



# Lifeline

Newsletter of Hui Wa'a Kaukahi

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Recapping the event with a picture and the scoreboard --

Windbag Regatta 2003 winner Kevin Ching (on the right) with participants (left to right) Chalsa Loo, Steve Harris (last year's winner), and Merritt Burke.

## Windbag Regatta 2003 Official Times

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Boat</b>	<b>Sail</b>	<b>Time</b>
1	Kevin K.L. Ching	Scupper Pro	2 V-Sails 3 m2	42 min 13 sec
2	Merritt Burke	Tarpon	Frame Kite	43 min 21 sec
3	Steve Harris	Scupper Pro	2 sails	44 min 12 sec
4	Chalsa Loo	Scupper Pro	1 sail	47 min 23 sec
5	Philip Dang	Scupper Pro	2 sails, amas	49 min 18 sec
6	Paul Tibbetts	Scupper Pro	Parafoil 7.5	52 min 15 sec
7	Charles Ehrhorn	Point Eight	Parafoil 7.5	55 min 21 sec
8	Stan McCrae	Tarpon	Parafoil 7.5	64 min 3 sec
9	Ed Rhineland	Scupper Pro	Crab Claw Sail, amas	67 min 7 sec
10	David & Nicholas Lonborg	Cabo	Parafoil 7.5	68 min 14 sec
11	Tom	Inova	Parafoil 7.5	68 min 59 sec
12	Sam and Elly Cucinell	Aire Lynx	Parasol	72 min 33 sec
13	Jodi Dingle	Scupper Pro	Parafoil 7.5	75 min 13 sec

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## President's Message:

Welcome Paddlers,

The weather and surf have made these past few months challenging paddling conditions for our Club paddles. Surf has been breaking 6 to 12 feet on the East facing shores. All club paddles were conducted safely or cancelled during these winter conditions and no rescues had to be made, much to the credit of our paddle leaders. Keep up the good work.

Be sure to come to our Easter Camp scheduled for next weekend, April 9, 10 and 11. We plan to have a full schedule as usual, including our Saturday morning paddle, Saturday afternoon paddling clinic, Saturday night bonfire (Rusty says he has a lot of trees), and Sunday's Easter Egg hunt on the water, potluck lunch, prize giveaway, and kayak swap meet and auction.

The paddling clinic on Saturday, April 10, beginning at 2:00 p.m. will be different as we will be introducing several safety and paddling techniques learned from a recently completed class with the American Canoe Association. Admission to this class is free for all Hui members but you should register by emailing me at the address below if you are interested in participating as space is limited. *[continued on page 3]*

You will need a kayak, a paddle, and a life vest to attend this class.

The other different event this year will be a kayak auction to benefit the Club. Please bring any kayak or camping related item you wish to donate to the Club and we can attempt to auction it. Please be prepared to take it home if no one buys it. Ann Yoklavich and Joe Rothstein have donated a Sevylor inflatable. I'm not sure of the model number but Joe thinks it's a TX-290. The offer includes the seats, pump, and carrying bag. It's a good boat to use for those lazy neighbor island trips as it packs very well and may be self bailing. The kayak will be auctioned "as is" and the buyer will be responsible for checking its seaworthiness.

See everyone next weekend.

Safe Paddling,

**Joe Hu**, President  
advisor@aloha.net

## PSYCHOANALYSIS OF A WINNING PHOTO

*by Chalsa M. Loo, PhD*

*as requested by Peter Nicholson, 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner of the 2003 Photo Contest*

Can a photo containing no kayak win a Hui Wa'a Kaukahi Kayak Photo Contest?

Peter Nicholson's photo of Kapapa Island proved the unthinkable. A photograph in which not one single kayak, or even a piece of a kayak, figures into the picture won! Nicholson's depiction of a windswept tree under which two persons take pause, in awe of the scene of clouds, surf, and mountains placed Second in the 2003 Annual Christmas photo competition. "How can?" you ask.

