

LIFESTYLES



"Turtle Island," a.k.a MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, lurks in the mist across from Makapu'u Point.

The Road to MAKAPU'U POINT

Story and photos by
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WAIMANALO — Hidden just off Kalaniana'ole Highway, lies a trail that guides one to the Easternmost extremity of Oahu.

The tattered trail meanders through the countryside just east of Waimanalo, and takes hikers to another world.

Dead, brown foliage riddles the rocky terrain at the beginning of the trail — a far cry from the lush vegetation that covers most of the island's scenes. As a matter of fact, the arid site is home to several species of cacti, which sparsely pepper the drab, rocky cliffs.

Midway up the first of many slopes along the trail, the clear, blue waters of the Pacific Ocean come into view. At the juncture where the azure waves violently collide with the jagged boulders on the shore, a tall rock formation, which vaguely resembles a chair, juts out from the earth.

This vertical formation is said to be the chair of Pele, the Hawaiian fire goddess and maker of the land. According to Hawaiian legend, Pele sat in the earthen seat while forming the islands of Molokai, Lanai and Maui.

As hikers round the mountain past the view of "Pele's chair," they will find a lookout point outfitted with binoculars and a structure on which information is posted. This point is frequented by tourists and whale watchers during the late winter and early spring months when

humpback whales move closer to shore during their breeding season.

As hikers continue up the medium-grade slope and reach the end of the worn road, they'll come upon a concrete construction that guides hikers to the visual spectacle at Makapu'u Point: the clear blue skies and the mystic rock formations protruding from the depths of dark blue waters.

"Rabbit Island" floats in the waters closest to the lookout point, and in the distance behind it lies the majestic "Turtle Island," also known as MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay. From an angle, "Rabbit Island," a.k.a. Manana Island, appears to be the head of an enormous rabbit lying off the shores of Waimanalo. The deep silhouette of the Mokapu Peninsula (K-Bay) looks like a huge sea turtle's head and carapace peeking above the distant waters.

At the foot of the small mountain on which the lookout is situated sits a 46-foot lighthouse. The lighthouse, which is now operated by the U.S. Coast Guard, was erected in 1906 to signal ships headed toward Honolulu Harbor.

The lookout offers a panoramic view of area surrounding the point — the crashing waves of the ocean, the characteristic thriving greenery of Oahu, and the dreary "desert" that encircles the point.

Once hikers are done taking in the breath-taking sights and historic visions the scenic point has to offer, they may descend the hill, complete the three-mile-long trek, and return from the mystique that lies at Oahu's edge.



The hike at Makapu'u leads to a scenic lookout point in the vicinity of a lighthouse that was built at the turn of the century to guide incoming ships to Honolulu Harbor.



A bird rests on the branches of a dried tree near Makapu'u Point. The point is home to several species of cactus, due to the dry atmosphere surrounding the area.



"Pele's Chair" (at left) rests at the foot of a slope near Makapu'u Point.

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POSSIBILITIES IN PARADISE

By Debbie Aisoff, MCCS Public Relations

Taken Tiki

It's blessed with Hawaii's rich cultural ancient spirits. It belongs to Paradise Cove Luau, and now it's missing.

One of the regal Paradise Cove Luau Tiki statues was taken from the Paradise Cove Luau booth during BayFest on July 14.

Anyone with information regarding the missing Tiki is highly encouraged to contact Noah Kunimune with Paradise Cove Luau at 842-7911, or an amnesty tiki return is welcome at their downtown location at 2024 N. King Street, Suite 209, Honolulu.

Sail the Friendly Seas

Stop thinking about it and do it. No more excuses—no more postponing.

Your time to set sail in Kaneohe Bay is now, and the Base Marina makes it affordable and convenient.

The next Adult Evening Sailing Class is scheduled July 30 - Aug. 3 at the Base Marina from 5 - 7:30 p.m. The cost runs from \$69 - \$99 depending on rank.

SM&SP



(Open to single, active duty military.)

Hawaiian Hop

Make your Labor Day an adventure with a Big Island Adventure Trip, Sept. 1 - 3. Cost is \$235 per person, i.e., airfare, shared accommodations, and a rental car. Hike to lava flow, visit the black sand beach & more. Call 254-7593.

