

Senior Men's Crew, record-setting first place winners, Oahu Championships, and five time first place winners, '74 season: (l. to r.): Brant Ackerman; Mike Lemes; Mark Buck; Marshall Rosa; Tom Conner; Bill Mowat. T. Guard, photo.

A Tale of Three Regattas

By Jerry Ober

The Waimanalo

The First Annual "Pops Waialeale Regatta" held at Waimanalo Beach Park July 14th was a day of both triumph and frustration for OCC paddlers. All of the crews in the meet were plagued by strong winds, choppy seas and conditions generally unfavorable to canoe racing. Most crews had to bail their boats during the races. The swells ran at angles to the course which in turn ran at angles to the beach. Coordinated paddling became almost impossible, and the threat of a huli was ever present. The weather was equally unpredictable, running the gamut of rain, wind, sun,

clouds and darkness—darkness, because the race broke a dubious record; that of being the longest in recorded H.C.R.A. history.

The first event belatedly got under way at 9:30 a.m., and the final gun was sounded after 6:00 p.m., an endurance record of some sort. A great deal of the delay had to do with the younger, less experienced crews having to make their quarter-mile race starts out at sea in a cross current, cross chop and cross wind from the rear, a difficult combination for even an experienced crew.

As the conditions were unpredictable, so were the race results. Some

What's Open—When—at OCC. A Handy Reference List for Your Information and Use

Dining Room

Brunch: Sunday only. 8:30 a.m.-2:00

Luncheon: Tuesday–Saturday. 12:00

noon-2:30 p.m.

Dinner: Daily except Monday. 6:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m.

Bar

Sunday—10:00 a.m.-midnight.

Monday—11:30 a.m.-10:00 p.m.

Tuesday-Saturday—11:30 a.m.-midnight.

Monday: Sandwiches—12:00 noon-

5:00 p.m.

Snack Bar

Daily—9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

NOTE: The Snack Bar is open until 6:00 p.m. during the months of June, July and August.

Hau Terrace

Liquor: Same schedule as for Bar. Dining: Daily except Monday, 11:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Beach Shop (Basement Level)

Daily—10:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m. Closed Mondays

Locker Rooms

Daily—6:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

Parking Facility

Daily-6:00 a.m.-1:00 a.m.

Please Make Reservations

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of our favorite winners of preceding regattas didn't make it into first but became close seconds and thirds. The outstanding race of the day and one seen by only a handful of the most hardy spectators, was the senior event. Coming as it does at the end of the Regatta, it started at about 6:00 p.m. If the OCC Senior Crew was ever in its prime, this was the day and hour. The Seniors, fresh from their Macfarlane victory the previous week, set out to prove that it wasn't the aid of the surf that did it. It was power and coordination.

The Seniors got a powerful start and had established a lead at the quarter mile mark. They were never challenged, making all turns well in advance of the competition, so well that they completed the race at least 10 boat lengths ahead of the number 2 boat and were on the beach when No. 2 crossed the line. This race was the most decisive the Seniors have paddled in recent memory.

Other first place crews were the Boys 13, who, although not quite like the Seniors, nonetheless left no doubt about their winning ability in a fine quarter mile race. The Boys 18 paddled a very strong race. They and their always tough competition, Leeward Kai, led the fleet in a one-two photo finish, Leeward having a slight edge for the win. Leeward was subsequently disqualified and our 18's moved into the number one spot.

There was only one second place crew, the Sophomore Women, who fell victim to the conditions. We were quite consistent in our third place showings. Unfortunately, many of our previous winners ended up in third, not because of any lack of ability, but because of conditions at the moment of their respective races. In third were: Girls 15, Boys 16, Girls 17, Freshmen and Junior Men. Fourth place found Women B Novice, Women A Novice and Boys 14. In fifth place were: Men A Novice and in sixth, Men B Novice. Boys A 12 were disqualified on a technicality. OCC did not enter Boys B 12, Women Freshmen, Men Sophomore, Junior Women, and Senior Women.

Healani was the Regatta winner on points, followed by Lanikai, Kailua and Outrigger.

