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1969	John Lutz		Kevin Wessell
1970	Michael Miller		
1971	Paul King		
1972	John Wessell		
1973	Kevin Wessell		

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The *Manu Ula* crew races toward the finish line in the 2016 Na Wahine O Ke Kai.
Photo by Twain Newhart.

Na Wahine O Ke Kai: "It Doesn't Hurt, You Love This"

By Natasha Haine



Finishing second in this year's Na Wahine O Ke Kai race were: Jennifer Rammes, Jennifer Fratzke, Natasha Haine, Shannon O'Neill, Angela Dolan, Britta Bourne, Mary Smolenski, Tracy Phillips, Amy Lawson Woodward, Kahala Schneider.



ABOVE: The OCC women were thrilled to be treated to a glass of champagne and lunch after they returned to the Club after the race: Tracy Phillips, Amy Lawson Woodward, Jennifer Rammes, Mary Smolenski, Natasha Haine, Angela Dolan, Kahala Schneider, Britta Bourne, Jennifer Fratzke. Not pictured: Jennifer O'Neill.



RIGHT: Britta Bourne and Natasha Haine have a hug for Britta's mom, Katy, who was on OCC's winning Na Wahine crews in 1984 and 1985 with Natasha's mom, Sandra Stanley Haine, and Tracy Phillips.

We got 10 years older on September 25. That's in six-man Molokai years.

When you tally up the Molokai channel crossings of our team: coach Tracy Phillips, 31 (she won Na Wahine with my mom in 1984 and 1985); Mary Smolenski, 25; Jen Rammes, 9; Angie Dolan, 4; Amy Lawson Woodward, 3; Britta Bourne, Jennifer Fratzke and me, 2; and Kahala Schneider and Shannon O'Neill, 1; we are 80 years young.

And not to get all mathematical, but if you delete the outliers that's an average of three years of experience apiece, going up against an all-star team with far more years of combined experience and incredible ocean knowledge and wins under their belt.

With States and last year's Molokai being cancelled we really had no idea how we would hold up against the other teams, especially with our new stroke. We started the distance season off strong with two second place finishes, but still behind Team Bradley, closing the gap each race. So with confidence, we set our sights on first place and off we went.

Winning would have been amazing but third would have been devastating for us, and losing to coach Johnny Puakea's "other girls", Team Dana Point, was not an option.

To get through these races I believe that lying to yourself is critical to success. I tell myself no matter what the conditions are it is only a five hour race, a quick flight to California, so I was actually quite surprised to find out that we had pushed past six hours: 6:11:46 to be exact to Team Bradley's 6:05:34 first place finish.

I had some injuries I had been going to physical therapy for, so I kept telling myself if a football player can play with broken bones, you can paddle through your pain, "it doesn't hurt, you love this."

I attribute part of my success to being on "Ins' Amy" Lawson Woodward's escort team, as she works to accomplish her life bucket list goal of crossing the Molokai Channel on every

man powered vessel. Together in the past two years I have watched her do five channel crossings (non six-man), insane right? I have learned that it is possible, that the island really does get bigger, that you can push through mental and physical pain, and if she could do it so could I.

The actual crossing had sloshy water, but it was breezy with cloud coverage, amen. It's really all I hope for when race day comes. Some people ask for waves, I ask for rain, clouds and wind. Heat management is a huge priority for me, as us Haines' are a hot bunch, so before each change I stuff my hat with ice so it can melt down my head as I paddle. Amy has another approach you can ask her about.

Angie's husband, Pat Dolan, showed up on his surfski, watching him wind off to keep up with us made me laugh since we were working so hard just to move forward, but his calm words of encouragement were so appreciated. Everyone out there with us, Jimmy Austin, Bill Pratt, Pam Davis, our coaches, our parents, our past and present teammates, all motivated us to get to that finish line. It really does take a village.

Our Outrigger men's crew and family and friends were there waiting for us, as we rolled up on shore at Duke Kahanamoku Beach with our unique tan lines from all the tape holding our bodies together, muscle soreness, sea sickness and tears of joy. We did it...again, and for the first time for two of our girls and two in our Koa.

My team told me I could only write this piece if I told the truth and openly admitted that I am obsessed with paddling and I actually enjoy racing. I think I am, really just now, admitting that to myself and coming to terms with the fact that I have already thought about Molokai 2017 and that winning this thing with these amazing women is possible.

Sometimes it is hard to admit you love something that requires so much time, energy and hard work. But when you think about it, the love for it has to be the only reason you keep doing it. So there it is folks, I love paddling, I think.