Hoist Up Your Sails

Now is the time to learn to sail - August 6 - 10 at the Base Marina for only \$15 (Regular price is \$69). This special discount applies to single, active duty only. Call 254-7593 or 254-7666.

Oceanside Paintball

Let your "inner-predator" come out to play. Saturdays 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Sundays noon - 5 p.m. Call for equipment rental fees.

Shank & Slice III

Sign up for this golf tourney on Aug. 3 at the Klipper Golf Course, with a 12:30 p.m., shotgun start. It's non-competitive. Awards are blind draw. E-5 & below, \$20, E-6 & above, \$27. Register at SM&SP.

Upon earning your yearlong sailing license, sailboats may be rented out immediately.

Discover the true meaning of paradise on the water. Set sail today. For more sailing lesson information, call the Base Marina at 254-7667.

The More You Know

What's keeping you from higher education? Money? Resources? Time? Don't allow obstacles to barricade the gateway to your future.

The Joint Education Center offers many educational opportunities for both military personnel and adult family members.

One of the free educational services offered is the four-week Military Academic Skills Program. The MASP runs from July 30 - August 24 in Bldg. 219, daily from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

During the course of MASP, students will benefit from instruction concentrating in Math, English, Written Communication and Study Skills. For more information or to make reservations, call the Joint Education Office at 257-2158.

Get a Clue

Maximize your tropical tour, and discover the plethora of resources and opportunities waiting for

you and your family while stationed aboard MCB Hawaii.

No matter how "new" you are to this base, if you have not attended the New Arrivals Orientation, chances are you may be missing out. Everyone is welcome to attend the next New Arrivals Orientation set for Aug. 2 at the Base Theater, Bldg. 219 from 7:30 - 11:30 a.m.

All attendees will have the chance to mingle with various base, Marine Corps Community Services representatives and outside agencies like GIECO Insurance, Windward Wireless, Navy & Marine Association, AIG Hawaii and more.

Many fantastic prizes will be given away and free refreshments will be served. For more information, contact relocation specialist, Marie Jesus at 257-7788.

Parenthood Threshold

Get in on the instructions before the crying and the feeding and the perpetual laundry set in.

If you are on the brink of parenthood, MCCS Personal Services Marine New Parent Support Program's free, two-day Dad's Baby Boot Camp & Mom's Basic Training class is scheduled for Aug. 7 and 8 from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Parents-to-be will benefit from certified instruc-

tion in Third Trimester Birth Preparation, Breathing and Relaxing Techniques, Infant Care, Post-natal Resources and more.

Comparative classes offered outside the military can run as high as \$80 and higher.

Seating is limited and reservations are required.

Be prepared for your new bundle of joy as much as possible. Call 257-8803.

World Skeet Resumes

The World Skeet Championship is Oct. 12 - 20 in San Antonio, Texas. A five-person team will be selected for the All-Marine team.

Resumes are due to the Athletic Office by July 30. Call Steve Kalnasy for qualification details at 254-7590.

All-Marine Marathon Team

This All-Marine "Challenge Cup," team will consist of five men and three women and will compete against the British Royal Navy / Marine team, Oct. 28. For resume and qualification details call Steve Kalnasy.

All-Marine Women's Soccer

Headquarters

Marine Corps Semper Fit is seeking resumes for the All-Marines Soccer Trials.

Trials will be held Aug. 19 - Sept. 8 at Marine Corps Air Station New River, N. C.

All interested candidates must be female, active duty and have command authorization. For more information, contact Steve Kalnasy, Semper Fit Sports Coordinator at 254-7590.

The Top-Dog Treat

Treat your boss to Bosses' Night at the Staff NCO Club's Rocker Room, Aug. 3 at 4:30 p.m. Pounce on the free pupus and toast your boss with your peers.

DJ Bryan energizes your party at 8 p.m. during the Friday Night Dance Party.

Is the Rocker Room's Bosses' Night good busi-

ness or good fun? Both—but form your own opinion. For further Bosses' Night updates call Lynn Colville at 254-5592.