It is always gratifying to notice that there are a few of the younger paddlers who stay around until the last race to pitch in and help clean up the area and do their part in preparing the canoe for the trip back to the club. Two who have been especially attentive are Greg Graham and Twain Newhart of the 14 and under crew. The interest of the younger paddlers is an essential part of the overall paddling program.

Our crews were:

NOVICE MEN B:

Bill Bright, Bill Langenheim, Larry Langley, Brandon Espedal, Bob Kashare, Kris McGee. BOYS 16:

Karl Heyer, Jr., Scott Rigg, Kilo Baird, Damien Farden, Mike Haxton, Kainoa Downing.

BOYS 18:

Walter Guild, Robbie Muller, Rick Lemke, Jay West, Jay Pynchon, Alan Rosehill. FRESHMEN MEN:

Doug Straehley, Milton Beamer, Jim Foytich, John Crocker, Doug Ostrem, Mike Mason, WOMEN SOPHOMORE:

Kristy Muller, Moira Scully, Nanci Ballentyne, Pam Crane, Gay McGee, Monte Costa. SENIOR MEN:

Brant Ackerman, Tom Conner, Marshall Rosa, Mark Buck, Bill Mowat, Mike Lemes. JUNIOR MEN:

Tuck Siegfried, Roger Cundall, Kimo Hugho, Bill Burso, Doug Bechert, Bruce Ames. BOYS 13:

Pat Ayau, Billy Bugbee, Nelson Richardson, Winston Gample, Bruce Black, Pua Rochlen, BOYS 14:

Drea Kaaua, Marc Haine, Bill Harrison, Robbie Brown, Jim Alexander, Peter Balding, Jr. NOVICE WOMEN A:

Stephany Sofos, Sydnee Arth, Maile Morgan, Laurie Cundall, Kisi Haine, Allison Martin. GIRLS 15:

Robyn Rodby, Mary Fox, Lisa Livingston, Malia Mullahey, Diane Guild, Tracy Phillips.

NOVICE MEN A:

Curt Franks, Craig Emberson, Bill Phelan, Bob Turran, Jack Maguire, Fred Swartz. GIRLS 17:

Julie Henrickson, Lynn Mason, Eva Segovia. Nina Rodrigues, Tracy Haworth, Charlee Martin.

BOYS 12 A:

Walter Brown, Don Machado, Lance Cross, Bill Eggers, Jr., Gary Clarke, Chad Martin. NOVICE WOMEN B:

Jill Anderson, Mary Mikacs, Pua Smith, Heidi Schuman, Sheryl Haxton, Leslie Martin.

Oahu Championship

The story of this Regatta, held on July 21st, runs more like the history of a tropical storm than a canoe Regatta. One might wonder this canoeing season which is the adversary, the weather or opposing canoe clubs.

Most of the faithful followers of the racing season thought they had seen the worst of it at Waimanalo the preceding week and looked forward to sun and gentle trades for which Keehi Lagoon is famous. This was not to be. Although the day did start on a quiet note with "Volcano Weather," more akin to L.A. smog as the harbinger, before the races could get underway an increasingly strong southeasterly



Head Canoeing Coach Mark Buck (I.) and OUTRIGGER Sports Reporter Jerry Ober follow the action at Oahu Championship Regatta. T. Guard photo.

wind came up along with blowing rain squalls. All this turned the Lagoon into a rough water course, forced the taking down of the canvas sun shelter and created general discomfort. In the early afternoon, the wind died down as quickly as it had started; everything went into dead calm, and under lowering skies the races continued on a mirror-like sea, certainly a first for this season.

Like the weather, the Regatta had its ups and downs. Some of the season's traditional favorites fell off the winning pace. There was nothing predictable about this Regatta aside from overall strength of the Healani Club, the eventual point winner. Certainly the outcome of the opening events did not indicate that OCC would take overall 2nd place. Our individual race scores were all over the board, from first to last and everywhere in between.

First place winners were the Senior Men. now leaving no slightest doubt about their ability. This was the Seniors 4th victory of the season; victories won under all possible sea conditions. In this Regatta, the Seniors had the good fortune to race, during the lull following the storm in an absolutely calm sea. The Seniors took the lead from the start. However, unlike the previous week's race, it was not a runaway. They had to fight challenging Lanikai every inch of the way. The win, a record of 20:08.5, was by half a boat length.