Well, first, there is the presumption of kayaks, for how could these two persons get to Kapapa Island but with kayaks? Sometimes in art, subtle implication is what draws you in -- the viewer sees, or imagines, kayaks. Can't you see them, the kayaks, at the other side of what's viewed in this photo? When you voted for this photo, were you conscious of the absence of kayaks? Probably not. You imagined them there.

Nicholson uses light and dark contrasts to great visual effect, creating the same type of power that photographers create with black and white. This is a rather brooding, mood piece that catches your eye and imagination. It harkens to scenes in

WutheringHeights, only without the bitterness of Heathcliff. Here, in Nicholson's photo, the energy lies not with the people. The kayakers are dwarfed by the power of Nature. Indeed, they seem to take refuge under a Tree contorted by the uncompromising power of the Wind. Again, we do not actually see the wind, but we can imagine it. Can't you feel it? It's akin to paddling in strong headwinds. We, in our kayaks, are as this tree -- bent and extended unnaturally -- struggling to stay rooted to our kayaks, while Nature's driving force unceasingly pulls us in an unintended direction.

Although the kayakers are positioned center stage, there is considerable energy in what lies above them, in the starkly contrasting white and gray clouds. In fact, the majority of this photo involves clouds. Whiter-than-white, these clouds are electric, dominating, ominous, against a sky of looming gray. They appear to portend some anticipatory event. The dark gray, nearly black, tree is centered against and afore the luminous clouds across Father Sky. The contrast of the Tree against the stark white clouds captures your eye, but the Tree competes to capture. For in this Tree there is struggle and the fight to survive. The kayakers take refuge beneath its limbs of Strong Will.

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[Psychoanalysis of a Winning Photo – continued from page 3]

Beyond the horizon stand the majestic Koolaus. The expansive landscape creates stability, as does the Island, against the wind-driven clouds and side-bent Tree. Absent are the green and brown tones of the landscape. But they are in your minds-eye of those for whom camping Kapapa has been a repeated, memorable experience.

Less noticeable, but still present, is the surf, a white contrast against the grey ocean water, the surf reflecting energy and movement, with lesser presence than the clouds, but still a close-cousin.

Where are the kayakers' thoughts? In the clouds? The surf? Or the entirety of it all?

Nicholson's photo is a winning photograph because it emotionally captures that sense of arrival we experience when we reach our land destination, after traversing by ocean kayak. We stand in awe of Nature's Power and Glory, in places that few would go. We are at once powerful and powerless, humbled at Nature's Wonder, yet part of its Totality.