Koa Crew Wins Division Gold in 2016 Na Wahine O Ke Kai

By Malia Boyd



OCC's *Kaina* crew included: Maggie Parks, Possie Badham, Malia Gacutan, Marie Martel, Colleen Hall, Jennifer Kilpatrick, Malia Boyd, Karin Hansen Del Rey, Hilary Denison, Paula Crabb.



Steerswomen Malia Gacutan and Paula Crabb, relax at the Club after the race.



The *Kaina* crew won the Koa Division.

As the Molokai morning sun broke orange and pink into the eyes of the women in Outrigger's Koa crew in Hale O Lono Harbor, optimism dawned with it. They had been preparing for this moment since December 2015, when coaches Johnny Puakea and Tracy Phillips introduced a new stroke modeled on the Tahitian men's stroke.

Those long months of effort had come down to this day, the 38th Annual Na Wahine O Ke Kai. The women felt hungry and ready as they heaved their koa canoe, *Kaina*, onto their shoulders and walked her to the water.

At first glance, these 10 women were not a slam dunk to win their division: eight of them were over 40. Two of them had never crossed the channel before. Their relief steerswoman Malia Gacutan, at 17 years old, was not even old enough to vote; while their main steerswoman Paula Crabb was just a year short of being able to qualify for all sorts of, shall we say, age-related discounts. And some viewed their canoe as only the *second* best for the job (*Leilani* was in the shop).

Yet as the women would find that season, and that day in particular, there is no accounting for the strange and wonderful alchemy that often makes a crew and a boat so much more than the sum of its parts.

Unlike the previous year when towering surf and howling winds cancelled the race, 2016's channel was to be benevolent: three to six foot swells, favorable trades and a good tide. Yet Mother Nature wasn't in the mood to comply with the forecast: poor surf and a preternaturally strong current near Oahu lead to a significantly longer and more difficult crossing than predicted. While the winning crew crossed in just over six hours, the final crew took a muscle-munching 8:36 to pass the line.

Yet the lucky ladies of the *Kaina* had a few secret weapons to aid them for the grueling second half of that race, not the least of which was steersman Crabb, a Molokai champion who had raced in all but three of the Na Wahines ever held.

Her intrinsic feel for what was right in the channel, dovetailed well with the GPS technology in the escort boat being analyzed by AnnMarie Mizuno and Liz Perry, who also served as the crew's tough but loving race coach. Rounding out the escort power trio was Tom McTigue, an expert driver who gave long drops, occasional sled rides, and comic relief.

But the surprise asset ended up being the youngest paddler, Gacutan; she started the race then followed it with the first double; she sat in every single seat over the course of the race, and she steered her pieces with aplomb.

However, as anyone will tell you, one or two paddlers and great coaches do not an undefeated crew make. For that, you need 10 women just as interested in harmonizing with each other as with the ocean; just as committed to their collective well-being as their collective wins, and just as open to having endless aloha for each other as they do for their sport. And this year, the OCC Women's Koa crew was lucky enough to have all of that.

New Athletic Controller

Shannon Pelkey has been hired for the newly created position of *Athletic Controller* at OCC. President Fred Noa, Jr. states: "Over the last several years, the Club has been moving to a new business model, in which accountability and professionalism are critical. We have always been a volunteer-driven Club and I don't see that changing. Our committees and coaches will continue to lead their programs as they always have. The new *Athletic Controller* will assist management and volunteers in several key areas to provide accountability and maintenance protocols that we need and the support the volunteers require."



Shannon brings extensive experience to the position. She was a collegiate athlete and has coached for over 20 years. Prior to joining the *Outrigger Canoe Club*, she worked at *Le Jardin Academy*, as the *Assistant Program Director and Business Manager* for the soccer academy club program. It was there that Shannon found her niche in *Athletic Administration*. She oversaw the budget, the programs, and worked with volunteers in both day to day operations and special events. She possesses an undergraduate degree in *Exercise Science*, from *Seattle Pacific University*, and a Master's degree in *Kinesiology Rehabilitation Science (KRS)*, from the *University of Hawaii*. She is also a *Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist* through the *National Strength and Conditioning Association (NSCA)* and a *Level I USA Weightlifting* coach.

Her duties will include overseeing the *Beach Services* department, the *Fitness Center* and the seven subcommittees that make up the *Athletic Committee*. Among other things, she will be developing an overall athletic budget, manage travel for canoe racing and volleyball, coordinate initiatives for keeping the Ala Wai practice site in good condition and create maintenance programs for our equipment so our athletic assets are kept in better working order and readily available to our members. She will also be working aside our maintenance team to make sure the club's warehouse space is organized, clean and well-utilized. Shannon will be working closely with all of our member volunteers to strengthen our programs and improve communications within the athletic programs. She will report directly to the General Manager/COO.

