Biography for the Waikoloa Canoe Club 2019 Board of Directors

Victoria Serrao

Aloha Paddlers and esteemed members of the board.

I began paddling when I was 20 years old. I raced and paddled with the Newport Beach Canoe Club under the tutelage of Noah Kalama. Circumstances took me away from my home in Southern California and it was not until I moved to the Big Island where I was once again reunited with the sport I love.

Most of you know me as the mostly friendly older woman who is in charge of checking you into Ohana three days a week. Until recently that was me. Other members have since stepped in to help out for which I am extremely grateful.

However, I have also raced for the Waikoloa Canoe Club in the Kupuna division in past regatta seasons. I am a certified scuba diving instructor and spent most of my "formative" years on a surfboard in Southern California.

I love the ocean...I respect its power, and enjoy meeting and paddling with the varied personalities who would also like to participate in this thrilling activity.

Most of the jobs I have tackled for the club have been artistic in nature. So beware, I will be continuing on in that capacity and looking for volunteers to help.

I would like to bring to the Board a voice for all the members. We are not just a racing club, we are Ohana and as such each member has an opinion and a voice.

Thank you for your consideration....

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