

# 2012 North Shore Hanapa'a Jackpot Fishing Tournament

• Official Program •



*The crew of The Seeker pulled in last years first big fish on the first day of the Tournament. This 537 pound marlin ended being the largest Tournament fish. (Photo by Ron Valenciana)*



### President's Message

In 1983, Patrick Nash, yours truly and two others formed the North Shore Hanapa'a Club to continue the Hale'iwa Jackpot Fishing Tournament. That was 30 years ago, a lifetime to my 3 children and many of those taking the time to read this article.

I have made numerous friends in those years, including the countless devoted volunteers that allowed this tournament to become a major event on the North Shore and currently the second longest running fishing tournament in the state. It would be impossible to remember all the names, but I do recognize most of the faces. After all, it has been thirty years. I categorize the faces into three groups. The first I've already mentioned as those I can't remember or don't want to remember. Second are those who I do remember but wish I didn't and third, those I will never forget. Pat Nash, his son Kalani, David "Lurch" Fivella, Joseph Lima, Daniel "JR" Ho'okala, Richard K, Jay Boy Witten, Ave Quel, Bill Rank, Bob Goodman, Alice Labra, Roy Takatsuki, Richard Murakami, Ritchie Kunichika, Ronald Hill, Tony "Squiddy" Sanchez, and David Anana. These individuals fall into the third category. I apologize for the names I did not mention. I plead the 30 year span, or is that an

early sign of Alzheimers.

- The year ahi literally were jumping into the boats. Total weight that year closed in on nearly four tons of fish. One vessel had ahi stacked on the deck like sardines. As hot as it was that day, they could have sold dry ahi on the hoof if they came in a little later.
- When I disqualified my first fish from "the pink boat and palaka-attired crew!"
- The "concerned citizen" that cut short the tournament.
- Captain Mike "Sandbagahs" 100 lb. marlin that weighed more than the combined weight of his crew.
- David provided Huli-Huli chicken for crew on all boats and Hanapa'a volunteers.

So much more I could write or talk about but it would take a lifetime to recall those special and not so special moments. Thank you people of the North Shore, fishermen, fisherwomen, and businesses for supporting this tournament. Thank you North Shore News, and of course, thank you to the dedicated volunteers. I hope you continue to support the tournament for another thirty years. See you at Hanapa'a.

Aloha!  
Eddie Balidoy



Eddie Balidoy  
President & Tournament  
Weighmaster

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# 2012 North Shore Hanapa'a Jackpot Fishing Tournament

• Hale'iwa Harbor •

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### Thursday, June 21

5:00 p.m. Captain's meeting at Hale'iwa Harbor

### Friday, June 22

5:45 a.m. Tournament Blessing

6:00 a.m. GO-FISH!

4:30 p.m. Pau fishing • Return to Harbor

Daily weigh-ins at the scale begin at 3:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m. All boats must be in Harbor

### Saturday, June 23

6:00 a.m. GO-FISH!

4:30 p.m. Pau fishing • Return to Harbor

7:00 p.m. All boats must be in Harbor

### Sunday, June 24

5:00 p.m. Awards Presentation • Talk fish stories



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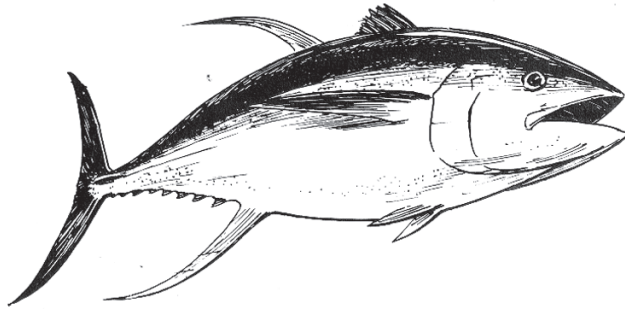
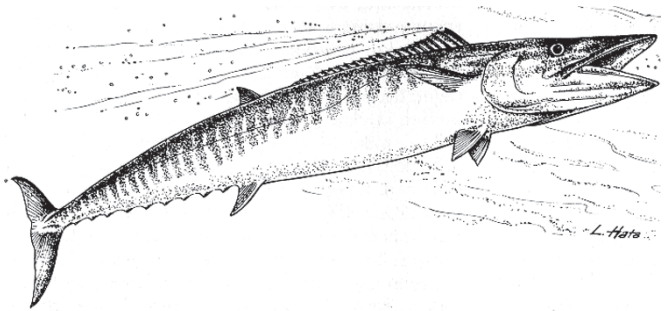
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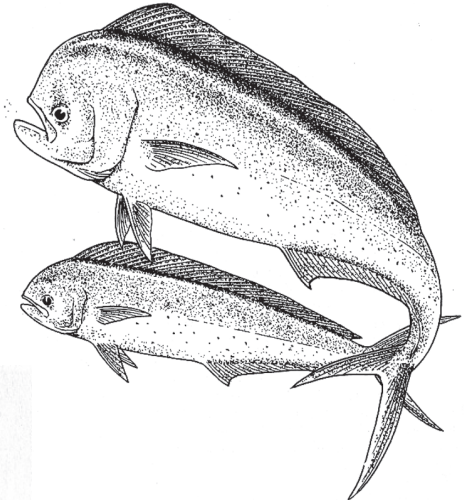
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Common name: Wahoo  
Other names: Kamasu-sawara, Okisawara  
Average size in Hawaii waters is 25 to 40 pounds