Shannon grew up in Seattle, Washington and has lived in Honolulu for the past 9 years with her husband and two children ages 15 and 18. She is excited to be a part of the OCC ohana.

New Year's Eve Party with a Touch of Cuba

Celebrate the New Year at the 2016 New Year's Eve dinner and party!

We'll have gaming, prizes, terrific food and cocktails. Come to dinner and stay for the party or just attend the party. Dinner is at 7 PM in the Koa Lanai.

The cost for the **dinner and party is \$200++** per person.

The **party only is \$100++** and starts at **9 PM**. It includes generous pupu, gaming, music, beverage offerings and more.

Saturday, December 31, 2016.
Reservations at 921-1444.



Upcoming Events

Historical Committee Presents:

"The Hawaiian Room" Film and discussion with producer Ann Marie Kirk and some of the original performers in New York City's Hawaiian Room between 1932 & 1966.

November 14th, 5:30 PM, Koa Lanai
\$22.50. Reservations at the Front Desk

Foxen Wine Dinner

Friday, **November 18th** Dick Doré, co-founder of Foxen Vineyards joins us for the last Wine Dinner of the year. Limited Seating. \$125++
Koa Lanai, 6 PM Reservations 921-1444

Thanksgiving Buffet

Thursday, **November 24th**

An annual tradition for family and friends.

Seating in the *Koa Lanai & Hau Terrace*

For reservations (required) phone 921-1444.

Senior 'Riggers Christmas Party

Friday, **December 2nd**

Koa Lanai, 11:30 AM

Reservations 921-1444

Keiki Christmas Party

Saturday, **December 3rd**

Free for Member's children under 12 and two adults per family. Additional persons are \$10 each. Saturday, December 3, 11 AM – 2 PM. For permanent members only. No guest or reciprocal members.

Christmas Eve Buffet

Saturday, **December 24th**

Christmas Night Buffet

Sunday, **December 25th**

Enjoy a lavish OCC Buffet for Christmas.

December 24th and 25th. *Koa Lanai &*

Hau Terrace

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Member's Open House

Sunday, **December 25th**

1 PM – 3 PM

Please note: *For permanent members and their spouse or significant other only. Please, no guests, children, or other family who are not members. No reciprocal members.*

Check-in required.

New Year's Eve Party

Saturday, **December 31st**

The party of the year is back! Reservations at 921-1444.

John McMahon Junior Surfer of Year: Hobey Moss

By Joe Cindrich

It was too bad we didn't have favorable conditions this year for a Surf Contest but we do have exciting news to announce; our John McMahon Junior Surfer of the Year award.

As a committee, we select an awardee based upon the nominee's global performance and character, both in and outside the Club. We are also blessed to have Jimmy McMahon on the committee to help assist with this prestigious and perpetual award.

This year's recipient was unanimous and we hereby announce Hobey Moss as the Surfer of the Year!

Hobey has two pages of surf and waterman accolades and we'll just highlight a few:

- 2015 OCC Surf Contest: 1st Place in his division
- 2015 KIRA Cold Pack Classic SUP: 1st Place
- 2016 OCC Scratchfest Paddleboard Race: 1st Place Junior Division
- 2016 Maui Jim Oceanfest: 2nd Place Junior Division
- 2016 China Uemura Longboard Surf Contest: 2nd Place overall
- 2016 KIRA Race No. 8: 1st Place SUP 14', Stock Division, 3rd Place overall
- 2016 Rell Sunn Menehune Surf Contest: 1st Place Shortboard
- 2016 Na Kama Kai Youth SUP Surf Contest: 2nd Place

On a personal note, I was surfing out at the Sandbar earlier this Summer and saw Hobey out there. He is one of the most respectable, experienced and knowledgeable surfers out there. He has my highest respect.

I was announcing the 2015 OCC Surf Contest with Hobey's heat in the water and all I can remember was calling his name over and over again as he kept catching waves and surfing the heck out of them. Not only is Hobey an awesome surfer, he is an awesome young man.

Hobey surfs longboards, shortboards, SUPS and probably anything you put under his feet. He is truly deserving of this prestigious award and all congratulations go to Hobey Moss.

Hobey is an eighth grader at Mid Pacific Institute where he plays water polo on the intermediate team. He has played Club volleyball in the past for Spike and Serve. He last paddled for the Boys 13 crew with Hui Nalu, and races stand up paddle boards and prone paddle boards. He also enjoys stand up surfing, wind-surfing and sailing.



Jimmy McMahon, left, and Joe Cindrich, right, chair of the OCC Surfing Committee, presented Hobey Moss with the Junior Surfer of Year award named after Jimmy's dad, John McMahon.



