24 Associate (Off Island) Members - Due now!!! Make checks payable to Na Hoa Holomoku Yacht Club. Mail to PO Box 1661, Keaau, HI. 96749 or bring to January meeting. (Include any address, phone number, or email changes)

NEXT MEETING: Monday, January 14, 2002, Wailoa Park, Pavilion #3, Potluck, 6:30pm.

PLEASE NOTE ON YOUR CALENDARS NOW: Our meetings are the **2nd Monday of each month.** Mark it down now so you can plan ahead.



Christmas Party



What a beautiful sight we were treated to as we walked towards Pavilion 1 for the Christmas party. Menehunes must have been hard at work. Colorful paper and greenery and candles on the tables and twinkling lights everywhere transformed the splintery wood and concrete into a wonderland. It was so welcoming, a safe haven with the outstretched arms of kindred spirits ready to express their joy at seeing you. Thanks so much to Joyce French and her helpers (Mike French, Petra Wiesenbauer, Adrienne Aisel, Ed Ha, Eugene Strehler, Robbyn Peck and others unknown to me who decorated or loaned things). You all set an atmosphere for fun and sharing. The food was plentiful and delicious, and the gift exchange fun with only a few friendly pirates around to "exchange" for something more desirable. Forty-nine signed the register. We are doing good!!!



Photos by Joyce French



University of Hawaii Sailing Program

Sail the waters of Hilo Bay with US Sailing Level II certified instructor Clare Lyon leading the way. The class will introduce novice sailors to the basic elements of water safety and sailing terminology, and tack and gybe (jibe), and racing techniques. There will be brochures at the January Yacht Club meeting. She would hope that people would take all three sections so they could progress from beginner to intermediate to advanced, but it sounds like even just one course would sharpen your sailing skills. Even session three will be open to novices. In all three there will be a lot of one-on-one time in this fast paced course.

Call 974-7664 to register. \$40 equipment fee in addition to course registration fee of \$69 totals \$109 each section.

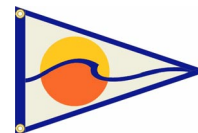
- Sailing, section 1 T,Th 3-6pm, 1/29-2/21 Hilo Bay (8 classes)
- Sailing, section 2 T,Th 3-6pm, 2/26-3/21 Hilo Bay (8 classes)

Standard ITU Phonetics - submitted by Ed Ha

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| A—ALFA (AL FAH) | N—NOVEMBER (NO VEM BER) |
| B—BRAVO (BRAH VOH) | O—OSCAR (OSS CAH) |
| C—CHARLIE (CHAR LEE) or (SHAR LEE) | P—PAPA (PAH PAH) |
| D—DELTA (DELL TAH) | Q—QUEBEC (KEH BECK) |
| E—ECHO (ECK OH) | R—ROMEO (ROW ME OH) |
| F—FOXTROT (FOKS TROT) | S—SIERRA (SEE AIR RAH) |
| G—GOLF (GOLF) | T—TANGO (TANG GO) |
| H—HOTEL (HOH TELL) | U—UNIFORM (YOU NEE FORM) or (OO NEE FORM) |
| I—INDIA (IN DEE AH) | V—VICTOR (VIK TAH) |
| J—JULIETT (JEW LEE ETT) | W—WHISKEY (WISS KEY) |
| K—KILO (KEY LOH) | X—X-RAY (ECKS RAY) |
| L—LIMA (LEE MAH) | Y—YANKEE (YANG KEY) |
| M—MIKE (MIKE) | Z—ZULU (ZOO LOO) |

Note: The **boldfaced** syllables are emphasized. The pronunciations shown in this table were designed for those who speak any of the international languages. The pronunciations given for “Oscar” and “Victor” may seem awkward to English speaking people in the US. These are very helpful when sending messages over your marine radios. They take a few minutes to memorize. Ed practices them when he sees car license plates. Great idea Ed. Let’s all try it.

BURGEES STILL AVAILABLE - \$20 - payable to Na Hoa Holomoku Yacht Club - write to address on front if out of town or give to Treasurer Robbyn at next meeting.



Please send items for possible inclusion in the newsletter to editor Pat Bolln at holokai@hawaii.rr.com or 10 Ualehua, Hilo, 96720, or call 961-4474.

Congratulations

Three of our instructor candidates have now completed the requirements in the US Sailing classes. Congratulations to Nick Rees, Mauricio Barbis, and Kim Magnuson. Well done guys. The others should be able to finish as soon as time permits.

Board of Directors meeting for December 10, 2001. Most committee reports, old business, and new business were tabled until January's meeting. Only two items of business were discussed.