## **WINNERS OF THE 2003 PROGRESSIVE FISHING TOURNAMENT**

*as announced by Chuck Ehrhorn at the 2003 Annual Christmas Party*

### **Most Fish Caught – Dennis Kees**

with 16 fish

### **Second Place for Most Fish Caught – Maghna Zettle**

with 8 fish

### **Biggest Fish Caught – Alan Calhoun**

with a 15-lb mahimahi caught during a South Point, Big Island trip

**HUI WA'A KAUKAHI PADDLING SCHEDULE 2004**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>MILES</b>	<b>RATING</b>	<b>LEADER/CONTACT</b>
<u>April</u> 04 Sun	<b>Annual "Hui Buoy and Breakfast Bonanza"</b> <i>From Kaimana Beach (New Otani Kamaina Beach Hotel) to Diamond Head (red) buoy to the Elks Club for a hearty breakfast.</i>	3 RT	2	<b>Gary Budlong</b> 737-9514 gary@gobananaskayaks.com <b>Charles Ehrhorn</b> 395-6180 ehrhorn@lava.net
09 Fri – 11 Sun	<b>Annual Easter Camp at Kualoa Regional Park</b>			<b>Joseph Hu</b> 528-3600 advisor@aloha.net
10 Sat	<b>9:00 am – Kualoa Regional Park to Kahana Bay Paddle</b>  <b>2:00 pm – Paddling Clinic #2 – by the Campsite</b>  <b>evening – Pyromaniacs' Bonfire at the Campsite</b> <i>Save Christmas trees, logs, pallets, etc. to fuel this spectacle and witness the pyro dance around the bonfire.</i>	6	2 to 3	<b>Timothy Sawyer</b> 230-8989 sawyert001@hawaii.rr.com  <b>Joseph Hu</b> 528-3600 advisor@aloha.net
11 Sun	<b>10:00 am – Annual Wet Easter Egg Hunt</b>  <b>11:30 am – Pot Luck Lunch</b>  <b>12:30 pm – Easter Bonnet/Hat Contest and Easter Egg Hunt Prizes Give-Away; Kayak and Camping Equipment Auction</b>			<b>Rusty Lillico</b> 254-4123 lillico@hawaii.rr.com
13 Tues	<b>6:30 pm – Steering Advisory Board Meeting at office of Hu and Tsuji in Pioneer Plaza.</b>			<b>Jane Skanderup</b> 239-7007 jskanderup@yahoo.com <b>Charles Ehrhorn</b> 395-6180 ehrhorn@lava.net
17 Sat	<b>7:00 am – Volunteer for the Waikiki Swim Club Fin Swim Race – Magic Island</b> <i>Free t-shirt.</i>			<b>Rusty Lillico</b> 254-4123 lillico@hawaii.rr.com
20 Tues	<b>7:00 pm – HWK Meeting at the Church of the Crossroads</b> <i>Program: Aitutaki Atoll [Cook Island] slide show by Douglas Peebles and Gary Budlong.</i>			<b>Joseph Hu</b> 528-3600 advisor@aloha.net
25 Sun	<b>E-Z Gliders Paddle #2 – Kahana Bay and Paukauila River</b>	3 RT	1 to 2	<b>Rusty Lillico</b> 254-4123 lillico@hawaii.rr.com
<u>May</u> 01 Sat	<b>James Sutherland Fishing Tournament at Kaiaka State Recreational Area</b> <i>Details TBA.</i> <i>Camping optional on Friday, April 30 and Saturday, May 1.</i>			<b>James Sutherland</b> 622-1257 bigdog@hawaii.rr.com

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DATE	EVENT	MILES	RATING	LEADER/CONTACT
<b>May (continued)</b>				
02 Sun	<b>Volunteer for the Castle Swim sponsored by the Outrigger Canoe Club</b> <i>Volunteers needed as escorts. Free t-shirt and access to OCC mega-brunch.</i>		1	<b>Rusty Lillico</b> 254-4123 lillico@hawaii.rr.com
16 Sun	<b>9:00 am – Volunteer for the Waikiki Swim Club Popoia (Flat) Island Swim (Kailua)</b> <i>Five to six volunteers needed as swim course marshals. Free t-shirt.</i>		1	<b>Rusty Lillico</b> 254-4123 lillico@hawaii.rr.com
	<b>10:30 am – E-Z Gliders Paddle #3 -- Round trip from Kailua Boat Ramp to the Mokulua Islands</b>	4 RT	1 to 2	<b>Rusty Lillico</b> 254-4123 lillico@hawaii.rr.com
18 Tues	<b>7:00 pm – HWK Meeting at the Church of the Crossroads</b> <i>Program: 2003 Surf Aloha Kayak Surfing Contest slide show by Douglas Peebles and Gary Budlong.</i>			<b>Joseph Hu</b> 528-3600 advisor@aloha.net
23 Sun	<b>Makai Pier (Makapuu) to Kailua Boat Ramp</b> <i>With rest stop at Mokulua Islands. Carpool leaves at 8:30 a.m.</i>	7.5	2 to 3	<b>Charles Ehrhorn</b> 395-6180 ehrhorn@lava.net
<b>June</b>				
12 Sat – 13 Sun	<b>Surf Aloha Kayak Surfing Contest at White Plains Beach (Kalaeloa)</b> <i>Details TBA. Volunteers needed for judging and equipment distribution.</i>			<b>Gary Budlong</b> 737-9514 gary@gobananaskayaks.com <b>Jodi Dingle</b> 737-9514 goban@verizon.net <b>Dani Kroll</b> kanaala@verizon.net <b>Lois Miyashiro</b> 677-3481 loikake@hawaii.rr.com <b>Peter Nicholson</b> 396-4831 peter.nicholson@worldnet.att.net <b>Maghna Zettle</b> 234-0320 mmaliaz@hotmail.com
15 Tues	<b>7:00 pm – HWK Meeting at the Church of the Crossroads</b>			<b>Joseph Hu</b> 528-3600 advisor@aloha.net
19 Sat	<b>“Big Kahuna” – Pinky’s Parking Lot (Kailua) to Heeia Kea Boat Harbor</b> <i>With a rest stop at Moku Manu Island.</i>	11	4	<b>Gary Budlong</b> 737-9514 gary@gobananaskayaks.com
26 Sat	<b>Haleiwa Beach Park to Camp Erdman (Mokuleia)</b>	8.5	3 to 4	<b>Alan Calhoun</b> 621-6146 kayak-fool@hawaii.rr.com