Hobey shows his surfing form off Waikiki.

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Senior 'Riggers Book Club

The Senior 'Riggers Book Club will kick off on Friday, November 4 at 10 a.m. in the Duke Room with the discussion of the book *Fierce Heart* by Stuart Coleman. It is the story of Makaha surfing legend and ODKF Waterman Hall of Fame member Rell Sunn.

Leading the Book Club is member Gerry DeBenedetti, who also leads the highly popular Daughters of Hawaii Book Club.

Although offered by the Senior 'Riggers, the Book Club is open to all OCC members and their spouses.

The Book Club will meet on the first Friday of every month at 10 a.m.. At the first meeting, members will go over guidelines and select future titles. At each meeting the group will choose the book for two months out. Everyone will have a chance to be involved in selection, discussion and sharing.

The book selected for the December 2 meeting is *The Three-Year Swim Club* by Julie Checkoway. This is the story of the kids in the 1930s who learned to swim in the sugar water ditches.

Gerry suggests that members reserve the titles at the Hawaii State Library if they don't have a copy of the book.

If you have any questions, contact Gerry at gerthebear@hawaiiantel.net or 734-1189.

Senior 'Riggers Christmas Party

Friday, December 2
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Enjoying the Club Luau on October 1 were Mike Riger, Gay Yamagiwa, Ed and Jane Krauss.



John Lacy, Betty Ann Barnett.



Mary Quinn, Kent and Barbara Giles.



Seated: Don Machado. Standing: Mary Machado and their daughter Mary Machado-Schammel.



OCC President Fred Noa Jr. and wife Ginger.



Cliff and Tammy Montgomery and Joan and Perry White.



Seated: Joe and Jackson Giannasio, Cathy Joseph. Standing: Denny and Mary Fern.



Angie Lawrence, Kaipo Sarkissian, Lauren Draber.





Seated: Diane Barrett (Mrs. Dale), Ann Chrishall, Mary Ciacci. Standing: Steve and Nancy Stulik.



Seated: Karen Ehrman, Peter and Mary Balding Jr. Standing: Peter Ehrman, Alan and Carol Lau, Tom Pestolesi.



Paul and Daryn Gabriel.



Slack key guitarists Jeff Peterson and Kawika Kahiapo entertained during dinner.

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As the Terrace Turns

Members are invited to submit items for this column. Items should be sent to the Editor at occmag@aol.com or left at the Front Desk for the Editor. Items received by November 25 will appear in January's Outrigger magazine. Items received after November 25 will appear in February. Be sure to include your name and phone number in case additional information is needed. Please be sure to identify all people in photos.



Jett and Jori Jasper (brother and sister), two former UH student athletes followed the UH football team to Sydney, Australia for their opening game of the season.



Bob and Jocelyn Bradley pose at Pond Inlet on Baffin Island, Canada. The picture was taken on the Crystal Serenity during the North West Passage cruise, August to September. They traveled from Anchorage Alaska to New York City, NY via Canada and Greenland.



Two monk seals have been frequent guests to the Club beach recently. They nap on the sand and then roll out with the tide. Photo by Stephen Riede.



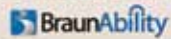
The Hawaii Mammal Alliance Response Team and volunteers are called when the seals arrive at the OCC beach. They include Brittany Arvizu, Nora Mejjide, Brenda Becker and Colleen Heyer.



Tiare Richert-Finney rides the Pipe Coaster at Revelstoke Mountain, Canada, B.C. The only ride of its kind in North America, the coaster is 915 feet of vertical drop at 30 mph. It's very, very thrilling, according to Tiare



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Bill Pratt, Fred Hemming and Duane De Soto pose with a Duke Kahanamoku surf board replica. Photo by Nora Meijide Gentry.



Poet Gentry celebrated his 4th birthday with a shave ice themed party on the North Shore with family and Outrigger friends.

Elected to the Outrigger Duke Kahanamoku Foundation Waterman Hall of Fame Class of 2016 were Bruce Blankenfeld, Sharron Weber, Paul Strauch and Diane Stowell. Receiving on behalf of Diane is her son Dean Stowell. Photo by Nora Meijide Gentry.



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Daddy Haine Volleyball Tournament

By Max Clini



ABOVE: The finalists for the Daddy Haine Tournament title were: Joe Hodick, Jim Hughman, DJ McInerney, Max Clini, Kawika Shoji, Ryan Wilcox, Erik Shoji and Shea Suzumoto.

RIGHT: Erik Shoji sets for Shea Suzumoto. Photo by Twain Newhart.



