

Maui Bicycling League Steering committee executive bios

Saman Dias - Chair

As the founder of a multimillion dollar global computer training company based in San Francisco bay area, co-founder of a venture funded e-business and advisor to numerous woman-founded startups, Saman semi-retired in 2014. Saman is known by her peers a fearless leader with a passion for leading organization change for the better. Saman joined forces with Lee Chamberlain to make a difference on the Island of Maui and launched socially responsible venture Pedego Maui Electric Bikes. Saman was born and raised in Sri Lanka and rode bicycle as an alternative method of transportation. After launching Pedego Maui Saman found how unsafe it is to ride a bicycle on Maui. Inspired by story of Karl Hagan that passed away from bicycle accident in Kihei Saman joined forces with Lee Chamberlain and led formation of Maui Bicycling League.

Cecilia 'Ceal' Potts, Co-Chair

Cecilia 'Ceal' Potts is a former professional cyclist turned recreational rider, surfer, and sailor. Her greatest cycling accomplishment was winning the Junior Cross Country Mountain Bike World Championships in 1997 in Switzerland. She took the bronze medal at the world championships in 1995 in Germany, and placed 7th at the Junior Time Trial World Championships in The Netherlands in 1998. In the late 1990s she was a member of both the U.S. National Mountain Bike and Road teams. She was a Rock Shox Devo Team athlete, Trek/Volkswagen Mountain Bike Team, and the first SoBe Cannondale Team. IN 1997 she was named VISA's Athlete of the Year. She currently lives and rides bikes on Maui.

Anne Rillero, Secretary

An avid writer and marketing/public relations professional, Anne was the Communication Director at Pacific Whale Foundation for 20 years and the Creative Director at Evergreen Advertising for 7 years, with clients including Blue Cross Blue Shield of Florida, The Disney Company and Purina. Some of her happiest memories are of riding the many miles of bike paths and country roads around Burlington, Vermont, pulling her young son on a trail-a-bike. Her son grew up to be a collegiate triathlete who routinely leaves her in the dust on their rides. Anne loves bicycling on Maui's quieter roads and bike paths. She serves on the board of Maui Masters Swim Club and has helped with publicity for Cycle to the Sun and other community events.

Daniel Rezac, Treasurer

Daniel is an avid bicyclist. Daniel's bicycling attributes include, commuting, riding for pleasure, riding events, and long distance touring. He recently completed a solo bike tour of 8 US Southern States, routed from California to Florida. He has being on Maui for more than 3 years. He moved here from very bicycle friendly community, Twin Cities of Minnesota. He volunteered for a Citizen Trail Patrol in Minneapolis to reduce crime on bike trails.

He also volunteered within a Youth Baseball organization and held a board position for 2 years. He was elected Vice President of Inventors Network Organization and held that position for two years also. Through his tenure in the Inventors Network he became the interim President as the current President resigned early.

David Kingdon

David Kingdon began getting serious about biking when he named a maroon job with a wire basket "Burvy" at about age ten. It's amazing that did not earn him an immediate and debilitating beat-down by the neighborhood kids. Subsequent adventures have included biking across the southern U.S. from California to Florida, most of the eastern seaboard, a good chunk of New Zealand's South Island, and across Costa Rica by mountain bike. His most risky two-wheeled endeavor, however, was living sans-car in Honolulu for three years, blissfully bike commuting pretty much everywhere while friends and colleagues considered committing him to the Kekela psychiatric unit. Working and living in Maui for about the last decade, David is enthusiastic about doing his part to make Maui a safer and more fun place to bike, walk, and run. Not afraid of irony, Dave bike commutes on the currently dubious Maui highways and byways to his paramedic job, and he also has a background in injury prevention.

Frank De Rego

Born and raised on Maui, Frank has over 30 years of experience in education and the non-profit sector. He is currently Director of Business Development Projects for Maui Economic Development Board, Inc. At MEDB, Frank promotes sustainable economic development and provides leadership on issues surrounding energy and water. Frank is currently serving on the program committee for the 2015 Maui Energy Conference. Prior to joining MEDB, Frank developed curriculum, trained and coordinated graduate engineering teaching assistants, and, for a time, was national coordinator at Purdue University for a program called Engineering Projects in Community Service. Frank's strong belief in the health and welfare of the local community has motivated him to serve on various boards and commissions, including the County Charter Commission, the Wastewater Community Working Group, and three years as Chair of the County Cost of Government Commission. He is an avid pedestrian and believes that our community must provide infrastructure that supports all forms of transit, whether walking, driving, bicycling, or taking public transportation.

Kawika Plummer

Lived here in Hawaii since 1997 and a retired military veteran with 26 years of honorable service and during this service have been stationed in Europe and have directly experienced what a great cycling friendly infrastructure looks like. Also, volunteer with Friends of Haleakala to help Haleakala park cleaning up invasive species, fixing cabins and other things to help park out by hiking into Haleakala Crater for 3 days at a time. An avid road bike cyclist and have ridden/raced in the yearly Century rides, Metric Century rides, ridden up to top of Haleakala numerous times and raced in the first annual Maui Grand Fondo in 2012 and normally train/ride an average of 320 miles a week all over Maui and can easily see where better infrastructure is needed all over the island by recording HQ video on areas needed to help make Maui a better and safer place for cyclists/pedestrians.

Lee Chamberlain

A former Army Aviator, Department of Justice Special Agent/pilot, businessman, and outdoor recreation enthusiast, Lee formed a socially responsible, eco-friendly business venture Pedego Electric Bikes early this year. Following establishment Pedego Maui, Lee found that although Maui is one of the best places to ride bicycles, Maui is not safe and friendly for bike riders. Lee then begins a campaign for change to form Maui Bicycle League together with his partner Saman Dias. Together they have become members of the growing percentages of people that want to change the common notion of transportation and mobility. We want livable communities where we can commute to work, socialize and recreate by foot and bicycle.

Ray Glauser

Ray has been involved with bicycle advocacy on Maui for the last 25 years starting with serving on Mayor Lingle's Bicycle Advisory Committee. Recently, he was the interim communications coordinator for the Maui Bicycle Alliance. He is an avid road and mountain biker and commutes to work at least one day a week. His history of bicycling includes racing (road, mountain, and triathlon) and traveling by bicycle in the United States and New Zealand. Ray is an Optometrist at Kaiser Permanente and is also involved in outrigger paddling and sailing.

Sandra McGuinness

Sandra McGuinness coordinates the Maui County Nutrition & Physical Activity Coalition which focuses on policy, systems and environmental improvements that enable residents and visitors to enjoy healthier lifestyles. Safe bike paths and greenways are an important part of a well-designed community which enable people to be more active and active people are healthier people! Sandra grew up in San Francisco and her mode of transportation during her childhood was the bicycle. It was not uncommon for her and her cousin to ride their bikes four miles from their homes near the Golden Gate Park to Playland at the Beach. They also rode their bikes to shop in the neighboring areas, and to visit friends. Although she doesn't currently own a bicycle, she said that will be changing soon!