

NĀ WA'A HANAKAHI

Educational & Cultural Organization

NĀ WA'A HANAKAHI E.C.O. / PADDLERS of LAKA LONG DISTANCE RACE & CULTURAL FESTIVAL HILO, HAWAI'I-HILO BAY 31 JULY 2010

Aloha kākou!

This year, Nā Wa'a Hanakahi, along with Paddlers of Laka, will be hosting our 10th Annual KAI HONUA Long Distance Race & Cultural Festival. "Kai Honua" (means SEA and LAND) is a Hawaiian cultural concept that speaks to the close relationship we have with our environment. One cannot survive without the other. Each is dependent on the other to live. We, Nā Wa'a Hanakahi, celebrate KAI HONUA every day. Come experience the day with us and share in our canoe culture.

Enclosed are information and documents in regards to the day's events:

❖ ENTRY FORM & WAIVER FOR LONG DISTANCE RACES

(please make extra copies for the total amount of crews your club will be registering for that day) Our long distance races are open to Youth & Adults and we'd like to start promptly at 9:00 am for the youth crews with the adults' crews starting right after the last race of the youths' crews. We are hoping that ALL of you can join us and have included an awesome incentive by offering a FREE Canoe Buggy donated by Paddlers of Laka. Your club can be eligible to WIN this Canoe Buggy if you have 5 or more TOTAL crews registered. They must include at least 2 adult crews.

Here are the layouts for each classification:

12-13 BOYS MIX CREWS and 12-13 GIRLS MIX CREWS:

Start at NWH...proceed to boat at Moku Ola--turn left and proceed to inside green buoy. Turn left and proceed to boat at Kamani Tree. Turn left and proceed to finish line at the Judges Stand. (Approximately 2 ½ miles)

14-15 BOYS MIX CREWS and 14-15 GIRLS MIX CREWS:

Start at NWH...proceed to boat at Moku Ola--turn left and proceed to inside green buoy. Turn left and proceed to boat at the Lighthouse. Turn left and proceed to finish line at the Judges Stand. (Approximately 3 miles)

16-18 BOYS MIX CREWS and 16-18 GIRLS MIX CREWS:

Start at NWH...proceed to boat at Moku Ola--turn left and proceed to outside green buoy. Turn left and proceed to boat at the Lighthouse. Turn left and proceed to finish line at the Judges Stand. (Approximately 3 ½ miles)

ALL Adults' CREWS: Start at NWH...proceed to Papaikou Radio Tower turn around boat and proceed back to the Lighthouse--turn left around boat and proceed to finish line at Judges' stand.

"MAI KUPUNA MAI"

***** REGISTRATION FEES FORM

Please TOTAL all registered crews' fees: \$50 for YOUTH crews. \$100 for ADULT crews. Please check off the box that states if you have 5 or more registered crews to be eligible to win a FREE Canoe Buggy. Payment by Club check or Cash payable to: Na Wa'a Hanakahi E.C.O.

***** KAI HONUA flier

We'll be having Makahiki Games, Cultural Practitioners, Community Resources, All Day Music and so much more.

We'll also have an Aloha Palena'ole Ceremony: To honor our paddlers and/or loved ones who have gone.

At the end of the Long Distance Races, our youth will be paddling out to Hilo Bay and flowers given by everyone will be scattered in the ocean. Because we are mindful of those who inhabit our ocean, loose flowers are recommended, but you may offer open-ended leis or ho`okupu that takes into consideration the impact of our waters and to our sea creatures who live there. We will also have a panel erected at $N\bar{a}$ Wa'a Hanakahi that will display your photo of each of your club's paddlers or loved ones who have gone. Please bring a photo copy no larger than 8 $1/2 \times 11$ inches. Please include the paddler's or loved ones' name. We will provide a sheet protector from wet elements. If possible, please e-mail a photocopy to: nawaa2000@gmail.com before July 29th and we'll make the copy for you to place on the display panel. You can still bring in your photocopies to NWH on July 31st. It should be ready to display at that time.

Please send a club representative to be present for our afternoon protocols. We will be presenting each club with a special ho`okupu from Nā Wa'a Hanakahi and Paddlers of Laka during that time.

Awards will be presented. Lunch will be served to all those attending KAI HONUA.

For more Race info please contact: Lloyd Akiona Jr. at 937-8408 or Doug Bumatay at 987-5480 For more KAI HONUA info, please contact: Ola Jenkins at 989-5946 or Kelley Lau at 769-7388

Mahalo for your support of $N\bar{a}$ Wa'a Hanakahi & Paddlers of Laka. We hope to see you there.

Me ka mahalo piha a me aloha nui pumehana...



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