This summer began with great excitement in anticipation of the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio, Brazil. How fitting that two of our very own Outrigger players would return to the Club proudly displaying their Bronze Olympic Medals to play in the storied Daddy Haine Tournament.

Kawika and Erik Shoji, members of the U.S. National Team exemplify the essence of Hawaii volleyball: skilled, tough and humble. They have been great ambassadors of the game for years and their participation in the Daddy is just another way for them to share their knowledge and passion for the game with old and young players alike.

The day started off as is tradition with a prayer of inspiration given by Kisi Haine and the presentation of the Ambassador Award to Dennis Berg, father of Lindsey Berg, an Olympian herself and now Assistant Coach to Dave Shoji at the University of Hawaii.

Competition commenced early with absolutely gorgeous weather, despite of the threat of impending floods and high winds looming just a few hundred miles offshore courtesy of Tropical Storms Lester and Madeline. Thirteen talented teams squared off to start the day. Teams are made up of four players picked randomly from the Open, A, B and Setter 'buckets'.

The level of intensity and quality of play continued to

improve as the day progressed with epic battles among teams made up of both very young talented players still attending high school and not so young but very experienced veterans who have walked this journey on many occasions before.

In the end, the story book finals was set. The Shoji brothers and Olympic medalists once again squared off to compete for the much coveted Daddy Haine title and the opportunity to immortalize their name on the plaque affixed at the sand courts for generations to see.

Erik Shoji's squad jumped out to an early 3-1 start with the help of its young outside gun Ryan Wilcox. To say this team had good ball control would be a great understatement and getting the ball past their defense proved to be a very difficult task for most. Shea Suzumoto and DJ McInerney, both still in high school completed this young, explosive and extremely efficient team.

Kawika Shoji was not going to be rattled by a slow start however. His focus and willingness to win was palpable and his teammates fed off the energy. Through a series of imposing and experienced plays Kawika positioned his team to take a lead late in the game and never looked back. Kawika's support cast included Joe Hodick, Jim Hughman and Max Clini.



ABOVE: The Haine family celebrates Tom "Daddy" Haine every year with the Labor Day weekend tournament: Marc, Noa, Aria McComber, Kisi, Marilyn, Riley, Natasha Haine. Missing: Tom and Marilyn's other grandchildren, Reese Haine, Clay Stanley and Taeya Brown.

RIGHT: Kawika Shoji hits against the block of Ryan Wilcox. Photo by Twain Newhart.



