

Many Surfing Activities for Summer

By Terri Fields

Junior surf team members continue to take away first place finishes in the Hawaiian Amateur Surfing Association (HASA) meets. In the most recent event, held March 31 – April 1, at Diamond Head, 18 year-old Keegan Edwards and 14 year-old Amy Lawson successfully made their way through the qualifying heats and finished first in their final heats.

Keegan surfed in the Men's Longboard Division and Amy competed in the Girls Short board (17 years and under) Division. It should be mentioned that Amy out surfed several well-known, older girls.

Amy, an 8th grader at Iolani School, has consistently been placing high in the events in which she has competed. She placed 2nd in HASA event #1 (short board division) and 5th place in the long board division. She placed 3rd in the long board division of HASA event #7 and 5th in the long board division. She earned 2nd place in the Town & Country Grom contest held at Queens in the summer of 2000. She also placed 1st in short board and 1st in long board in the Faith Riding contest, Fall 2000.

In addition to her accomplishments in surfing, Amy plays soccer and water polo for Iolani and somehow manages to have time to paddle for the Outrigger, play viola for the Iolani orchestra, and play competitive soccer. Many congratulations, Amy!

Keegan has been dominating the Men's Longboard Division of HASA during the 2000-2001 season. He has earned three first place finishes, two second place finishes and one third place finish in the Men's Longboard Division this season.

His first place win in event #9, held at Haleiwa, was especially noteworthy in that it was held in 6 to 8 foot north shore surf. Keegan has also consistently earned 1st through 3rd place finishes in the National Scholastic Surfing Association events he has entered as well. Keegan plans to finish competing in this year's amateur circuit and then plans to go on the ASP Longboard World Tour as a professional Longboard surfer. This will be the first year that an official tour has been organized for long boarders. Congratulations and good luck, Keegan!

Summer Surfing Activities at OCC

Mark your calendars for the following surfing activities scheduled for the summer by the surfing committee.

Saturday Summer Surf Sessions

Saturdays, June 9 - July 28, 8:30 - 10 a.m.

Want to learn to surf or improve your skills? Join experienced surfers to learn the basics and how to be safe and have fun while surfing at surf spots next to the Club. Sign up as boards and group size is limited. Free.

Hans Hedemann/OCC Surf Camp

Monday, July 30 - Friday, August 3rd, 9-11:30 a.m.

A fun-filled, intensive week of group surfing lessons, taught by trained, professional surfers from the Hans Hedemann Surf School. Lessons are grouped according to age and skill level. Surfing instructions are oriented to the complete novice to intermediate surf skill levels. Participants meet at the Club and surf at the Tonggs surf spot near the Club.

Join your friends and improve your surfing! Boards provided as part of camp. Fee: \$250 for 12.5 hours of instruction in week-long camp.

Surf Safari

Monday, August 6 - Friday, August 10

Adventure to your own selected surf spots and avoid the crowds. Travel along the South Shore with your friends on a 44-foot sailing canoe and anchor in front of hard to reach surf breaks. Intermediate surfing skill level and above.

Bring your own boards. Fee: \$20 per half day (9 a.m.-Noon). Or surfers may choose a full day for \$35 (9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.) which includes a break at the Club for lunch. Participants must bring own lunch or purchase at Snack Shop. There will be a surf movie at the end of the day.

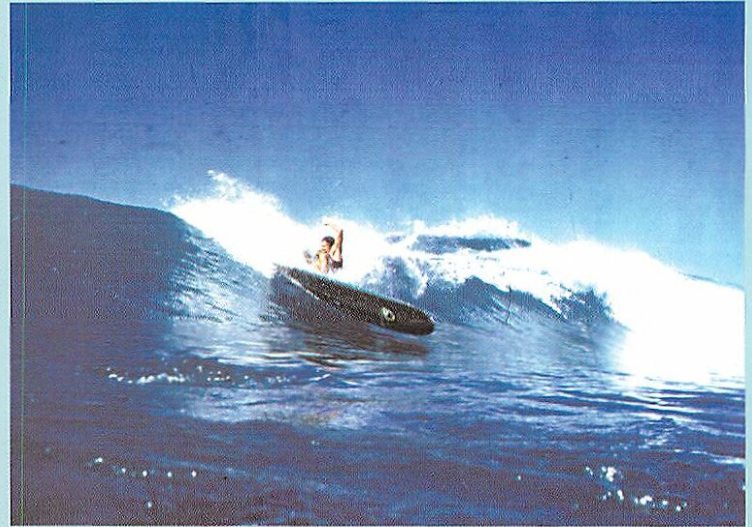
OCC Surf Contest

First Saturday during the summer with waves at Old Man's surf spot, all day.

Join us for a fun and surf-filled day of surfing in the Club's Annual Surf Contest. Divisions include: keiki, junior, men, women, masters, and canoe surfing. Sign up on the registration lists posted in the locker rooms. Participants will be notified by phone when the contest is scheduled, so it is important to sign up if you wish to participate.

Surf Movie Night

August (TBA). Enjoy an evening of surf movies shown on a giant screen with wrap-around sound.



Keegan Edwards



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