



Starboard Quarter

Summer

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Yacht Club/YMCA/UHH Partners in Reeds Bay Property

Many of us in the club have been working for several years to find a permanent place for us to meet and to call our home. Our wish is to have somewhere on the water we can have dinghy storage and a small dock and a launch ramp. An ideal setting would be overlooking Reeds Bay in order to be able to keep watch over the boats at anchor there. We'd like a place where we could build a small clubhouse with bathrooms.

Club members have scouted many properties. Our budget doesn't allow us to buy or lease real estate so we're restricted to properties owned by the state and have asked the county and state to help us find a suitable place.

We were successful in securing the BERT Site for temporary use but its temporary condition makes it less than ideal.

Our more long term members remember meeting at the old "Hukilau" Restaurant under a concrete roofed pavilion. At that site there was at one time a small boat ramp.

A few years ago Kim and I went to the State DLNR and asked about the "Hukilau" for the purpose of a meeting site. During our discussion we were told that the best way to get access to that property was to request it from the state through the county then form a partnership with the county. During the same meeting it was mentioned that the YMCA was looking

at the very same location for an aquatics center. And, as we found later, Peter Boucher was inquiring about the site for use by the YMCA.

During the past couple of months we have had discussions with Pat Engelhard of County Parks and Recreation and it looks hopeful that eventually we will be able to gain access along with the YMCA and the UHH in exchange for stewardship of the land. The latest update is that we are still waiting for the county to send us a Memorandum of Understanding to sign in order to gain access to the site.

Go a little past Harrington's and look for the yellow gate. Park and walk the cleared area.

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Club Officers

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

U. S. Sailing Instructor Class Graduates for May 2003

Three of our club members have joined the ranks of certified U. S. Sailing Instructors.

On Monday, 26 May 2003 Kevin Horton, Jon Olson and Jacques Peysson became the latest club members to complete certification with U. S. Sailing. As you may

remember they played a large part in providing training during our "Sailing Season" kickoff in January and in the Spring YMCA Class.

Kevin, Jon and Jacques traveled to Oahu to complete the course because the Kawaihae class scheduled for March did not field enough partici-

pants and was canceled. Wow, what dedication!

If you are interested in completing this certification then talk with these new graduates to find out what the process entails.

"Congratulations to Kevin, Jon and Jacques!"

Three New Club Sunfish Sailboats

Commodore Larry Peck and Treasurer Robbyn Peck have purchased three Sunfish sailboats for club member use. Larry is looking for input as to how we should set up a procedure for Sunfish checkout.

Please give input to the board at our next board meeting

this Friday at 7PM.

As all of you who have attended the YMCA Sunfish classes and the "Sailing Season" session know, the Sunfish is a fun little boat.

Thanks Larry and Robbyn.



"Naupaka" Club's American 25

Warning—this is a repeat article and a request for help!

"Naupaka" is still in the boatyard at Wailoa. Her 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. Who will take this on as a project?

So far the majority of work and contributions have been made by Henry Peterson, Bob Rioux and



"Naupaka"

John Luchau. She needs new running lights, some new cleats and a

couple of new valves. Her mast wiring needs to be sorted out and some cabinet work would be nice. When that is complete and someone donates an outboard she'll be ready to go back in the water and will be 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" call John at 982-5959.

Classifieds

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

- 13ft Ali'i Kai w/15hp 4stroke Honda \$2500 and a 15ft Ali'i Kai w/45hp & 6hp kicker \$4500. Call Peter 981-0827

- 28ft Corsair. Call Mark 965-6373.

- 29ft Cascade, very well equipped. Call David at 938-

9361.

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

- El Toro (8ft sailing dinghy) plans \$20, 8ft "Sabotoro" or "El Abot" sailing/rowing dinghy \$205. Call John 982-5959.

- "Start Sailing Right!" book \$15 and "Small Boat Sailor Cert. Record Book \$1, Call Nick at 935-4158.

- Jon Olson is offering up his treasure chest chock full of great sail and power boat items. Give him a call at 965-6093. He may have exactly what you are looking for.

- 13' Hobie Wave, a poly catamaran, with trailer, ready to sail, \$950. Call 935-5288.

