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Pair of Hilo teams face off for LL title

### GOLF

## Maekawa in contention at Amateur Publinx

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Paauiolo's Sean Maekawa shot an even-par 72 Monday to grab a share of 14th place on a stormy first day at the 82nd U.S. Amateur Public Link Championship at Cantigny Golf Club in Wheaton, Ill.

Maekawa, who knocked in three birdies but also suffered six bogeys, was one of 78 golfers to finish the day with a

### FISHING | JIM RIZZUTO

## A 24-hour albacore adventure fills spot on BFL

After a six-month wait, the albacore slot on our Big Fish List is finally filled.

But it took a 24-hour-long fishing trip to do it.

Jeff Heintz, skipper of the Linda Sue III, says he is now promoting his round-the-clock fishing adventures, "even though I'm 66 and getting tired easier."

After the success of an all-day, all-nighter on July 2-3, promoting will be a bit easier.

With the Cripps party of Torrance, Calif., aboard, Jeff pulled out of his slip at 4 a.m. to head south for the dawn ono



bite off Kauna Point.

The ono were sulking in green water generated by a south swell and wouldn't bite.

But the long day ahead meant the Cripps could look

forward to a variety of other opportunities.

They spent the rest of the day trolling for marlin and caught two while missing shots at three more, including one well over 500, Jeff said.

The two blues caught were first-ers for Bill and his son Kyle, 13.

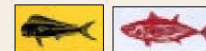
The day was great but the night got better, Jeff said.

They caught some bait at VV-buoy, set out the sea anchor to control their drift for the night, and immediately began catching squid.

"Wham, a rubber band

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breaks and we land a 42-pound swordfish for Kevin Reagan," says Jeff. "That was his first ever."

After missing several fish, they landed three yellow-fins weighing 34, 38 and 39 pounds.

After a few more missed

strikes, they finally hooked a screamer on an 80-pound rig.

Kevin pulled in what would be their last catch of the night, the 66-pound albacore that now leads the list for 2007.

(The fish was weighed several times with weights ranging from 65 to 66 pounds. We'll go with the 66 from the official scale at Kona Fish.)

### Thank god it was an ahi

The great summer ahi run has not yet hit Kona.

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## Big Fish List

With one change this week — albacore — here are the biggest fish caught on rod and reel (except opakapaka, for which we'll accept hand line catches) in West Hawaii waters for 2007 in each of 21 categories. They are listed by species, weight, angler, skipper, boat, and date. The list is updated every Sunday throughout the year (copyright 2007 by Jim Rizzuto). If we have overlooked you, give us a call at 885-4208 or send an e-mail to rizzuto@aloha.net.

- ▶ **Blue marlin:** 1,011, Tim Rupli, Capt. Hector Ubaldo, Legend 2, March 11.
- ▶ **Black marlin:** 299, Sam Peck and Malone Desilva, Liko III, June 10.
- ▶ **Ahi:** (yellowfin tuna), 200 (tie), Milton Mitsuka, Tami K, June 20. Tyler Fujie, Capt. McGrew Rice, Ihu Nui, June 21.
- ▶ **Bigeye tuna:** 193, Mike Murphy, Capt. Walter Gay, Ikaika Kai, March 19.
- ▶ **Striped marlin:** 157, Keith V. Dean IV, Capt. Tim Hicks, Illusions, Jan. 12.
- ▶ **Spearfish:** 65, Mac McCoy, Capt. Steve Yamasaki, Tai-Pan II, May 12.
- ▶ **Sailfish:** 94, Mike Berman and Shawn Bebeau, Kukulaki, March 5.
- ▶ **Mahimahi:** 51½, Tom Goodsery, Capt. Mitch Stauer, Billfisher II, June 20.
- ▶ **Ono (wahoo):** 66, Harry Curran, Ray Shipman, Moku Kane, Feb. 22.
- ▶ **Kaku (barracuda):** 56½, Jasmine Crusat, Ronny Aukai, Leilani, May 27.
- ▶ **Kahala (amberjack):** 86½, James Muetting, Don Gilles, Melanie Lei, April 20.
- ▶ **Ulua (giant trevally):** 90, Janice Hildebrand, Capt. Hector Ubaldo, Legend 2, Jan. 12.
- ▶ **Omilu (bluefin trevally):** 13½, Rob Miller, June 2.
- ▶ **Aku (skipjack tuna):** 26, Regina Lubniewski, Capt. Tim Hicks, Illusions, April 15.
- ▶ **Broadbill swordfish:** 147, Bill Rhee and Mark Loera, Melton Contender, June 15.
- ▶ **Ahipalaha (albacore):** 66, Kevin Reagan, Capt. Jeff Heintz, Linda Sue III, July 2.
- ▶ **Kawakawa:** 19½, Ryan Sturges, Dan Schneider, Centipede, May 21.
- ▶ **Kamanu (rainbow runner):** (vacant).
- ▶ **Opakapaka (pink snapper):** 14½, Dave Johnson and Dave Vogt, Molly Magee, May 13. (No catches accepted from May 15 through Oct. 1 while the season is closed).
- ▶ **Uku (gray snapper):** 26½, Carol Parks, Capt. Chuck Wigzell, Hooked Up, Jan. 24.
- ▶ **Oio (bonefish):** (vacant).

