

## Akau Hana Club Meeting

### 1. Call to order:

1. Passed out sign up sheet. Board attendees included Pam Myers, Bob Darling, Gayle Bensusan, Robert Boltje, Lisa Franklin, Amy Kleinfeldt, Tony Francis, Cata Gomes, Lynn Soriano, Dave Waynar, and Jeri Ann Smith. Club attendees include Kori Calubaquib, and Nick Calubaquib.
  2. Coaches corner: Lynn provided an update from the coaches meeting. Coaches discussed roles and responsibilities. See the coaches' meeting minutes from May 20, 2008 for details. We also discussed how to update the website with titles for the coaches. Jeri Ann will send out email with a proposal and arrange for a website update. We also need to update the small canoe certifications. Lynn will talk with Yoko about small canoe certifications.
  1. Safety update: Update from Bob on activities. We need to schedule a huli practice. Bob is also putting together safety kits for the small canoes. There was one safety incident in the club. Theresita slipped on moss that was on the smooth concrete surface at the boat ramp. She required stitches. The accident was reported to the harbor office. Hopefully this will prompt them to power wash the boat ramp more quickly. Bob will also send out a memo to caution club members about the potential problem and how to be careful to avoid this type of accident; i.e., stay away from the smooth surfaces on the boat ramp. Bob also proposed having a workshop for small canoes. Judy would be willing to help. Judy will work with Bob to find a time.
  2. Kudo's corner: 1) Congratulations to Santa Barbara racers. And many thanks to Robert our race coordinator for excellent organization. Also thanks to Dave Wayner who arranged getting canoes and equipment. to the race site. 2) Congratulations to Monterey racers and to "Theriann" for race organization. 3) Thanks to Dave and crew for fixing the trailer prior to the Santa Barbara race. 4) Thanks to the coaches for the challenging workouts and the excellent preparation for our races. 5) Thanks to lots of club members for their assistance at the Bruce Kirby School Auction paddle. The auction winners all seemed to have a good time. Joan did the heavy lifting to make this event successful. 6) Thanks to Nick, Tracy, and others for their assistance at our first, very successful keiki paddle. 7) Thanks to coaches, Gayle, and Tony for exploring World Sprints and for communicating that we will not be racing as a club. 8) Thanks to Jeri Ann for creating a list of tasks for the race coordinator.
  3. Review Upcoming Events:
    - 3.1. June 14th: Akau Hana-hosted sprint regatta. Gayle held a planning meeting on June 1, where all plans were reviewed and activities assigned. We reviewed the remaining items. We need more volunteers, particularly more people for registration and food. We also need more trash monitors. Jeri Ann will send out email as to who volunteered for what and what activities still need volunteers. Amy suggested that we inform Monterey Bay Kayaks about the race. Amy is arranging a raffle and is getting donations. Judy asked for volunteers to provide money pouches. Bob went to Livermore to get the NCOCA trailer and to talk with Ron Maratas about a 2nd chase boat.
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- 3.2. July 19th: Shared Adventures. Judy attended a planning meeting on June 3. Only kayakers and outriggers were at the meeting. All volunteers need to register online. Judy will send out an email about registering to volunteer. The event needs lots of volunteers for breaking down. That's hard for our club since we have to bring our canoes back to the harbor. If you have friends who could volunteer, let them know that they should be at the event site at 4 PM to help break down.
- 3.3. August 17th: Judy received an application for the Aloha Festival. She mailed in the applications (for 2 booths as usual). There seems to be one significant change this year-- the application specified that NO tables or chairs will be provided. We will have to come up with a couple of very sturdy, long folding tables for use in the shave ice booth. Judy will call the organizers about getting a confirmation letter for our participation. Gayle says confirmation letters will probably go out this week. Gayle says she will get tables from SurfTech.
- 3.4. September 20: Monterey Bay Crossing Hosting. Tony will set up a planning meeting between Akau Hana, Pupu O', and Ke Kai. We need chase boat captains. Dave suggested distributing a flyer to ask for chase boats. We need to contact the Coast Guard Auxiliary. The idea is to provide food in the morning in Santa Cruz. We'll also need registration. Maybe lunch in Monterey. Perhaps have Dan Sweet could design picture to frame for awards. There was discussion about working on planning after World Sprints since Linda Dresbach is very busy right now. Then we discussed that it would be better to have more time and we decide to begin planning this event after our Avila race. Bob, Pam, and Cata volunteered to help.
- 3.5. See the club online calendar for other club events.

#### iv. Old business:

1. Equipment plans: Amy proposes we have rigging boxes for each canoe. She showed us a plastic box that she proposes using. All rigging items will go in that canoe's box. Each box will be labeled, and Amy will create a laminated card with rigging instructions for that canoe. Dave proposes upgrading our shed. He will make a lid so that we can walk into the shed. As for the trailer, it handles 3 canoes now. That seems to be all we need for now. He will hold off any further improvements.
  2. Fund Raising: Pam will talk with Toby about suggestions for our end of year party.
  3. Keiki program: Nick and Tracy reported on the program. Are there additional equipment proposals? We discussed purchasing new paddles for the keiki. We will collect dues for kids at \$75 annual and \$50 for initiation. Judy will keep a separate budget for keiki, and we will use these funds ONLY to support the keiki program. Cata proposed allocating \$500 for purchasing 5 paddles and one steering blade. Bob seconded. All approved. Nick will ask Philip about burning Akau Hana names on paddles. Cat may have stickers to place on the paddles.
  4. Race/Event coordinators: Bob provided updates on Avila beach plans. Bob will explore rigging canoes on Friday evening and leaving canoes on the beach. Looks like we will have around 30 people
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going. Bob will send out updates. Amy volunteered to coordinate Tony Gora. Dave Wayner is coordinator for Catalina. We need volunteers for Alcatraz, and Tahoe.

**v. New business:**

1. Banner: Lynn is arranging for a new banner for our club. Pleasure Point Design normally charges \$65 for design work, but will provide it free to us. The cost for a 3' x 8' banner is \$259.20. Judy says yes we have funds for a new banner. A proposal to purchase a new banner was approved.
2. Ordering T-shirts or race shirts. Amy has placed an order for additional jerseys. The order includes specific requests for shirts from club members and about \$200 for extra jerseys. The order should arrive in 2 weeks.

**vi. Roll call and agenda review for board meeting:**

**vii. Secretary's report**

1. Robert proposed approving previous minutes. Bob seconded. All approved the previous minutes.

**viii. Treasurer's report**

1. Judy presented the treasury report. We have \$3000 in checking and \$2200 in saving account. There are some expenses outstanding.

**ix. Old business:**

1. None

**x. New business:**

1. None

**xi. Next Meeting:**

1. Next meeting agenda items: Next meeting will be July 13.

**VII Meeting retrospective:**

1. Dave proposed getting a card for Cat. All agreed that would be a good idea. Next meeting we want to discuss putting logos on our canoes. Pam proposed adjourning the meeting. , Gayle seconded. The meeting was adjourned.

**VII Delayed for Future meetings:**

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1. Swim certification: Open discussion
  2. Naming the OC-2: The canoe name is Huakaï. Who volunteers to letter the canoe and host a blessing for her? In prior meeting, we agreed to coordinate with blessing for completion of SCOCC merger celebration.
  3. UCSC paddling program. Report from Robert.
  4. Corporate paddling event: Pam to provide update on discussions with Boardwalk. Dates proposed are on Saturdays and include: June 7 or 8, Jun 28 or 29, July 12 or 13, and Aug 23 or 24.
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