- Alex Aguerra 9'0" slalom Windsurfer, Excellent, foot straps, racing fin. Call 885-6118. (Cont'd page 3)

Skippers in the Spotlight

Barry and Pat Bolln of "Pacific Voyager" are our featured skippers for this quarter. Barry hails from Southern Cal and Pat from West Texas. Barry's sailing experience started from birth. He was a live-aboard kid on his folks 44ft sloop homeported at Newport Beach. Pat learned to sail in Mountain View, CA through the American Red Cross and a local Junior College on Sabots and Rhodes 19s in the early 70s. They met in CA and married on Catalina Island in 1980. Together they built a Bristol Channel Cutter, "Maiden of the Fair



Barry and Pat

Sail and a Director and Pat has been our Newsletter editor, Membership

Winds" and sailed her to Hawaii in '81. Since here they've owned and gathered several boats including kayaks, a Force 5 which Pat has owned since the 70s, a Laser, 28 ft trimaran, Cal 2-30 and now "Pacific Voyager" their Fuji 45 (pictured below and to the right). Barry fished commercially for a time and knows these waters very well. (He did other jobs too but not related to sailing). Barry and Pat are Charter Members and Barry was our Rear Commodore for

Chair and a marvelous hostess at many of our early meetings. Barry is well known for heading up our Cinco de Mayo race in 2002 and they are both noted for planning, organizing and executing the "hands across the island" invitation to KSC last October as well as cleanup of the BERT site.

Their plans are to leave here June 9th or so and head for Sitka, Alaska to continue the voyage they set out to do in 1981, work their way down the inland passage into the Puget Sound and meet with former club members Chuck and Mitzi Christensen.



YMCA Plans Summer Sailing Classes

Claudia Wilcox-Boucher is planning summer Sunfish Sailing Camps for kids ages 10-14. Dates will be June 16-20 and July 7-11. Cost will be approximately \$100 for Y members. Y membership is \$15. Call the Y office to get more details—935-3721.

The YMCA and our Club have established a partnership because of our shared goals of training sailors. The Y owns the Sunfish used in training and provides safety boats and lifeguards. The Yacht Club provides the instructors and does boat maintenance.

Because of this relationship there have been nearly 100 individuals able to participate in sailing activities in Hilo since spring 2002.



First Lesson: Learning to Capsize and Right Boats Safely

Sail Training Participants/More Classifieds

Spring Sunfish Sailing Participants

Tereza Chylkova, Albert Chylkova, Thomas Rees, Samuel Rees, Tony "Hawaiian Boy" Haug, Cheyne Bradford, Calypso Gagorik, Anna White and John White did a great job honing their sailing skills. Congratulations to all who participated and well done to racers Tereza and Thomas. Tereza would have won two in a row had it not been for an unscheduled capsizing.

(Classified Cont'd) 33' Ranger 1970, unfinished restoration. 12.6SR Sea Eagle inflatable with solid plastic floors and two seats, '99 Suzuki outboard, 20KG Bruce Anchor, Davis Mark 25 Beam Converger sextant, Garmin 48 12 channel handheld GPS, Icom IC-M1 handheld VHF. Call Peter at 982-7905 or 936-9272 or e-mail peterwa@aloha.net.

Wanted—Volunteers for these important Yacht Club positions: Membership Chair, Fleet Captain, Visiting Yacht Host/Hostess, Program Chair, YC Site Chair, Fiberglass repairer. Contact Larry at 960-1314 or John at 982-5959.

(In future editions classifieds for personal items will be placed free of charge for current club members only. Ask about business ad space pricing)

Sailing Classes and Events

UHH Classes: Jacques Peysson will teach basic techniques of sailing, starting from safety fundamentals to advanced training leading to sailing competition. The subject for any course will depend on the student level.

We are offering, for the first time in Hilo, a session for advanced sailors to learn basic skills of competition. Learn how to make your boat go fast...compete with the fastest.

Jacques Peysson is a French national champion and international competitor in small boat dinghy sailing. He was a Director of sailing programs in France and in Guadeloupe.

Please meet us in the Port of Hilo, on the right part of Matson Container

area, at the Blue Container by the waterfront (through the back gate), at 11:00 AM the first day of the session. Call the College of Continuing Education (974-7664) for directions.

Recreational Sailing Classes:

Jun 9—13, Jun 23-27, Jul 21-Jul 25, Jul 28-Aug1 Each Session is a total cost of \$150 per person.

Message from Jacques to club members, "You and your children are welcome. UHH proposes this summer for the first time an initiation to competition with training for advanced sailors (you need to have enough skill to think about other things than only be focused on helming your boat.)" Sunday June 8 and each Sunday until July 6th, 11AM-3PM, \$150 and July

1st, 2nd and 3rd 11-3, \$90 Jacques' number is 981-5323.

Uncle Pete's Ocean Festival is July 5th at 10AM Kawaihae at the "Wind on Water" Pavilion where the Y has its boatyard. This event is to introduce everyone to all types of water sports and will get kids out on the water for all types of fun including El Toro and Laser sailing. They might even launch Flying Juniors.

