

Regatta Season Comes to an End

The work of rebuilding the Outrigger Canoe Club paddling program continued in 2015 with the best showing in the past 10 years.

"I'd like to thank Keahi Pelayo who started the rebuilding effort two years ago," said Canoe Racing Committee Chair Tom McTigue. "This year's CRC committee, Head Coach Guy Wilding and our coaches worked as a cohesive team to lead our paddlers to a great season.

Paddlers won 71 Gold Medals this year through the eight regattas, capping the season with a third place finish in the HCRA State Championship Regatta on August 1 in rainy Hilo.

"We've patterned our program on the Positive Coaching Alliance program and I'm very proud of how our paddlers and coaches conducted themselves this year," McTigue added.

Although the OCC finished in second or third place point-wise in the regattas, our crews had an excellent performance with 12 crews winning their races at the Paiaina, King Kamehameha and Kaupiko Regattas, and 10 winning crews at Waimanalo and OHCRA.

Another highlight of the season was the OCC Senior Women who won their first seven races, going undefeated for the first time since 1977. Their winning streak was broken at States with a second place finish.

Congratulations also to the Novice A crew. Most of the ladies in that crew won Gold Medals as Novice B's last year and repeated as Novice A's this year. The crew includes Natasha Haine, Britta Bourne, Tina Larson, Ginger Lunt, Jennifer Fratzke, Jordan Everett, Tiffany Rabacal, Kristina Larson, Jen Kilpatrick and Marie Martel.

Our other Gold Medal crew at States was the Masters 60 women. Three members of that crew have been paddling for four decades and are still bringing home the Golds: Kaiulu Downing, Tiare Richert-Finney and Michele St. John. Other members of the crew were Alice Lunt, Laurie Lawson and Kim Darling.

We were able to win events this year, but not being able to field crews in every event hurt our final point standing.

One of the Club's weak areas was the lack of novice paddlers. In a Club our size, it's hard to find people who have never paddled before which is a requirement for Novice B. The Board of Directors is cognizant of the problem and will be working with the Canoe Racing Committee on the issue before next season.

Congratulations to all of our paddlers for their successful season, mahalo to all the coaches and committee members who contributed so much time and effort to make the season a success, and to the members who supported the paddling program.

While the 'Junior Riggers head back to school, many of the adult paddlers will begin competing in the long-distance season which will culminate with the 40.8 mile Na Wahine O Ke Kai race from Molokai to Oahu on September 27 followed by the Molokai Hoe on October 11.



The Senior Women won their first seven races and came in second in States: Anella Borges, Donna Kahakui, Amy Lawson, Blair Grant, Jane McKee, Tracy Phillips.



Winning their first OHCRA title were the Girls 12s: Malia Sandvold, Coach Mark Sandvold, Teja Laird, Nanea Phillpotts, Kiana Yost, Eliza Lewis, Mahina Akaka.



The OHCRA winning Boys 13s were Nalu Harbottle, Coach Serge Krivatsy, Adam Krivatsy, Nick Steiner, Coach Tom Robinson, Bud Robinson, Jason Palafox, Aukina Hunt, Coach Anthony Hunt.



Proudly wearing their OHCRA Gold Medals were the Girls 13: Kuulei Neher, Makana Shipman, Leana Dickhens, GG Thomas, Dillyn Lietzke.



Winning their second OHCRA and HCRA championships in as many years were the Novice A Women: Ginger Lunt, Taylor Silva, Jennifer Fratzke, Britta Bourne, Coach Tracy Phillips, Natasha Haine, Tina Larson. Not pictured: Marie Martel.



The winning OHCRA Men 60: Juvie Coito, Murray Hixson, Barney Robinson, Cormac O'Carroll, Mike Tosaka, Darryl Wong.



Gold Medal Men 65 at OHCRA: Geoff Avery, Bill Mowat, Bill Johnson, Chris Crabb, Mel Mau, Bernie Paloma.



