

2nd Annual OCC

Paddle Board Race

For the second year under OCC sponsorship, the traditional Diamond Head Paddle Board Race was held on Christmas Day under perfect sea and weather conditions. Repeat winner, both overall and in the open division, was Kiki Spangler in a record time of 1 hour and 33 seconds, beating his '74 time by 8 minutes, 51 seconds. Winner in the stock class was Bret Goodfriend in 1:12:03; winner in the Malibu class, Bob Rocheleau in 1:30:11.

Fifteen racers started and 12 finished the 5.6-mile course, from the OCC beach to the channel flag, Diamond Head Buoy, Wreck Buoy, flag, and return to the OCC beach. Because of fine conditions, times were generally better than in 1974.

There were two excitingly close races. Mike Fox shaded last year's stock class winner by a mere 17 seconds, and Francis Burgess beat out Robbie Muller in the Malibu class by only 34 seconds. At a friendly refreshment table on the Hau Terrace, trophies were awarded to the first three to finish in each class, except in the open class where only two racing boards competed.

It is the intent of the Club to encourage the building of many new stock boards both within the OCC and the community so as to promote this event. Also it is hoped that many new surfing members will enter in the Malibu class.

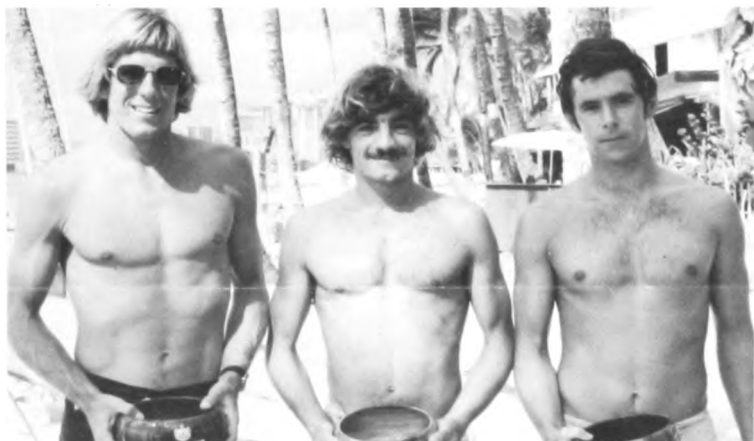
Race officials were Fred Hemmings, Jr., Cline Mann, Brant Ackerman and Beach Captain Wayne Faulkner.

Following is the list of finishers:

Overall Finish	Name	Class	Time
1	Kiki Spangler	Open	1:00:33
2	*Kainoa Downing	Open	1:11:19
3	*Bret Goodfriend	Stock	1:12:03
4	*Mike Fox	Stock	1:16:29
5	*Dale Hope	Stock	1:16:46
6	Aka Hemmings	Stock	1:21:37
7	Bob Rocheleau	Malibu	1:30:11
8	Francis Burgess	Malibu	1:35:02
9	*Robbie Muller	Malibu	1:35:36
10	Leigh Josephson	Malibu	1:42:15
11	Loyd Meissenburg	Malibu	1:48:25
12	*John Hedlund	Malibu	2:02:02

*OCC Member

Stock Class winners (l/r): Bret Goodfriend, 1st; Mike Fox, 2nd; Dale Hope, 3rd. Photo Scoop



The three first place winners (l/r): Kiki Spangler (Open); Bret Goodfriend (Stock); Bob Rocheleau (Malibu). Photo Scoop

Malibu Class winners (l/r): Bob Rocheleau, 1st; Francis Burgess, 2nd; Robbie Muller, 3rd. Photo Scoop

