

# Know Your Committee —Sailing

By Julie Haig

Enthusiasm sparks the Sailing Committee this year, with plans of action that are exciting for all OCC sailers. Norm Dunmire chairs the committee, and members include Tom Vesey, Jim Howe, Norm Ho, Ricky Sewell, Ron Li, Jeff Kissel, Betty Rogers, Bruce Plasch, George Pray, Richard Coons, Cordelia Ferguson, Di Guild and Adriana Pray.

Their basic aim this year is to get an organized procedure established so that future Sailing Committee members will have a base on which to plan future directions and achievements. They wish to rebuild the Sunfish fleet to its former number of five. (Currently one boat is seaworthy, and a second is in for repairs; the others are gone.) They also wish to generate enthusiasm for the sport of sailing among our younger members.

There was once a day when we had two rows of Hobie Cats, do you remember? And Sunfish sailed all day long, their sails catching the sunlight off our OCC shores. Sailing has fallen off since then, and may never attain its former popularity, but the goal of the Sailing Committee is to maintain current interest in the sport, and hopefully guide its growth so that sailing can once more be one of the great, viable athletic activities available at our Club.

To achieve this, they plan to have our two Sunfish fully rigged each Saturday and Sunday, readily available for Club members to sail. If you are not



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*The Sailing Committee is ready, willing and able to support fellow member sailing enthusiasts. Give them a call. Pictured from left are: Chairman Norm Dunmire, Norm Ho, Bruce Plasch, Cordelia Ferguson, Jeff Kissel, Eddie Li, Betty Rogers, Juli Haig, Tom Vesey and Ron Li.*

already qualified to sail, see Bruce Plasch or Tom Vesey to become qualified. If you are a sailor, but need to review on your techniques, see Bruce. If you don't know how to sail at all, but want to learn, see Bruce again and he will guide you, either by training you himself or helping you enter the excellent "one on one" sailing course available at the Waikiki Yacht Club.

The committee believes in the "hands on" concept of sailing with future sailors learning on the ocean itself. They are truly enthusiastic about supporting and guiding those club members who wish to sail. Don't hesitate to call them!

Care and maintenance of equipment

is also a major emphasis this year. New covers are being made for the two existing craft, new horses are being built so that the bottoms and tops will be protected while in storage on the beach, and even the sails will have their own covers. A brand new sail has been arranged for, and other maintenance aids will be acquired as needed.

The big racing event coming up this fall is the HYRA race on October 22, and plans are underway to make this an outstanding event.

So sailors and future sailors come forth! Your Sailing Committee is here to support you in your love of sailing.

For more information, see the downstairs bulletin board.