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# *Time and Tides*

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## Ben Sullivan talks about KIUC and renewable energy plans for the future.



Kauai Island Utility Co-op board member Carol Bains opened up the presentation with a poll of the audience to find out where we get our information about KIUC. Bill inserts seemed to be the way most of us get our information. Ben Sullivan followed up with a talk about the KIUC strategic plan for the future. The plan calls for KIUC to be using 50% renewable energy by 2023.

There are incremental goals between now and then to reach that percent. More efficient fuel combustion, hydro power, bio mass, and better ways for consumers to take advantage of solar are all part of the overall plan. Most of the goals in the strategic plan on the web site are in the planning and exploratory stages and are not detailed to the point where there are costs, responsibilities or deadlines included. Meanwhile there are things we can do as consumers to help overcome the coming rate increase. John Harder held up a meter that measures the amount of current appliances use, even when they are turned off. A home media system uses as much power as a hundred watt bulb 24 hours a day if it is not unplugged from the wall. KIUC has been operating in the red this year so the rate increase is necessary maintain financial soundness and for putting the strategic plan in place to bring us renewable, affordable, non-





The ever versatile Dr. Jeff Goodman fills in for Kopa Kaluahine to do the invocation



John Harder introduced the guest speaker, Ben Sullivan of the Kauai Island Utility Co-op



President John Gillen and acting Sergeant at arms and president elect, George Corrigan.

Robert Dickstein was happy that the club was actively supporting the Growing Our Own Teachers Scholarship Program.



Prospective new member Mike Hubbard was a guest of John Gillen.



Dr. Kani Blackwell introduces Sue Perez a teacher candidate for this year's Growing Our Own Teacher scholarship award.



Sunny Bunyan

## Happy Bucks

## Marjorie's Corner

### NATIONAL THREAT LEVELS

The British are feeling the pinch in relation to recent terrorist threats in Afghanistan and have raised their security level from "Miffed" to "Peeved." Soon, though, security levels may be raised yet again to "Irritated" or even "A Bit Cross". Brits have not been "A Bit Cross" since the blitz in 1940 when tea supplies all but ran out. Terrorists have been re-categorized from "Tiresome" to a "Bloody Nuisance". The last time the British issued a "Bloody Nuisance" warning level was during the great fire of 1666.

The French government announced yesterday that it has raised its terror alert level from "Run" to "Hide". The only two higher levels in France are "Collaborate" and "Surrender". The rise was precipitated by a recent fire that destroyed France's white flag factory, effectively paralyzing the country's military capability.

It's not only the French who are on a heightened level of alert. Italy has increased the alert level from "Shout loudly and excitedly" to "Elaborate Military Posturing". Two more levels remain: "Ineffective Combat Operations" and "Change Sides".

Belgians, on the other hand, are all on holiday as usual, and the only threat they are worried about is NATO pulling out of Brussels.

The Spanish are all excited to see their new submarines ready to deploy. These beautifully designed subs have glass bottoms so the new Spanish navy can get a really good look at the old Spanish navy.

New Zealand has also raised its security levels - from "baaa" to "BAAAA!". Due to continuing defence cutbacks (the Air force being a squadron of spotty teenagers flying paper aeroplanes and the navy some toy boats in the Prime Minister's bath), New Zealand only has one more level of escalation, which is "Shut, I hope Australia will come and rescue us". In the event of invasion, New Zealanders will be asked to gather together in a strategic defensive position called Bondi".

Australia, meanwhile, has raised its security level from "No worries" to "She'll be right, mate". Three more escalation levels remain: "Crikey!", "I think we'll need to cancel the barbie this weekend" and "The barbie is cancelled". There has not been a situation yet that has warranted the use of the final escalation level.

## Pay up by the end of the month

The Rotary club of Hanalei Bay has a very strict dues policy this year. Dues need to be paid before the end of the month for you to maintain your membership.

## Dues increase

By a unanimous vote of the members attending last weeks meeting the dues have been increased to \$200 a year per member.



The Trash Aggregators had their hands full on Saturday morning July 11th. Our stretch of the highway was loaded with trash including lots of soggy cardboard. Five bags came out of the Church of the Pacific to Transfer Station section alone. Mahalo to everyone who showed up: Bob Capwell, Jim O'Connor, George Corrigan, Kakki Ledyard, Mike Dyer, Marjorie Gifford, Jeff Goodman, and Germaine Brown.

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**Speaker/Greeter Schedule**

July

Date	Speaker	Greeter
July 2	Branch Lotspeich	Ming Fang Joe Halasey
July 9	John Harder	Germaine Brown Gordon Perry
July 16	Governors Lunch	Marjorie Gifford Robert Dickstein
July 23	John Oszust	Robert Dickstein Robin Thompson
July 30	Marjorie Gifford	Germaine Brown Kopa Kaluahine

August

Date	Speaker	Greeter
August 6	Bob Capwell	Don Leutz Lou Dubuque
August 13	Jeff Goodman	Mike Dyer Marjorie Gifford
August 20	Lou Dubuque	Rod Messinger Tony Motta
August 27	Ming Fang	Jeff Goodman Sally Motta

**Birthdays in July**

July 6	Bob Capwell
July 12	John Gillen
July 15	Germaine Brown
July 15	Kani Blackwell
July 16	Mike Dyer
July 27	Tony Motta

**Anniversaries in July**

July 20	Don Leutz
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**Let's Make up!**

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 Kalepa Sunrise, Tuesdays 7:30, Gaylord's  
 West Kauai, Tuesdays, 5:30pm, Wiamea Plantation Cottages  
 Poipu Beach, Wednesdays, 7:10 am Poipu Beach Broiler  
 Kapaa, Wednesdays, Noon, Aloha Beach Resort  
 Kauai, JJ's Broiler in the Anchor Cove Shopping Center in Nawiliwili (at noon on Fridays)