

Jimmy Dean Wins Open-Ocean Swim

OCC hosted the Waikiki Swim Club on July 5 for the third annual "challenging" two-mile open-ocean swim. There were 69 entries. Swimmers and escorts enjoyed good weather, some current (!), and a beach brunch following the event.

Because Waikiki Swim Club is organized solely for swimming and competes creditably on the Mainland, it is not surprising that they outnumbered and outcompeted the OCC swimmers. However, our own Jimmy Dean captured first place over-all in a time of 51:20.

At the other end of the spectrum was W.S.C.'s Wally Laury, age 79 (yes, 79) who finished in 2.51:00. Even though it took him two hours longer, "Wally has lots of courage and stamina, and never gives up," according to Jim Howe, OCC member who escorted him on a paddleboard. Let's hope we're all in that shape with that kind of courage at 79.

Thanks go to the escorts for the day. In addition to Howe, paddlers were Grant Senner, Alan Emberson, Steve Somers. In canoes were Gerri Pedesky, Diane Guild, Joan Kaaua, Tom Reiner, Molly Anderson, Matt Anderson, Linc Scafe. Frank Walton was starter, time-keeper, scorer—terrific job, Frank. Course directors were Cline Mann and Wayne Faulkner.

Swim Committee members Gerry DeBenedetti and Ian Emberson extend Mahalos to all of those who helped, and invite more OCC participation for our next events, the Waikiki Roughwater on Sept. 7 and the Castle Swim on Nov. 29.

Complete results are available at the swim bulletin board near the locker rooms.