

**On 02/17/08 Matthew Barber** said:

I was an ET3 there 82-83 in between tours at Sellia Marina. Had a great time playing softball and golf (back when it was still cheap). There was only Mauna Kea , Mauna Lani, and Waikaloa Resorts on the coast. Was there with Dave Dickovich and Tim Waldie. Haven't been back since, I guess I don't want to ruin the memories.

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**On 04/15/07 Pat Gallagher** said:

I also was stationed at Upolu Pt out of boot camp from 1973 to summer of 74, I was stationed with William Shantell , a 2nd class Mk or EM, can't remember as referenced earlier he married a local gal and raised a bunch of kids and hogs at his place outside of Hawi, also there during my tour, EM1 Lima (Duke) , ET1 Roy Rienhart , DC3 Jim Synder ,ET2 Tom Prast , ET2 Chuck Scheer, ET3 Hudson ( CW Hud) , LT Seney (CO), QMC Dwain Height (XO) YN3 G. Victorine , I went native while in Kohola, paddled on the canoe club in Kwaihai harbor (sp?) played on the softball and vollyball leagues, Doug Rabozo was a local cop that we always seemed to BBQing or playing sports with, The station even had a 'B' league baseball team that played in Hilo for awhile, Those were simple and stress free days, diving , surfing and that Aloha feeling

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**On 08/24/06 LCDR Mark Hudson** said:

If anyone out there has, or know of someone who has old tech manuals and schematics for the AN/FPN-30 Timer, AN/FPN-T325 Transmitter, and the AN/FPN-1700 Amplifier, please let me know. It seems as this piece of history has been lost forever if we don't find a copy of it and get it into the right hands for preservation.

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**On 07/04/06 CharlesWhitten** said:

i was stationed at the point out of boot camp back in 75 .i dont think anyone remembers me.My wife and i went back in 05 for our 30th anniversery.The base had been taken over by homesteaders and was in very bad shape,but the Hawaiian Historical Society has leased the land from the gov..They are in the process of cleaning it up.Hawi is still the little town we remember not much has changed their.Feel free to drop me a lineif you want to chat.

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**On 01/12/06 Larry Baker** said:

From 12/60 to 5/62 I was in the commissioning crew with Dick Beers at the LORSTA HAWAII-now- Upolu Point. It ws a great tour. The locals were cool - Lukes Bar - Uncle John Rocha's Bar and Funeral Home (really) and Takata Store. A fireman named John Shantell married a local and stayed on the Island. I was the first BM3 to stand LORAN 'C' watches

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**On 11/18/04 Darin Moyer** said:

88-89 anybody remember me? Living in Germany now. Give me a buzz...

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**On 05/17/04 Dan Baxter SN at the tim** said:

Okay, It's been too long between entries on the site. And I do keep track. Stationed at the point from Jan. 72 to Jan. 73. Great times, great people -- never got out of the water except to ride the motercycles around the island. Work? When did we have the time? Would love to talk to Chris Curtis and Barb, Ray Buttman, Larry Geottle, Gee Victorine, and any and all of

you that might remember the days dangling our legs over the gun implacement at sunset, 10 cent Primos in the pop machine, spearfishing with the morays, and climbing the volcanoes.

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**On 05/10/04 CWO4 Jon 'vK' von Kessel** said:

New e-mail address posted. I made many trips to Upolu Pt. Great station with a lot of history. Visted the old site a few months ago. Nothing like the old days, for sure, now that it is closed.

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**On 12/22/03 Bill Seney** said:

Stationed at UP 1973/74 retired now and living in Puerto Rico

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**On 12/08/03 Kit Johnson** said:

Aloha: I visited Upolu Point today. The squatters have been evicted, now there is someone in one of houses, possibly a 'caretaker/watchman. The station has had no maintenance. The potholes in the access road are getting deeper. Some of the newer 'keep out' signs are from th Hawaiian Homelands. I hope that they have not taken over as I have little faith in that group, and they will surely keep out all of us who built and maintained the Station.

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**On 12/30/02 Gary Gadwa** said:

Greetings to ol' Hawi / Upolu Pt. folks. Very sad to read of the closing and run down state of LORSTA Upolu Pt. I was at the station from 69 to 71 as ET2. Lot of really fine folks both locals and Coasties. Some really fond memories of the people and places there. Still hope to return to the Big Island some day. Aloha Gary and Laurii.