## Catch report

Catch information courtesy of Andria DeBina and Lona Knight of the Charter Desk at Kona Marina (329-5735). If you catch a fish on rod and reel in West Hawaii waters bigger than one on the list, take it to the Fuel Dock to be weighed and recorded. If you weighed it somewhere else, call Jim Rizzuto at 885-4208 and leave a message.



PHOTO COURTESY OF THE CHARTER DESK AT HONOKOHAU HARBOR

Kevin Reagan, second from left, poses with a variety of fish, including the 66-pound albacore (noted as a 55½-pounder) at far left that takes over the ahipalaha spot on the Big Fish List. Reagan caught the fish July 2 on the Linda Sue III with Capt. Jeff Heintz, left, Kyle, second from right, and Bill Cripps joined Reagan and Heintz on the 24-hour fishing expedition.

A complete list of May billfish catches will be in the July Hawaii Fishing News.

## Beasts of the week

(Marlin weighing 500 pounds or more).

▶ See also the big fish in the tag and release report.

- ▶ **July 4:** Blue marlin (563 ½) Mike Caruso, Capt. Dee Bradford, High Noon.
- ▶ **July 4:** Blue marlin (574) Warren Keinath, Capt. Carlton Taniyama, Five Star.
- ▶ **July 5:** Blue marlin (913) Steve Swartz, Capt. Wayne Knight, Playtime.
- ▶ **July 5:** Blue marlin (689) Gary Murata, Capt. Chuck Wigzell, Hooked Up.
- ▶ **July 6:** Blue marlin (558 ½) Don Frederickson, Capt. Scott Crampton, High Flier.

## Tag and release

(All weights estimated.)

- ▶ **July 1:** Blue marlin (165 and 175) Joe Defanzio Jr./Sr., Capt. Dennis Cintas, Krista.
- ▶ **July 1:** Blue marlin (220) Wayne Peardon, spearfish (40) Larry Peardon, Capt. Roger Duquette, Autumn Marie.

