

63 finish Rough Water Swim

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The first annual Outrigger Canoe Club rough water swim was well named as the swimmers had to battle some of the roughest seas imaginable. Winds and currents were strong over the 2 mile course mapped out by Cline Mann.

Bill Gooding stroked to the finish line first in 43:06, hotly pursued by Waikiki Club's Mike Miller. Although Wally Laury was the last to finish, a special gold medal was awarded him for being the senior competitor at age 78.

A perpetual trophy was awarded to the winner of the two competing clubs. OCC and Waikiki Swim Club. Waikiki was the first years winner with a total of 77 points to Outrigger's 58 points.

Special acknowledgement is due to Bob Kashare, Club Captain, who gave all his support to this event. A big thanks to Jeanne Dean who helped plan and execute the swim. Thanks to Wayne (beach captain) for providing an escort for the swimmers with the Boston Whaler.