

Monthly Newsletter September 2017

Lōkahi Outrigger Canoe Center

Upcoming Events

Recreational Paddling – September 30th

'Ōlelo Hawai'i Corner A'ohe hana nui ka

Want to see our upcoming events & practices? Check out our website at <u>www.lokahi.us</u> for an updated calendar of events. Check back often for any changes.

Lōkahi News

No task is too big when done together.

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Queen Lili'uokalani Long Distance Race Recap

It's been a couple of weeks since the Queen Lili'uokalani Race occurred. For many of those that participated in the festivities and the race, the experience is still sinking in. "Reinvigorating", "Life changing", "Eye Opening"; these are all words that have been used to describe the trip.

Our 19U Girls crew paddled at a furious pace, completing the race with a time of 41:52! They left it all out in the water and give it their all. Check out their finish on our Facebook page.

A big mahalo to Aunty Robyn, Uncle Sam, and Pua for the time and effort you put in so these girls can experience outrigger canoe paddling at its finest!

Recreational Paddling

We have begun our recreational paddling events. We had two full canoes this past Saturday and our paddlers had a blast! This is a great chance to introduce paddling to new individuals. Seating is limited and filling up quickly. If you know someone that has shown interest in paddling, share with them our website to learn more about the event and sign up. Link to sign up in on our home page.

Ongoing Marina Construction

Not sure if you noticed, but get choke action going on at the Marina! Construction is going on at the north end of the lot, so be aware when you are pulling in from Lakeville. Also, the city has been working on the drainage near the shed, which means we may soon get water back!

Canoe & Trailer Maintenance

Anyone who paddled this season knows that our canoes are in dire need of some TLC. Ke Ala Pono has been taken away for repairs. The other canoes need some minor repairs and paint touchups.

WE NEED YOUR HELP! Please be on the lookout for emails and Facebook posts regarding upcoming repair parties. If you are interested in helping in any way, please contact Phil Dermond, <u>pad4@pge.com</u> or (415)760-1806.

LumaFest @ The SRJC Petaluma Campus

The Santa Rosa Junior College is hosting their 3rd Annual LumaFest on their Petaluma Campus on Saturday, October 14th from 11am – 4pm. Lōkahi is looking at hosting a booth, but we need your help! If you are interested in sharing your love of outrigger canoe paddling with the SRJC community, please sign up when the sign up comes out.



Safety with Jim Hanson

Tow Rope and GPS Tracker

This year, the NCOCA required tow ropes to be used in the long distance races. These ropes are housed in mesh bags and are used to easily hookup and tow a canoe by a vessel in the event of an emergency.

During winter paddling, make sure that you attach a tow rope to your canoe and bring the GPS tracker.

Don't know how to attach the rope to the canoe? Ask Jim Hanson to show you.