

# Paddlers Win at Distance Races

Outrigger paddlers prepared for the Molokai-to-Oahu distance races by competing in the Kaena Challenge, Duke Kahanamoku, Dad Center, Catalina and Queen Liliuokalani Races in August.

## Kaena Challenge

The distance season started with the Kaena Challenge on August 11 from Haleiwa to Pokai Bay, a course of approximately 24-25 miles.

Outrigger's open crews skipped the race, but the masters crews competed and won their division.

The men finished sixth overall, first in masters, in 3:13:02. The winning masters crew was Bob Riley, Bill Bright, Bill Danford, John Finney, Mark Buck, Brant Ackerman, Greg Rudin, Tim Guard and Henry Ayau.

The senior masters were 12th overall, finishing in 3:31:18. Members of the crew were Bruce Ames, Ken Stehouwer, Hank Lass, Mike Town, Chris McKenzie, Tay Perry, Kent Giles, Kawika Grant and Scott May.

The race was won by Lanikai in 2:57:02.

In the women's race, Outrigger's masters completed the 6-mile course from Pokai Bay to Makaha and back in 1:04:56 to win their division. They were ninth overall. The race was won by Healani in :58:03.

The winning masters crew was Gerri Pedesky, Heidi Hemmings-Hall, Ann Cundall, Allene Richardson, Sharon Bintliff and Carol Wilcox.

## Duke Kahanamoku Race

Outrigger's open men's crews finished first, third and fifth in the 26-mile Duke Kahanamoku Race from Magic Island to Kailua Beach on August 18. Four of the 26 canoes entered



Outrigger's masters crew in the Dad Center race was, front, Pam Zak and Heidi Hemmings-Hall. Back, Carol Wilcox, Sharon Bintliff, Sue May, Kathy Clifford, Diane Stowell, Gerri Pedesky, Allene Richardson and Coach Di Guild. Rear, Coach Scott May.

did not finish because of the choppy seas off Haunauma Bay and Sandy Beach.

The winning crew of Kainoa Downing, Chris Kincaid, Courtney Seto, Walter Guild, Bruce Black, Tom Conner, Bruce Eliashof, Rob Harrison and Geoff Graf, finished in 3:40:40, also winning the koa division in the Kaoloa.

The third place overall Outrigger crew (second in fiberglass), finished in 3:53:57. The fifth place crew (fourth in fiberglass) was timed in 4:02:51.

The masters crew won its division also, finishing eighth overall in 4:07:27. The winning crew was Bill Bright, Henry Ayau, Bill Danford, John Finney, Mark Buck, Brant Ackerman, Tim Guard, Jim Kincaid and Greg Rudin.

The senior masters finished 20th overall in 5:06:36. The crew included Bruce Ames, Ken Stehouwer, Norm Ho, Mike Town, Scott May, Kent Giles, Chris McKenzie, Tom Merrill and Tay Perry.

Outrigger's women's open crew did not compete in the 6-mile women's race from Kailua Beach to Mokulea Island and back. The race was won by Healani in :49:41.11.

Outrigger's masters paddlers won their division in :57:43.50, finishing 11th overall. The winning crew was Ann Cundall, Gerri Pedesky, Pam Zak, Sue May, Sharon Bintliff and Heidi Hemmings Hall.

A second masters crew finished 21st overall in 1:02:16. The crew included Diane Stowell, Allene Richardson, Carol Wilcox, Ruby Ifversen, Bee Cromwell and Keanuenu Rochlen.

## Dad Center

Healani won the Dad Center long distance canoe race on August 25 from Kailua Beach Park to Outrigger Canoe Club in 3:21:46. The winning Healani crew was Sandy Combis, Laurie Seto, Lorey Bode, Linda Robb, Malissa Tongg, Luana Froiseth, Kelly Fey, Tracey Hewitt, Miki Hayes.



The women's open crews in the Dad Center were, front, Mary Smolenski, Cathy Ho, Terri Pynchon, Linda Peacock, Shawn Moynahan, Colleen Kelley, Michele St. John. Standing, Kisi Haine, Susan Rudin, Nicole Wilcox, Coach Tom McTigue, Sara Ackerman, Paula Crabb, Katie McCrary, Kaili Chun, Tiare Finney, Katy Bourne, Genie Kincaid and Jana Arakaki. Not pictured: Malia Kamisugi.

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OCC open crews finished second and ninth overall, and second in both glass and koa divisions.

In the masters division, Waikiki Yacht Club was victorious in 3:43:27, with Outrigger second in 3:54:48.

