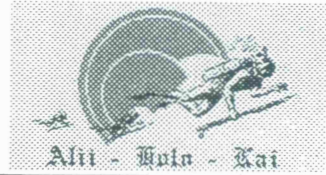


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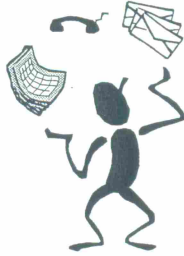
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HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL Alii Holo Kai MEMBERS, FAMILY AND FRIENDS. ALTHOUGH THIS IS THE YEAR OF THE MONKEY, WE HOPE TO HAVE A GOOD FISHING YEAR --WITHOUT THE MONKEY BUSINESS!

The traditional January **Tako Hunt** started the 2004 New Year. I had a prior commitment and arrived after the weigh in. However, good catches were recorded and a lot of laughter and smiling faces were observed. Perhaps we can provide more details as to the winners, catches etc., with the next newsletter.

The next focus is AHK's **Eliminations** for the US Nationals being held in Hawaii at the North Shore. An update by Marshall Tulang, tournament chair for AHK qualifying meet, has reported that **30** applicants submitted their entry forms. There are 5 men's teams, 2 women's teams and the remainder of the competitors are entered as individuals. *You all are invited to attend, be part of and support this event!*

All other Alii Holo Kai members are encouraged to join the Underwater Society of America (USOA) and support the Dive Society. Also, in an effort to enroll 40+ members, AHK would be eligible to enter 4 men teams (instead of 3) in the US Nationals. This opportunity is timely with Hawaii being the meet location, as it would be inexpensive for teams to attend. Also, the participants would not be taking any extended time off from their jobs, etc. Therefore, for \$15 you also can join and support this National organization (USOA) that, among other water related interests, sponsors the National free diving competition, provides an opportunity to represent the United States in a world meet and afford more representation of our local divers in this year's US National Competition. You may send your \$15 USOA membership fee to Terrence or myself and we will take care of the paperwork!



The tournament rules, eligible fish, sizes, location etc. was sent out with the last newsletter, however, here are a few Updates and Reminders...

- The qualifying meet is scheduled for SUNDAY - **March 14**, 2004.
- **Primary** location is between Makapuu Pt. Lighthouse and Waimanalo Beach Park. *The **alternate** site is between Black Point and Wailupe Channel. Staging area is at Kahala Beach Park*
- Enclosed is a **MAP** for the Waimanalo Beach Park boundary with landmarks and a **GPS** reading.
- Staging Area is at **Kaupo Beach Park** next to Shriners at Waimanalo.
- Check in starts at 6:30 a.m.
- It was previously stated that all registered competitors were going to be notified for a meeting to discuss details prior to the eliminations. This meeting will be held on competition day --**March 14th** - Sunday - Scheduled for 7:00 a.m. **Rules** will be reviewed and questions answered. It is of utmost importance that you understand the rules. If there is any doubt, please ask questions before the start of the meet. Should you have any questions and would like clarification before that meeting, call Marshall at 423-7433
- Meet starts at 7:30 a.m.
- At check in and before the briefing it is a requirement to have a serviceable **Cooler** with 16 or more pounds of **Ice** for your fish.
- If weather appears marginal, check for status of dive sites. Go or No-Go for **primary site** or **switch to alternate site**. Call Marshall (423-7433) on Friday and/or Saturday. If necessary, call Dennis (677-9010) on Saturday.
- Dive flag and knife required!
- Be especially careful of fish sizes in compliance with State Law. *Have a ruler or mark your gun accordingly.*



Marshall lists the following job/tasks assignments:

- Wayde/Kalehi: Frank's house -Pickup & Return 4 chairs. Set up a table for use staging area.
- Gene: Pick-up and return digital scale.
- Jared/Mark Marshall: Check in all competitors.
- Junior: Timekeeper – Signal start and end of meet.
- Kimi/Andrea: Buy 1 case of water, 2 cases of soda. Ice at Franks house.
- Dayne/Bryan/Dell: Set-up & Take down banner. Place boundary markers (Franks house) at staging area.
- Jared/Mark: Count fish at beach.
- John Ernst: Cooler count & Warden.
- Keaka/Brian Chang/Gavin: Setup & Breakdown tables and chairs at Franks house.
- Vern/Shawn/J.B./Keoni/Tim: Load & Unload coolers from trucks.
- Tanya/Jennifer: Set-up food at Frank's house.
- Terrence: Provide scoreboard & Oversee weigh in.
- Jared/Mark: Assist scorekeepers.
- Jr. Afalla/Joey/Chris: Fish packers & Scale and Coolers.
- Everyone: Clean Up! Terrence is **Da Luna!**
- Dennis/Frank: Weigh in officials. Diver Observes & Confirms fish count, weight and score.
- Frank: Announce scores!



Planned Schedule:

- 6:00 a.m. - Start setting up at staging area.
- 6:30 a.m. - Competitors check in.
- 7:00 a.m. – Briefing.
- 7:30 a.m. – Start of meet.
- 1:30 p.m. – End of meet.
- 2:30 p.m. – Frank's House *-Deadline /possible DQ!*
- 3:15 p.m. - Weigh in begins
- 4:30 p.m. - Announce Scores & Clean up.

See you on the 14 March--Dive Safely, Aloha-- --- Frank

NORTH BOUNDARY

GPS
N 21° 20' 43.9"
W 157° 41' 11.6"



(WAINMANALO BEACH PARK)

← WHITE ROCKS CENTER OF MOUNTAIN PEAK

← WHERE THICK TREE LINE STARTS (SHERWOODS) FOR WHITE ROCKS

DOOR ABOVE