A. Bylaws Committee - Recommended changes are the following: The addition of Junior Members and change Associate Members to be off island members who will pay a smaller fee. The addition of more directors and officers. The addition of an administrative dissolution statement at the end of the bylaws. The deletion of fees from the bylaws and inclusion of fees in a separate "standing rules" document. John Luchau made a motion to present these changes at this evening's club Christmas Party. The motion was approved. Proposed bylaw changes were distributed at the meeting. (Anyone who did not receive a copy of the proposed bylaws by e-mail or at December's meeting may request them from John at 982-5959)

B. New Business - John Luchau moved to increase fees to \$36 for Charter and Regular members and leave fees at \$24 for Associate members. The increase in fees is to help defray the cost of insurance for the club, for Y membership when our partnership becomes more formally established, and the cost of the newsletter printing and mailing. The motion was approved. — Submitted by Secretary John Luchau

A FOND FAREWELL TO A BEAUTIFUL LADY



We want to bid a tearful farewell to a beautiful lady called "Grenadier". The black rocks that had tried to seize her before were finally successful at tearing at her limbs so she dances no more except in our memories. She was a Mariner 32 that was slowly regaining her youth and beauty in the loving hands of her owner, John Messina. When her white sails were finally unfurled, she stepped timidly onto the dance floor of Hilo Bay and even took a whirl beyond its boundaries to return in the darkness, flushed and exhilarated. We were all awed at her beauty.

Our love and good wishes go out to John & Michiko. Many of us have been through it. We understand.



Special angels sent to help: Barry, Mauricio, John, Kim, Barbara, Mike, Joyce, Ivo, Carl, Mr. & Mrs Shioji, Ed

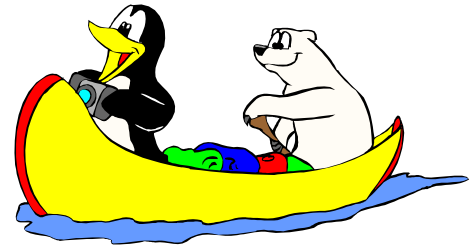
The Captain

The Master, the Old Man, and , only in small vessels, the Skipper. He is in complete control of the ship and its navigation and working, of all other officers, the crew, passengers, and cargo, and is the representative of the owner. The captain, in the first place, is lord paramount. He stands no watch, comes and goes when he pleases, is accountable to no one, and must be obeyed in everything, without a question even from his chief officer. He has the power to turn his officers off duty, and even to break them and make them do duty as sailors in the forecabin. Where there are no passengers and no supercargo, as in our vessel, he has no companion but his own dignity, and few pleasures unless he differs from most of his kind, beyond the consciousness of possessing supreme power, and , occasionally, the exercise of it. He is not only the ruler in his own ship, he is also the father, the physician, the preacher, and, upon occasion, the judge to both crew and passengers. When he is on deck, the weather side of the quarter-deck belongs to him, and as soon as he appears the officer of the watch will leave it and go over to the leeward. Where the safety of his ship is concerned, in the eyes of the law his authority is supreme. Custom has it that the captain is always the last into a small boat and the first out of it. In time of peril he is the last to leave his ship. (An American Sailor's Treasury)

What's Happening With Our Members:

Five of us enjoyed the December Full Moon Kayak Paddle. Glad to have Adrienne's father join us while he was visiting.

Saw Mike and Joyce French on their boat several times while their two daughters visited. Hope you had a great time.



Congratulations Paola Barbis on your graduation with honors from UH Hilo with a degree in psychology. Great job. We enjoyed meeting her parents and sister who came for the celebration.

Thanks to the sailors who joined Barry and Pat Bolln for Christmas dinner at their house. Sharing with friends is very special.

Great visit by members Chuck and Mitzi Christensen from Kathlamet, Washington. Good to see you in Hilo for the holidays.

Thanks to all who tried to save and salvage Grenadier. John is very grateful. We are a team in good times and bad times.

Eugene Strehler is moving to Kona. We will miss you. Hopefully you and Richard will represent us on that side of the island.

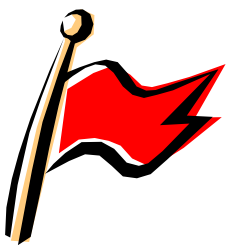
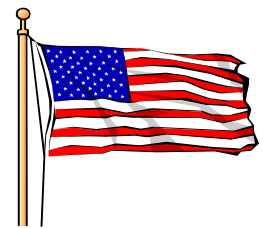
Please send your calls and best wishes to Roger Nakasu who is battling health problems.

The first time you sail your boat up to the dock so she stops within a foot of the cleats is a triumph that will bring a glow to your life. Pardey

Flag Etiquette in Hilo Bay.

Paraphrased from "The Annapolis Book of Seamanship" by John Luchau

You may fly the national ensign or yacht ensign on a flagstaff at the stern or from the leech of the aftermost sail. If you fly it from the leech of your sail it should be sewn into the leech 2/3 of the way up from the clew. On a gaff (or sprit) rigged boat it should be sewn to the leech just below the gaff (or sprit). Most Captains of boats with permanent backstays and topping lifts fly the ensign from a flagstaff so that the flag doesn't become frayed and tattered from fouling with stays and topping lifts. Fly the ensign from 8 am to sunset either underway or not underway. Hoist the ensign quickly and lower it slowly. Ensigns are not to be flown from stern flagstaffs while underway in a race. The size? The ensign should be 1" on the horizontal (fly) measurement for every foot of your boat.



Club burgees are to be flown from the top of the forwardmost mast and can be flown day or night. They are hoisted on small poles called pigsticks that can protrude above the height of the mast. If the burgee will foul your antenna or wind indicator then you can fly the burgee from the starboard spreader but it is not the "purist" form of flag etiquette. If you fly an owner's private signal from the masthead you can fly the burgee on a flagstaff at the top of the bow pulpit.

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A Happy
New
Year!



Lining up
for turkey
at our
Christmas
party.