Outrigger Wins Burger King OHCRA Championship

By Marilyn Kali

For the fourth straight year, Outrigger Canoe Club won the Burger King Oahu Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association Championships at Keehi Lagoon on July 24.

OCC won eight of the last 10 races to defeat Kailua Canoe Club, 82-74. Altogether, Outrigger crews won 12 of the regatta's 30 races.

The Boy's 18 crew became the only undefeated OHCRA crew for the season by setting a new course record in their one mile race. They led from the start, defeating Hui Nalu by 15 seconds, in 7:54.29.

Head Coach Mike Fox switched some crews around to get the winning combination for the victory. He put together a Masters women's crew from upper division paddlers who were 35 and older that upset previously unbeaten Kailua by nine seconds.

"Our strategy paid off," Fox said after the race. "We qualified most of our crews for the state championships."

Five Club paddlers won two golds each, after OHCRA changed the rules allowing paddlers to participate in the senior races, as well as one other. The double golds went to Mark Rigg (junior and senior), Tom Conner (junior and senior), Sandra Haine (masters and senior), Katy Bourne (senior and open 4) and Piilani Schneider (senior and open 4).

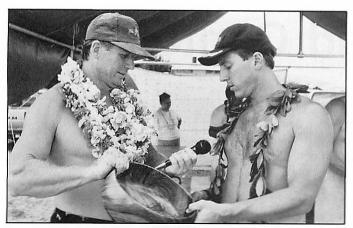
Below: The Boy's 18 crew was the only undefeated OHCRA crew by winning the Oahu championship. From left, Wyatt Jones, Hunter Eggers, Jon Glaser, Craig Campbell, Guy Hicks and Heath Hemmings.



The OHCRA championships were dedicated to OCC's Bob Fischer for his untiring support of the sport of canoe racing. With Bob when he received his plaque was Anita Brightman.

Photos by Marilyn Ka





Burger King's John Finney presents championship bowl to OCC Head Coach Mike Fox.



Junior men won by 15 seconds--Grady Bintliff, Bruce Black, Gib Bintliff, Mark Rigg, Mike Fox and Tom Conner.



Tom Conner, Walter Guild, Scott Rolles, Mark Rigg, Chris Kincaid and Kainoa Downing paddled the senior men to victory.



The Women's Novice A crew included Gay Daily, Anne Hagar and Carolyn Lass, front row; Cindy Pearson, JoJo Watumull, Manon Williamson, Pam Zak, Maureen Kilcoyne and Coach Susan Barron.

Burger King Oahu Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association Championships, Keehi Lagoon July 24, 1988 – Winning OCC Crews

Girls 16 CeeCee Sheehan, Malia Kamisugi, Dione Wilbur, Malia Buck, Tara Osborne, Jackie Muller, 1/2 mile, 4:29.47. Boys 18 Wyatt Jones, Hunter Eggers, Jon Glaser, Craig Campbell, Guy Hicks, Heath Hemmings, 1 mile, 7:54.29.

Women Novice B Debra Zabriskie, Paula Jenkins, Kaili Chun, Anna-Maria Grune, Anna Goss, Laura Soller-Miller, 1/4 mile, 2:02.90.

Freshmen Women Tia Payes, Katie McCrary, Terri Pynchon, Genie Kincaid, Mary Smolenski, Monte Costa, 3/4 mile, 6:55.34. Junior Men Mike Fox, Grady Bintliff, Bruce Black, Mark Rigg, Gib Bintliff, Tom Conner, 2 miles, 15:55.17.

Senior Women Muffer Scully, Sandra Haine, Diana Clifford, Katy Bourne, Piilani Schneider, Mary Franco Lemes, 1 1/2 miles, 13:45.79.

Senior Men Kainoa Downing, Mark Rigg, Chris Kincaid, Walter Guild, Scott Rolles, Tom Conner, 2 1/2 miles, 19:44.80. Masters Women Sandra Haine, Tiare Richert-Finney, Susan Barron, Kathy Clifford, Anita Minteer, Paula Carbone, 1 mile, 8:48.60.

Masters Men Henry Ayau, Bill Bright, Bill Danford, John Finney, John Mounts, Brant Ackerman, 1 mile, 7:41.38. Senior Masters Women Gerri Pedesky, Ululani Davis, Marilyn Haine, Ruby Ifversen, Diane Stowell, Keanuenue Rochlen, 1/2 mile, 4:50.98.

Senior Masters Men Chris McKenzie, Tom Merrill, Ken Stehouwer, Norman Ho, Mike Town, Bruce Ames, 1/2 mile, 4:06.59. Women Open 4 Darcy Ames, Katy Bourne, Nina Fox and Piilani Schneider, 1/2 mile, 4:59.53.

Na Wahine O Ke Kai

Outrigger's women paddlers will tackle the treacherous Molokai Channel in the 10th annual Na Wahine O Ke Kai Molokai to Oahu Canoe Race, Sunday, September 25.

The race is expected to be a battle between two-time defending champion Offshore Canoe Club of Newport Beach, California, and Outrigger.

The race starts at 7 a.m. at Hale O Lono Harbor on Molokai and finishes around 1 p.m. at Ft. DeRussy Beach in Waikiki. The distance is 40.8 miles.

Outrigger holds the record for the race of 6:12:11.

Come on down to Ft. DeRussy and bring a lei to greet our women at the finish.