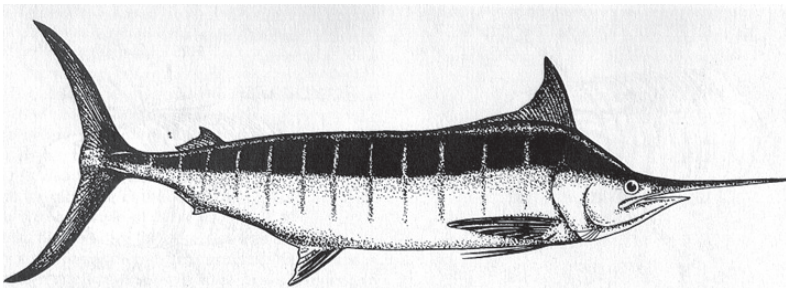
## AHI

Common name: Yellowfin tuna  
Other names: Allison tuna, Kihada, Kiwada  
Largest caught in Hawaii is 305 pounds



## MAHIMAHI

Common name: Dolphin fish  
Other names: Dorado, Shiira  
Average size in Hawaii is 15 to 25 pounds,  
but can grow up to 75 pounds



## A'U

Common name: Striped Marlin  
Other names: Natagi, A'uki, Naraigi  
Most weigh between 60 to 150 pounds,  
but can grow up to 400, 500, 800 or 1000 pounds



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## 2011 Hanapa'a Jackpot Fishing Tournament RESULTS

### DAY 1

June 24

MARLIN	Team 1 Seeker	538 lbs
AHI	Team 23 Boss C	213 lbs
MAHI	Team 32 Kelsea Ann	43 lbs
ONO	Team 26 Grand Slam	42.5 lbs

### DAY 2

June 25

MARLIN	Team 27 Hook It Up	143 lbs
AHI	Team 30 V. Mono Hull	224 lbs
MAHI	Team 26 Grand Slam	24 lbs
ONO	Team 2 Kapeka	46.5 lbs

### LARGEST FISH OF TOURNAMENT

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### CLEAN SWEEP

Team 11 Sasha Ann

### TOTAL WEIGHT

1st Place	Team 32 Kelsea Ann	1,452 lbs
2nd Place	Team 23 Boss C	912.5 lbs
3rd Place	Team 29 Lady Ida	845.5 lbs
4th Place	Team 11 Sasha Ann	814 lbs
5th Place	Team 22 Candice M	795.5 lbs
6th Place	Team 4 Makaanani	742 lbs

### TOTAL TOURNAMENT WEIGHT

14,917.5 lbs

## Boating vs. Lightning Storms

The weather's power and rage showed itself recently with rare lightning storms. For recreational boaters, thunderstorms bring danger not only with wind and waves, but also with lightning strikes. BoatUS' Seaworthy Magazine recently took a look at how to protect yourself from this hazard while boating, sailing and fishing on the open water and has these tips:

- Don't wait until it's too late: Get off the water early: Getting to safe harbor is the safest bet. If you're in a powerboat and can't get in, you may be able to get around the storm.

- Inside is best: If you can't get off the water in time, the best place to be on a boat is inside any cabin, but avoid being near mast or chainplates (sailboats), or large metal appliances like refrigerators.

- Keep away from metal: If there is no "down below" and you're stuck out on deck, stay away from metal railings, wheels, the mast and mast stays (both on sailboats), or any other metal fittings. A boater was killed in North Carolina when lightning jumped from his sailboat's backstay to his head and then the metal steering wheel he was holding.

- Don't be a lightning rod: If you're on an open boat, stay low and in the center. Depending on the severity of your situation, it's also a good idea to remove jewelry. The US Coast Guard reports a case a

few years ago in which lightning struck a man who was standing up wearing a large medallion.

- Stay out of the water: Don't fish during a thunderstorm – or dangle toes overboard.

- Disconnect the power and antenna leads to your electronics: Many strikes just damage electronics so disconnecting them goes a long way in preventing equipment damage.

- Lower antenna: Unless they serve as part of a lightning protection system, lower any antennas.

- Stay silent: Don't use the VHF unless absolutely necessary.