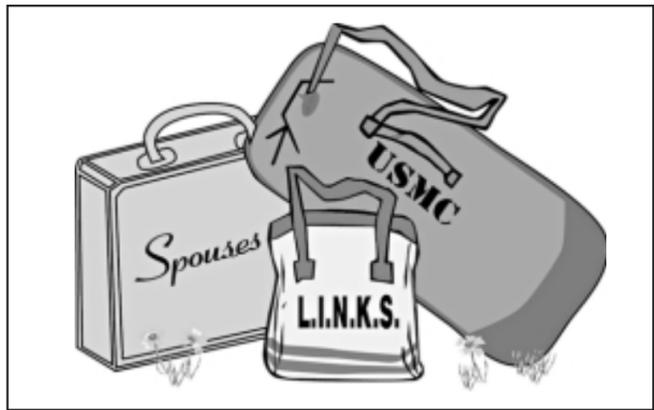
Linking Strategy

Lifestyles Insights, Networking Knowledge and Skills Team members and volunteers are invited to attend the next L.I.N.K.S. planning session Aug. 7 at 7 p.m. at the L.I.N.K.S. House, Bldg. 3074.

With L.I.N.K.S. involvement, you'll meet new friends and have vast opportunities for leadership and volunteer roles.

The L.I.N.K.S. program is a division of Personal Services that provides support for military spouses.

For more information, call L.I.N.K.S. Representative Nico Duncan at 254-8814.



Courtesy of MCCS

The next Lifestyles Insights, Networking Knowledge and Skills Team session will be held Aug. 7 at 7 p.m.

Gunny Lobes strikes it to Maui

Debbie Aisoff
MCCS Public Relations

When Gunnery Sergeant Jeff Lobes from MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay's Combat Service Support Group goes on strike,

you won't find him pounding the pavement armed with a protest sign. Not this Gunny.

When Lobes goes on strike, he arms himself with a sledgehammer and attends K-Bay's annual BayFest. He heads straight for the

Single Marine and Sailor Program's Striker contest.

Securing a total of 41 consecutive Striker hits, Lobes walks away from BayFest 2001 with his honeymoon paid for. His fiancée, Kathleen Ericksen and he will marry at the K-Bay Sand Bar on Aug. 5 and utilize the Striker's grand prize to jet set to Maui for an all-expense, deluxe accommodations for two courtesy of AAA Hawaii.

As one of the many contests offered at Ocean Concepts 12th Annual BayFest, the SM&SP Manager, Dawn Williams, organized this year's Striker Contest.

According to Williams, the contest is a true testimony of personal will and strength both physically and mentally. Striker contestants must swing a sledgehammer with enough force to ring the bell that is perched 25 feet in the sky.

To capture the Striker's grand prize of deluxe accommodations for two to Maui compliments of AAA Hawaii, contestants must achieve the highest number of consecutive swings that ring the Striker bell.

"We had a lot of contestants and a lot of fun with the Striker contest," said Williams.

"Gunny Lobes was so persistent, he kept coming back to make sure his record was secure. If someone scored higher, he entered again to make a come back."

And "come back" he did.

Lobes is no Striker contest winner novice. Lobes took first place at the BayFest Striker contest in 1997, 1998 and 2000. His triumphs have allowed him to travel to the Big Island, Hawaii, Maui and San Francisco.

His most consecutive hits reached 100 in 1998.

"Whatever it takes to win," said a 6' 2" Lobes. "I really don't think about losing—I'm too focused on winning."

AAA Hawaii proudly sponsored the BayFest Striker contest and set up an informational booth inside the Island Lifestyle Expo, because giving to the military and the general community is part of the company's strategic vision.

"The AAA Hawaii family is committed to reaching out to our community," said AAA Hawaii Manager, Richard E. Velasquez.

AAA Hawaii is an affiliate of AAA. Since 1921, AAA has continues to provide emergency roadside assistance maps, international and domestic travel planning, financial services and more.



Debbie Aisoff

Gunnery Sgt. Jeff Lobes receives an all-expense paid trip for two to Maui for winning the Striker contest at BayFest 2001 from Rick Lalor (left) and Richard Velasquez (right), both AAA Hawaii managers.