- ▶ **July 1:** Blue marlin (150 and 180) Luke McClain, Capt. Chuck Wigzell, Hooked Up.
- ▶ **July 1:** Blue marlin (150) Jeffrey Bennett, Capt. Lance Gelman, Long Ranger.
- ▶ **July 1:** Striped marlin (80) Gerry Wrangler, Capt. Tony Clark, Alibi.
- ▶ **July 1:** Spearfish (35) John Hurlbut, Capt. Tim Hicks, Illusions.
- ▶ **July 2:** Blue marlin (180, 180) Sean Cartwright, Mike Flynn, Capt. Kevin Hiney, Bite Me.
- ▶ **July 2:** Blue marlin (125) Scott Rodgers, Capt. Tim Hicks, Illusions.
- ▶ **July 2:** Blue marlin (150 and 250) David and Derek Howard, Capt. Scott Pruner, Lady.
- ▶ **July 2:** Blue marlin (200) Marshall Lutkins, Capt. Kent Mongreig, Fish Wish.
- ▶ **July 2:** Blue marlin (135) Jeff Abbatiello, Capt. Chip Van Mols, Monkey Biz II.
- ▶ **July 2:** Blue marlin (190) Todd Barrett, Capt. Al Gustavson, Top Shape.
- ▶ **July 2:** Blue marlin (125) Scott Rodgers, Capt. Tim Hicks, Illusions.
- ▶ **July 3:** Blue marlin (150) Sue Vermillion, Capt. Steve Epstein, Northern Lights.
- ▶ **July 3:** Spearfish (35 and 40) Tae and Shuichi Tanaka, Capt. Chuck Haupter, Catchem I.
- ▶ **July 3:** Blue marlin (225), striped marlin (50) Scott Rodgers, Capt. Tim Hicks, Illusions.
- ▶ **July 3:** Blue marlin (150) Unknown, Capt. Russ Nitta, Lepika.
- ▶ **July 3:** Blue marlin (375) Ralph Doughty, Capt. Craig Denham, Strong Persuader.
- ▶ **July 3:** Blue marlin (150 and 250) Louis Wardlaw, Jack Sanford, spearfish (30) Jack Sanford, Capt. Jason Holtz, Marlin Magic.
- ▶ **July 4:** Blue marlin (150) Unknown, Capt. Howard Whitcomb, Billfisher II.
- ▶ **July 4:** Blue marlin (280) Helch Fox, Capt. Chuck Wigzell, Hooked Up.
- ▶ **July 4:** Blue marlin (130 and 175) James Angus, spearfish (30 and 40) Robbie Angus, Capt. Gene Vander Hoek, Sea Genie II.
- ▶ **July 4:** Blue marlin (125) Unknown, Capt. Gabe Legay, New Horizon.
- ▶ **July 4:** Blue marlin (170) Unknown, Capt. Guy Terwilliger, Hookele.

- ▶ **July 4:** Blue marlin (450) Bill Bennett, Capt. Wayne Knight, Playtime.
- ▶ **July 4:** Blue marlin (200 and 350) Bo Godfrey, Capt. Craig Denham, Strong Persuader.
- ▶ **July 5:** Blue marlin (180) Jim Haage, Capt. Chip Fischer, Action.
- ▶ **July 5:** Spearfish (40) Unknown, Capt. Neal Isaacs, Anxious.
- ▶ **July 5:** Blue marlin (150) Cory Stansfield, Capt. Russ Nitta, Lepika.
- ▶ **July 5:** Spearfish (30) Rachel Howard, Capt. Scott Pruner, Lady.
- ▶ **July 5:** Blue marlin (150) Jenn Lesser (age 14) Capt. Dennis Cintas, Krista.
- ▶ **July 5:** Blue marlin (650) Lou Koch, Capt. Carlton Taniyama, Five Star.
- ▶ **July 5:** Striped marlin (90) Spearfish (35) John Angus, Capt. Gene VanderHoek, Sea Genie II.
- ▶ **July 5:** Blue marlin (180) Andria DeBina, Capt. Boyd DeCoito, Foxy Lady.
- ▶ **July 5:** Blue marlin (600) Bo Godfrey, Capt. Craig Denham, Strong Persuader.
- ▶ **July 5:** Blue marlin (125) Spearfish (35) Tara Johnson, Capt. Scott Fuller, Tara II.
- ▶ **July 6:** Blue marlin (150) Matthew Linden (age 14), Capt. Chuck Haupter, Catchem I.
- ▶ **July 6:** Blue marlin (850) Jed Vandenplas, Capt. John Bagwell, Silky.
- ▶ **July 6:** Blue marlin (130) Neal Grindneil, spearfish (30) Dave McClaughry, Capt. Vinny Maggio, Monkey Biz.
- ▶ **July 6:** Blue marlin (110 and 160) John Angus, blue marlin (200), spearfish (55) James Angus, Capt. Gene Vander Hoek, Sea Genie II.
- ▶ **July 6:** Blue marlin (125) Tony Marble, Capt. Dennis Cintas, Krista.
- ▶ **July 6:** Blue marlin (240 and 180) Alex Mahfouz, Capt. Mike Hasbrouck, Huntress.
- ▶ **July 6:** Blue marlin (150 and 270) James Karamouzis, Capt. Bill Crawford, Chiripa.
- ▶ **July 6:** Blue marlin (110 and 150) Brian Coloner, Mike Schriezer, Capt. Jeff Kahl, Piper.
- ▶ **July 6:** Blue marlin (150) Tom Goodman, Capt. Carlton Taniyama, Five Star.
- ▶ **July 6:** Blue marlin (125) Ed DeRaver, Capt. Tim Hicks, Illusions.
- ▶ **July 7:** Blue marlin (170, 160) John Angus, Capt. Gene Vander Hoek, Sea Genie II.
- ▶ **July 7:** Blue marlin (120) James Karamouzis, Capt. Bill Crawford, Chiripa.
- ▶ **July 7:** Blue marlin (125) Travis Giles, Capt. Dennis Cintas, Krista.
- ▶ **July 7:** Blue marlin (130 and 250) Kent Greg, Capt. Steve Tarbill, Kona Concept.
- ▶ **July 7:** Blue marlin (175 and 175) Bill Lopez, Ron Miller, Capt. Bob Sylva, Thrill Seeker.
- ▶ **July 7:** Blue marlin (125 and 200) Mike Scheuble, Capt. Neal Isaacs, Anxious.
- ▶ **July 7:** Blue marlin (100 and 125) Bo Godfrey, Capt. Craig Denham, Strong Persuader.
- ▶ **July 7:** Blue marlin (160 and 125) Rick Chaponot, Capt. Mike Holtz, Jun Ken Po.

