

Ali'i Holo Kai Newsletter

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Wow, it's been 4 months since our last newsletter! Our apologies as the club officers have been busy preparing for Nationals. Now that it's pau, it's time for a long overdue update of what's been happening with Ali'i Holo Kai.

RESULTS FROM 2014 U.S. NATIONALS

The 2014 U.S. National Spearfishing Competition was held at Kohanaiki Beach Park, Kona, Hawaii on August 6, 2014. Ali'i Holo Kai was well represented with 12 of the 42 divers in the competition. The meet was originally scheduled for August 7th, but the call was made to advance it one day to avoid Hurricane Iselle that was supposed to hit. On meet day, the weather was nice and sunny, and paddling and diving conditions were prime. When the starting horn sounded at 8:30 a.m., most divers headed south toward Honokohau Harbor, but a few headed north toward OTEC. Divers were allowed 30 minutes of travel time, and could not jump off their kayaks until 9 a.m. The meet ended at 3 p.m. sharp, and divers had another 30 minutes to make their way back through the buoys fronting the staging area. As competitors brought their kayaks to

shore, spectators began lining the beach to check out the catches. A number of divers had impressive stringers, and there was speculation as to who would come out on top. The weigh-ins went smoothly. In the end, the scoreboard showed that the National Individual Champion was Ali'i Holo Kai's own Shay Motonaga. Shay and his teammates David Sakoda and Chris Paglinawan took second place overall as a team. The first place team consisted of Hanalei Adric, Calvin Lai, and Bruce Ayau from the Kona Coast Spearfishing Club. Meet results and photos are attached at the end of this newsletter.

NEXT EVENT: CHOP SUEY MEET, SUNDAY SEPT. 7, 2014

Location: Haleiwa Beach Park; meet under the last Big Tree (Waimea end of the Park)

Entry fee: \$15 (lunch included); Additional lunch \$5, children under 12 free.

Deadline: Mail your application and entry fee to Jason Hijirida or Kalehi Fernandez, **postmarked by August 29**, **2014**.



Time: Check in at 7:00 a.m.; briefing at 7:15 a.m. The meet will begin shortly after the briefing. Divers may drive to their dive spots, and must return to the staging area by 1:30 p.m.

RULES:

This meet is open to everyone and is especially geared toward mentoring younger divers. As is the custom, divers will be divided into 2 categories. More experienced divers will be placed in the "uku" category, and newer divers will be placed in the "uhu" category. Each "uhu" diver will be paired up with an "uku" diver. The objective is for both team members to get the closest score to each other. The way this meet is SUPPOSED to work is that the "uhu" diver will spear a fish first, and then the "uku" diver will try to match it with a fish of equal size. Safety first! Diver down flag, knife, and float required. Divers must swim out from shore (no kayaks). Be on the lookout for a phone call a few days prior to the meet to let you know who your dive partner will be. Once you have been paired, you are all encouraged to get in touch with your partner to plan your dive.

ELIGIBLE FISH:

No sharks, rays, eels, or balloon fish. All other fish are eligible as long as they comply with state law, but try to be selective!

SCORING: 1 point per fish, 1 point per pound.

AWARDS:

1st through 6th place team closest scores

FOOD:

Lunch will be provided. Bring your own drinks, chairs, family, and friends.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

HAWAII FISH AND DIVE EXPO, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 20-21st, 2014.

Come down to the Blaisdell Exhibition and look for our booth. We will be featuring our new Ali'i Holo Kai logo and t-shirts! We will also have divers on hand to answer any questions you might have about diving.

TEAM FUN DIVE, SUNDAY SEPT. 28, 2014

After the Chop Suey Meet, the next planned event is a Team Fun Dive scheduled for Sunday, September 28. More details will be provided soon!

ALI'I HOLO KAI CHRISTMAS PARTY, SATURDAY OCTOBER 11, 2014 @ Natsunoya Tea House

Mark your calendar and remember October 11th for our annual Christmas Party! Friendship, games, good food, etc. Bring your grab bag gift—around \$20 (no gags!). Also be sure to label with name any gifts that Santa will give to your kiddies. Mail your forms in or give Jason Hijirida a call, 386-3483, so we can have an estimate on the numbers.

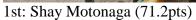
Aloha and dive safely,

Dave



Results from the 2014 U.S. National Spearfishing Competition Kohanaiki Beach Park, Kona, Hawaii August 6, 2014







2nd: Hanalei Adric (70.0 pts)



3rd: Calvin Lai (67.8 pts)



4th: Justin Lee (66.0 pts)



5th: Mikhail Kuznetsov (65.2)





2nd Place Men's Team: Chris Paglinawan, Shay Motonaga, and Dave Sakoda



5th Place Men's Team: Wayde Hayashi, Kalehi Fernandez, and Lance Otsubo

Place	Team	Points	Team Members
1	KCSC1	182.3	Hanalei Adric, Bruce Ayau, Calvin Lai
2	AHK3	142.6	Shay Motonaga, Chris Paglinawan, David Sakoda
3	KCSC2	140.4	Marnie Casem, Justin Lee, Kapono Zukevich
4	KCSC3	138.5	Spencer Haskins, Barron Kepoo, Brad Kepoo
5	AHK4	135.4	Kalei Fernandez, Wayde Hayashi, Lance Otsubo
6	PBF2	130.4	Alex Bristol, Julian Cruz, Mikhail Kuznetsov
7	AHK2	111.7	Hans Buetzer, Kurt Chambers, Derek LeVault
8	PBF1	100.5	Andrew Geist, Ryan Myers, Scott Turgeon
9	Cencal	69.6	Mark Barville, David Fifer, Kevin Sakuda
10	TriState	61.0	Dell Agricula, Mike Hatcher, Shawn Tavares
11	AHK1	46.1	Jon Barretto, Woody Brown, Mike Jutt
12	MA	31.0	Jonathan Lata, Alvare Ordonez, Frank Wisneski



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