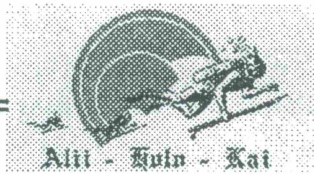

Alii Holo Kai News

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HAWAII TEAM ELIMS COMPLETED...2 TEAMS QUALIFY! INDIVIDUAL ELIMINATIONS ON SUNDAY MARCH 18TH FOR 3RD TEAM TO REPRESENT HAWAII AT US NATIONALS !

Again, the weather for the week prior to the 4 February Sunday Team eliminations was very favorable for diving, and in fact, almost perfect - 2 days before the meet. Meet day the winds were picking up and apparently getting marginal, but 18 eager competitors had their kayaks positioned on the shore of the starting point prior to my arrival for the roll call and briefing. Citing the apparent changing weather, caution was advised with



the suggestion that the divers go to their better spots early

and get the best diving in before conditions worsen. At *Jr. Afalla's* starting signal, most divers left the Waimanalo Beach staging area and headed towards Makapuu, with the remainder going towards Twin Islands, and *Dayne Fujiwara* launched his kayak for near shore water patrol. As the kayaks continued seaward, *Terrence, Lance* and others who were part of the check in crew started cooking breakfast and setting up the logistics for the check in return of the divers, and identifying, accounting icing and individually securing each competitors catch. *Myles Yoshikawa* and *John Yasutake* of the safety boat patrol confirmed their presence in the area and placement of boundary marker buoys. Meanwhile at Franks house, *Mathew Ha* was setting up the tables, chairs, scales, etc. for the weigh in. *Lyman Higa* also came by to give a final checkout and wipe down of the area - while *Marshall* and *Mary* were busy coordinating the logistics of food (Chili, Rice, hot dogs, Salad etc.). At "stop diving time" - 2 PM all divers were in or accounted for. The beach crew began wrapping up their duties, the safety boat contacted, thanked and advised to end patrol, while competitors on the beach chatted about their outing.

Shortly after 4 PM, the gathering at Franks house were finishing their food and the weigh in started. According to established qualifying criteria, with 6 teams competing, 2 teams are selected and eligible to represent Hawaii at the Nationals. (The third team will be selected after the Individual qualifying competition is held on March 18th) The makeup of the 2 teams that won were:

Team A = Jason Hijirida, K.B. Vitarelli, Ryan Paik

Team B = Gene Higa, John Ernst, Wayde Hayashi

We wish to acknowledge the interest and effort of those that came from The Big Island (*Cal Lai, Wasen Van Ventura, Cortney Esprecion*) Maui (*Kris Sakamoto, Ikaika Galicinao, Bryan Nakamoto*), Waianae (*John Pestana, Sheldon Simon, Anthony Pereira*)

Our congratulations to all those that competed and Mahalo to all that worked in support of this team effort.

Now - on to the **INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENT** - and here is a repeat of the details--read carefully and get your applications in **ON TIME** (deadline March 11) **or U will B sorry!**

Individual Elimination:

Date: March 18, 2001 to qualify remaining team for US Nationals:

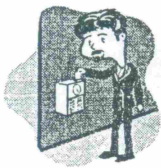
Boundaries: *Primary* Black Point to Wailupe Channel. *Alternate* Makapuu Lighthouse to Pine Trees at Waimanalo Beach Park. Entry Fee \$15 and the entry deadline is March 11th. Scouting OK no taking of fish from area as of March 8th. Meet at 7 AM for briefing—at Kahala Beach Park, end dive up to 2 PM. *No GPS. All competitors should bring a cooler with a little ice for their fish---leave it with the AHK checker who will transport your cooler/fish to Franks house for the weigh in.*

