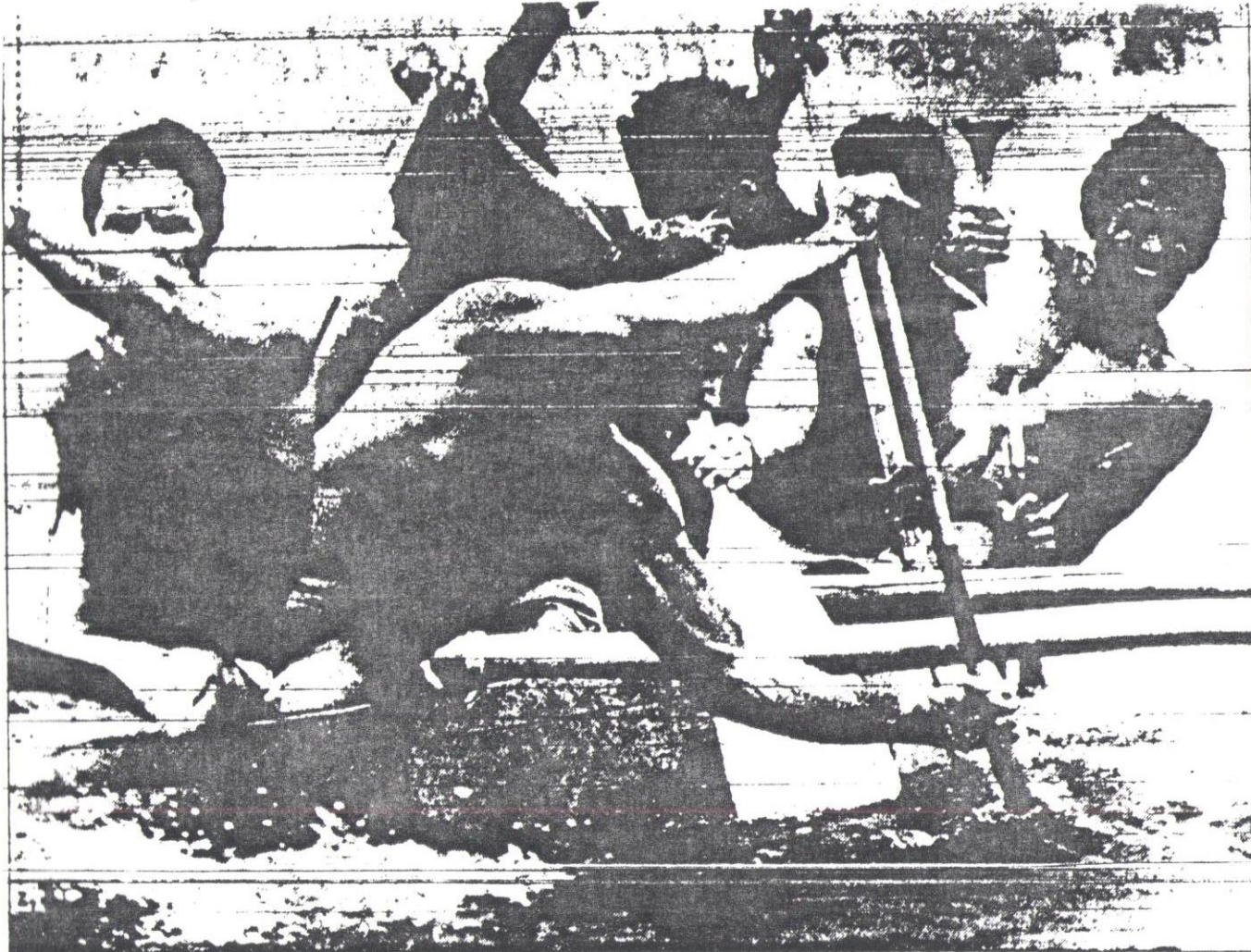


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Members of the winning Hui Nalu senior men's team (left) churn to the finish line in winning the event and the overall OHCRA championship yesterday at Keehi Lagoon. They are (from front) Tommy Connor, George Kissner, Bruce Blankenfeld, Kala Kukea, Nainoa Thompson and Myron Thompson. Denise Darval (below) is congratulated by Laura Thompson as the Nalu women also captured their senior race. —Star-Bulletin Photos by Dean Sensui.