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**On 01/12/02 Teresa Sanders** said:

Aloha all who spent time at 'the best kept secret in the Coast Guard.' Left right before closure (May 92). Saw MCPO John Mospins last year when the RUSH pulled into Hilo. When we tied up in Kona I rented a car and drove to the station (second time since it closed). Like Dave, I almost cried. Under SCPO Dave Pier, the last crew worked hard in painting all the building and sprucing up the yards. I know Art worked hard on keeping everything up. Now it is all run down, all the landscaping that was done is all overgrown. Its just so sad. Really wish the CG could have done something with it. Had the best time there. Best place I every lived. Watching the whales breach out the front window as you sit down for dinner. Watching the sun set next to Maui. Spent the past 10 years trying to find a place with that kind of view...no luck. But I am back in Hawaii (3rd time stationed here) and enjoying it again. But never as much as the first time.

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**On 12/31/01 Ron Millings** said:

I would like to wish all who were stationed at Hawaii Loran (NRO 5) at Upolu Point a HAPPY NEW YEAR. I spent to NEW YEARS (68-69) at Upolu Point.

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**On 07/02/01 Erich Hanke** said:

I came to the point the as a Boot in Dec 1977. I was stationed with MK1 Joe 'Evil Kenival' McCollum, DC2 Larry Hustleton, ( I ride a Buell now, Larry!) Dick Beers, who was the best CO I ever had!, Izzy, Walt, Royce, Brenda, Joe and Sarah, later with Bob Henderson. Getting the XO out of jail for shootong a pig on private property, trading 4 new tires off our vehicle to

Shiggy for a pig we could eat. Those were the days guys. I still hear that stupid transmitter building alarm go off in my head, even after all these years!

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**On 06/06/01 Kermit (Kit) Johnson** said:

I was stationed at Upolu Point in 1962-63 as an ET3 and again in 1965 as a ET1. In those years Upolu Point seemed to be at the end of the road. Who would think that today there are one million dollar houses just down the road. It is too bad that the CG allowed the station to fall into 'squatters' hands.

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**On 03/08/01 Art Greiner** said:

Apr 89 to Jun 93! I'm the MK1 that drove the last bolt into the boards that closed the last of the beautiful homes that over looked the ocean. Turned over the keys to the district office and my wife and son and I bid a fond farewell to the many wonderful memories that we shared together at Upolu Point Lorsta. I can't remember the number of whales we watched jumping, playing not a half mile off shore. Oh those were the days I think i'll check Jims pictures. Aloha!!

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**On 03/06/01 Bob Hendrickson** said:

Wasn't stationed at UP - I was on JI but married the SK2 at UP. As those of you who followed the soap opera on the TTY probably figured that didn't last too long! We were divorced (amicably, more or less) within a year and got on with our lives. I don't know where Susan is now but I'm in DC - LCDR-select and working in fisheries enforcement. Had a great time out on the Big Island. Just went back for a week in February. Couldn't believe how much the Kona coast has changed. Disappointed to see that Margaritaville was gone from Kona town. Didn't make it to the old station, but based on what Dave says maybe I didn't want to anyway. Keep it on air in tolerance and make that happy face shine!

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**On 01/02/01 Dave Dickovick** said:

Hello to all you HAWI folks. I still remember the TAKATA STORE in town where we all shopped and the movie theater where you had to have at least eight people seated or they wouldn't run the flick. Best unit in the CG for me. I was assigned as an ET2, NOV 79 through Jun 82. CWO Vanderzyl was CO. Great! housing and trop hours. What could be better? Visited with my daughter in JULY this past summer and just about cried! I couldn't take any pictures with the state of the station.

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**On 01/01/01 JON von KESSEL CWO4** said:

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**On 11/01/00 Bob Olsen** said:

Just an update to my e-mail

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**On 10/13/00 Jim Snyder** said:

I just came back from Upolu Pt (9/00) Have pictures and latest update on station. Anyone interested contact me at my email address.

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**On 09/11/00 Ronald Sebert** said:

I was stationed at Upulu Pt.1962-64 as EN2 with Eugene Williams DC1(Does anyone know where He's at?)

