



THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

8:00 am to 11:00 am

HISTORIC KAILUA VILLAGE CULTURAL WALK

Immerse yourself in Historic Kailua Village’s meaningful history and wonderful discoveries by joining in this guided walking tour, led by historians from Ahu’ena Heiau and Hulihe’e Palace docents. This is a free event.

Meet at Kamakahonu Beach, King Kamehameha Kona Beach Resort, near the Lū’au Grounds entrance .

1:00 pm Race meeting • 2:00 pm Race heats start HULAKAI OC4 (4 person canoes) SPRINT RELAY RACE

1:00 pm Race meeting | Hulakai tent on the Kailua Pier

This fun sprint race consists of a relay team of 8 paddling in a OC4 canoe. The race takes place in the bay at Kailua Pier.

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

INTERNATIONAL PADDLERS RECEPTION

King Kamehameha Kona Beach Resort — Lū’au Grounds

Paddlers from around the world, outside of Hawai’i, are invited to attend this evening function.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

9:00 pm to 2:00 pm • Kailua Pier

QUEEN’S RACE CULTURAL FAIR

Learn to weave lauhala, make lei, pound poi and see how fishing nets are sewn. Join these FREE cultural activities with noted practioners.

10:00 pm to 3:00 pm • Kailua Pier

VOYAGING CANOE MAKALI’I TOURS

Meet the crew and volunteers of this storied voyaging canoe. Sign up for FREE onboard tours at the dock-side reception tent.

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

TALK STORY

King Kamehameha Kona Beach Resort — Lū’au Grounds

Talk Story in Hawai’i carries a tradition of a casual conversation sharing history, ideas, opinions and the events of the day between people at any time. Everyone is invited to the white event tent at the lū’au grounds where Chadd Paishon and the crew of Makali’i will lead this year’s Talk Story.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

WA’A KAUKAHI (single hull canoes)

7:30 – 7:40 am Wāhine, Mix 50+ & 60+ start in Kailua Bay

11:45 – 11:55 am Kāne, Mix Open & 40+ start in Hōnaunau Bay

Women and Mix 50+ and 60+ start the race paddling 18 miles from Kailua Bay to Hōnaunau. The Men and Mix Open and 40+ then bring it back 18 miles to Kailua Bay. The Iron Division crews race the entire course with no changes!

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AWARD PRESENTATION

King Kamehameha Kona Beach Resort — Lū’au Grounds

Starting at 3:30 pm all awards for Saturday races will be given at the big white event tent. Everyone is invited to celebrate the 2023 Queen Lili’uokalani Long Distance Outrigger Canoe Race champions.

7:00 pm

TORCHLIGHT PARADE

Torchlight parade through Historic Kailua Village starts at 7:00 pm. Participants meet at Hale Hālāwai County Pavilion. Parade winds its way through Historic Kailua Village starting at Hale Hālāwai County Pavilion and ending at the Kailua Pier.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

Starting at 7:00 am • Kailua Pier

TEEN (single hull canoes)

Four teen divisions (OC6 – 6 person crews): 14, 15 16, 18 and under, Mix 18 and under. The young people paddling this race follow the same course as the double hull canoes.

WA’A KAULUA (double hull canoes)

Crews of 12 paddlers lash together two single hull canoes to make the double hulls. Throughout the morning, the double hulls are raced in women, men and mix divisions. The course takes the wa’a (canoe) 2.5 miles south and returns to Kailua Bay for a total of 5 miles.

OC1 (one person) & OC2 RACES (two person)

The OC1 and OC2 canoe races are a recent addition to the more traditional racing events. The men and women paddling in this one follow the same course as the double-hull canoes.

THE QUEEN LILI’UOKALANI CANOE RACE LŪ’AU

1:30 pm Doors open • 2:00 pm Lū’au

Maka’eo County Pavilion (Old Airport) | 75-5500 Kuakini Hwy

This Hawaiian celebration features traditional foods, music, dance and award presentations for Sunday race winners. Cost is \$20 for non race participants.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

KUPUNA CLASSIC

Mix (3 Wahine / 3 Kane) iron crews paddle to Banyans, turn and finish at the Kailua Pier.

8:30 am Race start • Kailua Bay

50+, 55+, 60+, 65+ and 70+ divisions

Awards brunch to follow under the tent on the Kailua Pier.