Sailing Season Summer Session is scheduled for July 20th.

Remember how much fun the last one was? Get ready for the next one and keep check the website for details.



Wasn't this fun? Want to do it again? Check the website for next "Sailing Season Sunfish Summer Session"

Sunfish Sanding Fun



Kevin Horton and Tomas Chylek manning the sanders

Restoring Sunfish

Many of our last few Sundays have been set aside for Sunfish Maintenance. During "Sailing Season I" and the last basic class there occurred several mild mishaps which in themselves individually would have been considered "no big thing." However, accumulatively and done on very old battered to nearly pieces Sunfish the repairs turned into a "job." As you may know, and my wife will confirm, "job" is a four letter word in my vocabulary. This very day we have finished repairing two Sunfish completely and they are ready to sail. That leaves eight more to do. Please come and help on each Sunday from 12-4 at the Y.



John W. and Charlie—more sanding

Sunfish Maintenance Program



Tomas, Tereza and Albert sanding Sunfish

On Sunday the 25th, Kim, Barbara and John L. started rigging 4 new sails to booms while Nick patched and sanded a hull. The new booms and really colorful new sails were donated by Larry and Robbyn. They look great. I can't wait to try them out.

Jim Patterson of Force Marine has donated his labor and expertise to patch major dings in hulls and has repaired two to date. Thanks Jim!

Other volunteers are: Charlie, John M., John L., John W. and little John W., Larry, Robbyn (the great), Nick, Thomas, Samuel, Stacey, Christine, David, Tomas, Tatiana, Tereza, Albert, Joel, Kevin, Jon, Matt, Arjun, Kim, Barbara, Ivo and Ben.



Primered Sunfish ready for top coat

Adopt a Sunfish

Adopt a Sunfish! Here is an example of how you can help the Y and our club. Two Sunfish sailboats went home with individual club members to be patched, filled, sanded and painted. Ivo Hanza was the first to volunteer to take one home. John L. took the other one. Ivo's Sunfish has returned home and looks very good. You can see it on the bottom right hand Sunfish rack at the Y. Ivo had many different unpredictable experiences with paint while working on his adopted

Sunfish and therefore did far more sanding than the rest of us will have to do. With experimentation he really found the key to the paint problems. The solutions are: thin the primer with lacquer thinner, thin the final coat with regular paint thinner and spray paint both primer and final coats. Ivo also found a fellow named Ben to help spray paint the boat. **Thanks Ivo.**

John's Sunfish hasn't found its way back yet. He reports that it just

needs to have the top coat on the deck sprayed and it will be ready for hardware installation next Sunday.

Adopt a Sunfish. Volunteer—Call John at 982-5959. We will provide the fiberglass mat, cloth, filler and epoxy as well as paint and even deliver your Sunfish to your place. You provide the muscle power and sandpaper.

Some Boat News

Barry and Pat are at Radio Bay on "Pacific Voyager" their Fuji 45 which they purchased in February. They are getting ready for their journey to Alaska very soon. They are excited.

John Messina has stepped his mast and is ready to sail "Cheers" his International Folkboat which is sporting a red hull after a short haulout. Somehow the new color makes the boat look a different size. "Cheers" looks very good.

John Tucker's boat is ready to go back in the water after a refit. If you would like to give him a hand then call him at 965-9090.

Jim and Mauricio have taken their Ranger up to Jim's house to work on. Jim has lent his trailer out to John M. and John was able to fit it very nicely to haul his Folkboat. It now is doing double duty on the Ranger.

Larry and Robbyn are now working on their tri in Florida. He is installing an electric power plant to his own design. We can't wait to hear how it works.

Ed Ha's Pueo is in haulout at Wailoa waiting for extensive renovation. Ed has been recovering from a broken arm sustained in an auto accident. Please let him know if there is anything you can help with. Ed's number is: 937-7711

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Potluck at YMCA on June 9

Reminder for Directors and Officers—Board of Directors Meeting changed to June 6, 7PM at Larry and Robbyn's

Membership

**Yacht Club Potluck is at the YMCA
300 W. Lanikaula St., 6:30PM,
Monday, June 9.**

Since our Club began in late 2000 our membership has steadily grown. We started with 47 Charter Members and have had as many as 92 including honorary members. As you know, membership ends on December 31 of each year and we already have 80 paid members for 2003. That's really good and I know we'll bring in more if each of us contacts our friends who have an interest in boating. So please do that. Contact your friends and invite them to our potluck this Monday.

Membership: Regular family membership \$36. Associate (off island) \$24 and Junior (under 18 or full-time student) \$20. Send your dues to the address above.