

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in National Register Bulletin, *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form*. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions.

1. Name of Property

Historic name: Ronald Kamehameha o ka hae Hawaii von Holt
Residence

Other names/site number: Weli Weli _____

Name of related multiple property listing:

N/A

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)

2. Location

Street & number: Weli Weli Bay Lot 13 Puuanahulu Puuwaawaa Beach
lots

City or town: Puuanahulu District of North Kona State: HI County: 001
Hawaii

Not For Publication:

Vicinity:

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended,

I hereby certify that this ___ nomination ___ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.

In my opinion, the property ___ meets ___ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant at the following level(s) of significance:

___ national ___ statewide ___ local

Applicable National Register Criteria:

___ A ___ B ___ C ___ D

<p>_____</p> <p>Signature of certifying official/Title:</p> <p>_____</p> <p>State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>Date</p>
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In my opinion, the property ___ meets ___ does not meet the National Register criteria.

Signature of commenting official:

Date

Title :

State or Federal agency/bureau
or Tribal Government

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:

- ___ entered in the National Register
- ___ determined eligible for the National Register
- ___ determined not eligible for the National Register
- ___ removed from the National Register
- ___ other (explain:) _____

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

5. Classification

Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply.)

- Private:
- Public – Local
- Public – State
- Public – Federal

Category of Property

(Check only **one** box.)

- Building(s)
- District
- Site

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Structure

Object

Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>	buildings
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	sites
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	structures
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	objects
<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register N/A

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Domestic Residence

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Domestic Residence

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7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Other: 1930s Hawaii Beach Cottage

Materials: (enter categories from instructions.)

Principal exterior materials of the property: Lava Rock and Coral walls, glass windows, wooden roof with asphalt roofing material

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current physical appearance and condition of the property. Describe contributing and noncontributing resources if applicable. Begin with a **summary paragraph** that briefly describes the general characteristics of the property, such as its location, type, style, method of construction, setting, size, and significant features. Indicate whether the property has historic integrity.)

Summary Paragraph

The Ronald Kamehameha o ka hae Hawaii von Holt residence is a 2.7 acre oceanfront property on the West coast of the Big Island. The property was purchased in 1936 and most of the improvements were completed by 1938. The residence has been in continuous use as a family beach cottage. It has been in the same family since 1936. It was designed by architect Albert Ely Ives. The property is isolated and surrounded by lava fields.

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The property consists of three buildings and two water storage tanks. The main house, the sleeping house, and the water storage tanks were the original buildings.

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Recently, a storage building was built to resemble the unique architecture of the original buildings. All buildings are constructed with exterior walls of lava rock and coral and low pitch hip roofs. The water tank roofs are flat. They all have flat concrete foundations. The main house is completely open concept with glass windows on all sides. The house was designed to open on both the West (Oceanside) and East to allow airflow through the house. The sleeping house consists of three bedrooms. Wooden walls were built as the interior room separators. Except for the modernization of solar electricity through solar roof panels, all historical buildings maintain their original appearance. The two water tanks were designed to hold water for domestic use. The upper tank stores brackish water which is pumped from the ponds below. It is then stored, and gravity fed to the house for use. The lower tank stores fresh water which is catchment from the rain off the roof of the main house. Currently this water is pumped into the main house for domestic use. There are three connected Anchialine fish ponds that surround the house. Ronald restored the ponds to raise mullet.

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8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A. Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B. Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C. Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D. Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A. Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes
- B. Removed from its original location
- C. A birthplace or grave
- D. A cemetery

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E. A reconstructed building, object, or structure

F. A commemorative property

G. Less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years

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Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Architecture

Significant Person

Historical Property Feature

Period of Significance

1938 to present

1898 to 1953

Significant Dates

1938 Year Built

Significant Person

(Complete only if Criterion B is marked above.)

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Cultural Affiliation

Hawaiian

Architect/Builder

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Albert Ely Ives _____

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Statement of Significance Summary Paragraph (Provide a summary paragraph that includes level of significance, applicable criteria, justification for the period of significance, and any applicable criteria considerations.)

The Ronald Kamehameha o ka hae Hawaii von Holt residence has historical significance for several reasons. The unique design and construction of the buildings in 1938, the life of Ronald Kamehameha o ka hae Hawaii von Holt, and the restored Hawaiian fish ponds.