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**On 06/16/00 Leon Simmons** said:

I was stationed Upulu Pt 69-70 as DC1-DCC. Does anyone know what happened to Doug Wood, Phil Riesen, etc? Tom Madey was killed in a terrible auto accident. Phil Burch, ETC lives in Alvin, Tx

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**On 10/27/99 Jim Snyder** said:

I was there fm 7/73 to 7/76. Would love to go back and have a reunion. Anyone interested?

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**On 10/21/99 CWO4(RET) DICK BEERS** said:

PLEASE NOTE E-MAIL ADDRESS CHANGE - JUST VISITED THE POINT IN SEPTEMBER - JUST ABOUT CRIED!!!! THE PLACE HAS BEEN TAKEN OVER BY 'SOMEONE' AND LOOKS LIKE HELL!! THIS WAS MY THIRD AND LAST VISIT - REPEAT LAST. I PREFER TO REMEMBER UPOLU POINT AS IT WAS IN 59 AND IN 77-79!

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**On 03/22/99 Stan Albrechtsen** said:

Anyone out there from 75? I was an ET, also ran the ham station.Was there for the change to the NEW timing gear for 'C'. Great diving, fishing & hunting. Anyone remember: ETC GARDNER being lost for many days in the mountains after a hunting accident... He walked out on his own!! SN Pierce 'laying to rest' his old car outside the generator bldg, Im sure it's still there 6ft under. Where are all you guys... drop a note!!

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**On 02/24/99 Bob Olsen** said:

66-67 at Upolu Pt. From Cape Small to Hawi to Kauai - 3 tough tours - Black Angus were sure tough to see on the Parker Ranch coming back from Libo. I think beer was cheaper than soda - \$2.37 a case seems about right. Visited the station just before Decom. Things sure had changed.

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**On 02/22/99 PIERCE NANCE** said:

Stationed there 86-Jan 89. The year beards took the plunge to davie jone's locker. CWO Rebkovich was C.O. Had a great time with the crew and local folks. Anybody remember old Joe. Great guy and family. And Suggy, at the gas station. Learned to climb the towers there, & can't forget the Kona winds, that swept away the flies. I only wish I could have been in on the bidding for the houses when the station was closed down. About half went to that ranch next door, they were on his land all those years. Loved the big HI. Geart way to spend a honey moon. Wale shows every fall and a volcano the second night we were there. Thanks to Randy & Nadien Gooken for getting us there since our car hadn't been shipped in yet, WHAT A SHOW!!!...break, break. Pierce & Fay Nance

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**On 05/01/98 CWO4(RET) DICK BEERS** said:

TWO TOURS NEAR HAWI !! (VERY LUCKY) - '59 AS AN ET3 - ET2. GREAT TOUR, LOTS OF FOND MEMORIES. THEN '77-'79 AS C.O. ANOTHER GREAT TOUR. STILL HAVE LOTS OF

FRIENDS OVER THERE AND VISIT NOW AND THEN. ANYONE AROUND FROM EITHER TIME PERIOD. IF SO, GIVE ME A SHOUT.

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**On 08/21/97 Frank Lawson** said:

Stationed 1/69--12/70 CO LTJG WOODProud to have been a Kona Kruzer. Visited the unit 8/97. The A building and tower are gone. C tower replaced with a Global Positioning thing. Transients and pirates have taken over the rest of the buildings. Still brought back a lot of good memories. Where's Uncle Ron, Smokey, Whiskey, Endy, Broughton, Bramlet, Harry Herington...?

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**On 04/18/97 Stacy Dinkel** said:

I was stationed at Upolu Pt 87-90. Loved every nano second of it met my husband there.

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**On 04/13/97 Tim Waldie** said:

I was stationed at Upolu Point in 81-82. Best place you could ever want to be stationed.

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**On 04/02/97 Dale Frieden** said:

Stationed Upolu Point June 1971- May 1973.

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**On 02/24/97 Alex Chapman** said:

Was stationed Upolu Pt. as YN2/YN1 from Oct 66 to Oct 68. LT Erwin Chase was CO.

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**On 01/04/97 Joe W. Rush** said:

Was stationed U-Point Oct. 62 to Oct. 64. Knew some good folks there, though more not- so-good (in my humble opinion). Correspond with me, and we'll compare notes.

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