The Junior Men got the OHCRA Gold: Cory Nakamura, Sean Kaawa, Max Solmssen, Roydon Yim, Karel Tresnak Jr., Neal Hafner.



Sophia Krivatsy was named Bob Fischer Junior Girl Paddler of the Year at the Paddlers Party. "Sophia always brings a smile and positive attitude to practice," says Head Youth Coach Mark Sandvold. "This year she was the catalyst in holding her crew together and was the reason they made States and earned valuable points for the Club each week."



The Boys 14 crew was awarded the Waikiki Cup, a perpetual trophy for the Junior crew that makes the biggest contribution to paddling during the season. Some of the 14 Boys crew are Reuben Lee, Ryan Martinez, Mike Nakaoka, Carson Miyachi, Scott Nakaoka and Eric Buckland. The boys were honored for their accomplishments in and out of the canoe. They medaled in the majority of their races, and were the only crew that helped with the rigging of the canoes prior to the start of each race. The crew's willingness to learn more about the traditions of outrigger canoeing will serve the Club well for years to come.

Ryan Martinez was named Bob Fischer Junior Boy Paddler of the Year. Coach Leighton Miyachi said Ryan was considered the Junior Program utility paddler as he paddled in almost every age division to help fill in when a crew was short paddlers. "His willingness to help wherever he could and his great attitude went a long way toward making our junior program successful."



The Women 60 won the HCRA Championship: Kaiulu Downing, Laurie Lawson, Tiare Richert-Finney, Kim Darling, Alice Lunt and Michele St. John.



Also bringing home the Gold were the Junior Women: Mary Smolenski, Rachel Kincaid, Jennifer Raams, Meleana Carr, Alyssa Basdavanos, Angie Dolan, Giancaterino.

Regatta Results

John D. Kaupiko Regatta 7/12/2015 Kaneohe Marine Corp Base Results

AAA Division: 1. Hui Nalu 183.
2. Outrigger 158. 3. Kailua 157. 4.
Lanikai 139.

Winning OCC Crews

Girls 12 (1/4 mile): Teja Laird,
Nanea Philpotts, Christina Hicks,
Eliza Lewis, Mahina Akaka, Malia
Sandvold, 1:57.83.

Boys 13 (1/4 mile): Nalu Har-
bottle, Adam Krivatsy, Jason Palafox,
Jack Deuchar, Nikolaus Seiner, Kaiko
Torres De Sa, 1:54.32.

Girls 15 (1/2 mile): Micela
Kauhane, Madison Balish, Kiana
Sandvold, Leia Deer, Kealoha Scul-
lion, Kailee Graf, 4:22.33.

Women Novice A (1/2 mile):
Jennifer Fratzke, Ginger Lunt, Britta
Bourne, Natasha Haine, Marie Mar-
tel, Malia Boyd, 4:14.58.

Men Novice A (1 mile): Chris
Deuchar, Deke Kilpatrick, Jacob Ham-
stra, John Akana, Chris Jensen, Cody
Tavares, 7:50.6.

Junior Men (1 mile): Conner
Grune, Kealakai Hussey, Sean Kaawa,
Stephen Enos, Max Solmssen, Karel

Tresnak, 7:41.73.

Senior Women (1.5 miles): Jane
McKee, Angie Dolan Giancaterino,
Tracy Phillips, Amy Lawson, Donna
Kahakui, Anella Borges, 12:58.56.

Women 65 (1/2 mile): Michele
St. John, Stephanie Reynolds, Ann
Buck, Marilyn Kiner, Tiare Richert-
Finney, Barbara Bryan, 5:01.70.

Men 65 (1/2 mile): Geoff Avery,
William Mowat, Mel Mau, Chris
Crabb, Mark Buck, William Johnson,
4:12.96.

Men 55 (1/2 mile): Rob Kaiwai,
Guy Wilding, Billy Foytich, Scott
Rolles, Marc Haine, Todd Bradley,
3:50.56.

Women 40 (1 mile): Malia Ka-
misugi, Donna Kahakui, Jane McKee,
Lindsay Shinall, Tracy Phillips, Karin
Del Rey, 8:53.47.

