

Moloka'i Hoe



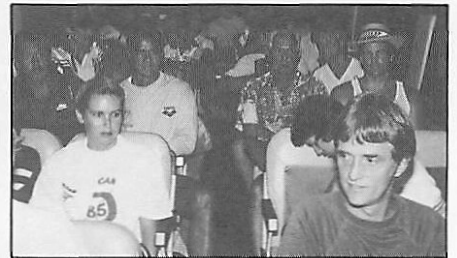
Bob Riley made sure his crew had the paddles.

Moloka'i Hoe '85 didn't turn out the way anyone had predicted. An upstart group of kayakers from Illinois, in an Outrigger racing canoe, covered the 41 mile course in 5:33:05.

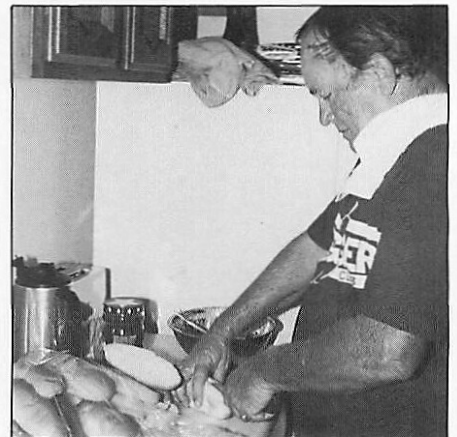
Outrigger's first canoe, with a crew of Henry Ayau, Bill Bright, John Finney, Mike Fox, Walter Guild, Marc Haine, Aka Hemmings, Ed Pickering and Bob Riley, finished in seventh place overall in 5:42:02.2. They were second in the koa division.

A second crew included Tom Conner, Keahi Farden, Karl Heyer IV, Kala Judd, Chris Kincaid, Tom McTigue, Dana Rupey, Mark Sandvold and Steve Van Lier Ribbink. They finished eighth overall in 5:42:27.4. They completed in the fiberglass division.

Outrigger's Masters crew included Jeff Avery, Mark Buck, Mike Clifford, Bill Danford, Tim Guard, Mike Holmes, Scott May, Bill Mowat, and Steve Quinn. They finished 21st overall (of 48 entries) in 6:01:01.4. They were third in the Masters division.



Before dawn, paddlers, coaches and supporters boarded the bus for the drive to Hale O Lono Harbor, start of the 41-mile race.



Bill Cook prepares hot dogs for hungry paddlers the night before the race on Molokai.

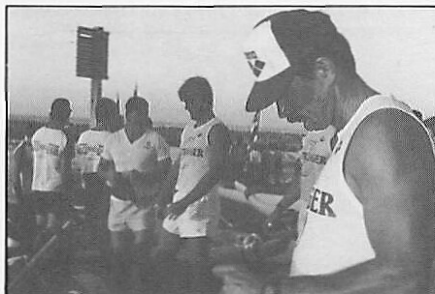


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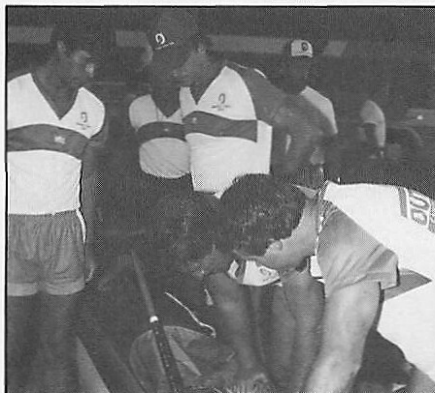
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Ed Pickering tapes up his hands for the long race.



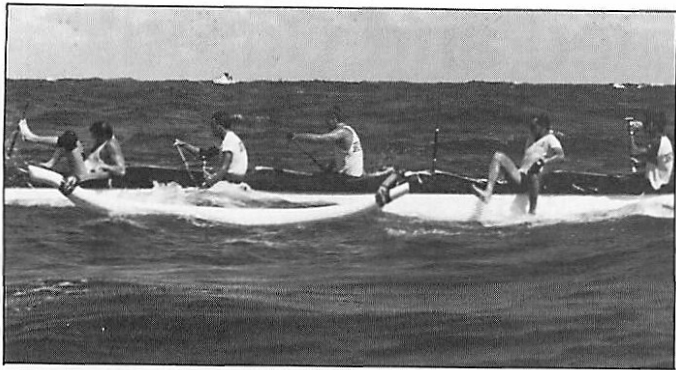
Masters crew members Bill Mowat, Bill Danford, Tim Guard, Mark Buck and Steve Quinn make adjustments to their canoe before the race.



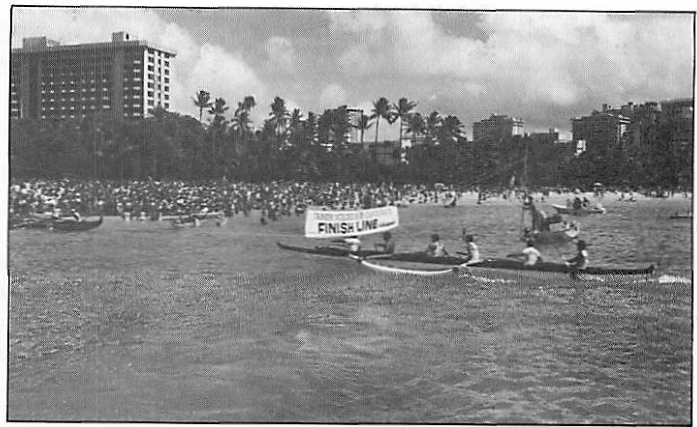
Outrigger paddlers Steve Quinn, Mike Fox, Henry Ayau, Brant Ackerman (rear) carry the Leilani down to the water for the start of the race.



Resting on the escort boat with coach Steve Scott were Dana Rupey, Chris Kincaid and Steve Van Lier Ribbink.



Steve Van Lier Ribbink (seat two) and Dana Rupey (seat five) jump into the boat during a paddler change, while teammates Keahi Farden, Tom McTigue and Tom Conner hold the course.

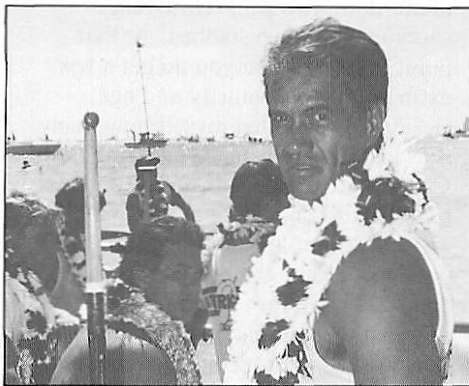


Outrigger's junior crew crossing the finish line at Fort DeRussy.

Photos by Ron Jaffe and Marilyn Kail



Jeff Avery greets son.



Henry Ayau paddled for the senior crew. In background are Mark Sandvold and Keahi Farden.



Tim Guard and Mike Holmes discuss masters crew finish.



Carrying their boat onto the beach at the finish were Tom Conner, Dana Rupey and Marc Haine.



Sandra Stanley welcomes Marc Haine.



Kris Smith and Mike Fox treat Steve Quinn to a massage after the race.

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