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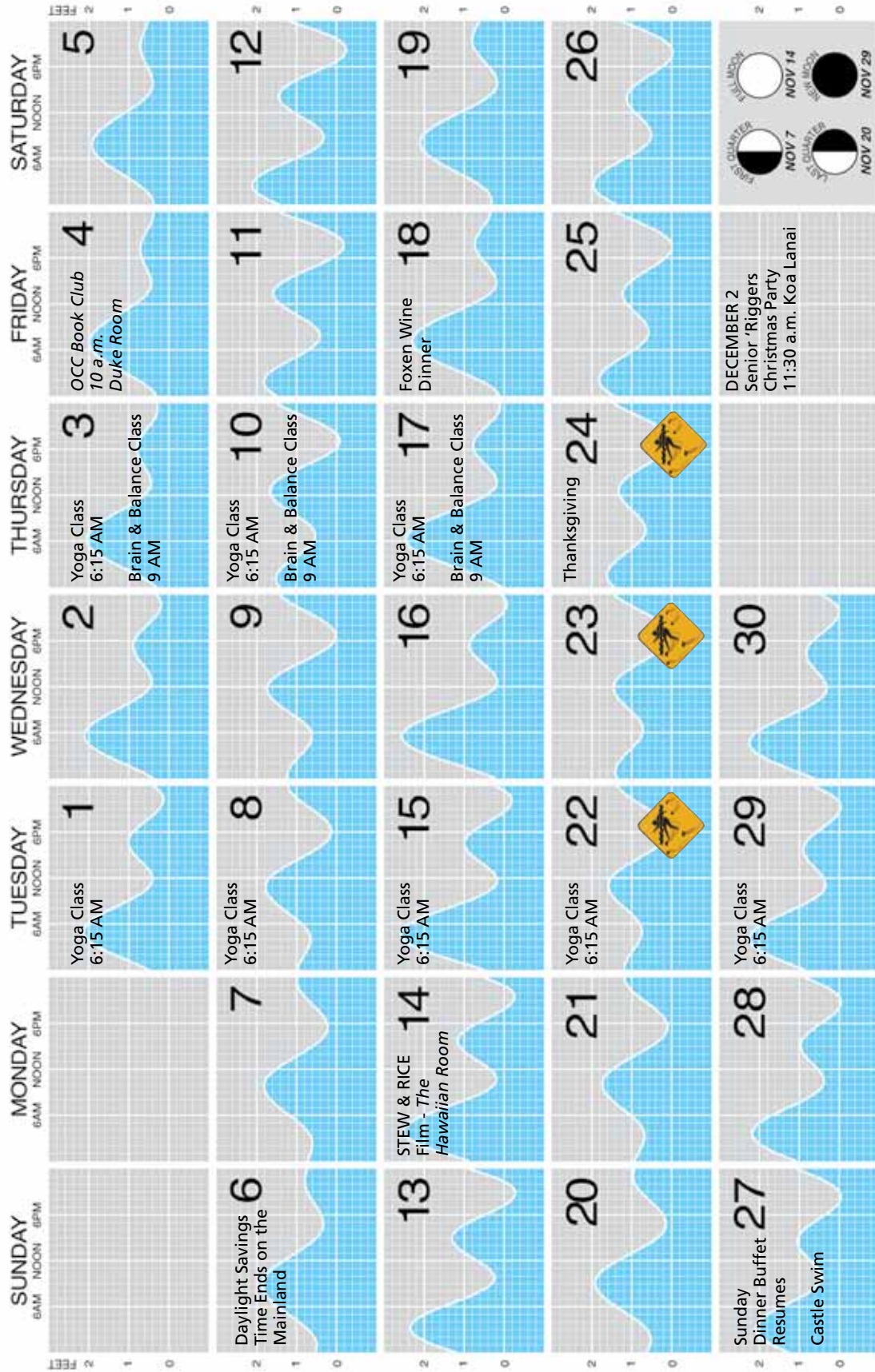
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 Stefan Reinke, 1st, M55-59, :21:00.4
 Jake Gaughan, 6th, M16-19, :21:39.1
 Bruce Sloan, 1st, M65-69, :24:07.6
 Ben Komer, 5th, M35-39, :24:18.3
 Diane Corn, 1st, W55-59, :25:10.7
 Uli Klinke, 1st, M70-74, :25:26.7
 Anne Perry, 2nd, W60-64, :29:51.2
 Brad Coates, 8th, M65-69, :30:35.7
 Kathy Quinn, 2nd, W70-74, :36:47.6
 Jim Zachary, 2nd, M80+, :42:54.7
 Don Eovino, 5th, M70-74, :43:06.4
 Blake Johnson, 1st, M75-79, :48:29.2

Waikiki Roughwater Swim

9/5/2016

Stefan Reinke, 1st, M55-59, 1:11:57
 Bruce Sloan, 1st, M65-69, 1:26:16
 Jake Gaughan, 4th, M15-16, 1:33:13
 Ben Komer, 9th, M35-39, 1:34:09
 Wilder Worrall, 5th, M15-16, 1:35:36
 Laurie Foster, 1st, W60-64, 1:47:04
 Anne Perry, 3rd, W60-64, 1:47:04
 Chris Worrall, 195h, M55-59, 1:55:21

Diane Corn, 4th, W55=59, 1:59:17
 Uli Klinke, 2nd, M70-74, 2:04:37
 Tucker Siegfried, 16th, M35-39, 2:10:04
 Valisa Saunders, 5th, W55-59, 2:19:32
 Kelsey Chuckovich, 11th, W40-44, 2:22:32
 Candes Meijide Gentry, water fin division, 1:25:36
 Corin Gentry, water fin division, 1:27:01

North Shore 5K Swim

9/10/16

Stefan Reinke, 1st, 55-59, 1:12:15.9
 Kaya Terem, 1st, 25-29, 1:176:55.1
 Uli Klinke, 1st, 70-74, 1:27:09.6
 Diane Corn, 1st, 55-59, 1:27:15.1
 Valisa Saunders, 1st, 60-64, 1:48:37.7

Paddleboard

Hawaii Paddleboard Championship

Duke Race

8/27/16 Waikiki

Ethan Siegfried, 2nd, OC1, 1:08:26
 Heath Hemmings, 5th, OC1, 1:10:21
 Riley Kawananaokoa, 8th, OC1, 1:13:10
 Peter Cross, 13th, OC1, 1:15:53
 Keapo McKenney, 14th, OC1, 1:16:06

Travis Grant, 1st, SUP, 1:18:47
 Hunter Pflueger, 1st, Prone PB MU20 Stock, 1:29:34
 Trey Balding, 1st, Prone PB M20-39 Stock, 1:33:24
 Nat Yee, 2nd, Prone PB MU20 Stock, 1:36:50
 Billy Balding, 4th, Prone PB M40-54, Stock, 1:39:11
 Dolan Eversole, 3rd, SUP M40+, 1:39:42
 Hobey Moss, 5th, Prone PB MU20 Stock, 1:42:26

Members are invited to submit their results for this column. Email to occmag@aol.com or leave results at Front Desk.