Other first place crews, were the Boys 13, who have consistently joined the Seniors as winners; and the Sophomore Women, who have enjoyed an immensely successful season. In contrast to previous Regattas, OCC took

only two second places—both by girls crews. Women Novice B and Novice A, and both close. Third place was most popular and into it unfortunately fell some former first place winners: Girls 15, Boys 16, Boys 18, Junior Men and Men Novice A. All were close races and all but the Junior Men were run at the height of the storm.

Fourth place crews made up another group: Girls 17, Freshmen Men, and Junior Women. The Junior Womens crew was made up largely of girls from the Sophomore Women, which meant they had to paddle two races in close succession. In fifth place were the Boys 14; in sixth the Sophomore Men; and last but most definitely not least, the Senior Women, not quite able to repeat their Macfarlane Day win.

Final Regatta point standing: Healani 75; Outrigger 38; Lanikai 37; Hui Nalu 21; Leeward Kai 20; Waikiki Surf 5; and Ewa Beach 3.

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Julie Henrickson, Lynn Mason, Eva Segovia, Nina Rodrigues, Tracy Haworth, Charlee Martin.

SOPHOMORE WOMEN:

Kris Muller. Moira Scully, Nanci Ballentyne, Pam Crane, Gay McGee, Monte Costa.

JUNIOR WOMEN:

Kristy Muller, Moira Scully, Nanci Ballentyne, Christie Wilson, Maile Buck, Anne Hogan.

SENIOR WOMEN:

Jill Maguire. May Balding, Alice Cross, Aggie Quigg, Kuulei Heyer, Keanue Rochlen.

NOVICE MEN A:

Curt Franks, Craig Emberson, Bill Bright, Bob Turran, Bill Phelan, Jack Maguire.

JUNIOR MEN

Tuck Siegfried, Roger Cundall, Kimo Hugho, Hugh Foster, Doug Bechert, Bruce Ames.



Sophomore Women's Crew, first place winners at Oahu Championship Regatta: (I. to r.) Pam Crane; Gay McGee; Nanci Ballentyne; Monte Costa; Moira Scully; Kris Muller. T. Guard, photo.

Our crews were:

BOYS 12 A:

Walter Brown, Don Machado, Lance Cross, Matt Rigg, Gary Clarke, Chad Martin.

BOYS 13:

Pat Ayau, Billy Bugbee, Nelson Richardson, Fred Noa, Jr., Bruce Black, Pua Rochlen. 30YS 14:

Jeb Goss, Marc Haine, Bill Harrison, Robbie Brown, Twain Newhart, Peter Balding, Jr. BOYS 16:

Karl Heyer IV, Scott Rigg, Kilo Baird, Damien Farden, Mike Haxton, Kainoa Downing. BOYS 18:

Walter Guild, Robbie Muller, Rick Lemke, Mark Rigg, Jay Pynchon, Alan Rosehill. NOVICE WOMEN B:

Jill Anderson, Beth Currier, Kim Howard, Heidi Schuman, Sheryl Haxton, Leslie Martin.

SENIOR MEN:

Brant Ackerman, Tom Conner, Marshall Rosa, Mark Buck, Bill Mowat, Mike Lemes.

MEN SOPHOMORE:

Sam Kress, Don Monroe, Curt Franks, Bob Turran, Kim Woolaway, Kimo Austin.

FRESHMEN MEN:

Doug Straehley, Milton Beamer, Jim Foytich, John Crocker, Doug Ostrem, Keone Downing.

Oktoberfest Coming Up!!

Mark October 26 on your calendar. This is the night set for a rollicking, fun-filled OCC OKTOBER-FEST.



Boys 18 crew, third place winners, Oahu Championships: (l. to r.) Walter Guild: Robbie Muller; Rick Lemke; Alan Rosehill; Mark Rigg; plus Jay Pynchon, out of picture. T. Guard, photo.