- Lightning grounding protection systems: Grounding systems, which provide a path for the lightning to enter and safely exit the boat, must be free of corrosion if they are going to provide any protection.

- If you do get hit: 1) Check people first; 2) then check the bilge as strikes can rupture through-hull fittings and punch holes in hulls; 3) check electronics and compass, and if all is good up to this point, 4) you may want to consider a short haul to check the bottom thoroughly (trailerboats can be inspected when you get back home). The challenge with lightning strikes is that they sometimes leave hard to find traces of damage that may only be seen when the boat is out of the water.

## Hanapa'a, a small fishing club with a big heart

It's not a magic act, but the Hanapa'a Fishing Club is able to turn their catch into cash each year donating thousands of dollars to community organizations, schools and student scholarships.

When founder Pat Nash started the annual fishing tournament, he did so with the vision that funds flowing through the club would eventually be used as scholarships for area high school seniors with plans to pursue a college education in marine biology or oceanography.

The charitable support of the Hanapa'a Club has grown far beyond Nash's original vision. Giving now includes generous donations to every North Shore public school. For example, the Club donates cash to Project Graduation programs at Kahuku High School and Waialua High School. For the past several years, they have made donations to the Waialua High Robotics Team. Recently, the club purchased a pitching machine for the Waialua High girls softball team.

The Hanapa'a Fishing Club also supports projects that assist the homeless in our community.

Today, a good percentage of the charitable funds come from T-shirt and hat sales from the tournament. Be sure to buy one.

Other donations have been granted in the past to Operation: Toybox, the Hale'iwa Christmas Parade, Project Graduation at Waialua High and Kahuku High, and the Waialua High School Robotics Team.

Most area schools from Kahuku to Hale'iwa have received generous donations from the Hanapa'a club over the past few years but their generosity extends beyond our community. Several years ago the club donated several hundred dollars to help out a financially strapped girls' softball team on Molokai that desperately needed game jerseys.

## Bait rules and number of fishing days for the Hanapa'a Jackpot Tourney

Several years ago two new rules were implemented into the Hanapa'a tourney. First, live bait is now allowed in the tournament for the fourth year in a row. Previously, no live bait was allowed, only lures. The change in rules is to increase the catching opportunities for Hanapa'a crews. It makes for more exciting weigh-ins at the harbor scale. Don't miss the thrill and plan to be there at each afternoon weigh-in, usually around 3 p.m.

Another rule change is that every boat in the tourney must have a minimum of two fishermen at all times. Previously, the rules allowed for one-man crews.

The Hanapa'a is a two-day event. The tournament runs on Fridays and Saturdays. Two power packed days of high competition fishing make for a high level of excitement around the Hale'iwa Harbor weigh-scale.



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—Mark 4:19

*Best wishes to all competitors  
Pastor Ron Valenciana*





*The crew of the Kamalei took a "clean sweep" at the 2009 Hanapa'a (Del's Photo Lab).*

## The clean sweep

Fishermen in the Hanapa'a tournament have a special opportunity to take home a big piece of the Jackpot . . . "the clean sweep" award. Keep reading and you will learn how.

The "clean sweep" prize money is a cool \$750.00! It is offered each year but not always claimed. The reason is that in order to win the "clean sweep" prize money a boat and her crew must catch one each of the four tournament fish in one day. The first team to do so is awarded the \$750.00. There are no limits on the size and weight of the four types of tournament fish to qualify for the "clean sweep"; ahi, marlin, ono and mahi.

Winning the "clean sweep" is a tough challenge. It can only be awarded once in a tournament to the first crew that qualifies. Should a crew be lucky enough to qualify and win, that's it, no more

"clean sweep" award for the duration of the event.

Most boats haul in a good catch of at least one of the four qualifying tournament fish. Often a crew will hit it lucky with one type of fish and bring in a hefty load of, let's say just ono or only ahi. It's not unusual for several crews to haul in a daily catch with at least two types of tournament fish in one day of competition. A really lucky or skilled team will hook up to three of the four. If they do, they are only one catch away from the \$750.00 award if they can bring in the fourth and final qualifying fish of any size and weight. Remember all this must be done between the hours of 6 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on the same day! It's a lot harder than you think, but if luck and skill prevail the award is worth the effort and think of the bragging rights to be earned!



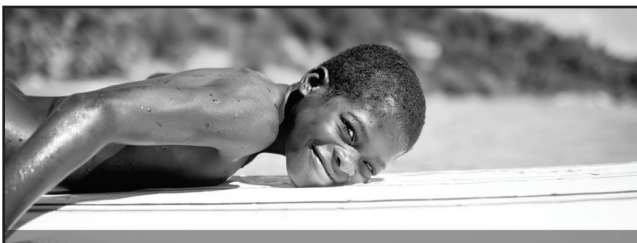
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Out Bluff Lures has progressed over the last year from Eric's hobby to a family affair. His wife, Missy, likes to help with the computer work for marketing and his kids, Noah and Serena, are learning the value of following your passions. They are also learning about different fish, tide changes, and what bait fish are around at certain times of the year.

