

Blessing Held For New Fiberglass Canoe, Moana

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OCC welcomed its newest canoe, a state-of-the-art fiberglass design known as the Force Five, at an afternoon ceremony on the Club beach, Saturday, July 1.

The brief and moving blessing was held as paddlers, members, representatives of the Board of Directors, and Walter Guild, past Club President and builder of the canoe, linked hands.

Before a sparkling, sun-dappled ocean—its namesake—the canoe was given the name MOANA. Three days later, the canoe showed its mettle in its very first race by carrying Outrigger crews to victory in the Macfarlane Regatta. ☪



Members gather on the beach following the blessing of the new Moana canoe.