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<b>July</b>				
04 Sun	<b>Fourth of July Fireworks Viewing, Ocean-Side</b> <i>Round trip from Ala Wai Recreation Center (Clubhouse) to Magic Island. Launch at 6:30 pm.</i>	2 RT	1 to 2	<b>Paul Tibbetts</b> 734-5518 tibbetts@hawaii.rr.com
11 Sun	<b>Malaekahana to China Walls (Kawela Bay)</b>	9	4	<b>Jeff Aurrecoechea</b> 368-3891 (c)
13 Tues	<b>6:30 pm – Steering Advisory Board Meeting</b> <i>Location TBA.</i>			<b>Jane Skanderup</b> 239-7007 jskanderup@yahoo.com <b>Charles Ehrhorn</b> 395-6180 ehrhorn@lava.net
tentative 15 Thurs – 20 Tues	<b>Neighbor Island Trip #2 – North Shore Molokai</b> <i>Details TBA.</i>		4	<b>Gary Budlong</b> 737-9514 gary@gobananaskayaks.com <b>Douglas Peebles</b> 247-9966 douglas@douglaspeebles.com
20 Tues	<b>7:00 pm – HWK Meeting at the Church of the Crossroads</b>			<b>Joseph Hu</b> 528-3600 advisor@aloha.net
25 Sun	<b>Kevin Ching Windbag Regatta – Maunaloa Bay Beach Park (Hawaii Kai) to Waialae Beach Park (Kahala)</b> <i>Alternative date on September 19 if conditions are not right.</i>	4.5	2 to 3	<b>Kevin Ching</b> 947-4526 chingdds@aol.com
<b>August</b>				
01 Sun	<b>China Walls (Kawela Bay) to Haleiwa Beach Park</b>	10.5	3	<b>Charles Ehrhorn</b> 395-6180 ehrhorn@lava.net
08 Sun	<b>Pokai Bay Beach Park to Makua</b>	6.5	2 to 3	<b>Paul Tibbetts</b> 734-5518 tibbetts@hawaii.rr.com
15 Sun	<b>Dolphin Quest – Round Trip From Makua to Yokohama Bay or Kaena Point</b>	8.5 RT	2 to 3	<b>Maghna Zettle</b> 234-0320 mmaliaz@hotmail.com
17 Tues	<b>7:00 pm – HWK Meeting at the Church of the Crossroads</b>			<b>Joseph Hu</b> 528-3600 advisor@aloha.net
22 Sun	<b>Ko Olina Resort marina to Pokai Bay Beach Park</b> <i>Carpool leaves at 8:30 a.m.</i>	11	2 to 3	<b>Kevin Ching</b> 947-4526 chingdds@aol.com
28 Sat	<b>Full Moon Paddle -- Round Trip From Lanikai to Mokulua Islands.</b> <i>Meet at the first beach access on Mokulua Drive at 6:30 pm.</i>	3 RT	2	<b>Gary Budlong</b> 737-9514 gary@gobananaskayaks.com

### Notes to Paddling Schedule:

1. Schedule is subject to change.
2. TBA = to be announced.  
RT = round trip.  
HWK = Hui Wa'a Kaukahi.
3. Please contact the leaders if you have any questions about the skill level and the mileage of the paddles, and to notify them that you will be participating.
4. Ratings of the paddles are based on average conditions. Weather and ocean conditions can change rapidly which would increase the difficulty of the paddle. It is up to each individual to assess the conditions prior to launching according to his/her experience and ability, and to decide whether to participate or not.
5. A paddle will be cancelled by the leader(s) when there is a Small Craft Advisory or High Surf Advisory.
6. Contact Charles Ehrhorn for Progressive Fishing Tournament details and registration.

