Outrigger Canoe Club crews dominate the Liliuokalani Races

It was all Outrigger at the Seventh Queen Liliuokalani Long distance Canoe Races on the Kona Coast, September 2 and 3, when our men's crews captured both the fiberglass and koa divisions in their competition, and our great women's crew won the 14-mile race from Keauhou Bay to Honaunau.

The Honolulu Advertiser reported that the two races, men's and women's were "the largest in the history of the big HCRA-sponsored event," with 51 men's crews entered in the 26-mile race up the Kona Coast from Honaunau to Kailua Bay. That race was won by the Outrigger men's crew which, according to the Advertiser, "finished about two miles ahead of its nearest rivals" to win the overall men's crown and the fiberglass trophy. Time: 2:11.36, almost 8 minutes faster than Hui

Nalu's time last year. Outrigger's winning crew was composed of Brant Ackerman; Mark Buck; Tom Conner; Tim Guard; John Finney; Bill Mowat; Alan Rosehill; Marshall Rosa, and Aaron Young.

The Outrigger crew composed of Steve Scott; Bill Bright; Dale Hope; Murray Hixon; Mike Mason; Ed Pickering; Jay Pynchon; Jay West, and Willie Hawthorne, paddling a koa canoe, finished fourth overall but beat Healani for first in the koa division. Time: 2:16:35, 3½ minutes better than Healani.

Our crack Women's Long Distance Crew in their 14-mile race included: Evie Black; Sharon Bintliff; Michele St. John; Connie Maguire; Kisi Haine; Anne Nicol; Darcy Imas; Tracy Phillips, and Tiare Richert. Good goin', gals and guys! A fine performance!



Victors' trophies from Kailua in Club lobby. Photo Scoop