

Na Hoa Holomoku of Hawaii Yacht Club

Our Monthly Sail and Potluck will be this coming Saturday, 8 November 3, 2003 beginning at 4PM on the Bay Front beach just following our Saturday "Sailing Season."

This will be a great opportunity for you to launch your boat, go sailing and then join us for potluck. If you don't have a boat there might be a couple available for you to use and we just might be able to get a couple of handicap races in. Please come and join us for some good food and "talk story."

Boat Ramp News — As you may already know, Glenn Shiroma, a Wailoa power boater, and many of our club members have attended and given testimony at several of the Governor's East Hawaii Advisory Committee meetings held monthly. The following letter dated October 23, 2003 has been sent by the Committee to the Governor on behalf of Hilo boaters due in large part to our support of this project.

"Governor Lingle,

The East Hawai'i Advisor Committee has been hearing testimony from a dedicated group of sailing and boating enthusiasts who are active in the community on the need for a new boat ramp in Hilo Bay. This group includes a number of individuals who have worked to encourage family and community based programs to strengthen our community and bring them together in positive activities that help to guide individuals into productive activities and proactive attitudes within our community, as well as strengthening ties among families and neighbors. The situation with launching and takings boats out of the water with current facilities in Hilo is boat inadequate and cumbersome, adding barriers to the programs and activities these people are providing to our community.

We, the East Hawai'i Advisory Committee, would like to endorse and forward their request that the State look into and proceed with appropriate haste to establish, construct and operate a second boat ramp in the Hilo Bay area that will facilitate the good works of these people and enable them to contribute even more to our community. They are willing to work with the State and contribute their time, expertise and other resources to this end. We consider this a priority item for East Hawai'i and encourage you to take whatever action you can to see this come about."

Barry Bolln Annual Hands Across the Island Regatta and Potluck

occurred on Saturday October 4th. Thanks for participate and attending and sharing good food, good sailing and good stories with our friends from Kona. Some photos from the event are on the reverse side of this flyer and a more comprehensive story will be in our December newsletter.

Barry and Pat Bolln are back in town. We are inviting them to share their adventures to Alaska and down the waterway to Vancouver Island on "Pacific Voyager." Watch for the date, time and place they can provide slides and "talk story" with us.

Sailing Season started on October 25th and we have over thirty participants and seven new basic sailors. We've been able to keep seven YMCA Sunfish, three club Sunfish, a Thomas Rees Sunfish and a John Luchau Sunfish clone on the water most of the day. Basic and fun sailing begins at 10AM and racing begins at 1PM. You'll have the opportunity to sharpen your racing and sailing skills. Boats that aren't used for racing are available for fun sailing in the afternoon. Come and join in. There will be a nominal boat maintenance fee collected on the beach.



Many of you have noticed a Hobie 14 on the beach and being used extensively during our fun sails. Clarence and Jean Skoien of Tampa, Florida donated this Hobie 14 to our club in memory of their son Stephen. Clarence and Jean, thank you so much for your generosity. It is a wonderful and fun addition to our growing club fleet. We will make certain that all who sail on it will know in whose name it came to us.



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