

Board Member Bio Sheet

Name: Robin Nonaka

Occupation/ Job Title: Bank of Hawaii, Vice President
Trust Real Estate

Spouse's name: None

Children? List names and age: Kaimana, age 5 or 35 depending on your preference. I cook and clean for her, every day. I buy her food and toys, I pick up her toys and other stuff (I don't need to go into details!), and she doesn't always listen to directions. But the best thing about it is that she doesn't talk back and she's always happy no matter what mood I'm in.

Hobbies? Channel surfing from my couch or bed; taking incriminating pictures of friends, for future use.

Experiences you have had with paddling that you want us to know (years, travels, competition such as Hawaiki Nui, one-man competitions, canoe sailing, etc.)
I was 15 when I paddled my first Liliuokalani Race for Healani Canoe Club and numerous times thereafter. Catalina Island 3x and Hamilton Island, Australia and Townsville, Australia for the World Sprints. Don't remember too much about the races but the pre-race and post-race periods were very memorable, but then again I was drunk so now I guess they're unmemorable.

Why do you choose Healani Canoe Club as your volunteer commitment?
Because we can usually drink beer when we're volunteering.

Any other information you want us to know? (e.g. other boards you serve on, your own or family accomplishments, family members who paddle for Healani Canoe Club)
Other than Uncle Jr. I probably have the longest tenure at Healani Canoe Club. Just before the summer of 1977 my father brought me to the Ala Wai to meet Mr. P (Paiaina) to keep me off the streets of Waikiki, and the rest is history.