

VICTORIOUS FOURSOME. Winners in both the Waialeale and Hawaiian Warriors regattas were OCC's Men's Open 4: Ken Brown, Mark Buck, Marshall Rosa and Tim Guard. Missing from the photograph: Mike Lemes.

The Hawaiian Warriors Regatta

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Sunday, July 12, 1981, down at the dust bowl otherwise known as Keehi Lagoon, Outrigger was once again battling it out with a stubborn Hui Nalu team and a surprisingly hardy Healani Canoe Club. However, at the end of a long day, Outrigger was to place second with 55 points, bested by Hui Nalu with 63 points.

Coach Walter Guild used this opportunity to state, "This regatta provided the incentive for all the crews to buckle down and train hard and look to winning the Oahu and the State races in Lahaina, Maui."

There were some dramatic improvements as well as some outstanding performances by various crews, even though Outrigger did not win the regatta.

Assistant Coach Bruce Ames was particularly happy over the 1st place win his Boys 12-A captured. This winning crew consisted of Tim Kelly, Tommy Ifversen, Hugh Foster, Stephen Ames, Keone Waxman and Jesse Nicol.

It was the upper division men who

really did well! The following crews won big: Freshmen Men consisting of Keone Downing, Mark Rigg, Walter Guild, Marc Haine, Karl Heyer, Kainoa Downing, (this superb crew left gaps of daylight between themselves and the opposition, setting a fine example for the rest of the club); Sophomore Men with the likes of Billy Foytich, Mike Fox, Hank Lass, Walt Shulitis, Steve Quinn and Mike Holmes; Junior Men, another winning crew made up of Ed Pickering, Jonathan Bintliff, Murray Hickson, Jack Feher, Doug Bechart and Alan Rosehill.

Out of retirement rode the Outrigger's answer to the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse—Tim Guard, Marshail Rosa, Mark Buck and Mike Lemes of the Men's Open 4. Paddling like a well-oiled machine, this crew won by the largest margin of any crew that day in the 1/2-mile course. It should be noted by you racing enthusiasts that this Men's Open 4 crew were former Molokai-to-Oahu champs and the nucleus of one of the winningest crews in the history of the Club.