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Distance Races

E Lau Hoe Canoe Race (Women)

9/11/16
 Maunaloa Bay to Nanakuli Beach Park
 Outrigger Canoe Club, 2nd, Overall, 4:10.45.67
 Outrigger Canoe Club, 1st, Koa, 6th Overall, 4:48.45.85

Henry Ayau Memorial Race (Men)

Maunaloa Bay to Nanakuli Beach Park
 9/18/16
 Outrigger Canoe Club, 4th Overall, 3:54.30.30
 Outrigger Canoe Club, 1st, Koa (Mike Beyer, Ryan Woodward, Cory Nakamura, Byron Ho, Max Solmsson, Naale Hafner, Deke Kilpatrick, Charles Meyer, Wilson Lau), 4:38.36.15
 Outrigger Canoe Club, 21st, Open, 4:43.26.46
 Outrigger Canoe Club, 3rd, Men 50, 5:07.22.60
 Outrigger Canoe Club, 4th, Juniors, 5:18.03.42

Who Knew?

By Barbara Del Piano

Total membership in the Outrigger Canoe Club was close to the 650 mark in 1942, including more than 413 regular members. The initiation fee was \$75. The Club issued guest cards to as many military people as could be accommodated, at very nominal fees.

Two of those 1942 members were Junior 'Riggers then and 74 years later are still on today's roster of members: Jane Wylie and Carol Remillard. Jane joined in January 1941 and Carol in June 1942.

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Employee of the Month

Ben Tishman

By Stephen Riede

Hau Terrace server Ben Tishman was chosen Employee of the Month for August.

Ben started at the Club last year in the kitchen and became a server in February. F & B Director David Brown states: "Ben started in the kitchen as a food runner and expeditor and has really put in the work. He has moved onto the Terrace as a server and has continued to improve every day. Ben is a real team player and hard worker and will do whatever is asked. He is a terrific addition to the OCC service team."

Ben is also a part-time surfing instructor for the Hans Hedemann Surf School, where he worked prior to coming to the Club. He loves surfing and all ocean activities. Congratulations Ben!

ON THE COVER: Hobey Moss was named winner of the John McMahon Perpetual Trophy as Junior Surfer of the Year. See story on page 7. Photo by Marilyn Kali.

newmembers



Joanie Berger
Nonresident



Gabriel El Hajji
Junior



Hiroko Eovino
Regular



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Junior



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BOARD BRIEFS

Board Briefs is taken from the minutes of the September 29, 2016 meeting of the Outrigger Canoe Club Board of Directors.

Athletic Controller: Prior to the beginning of the meeting, Anthony Hunt introduced the new Athletic Controller, Shannon Pelkey, to the Board. Fred Noa thanked the ad hoc committee for their diligence in the hiring process for this position.

Admissions: Coordinating Director Serge Krivatsy reported that the A & M committee is looking at ways to attract new regular member candidates as the waiting list is dwindling. He also noted that they are developing an exit questionnaire for members who resign to better understand the reasons for their resignation.

Membership Count: The Membership count was 4,855 as of August 31, 2016.

Nominating Committee: The Board approved the Nominating Committee for the 2017 Board of Directors Election: Jon Whittington, Chair; Diana Allen and Brad Totherov.

Historical Committee: The Board approved an \$1,800 line item transfer from the OCC Historical Website budget to the Winged "O" sub-committee for restoration of photographs and other expenses for the production of a new Winged "O" trophy.

Vice-President Operations: Anthony Hunt reported on a plan to combine the Annual Meeting and the Mahalo party for committee members. He is examining the requirements for the meeting. A video presentation highlighting the past year is being planned by the Member Relations Committee. Looking into agenda adjustments to streamline the meeting.

Treasurer: Projections have declined somewhat. F & B is slower, but still better than 2015. Beach & Fitness is higher than budgeted, partially due to the new Athletic Controller position. Administrative numbers are higher due to costs associated with the hiring of a new General Manager. Utilities continue to be better than budget.

Board Policy Changes: The Board approved the following changes to Board Policy as recommended by the Ad Hoc By-Laws/Board Policy Committee:

3.1 President and President Elect. Pursuant to Bylaws Section 10, the following procedures shall apply to the election of the President-Elect, and, where necessary, for the President.