Fish Limits: Limit 20 fish per competitor. Limit of 4 per fish list. Limit of 10 knifefish* total per competitor. Any combination from list #1 through #5 of the Eligible Fish List and not to exceed 4 of any one type on the list. If a competitor exceeds the limits, then the following penalties will take effect: 1) If more than 20 total, but not more than 4 per list, then only the largest fish from the total catch will be disqualified; 2) But if more than 20 total, and also more than 4 per list, then the largest fish from the total catch and the list will both be disqualified. 3) If more than 10 knives total, then the biggest knife will be disqualified. Do not discard any eligible speared fish in order to exchange it for another of higher points. PENALTY is disqualification

Eligible Fish List: 12 inches minimum: *1- Opelu kala, *2- Palani *3- Horn kala *4- Pualu *5- Naenae, 6- Aawa, 7- Awaawa, 8- Kumu (goat fishes all species), 9- Mu, 10- Nenuue, 11- Roi, 12-Toau, 13-Uhu (parrot fish -all species), 14-Wahanui, 15- Hilu

18 inches minimum: Awa, Kaku, Kahala, Uku, Ulua/Papio, blue water fishes. All entrants must be a member of Alii Holo Kai or a current member club of the Hawaii Council of Dive Clubs. The applications and fees may be left with or mailed to Terrence Takahata, 5210 Likini St. #404 Hon 96818 or Frank Farm 3446 Pakui Street Hon 96816.