## Notable catches

- ▶ **July 1:** Ahi (141½) Mike McAlister, Capt. Joe Augustine, Mango Girl.
- ▶ **July 1:** Sailfish (45 ½) JJ Sanchez, Capt. Dan Schneider, Centipede.
- ▶ **July 1:** Ahi (136) Wayne Peardon, Capt. Roger Duquette, Autumn Marie.
- ▶ **July 2:** Broadbill (41½), albacore (66, 20, 25 and 30) Kevin Reagan, blue marlin (119 and 122½) K and R Kripps, Capt. Jeff Heintz, Linda Sue III.
- ▶ **July 3:** Blue marlin (338) Rhino Krieger, Capt. Guy Terwilliger, Hookele.
- ▶ **July 3:** Blue marlin (364) Mike Corbino, Capt. McGrew Rice, Ihu Nui.
- ▶ **July 3:** Ahi (127) Daniel Pierce, Capt. Tony Clark, Alibi.
- ▶ **July 3:** Ahi (167½) Paul Howden, Alex Knox, Kaiwick.
- ▶ **July 4:** Ahi (117), ono (33) Heather Goto, Capt. Kent Mongreig, Fish Wish.
- ▶ **July 4:** Ono (56½) Gary Sheehan, Capt. Gary Sheehan, Hei Mana.
- ▶ **July 4:** Ahi (120) Ron, Capt. Alan Bakke, Howbadouwanit.
- ▶ **July 4:** Blue marlin (473½) John Kendrick, Capt. Ken Fogarty, Makana Lani.
- ▶ **July 5:** Ahi (110), spearfish (35) Jason Healy, Capt. Peter Hoogs, Pamela.
- ▶ **July 5:** Ahi (159½) Chris McNeill, Chip Collester, Aquaholics.
- ▶ **July 5:** Blue marlin (315) Colleen Rosa, Capt. McGrew Rice, Ihu Nui.
- ▶ **July 5:** Blue marlin (251 and 484½) Kelly McKinney, Capt. Ron Krumvieda, Terminator.
- ▶ **July 6:** Ahi (113 and 126) Ryan Boyd, Capt. Bill Casey, Pacific Blue.
- ▶ **July 6:** Ahi (167) Fritz Warren, Capt. Ken Fogarty, Makana Lani.
- ▶ **July 6:** Ahi (108) Pam Vaughan, Capt. Andy Diehl, Bite Me 3.
- ▶ **July 6:** Ahi (140) Michael Scheuble, Capt. Neal Isaacs, Anxious.
- ▶ **July 6:** Ahi (150) Dean Larsen, Capt. Howard Whitcomb, Billfisher II.
- ▶ **July 7:** Ahi (140) Ono (27) Dixon, Capt. Gabe Legay, New Horizon.
- ▶ **July 7:** Ahi (106) George Bubrick Jr. (Age 8), spearfish (38) George Bubrick Sr., Capt. Erik Rusnak, Sundowner.
- ▶ **July 7:** Ahi (118½) Bonnie Olson, Capt. Mike Vidal, Legend 2.