### Required for all paddles (unless otherwise specified):

- 8:30 a.m. – car pool.
- 9:00 a.m. – assemble at designated starting site and have kayaks ready to launch.
- 9:15 a.m. – launch.

## **PROGRESSIVE FISHING TOURNAMENT — 2004 RULES**

The 4th Annual Progressive Fishing Tournament starts with the first club paddle on January 4, 2004. Charles Ehrhorn is the "Keeper of the Record" and will track who catches what, where, and how many. A perpetual trophy for the fisherperson who **ends up with the most points at the end of the year** will be awarded at the Annual Christmas Party. Other awards will also be presented. There is an entry fee of \$5 for members and \$25 for non-members which must be paid to Charles upon the first catch. Rules include but may not be limited to:

1. Fish must be over seven (7) inches in length to qualify, **measured from the tip of its nose to the fork in its tail.**
2. Fish must be caught on Club-sanctioned outings, which include Club-coordinated neighbor island trips.
3. Fish must be caught using a line, such as a rod or a hand line. Catches using spears, nets, explosives, or chemicals are not allowed.
4. Fish must be caught from the kayak. Fish jumping into the kayak by itself may count towards your total.
5. You must have a witness to your catch. A photograph is better.
6. You can return your qualifying fish to the deep as long as you have someone to verify your catch.
7. **You must report your booty to Charles within 24 hours after the finish of the event/paddle and/or return from a qualifying neighbor island trip. The entry fee must be paid to Charles by the end of the Club meeting following your report or your catch will be disallowed.**
8. Honor system prevails!

***Bold** lettering indicates new additions/revisions to the rules. Included is a new point system developed by the Fish Master based on the difficulty of catching a particular type of fish. Please let Charles know if you hook a species that is not included on the list.*



## New Progressive Fishing Tournament Point System

Marlin, Sailfish, Swordfish, Ahi (100 lbs or more)	25 points
Ono	20 points
Mahimahi	15 points
Ulua, Shibi, Aku, Kagami	10 points
Kawakawa, Aha, Uku	8 points
Papio, Barracuda, Kawalea	6 points
Roi, Wrasse, Lizardfish, Parrotfish	4 points
Trumpetfish, Needlefish, Wahanui	1 point

The **Last Ditch Fish Twitch** will be held on the last Sunday before the Annual Christmas party. Participants can fish anywhere within the Hawaiian Islands. All rules are applicable.

Contact Charles Ehrhorn at 395-6180 or at [ehrhorn@lava.net](mailto:ehrhorn@lava.net) to register or if you need further information.

Good luck and happy fishing!



### TRIP RATINGS

*Excerpts taken from Padding Hawaii!  
by Audrey Sutherland*

A knot is 1 nautical mile per hour, equivalent to 1.15 land miles per hour. Seas are measured in height of waves above normal flat water. Distances are in land miles, not nautical miles.

- Class 1: Rivers and bays. Easy paddling or swimming. Quiet water, little wind or current. Easy put-in and take-out. Short paddles of 1-5 miles.
- Class 2: Protected ocean area. Wind 0-10 knots and seas 1-3 feet. Sheltered put-in and take-out sites so you can make a short or long trip. Less than 1 mile between possible landings.
- Class 3: Moderate open ocean. Wind 5-15 knots and seas 2-5 feet. Often more than 2 miles between landings. Some rocky shores and surf during take-off and landing. There is access to roads and phones in the first 3 trip classes.
- Class 4: Exposed open ocean. Prevailing winds 10 –25 knots and seas 2-10 feet. Some sandy beaches to cushion the landings. No phones or towns. May be 5 miles or more between road access. Steady shore break.
- Class 5: Dangerous open ocean. You might get a quiet day, but this area often has winds of 15-30 knots, choppy seas up to 15 feet. Breaking surf on rocky shores, few or no sand beaches. Cliffs drop sheer into the sea. Experience, skill, and judgment required. No roads. 10-30 miles between phones. Difficult and dangerous.

