



# MARINER'S LOG

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### President's Message

Aloha Neighbors,

School is out and summer's here! Longer days, less traffic and family vacations, so please include taking advantage of our facilities for a swim, a barbecue with the family, launching your kayak or trailer boat or even a yoga class. The clubhouse is available to use for larger family gatherings and celebrations. Sundays are now available for private parties, too

I would like to invite residents to bring comments and suggestions to the next quarterly regular board meeting on Monday, August 20th. We are always interested in your input and suggestions to make our facilities and community a better place. The Board welcomes our newest member Joel Brilliant. We would like to thank Wendell Akita for his many years of service on the Board as our treasurer.

Please consider setting your sprinkler system timers to much earlier in the morning (before 5am) to minimize evaporation wastage. Your neighbors walking our sidewalks early in the morning will also appreciate it. Thanks!

Mahalos to...Joe & Zack - our Cove clubhouse, pool and grounds continue to look great under their care....Jo Ann Kocher who serves as Neighborhood Security Watch (NSW) Coordinator and edits your semi-annual newsletters...Elizabeth Reilly for volunteering for many different issues affecting our community and the many others who serve our community.

Even though it's summer, it's not too early to start planning the residents' Christmas Party. We need some volunteers to continue this long standing tradition. Please contact us with your ideas and suggestions. Thanks to all you future volunteers. Have a safe and blessed summer.

Capt Ken Middleton

### Upcoming Events

Quarterly meetings are scheduled for **Mondays August 20 and November 5, 2018** in the clubhouse. All owners are welcome. An owners' forum is held at the beginning of each meeting to bring matters of concern to the board's attention or ask questions. Call to Order is at 7 p.m. and requires a quorum of the Board. Questions or concerns should be put in writing and forwarded to Hawaiian Properties, Ltd. for distribution to the Board in advance of the meetings

As part of Wildlife Community Preparedness Day, the Kamilonui/Mariner's Cove Firewise Community is sponsoring a community work day on **Saturday, June 23, 2018**. Volunteers will be needed from 9 a.m. to noon. We will be cleaning brush from the closed portion of Hawaii Kai Drive and from the back of Kamilonui Valley. Meet at the entrance to Mariners Cove. Gloves will be provided by Aloha Aina o Kamilo Nui. Wear closed toe shoes. Long sleeve shirts and long pants are recommended to protect your arms and legs. For more information contact Carol at [Firewise@gmail.com](mailto:Firewise@gmail.com). Mahalo to Pablo Akira Beimler, Community Outreach Coordinator, Hawaii Wildfire Management Organization (HWMO). To learn about this important project, go to: [www.hawaiiwildfire.org](http://www.hawaiiwildfire.org)

A free workshop for parents and grandparents to learn the benefits and techniques of reading to children daily will be held in the clubhouse on **Thursday, September 13, 2018 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.** It is sponsored by Read To Me International (<http://www.readtomeintl.org/>) and will be facilitated by Aileen Shin. A free children's book will be given to the first 15 participants to sign up. Light refreshments will be served. For questions or to RSVP by Sept. 6, contact Carol at 395-1708 or [michaelsullivan@hawaiiantel.net](mailto:michaelsullivan@hawaiiantel.net). Depending on interest, a wait list will be taken for future dates.

We will send alerts regarding upcoming events to those who are registered on the Google Group. The Google Group is used to alert residents of criminal activity, lost and found pets and other items of interest. To sign up for the Google Group, please email Jo Ann Kocher at [Tiger2Balm@aol.com](mailto:Tiger2Balm@aol.com).

### Be A Good Neighbor

If you see someone or something suspicious, please call 911 immediately. HPD would rather respond to check it out than investigate a crime later. Provide as much information as possible – description of person(s), including what they are wearing, and vehicles -color, make, model and license plates.

## Help Mariner's Cove Get Rid of Flies

Some Mariner's Cove residents have noticed an increase in flies to epidemic proportions at their homes. They have some good tips to combat this problem and are asking for your help! Let's see if, working together, we can conquer this problem!

