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## NORTH SHORE OUTDOOR CIRCLE



Aid Station Adopter: **North Shore Outdoor Circle**

Mechanical Support provided by: The Bike Shop

## Congratulations!

Board Members Rex Dubiel Shanahan, Ed Shanahan, and other NSOC members, worked with Sunset Beach Elementary students, and community members to do us proud at the 2022 Haleiwa Metric Century Bike ride. They won first prize for their colorfully decorated Aid Station! The event took place on Sunday, April 24. Almost 800 bike riders participated in this 29th edition of the HBL. This undertaking netted us \$500 for our fund to help keep the North Shore - clean, green, and beautiful. Well done!





## Fondly remembering...

In December of 2021, we were able to have our NSOC Christmas party in person once again. We enjoyed a lovely dinner at Dawn and Jim Peerson's home in Pupukea. It was a remarkable chance to reconnect with friends we hadn't seen in a while. It was also our last chance to visit with long time member, Peter Cole, who passed away in February of this year.



## SEED Giveaway

It's back! After two years off because of the pandemic, the [Haleiwa Arts Festival](#) is back, and we are joining them. Look for NSOC at the Community Table at the Haleiwa Arts Festival on July 16th and 17th at Haleiwa Beach Park. Stop by and say hello - we'll be giving away seeds.

## Beautification Awards

Our Beautification Committee Chair, Dawn Peerson tells us that after a break because of Covid, we will be giving awards this year for people with landscaping that enriches our north shore environment at our big General Membership Meeting in September. Date and winners to be announced.

## We Need You!

Would you like to go on Garden Tours? Would you like to attend seminars on plant husbandry, management, and cultivation? Well, so would we! We have more ideas for activities we would like to spearhead this year, but we can't do these without your help. Please consider joining the board of NSOC, and let's make this year our best yet.

### 2021 NSOC Event Highlights



In July last year, we toured the Kokua Learning Farm in Haleiwa set up by Jack and Kim Johnson to educate our Keiki about the importance of gardening.

Every month, on the third Monday, a small but enthusiastic group meets in Waimea Valley with Melani Spielman. She takes us up to the Torch Ginger Alley to do a little work to help keep this area looking good.



When the Ni'i Shower tree was first planted.



Ni'i Shower tree now.



Before and After Bike Path Re-striping.

## Weed Circle

In 2001 The NSOC and Haleiwa Main Street took on the job of beautification of the gateway to Haleiwa known as Weed Circle. Trees were planted and an irrigation system was installed after the Weed Family donated the land in 1988. NSOC took on the maintenance of the trees and irrigation system.

Here we are, 21 years later and the irrigation system is no longer repairable. It must be replaced. Without a working irrigation system, members of NSOC must hand water some of the younger trees, or else they will die off.

NSOC's mission statement is to keep the North Shore clean, green, and beautiful. We are ready and willing to supervise the rebuilding of the irrigation system, but the costs are prohibitive for our small but mighty organization. The state does not have any funds for this project, so we'll be sending out information on donations and fund raising once we have a game plan.

## Bike path news

Do you enjoy the Ke Ala Pupukea Bike Path? Then please take the opportunity to thank Rex Dubiel Shanahan and our Bike Path Committee. She has been very busy. She and her class of Third Graders from Sunset Beach Elementary put together a powerful package for the Mayor asking him to find the funds to repair the bike path. They showed that the path is used constantly by school children going to school, by the community, and even by tourists who visit our beautiful North Shore. The path is cracking, and deformed by roots, the trees and other landscaping need attendance, and all of this was supposed to be taken care of by the state. The NSOC helped create the bike path years ago, but after agreeing to care for it for 5 years, it was turned over to the city and county for maintenance. Obviously the ball was dropped along the way. NSOC and our Bike Path Committee got involved again and after much hard work, funds have been budgeted in order to pay for the reconstruction of the bike path. In the meantime, the Bike Path committee oversaw the re-striping of the path.

We will keep you posted on subsequent bike path news.

For more information on the history of The Outdoor Circle click on the link - [www.outdoorcircle.org](http://www.outdoorcircle.org)



## Stop the Sign Clutter and Visual Pollution Caused by Food Trucks

Bill 10 (now pending at Honolulu Hale) is intended to update Land Use Regulations on Oahu - but it also adds Food Trucks as a new acceptable land use!

This Bill is part of a large project the City & County of Honolulu started in 2018 to update the Land Use Ordinance (the zoning code). Bill 10 is a large Bill (178 pages) that re-organizes Article 5 of the Land Use Ordinance to include definitions of all acceptable land uses and sets special standards for some uses. It is mostly a re-write of what is already in the current Land Use Ordinance, but it does add one new use: “Mobile Commercial Establishments” (MCEs) which includes food trucks to be allowed on all commercial property and country-zoned property.

### Background:

For several years, NSOC worked with North Shore Chamber of Commerce on a rewrite of the Haleiwa Special District ordinance and specifically added a section regulating food trucks within the District. This section provides limitations on the proximity of food truck locations to each other within the Haleiwa Special District. It requires green barriers to hide the clutter and visual pollution created by food truck operations and limits signage. In response to our work, the Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) proposed a separate new ordinance in 2018 (Bill 47) to legalize and provide minimal standards for food trucks (MCEs) island wide. NSOC successfully opposed that bill and helped to pass the new Haleiwa Special District ordinance in 2018. But now DPP has proposed adding “MCEs” as an acceptable land use through Bill 10 – again with minimal standards and no regulation of visual clutter. Bill 10 actually authorizes each food truck to put up a sandwich board sign which is otherwise illegal under the sign code. They have exempted Haleiwa Special District from Bill 10, but that does nothing to remedy the food truck “mess” in Kahuku, Sharks Cove, Sunset Beach and expanding elsewhere.



### Status of Bill 10:

Bill 10 passed “first reading” at Council in February 2022. The deadline for City Council final action on Bill 10 has been delayed until October 2022. But the Council Zoning Committee began hearings on Bill 10 in April. NSOC needs to voice the need to control the visual clutter created by food trucks. The current proposal in Bill 10 does not address this problem in any way.