## In a Word, Hui Nalu Canoe Club Was Awesome!

By Jack Wyatt

Special to the Star-Bulletin

Nothing went right for perennial power Outrigger Canoe Club at yesterday's Oahu Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association championships at Keehi Lagoon.

The blustery tradewinds battered its crews on the race course; Outrigger lost several close decisions which its coaches felt could have gone either way, and if that wasn't enough, OCC, which was last season's HCRA state champ, lost the third-place regatta trophy to Lanikai Canoe Club by the luck of a tie-breaking draw.

But Outrigger, Duke Kahanamoku or King Kamehameha—I through IV—were not about to beat Hui Nalu Canoe Club of Hawaii Kai yesterday. As Gary

Healani Canoe Club, said of Hui Nalu's big win, "They were simply awesome!"

HUI NALU WON YESTERDAY'S first event—the boys' 12 years "B" crew—and didn't stop paddling until they amassed a whopping 87 points—the season's high. Nalu trounced second-place Healanui by 40 points.

"Although we had our problems," conceded Donny Mailer, Outrigger's canoe racing chairman, "you can't take anything away from Hui Nalu. They started off strong and kept getting stronger."

In the 27-event, 17-club championships, Hui Nalu won nine races and placed second in nine others. Healanui, the defending Oahu champion, scored 47 points and was followed by Lanikai and OCC canoe clubs, which tied for third place with 45 points apiece.

Lanikai and Koolau canoe clubs tied for first place with 10 points each. Over the season, Hui Nalu won nine regattas and lost only one.

With winds whipping across the race course, dreary rain-laden skies threatening shoreside spectators with showers, and police towing away illegally parked automobiles, drab Keehi Lagoon—the site of Oahu's biggest canoe regatta—was hardly paradise.

"IF YOU'RE MISSING YOUR car it's probably been towed to a service station on Koapaka Street," announced Chris Faria, OHCRA's colorful commentator.

Was paddling in strong winds a factor? "You'd better believe it," said Lanikai's boys' 18 steersman, John Foti. "It felt like a hurricane out there—downwind we'd fly but paddling upwind was

Outrigger and Lanikai crews battled one another for nearly nine minutes before the Lanikai nipped its rival at the finish by a scant 2/10th of a second.

If the one-sided canoe championship had its turning point it had to be Hui Nalu winning over Outrigger in the women's junior and senior events, plus its come-from-behind victory over Lanikai in the blue-ribbon senior men's race. Considered major events, the three races are scored heavier than the others.

"Lanikai's men had the desire to beat us and they almost did the job," explained Kala Kukea, Hui Nalu's coach and senior men's crew member. "But we out-powered them on the final leg."

LANIKAI LED FOR ALL BUT the last

Nalu's men picked up the stroke. "If further paddling and my arms were gone, I'd have fallen off," added Nainoa Thompson, of Hui Nalu's seven-second victory. In addition to Kukea and Thompson, Hui Nalu's winning senior crew include Nainoa's brother Myron Thompson, Bruce Blankenfeld, George Kissner and Tommy Connor.

With the HCRA state championship scheduled at Hilo on Saturday and tomorrow's Oahu championship playing a important role in the crew qualification competition was particularly intense among crews attempting to make the cutoff.