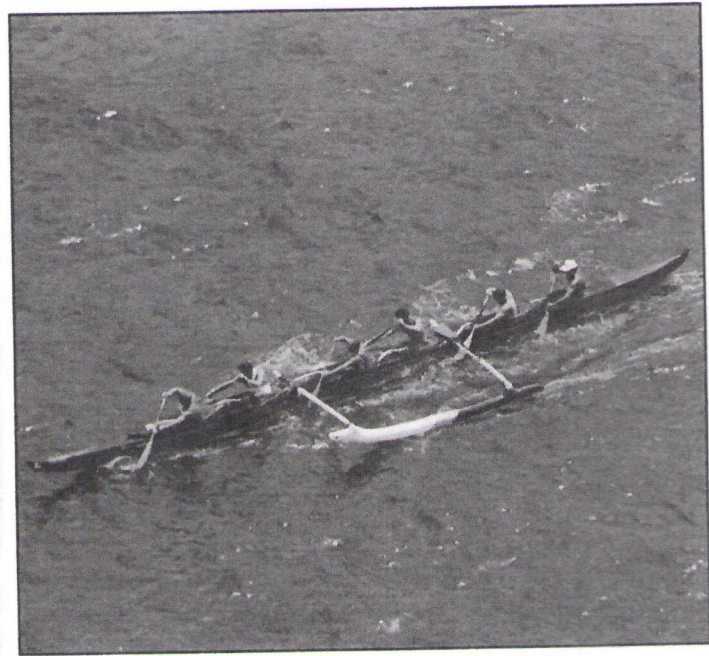
Dad Center Results

1. Healani I	3:21:46	1st, G
(Sandy Combis, Laurie Seto, Lorey Bode, Linda Robb, Malissa Tong, Luana Froiseth, Kelly Fey, Tracey Hewitt, Miki Hayes)		
2. Outrigger I	3:29:45	2nd, G
(Mary Smolenski, Cathy Ho, Colleen Kelley, Sara Ackerman, Paula Crabb, Katie McCrary, Kaili Chun, Tiare Finney, Kisi Haine)		
3. Healani II	3:33:16	1st, K
4. Waikiki Yacht	3:34:29	3rd, G
5. Napili	3:39:18	4th, G
6. Healani III	3:41:14	5th, G
7. Waikiki Surf	3:41:36	6th, G
8. Lokahi I	3:42:55	7th, G
9. Outrigger II	3:43:27	2nd, K
(Shawn Moynahan, Terri Pynchon, Linda Peacock, Michele St. John, Susan Rudin, Jana Arakaki, Genie Kincaid, Katy Bourne, Malia Kamisugi)		
10. Kai Oni	3:49:10	8th, G
11. Waikiki Yacht	3:51:32	1st, M,G
12. Lokahi II	3:53:14	9th, G
13. Lanikai I	3:54:14	10th, G
14. Outrigger III	3:54:48	2nd, M,G
(Pam Zak, Heidi Hemmings-Hall, Carol Wilcox, Sharon Bintliff, Sue May, Kathy Clifford, Diane Stowell, Gerri Pedesky, Allene Richardson)		
15. Hui Nalu	4:07:19	11th, G
16. Lanikai II	4:12:41	3rd, M,K
17. Lokahi III	4:23:22	12th, G

Catalina Race

Outrigger's men won the 31-mile Catalina to Newport Beach Race on August 25 by a sizeable margin over San Diego Canoe Club and the Hawaii Canoe and Kayak Team. Their winning time was 4:09.

This was the first time since 1969 that OCC had won the race.



Outrigger's men are on their way to victory in Kona.



The OCC masters won their Kona race.

Members of the winning crew were Kainoa Downing, Geoff Graf, Tom Conner, Chris Kincaid, Walter Guild, Bruce Black, Courtney Seto, Bruce Eliashof and Rob Harrison. Nalu Kukea was a member of the third place team.

Queen Liliuokalani Races

Outrigger won both the men's and women's divisions of the Queen Liliuokalani Long Distance Races on August 31 in record times. A total of 96 men's crews and 63 women's crews were entered.

The women's crew completed the 18-mile distance from Kailua Bay to Honaunau in a record 2:05. The crew was Mary Smolenski, Kaili Chun, Kisi Haine, Cathy Ho, Sara Ackerman, Paula Crabb, Nicole Wilcox, Katy Bourne and Malia Kamisugi.

A second women's crew of Terri Pynchon, Linda Peacock, Shawn Moynahan, Tiare Finney, Michele St. John, Susan Rudin, Katie McCrary, Genie Kincaid and Jana Arakaki, finished 11th overall in 2:19:51.

The master's women won their division in a time of 2:21:07. The crew was Pam Zak, Heidi Hemmings-Hall, Sharon Bintliff, Sue May, Kathy Clifford, Diane Stowell, Allene Richardson, Ann Cundall and Peggy Danford.

In the men's race from Honaunau to Kailua Bay, Outrigger covered the distance in sub-record time of 1:38:29. Boats got off to a false start and the race was restarted at a distance considerably beyond the usual starting line.

The crew was Kainoa Downing, Chris Kincaid, Courtney Seto, Walter Guild, Bruce Black, Tom Conner, Mark Sandvold, Wyatt Jones and Rob Harrison.

Two other OCC open crews finished second and sixth in glass in 1:44:05 and 1:48:11, respectively.

OCC's masters men finished 11th overall and won the masters non-koa division in 1:48:46 with a crew of Bob Riley, Bill Bright, Mark Buck, Bill Danford, John Finney, Brant Ackerman, Henry Ayau, Mike Clifford and Jim Kincaid.

The senior masters finished second in their division in 2:02:33.

The crew was Chris McKenzie, Tom Merrill, Tay Perry, Scott May, Jim Peterson, Bruce Ames, Hank Lass, Ken Stehouwer and Mike Town.