## **Daddy Haine Volleyball**

By Danny Alvarez



Wendy Crabb was honored during the opening ceremony with the Ambassador Award for her contributions to volleyball this past year. With her are son, Kaione Crabb, daughter Kristin and grandson Kana'i Akana.

Sixteen teams comprised of 76 players battled it out for the 21st Annual Daddy Haine Volleyball Tournament title on an epic and sweltering Labor Day weekend, September 6.

The Haine Family and the Outrigger Canoe Club once again were great hosts for one of the best beach volleyball tournaments in the nation.

One of the awesome things about "The Daddy" is that it brings old friends together and it allows players with wide variety of skills and experience to play together for a common goal.

In the traditional opening ceremony before the tournament starts, Kisi Haine offered a prayer:

"Dear God, thank you for this beautiful day, these awesome volleyball courts and the opportunity to play some volleyball today with family, friends and soon to be new friends.

"Daddy was a wonderful person! Many of you out there had friendships with him and many of you may only know a little, if anything, about him. He was a strong but very kind man. He was encouraging to young players who came up to the Big Courts. He loved to "clear court" on Sundays and he had that awesome "Daddy Dink". He was a great dad to Marc and me and taught us the value of hard work. Lastly, he was a loving and caring husband to our mom, Mom Haine.

"In the spirit of the "Daddy", whether you go one-twobar-b-que and end up in the beer bracket or win and end up competing for the championship in the winner's bracket: Play fair. Play hard. Play safe, and have fun! "Good luck with all our love and Aloha. Amen."

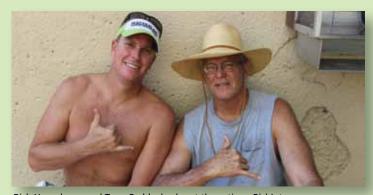
In the end only one team can be called the champs. This year the winning team was a great mix of all Hawaii volleyball has to offer: Johann Timmer, Rick Humphreys, Colin Harman, Jake Chouljian, and Jon Duecher.



Kisi, Marilyn and Marc Haine watch the action on the Daddy Court.



In one of the great matches of the day young Wil Stanley tries to sneak a Dougie Johnstone set down the line past Johann Timmer. Luckily for the eventual champs one of Outrigger's best diggers Rick Humphreys was there to pop that ball up and win that game.



Rick Humphreys and Tony Crabb check out the action. Rick's team won.



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