

Keep Puako Beautiful and South Kohala Reef Alliance News

Ocean Stewards volunteer on the Ala Kahakai National Historic Trail Corridor

Contact: keeppuakobeautiful@gmail.com Sign up or donate: keeppuakobeautiful.com Your tax exempt donations to South Kohala Reef Alliance, a 501c3 are important to help us be sustainable and continue our Ocean Environment Education in West Hawaii



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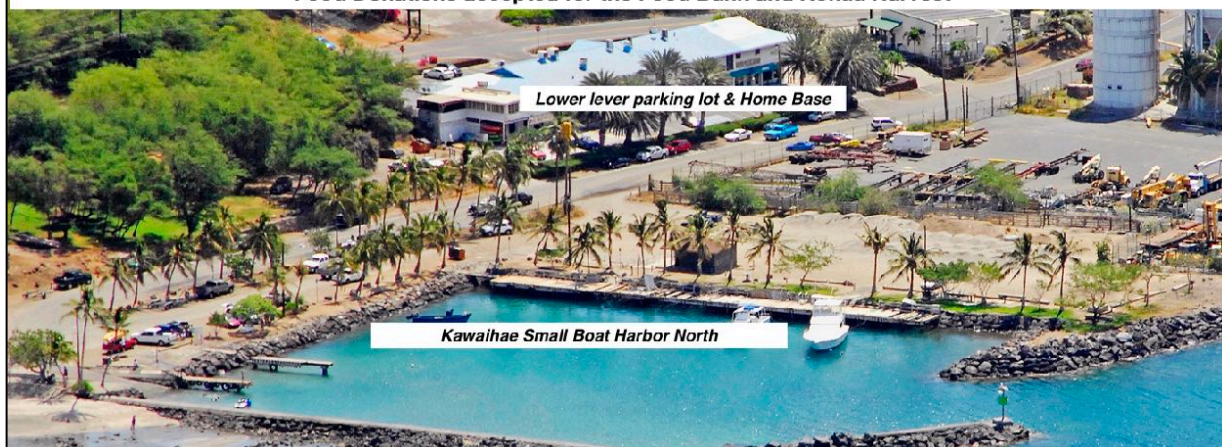
2024 News & Coming up
11/16/24 Celebrate Whale Season

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Grand total year
2019 to 2024 Site
Visits= 1070
Weight=53,671
Volunteers
Educated =1405
Total Pieces
Collected=
170,738
Cigarette
buts=14,056
Fishing line =4736
Total
Plastic=86,681
Miles
cleaned=1080

Keep Puako Beautiful, Hawaii Boat Club and Community Conservation Educators
Cleanup marine debris with data collection at Kawaihae Harbors North, South, Hawaii State Harbor, coral flats and Surf Park
Land or water cleanup, No Lifeguard on duty Contact Kohala Divers for water cleanup 808 882-7774
We recycle fishing line, cigarette litter and Hi5's
Conservation educators engage and share their research
Lounge talks, videos, games, prizes, snack sharing
Food Donations accepted for the Food Bank and Kokua Harvest



Hello Ocean Stewards,
Join us to Celebrate Whale Season and Hawaii Wildlife on 11/16/24 at Kawaihae Shopping Center Lower parking lot
Please share this opportunity to join us with your friends, families and groups
RSVP attending <https://waiver.smartwaiver.com/e/vV6HiUgB9KnKMbsZ5ECqyD/>

Activities Schedule

Hosted by Hawaii Boat Club and Keep Puako Beautiful

Meet us at HOME BASE: Kawaihae Shopping Center lower parking area

Food Drive: Kokua Harvest & The Food Basket accepting Canned Food

*WELCOME BLESSING 8:AM

*All booths set up by 8 AM if possible, help others if needed, and you can begin attendees engagements

Bring a donation for our community in need: Kokua Harvest & The Food Basket accepts perishable and non perishable food today!

*8-10 AM; Sign in, briefing, cleanup supplies

*Volunteers Cleanup: data collection, complete data cards, Return to HOME BASE with trash to tally & total trash, separate recyclables from landfill trash

*8 to 12 PM Conservation booths offer current projects, brochures, games, prizes, and project sign up sheets

*10-12 PM Conservation engagements, 2 presentation lounges featuring whale research, Hawaii Wildlife, videos and more.

