



Na Kai 'Ewalu

A Hawaiian Canoe & Cultural Club

Newsletter

April 2006

Calendar of Events

April:

Keiki Practice begins- 12 & Under-18 & Under.
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday at 3:30pm.

April to Mid-April:

Informal Adult Practice- Monday, Wednesday, Friday at 5:30pm. Have fun surfing outside the Harbor, meet all the new members & start getting into paddling shape.

April 9:

Challenge Cup Have your business or work place enter a crew for this fun & competitive race. Entry fee is \$100/crew. Contact Uncle Boogie (242-9082) or Josie (281-4202).

April 18: Board Meeting 5:30pm at Hale.

May 27-28:

Hana Regatta NKE has a campsite, but space is limited, so if you are interested, contact Josie @ 281-4202.

Spring Cleaning

Do your spring-cleaning and donate your goods for our Rummage Sale. Drop off goods at Hale before Saturday, May 6.

Maui Invitational

The Na Opio race held March 11 at the Harbor was a success. Na Kai entered 29 out of 30 races. We also had a concession stand.

Family Day

Those that made it on Saturday, had lots of fun playing horseshoes, Portuguese horseshoes & ulumaika. We also took out the 4-man canoe. The bbq was yummy too!

Community Service

March 12-Thirty-one NKE members planted 100 keiki koa and 150 a'alii plants on Ulupalakua Ranch at Pu'u Makua. It was a perfect Maui day with sunshine & a cool breeze. We all had fun and look forward to doing this again. Mahalo to Art Medeiros and Keahi Bustamente for coordinating this project. If you missed this trip, there will be another opportunity in a few months.

NKE hosted the Boy Scouts of South Dakota. They paddled canoe and also learned some Hawaiian culture from Walter Kanamu and Gabby Gouveia.

March 27-NKE also hosted Halau Hula I Kona Mau Lima. The Halau did a hula and ole for us. Walter lectured on Hawaiian culture including use of plants, Lua, weapons and protocol on choosing a tree to be used to make a canoe. It was a blast even though it was cold & rainy. Oh, and there was ono food.

MIL

Congratulations to Kamehameha High School Mix crew for winning the State Championship on Oahu. They also set a new record of 4 minutes 2.87 seconds. Club members include Pualei Kaaa, Amanda Green and Logan Green. Congrats to Coach Robert Brede, Uncle Boogie and Josie for another great MIL season.