Paddleboard Committee Brings Back Summer Surf Race

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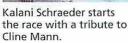
Christian and Todd

Bradley

Mitch Degues and



Mike Cote







Raymond Justice and Drew Watumull

Ian Masterson and Brad Akeo

Reviving an old OCC tradition of the summer paddleboard surf race, the 2013 "Scratch Fest" Surf Relay Race in honor of Cline Mann went off without a hitch on Saturday, June 1. Scratchers and spectators alike gathered under blue skies for this family fun event sponsored by the OCC Paddleboard Committee.

A buoy was expertly set by Dolan Eversole outside of Old Man Bowl and each team of two needed to complete four relay laps in strenuous conditions.

The field was littered with famous names like, Balding, Kelley, Watumull, Brown, Cote', Akeo, Bradley, Lum, Ginella and Haine. Competitive juices flowed as participants anxiously awaited the traditional emptying of the Budweiser in honor of Cline, signaling the start of the heat races.

The young upstart grom team of Drew Watumull and Raymond Justice took top honors in the Junior Division and won a pair of Contour Cameras for their heroic efforts.

Todd and Christian Bradley came away victorious in the Same Last Name Division despite a 10 second penalty assessed for Dad violating race rules and cutting the windsock.

Representing Ku'au on the east side, the team of Brad Akeo and Ian 'Akahi Masterson scratched across the finish line first to capture the Under 75 title, just edging out the veteran team of Thorndike and Quinn.



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Young guns Mikey Cote' and Mitch Degues displayed the "show up blow up" spirit and handily topped the premier Older than 75 division.

Kisi Haine easily won the "Wave of the Day" award as we would expect nothing less from a Haine.

This grass roots effort was made possible by all who participated as well as the tireless efforts and dedication of Kristin and Jared Watumull, Robby Kelley, Surfer Joe Teipel, Marilyn Kali, OCC Beach Services, the catering staff and management. Until next year, Mahalo and a hui hou!

Summer Scratch Fest June 1, 2013 Results

Under 18

- 1. Drew Watumull and Raymond Justice
- Pono Fujitani and Ke'ea Lum 2.
- Elsa Kronen and Cable Kronen 3.

Same Last Name

- 1. Christian and Todd Bradley
- 2. Peter and Trey Balding
- 3. Peter and Peter Jr Cross
- Robbie and Chuck Kelley 4.
- 5. Sean and John Ginella
- 6. Zadoc and Hayden Brown

Total Combined Ages Under 75

- 1. Mike Cote and Mitch Degues
- 2. Chris and Brendan Bradley
- Peter and Peter Jr Cross 3.
- 4. Robby Solmssen and Andrew Reenders

Total Combined Ages Over 75

- 1. Ian Masterson and Brad Akeo
- 2. Blair Thorndike and Greg Quinn
- Dolan Eversole and Greg Wunderlich 3.
- Todd Bradley and Jason Stamson 4.
- Sue Steinemann and Jack Kronen 5.