Narrative Statement of Significance (Provide at least **one** paragraph for each area of significance.)

First, the property is significant as an example of a 1930's Kona Coast beach cottage. The architecture of solid interior/exterior walls has proven to withstand

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time. The architect was Albert Ely Ives. Ives currently has two other properties on the National Register of Historic Places, the Gibraltar house at 250 Pennsylvania Avenue, Wilmington, Delaware and the

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Kaneohe Ranch Building at Castle Junction in Kailua, Hawaii.

Secondly, the builder of the house was Alexander Ronald Kamehemeha o ka hae Hawaii von Holt. He was commonly called Ronald by all. Ronald was a prominent cattle rancher running the Kahua Ranch in Waimea from 1928 until his death in 1953. He was born on August 11, 1898, the day before the American flag was raised over the islands. His middle name (o ka hae Hawaii) is historically significant as it translates to "the last child born under the Hawaiian flag". There is a plaque in his honor on state route 250, the road to access Kahua Ranch. Ronald used cowboys (paniolos) from Kahua Ranch as laborers during construction.

Another historical feature of this property are the restored Anchiline fish ponds. Hawaiians used these natural brackish ponds to stock fish and raise them to a good eating size. The brackish water also supports opae ula (small red shrimp) that are still prevalent in the ponds today. The ponds originally had a Makaha, or opening to the ocean, that the Hawaiians built and would use to help control the fish traffic.

Unfortunately, this Makaha was covered up in the Tsunamis of 1946 and 1960.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography (Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form.)

www.piliproductions.net/wp-content/uploads/2016/11vonHolt.pdf

<http://www.hawaiihistory.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=ig.page&CategoryID=306>

Wikipedia.org/wiki/Albert_Ely_Ives

Kahua Ranch, A Historical Perspective, The Waimea Gazette, May 1998

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____
- recorded by Historic American Landscape Survey # _____

Primary location of additional data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other
- Name of repository: _____

Historic Resources Survey Number (if assigned): _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property 2.7 acres

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Use either the UTM system or latitude/longitude coordinates

Latitude/Longitude Coordinates (decimal degrees)

Datum if other than WGS84: _____

(enter coordinates to 6 decimal places)

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|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Latitude:19.898799 | Longitude:15.5904184 |
| 2. Latitude:19.898495 | Longitude:155.903451 |
| 3. Latitude:19.897449 | Longitude:155.903714 |
| 4. Latitude:19.897818 | Longitude:155.904625 |

Or

UTM References

Datum (indicated on USGS map):

NAD 1927 or NAD 1983

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| 1. Zone: | Easting: | Northing: |
| 2. Zone: | Easting: | Northing: |
| 3. Zone: | Easting: | Northing: |
| 4. Zone: | Easting : | Northing: |

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

See Schedule C

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Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

Unknown

11. Form Prepared By

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organization: N/A _____
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date: September 27, 2018 _____

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

- **Maps:** A USGS map or equivalent (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
- **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources. Key all photographs to this map.
- **Additional items:** (Check with the SHPO, TPO, or FPO for any additional items.)

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Photographs

Submit clear and descriptive photographs. The size of each image must be 1600x1200 pixels (minimum), 3000x2000 preferred, at 300 ppi (pixels per inch) or larger. Key all photographs to the sketch map. Each photograph must be numbered and that number must correspond to the photograph number on the photo log. For simplicity, the name of the photographer, photo date, etc. may be listed once on the photograph log and doesn't need to be labeled on every photograph.

Photo Log

Name of Property: Ronald Kamehameha o ka hae Hawaii von Holt Residence

City or Vicinity: Weli Weli Bay North Kona Hawaii

County: Hawaii

State: Hawaii

Photographer: Ronald vonHolt Humphreys

Date Photographed: September 9, 2018

Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera:

1. North Pond facing North
2. Fish Ponds facing South
3. Main House Interior facing North
4. Main House facing East
5. Main House and Water Tank facing North
6. Sleeping House Interior facing NW
7. Sleeping House facing North East
8. South Pond facing South East
9. Upper water tank facing South West

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