### Fly Prevention:

- #1. Bag all food trash, by placing it in plastic bags and completely sealing the bag.** (If you have bags with handles, tie the handles, then fold the top of the bag over and tie it around again). Flies can get in the smallest spaces, even if you keep your trash bin lid closed. This helps with the larger flies, the ones that sneak in your house and land on your food. You can also spray the inside of the bags with flying insect repellent.
- #2.** Rinse out cans with food items that may attract flies (dog and cat food, tuna, etc.) before putting them in the trash bag.
- #3. Pick up animal poop daily and bag it up.** This helps with the smaller "dog dung" flies that breed on feces and like to land on your skin. As a reminder, it's the law to pick up after your dogs and cats that are let out to roam the neighborhood.
- #4.** Wash out your trash bins. Spray it with vinegar or place a paper towel soaked in vinegar in the bin to repel flies. The best time to do this is right after the trash has been picked up.
- #5.** Help eliminate flies with fly traps, such as sticky traps, or others like "flies be gone" (it works great, but the stench is very bad). Things like Fly Pitcher Plants (Glenn's Nursery, Waimanalo), sticky traps (available at City Mill), fly lights (can be bought on Amazon) or Venus Fly Traps can all be used to combat the problem.

**This can work!** These simple steps can make a huge difference. Flies multiply rapidly. One fly can lay 500 eggs, hatching in about 12-24 hours. That's tens of 1000's of new flies in just a few days.

Years ago, Vector Control and Opala helped rid another neighborhood of a terrible fly problem that was ongoing for several months. It started when trash collection decreased to 1x/week, creating a perfect breeding ground. Flies now had more time to multiply and maggots were found in the bins. Opala tagged the trash bins weekly of those that did not bag trash properly and when households complied, the fly problem diminished over the course of 6 weeks.

## Volunteers Urgently Needed

Farm lots in the back of the valley, particularly the non profit Aloha Aina o Kamilo Nui nursery, were devastated (water, mud and rock) by the early April storm. In 24 hours the volume of water coming from three parts of the valley took out two wood bridges, wood nursery benches, demolished concrete paths and a portion of the road in back of the property now has a 15' drop. Much of the temporary stockpile material collected over ten years on the proposed cemetery property washed down to the nursery. Ongoing cleanups are schedule. To volunteer, please write to [kamilonuivalley@aol.com](mailto:kamilonuivalley@aol.com)

## Change in MCBC Facilities Hours

The Board of Directors (BOD) voted to change the hours the clubhouse can be reserved for events, such as parties. **Events can now be scheduled on Sundays** from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. **Evening events on other days must now end by 9 p.m.** This is to comply with City and County rules relating to outside activities and noise. Current bookings will be grandfathered in to end at 10 p.m. New bookings from Monday to Saturday will specify an ending time of 9 p.m.

Effective immediately, the hours to reserve the clubhouse are:

- Monday to Friday - 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- Saturday - 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- Sunday - 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Monday to Thursday – one event per month is free for owners. Friday, Saturday, and Sunday – owners are allowed one free event a year. If additional events are requested, there is a \$104.72 fee. All holidays are charged the fee.

For information on the reservation procedure(s) for a private function, please call Club Manager Joe Barros at 753 6063 or visit our website - [www.MarinersCoveBayClub.org](http://www.MarinersCoveBayClub.org). To complete a reservation, a security deposit check made to MCA in the amount of \$150 is needed to confirm the reservation. If all rules are adhered to, the check will be returned.

## Mariners Cove Real Estate Update

By Judy Sobin, 748 Kalanipuu Street  
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Not to sound like a broken record; however, we do live in one of the most desired communities on Oahu. Our schools, safe streets, friendly faces, well-built homes and marina life draw many homebuyers to our neighborhood. Buyers are only ever disappointed that there are few Cove homes available. During the past six months only two homes in the Cove have been sold and two others are on the market at this writing. Overall in the past 12 months fourteen properties in the Cove went to new owners. Two of these were marina front and their median sales price was \$1,939,444. The ten sold homes off the marina ranged from a low sales price of \$999,000 to a high of \$1,537,000 or a median price of \$1,125,000.

What factors generate a higher price of one home compared to similar property in our neighborhood? There are a couple of key reasons for the differing prices. The first is the home's condition, how it has been maintained and how it has been remodeled. The second is the interior living space square footage. Larger properties that have been remodeled, especially those that have added a room with separate entrance, are more attractive to buyers.

I am always available to answer your questions. My telephone number is 358-8828. There is absolutely no obligation!