

To: President, Directors, and Members of the Outrigger Canoe Club

From: **Peter Balding**, Club Captain

Re: Athletic Committee Annual Report

1968 was an outstanding year for athletics at the Outrigger Canoe Club. There was tremendous participation by the membership and major victories were scored by Club members. I will briefly recap the year.

Volleyball—1968 marked the finest year in the history of the Club in our volleyball program. Our 6-man hard court team won all the tournaments in the state including the State Championship and the Haili Tournament in Hilo.

In May the team traveled to Seattle and won the AAU Championship. A week later in Portland at the National Volleyball Championships, Outrigger teams captured 2nd places in both the open and masters divisions. Because of their outstanding performances, four club members were selected for the Olympic tryouts at Lake Tahoe. All four members made the 1968 Olympic team, and **Tom Haine** was selected captain—one of the highest honors obtainable in volleyball.

Throughout the year Club members also won all the major hard court and sand court doubles tournaments. This was truly an outstanding year in volleyball.

Canoeing—Our canoe paddling program, which provides active participation for nearly 150 members throughout the year, also had a very successful year. Our crews won the Oahu Championships and placed 2nd in all the other major regattas. In the Walter Macfarlane Memorial Regatta on July 4th our senior crew won the blue ribbon event.

In the new organized Lanikai to Waikiki race our senior crew placed first and were followed by our very enthusiastic junior crew in fourth place.

Then, to highlight the season, our Outrigger crew won the Annual Molokai to Oahu race in record-breaking time.

Surfing—Surfing again had a very active year and Club representatives were sent to Lima, Peru, Huntington Beach and Puerto Rico. At the World Surfing Championships in Puerto Rico, **Fred Hemmings, Jr.** was crowned World Champion, the highest award in surfing.

During the summer, our surfing committee held the Club championships. This meet attracted approximately 60 junior, senior and women members.

In the fall, an Outrigger Surfing team was organized. The team participated in the Makaha International Championships, and club members **Joey Cabell** and **Fred Hemmings, Jr.** placed first and second, respectively, in the senior men's division. In the junior division new member **Keone Downing** won first place honors. Because of their great performances, the Outrigger was awarded the Team Trophy.

Other outstanding achievements in surfing included **Fred Hemmings, Jr.'s** 3rd place victory in the Duke Meet, and **Aka Hemmings'** first place victory in the stock division of the Diamond Head race on Christmas Day.

Trap and Skeet—Members participating in trap and skeet shooting had a very active year with approximately six monthly outings. The year was climaxed in November with the Annual Turkey Shoot, in which winners in all divisions won turkeys.

Members who are interested in trap and skeet shooting are urged to turn out now, and practice for the upcoming Club Championships in May.

Tennis—The tennis committee staged two tournaments last year and approximately 75 members participated. Tennis is definitely on the upswing and there are hopes of adding a third tournament weekend to this year's schedule.

In addition to these activities, there was also active participation in sailing, mountainball, running, and our beach and water safety programs.

New programs which we hope to organize in 1969 include water polo and golf.

The 2nd Annual Awards Banquet was held at the Club on February 3. At this time 200 or more Club athletes were honored. The highest Club award for outstanding contribution to the Club's athletic programs, the "Winged O," was presented to **Fred Hemmings, Jr.** and **Jerry Ober**. Other recipients of this award in the past include **Duke Kahanamoku, Tom Haine, Tommy Arnott, Ron Sorrell, Mark Buck, Cline Mann, Albert Lemes** and **Wally Young**.

At this time, I would like to thank the staff of the **Forecast** for their excellent coverage of all athletic activities. Also, I would like to thank all the committee charimen, and the coaches and their assistants for a job well done.

In conclusion, I would like to say that the Outrigger's support of its athletic programs has been tremendous. Through this support members have brought local, national, and international recognition and glory to the Outrigger. All of us should be proud to be members of this fine athletic club.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Balding
Club Captain

To: The President, Directors and Members

From: **Dennis E. W. O'Connor**, Secretary

Re: Secretary's Annual Report

The Board of Directors of the Outrigger Canoe Club have met regularly during 1968 on the last Thursday of each month. The minutes of each of these meetings have been duly recorded and are on file in the Club office. Additionally, the executive committee of the Outrigger has met on a regular basis at least once a month during 1968. Minutes have been kept of these meetings and they, too, are on file in the Club office.

The Board of Directors for 1968 has consisted of **Howard H. Goss, Donald Avery, Ernest H. Thomas, Dennis E. W. O'Connor, George A. Cook, D. Campbell Ross, John Cline Mann, D. Leith Anderson, Thomas Arnott, Robert I. Bush, Thad Wayne Ekstrand, Thomas Haine, James H. Hakuole, William Kea** and **Dr. William Parker**. Attendance of these directors at both board meetings and at executive committee meetings has been excellent, and participation has been extremely vigorous.

The total active membership count as of December 31, 1968 was 2,248. Additionally, the Club had 606 inactive members as of that date. This total reflects an overall gain in all classes of membership during the calendar year 1968, of 139. This figure reflects a smaller increase in total membership than in any recent year. The total gain in 1967 was 183.

During 1968 a total of 262 active members were admitted to the Club and during the same period, I am sorry to report, that a total of 18 of our active members and 8 of our inactive members terminated their association with the Outrigger by death. During the year 86 members resigned, 28 had their membership cancelled and one member was suspended. A more thorough analysis of the membership changes during the calendar year 1967 is appended to this report as Supplement "A".

Several years ago the Board of Directors placed a limit on all categories of memberships. The only two categories which are now filled up to the limit are the non-resident and Island membership classes.

Respectfully submitted,
Dennis E. W. O'Connor
Secretary