

LEARN TO SAIL, OR UPGRADE YOUR SAILING SKILLS

Join our "Sunfish on the Bay" sessions, every Saturday from 10 a.m. to about 3:30 p.m., beginning January 18. Our club has joined with the Hilo YMCA to provide classes for young and old.

Meet at the beach at Bayfront. We'll provide the sunfish sailboats and skilled teachers. Anybody is invited to participate. Don't worry about your skill level. If you're a brand-new sailor, you'll be in good hands. If you're an old salt, you can upgrade your skills or help somebody else upgrade theirs.

We expect to run several regattas during the year.

To participate, you must be a swimmer and be willing to join the Na Hoa Holomuku sailing club as well as the "Y". By joining, you'll help both organizations and you'll also help yourself to a great learning experience.

You're almost sure to get wet, so bring appropriate clothing.

Again, come on Saturdays, beginning Sat., Jan 18.



NA HOA HOLOMUKU OF HAWAII YACHT CLUB TAKES THIRD PLACE

--- By John Luchau

Even though our parade float was not nearly as colorful or well decorated as those of 2001, our efforts were rewarded with 3rd prize in the small float category. Lehua Jaycees awarded us a prize of \$50 for placing third.

As you might remember, the signal flags did not make it to the boat because of Mauricio Barbis' diversion to help save "Cheers" from sinking and "Stars and Stripes" from breaking up on the rocks.

Please renew your membership. Dues for Charter and Regular membership are \$36, Associate (off-island) \$24 and junior \$20.

Please send payment to Na Hoa Holomuku, P.O. Box 1661, Keaau, HI 96749.

ANOTHER RESCUE

John Luchau and Allie and Roy Forbes came to the aid of Jherrie Rubeyiat when her boat was stuck on a sand bar in the Wailoa River during the wee hours of November 19. The team got the boat unstuck and back to the dock without further incident.

The Coast Guard sent a congratulatory letter to Allie and Roy for their efforts.

THANKS

Thanks to past Commodore Kim Magnuson, John Luchau, Mauricio Barbis, Bob Rioux and Glen and Patricia Walters for helping decorate the float. And thanks also to Mauricio, Kim and Gob who went to the rescue of "Cheers" and were assisted by Joel, Rutter, Roy and Allie, and Robbyn and Larry Peck.