The first ulua Eric caught on one of his lures was 17 pounds. But to Eric that is not the only reason he does this "There is never a bad day when fishing, even if I don't catch anything. I'm out there experiencing everything the North Shore has to offer." In addition the support from the community has been great. People from all over the islands are requesting his lures and even a few lucky ones have got to test some "samples" of his lures. Recently Thomas Meehan caught the biggest moi of his life with an Out Bluff Lure.



Eric with his Out Bluff lure in right hand and his big fish catch in left hand. He says "They work almost everytime."

Eric is motivated by the stories of the fish his lures have caught and can't wait to hear more; even the ones about "the one that got away." When you see him ask about the fish that was as big as his wife.

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## **2012 Hanapa'a Queen Ciara Balidoy**

*This years Hanapa'a Queen is 18 year-old Ciara Balidoy from Waialua. She is a 2012 grad from Waialua High and will be leaving for Central Arizona College this summer to pursue a degree in Fire Science and join the school's softball team as a walk-on. She is the daughter of longtime Hanapa'a president Eddie Balidoy and counts it a special honor to serve as queen during her father's last year of Hanapa'a service. She desires to pursue a career where she can help others along with serving in the medical field as both her parents do. Best wishes Ciara in all your future holds before you!*

# Waiialua - The Saga of the North Shore

## Chapter 11 - Fishing over Kaena side

By Kalewa

As soon as the beginning of the royal procession was perceived to be coming down the Kealia Trail a young chief by the name of Puiki blew his trident trumpet and the chanting began. Once the ruling chief of the O`ahu, the Mo`i, Peleiolani was within earshot Puiki recited the Mo'i's name chant as best as could have been done. The key points about the grand exploits of his father, Kualii, were slightly sneered at by the king. The recollection that he was Mo`i of O`ahu at the death of his much younger nephew was ignored. At the base of the trail their noses met. Peleiolani was a strikingly handsome chief, well built for his middle age and impeccably dressed in the most practical tapa and feather work ensemble. Puiki was not nearly as large of frame as many of the ali`i, but he was highly regarded by his fellow chiefs and adored by the people of Waiialua.

Once the royal party was refreshed with the most colorful and tasty treats the district had to offer. Puiki suggested that they begin their tour of Waiialua by taking the short walk out to Kaena Point.

Only a few of the Mo'i's sturdiest confidants cared to join him and a select group of Waiialuans on the hike past the last fish-pond and salt pans to the westernmost tip of the island. An older man dressed in loose orangish tapa named Ka`ana`ana greeted them from a neatly constructed stone platform on the lower ridge coming up on their left. As the group proceeded more of the ridge came into view. Soon chanting people were seen and heard dancing on platforms all the way up the crest of the ridge. The direct afternoon sun reflected on costumes of the most vibrant colors available.

Ka`ana`ana led the oli which first evoked Maui, the demigod who had long ago been about



these seas "pulling up islands". After having pulled up the islands to the east, as well as the one he was standing on, Maui perched at this spot and sought to pull up another. His first attempts were not entirely successful. The first stone to be pulled up was but part of O`ahu. Ka`ana`ana pointed out the furthest surf-breaking rock to be seen off the point. Maui's second attempt was an improvement, in that he pulled up a slightly larger piece of Kaua`i. Alas, Ka`ana`ana explained, "Pokaku Kaua`i" can be seen but rarely, only at the lowest tides between the greatest waves. That is about as often as the Island of Kaua`i can be seen from this spot as well.

Ka`ana`ana sang of other visitors who had passed this way, such as Pele and Hi`iaka. His enunciation became much clearer as he proclaimed himself descended from Mo`okaena, the she-priest of Pele's family, who had settled here exactly so many generations ago.

As the sun began to set it was considered wise to turn back towards the lights of civilization at Kawaihapai before nightfall, when the ghostly lapu would begin wandering about in search of the Souls' Leap at Leina-kauhane.

The large fires set about the lawn surrounding Kalakiki Heau lit the akua tower behind the drum-houses. Percussionists beat to the pulse of rows and rows of women dancing hula hula to one side while clusters of male dancers sought their favors on the other. Exaggerated stories were told of mysterious events which had occurred in former times. Epic fishing tales of spectral sharks and fabulous beings of all proportions were joked about until sunrise.

The kahuna of each of the numerous heiau in Waiialua, indeed around the entire island, had prepared grand Makahiki ceremonies in honor of the Mo`i. They were disappointed to learn that Peleiolani was in a hurry. Urgent and warlike business awaited him on the other side of the island.