



Oct./Nov. 2012

Ongoing Projects

On Island Field Surveys

The Ocean Program conducted on island surveys from Oct. 9th-12th and Nov. 16th- 20th. The Oct. surveys saw volunteers from The Nature Conservancy, Kona Young Farmers, Council member Elle Cochran and her staff, all participated in mauka to makai projects ranging from chipping and weeding to marine debris collection/sorting as well as a cultural sight visit to Pu'u 'O Moa'ula Nui. Staff from all three programs provided insight and knowledge to the volunteers. The Nov. surveys were included of shell cataloging, a coastal hike, in water surveys and index beach monitoring.

UH student, Ha'aeo Tiave has started his internship with the Ocean Program and has a 100 hour minimum to fulfill as part of his Marine Option Program course credit. His internship hours will consist of both field experience as well as administrative/statistical duties.



Intern Tiave(left) & a volunteer review a data sheet

Grant Submittal

Working closely with Public Informational Specialist Maldini, a marine debris removal grant request of \$100,350 was submitted to NOAA in Oct. Three different beaches will be the focus of marine debris removal from the Reserve over 18 months.

Outreach and Education

The first of several the Ocean Program outreach sessions was held at the Lihikai Elementary School cafeteria on November 11th. The informal sessions are to inform fishermen about the rules and regulations related to permitted trolling in the Reserve. It also serves as an opportunity for staff to interface with the fishermen who utilize the pelagic resource on a consistent basis.

Sediment Trap Deployment

Program staff assisted with the deployment and installment of the first three sediment traps in Hakioawa. The Nov. 20th mission is in preparation of the Restoration Program DOH III grant.



Staff assist with the installment of sediment traps in Hakioawa