



## BANZAI NORTH SHORE WIRELESS

Tons of great surf on the North Shore create lots of smiles all over the place. Will it be an El Nino season? There has been much talk about "El Nino" and the fact that it can cause big surf for Hawaii. An El Nino condition is essentially a warming of the waters in the Pacific. Besides causing big storm surf El Nino is credited with causing widespread drought and heavy rains in other parts of the World. It is a much watched and anticipated shift in ocean conditions, the "southern oscillation phenomenon". The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and The National Weather Service have downgraded the El Nino conditions stating "the chance is reduced for El Nino to develop during Northern Hemisphere fall/winter 2012/13. Tropical convection increased near the Date Line, which is consistent with weak El Nino conditions, but also remained elevated over eastern Indonesia which is further westward than expected, thus indicating neutral/weak El Nino conditions." We have to consider though that we are talking about the weather, it changes. So far so good with swells and conditions, surf has been firing!

Congratulations to Malia Jones. Surfer first and model second Malia Jones is keeping busy. Jones grew up right at Rocky Point with her famous surfer family. Malia Jones was a Jr. Surfing Champion at the age of 15. She has been credited with being one of the most inspirational people, bringing many surfer girls to the sport. Jones was dubbed one of the 50 most beautiful people by People Magazine and has been traveling and modeling for companies such as VO 5, American Express, Insight, Capri Sun and tons of big time magazines. She has done many things including being a consultant in the animated film Lilo and Stitch and is a swimwear designer. She will be keeping even more busy with her second child on the way. It will also be a second for father and her equally famous husband Alex O'Loughlin, the star of Hawaii Five O. Congrats to the lovely couple! See you in the water soon Malia!

The ASP, Association of Surfing Professionals, tour is in Portugal as of this writing at the Rip Curl Pro Peniche. Pancho Sullivan is the expert commentator for the event. Great job Pancho! Things are heating up for The Vans Triple Crown of Surfing. They have announced a huge series. It's the 30th anniversary and a One Million cash purse is on offer. The overall Vans Triple Crown winner gets \$100,000 cash, a Harley Davidson and an incredible Nixon watch. Kelly Slater current World number two, has confirmed his entry as has John John Florence and most of the top 32. There is also a Hawaiian Airlines air show prize, 250,000 miles to the top fly guy. The Vans Triple Crown starts November 12 and runs through December 20th. Look for the official qualifying event, the HIC Pro, Hawaiian Island Creations, contest at Sunset. The event starts October 29 - November 10th. Ezekiel Lau will be defending his title in a field that includes a 50 percent Hawaiian contingent.

The Stand Up World Tour event finished up at Turtle Bay in October. Maui's Kai Lenny won both the long distance and sprint races to take the Title of World Champion. Annabel Anderson from New Zealand also won both and is World Champion. The North Shore's Noa Ginella ended up a respectful 10th overall in that series.

Ladies is your hair a tangled mess from surfing? I found the perfect hair brush, the "Wet Brush". Ask Randy at Silver Shears in Haleiwa, he has this magic brush. Just up the road from there take a peak at the Chuns Store. Local artist Chip Lane has spruced it up for the owner and its current tenant, Paddle Surf Hawaii. Chip Lane is a great artist in our area and sort of unknown to the World. Another great North Shore talent who loves surfing.

Speaking of talent. Mom Karla Costa Taylor went back on the IBA World Bodyboarding Tour and is cruising in 4th place. Karla has just launched a new Women's board model that is great for women and keiki. Sizes are 37.5, 38.5 and 39.5 smaller for more compact bodies! Find more information on [www.launch808.com](http://www.launch808.com) her new web site. Karla will be finishing up her run in Puerto Rico November 2-13. Good luck Mrs. Taylor.

Did you know that there is a National Wildlife area on the North Shore? The James Campbell National Wildlife Refuge is 126 acres and was established in 1976 to protect native wildlife. These are the kinds of things you find out when you become a member of our Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber of Commerce exists to promote, maintain and encourage the historic, cultural, civic and economic welfare of the North Shore district. Be a part of your community, join in. They are doing a fund-raiser right now "Bucks for Bricks". Check it all out at [www.gonorthshore.org](http://www.gonorthshore.org).

Do you surf Waimea Bay? Know that there is another great organization, Malama Pūpūkea Waimea. They work to protect our cultural and natural resources of the Pūpūkea and Waimea Ahupua'a. They do all kinds of things including counting fish. Check um out and volunteer, [www.pupukeawaimea.org](http://www.pupukeawaimea.org). Big mahalo to surfer Sophia Bartlow who so graciously volunteered to help out the organization. A true FIHI Girl!

FIHI Girlz Sports TV is celebrating it's 4th anniversary. The all Women's sports show is in production on the North Shore and airs on OC16, channel 12, Saturdays at 9pm or watch it online anytime at [www.oc16.tv/shows](http://www.oc16.tv/shows). Just a little plug! Mahalo, see you in the tube!

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