State Championship

The season's final Regatta, held in Keehi Lagoon on August 3rd, found the Outrigger paddlers in pretty good shape. Looking back to the first Regatta of the season at Makaha, a great deal has been accomplished, largely because of the tireless efforts of head coach Mark Buck and his hard working staff, but in the final analysis, because of the ambition of the individual paddlers.

The possibility of winning top Regatta honors were remote if not impossible to those who have seen the spectacular overall power of Healani Canoe Club. While any real competitor makes No. 1 his goal, there comes a time for reality and, in face of the Healani effort, second place overall was what we were looking at along with 14 other canoe clubs from throughout the state.

Outrigger eventually earned that No. 2 spot. They had to work for it and, as has been the situation in several regatta this season, was won it in the final event of the day, the Senior Men 21/2 mile race. Outrigger demonstrated great strength in the longer races that are for the more experienced paddlers. Our weakness came in the younger paddler age groups. Here we are faced with a building program, a happy exception being the Boys 13 and under crew, good performers throughout the season.

Conditions for the Regatta, as things have gone this summer, were excellent. It was trade wind weather with only a light shower and some unfortunately strong wind gusts. Aside from that, it was a good day at Keehi Lagoon Park for paddlers and spectators alike.

Our first place winners were the Girls 15 and under, who in their quarter mile event outlasted the fleet to give OCC its first welcome win of the

day. It was girls' day for sure. The second win was posted by the Girls 17 and under, also in a quarter mile event. Following the girls, came the Boys' 18 and under in a one-mile race. They had tough competition. OCC's next win, an endurance feat, was that of the Junior Men, who took first after wearing down the competition in their two mile race. The Juniors put on an outstanding display and won their race in the final quarter mile by a comfortable margin.



Boys 13 crew, first place winners, Oahu Championships: (l. to r.) Pat Ayau; Billy Bugbee; Nelson Richardson; Fred Noa, Jr.; Bruce Black; Pua Rochlen. T. Guard, photo.

BOYS 14

Marc Haine, Jim Bugbee, Robbie Brown. Aaron Kekoolani, Drea Kaaua, Peter Balding, Jr

OCC had two second place boats. Boys 13, who all but had the gold, it was so close. The OCC Junior Women. in fine condition, took a very close second place to Kailua. Third place was won by three crews: Men Novice

A. Freshmen Men in their best per-

formance of the year, and the Soph-

omore Women, who had the misfor-

tune to be hit by a "90 mile an hour

gust" in their far outside lane. They

had a clear lead until that time. Fourth

found Boys 12 A, Women Novice A,

and Boys 16. Other placings were:

Boy's 14, sixth; Women Novice B,

seventh; Men Novice B, eighth; and

Walter Brown, Scott McCormack, Lance

Cross, Don Machado, Gary Clarke, Chad

Pat Ayau, Billy Bugbee, Nelson Richardson,

Fred Noa, Jr., Bruce Black, Pua Rochlen,

Freshmen Women, ninth.

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Jack Hinds, Larry Langley, Brandon Espedal. Colin Chock, Bob Kashare, Chris Crabb.

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The Senior Men, who have given Outrigger its best senior performances in recent years, continued their winning streak, making it four straight for a total of five wins this season out of the seven Regattas. The primary competition for the Seniors this year has been from Lanikai Canoe Club and the State Regatta was no exception. It was a battle royal all the way with Outrigger gaining ground a bit on the turns. The final quarter mile was a battle of conditioning, and that's where OCC's Seniors had it. They bested Lanikai by a boat length at the finish line—an exciting and rewarding climax to the most successful Senior effort of the past few years.

In winning the prestigeous Senior event, the crew broke a tie of 35 points with Lanikai Canoe Club. The big eight points gave OCC a final tally of forty-three points for No. 2 position.

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The 1974 season comes to a close with a hearty thanks to coach Mark Buck assisted by Walter Guild, Tom Conner, and Brant Ackerman. Special thanks go to the ever-present Commissary Director, Food and Beverage man, Bill Cook and his able assistants, Cline Mann and Buster Chapman. The Canoe Committee always provided the necessary creature comforts and excellent equipment, especially our three superb Koa canoes, the Leilani, Kakina and Paoa.