MOVIE TIME

Prices: Adults (12 and older) \$3, Children (6 to 11) \$1.50, Children (5 and younger) free. Matinee prices are \$2 for adults and \$1 for children. Parents must purchase tickets for "R" rated movies in person at the box office for children 16 years old and younger.

For E-5 and below, admission is free to the second show on Friday and Saturday evenings only. Sunday evenings, the price is \$1 for all patrons. Please show your ID at the box office. Phone 254-7642 for recorded info.

Shrek (PG)
Evolution (PG-13)
Atlantis (PG-13)
Moulin Rouge (R)
Shrek (PG)
Evolution (PG-13)
Swordfish (R)

Friday at 7:15 p.m.
Friday at 9:45 p.m.
Saturday at 7:15 p.m.
Saturday at 10 p.m.
Sunday at 3:30 p.m.
Sunday at 7:15 p.m.
Wednesday 7:15 p.m.

Hawaii MARINE SPORTS

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A 1st Radio Bn. player passes the ball across the court to a teammate during "Over 30" Intramural action Monday. Facilities garnered its first win.

Facilities clenches its first victory in 'Over 30' Intramurals



Chirs Zimmer, forward for 1st Radio Bn., makes a break away lay-up early in the game. This was one of the few times that 1st Radio Bn. was able to beat Facilities down the court.

Story and photos by
Cpl. Roman Yurek
Combat Correspondent

Facilities defeated 1st Radio Bn. during the last minute of their Monday night game in heated "Over 30" Intramural Basketball action at the Semper Fit Center.

Although the larger players of 1st Radio Bn. were able to box out the Facilities Ballers for rebounds, 1st Radio Bn. drained nearly every shot.

Doug Livingston, forward for Facilities, sank three-pointers, inside jumpers and lay-ups with ease.

The near 12 inches of height advantage that 1st Radio Bn. players had didn't discourage Livingston as he drove the lane. Although 1st Radio Bn. players towered over the Facilities players, they had one major disadvantage: their speed.

All the facilities players were able to run and pass quicker than 1st Radio Bn. could react. By the end of the half, Facilities lead at 25-17, but 1st Radio Bn. was far

from giving up. "We shouldn't be down by this much," commented 1st Radio Bn. guard Malcolm Ellis.

Livingston started off the second half adding another three-pointer to the Facilities scoreboard. Ellis began to step up and match Facilities shot for shot and brought 1st Radio Bn. to seven points from Facilities' lead.

It wasn't until after a 'time out' that 1st Radio Bn. became more aggressive.

With five minutes left, Facilities was still leading by one point. Radio Bn. players took control and slowed the game's pace and used their height to their advantage for the first time in the game. Within three minutes, 1st Radio Bn. gained its first lead, but Facilities didn't lost hope.

Again, Livingston sank a basket, tying the game at 49 with one minute left of play. Livingston hit another three-pointer and two foul shots to clench the 54-49 victory.



Wilber Ihu, guard for Facilities, shoots over Tony Korte, guard for 1st Radio Bn. Ihu was one of the faster players on the Facilities team and made many plays due to his speed and precision shots.

"I guess we're like the (Chicago) Cubs — next year will be a better year," said Ellis after the game. As of Monday night, the two teams were tied in their standings with one win and three losses.

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1974 Mercedes, blue, must sell, moving soon. Best offer. Call Pete at 256-5753.

1965 Ford Mustang, V-8, red. Must sell, moving soon. Best offer. Call Pete at 256-5753.

Boats

1990 17' Searay with 100 HP motor and trailer. Great condition, ready to enjoy. See at lemon lot, \$7,000. Call 254-1587.

Furniture

Queen Anne Recliner,

burgundy with claw legs, \$150. Call Debra 254-8559. **Office Master desk chair**, adjustable lumbar support, dual-wheel casters, dark brown with armrests, \$45. Call 253-0090.

Miscellaneous

Roadmaster Tricycle, assembled, \$15; Magna bicycle, 12" with black training wheels, \$25; Nelcor sewing machine, Model #5102FSB, \$125; Kolcraft tandem stroller, navy and white with two canopies, \$45. Call 253-0090.