Sure, Hui Nalu won today, but the state championship is a different regatta. They'll rival clubs be waiting? Hui Nalu at Hilo's prominent. Star-Bu-



# Canoe Racing

## HCRA Oahu

### Championships

#### At Keolu Lagoon

##### GIRLS

**12-Years-1.** Healaní (Lisa Hironaka, Dallas Kahéaku, Jonna Aikaki, Christie Poaha, Tony Yamamoto, Tiha Pabillano) 2:53.1; 2. Hui Nalu 3:02.4; 3. Honolulu 3:06.0. **13-1.** Kailua (Marisa Braun, Mikell Baldwin, Luzette Pedrina, Kahala Howser, Umi Malama, Johanna Conlan) 2:38.2; 2. Outrigger 2:45.0; 3. Kai Oni 2:45.3. **15-1.** Koolau (Malia Oliver, Debbie Fairbairn, Carol Sullivan, Liz Fitzgerald, Gerri Huntley, Tracy Adams) 2:49.7; 2. Lanikai 2:57.9; 3. Kailua 3:00.0. **17-1.** Lanikai (Judy Aylward, Sally Harper, Kim Aldress, Lynn Kunz, Liz Vierck, Robin Cooper) 4:55.4; 2. Hui Nalu 4:58.0; 3. Waikiki Surf 5:03.7.

##### WOMEN

**Novice B-1.** Lanikai (Karen Rappolt, Shari Lyons, Kelly Clark, Shannon Holmes, Laurie Lee, Debbie Woodward) 2:20.2; 2. Hui Lanakila 2:25.4; 3. Healaní 2:27.2. **Novice A-1.** Hui Nalu (Nau Moss, Sandy Hammond, Dianae Warnche, Carol Stewart, Marilyn Kiner, Noel Kei) 2:15.4; 2. Hui Lanakila 2:16.5; 3. Lanikai 2:17.3. **Masters-1.** Lanikai (Sue Awana, Jane Lipp, Bette June Yap, Bernie Gay, Carroll Robinson, Mollie Foti) 2:29.5; 2. Hui Nalu 2:35.0; 3. Outrigger 2:39.9. **Freshmen-1.** Healaní (Valerie Kouahi, Norma Santiago, Vicki Quinn, Sharon Alwood, Luki Budge, Robin Nonaka) 4:37.7; 2. Hui Nalu 4:40.1; 3. Outrigger 4:43.5. **Sophomore-1.** Kailua (Jenny Scafe, Loro Bode, Ann Malama, Sandy Scafe-Kalama, Andrea Ward, Luanna Burke) 4:39.2; 2. Hui Nalu 4:39.7; 3. Lanikai 4:43.6. **Junior-1.** Hui Nalu (Kohau Pruiet, Marian Lyman-Mersereau, Lanakila Spencer, Michelle Kopona, Nancy Rocheleau, Kehau McGuire) 4:32.0; 2. Outrigger 4:43.5; 3. Healaní 4:44.3. **Senior-1.** Hui Nalu (Lita Blankenfeld, Lindsey Styan, Nalani Spencer, Trish Gallagher, Carol Kukea, Denise Darval) 19:04.8; 2. Outrigger 19:22.9; 3. Waikiki Surf 20:59.5.

##### BOYS

**12-Years B-1.** Hui Nalu (Shaundy Spencer, Chad Dymond, Aaron Kekecha, Carey Oshiro, Mike Rawlins, Kieran Jones) 2:27.7; 2. Oahu Oke Kai 2:41.7; 3. Hawaiian Warriors 2:56.9. **12 A-1.** Hui Nalu (Miki

Akeo, Justin Thain, Todd Ham-mong, Brad Henrick, Greg Lung, Mark Kekea) 2:45.2; 2. Healaní 2:50.8; 3. Hawaiian Warriors 2:56.9. **13-1.** Kailua (Terquin Cottis, Zein Sadin, Sam Martinez, Jason Rodrigues, Jason Joquill, David Steele) 2:05.4; 2. Kai Oni 2:05.6; 3. Healaní 2:08.4. **14-1.** Healaní (Jason Pang, Chad Kurashige, Keith Gomes, Daniel Ngo, James Judd, Darrell Arnold) 1:56.9; 2. Hui Nalu 2:01.5; 3. Waikiki Surf 2:07.1. **16-1.** Hui Nalu (Tony Avilla, Monte DeWetto, Matt Shiruru, David Smith, Mike Donnelly, Peter Yonan) 4:03.8; 2. Healaní 4:05.4; 3. Lanikai 4:07.8. **18-1.** Lanikai (Katani Irvine, Joff Rose, Jim Myhre, Jeff Clapp, Kevin Lawrence, John Foti) 8:49.1; 2. Outrigger 8:49.3; 3. Healaní 8:52.8.