## **RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PADDLER**

- 1) Each paddler is responsible for his/her own safety.
- 2) Please make sure that you are familiar with the skill level required, have proper instructions in kayaking, and that your boat and equipment are well-cared for and sea-worthy.
- 3) Ratings of the paddles are based on average conditions. Weather and ocean conditions can change rapidly which would increase the difficulty of the paddle.
- 4) It is up to each individual to assess the conditions prior to launching according to his/her experience and ability, and to decide whether to participate or not.
- 5) Each paddler must sign the release form and read the waiver provided by the leader if he/she plans to paddle.

## **RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PADDLE LEADER**

- 1) Handle inquiries via phone calls, e-mail (if available), and/or in person prior to the paddle.
- 2) Get the marine radios from Rusty Lillico prior to the paddle and distribute them to qualified members at the launch site.
- 3) Arrive at the launch site on time or earlier to check weather and sea conditions. Check the weather report ahead of time (Hawaiian Waters at 973-4382).
- 4) Officially cancel the paddle in the event of Small Craft Advisory.
- 5) Organize and initiate a car pool to the landing site.
- 6) Gather the paddlers together prior to launching to discuss a paddle plan, including landing sites and planned rest stop or reconvening locations.
- 7) Encourage the "buddy system" so members are within shouting distance of one another in case of emergency.
- 8) Ask if there are any "new" paddlers (have never paddled before) in the group. Recommend that they attend a "beginners" clinic before participating, rather than risking injury. Leaders are not expected to teach new participants the fundamentals of paddling on the day of the event.
- 9) Count the number of boats and the number of paddlers prior to the launch. Relay this information to the co-leader or another experienced paddler. Count them again each time the group reconvenes and at the landing site to insure that everyone is accounted for.
- 10) Read, understand, and follow the American Canoe Association Safety Guidelines.

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### Saturday, April 10 –

**9:00 a.m. Paddle from Kualoa Regional Park to Kahana Bay.**

*Led by capable and able Tim Sawyer.*

**2:00 p.m.- Kayaking and Paddling Skills Class at Kualoa Regional Park campsite  
4:30 p.m. beach.**

*Description: An introduction to kayak safety and paddling skills conducted by Joe Hu and Jodi Dingle. A section will include instructions from the American Canoe Association (ACA) Sea Kayaking certification class.*

*Enrollment is limited. First preference is given to HWK members. Please provide your own kayak, paddle, and life vest. Sign up in advance by e-mailing your name, kayaking experience, and type of kayak you plan to use to Joe Hu at [advisor@aloha.net](mailto:advisor@aloha.net).*

**Evening Annual HWK Christmas tree and other combustibles bonfire.**

*Orchestrated by HWK's very own expert pyromaniacs.*

### Sunday, April 11 –

**10:00 a.m. Annual HWK wet Easter egg hunt.**

*Coordinated by Rusty Lillico, Gary Budlong, and Joe Hu.*

*All youngsters under age 12 must wear a life vest. Please provide your own kayak and gear. Rules will be given before the Hunt.*

**11:30 a.m. Pot luck lunch.**

*Please bring food to share, i.e. pupu, salad, starch, entrée, dessert, etc.*

**12:30 p.m. Easter bonnet/hat contest.**

*"In your Easter bonnet, with all the frills upon it..." you may win a prize!  
Judging done by the audience.*

**Lucky Easter egg prize give-away.**

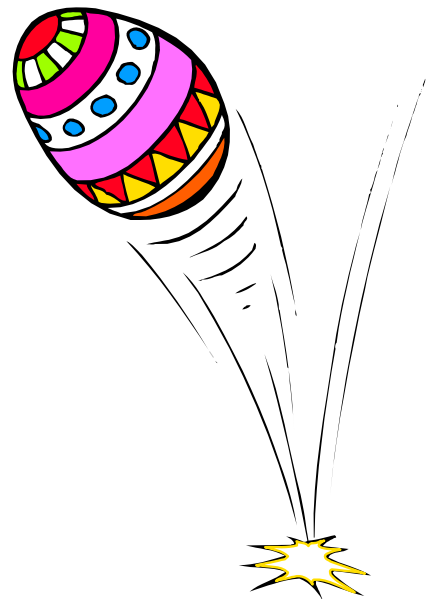
*Eggs must first be retrieved from the water. You may have the golden egg!*

