



## **2014 OCC Athletic Committee Annual Report**

The 2014 OCC Athletic Committee consisted of eleven (11) sports and fitness subcommittees.

Our 2014 subcommittee chairs were: Keahi Pelayo (Canoe Racing), Alan Lau and Rick Humphries (Volleyball), Joe Kindrich (Surfing), Brad Theissen (Fishing & Boating), Todd Iocovelli (Swimming), Katy Bourne (Running), Phil Sevier (Golf), Mike Nakano (OC-1/Surfski), Scott Gamble and Kimo Greenwell (Paddleboard), Dolan Eversole (Beach & Water Safety), and George Norcross (Fitness Center). On behalf of OCC, we extend a sincere “Mahalo” for their service during the year.

All subcommittee chairs coordinated activities within their approved operating budgets, and our OCC athletes competed aggressively and produced respectable results.

The Canoe Racing subcommittee continues to support our largest contingent of participating members, both youth and adult. The Athletic Membership program was renewed in 2014 as a way to continue to increase competitiveness, and there were some memorable highlights. For Regatta season, OCC had 33 crews qualify for States with seven of them winning the gold. OCC also competed aggressively in distance season. The first Men's Open crew finished 9<sup>th</sup> overall in the Moloka'i Hoe (5<sup>th</sup> Hawaiian team). Second Men's crew raced in Koa and finished 26<sup>th</sup> overall (1<sup>st</sup> in Koa). And the Juniors were 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Junior division. The OCC first Women's Open crew finished 4<sup>th</sup> overall in the Na Wahine O Ke Kai (the best OCC finish since 2005), and the Masters 50's Women took home the Gold with a first place finish in their division.

It's also important to note the OCC canoe racing program maintained a proud tradition of honoring the military, with a special military event during the MacFarlane Regatta on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. All branches of the U.S. military were represented.

The Volleyball subcommittee continued to do a great job developing the youth players, both indoors and on sand. The Junior 'Riggers earned bids to the USA Junior National Championships and performed well against the top seeds there.

The Surfing subcommittee held the annual OCC surf contest on July 19<sup>th</sup>, which had 52 entrants and 12 events. OCC is definitely keeping the sport of surfing alive. The Junior Surfer of the Year awards went to Ke'ea Lum and Mahina Akaka.

The OC-1/Kayak subcommittee awarded Molokai race subsidies to eight members, which was based on meeting the pre-established requirements of competing in four local races and at least one channel race. The subsidies are intended to foster member participation in Molokai solo craft races.

The Paddleboard subcommittee hosted the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Cline Mann race on July 12<sup>th</sup>. The long course (17 miles) was won by Kurt Charlton; the prone paddleboard winner was Kurt Lager, and Scott Gamble was once again the winner of the short course.

The Beach & Water Safety subcommittee continues to guide junior members, as well as adults, through the annual Ko'Kainalu Jr. Lifeguard program, and capably support new activities and clinics. Special thanks to Don Issacs and Dolan Eversole for the success with the Ko'Kainalu program.

The Running subcommittee continued to participate and finish well in the Hana Relay and Swamp Romp. The subcommittee also maintained a monthly running/hiking adventure that is quite popular with the membership.

Our OCC Golf subcommittee scheduled well-attended monthly golf outings. The OCC golfers experience a variety of Oahu's fine courses, and always strive for a "bogey free" round.

Fishing & Boating hosted OCC's fourth Annual Fishing Tournament in 2014. As is customary now, prizes are awarded for the largest mahi and the largest tuna.

The Swimming subcommittee successfully hosted the annual OCC Invitational on May 10<sup>th</sup> with a field of 134 swimmers for the 1.1 mile race. The first Outrigger member to finish was 13 year old Ethan Bosworth!

During 2014, the Fitness subcommittee continued initiatives on equipment repairs and upgrades, as well as fitness classes. A variety of exercise programs aimed at improving overall health and fitness continue to be available to members.

We extend a special mahalo to our outgoing Chair, Keahi Pelayo, for his significant time, effort, and commitment to OCC's canoe racing program, and all of the volunteer coaches for their dedication and passion.

As always, we thank the members of Outrigger Canoe Club for your patience and understanding during the spring and summer when the expansive paddling program challenges the capacity of the club staff and facilities. On behalf of the Athletic Committees, coaches and athletes, we'd like to thank you for your generous financial support during the past season and for your continued commitment to the future of our sports programs.

The Athletic Committee would also like to recognize the OCC Maintenance and Beach & Water Safety staff, and all OCC employees for their hard work and ongoing support of all OCC athletic endeavors. We thank our Coordinating Directors, Brad Totherow and Rob Durkin, for their guidance and passion; Gary Oliviera, Joyce Nobriga, JoAnne Huber, Don Isaacs, Sam Clemens, and all of the other extraordinary OCC staff for their cooperation and support.

Mahalo,  
Al Darling, Outgoing Club Captain