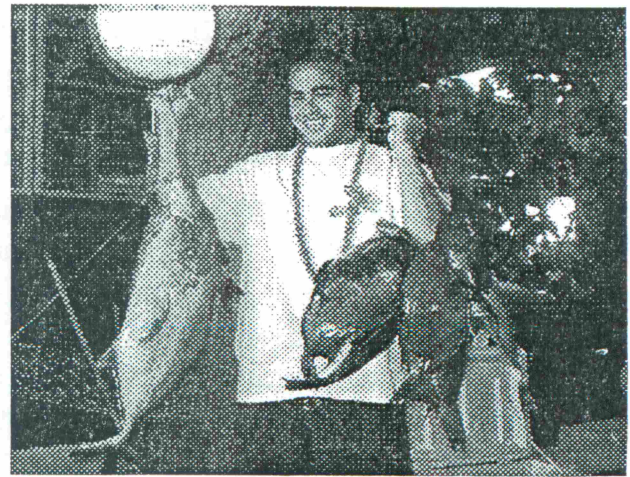
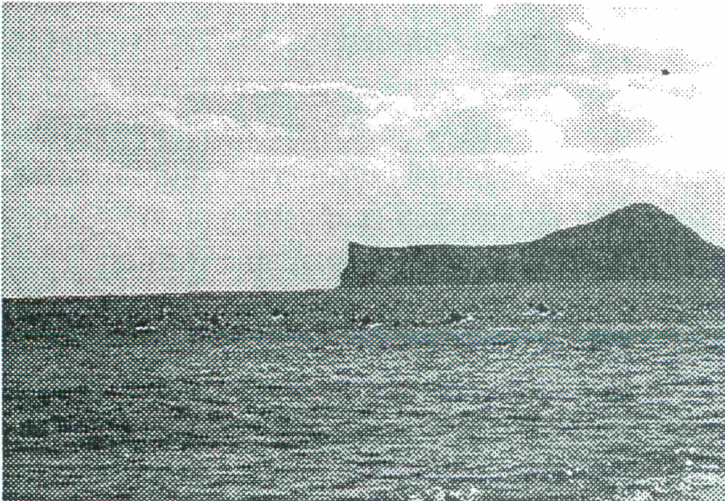
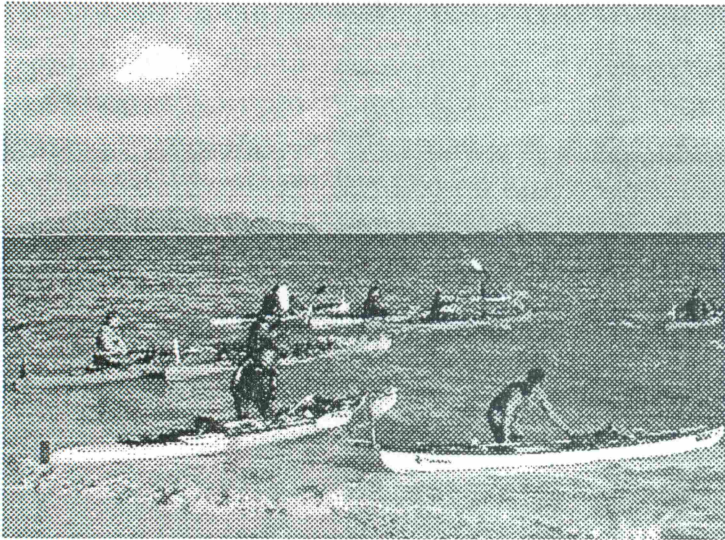
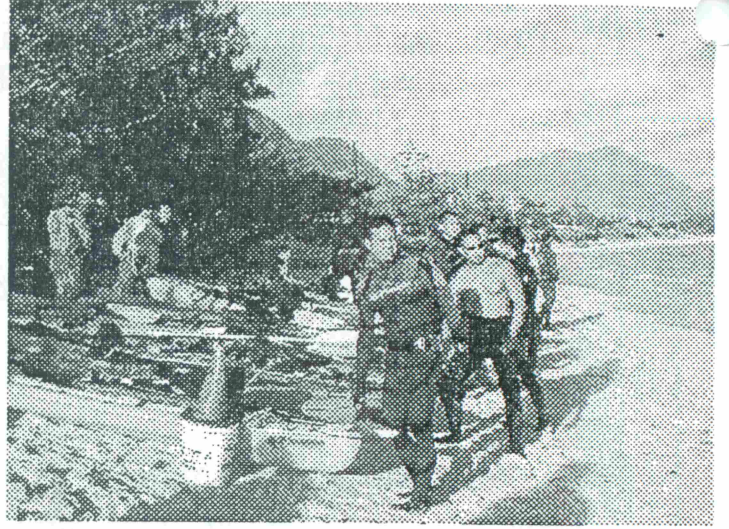
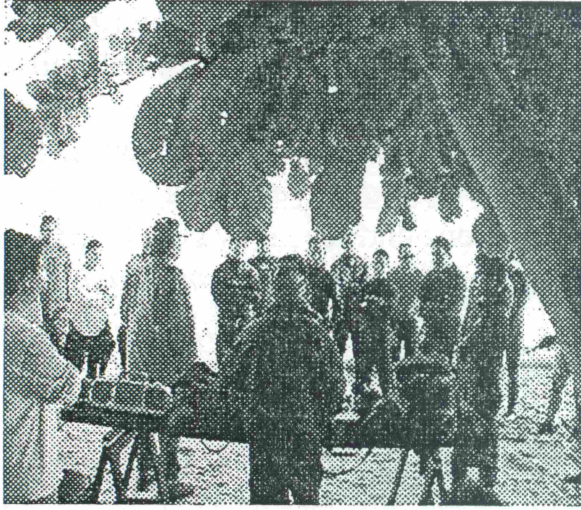
IF THE WEATHER IS NOT COOPERATING... *All competitors and everyone else involved can get information on status (GO or NO GO) depending if marginal weather, etc. by calling 6779010 and either talking to Dennis Okada or listen for the message on his telephone voice mail. All team competitors should, if the weather appears marginal, check by 6 p.m. the Friday before the meet—If it is a NO GO—a postponement will be in effect... Should the meet date be changed, the primary location will again be priority and the alternate site serving as backup. Thereafter the meet will be postponed and the following week may be considered, but may not be definite. We will make a firm attempt to contact all entrants about any changes, and if you are unsure, please contact us..*