**First appearance – Kayak and camping equipment auction.**

*Donate any kayak and camping equipment to be auctioned. Proceeds will go to the Club.*

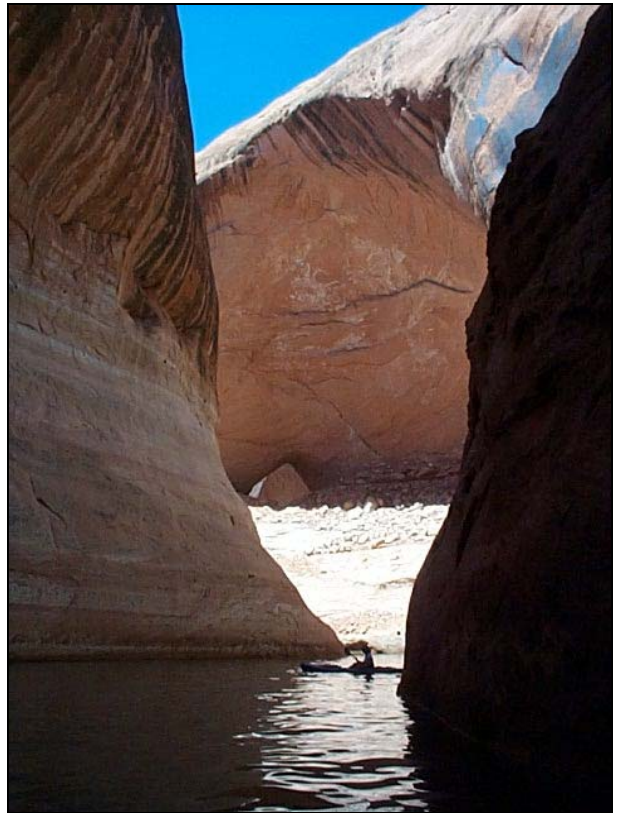
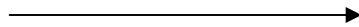
**Annual Easter Camp**

**Friday, April 9 thru  
Sunday, April 11, 2004  
Kualoa Regional Park  
(at the end of the park road)**

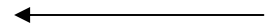


# 2003 Photo Contest Winners

**1<sup>st</sup> Place – “The Big Arch”  
Photographer – Paul Tibbetts**

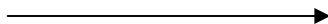


**2<sup>nd</sup> Place – “Kapapa  
Island”  
Photographer –  
Peter Nicholson**



*Read the accompanying  
article for a  
psychoanalysis of this  
winning photo.*

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place – “Lake Powell”  
Photographer – Paul Tibbetts**



# Off-Island and Tropical Kayaking – Gear & Packing List

## Essentials

- Kayak** (D'oh!)
- Hatch covers/lids**
- Paddle**
- Paddle leash**
- Life jacket**
- Whistle
- Float plan
- \_\_\_\_\_

## Paddling Gear

- Bilge Pump**
- Sponge**
- Spare paddle
- Tow line/heaving line
- Flotation bag
- Rescue knife**
- Sea anchor**
- Deck (mesh) bag
- Kite
- Sail Rig
- Flag or Pennant
- \_\_\_\_\_

## Navigation

- Chart & Chart case
- Tide tables
- Deck compass or
- Hand-held bearing compass
- Waterproof watch
- Binoculars
- Weather radio
- GPS
- Waterproof notebook
- \_\_\_\_\_

## Safety & Signaling

- Whistle**
- Cell phone & case
- VHF Marine Radio & case**
- Aerial or hand flares**
- Signal mirror**
- Flashlight**
- Smoke
- Chemical light sticks
- Rescue banner
- Dye marker
- Strobe light
- Air Horn
- EPIRB
- \_\_\_\_\_