Mixed Masters 55 (1/2 mile):
Brent Cullinan, Tana Feeley, Tyler
Tavares, Vik Watumull, Liz Perry,
Matthew Esecson, 4:17.57.

Oahu Hawaiian Canoe Racing As- sociation Championship 7/19/2015 Keehi Lagoon Results

AAA Division: 1. Hui Nalu 170.

2. Lanikai 161. 3. Outrigger 159. 4.
Kailua 141.

Winning OCC Crews

Girls 12 (1/4 mile): Malia Sand-
vold, Eliza Lewis, Kiana Yost, Nanea
Philpotts, Teja Laird, Mahina Akaka,
2:03.59.

Girls 13 (1/4 mile): GG Thomas,
Dillyn Lietzke, Leana Dickens,
Makana Shipman, Hayden Brown,
Olivia Neher, 2:07.20.

Boys 13 (1/4 mile): Aukina
Hunt, Adam Krivatsy, Nalu Harbottle,
Nikolaus Steiner, Jason Palafox, Bud
Robinson, 2:02.24.

Women Novice A (1/2 mile):
Jennifer Fratzke, Taylor Silva, Britta
Bourne, Tina Larson, Ginger Lunt,
Natasha Haine, 4:10.79.

Freshmen Women (1 mile):
Tracy Phillips, Amy Lawson, Donna
Kahakui, Blair Grant, Jane McKee,
Anella Borges, 8:51.12.

Junior Women (1 mile): Angie
Dolan Giancaterino, Alyssa Basdava-
nos, Meleana Carr, Mary Smolenski,
Jennifer Raams, Rachel Kincaid,
8:54.22.

Junior Men (1 mile): Sean
Kaawa, Neal Hafner, Max Solmssen,
Karel Tresnak Jr., Roydon Yim, Cory
Nakamura, 7:43.50.

Senior Women (1.5 miles):
Tracy Phillips, Anella Borges, Donna
Kahakui, Amy Lawson, Jane McKee,
Blair Grant, 12:28.19.

Men 65 (1/2 mile): William
Johnson, William Mowat, Geoff Av-
ery, Bernie Paloma, Chris Crabb, Mel
Mau, 4:01.57.

Men 60 (1/2 mile): Barney Rob-
inson, Murray Hixson, Juvie Coito,
Cormac O'Carroll, Michael Tosaki,
Darryl Wong, 3:50.62.

Hawaiian Canoe Racing Associa- tion State Championship August 1, 2015 Hilo Bay Results

AAAA Division: 1. Hawaiian Canoe
Club 375. 2. Lanikai 348. 3. Outrig-
ger 341. 4. Hui Nalu 287. 5. Kailua
272. 6. Kai Opua 238.

How OCC Crews Placed: Winning Crews

Novice A Women (1/2 mile):
Natasha Haine, Britta Bourne, Tina

Larson, Ginger Lunt, Marie Martel,
Jennifer Fratzke, 4:29.74.

Masters Women 60 (1/2 mile):
Kaiulu Downing, Kimberley Darling,
Alice Lunt, Tiare Richert-Finney,
Michele St. John, Laurie Lawson,
4:56.03.

Second Place Crews Sophomore Women Junior Men Senior Women Masters Women 50 Masters Men 65

Third Place Crews Girls 15 Boys 16 Boys 18 Masters Women 55 Mixed Masters 55 Masters Men 60 Women Masters 65

Fourth Place Crews Freshmen Men Junior Women Masters Men 40

Fifth Place Crews Boys 12 Masters Men 55 Women Open 4

Sixth Place Crews Boys 13 Sophomore Men Senior Men Mixed 40

Seventh Place Crews Girls 12 Girls 16 Men Novice B Men Novice A Freshmen Women

Eighth Place Crews Mixed 12 Boys 14 Masters Men 50

Ninth Place Crews Girls 13 Boys 15

Thirteenth Place Crews Girls 14



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