*Enjoy: Jug of water & napkins provided. Bring water bottle or cups for drinks, Beverages, Napkin Grab-able Pot Luck Finger Foods and Snacks to Share

*Site maps are attached for desired site selection. Please choose a site to clean and bring the trash back to Kawaihae Shopping Center to complete data cards.

Sites 3 and 4

**Pua Ka'Ilima Cultural Surf Park(Home Base),
Coral Flats & Kawaihae Small Boat Harbor South**
Access: Kawaihae Road, parking at break wall or surf park
Clean up: Facility, park, coral flats, break wall beach, picnic
area, parking lot, and small boat harbor
Ala Kahakai National Historic Trail
DOT, DOBOR & DLNR

Facilities: Porta-Potty, shade, showers, and picnic area

Start: Latitude: 20.03269 | Longitude: -155.826607

End: Latitude: 20.027824 | Longitude: -155.824934



#RecyclingRealityCheck

Pollution Prevention Programs Recycle Fishing line & Cigarette litter
Reusing Marine Debris golf balls

FISHING LINE & CIGARETTE LITTER PREVENTION PARTNERS: Keep Puako Beautiful, South Kohala Reef Alliance. Hawaii Preparatory Academy, Keep America Beautiful, NOAA Marine Debris, Ala Kahakai National Historic Trail Corridor VIP. & Shark Stewards
Processors:
Berkeley and Keep America Beautiful/TerraCycle.
Glass; Local art studio
Golf Balls

greenlivingideas.com says it takes 100 to 1,000 years for a golf ball to decompose. The majority of the material is made of plastic and rubber. They also contain other petroleum-based polymers and heavy metals such as zinc. As they break down they release these petroleum products and metals in the process. The heavy metal attaches itself to the ground sediment and can poison the surrounding flora and fauna, especially when in water. Other heavy metals used in golf ball production include tungsten, cobalt and lead.

Youth Sports in Hawaii is reusing marine debris cleanup golf balls. High School physics teachers use the old malds.



Site 2

Kawaihae Harbor

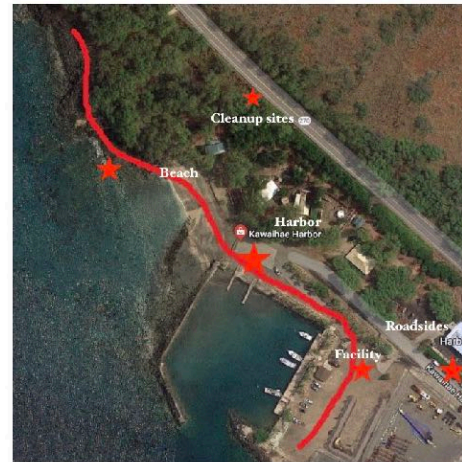
Access: Kawaihae Road

Clean up: Kawaihae Harbor, pier, beach, and facility
Ala Kahakai National Historic Trail
DOBOR & DLNR

Facilities: Restrooms

Start: Latitude: 20.038485 | Longitude: -155.831339

End: Latitude: 20.041037 | Longitude: -155.832731



Myth Busters

MYTH: Cigarette butts are **NOT** recyclable

FACT: Cigarette butts **ARE** recyclable. In fact, KAB has our own Cigarette Litter Prevention Program, and we work in partnership with other companies like [Terracycle](https://www.terracycle.com). Cigarette litter is processed into a power and is reused in consumer products.

[link](#). See our fishing line recycling program here

kab.org In the 2020 KAB National Litter Study, 9 out of 10 littered items were 4" or less with cigarette butts being the number 1 littered item in this category accounting for 9.7 billion butts counted on any given day in the US.

The cigarette litter program (CLPP), now in its 23rd year, is the nation's largest program aimed at reducing cigarette litter.

Communities implementing a Cigarette Litter Prevention Program, consistently reduce cigarette litter by half based on local measurements taken in the first four to six months after program is implemented. Since its inception, the program has been implemented in 1,800 US communities.

boat.org

Fishing Line Recycling Matters

Each year, more than 100,000 marine mammals die from ingesting debris or becoming entangled in fishing lines, net, and other types of derelict fishing gear. You can do your part to stop this by recycling your fishing line.....The problem ... fishing line isn't biodegradable. Instead, it can remain in the marine environment for over 600 years.

Marine Debris Art activities at the cleanup has been a success!