DUES ! Members and potential members are reminded that DUES are due in fact it is overdue! This will be the **last month** for the grace period allowed and after this date you will **not** be receiving your monthly newsletter... So get your check or money in -- \$30 single, \$40 family. You should *consider* joining the ***Underwater Society of America*** for just a mere \$15 (a must if you are selected to compete in the US 2001 Nationals in Florida). Forms available for new members. The Underwater Society of America sanctions the National Freediving Competitions (among other underwater sports) and is our link to the World Meet, with insurance included in their dues. So write that check to **Alii Holo Kai and mail** to Club Treasurer ***Terrence Takahata. 5210 Likini St. #404,-- or Frank Farm 3446 Pakui St. Hon 96816. Or take to Maui Sporting Goods -Kapahulu -***

Aloha and dive safely!

Frank-----Frank



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ENTRY FORM

Hawaii Council Free Diving Spearfishing Individual National Qualification

It is agreed that I am entering the March 18, 2001 Hawaii Qualification at my own risk I do hereby release Alii Holo Kai, Hawaii Council of Diving Clubs, Underwater Society of America, other supporting clubs, sponsors, cooperating groups and individuals from any and all claims of liability arising by reason of injury or other loss occasioned by me at any time before, during, or after the meet. Must be 18 years or older.

Entry Fee : \$15. Per diver -Submit with application

Divers Name _____
Phone _____
Address _____ City _____
State _____ Zip _____

*Club affiliation: _____ X _____
(signature) Diver's

Name _____
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*All applicants must be paid up (2001) dive club members, and that dive club in good standing with Hawaii Council Diving Clubs. PLEASE PRINT !

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(membership form)

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Check one

 Mr./Ms. _____ *Single plan* \$30 _____

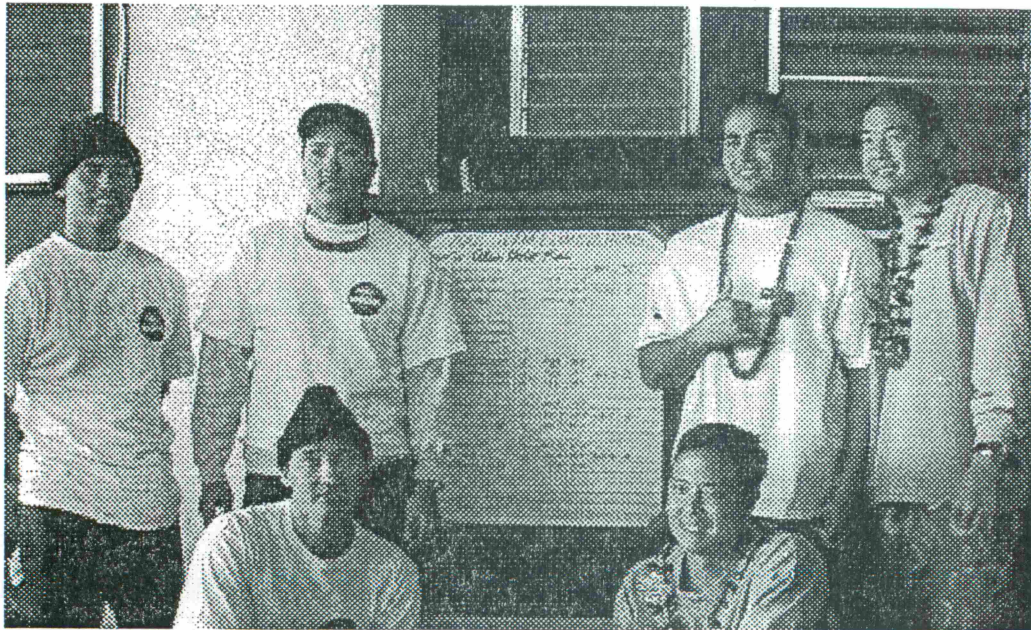
 Mr. & Mrs. _____ *Family plan* 40. _____
husband & wife only

Underwater Society of America (optional) 15 _____

Address _____ *Total* _____

Telephone _____

X _____ *(signature)*



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Jason, K.B, Ryan