##### MEN

**Novice B-1.** Kailua (Mike McCue, Jon Erwin, Mark Ansel, Mac Shannon, Ella Tom, Pat Kelly) 4:05.2; 2. Hui Lanakila 4:10.7; 3. Healaní 4:15.3. **Novice A-1.** Outrigger (Clay Sutherland, Adrian Rose-Fill, Jerry Chellin, Charles Judd, Herb Hill, Greg Quinn) 4:06.4; 2. Hui Nalu 4:08.6; 3. Koolau 4:11.5. **Freshmen-1.** Hui Nalu (Jim Medeiros, Darryl Hara, Scott Collins, Danny Mahoney, Bill Hunt, Birney Kolesky) 8:18.2; 2. Koolau 8:20.0; 3. Lanikai 8:22.9. **Sophomore-1.** Hui Nalu (Harold Akeo, Bob Rocheleau, Rocky Higgins, Richard Shiruru, Wayne Fuihara, Herman Clark) 8:01.9; 2. Waikiki Surf 8:04.4; 3. Outrigger 8:04.8. **Open-4-1.** Outrigger (Tim Guard, Bill Bright, Mark Buck, Mike Lemes) 4:17.3; 2. Hui Nalu 4:19.5; 3. Waikiki Surf 4:22.6. **Junior-1.** Outrigger (Karl Meyer, John Finney, Henry Ayau, Jay Pyhchon, Jimmy Dean, Fred Hemmings) 12:29.8; 2. Leeward Kai 12:46.9; 3. Lanikai 13:07.8. **Masters-36-1.** Hawaiian Warriors (Richard Bell, Stan Tobias, Bernie Chingy, Tim Sands, Dennis Hu, Nappy Napoleon) 8:25.0; 2. Lanikai 8:44.3; 3. Hui Nalu 8:50.5. **Masters-40-1.** Healaní (Al Lemes, Scott May, Bucky Logan, Lance Yamamoto, Robert Milne, Clem Paiga, Jr.) 4:15.9; 2. Waikiki Surf 4:20.8; 3. Lanikai 4:25.9. **Seniors-1.** Hui Nalu (Tommy Connor, Georg Kissner, Bruce Blankenfeld, Kala Kukea, Nainoa Thompson, Myron Thompson) 33:19.8; 2. Lanikai 33:27.1; 3. Outrigger 33:37.8. **Mixed-12-1.** Hui Nalu (Shantey Spencer, Todd Hammond, Aaron Kekecha, Gary Oshiro, B Silva, Sabrina Mokuahi) 2:29.7; 2. Healaní 2:38.4; 3. Honolulu 2:45.4. **Mixed men and women-1.** Waimanalo (Tim Kalama, Nathan Ramos, Roberta Anisworth, Albert Keleka, Kehau Kehau, Norman Kaper) 4:25.3; 2. Healaní 4:30.6; 3. Kailua 4:30.9.

##### TEAM STANDINGS

**AAA division 1.** Hui Nalu 87 points; 2. Healaní 47; 3. (tie) Lanikai and Outrigger 45; 5. Kailua 36; 6. Waikiki Surf 33; 7. Hawaiian Warriors 12.

**A division 1.** (tie) Hui Lanakila and Koolau 10 points; 3. (tie) Kai Oni and Waimanalo 7; 5. (tie) Honolulu and Leeward Kai 5; 7. Oaha Oke Kai 3; 8. (tie) Hary Ohana, Kukini and Makaha 0 points.