3.1.1. Elections will be held for both the President and President-elect in years where a President-elect has either not been previously elected or the current President-elect will not be assuming the Presidency for some reason, and therefore both positions need to be filled. If the President-elect is going to assume the Presidency, then the election will be only for the new President-elect as it is the only position open.

3.1.2. **Candidate Qualifications.** In order to be an eligible candidate for either President or President-elect, the following qualifications apply:

1. Candidates must have served on the Board for at least three years and be entering their fourth year of service minimum
2. Candidates must have served at least one year on the Executive Committee

3.1.3. **Election Oversight.** The oversight of the nominations of candidates as well as the voting process will be administered by Management as defined earlier.

3.1.4. **Nominations.** A list of all Board Members who meet the qualifications to become candidates shall be submitted by the Board of Directors in the December board meeting via a sealed document to Management. Nominations will be specific to President and/or President-elect as appropriate and needed for the specific situation. Management will confirm with the executive office that the nominees are duly qualified. Management will contact the qualified nominees to ascertain their willingness to serve in the open position(s).

3.1.5. **Balloting.** Management will prepare the final ballot, which will contain a list of the names of all qualified candidates who have indicated a willingness to serve in the open position. The names shall be listed in alphabetical order, with no further information about the candidates. The Board of Directors shall be notified of the names of those candidates on the list no later than 14 days prior to the January board meeting.

3.1.6. **Voting.** The vote will take place at the January board meeting via a closed ballot with a representative of Management present. Board members will vote for their President candidate and/or President-elect candidate as appropriate for the given year. If the current President-elect is going to be assuming the Presidency in the following year, then the election will only be for the new President-elect. Management will announce the results of the vote to the Board of Directors following the conclusion of the January board meeting.

3.2 Other Officers. All other officer positions set forth in Section 10 of the Bylaws shall be appointed by the incoming President, subject to ratification by the Board.

Bylaw Changes: Jon Steiner reviewed possible options for Bylaw changes in 2017.

Discussion topics included:

- Revising the timing of the election to better integrate Board members and Coordinating Director assignments. Results of the election would be tabulated two weeks before the Annual meeting rather than the day before.

- Annual Meeting date moved up by two weeks, with the possibility of a Bylaw change to allow the date to be set within the first 60 days of the calendar year.

- Nomination process.

- Length of terms for the BOD members for better continuity.

All topics are still being discussed by the Board before recommendations are made to the membership.

Operations Report: Positive feedback on F&B service and food quality. . . Koa Lanai and Hau Terrace food costs are higher. Weather and low margin events have contributed to higher costs. Projected sales are ahead of budget. . . Snack Shop sales are down. Breakfast in Koa Lanai has impacted Snack Shop breakfast sales. . . New concrete ramp from Koa Lanai down to the Ka Mo'i Boathouse will take about a month. . . Beams in Hau Terrace will be replaced over the next few weeks. . . Lighting repair in Hau Terrace in progress. . . Spalling work in the shower area and beach office wall starts October 10. . . Logo Shop lighting and mirror for Fitness Center are also on the project list. . . Club phone App is in progress. Working on implementing an Events and Reservations modules. Beacons have been set up to track participating members on site. . . Parking lot attendant will be getting an iPad to look up members. . . Northstar website upgraded to improve the administrative side. . . Paperless statements for members on automatic payment will start November 1.

Buildings & Grounds: The Board reviewed upcoming budget requests for the front drive entrance and lobby ceiling. . . Stamped concrete has been recommended to replace the asphalt. . . Ceiling replacement similar to the wood ceiling in Duke Room. . . Landscaping update is also being considered.

Athletics: Rick Humphreys reported that sleds on Whalers have been implemented for safely boarding the boats. . . Working with Shannon Pelkey to meet with all of the Athletic Committee chairs. . . The Board discussed the floating ramps and the non-utilization for the intended purpose of canoe storage. Will look to see if repositioning them would be practical to make them more useful.

House Report: Parking survey questions are written. Should be implemented in October. . . Logo Shop selling less, but with more of a margin. Need to fine-tune product selection. . . Working on holiday promotions. . . Developing protocol for purchasing product from OCC members. . . Looking at ways to better communicate House rules to the membership.

Long Range Planning: Beach/Seawall/Groins. Pearl Harbor T-groins have been very successful in sand retention. Exploring ways to work with Elk's and Colony Surf to move forward with installing T-groins in this area or work with the City to be a part of a larger Waikiki project. . . Ala Wai clean-up project participation is also worth exploring. . . Goal to install new chairs in dining areas by February 2017. . . Exploring the potential of installing a second bar in the Koa Lanai.

Senior 'Riggers: Senior 'Riggers is continuing to make progress. Book club and exercise class are in progress.

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