## Accessible Gear

- Glasses
- Sunglasses
- Eyeglass strap
- Sunscreen**
- Lip balm
- Bandana
- Water Bottle/hydration system**
- Energy bars
- Paddling gloves
- Booties/reefwalkers
- Mask/fins/snorkel
- Waterproof flashlight
- \_\_\_\_\_

## Clothing & Personal Gear

- Wallet/pocketbook
- Cash
- Contact phone numbers
- Float plan copy
- Car keys**
- Medications
- Brimmed hat**
- Swimsuit**
- UV protective shirt
- Rain jacket
- Towel
- Underwear
- Tevas or sandals
- \_\_\_\_\_

## Pastimes

- Fishing gear
- Journal, pens, pencils
- Book
- Camera
- Film
- Batteries
- Playing cards
- \_\_\_\_\_

## Repair Kit

- Duct tape**
- Epoxy & f/g tape
- Spare batteries/bulbs
- Multi-tool
- Light line or cord
- Lighter
- Needle and thread
- Tent seam sealer

- Drybag patch kit
- Wire
- Microtorch
- \_\_\_\_\_

## Camping Gear

- Tarp, or
- Space blanket, or
- Bug repellent
- Tent, or
- Jungle hammock
- Bivi-bag or
- Sleeping bag
- Sleeping pad
- Lighter
- Fire starters
- Clothesline & pins
- Toilet paper**
- Trowel/ folding shovel
- Water filter, or
- Water purification tablets
- First aid kit**
- Candle/lantern
- Hammock
- Knife
- Axe or small machete
- Camp saw
- \_\_\_\_\_

## Kitchen Gear

- Stove or
- Sterno-stove
- Fuel bottle (see note)
- Can opener**
- Cooking pot
- Pot handle
- Folding frypan
- Steel grill
- Spatula
- Alum. Foil
- Cup or mug
- Plate & bowl
- Knife/fork/spoon
- Paper towels
- Trash bags
- Fillet knife
- Cutting board
- Saltwater soap
- Scrubbie

## Using this List

This list is intended as a comprehensive guide to all the things you *might want* to bring along - space permitting – not necessarily what you *should* bring. Some of the items are mutually excluding; i.e. you might want a deck compass OR a hand-held, but probably not both... Items that may not be obvious but Club experience has shown to be **highly recommended** are in bold type, as are some things that *are* obvious, but too often forgotten, like your paddles. Don't laugh...

Create a master list by filling in or checking the first box for each item that you think you'll need for that outing. For gear that you want to carry that is not listed here, fill in one of the empty entry lines. As you pack the gear, for each item marked, check the second square.

Hui Wa'a Kaukahi would like to thank *SeaKayaker Magazine* and credit them with providing the original master list from which this mutilated version has sprung. This has been heavily edited to reflect the open-top kayaking style of Hawaiian warm-water paddling.

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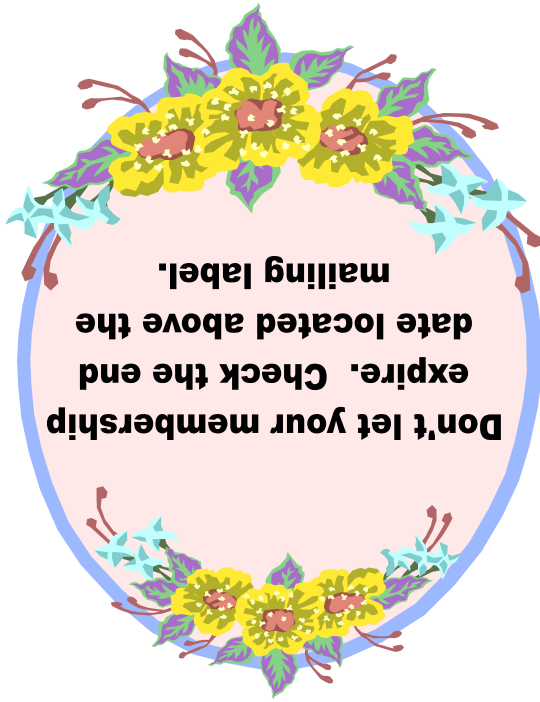
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